

# **B.C.C. YOUTH WORK END OF YEAR REPORT 2005/2006**

## **Introduction**

Last year, I said that ENERGY's ministry would be characterised by fruitfulness in 2005/2006 (Genesis 26: 12) and as I look back at all God has been doing amongst us I have not been disappointed. Many of the Youth have activated their gifts and got stuck into ministry whether that be running a LIFE Group session, performing in the Dance Team, completing STEP3, working on the Youth Alpha Team and more. In addition to this, our commitment to evangelism goes unabated and we continue to support the Young People in their endeavours by running high quality, relevant bridge-building events which help young people see and hear the Good News.

## **Assessment**

The vision of ENERGY is linked to the 'One Good Loaf' vision of the Church and it is outworked by working our way up each step of commitment of the Spiritual Growth Ladder. Attached to this is an assessment of the 'BREAD' vision. It highlights much of what God has achieved in the last year and shows the areas that we will be looking to develop in 2006/2007. These are not set in stone; they simply provide some direction and vision for the year ahead. Whatever happens we must be led by the Spirit of God.

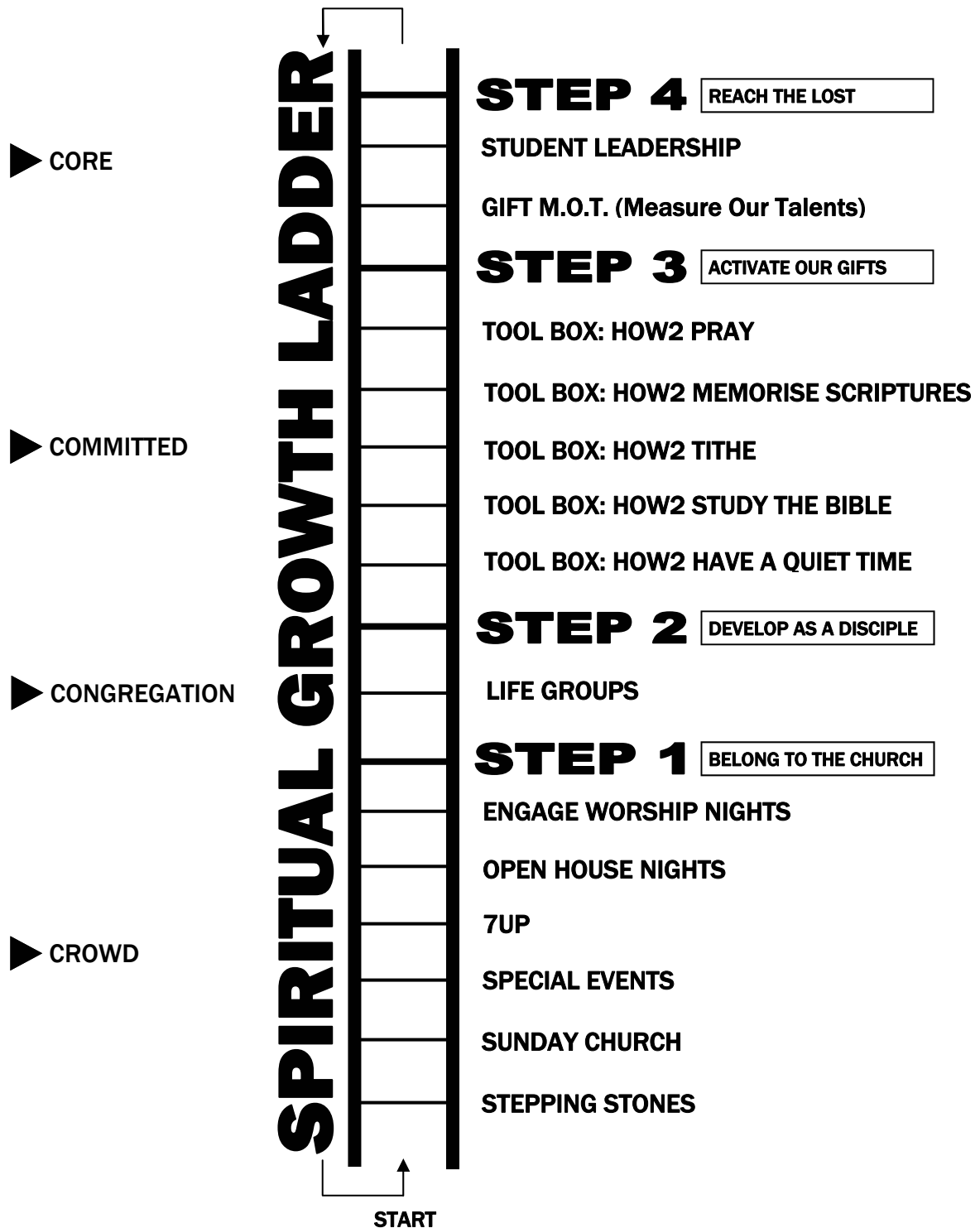
## **Next Year**

There is much to look forward to in the new academic year. From September, we have six new Year 7s joining us and more of the older teens will be taking on the responsibility for LIFE groups. In January 2007 we want to see many non-Christian Guests come and join us for our evangelistic weekend away at Hill House Christian Centre for an action-packed time of games, activities and time together responding to God. I feel we need to stir up more of a flow of Holy-Spirit led prayer and this will be linked to praying for this weekend away too.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the excellent Team I have working with the Young People, especially Sue Hall who does an excellent job supporting me as well as overseeing the Girls' LIFE Groups this year. Please keep praying for all of us!

