

Christ Church Huntingdon Gift Survey

"For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works!" Ephesians 2:10

Thank you for taking some time to fill in this gift survey. The New Testament has several lists of gifts for how Christians can serve one another in the body (Romans 12:6-8; 1 Cor 12:8-10, 28; Ephesians 4:11; 1 Peter 4:11), though these do not exclude the possibility of other gifts and skills. As you fill in the survey, the following this should be borne in mind...

- 1) The purpose of the gifts in the New Testament is for the **building up of the body**, not the service of self. Gifts are not "our right" to use (Vaughan Roberts in his book "True Worship" imagines a church where everyone has the gift of the bassoon, and thinks it's their right to exercise it!). As one pastor puts it "I may serve where I'm gifted, but I must serve where I'm needed".
- 2) Gifts can be given for a particular need, and God may give us **different gifts at different times**. So we can trust God to equip us for areas that we may not feel competent in now!
- 3) We may not feel we are the best **judge of our gifts** (for example, we may feel it's not very humble to talk about our gifts, or we may struggle to identify our strengths and weaknesses). For these reasons, you may want to do this sheet with a friend who knows you well, or spouse, or relative. Feel free to let them adapt your answers, or jot extra comments on the page!
- 4) The following list is a fairly **blunt tool** so feel free to add extra things in. It won't guarantee you will help in this area. Also the presence of things on the list doesn't mean we will run all of them! Some jobs will involve extra interviews eg leadership/kids work (includes a DBS/police check).
- 5) We hope you will enjoy this process- don't take too long on it (just skip bits if you are unsure), and don't forget to **pray** for God's help before you start!

Please return this survey to Matt/Charlie, or scan it and send it back by email. By filling it in, you are agreeing that Christ Church Huntingdon can keep this information according to our [privacy policy](#) ([see our website](#)). It won't be used outside the group in any way. **Charlie Newcombe 2022.**

PAGE 1 – General information (please fill in one form per adult)

NAME: AGE.....(optional!)

ADDRESS:
(or address that you hope to move to).....

EMAIL:

PHONE:.....

[See our GDPR policy online or talk to Jon Gilbert for more info].

Please could you also let us know which social media you regularly use:

☐ Email ☐ Texting/SMS ☐ Facebook ☐ WhatsApp ☐ Twitter ☐ LinkedIn ☐ Other....

Please let us know which **days and times** of the week would be best for homegroup/workgroups/prayer meetings, and any nights you definitely can't do? Would it ever be possible for you to meet very early to pray? Any other time constraints?

What would someone who knows you well say are your **greatest passions**?

How would someone who knows you well describe your **personality**?

Page 2- Specific Areas.

Under each heading, **a) please circle the letter** that most applies to you regarding this area:

S= STRONG (you can do it, and you love it)

M= MEDIUM (you can do it if required)

W= WEAK (Only if no-one else can do it!)

N= NO thanks- (I wouldn't be serving the church by helping in this area!)

And then **b) tick any boxes** that particularly apply to you. Feel free to jot notes in the margin if you need, especially if you have extra experience in these areas. Enjoy!

1) Administration. S M W N [circle one, then tick boxes that apply below]

- ☐ Creating documents ☐ lists ☐ emailing people ☐ phoning around people
- ☐ *Organising people:* ☐ doing rotas ☐ finding people for tasks ☐ forward planning
- ☐ *Finance:* ☐ spreadsheets ☐ datacrunching ☐ bookkeeping ☐ banking
- ☐ *Safeguarding:* ☐ Liaison with diocese ☐ Training ☐ Admin
- ☐ I could offer ___ hour(s) a week doing one off or regular admin jobs for the church

2) Art/Creativity S M W N

- ☐ Painting/Artwork ☐ Craft ☐ Drama ☐ designing graphics/pictures on a computer
- ☐ Photography ☐ putting diagrams together ☐ Adobe photoshop ☐ Powerpoint

