

Partnership

at Reveal Church

GOD Revealed
LIVES Transformed



Who we are

Reveal Church (previously South Eastern Christian Centre) was established in 1979 under the leadership of our founding pastors, Mike and Lois Cronin, who served for thirty years. Reveal Church is a part of the CRC Churches International movement (Christian Revival Churches, previously Christian Revival Crusade) and has planted many daughter congregations, most of which are still flourishing today. Reveal Church has maintained an apostolic focus and leadership within the CRC movement, but remains autonomous and self-funding.

We believe in God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit and that the original text of the Bible is the inspired and infallible Word of God and the basis for faith and practice. Salvation is given by God's grace and is found through faith in no-one else but Jesus Christ who will one day return to the Earth. The infilling of the Holy Spirit empowers Christians to serve as part of the local church in conjunction with the Church worldwide. This enables us to partner in Christ's mission to redeem the lost. Gifts of the Spirit, including divine healing, are available for Christians today.

OUR CORE VALUES are: God Matters, People Matter, Mission Matters

OUR MISSION is to see "God Revealed, Lives Transformed".

How we operate

The day-to-day operations of the church are overseen by the Staff Ministry Team. Pastoral care and spiritual development are overseen by the Discipleship Team. Our Eldership Board umbrella both of these and serve as the ultimate authority over areas of Shepherding, Spiritual Governance and Business Affairs. The Senior Minister is the Chairman of the Eldership Board and is responsible for the overall spiritual and corporate leadership of the church. At times of a major crisis or significant change, the Eldership Board and/or Senior Minister may consult with our Advisory Council who are made up of senior leaders of significant ministries and who have at heart the best interests of Reveal Church and its senior leadership.

Our key weekly activities include our church services and 'Growth Groups'. Our services are designed to have people experiencing God, connecting with one another and being equipped for service. Growth Groups provide a relational context in which there is honest, open and accountable connection with others to share spiritual gifts and grow spiritually. Our Growth Groups also ensure that each person has a network around them offering pastoral support as needed.

Reveal Church has influence in several nations including the Philippines, Papua New Guinea, Cambodia, Bolivia and Uganda. We support various mission projects financially as well as supporting churches with leadership development and training. To that end we send teams and aid throughout the year under the direction of our Global Mission Team.

Locally, we have weekly programs offering food support and relief for poverty and social isolation and a dedicated registered charity, South Eastern Community Care, which has been established to spearhead the church's benevolent programs.

Why partnership?

Partnership is about formal belonging and church membership is implied in verses such as Acts 2:47, Acts 20:28, 1 Corinthians 5:12, Matthew 18:17 and 1 Peter 4:17. Naturally, twenty-first century governance requirements regulate membership arrangements.

Partnership is where we unite in our love of Christ and His mission to pool our talents, resources, faith and gifts to see these outworked through the local church. Partnership is formalising your commitment to being a part of the vision of Reveal Church. By becoming a partner you will not only continue to benefit from teaching of the Word of God, fellowship and spiritual care, but you will also find opportunities to develop the gifts of God within you to effectively and joyfully serve and give to the Lord Jesus, that others may receive.

Your spiritual growth and development

We require that all partners of Reveal Church are firstly 'born-again' having accepted Christ as their personal Lord and Saviour in accordance with the Scripture (John 3:16-18, Rom 10:9-11) and maintaining a personal commitment to active Christian discipleship for at least three months before applying. We also require that all partners are baptised in water by immersion subsequent to their confession of faith in Jesus, again, in accordance with Scripture (Acts 2:38, 8:36-37, Romans 6:1-4, Colossians 2:12).

If you have not yet accepted Jesus as your personal Lord and Saviour and/or you are not yet water baptised, please speak to a pastor about that today. To learn more, please enquire about an Alpha course in your area or our new-believer, 'Growing in Christ' course.

For optimum spiritual growth, every believer is encouraged to spend time each day with God in prayer and reading the Bible. We believe this is best done by setting aside time each day, meditating on a passage of Scripture and seeking how God would speak to you through it. We encourage journaling the things God has

spoken to you through His Word, the things you are praying about and the commitments you are making in response to what God is saying. Please enquire with a pastor about how to use the 'SOAP method' of such a daily devotional time and about a yearly Bible reading plan.

We also encourage people to seek the infilling (or baptism) in the Holy Spirit. This empowers us for optimum service (Luke 24:49, Acts 1:8). It is an experience connected to, but distinctly separate from, salvation (Acts 8:14-17). The intention is that we constantly maintain spirit-filled living (Ephesians 5:18), rather than seeking a one-off experience. You may wish to speak about this further with one of our pastors.

Getting involved

There are many ways to be involved in the life of Reveal Church from serving on helps teams, in community outreach teams, volunteering through the week or using a specialised gift that God has given you. We encourage you to speak with us as a part of the process of identifying your God-given gifts and how you can use them to serve Him in the church. Getting involved enables you to connect with others and build relationship around common interests. It develops you and provides a sense of fulfilment as you experience God working through you to bless others.

Financial giving facilitates the work of the church and supports our global and local mission. We believe in the biblical principle of tithing (giving back to God the first 10% of our income Malachi 3:10). We also believe that the principle is upheld through the New Testament's teaching of generous giving as an act of our worship and service of God (Philippians 4:14-19, 2 Corinthians 9:6-7). As a partner, we therefore ask you to commit yourself financially to supporting the work of Reveal Church.

Next Steps

If you would like to apply for partnership with Reveal Church, please contact one of our pastors to enrol in the "Partners in Christ" pathway. For the **application form, click here.**



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