St Kea

Missions Policy and Aspirations

The Missions Working Group of the Parochial Church Council has developed criteria to help guide it in decisions over allocation of support to partner organisations and individuals. The guidelines are as follows:

- To work with between four and six partners who are...
- Engaged in a mix of local, national, and international projects...,
- With a focus both on evangelism and on doing acts of mercy, and that...
- Wherever possible, and where there was synergy with Kea's vision, we would seek to develop links with the church communities with which these projects were associated. Moreover...
- We would seek longer term links with a view to adding value and avoiding duplicating what others were doing.

As well as these guidelines we have expressed two aspirations:

- That giving to Missions should be raised to 10% of total income. This has been approved in principle by the PCC but in practice this target will not be reached immediately but over several years in annual increments to giving.
- That on average over time we should send one person per year into full time gospel ministry. To this latter end we have also developed criteria to evaluate potential candidates.

In connection with this second aspiration we have sought to define from Scripture the personal criteria that we would look for in someone seeking to move into full time gospel ministry, These Biblical criteria are primarily directed towards leadership in a local church but are nevertheless more widely applicable.

Do contact us if you would like to see a summary of our personal criteria.