3) Bible teaching S M W N

- ☐ Preaching (use the space here to jot down your experiences)
- ☐ Bible Studies/Homegroup leading
- ☐ One to One Discipleship
- ☐ Pastoral/ Biblical Counselling / Advice

4) Care S M W N

- ☐ I have a heart for people in need ☐ I can help people with chaotic lives ☐ I can reach out to wandering Christians ☐ I can offer a cuppa and a listening ear! ☐ I can visit in hospital

5) Computing S M W N

- ☐ Word Documents ☐ Creating websites ☐ Networks ☐ Coding ☐ Systems Setup
- ☐ Mailchimp ☐ Survey Monkey ☐ Blogging ☐ Facebook ☐ Twitter ☐ Other Social media
- ☐ Fixing computers ☐ Online shopping ☐ Dealing with Audio files ☐ Other.....

6) Evangelism/ Outreach S M W N

- ☐ Relating to different kinds of people ☐ Cold Contact evangelism ☐ Community Outreach
- ☐ Door knocking ☐ explaining the gospel ☐ leading someone to Christ ☐ apologetics
- ☐ Christianity Explored type course ☐ Uncover/Reading the Bible 1 to 1 with an unbeliever

7) Hospitality S M W N

- ☐ Opening your home ☐ Cooking ☐ Having people to stay ☐ Could host a bible study
- ☐ Could host a BBQ/Social ☐ Can cook for big numbers ☐ Can help chop veg! ☐ Baking
- ☐ Could *organise* refreshments at church ☐ Could *help* with refreshments at church

8) Kids & Youthwork S M W N

☐ Teenagers ☐ Younger teens ☐ Children ☐ Crèche ☐ Special Needs

9) Leadership S M W N

☐ Leading people ☐ Getting teams enthused ☐ Recruiting people ☐ Strategic thinking

10) Mercy Ministries S M W N (ie helping those in practical need)

☐ Serving the poor ☐ Caring for old folks ☐ Homelessness ☐ Prison ministry ☐ Debt Counselling ☐ Abortion counselling ☐ Foodbank ☐ Disability Issues

11) Mission Support S M W N

☐ Supporting missionaries ☐ Distributing prayer letters ☐ enthusing others about cross cultural mission ☐ Liaising with mission agencies

12) Practical S M W N

☐ Repairing ☐ decorating ☐ plumbing ☐ painting ☐ Manual labour ☐ Heavy lifting

13) Prayer S M W N

☐ Intercession ☐ One to one prayer ministry ☐ Can share prayer news with supporters

14) Tech S M W N

☐ PA Desk ☐ Powerpoint Desk ☐ Creating a Powerpoint ☐ Video/filming ☐ Video Editing

15) Up front on Sundays S M W N

☐ Reading ☐ Praying ☐ Leading ☐ being interviewed ☐ Giving a testimony ☐ Sign Language ☐ Music eg instruments..... ☐ Leading Singing ☐ Leading a band

16) Welcoming S M W N

☐ Welcoming at church ☐ Remembering names and faces ☐ Getting on with people from a range of backgrounds ☐ Looking out for people on subsequent visits ☐ chatting to quiet people

Other

☐ Driving (have a car) ☐ Driving minibus ☐ Languages eg..... ☐ Health & Safety
☐ Sport (playing) ☐ Sport (supporting!) ☐ Sport (coaching) ☐ Creative Writing
☐ Proofreading ☐ Experience with buildings ☐ Experience of planning ☐ Discernment
☐ Giving ☐ Gardening ☐ Drafting documents ☐ HR/role descriptions ☐ Interviewing
☐ Legal ☐ Liaison with local councils ☐ I understand the church of England! ☐ Bookstall/
Recommending Christian books ☐(fill in the gap with something we haven't thought of!)

Use the final space here to jot down any other thoughts/ reflections/ hopes for the future!