## Transforming Opawa Baptist



So, we commit ourselves under the Lordship of Jesus in the power of the Spirit, to be God's people who gather and worship in this place. Therefore, we will: Opawa Baptist Church's purpose, in common with every Christian church, is to be the junior partner in God's mission of — saving a people (Eph 1); transforming us into God's likeness (Col 3:4; Phil 1:6); and drawing us into the loving life of God (2 Peter 1:4)

Walk together through life, looking out for each other along the way through —

- Building a safe small group life, in which we nurture each other's spiritual growth (2 Tim 2:2)
- Growing relationships between the generations
- Christian teaching that positively impacts on our daily lives, and spurs us to grow spiritually in every aspect of Christian living (2 Tim 3:16)
- Loving each other so that people will know that we are followers of Jesus (John 13:34–35)

Build bridges into our world, to bring God's love to those who don't yet know God by —

- Equipping and encouraging each other for mission in our homes, neighborhoods, schools and workplaces (Heb 10:24)
- Supporting and sending our Tranzsend mission workers and our people working both here and overseas, with encouragement, prayer and finance
- Getting to know the people who live in our church's neighbourhood

## Be a worshipping people —

- Having a sense of anticipation and expectancy in our corporate worship, for what god will do among us.
- Creating a legacy for the future with no debt, significant passive income and a multi-purpose building and community facility.

- That make space for those who feel themselves to be outsiders, especially people parenting alone and people who live locally
- Who are finding our spiritual confidence as priests to each other and our world, so that we might all contribute to God's mission (1 Peter 2:5-9)
- With both the faith to pray and the spiritual courage to act (Neh 4:9)
- Who work through our conflicts and disagreements in a loving and honest way (Col 3:13)