

## Reflections on Mark of Mission # 1

### From Group # 1

#### Proclaiming the Good News of the Kingdom

#### 1. What does this mark challenge us to do?

For a long time the Church has been viewed as outdated and out of touch with what is happening. This Mark challenges us to think outside the box. It challenges us to think of innovative ways to gain people's interest in hearing the Good News of the Kingdom and in turn become more involved in the life and mission of the Church.

How has our church been carrying out this mission	What can we do to improve (enhance, revise, discontinue) our work in this mark of mission	What recommendation can you make to engage youth in this mark?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Open Air Services: reach out to people in their environment</li> <li>• Community Fellowship Day: reaches out to those new in the area, those who have left the church and those un-churched</li> <li>• Mission Services</li> <li>• Bible study</li> <li>• Church's presence being felt in the community</li> <li>• Use of various forms of media</li> <li>• 'Each One Reach One' Program. ( one on one evangelism)</li> <li>• Youth Fellowship Drive: Youth encouraged to invite others to youth meeting</li> <li>• Parenting Day Program: Provides support and counseling to parents and those contemplating marriage</li> <li>• Sermons</li> <li>• Music: Use of cultural forms of music</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pool gifts/talents/abilities</li> <li>• Invite people to church</li> <li>• More teaching/workshops on the church</li> <li>• Members being more intentional about learning the Anglican faith.</li> <li>• Better understand our environment</li> <li>• Sermons need to be more relevant to their communities (delivery is important)</li> <li>• Better prepared sermons</li> <li>• Clergy attire has to be clean (presentation is important)</li> <li>• Use of more technology</li> <li>• People exercising more positive lifestyle including the clergy</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Engage the youth. Find out their needs</li> <li>• Involve them more in the mass and the work of the church</li> <li>• More communication. Filtering information down</li> <li>• Leaders and adults should be more welcoming of the youth. Embrace them and give them a sense of belonging</li> <li>• Teach/Train youth. Equip them for service in the church. This would aid with succession</li> <li>• Mentoring Program</li> </ul>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Use of gifts/talents in worship and service to God. Ex. Ushering, dancing, drama, etc.</li><li>• Motorcade/procession of witness</li><li>• Family Sunday: Instead of the various Sunday morning services, there is one special combined service. Members invite their families to worship with them. Members participate in service as a family. Sermon or special teaching is focused on the family</li><li>• Prison Ministry</li><li>• Hospital Visitation</li><li>• Bereavement Ministry</li></ul>		
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