



Riverstone

BAPTIST CHURCH

Mission Policy

Purpose: Our church is committed to cross cultural mission. We believe that the gospel is such good news that it propels us out into the world to proclaim by word and deed the good news of the gospel. (Matthew 28:19-20, Acts 1:8 & Mark 1:17) Whilst we believe that this mission has both a local and global dimension, this policy is concerned with cross-cultural missions and how we chose to partner with others in fulfilling that mission. The idea of the policy is to create for us a clear process in making decisions about whom we will partner with and on what basis we will make that decision.

Vision: As a church community, we aim to:

1. Play a part in introducing people to Jesus Christ.
2. Identify cross cultural workers and encourage all church participants to partner in cross cultural mission by going, giving, praying, caring and learning.
3. Financially, prayerfully and practically support identified cross cultural workers and organisations.
4. Be good stewards of the resources God has given us by careful discernment in how we go about choosing those we partner with.

How we will go about choosing who we partner with in global mission?

Before entering into partnership with individual mission partners Riverstone Baptist Church will:

- Ensure that those mission partners are a part of a credible mission organisation and our support of them is tied to their ongoing partnership with that / or another credible mission.
- Ensure that mission has a clear commitment to the welfare of its workers.
- Ensure that mission has values and doctrinal beliefs that are in alignment with those of the church.
- Ensure that the mission partner has a regular and consistent commitment to communication with the church.
- Pray for wisdom and seek the church's approval.

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