## Make Disciples: Bolder in personal testimony

READ Romans 10

# "And how can they believe in him if they have never heard about him? And how can they hear about him unless someone tells them?"

Whilst we are reasonably good at being visible in our community and have a good reputation with people outside the church community, we sense that the numbers of people coming to faith are lower than they should be.



By 2020, we will have grown into people living lives of love, care and integrity and act more like Jesus within Godmanchester and beyond so that our lives will give weight to our words as we deliberately speak about Jesus in everyday ways.

#### What are the priorities?

What would help you build relationships in which sharing testimony can be natural and routine?

What responses have you had from others when speaking about your faith? What place does the fear of or experience of negative responses discourage any commitment to see people come to faith in Christ?

In what ways do you think you are deskilled in sharing your faith? Would you be open to skilling up?

Where else in Godmanchester and beyond would you be interested in making a difference?

#### What's the path from here to there?

We hope we will value and affirm people and small groups whose primary focus is to build relationships outside of GBC. How could we do this?

How could you reallocate your time to give greater opportunities to meet others? What would have to change at GBC to enable this to happen?

At GBC events, how could you speak to someone you don't know before you speak to those you do?

### **Romans Edge**

Currently our thinking is that

- 1. We will encourage people to move onto the estate and form a missional community.
- 2. We will explore ways of providing investment opportunities to place key people on the estate.
- 3. We will work closely with sales staff to make links with new people.
- 4. We will use the new community space at the school for some activities as appropriate.

What do you think about these objectives and in what ways will they make a difference to you?