

What your church can do

- Work in a partnership with other local churches – Baptist churches and ecumenical partners
- Host a mission team in your partnership
- Raise and send a mission team or individuals, to serve in another part of the North East
- Join in with a series of training events and programmes organised by the NBA across the region
- Encourage your whole church to take the opportunity to be involved in sharing faith in the workplace, neighbourhood, social and community groups

Jesus commanded his followers to make disciples. He calls us to the privilege of sharing in his life-transforming work in the world. He gives us the wonderful gift of his Spirit to empower us, and fellow disciples to share in his exciting mission. God is powerful and working in our communities. There are people in our neighbourhoods who are seeking him. We hope and expect that 'Northern Light' will give all our churches an opportunity to experience God working through the whole congregation to see more of the coming of his Kingdom.

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19 - 22 September 2019

An extended weekend of faith sharing and Gospel presentation in word and deed across the NBA region



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Northern Light is an extended weekend of evangelistic mission based in local churches, resourced by the NBA. We are hoping to have more than a dozen mission teams serving groups of churches around our region. We invite every NBA church to partner in this mission.

Aims

- To engage all NBA churches in evangelistic mission
- To see people coming to faith and being discipled
- To deepen people's confidence in faith sharing
- To develop resources and strengthen our partnerships
- To be a stimulus for further ongoing mission

Principles

- Outward-looking, engaging beyond the walls of the church
- Creative and innovative

- Holistic mission with the aim of personal and community transformation
- Partnership and collaboration, growing relationships within the NBA and beyond
- Building for a longer-term missional future
- Providing an experience of evangelistic mission for all
- Making mission engaging, natural and fun

Process

- **Autumn 2018:** Discuss Northern Light in your church and (we hope!) decide to partner in this mission; discuss with other local churches about partnering together
- **January 2019:** Regional vision event. Deadline at the end of the month for signing up for Northern Light
- **Spring 2019:** Planning your programme for the weekend; training in evangelism
- **Summer 2019:** Prayer programme and allocation of mission teams; events and activities to build relationships in local communities
- **September 2019:** Final preparations, launch event and mission weekend
- **Autumn 2019:** Programme of follow-up, discipleship, ongoing mission in local churches