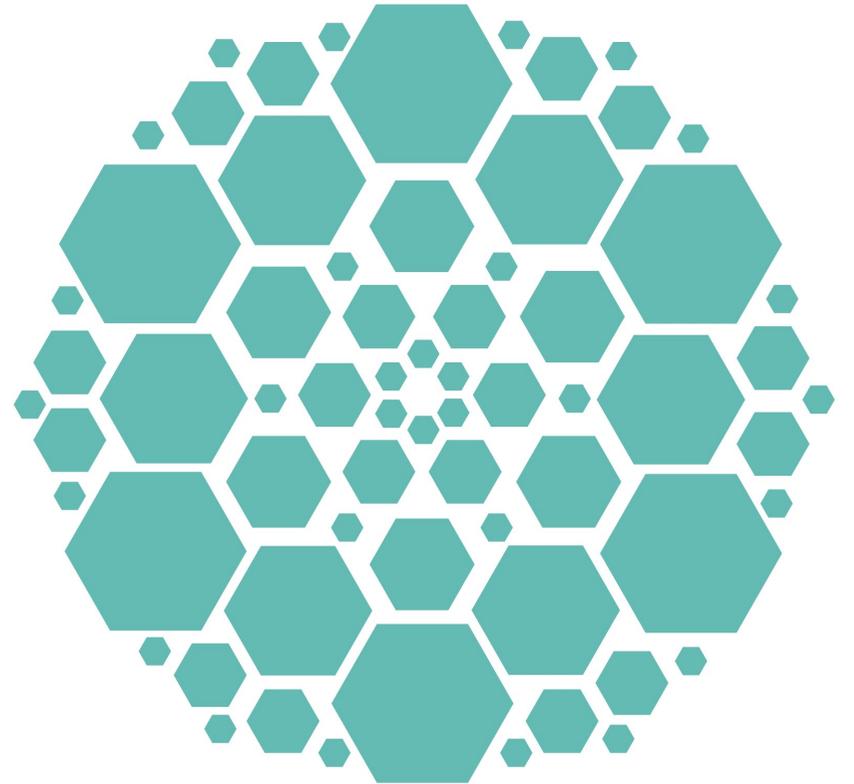
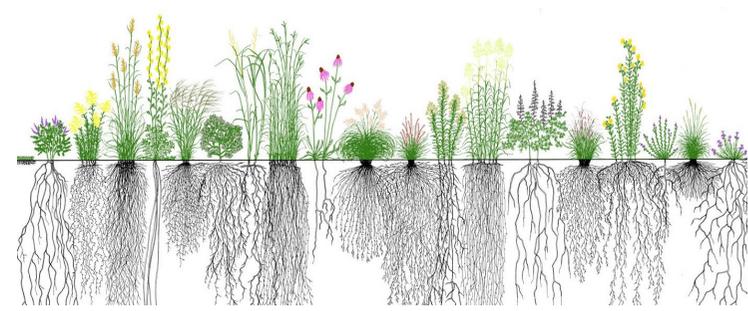


# Our Values



# Why we do what we do - Our Values



**The foundation of the building, the roots of the plant. Unseen, but their effect is seen and felt. Deeply held beliefs which guide everything else we do.**

**The pursuit of God** - we are hungry to know His presence, hear His voice, and follow hard after Him.  
*Psalm 63:1-3*

**Jesus** - He is the head of the Church, He runs the show. we desire that Jesus' love, mercy, grace, truth, purity, power and integrity become evident in our lives.  
*Ephesians 5:2*

**Led by the Holy Spirit** - we wait on Him for counsel, direction and inspiration. We wait for His power to come and lead wherever He wishes.  
*Galatians 5:5; Romans 8:14*

**The Bible** - we believe in the authority and accuracy of the Bible and rely on it for direction in lifestyle and doctrine.  
*2 Timothy 3:16,17*

**Worship** - being created to worship God we seek to do so in our lives and in contemporary, dynamic and personal music and art forms.  
*Hebrews 13:15, Psalm 42, John 4:24*

**Prayer** - the main way to communicate with God and often His primary way of accomplishing His purposes.  
*1 Thessalonians 5:16-18; Philippians 4:6*

**Healing** - with its roots in the Old Testament concept of shalom we seek God's healing in our lives: touching every part of us, physical, emotional, spiritual, social, economic and ecological.  
*Luke 4:18-19*

**Becoming a disciple** - of Jesus and leading others into discipleship.  
*Matthew 28:18-20*

**The Kingdom of God** - for God to be King in our lives and to see Him at work through signs and wonders throughout the world.  
*Mark 1:14,15*

**Integrity** - speaking the truth, dealing honestly, living upright lives.  
*Ephesians 4:15*

**Mercy** - God has been and is merciful to us in saving us and we will extend that mercy to others.  
*Colossians 3:12,13*

**Servant leadership** - the significant pastoral authority that rests with leaders must be exercised with humility, selflessness, grace, care and a desire to build the church.  
*Mark 10:37, 44-45*

**The individual** - everyone (single, married, divorced, bereaved or whatever) is welcome. We aim to support mature relationships and growth in the church family.  
*Romans 12:9-10*

**All ages** - children and young people are just as much a part of the church as adults. All ages can learn from and minister to each other.  
*Luke 18:16-17*

**Collegiate relationships** - we are honoured by every person whom God adds to the Vineyard. Together we will build the Church with mutual respect, open communication, determined co-operation and believing and speaking the best about each other.  
*1 Corinthians 13:4-7*

**Unity** - we recognise that all who are disciples of Jesus are part of His Church. We will honour all other Christians.  
*John 17:21-23*

**Reality & simplicity** - no hype, emotionalism or intellectualism but a willingness to see God at work through excellent rational thinking and supernatural intervention. Functioning naturally and with cheerfulness.  
*James 1:5, Philippians 4:4*

**Culturally relevant** - we avoid speech, behaviour, dress and music that are not accessible to our generation. A comfortable, relaxed environment.  
*1 Corinthians 9:19-23*