

Fruitfulness Indicators

This is a way in which churches and missional communities can explore the fruitfulness of what it is doing.

This tool uses seven indicators to help give an insight into where your church/missional community or setting is now.

The seven indicators are not intended to be a rigid tool, but a way for your setting to reflect seriously upon where you are at in terms of your mission and outreach.

We think the best way of using the indicators is for individuals to work on expressing their own thoughts on each of the seven first, and then for the leadership team to come together to compare notes and see what happens!

The hope is that out of such discussions will come both a realistic appreciation of current realities, and some clear thinking around what the church needs to give its energy to in the future. This will then be the tool in which the Mission Grants team use to evaluate your application.

Fruitfulness Indicator:	Notes:
1. Statistics	Numbers at Sunday Services (over the past 5 years); Worship Service (Messy Church etc); Baptisms, Dedications, Membership (new and transferred); Visiting Ministers; How many of the congregation are engaged in leading ministries
2. Presence	In what ways are the congregation involved outside of the church building and in the local community?
3. Proclamation	When and how is something of the message of the way of Jesus being communicated?
4. Prayer	In what ways is prayer encouraged?
5. Unity	How is the church/mission setting united behind the vision for this mission? How is the vision for this owned by the congregation or missional setting? In what ways have you been able to keep diversity in the unity of mission?
6. Equipping	Is there any training / preparation being given to the congregation for the task of mission?
7. Communication	How and what do people inside and outside of the church get to know about things?