

# HIGHLAND MENNONITE BRETHREN CHURCH OUR MISSION, CORE VALUES, VISION

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<b>Our Mission</b>	Our mission is to follow Jesus Christ and help others know, love, and serve Him
<b>Our Core Values</b> 1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8.	by being worshipful, humble, biblical, relational, sacrificial, invitational, transformational, and influential
<b>Our Vision</b>	until our neighbours and their neighbours are in a growing relationship with Jesus Christ.

Our Core Values - Detailed		
Adjective	Phrase	Description
<b>1. worshipful</b>	Unreserved <u>Devotion</u> to God	Description: Our primary focus is on God and our relationship with Him. Focus: reaching UP Scriptures: Mark 12:30
<b>2. humble</b>	Humble <u>Submission</u> to Our Lord Jesus Christ	Description: Our primary allegiance is to the Lord Jesus Christ. We humbly follow Him knowing that He is leading us deeper into life abundant and eternal. Focus: reaching UP, OUT, DEEP Scriptures: Luke 9:23
<b>3. biblical</b>	Faithful <u>Obedience</u> to God's Word	Description: Our primary knowledge of God and His work is from His Word to us. We study and seek to understand and apply the Bible in community and individually. Focus: reaching DEEP, UP, OUT Scriptures: 2 Timothy 3:15-17
<b>4. relational</b>	Authentic <u>Relationship</u> to Others	Description: God calls us into Church community of which Jesus is the head and where the Holy Spirit is active. This community is built and strengthened through our love for one another expressed in our attitudes and actions toward everyone. We value unity; where divisions occur we work toward reconciliation. Focus: reaching IN, DEEP, OUT Scriptures: Philippians 2:1-5

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<b>5. sacrificial</b>	Caring <u>Service</u> to Others	<p>Description: The Holy Spirit gifts every Christian with spiritual abilities designed for the building up of the Church body “so that the whole body is healthy and growing and full of love” (Eph. 4:16). We lovingly serve one another according to our giftedness for the well-being of everyone.</p> <p>Focus: reaching IN, DEEP, OUT</p> <p>Scriptures: Ephesians 4:11-16; 1 Corinthians 12; Galatians 5:13-14</p>
<b>6. invitational</b>	Intentional <u>Engagement</u> with Neighbours (both near and far)	<p>Description: We desire to bless others outside our Church community by testifying in word and deed to the gospel of Jesus Christ. We desire to see our “neighbours” – whether <i>near</i> the Church building or congregants, or <i>far</i> from us requiring that we go to them – be reconciled with God and join Christ’s Church community.</p> <p>Focus: reaching OUT</p> <p>Scriptures: Matthew 28:18-20; Genesis 12:1-3</p>
<b>7. transformational</b>	Incremental Discipling of Congregants	<p>Description: We desire to see congregants of all ages continue to mature spiritually so that they are ever better able to faithfully follow Jesus Christ. As they are equipped we release them into gifted ministry for the benefit of all.</p> <p>Focus: reaching DEEP, IN</p> <p>Scriptures: Ephesians 4:11-16; Colossians 1:27-28</p>
<b>8. influential</b>	Faithful <u>Leadership</u> of the Church	<p>Description: Spiritually gifted, mature, and trained men and women who lead with humility and care for the sake of the well-being and growth of the whole Church community and in accordance with our vision and mission. The congregation supports and encourages the leadership “so that their work will be a joy, not a burden” (Heb. 13:17).</p> <p>Focus: reaching IN, DEEP</p> <p>Scriptures: Romans 12:8; Ephesians 4:11-12; 1 Thessalonians 5:12-13; 1 Timothy 3:1-12</p>