James Hennah / August 2006

ps. we offer a monthly Youth Prayer Letter – if you would like to support us, please sign up with Jill Perry. Thanks.



## THE BCC YOUTH WILL:

- B** - BELONG to the Church (*FELLOWSHIP: Ephesians 2:19*)
- R** - REACH the Lost (*EVANGELISM: Matthew 28:18-20*)
- E** - ENGAGE with God (*WORSHIP: Matthew 22:37, Romans 12:1*)
- A** - ACTIVATE our Gifts (*MINISTRY: Romans 12:4-8, James 1:17*)
- D** - DEVELOP as Disciples (*DISCIPLESHIP: 1 Corinthians 9:24-25*)

**MISSION: '500 young people in 5 years'**

	VISION	2005/2006	2006/2007	COMMENTS
BELONG TO CHURCH (FELLOWSHIP)	<b>B</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10 y/p completed STEP1 in Oct05.</li> <li>4 LIFE groups have run for 19 sessions, led by 7 leaders, with 26 committed y/p (ie have done STEP1)</li> <li>Content: Peer-led/Group led sessions, as well as a 4-part series on activating gifts.</li> <li>5 y/p baptised (Nov05)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Integrate new Year 7s and any new Christians into LIFE Groups.</li> <li>Boys' LIFE Groups to be re-structured and run by older teens.</li> </ul>	<i>LIFE Groups continue to be very effective, providing a smaller group setting for pastoral care, accountability and spiritual growth. It will be exciting to see the older boys taking on LIFE Group responsibilities in September.</i>
REACH THE LOST (EVANGELISM)	<b>R</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Soccer Sunday (Oct05): 22 y/p (13 Guests)</li> <li>Swim Night (Nov05): c. 40 y/p (17 Guests)</li> <li>Christmas Unwrapped (Dec05): c. 30 young people (5 Guests and 1 born again).</li> <li>Quiz Night (Feb06): 37 y/p (18 Guests)</li> <li>Orienteering Night (Mar06): 30 y/p (11 Guests)</li> <li>Youth Alpha (Feb-May06): 2 Guests</li> <li>Summer Social (July06): 44 Y/P (14 Guests)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hill House Weekend (19-21 Jan): an evangelistic activities-based weekend, ideal for Guests.</li> <li>Run another Christmas service aimed at non-Christians</li> <li>Establish close ties with the newly re-launched 7UP group, led by Tim Leaman.</li> </ul>	<i>This has been a very busy year of outreach and we have run a number of successful events that have helped us build relationships with Guests. Many of the youth have said it is much 'easier' to invite friends along to events and share their faith.</i>
ENGAGE WITH GOD (WORSHIP)	<b>E</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Very high attendance from Young People on Sundays</li> <li>3 Youth Worship Workshops (Mar06): 12 y/p attended each time.</li> <li>More y/p involved in playing in adult worship team, attending practices and ministering on Sundays.</li> <li>Y/P involved in leading times of worship in LIFE Groups and during ENGAGE evenings.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Establish a youth worship band to minister at youth events and appropriate adult meetings.</li> <li>Create more opportunities for y/p to participate in running worship times in LIFE Groups/Engage</li> </ul>	<i>This is one area of the Youth work vision that does not have specific steps associated with it. The reason for this is that worship is a way of life, not just a series of meetings to be attended.</i>
ACTIVATE OUR GIFTS (MINISTRY)	<b>A</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Direct Dance/Acting: 20 practices, 12 members. Performed at 4 events including Crossways Festival.</li> <li>STEP3 (Mar06): 22 y/p involved.</li> <li>3 special LIFE Skills workshops on Basic Listening Skills, Preaching &amp; Powerpoint and Leading A Bible Study attended by approx 10 y/p each time.</li> <li>5 y/p involved in running Youth Alpha</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete GIFT MOTs with y/p who have completed STEP3.</li> <li>Provide training and support to new LIFE Group Leaders</li> <li>Further develop Direct Dance and Direct Acting.</li> </ul>	<i>This year has seen more young people than ever activating their gifts and getting involved in activities ranging from Youth Alpha to our Dance/Drama Teams, to leading LIFE Groups and more. It has been wonderful to see.</i>
DEVELOP AS DISCIPLES	<b>D</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All HOW2 Packs (Prayer, Tithing, Quiet Time, Bible Study &amp; Memorise Scripture) now available with CD and Workbook.</li> <li>2 y/p completed STEP2 (Oct05).</li> <li>HOW2 Clinic attended by 14 y/p, helping them to complete the HOW2 Packs.</li> <li>A few have attended Sat morning prayer meetings</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>See y/p people develop their prayer lives. We will run a 24-7 prayer initiative aimed at focussing y/p on prayer and linking this to the Hill House weekend.</li> <li>Provide practical help to y/p doing the HOW2Packs.</li> </ul>	<i>Discipleship has always been an important part of ENERGY. STEP2 and the HOW2 Packs provide simple, basic teaching that helps each young person take measurable, discipleship steps.</i>