

ISBC...all about us on a page

Vision		
ISBC vision	What is a vision	Why is it important
From now to eternity...	A place we want to be sometime in the future i.e. our picture of the future	It helps to focus and energise us to discover God and impact the community

Mission		
ISBC mission	What is a mission	Why is it important
Discovering God and impacting our community	It is what we do both individually and as a church to achieve God's purpose of "making disciples of all nations"	It helps to focus on what we do and important what we don't do

Belief Statement		
ISBC belief statement	What is a belief statement	Why is it important
Statement 1	A set of statements which we believe are fundamental, unshakeable, and absolute truths	It helps us and others understand what we believe to be true in our worship of the Father, Son, & Holy Spirit
Statement 2		
Statement 3		
Statement 4		

Culture and Behaviours		
ISBC behaviours	What is a behaviour	Why is it important
Welcoming & encouraging ...the way we respond to and interact with others	The way we think (unobservable) which ultimately determines our actions (observable)	The Christ-like behaviours we need to adopt to achieve our mission, vision, and goals / strategy as a church and as individuals
Courageous ... the mind-set to make a difference even the face of opposition		
Excellent & disciplined ...the mind-set of doing things well and doing what we say		

Strategy		
ISBC strategy	What is a strategy	Why is it important
1. To Continue to Develop our Church Foundation Includes reviewing and improving our church ministries if required, plan for future growth in church members, review our church brand and make changes where required, etc	The things we will do in the next 1-5 years as a church to achieve our vision and mission. A strategy is something which is not yet achieved, it is aspirational, and requires extra effort (as opposed to doing the same things)	It will help ISBC to achieve our vision and mission
2. To Grow Disciples Includes establishing individual growth plans for all members, grow leaders, ensure all members have their gifts revealed and use them on a volunteer basis, and improve our skills (prayer, Bible Study, evangelism, etc) (Train and equip)		
3. To Connect with the Community Includes Wanganui city, its surrounds, and overseas		

ISBC Annual Plan

These are the 2012 activities we need to do as part of the strategy – other parts of the strategy will be done in 2013 and beyond.

1. To Continue to Develop our Church Foundation

What we will do...and how	When we will do it	Why we are doing it	Eldership sponsor
Establish the roles and volunteer activities within ISBC...by developing a organisation chart	May – June	So that all ISBC members can have a role in growing our church, themselves, and serve God	Stu
Review ministries starting with Sunday service...by summarising all our ministries and reviewing them over a 5 year period continually	All year	Ensure we have contemporary ministries which meet the needs of ISBC members and those in the community	Allan
Review church branding...by understanding the type of church we want to be to achieve our vision and mission	August – December	Have a brand which is well recognised in the community and one in which we are proud of and will be “attractive” to those in the community	All Elders

2. To Grow Disciples

What we will do...and how	When we will do it	Why we are doing it	Eldership sponsor
Provide all ISBC members with an individual growth plan...by issuing all with a template	Church camp (and post church camp)	By having an individual plan church members are more likely to grow	Baden
Start a gift discovery exercise...by providing an assessment tool	May / June	To enable our church members to serve God’s mission!	Peter
Start a “how to” session...by running mid-year / mid-week training workshops	May – September	To train our church members in important areas of personal growth e.g. prayer, Bible study	Roger
Re-energise and assist all ISBC members to be part of a small group...by setting up groups where there are gaps	April / May	It is a great way to grow relationships and discover God	Allan

3. To Connect with the Community

What we will do...and how	When we will do it	Why we are doing it	Eldership sponsor
Understand the demographics of Wanganui city...by running focus groups with random households in our community	April / May	So we know what to offer in our community related ministries	Stu/Allan
Find out how we can bring to salvation those in our community orientated ministries	October / November	We need ministries briege the gap between being lost and bringing salvation	Malc
Start community focused Christmas Eve service...by setting up an organising team	August – November	To impact the community and bring awareness of ISBC as a great church	Baden
Run a children’s holiday programme...by involving Capenwray	September	A way to introduce children and their families to church in a safe and fun way	Peter