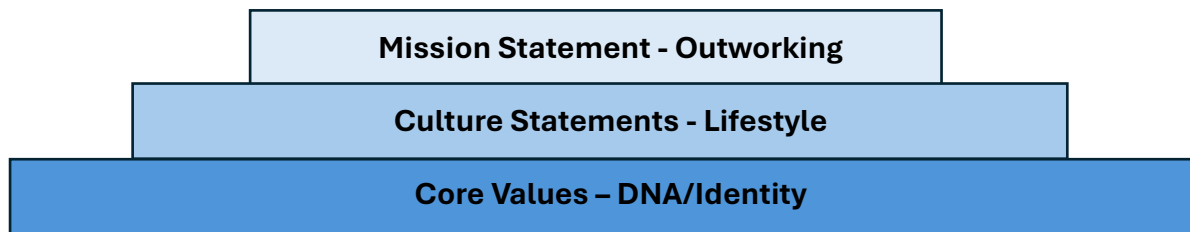


Building Blocks of Church: Values, Culture and Mission

At Ruwach, we have adopted core values, culture statements and a mission statement as building blocks in the church.



- Our **core values** are right at the foundation of who we are. These speak of our DNA, our identity as a church
- Our **culture statements** are the six characteristics of a healthy church culture that were our emphasis for 2024. These speak about the kinds of lives that we intend to live
- Our **mission statement** is the outworking of the church – what we should naturally see if we are effectively living out our core values and culture statements.

Our Core Values:

Our values are summed up best in the phrase 'loving God, loving people' and with these eight values here we have expanded on what that actually means at Ruwach.

Devotion: We are devoted to God, to the Bible, to prayer, to breaking of bread, to worship and to meeting with each other. (Acts 2:42; Hebrews 10:24-25)

Growth: Personal and spiritual growth is a natural result of being found in Christ. (Mark 4:26-29; Ephesians 2:19-21; Ephesians 4:15-16)

Family: We are a family church; we believe in supporting and encouraging families, and we view each other as spiritual family. (Romans 12:10; 1 Timothy 5:1-2)

Mission: Our mission is to proclaim the gospel and advance the Kingdom of God. (Matthew 28:18-20; Acts 1:8)

Community: We love Haywards Heath and actively look for ways in which we can show the love of God to our community by meeting needs. (Matthew 22:37-39; Matthew 25:35-40)

Empowering Leadership: True leadership does not draw attention to itself but seeks to serve and empowers others to be all they can be in Christ. (Luke 22:24-26)

Excellence: We want to be the best version of ourselves that we can be and so seek to excel in using the gifts God has given us to build up the church. (1 Corinthians 14:12; 2 Corinthians 8:7)

Holy Spirit: We aim to cultivate the fruit of the Spirit, eagerly desire the gifts of the Spirit and seek to be led by the Spirit in all that we do (Romans 8:14; 1 Corinthians 14:1; Galatians 5:22-23)

Our Culture Statements:

- Slowed-down Spirituality
- Living and Leading with Integrity
- Beneath-the-surface Discipleship
- Healthy Community
- Passionate Marriages and Singleness
- Every Person in Full-time Ministry.

Our Mission Statement:

Our mission is to restore communities by bringing people to Jesus, seeing them:

