




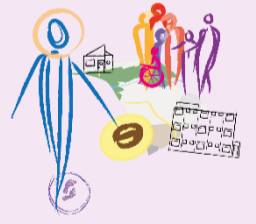












## Stepwise Faith-filled Community – Stream Outline



Group Session number	Session Title	Session summary	By the end of this session...
 <p><b>Session 0</b></p>	<b>Come Inside</b>	Introduces activities and ideas and preparation for the sessions ahead	<p>By the end of Come Inside you will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• have a clear idea of what is included in this stream</li> <li>• feel confident about how to access the materials and resources you need for the Faith-Filled Community stream</li> <li>• thought about 'community' and 'communities' and which communities you are a part of</li> </ul>
 <p><b>Session 1 (2 hours)</b></p>	<b>Getting to know your communities and neighbourhoods</b>	Introduces key themes and topics and how to explore the communities that you belong to	<p>By the end of session 1 you will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• have a good awareness of the communities that you are part of</li> <li>• have learned how to discover more about your communities by using a variety of research methods</li> </ul>
 <p><b>Session 2 (2 hours)</b></p>	<b>Listening to your communities and neighbourhoods</b>	Equips you to understand and listen to your neighbourhoods and communities more deeply and learn the practise of reflecting on what you see and hear	<p>By the end of session 2 you will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• understand more about where people meet in your neighbourhood.</li> <li>• feel confident to make new connections and have useful conversations.</li> <li>• have tools to help you listen well and find out what God means to people in your neighbourhood and communities.</li> </ul>
	<b>Meet with mentor</b>	<b>Your mentor will have received notes from you or your facilitator on sessions 1 and 2</b>	
 <p><b>Session 3 (2 hours)</b></p>	<b>Mission – The Call</b>	Encourages you to consider your own sense of calling and how you respond, as well as thinking about how you can help others discern their calling too	<p>By the end session 3 of you will have:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• learned to recognise, listen to and respond to, even if at times reluctantly, the call of God</li> <li>• thought about some of the plans that God might have for you</li> <li>• identified how other people have experienced call and how this relates to your own calling</li> <li>• thought about our church's collective vision of how God is leading us</li> </ul>
 <p><b>Session 4 (2 hours)</b></p>	<b>Mission – The Practice</b>	Encourages you to consider your own understanding of the gospel and help you to think about how you can communicate that to others.	<p>By the end of session 4 you will have:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• thought about how to put the call to mission into practice</li> <li>• explored ways you can become better prepared and equipped to share the good news</li> <li>• considered your own understanding of the gospel</li> <li>• thought about how you can communicate the gospel</li> </ul>
	<b>Meet with mentor</b>	<b>Your mentor will have received notes from you or your facilitator on sessions 3 and 4</b>	
 <p><b>Session 5 (2 hours)</b></p>	<b>Flourishing Communities</b>	Helps you understand the value and importance of healthy and flourishing communities and neighbourhoods.	<p>By the end of session 5 you will have:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• identified the ingredients that contribute to healthy and happy neighbourhoods</li> <li>• a clear understanding of what a flourishing neighbourhood and a healthy community look like to you.</li> <li>• reflected on how God can be identified in your vision and</li> <li>• suggested ways in which to work towards making this vision a reality</li> </ul>

 <p><b>Session 6 (2 hours)</b></p>	<p><b>Building Communities</b></p>	<p>Looks at why we should be present and engaged in neighbourhoods and with communities and the importance of doing things with and not for people.</p>	<p>By the end of session 6 you will have:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• thought about your motivation for building community and being involved in community activities.</li> <li>• understood the importance of doing things 'with' people rather than doing things 'to' people, in order to build community.</li> <li>• recognised the importance of looking at 'what's strong rather than what's wrong' in a neighbourhood in order to build community.</li> <li>• recognised the importance of networking and partnerships in order to develop communities.</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Meet with mentor</b></p>	<p>Your mentor will have received notes from you or your facilitator on sessions 5 and 6</p>	
 <p><b>Session 7 (2 hours)</b></p>	<p><b>Communities of Justice</b></p>	<p>Helps you explore the kind of justice God loves and discover how Christians work for justice in their communities.</p>	<p>By the end of session 7 you will have:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• explored different ideas of justice/injustice in the Bible</li> <li>• reflected on your own ideas about justice/injustice</li> <li>• thought about how a Christian organisation can be a positive agent for justice.</li> </ul>
 <p><b>Session 8 (2 hours)</b></p>	<p><b>Creating Communities of Justice</b></p>	<p>Equips you to research, plan and see how you can put in to practice a group venture to reduce injustice in a community around you.</p>	<p>By the end of session 8 you will have:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• researched a need within a specific community or neighbourhood</li> <li>• discussed that need and ways (if any) it is currently being addressed</li> <li>• developed strategies for reducing injustice in that community or neighbourhood</li> <li>• worked collaboratively to plan and carry out a group project which should have measurable success</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Meet with mentor</b></p>	<p>Your mentor will have received notes from you or your facilitator on sessions 7 and 8</p>	
 <p><b>Session 9 (2 hours)</b></p>	<p><b>Growing Christian Communities</b></p>	<p>Encourages you to think further about church as community, what it means to 'be' church and to begin to explore new ways of being church that are authentic and contextual.</p>	<p>By the end of session 9 you will have:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• explored and appreciated the essentials of what makes a community a church.</li> <li>• considered the purpose of church including <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ What is church and who is church for?</li> <li>○ Why do people go to church?</li> <li>○ Different models of church</li> <li>○ Measuring the 'success' of a church</li> <li>○ What makes church authentic?</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
 <p><b>Session 10 (2 hours)</b></p>	<p><b>Pioneering Christian Communities</b></p>	<p>Further investigates Pioneer ministry, reviews and evaluates the group project and the stream as a whole.</p>	<p>By the end of session 10 you will have:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• developed your knowledge and understanding of Pioneer ministry.</li> <li>• revisited the idea of the importance of developing relationships in the mission context.</li> <li>• become more aware of the diversity of Pioneering Christian communities,</li> <li>• understood the importance of being part of a team and networking</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Final Meeting with Mentor</b></p>	<p>Your mentor will have received notes from you or your facilitator on sessions 9 and 10</p>	