

KING'S LYNN CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

ALSO KNOWN AS THE KING'S CENTRE

FUNDING FOR MISSION AND MINISTRY POLICY

1. This Funding for Mission and Ministry policy:
 - i. is consistent with the vision and values of King's Lynn Christian Fellowship (KLCF).
 - ii. is consistent with the objects and purposes of the church as set out in the First Schedule of the Trust Deed, namely the advancement of the Christian faith, the worship of God, the proclamation of the Christian gospel, the teaching of Christian doctrine and principles, the pastoral care of Christian people, the printing and distribution of the Bible and Christian literature, the relief of persons who are in need, hardship or distress or who are aged or sick and the advancement of education on the basis of Christian principles
 - iii. is to be interpreted and applied consistently with scripture.
 - iv. applies to home and overseas missions and ministries, and to the local mission of the church.
2. Missions and ministries supported by the church should, wherever possible:
 - i. have aims and purposes consistent with the church's vision, values, objects and purposes.
 - ii. be able to demonstrate general good practice, particularly with regard to the safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults.
 - iii. be able to demonstrate God's hand on their work.
 - iv. be willing to maintain an ongoing relationship with KLCF.
3. The Leadership and Trustees will:
 - i. determine the missions and ministries that will be supported by the church.
 - ii. review at least annually the missions and ministries that are to be supported and the amount of money to be given to them, increasing, maintaining, reducing or ending this support as they see fit.
 - iii. where appropriate, inform the recipients of decisions with as much notice as possible, particularly if support is to be reduced or ended.
 - iv. seek to ensure that at least 10% of the church's income from tithes and gifts (including the tax relief received on these tithes and gifts) is given to missions and ministries, including the local mission and ministry of the church (this may include travel and other expenses)
 - v. seek to promote the work of these missions and ministries, encouraging the church membership to support them financially, pray for their work and communicate with them.
4. Personal financial support from the church for mission, ministry, training and development would apply to people within the fellowship who:
 - i. would normally have been in membership in the church for at least 18 months.
 - ii. display a right walk with God and a clear sense of call, recognisable by the Leadership.
 - iii. seek the counsel of the Leadership with regard to their call and follow their guidance.
 - iv. would be interviewed by the Pastor prior to any commitment being made.
 - v. would be accountable to the Leadership for their ministry and the use of the funding.