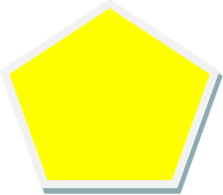


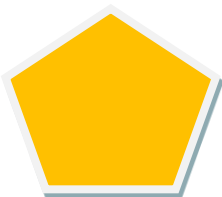


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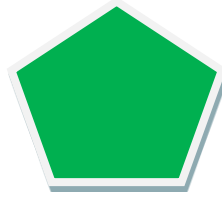
### **RESPECTS ITS HISTORY**

The church reflects on its historical roots and uses its heritage as a relational backdrop to embrace its unfolding mission and ministry to live 'in community' with its community



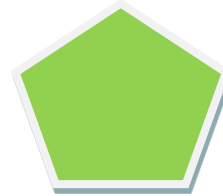
### **RESILIENT TO CHANGE**

The church remains resilient in navigating through the reality of change and conflict by weathering the challenges of its changing culture and demographics.



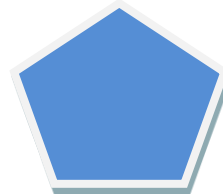
### **MEANINGFULLY CONNECTED TO ITS COMMUNITY**

The church identifies with its surrounding community through practical expressions of authentic Christian faith and practice.



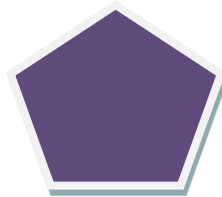
### **EXHIBITS SPIRITUAL WELLNESS**

The church celebrates its faith in worship, is undergirded by earnest prayer, and finds empowerment through the Holy Spirit in leading its family towards spiritual maturity.



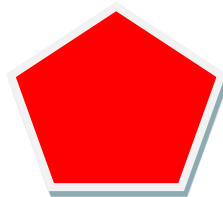
### **PRACTICES BIBLICAL FELLOWSHIP (KOINONIA)**

The church shares life together and stands by its family through good times and bad.



### **EQUIPS FOR MEANINGFUL MINISTRY**

The church equips its family for ministries that reflect their spiritual gifts, values and resourcefulness.



### **LEADS WITH COMMITTED LEADERSHIP**

The church is led by a relational pastor with the support of a spiritually minded, engaged leadership team.