

# **Church Profile**

## Who we are

Hope Community Church Aintree (HCCA) is a Baptist church located in Aintree Village, Liverpool and is part of the North West Baptist Association (NWBA). We are a multi-generational family of believers of around 90 members and a weekly average of attendance of 70-110 people.

We are overtly evangelical in outlook and committed to faithfully communicating the truth of Jesus and His salvation as well as the public proclamation and teaching of God's Word.



We love Aintree Village and believe God loves this

area too, so we give our time and talents both into the life of the church and the local community. We believe in the life changing message of Jesus, so we aim to go into the world to show God's love to others.

## **History**

HCCA was formerly known as Old Roan Baptist Church (ORBC) and was a church-plant from Maghull Baptist Church in the 90's, becoming independent in 1998, the church met in Davenhill Primary School until 2008 when we were able to purchase what was Holy Rosary Primary School. The building has been extensively refurbished from a redundant school to a modern, vibrant building and is used for church services and as a community hub.

## Our structure

HCCA is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) and is overseen by a Board of Trustees who are also Elders of the church. Day to day leadership of the church is overseen by the Minister and supported by the Eldership, a dynamic, inspirational leadership with a mix of ages, gender and experience. The leadership team are supported by two salaried positions: a Centre Manager and a Youth and Childrens Leader. We have a formal membership which encourages the body of believers to participate in the various ministries that the church is involved in.



## What we do

**We worship:** Our lively Sunday gatherings are open to visitors and families of all ages and backgrounds and we welcome children and young people whose activities also take place on Sunday mornings, Hope Kids, Impact and Creche.

We fellowship: We meet in small groups throughout the week to study the Bible together and seek to encourage each other. Sharing both the good and not so good things that we face in life every day in this modern, fast changing world. Needless to say, we also socialise and have great fun together.





We pray: under the banner of "Say One for Me" we pray for and with the local community.

#### We are Missional:

We support several Missionaries linked into Baptist Missionary Society (BMS) as well as work in Romania, India and Uganda and support local work among Seafarers, Prison ministry and Hospital chaplaincy as well as a UK couple engaged in discipleship training in many countries. We also have an active Men's and Women's Ministry within the Church.

**We work:** with very strong links with Aintree Village community. HCCA is known locally as the Hope Centre and the building is used extensively

by various groups throughout the week.

Activities led by church volunteers include: Café Hope, Hope Tots, Family Friendly Café, Kintsugi Hope, Knit and Natter, Marriage Course, FoodShare (Churches together in Aintree Village.)



Youth and Childrens work for all ages including Lego church, after school Youth Drop-in (with Liverpool Youth for Christ), community family fun days.



**Activities led by external groups** include: Slimming World, Merseyside Life After Stroke Group, Kidney Cancer Support Group, Carer's drop-in, Scripture Union workshops, Alzheimer's singing group.

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## What we believe

We believe in the love of God the Father

We believe in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ

We believe in the power and gifts of the Holy Spirit (such as healing and prophecy) for today.

We believe in the Bible, its relevance and authority for today

We believe in the church family meeting together

We believe in sharing our faith in a relevant way, both in actions and words and the need for people to make an active decision to follow Jesus

We are members of the **Evangelical Alliance**, an organisation representing the UK's two million evangelical Christians.

The Evangelical Alliance seeks to bring unity across the evangelical spectrum of the Christian faith, working across denominations, churches and Christian organisations.

As Evangelical Alliance members, we agree with the Evangelical Alliance Basis of Faith:

## **Our vision**

Hope Community Church Aintree: Sharing the Hope of Jesus in the community

## WE WILL ALL... GROW - UP INTO GOD

**Grow:** in a daily personal relationship with God **Grow:** others in their faith to become disciples

#### WE WILL ALL... GIVE - IN TO THE CHURCH FAMILY

Give Generously: our time, talents and resources toward the work of God

through the church

**Gather Regularly:** on Sundays and in groups in the week

## WE WILL ALL... GO - OUT INTO THE WORLD

**Go and be Active:** Live a life of faith and Godly values **Go and take risks:** sharing the Good News of Jesus



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