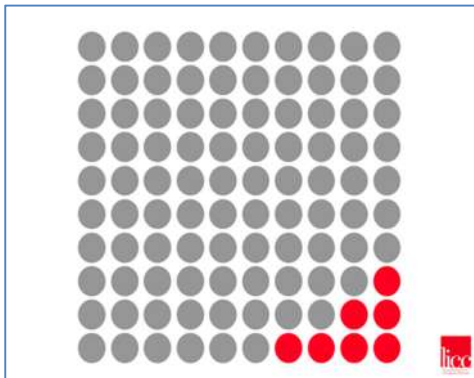


# Southwell & Nottingham Bishop's Study Day

22nd March 2017

## Fruitful Lives

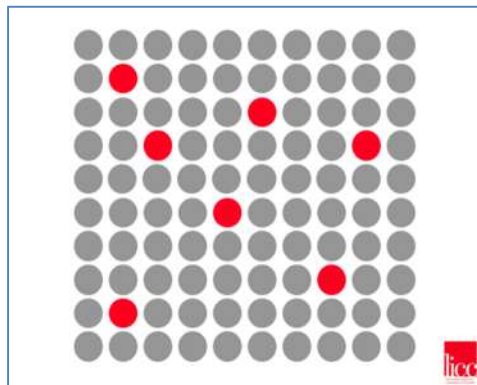
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**Current Mission Strategy**

To recruit the people of God to use some of their leisure time to join the missionary initiatives of church-paid workers.

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### ***Our aim:***

To create disciples: *people who are learning the way of Jesus in their context at this moment.*



A 10x10 grid of 100 grey circles with 10 red circles scattered throughout. To the right of the grid are three stacked boxes: a red box with 'Vision?', a grey box with 'Focus?', and a red box with 'Ministry?'. A small red 'licc' logo is in the bottom right corner.

## Addressing the Culture Change

- Culture takes time to change
- Use the existing framework of your church
- Ensure that you sustain the 'one degree shift' changes.

### 1. Five First Steps:

#### ***Persuade: You are red and you are placed***

- Language matters: Find a metaphor that works for you, and use it – a lot.
- Leadership matters: Ensure that all the leaders of your departments understand the implications of equipping people for their frontline contexts. Invest time in them first.
- Identity matters: Emphasise what it means to be a disciple in 'ordinary' language.
- Stories matter: Invite stories to be shared publicly (TTT); share stories at leadership meetings.
- People matter: visit people who don't need you in their locations.

### 2. Five Formational Steps:

#### ***Empower: We want you to stay red and develop a vision for your place.***

- Provide a mission framework
- Pray for people in their frontline spaces and on their frontline spaces in corporate prayer gatherings.
- Provoke a vision of frontline living through visuals in church, noticeboards, songs and prayers.
- Provide a theology of work, and retirement and parenting etc and keep it real.
- Prepare people for transition moments and commission them.

### 3. Five Continuing Steps

#### ***Sustain: We want to equip you as a growing disciple on your frontlines.***

- Develop a theology of the city/town, not just the church.
- Disciple young people to reflect on their studies and life choices.
- Determine to have a ministerial posture of pastoral equipping.
- Discover resources that help people minister on their frontlines.
- Develop 'frontier' sector groupings: workers, families, retired etc.