

evangelism . discipleship . missions

#### Reach 2024



#### What is Reach?

Reach is a ministry of Bethesda Free Church, Sunderland. It was created to train and equip young people in the three important aspects of the Great Commission; Evangelism, Discipleship and Missions.

The training material we use has been developed by Bethesda staff.

#### Who is it for?

Reach is for believers who are actively involved in a local evangelical church.

# What should I expect?

- Evangelism You will receive practical training on how to work up a conversation with strangers, change conversations into spiritual ones and how to explain the gospel simply and biblically to people from all walks of life.
- Discipleship You will see how you can be involved investing in other believers as they grow in their faith and the importance of commitment to the local church.
- Missions You will learn about you and your church's responsibility toward foreign missions whether God calls you to stay or to go.
- Fellowship You will meet others who are excited about sharing their faith and who want to walk with and live for Christ

By the end of the week we hope that you will have grown in your walk with God, made friends who will encourage you to keep living for Christ and you will have the confidence to share your faith.

#### When is it?

Reach will start on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> August at Noon and will end on Saturday 10th August at 2pm. However, if you need to come before or leave after, we can arrange this with you.

# How much is it?

Reach is free. This includes food and accommodation. This does not include your travel expenses.

If you are interested in coming, speak to your pastor and fill in the forms included.

# Testimonies of Reach in Previous Years

"Reach is a real encouragement...even if you've never gone out to speak to people about the Lord before, and wouldn't even know how to start a conversation, you'll be provided with the help you need to do so. The lessons learned at Reach will encourage you to carry on the Great Commission back at home, too! If you're considering

Reach, go for it!"

"It's difficult to put into words the incredible blessing it was to be a part of Reach! It encouraged me to speak out and share the gospel with so many people I never thought I could, whilst teaching me more about the importance of discipleship as part of the great commission. The blessing of sharing fellowship and friendship with other believers reminded me that I'm not in this fight alone and spurred me on to speak out God's truth and show His love to everyone, everyday of my life."

"It is such an encouragement to spend time with so many likeminded young Christians, who wish to love and serve the lord. I particularly enjoyed and was challenged by the teaching on discipleship and missions, and just realising how important they are to Christian work and sharing the gospel. I would definitely recommend Reach!"

"Reach was a fantastic week of getting to know other brothers & sisters in Christ who have the same desire, to share the Gospel with the lost. I got to witness Christ help those who were new to it, get used to it and have a desire to do more. I came away with a full heart, encouragement, renewed friendships & new friends. I would definitely recommend Reach to anyone who is serious about getting the Gospel out and wanting to learn more." Pastor

"Coming to Reach really helped our young people and enabled them to take a step forward. I recommend anyone to bring their teenagers to Reach". Pastor

# Pastors/Parents Letter



Dear Pastor/Parent,

Greetings in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, we trust that this letter finds you blessed with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Him.

We at Bethesda Free Church are hosting Reach24; an evangelistic training week for young people on our church premises between Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> August. We have been hosting this event for around ten years.

The young people will stay at the church for the duration of the week. Breakfast, lunch and dinner will be provided.

- In the mornings there will be two-hour class sessions where the young people will be taught the principles of sharing their faith.
- After lunch, under responsible leadership, they will be taken out into the city of Sunderland to practice sharing the gospel and handing out gospel literature.
- In the evenings there will be services dealing with the theme of foreign missions and evening devotions on what it means to be a godly man or woman.

The training material used has been created by Bethesda staff with the purpose of equipping believers to share their faith, disciple others and get involved in foreign missions at home.

There is no cost to the week except for the travelling expenses to and from Sunderland. Bethesda Free Church will cover the food and accommodation costs.

In Christ,

Elders of Bethesda Free Church

Name:	
Date of Birth:/ Gender: M / F	
Address:	
Contact Number: Email:	
Medical Information and Allergies:	
Emergency Contact Name:	
Emergency Contact Number:	
(the consent below is for those under 18 ye	ars old)
I the parent / guardian give permissio the above child to attend Reach 2024 in Bethesda Free Ch Sunderland.	
Signature of parent / guardian	
Date of Signature://	





Only fill in the sections below if you have not previously attended a Reach event.

Why do you want to attend Reach 2024?	
Give a brief description of your salvation testimony	
(the part below is for your pastor to file	l in)
Pastors Recommendation:	
Pastor's Signature:	
Local Church Name:	



# Inventory

(tick when it's in your bag!)

•	Bible Notebook Pens	
•	Towel Toiletries (love your neighbour) Medication	
•	Clothes (including PJ's) Shoes (outside and inside pair) Raincoat (just in case)	
•	Spending Money Bag (for carrying tracts, lunch etc) Mobile Phone	
•	Sleeping Bag Pillow Sleeping Mat (optional)	000



# Programme

# TUE

Noon - Unpack

1pm - Food

2pm - Introduction

3pm - Tour City

5.30pm - Food

6.15pm – Ice Breakers

7.30pm - Service

8.30pm - Free Time

10pm - Devotions

11pm - Lights Out

#### SAT

7am - Rise & Shine

8am - Group Devotion

8.30am - Food

9.30am - Shower

11am - Pack and Clean

1pm - Food

2pm - Homeward Bound

### WED to FRI

7am - Rise & Shine

8am - Group Devotion

8.30am - Food

9.30am - Shower

11am - Class

1pm - Food

2pm - Outreach

5.30pm - Food

7.30pm - Service

8.30pm - Free Time

10pm - Devotions

11pm - Lights Out