

ST GEORGE, STALYBRIDGE *LOOKING AHEAD*

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	Identified in our open meeting in July	Progress as at November PCC
WORSHIP The Church exists to increase awareness of God's presence and to celebrate God's love	1. Music as well as organ before start of/during service 2. Occasional Taizé chants during prayers (cf Jesus Remember Me)	Improve time of quiet at start of service Setting up of 'Uncommon Worship Group', also linked to work with children
LEARNING & CARING The Church exists to help people to grow and learn as Christians, through mutual support and care	3. 'Taster Day' to explore our gifts and to try something new. ' <i>Gifts that Differ</i> ' (Roms 12.6) 4. Identify learning needs and develop our learning opportunities – Bible study, Christian basics etc ✱ 5. Develop our pastoral care skills	Proposed for 5 th February 5 session course run on Gospels & Full Monty OLM Profile approved
SERVICE The Church exists to be a good neighbour to people in need and to challenge injustice	6. Develop a ministry to people at work, relating faith and work (including Town Centre). ✱ 7. Development of 'community centre' activities at St Georges – computing, adult education classes, links with RASH – incl. ministry to older people - lunch club? 8. Develop youth work with RASH – possible placement of students from Chester College Christian Youth Work Course? 9. Ministry to bereaved people through follow-up to funerals	Possible adult education opportunities from January 2005 Thursday Group developing – recently made CD Proposed course on 'Who Cares - Bereavement' with St John's Hurst, 4 Wednesdays beginning January 12
EVANGELISM The Church exists to make more followers of Jesus Christ	10. Develop our contact and work with young families and children ✱ 11. Improve our baptism/marriage preparation and follow-up (anniversary cards for both). 12. Develop links with local schools – including Westhill (Christian discussion group?)	OLM Profile approved Children's Fun Day 'Fruit and Veg Olympics' Visits from Yr 6 Ridge Hill School Arlies School Choir to Harvest Sunday Clergy link established with Samuel Laycock School