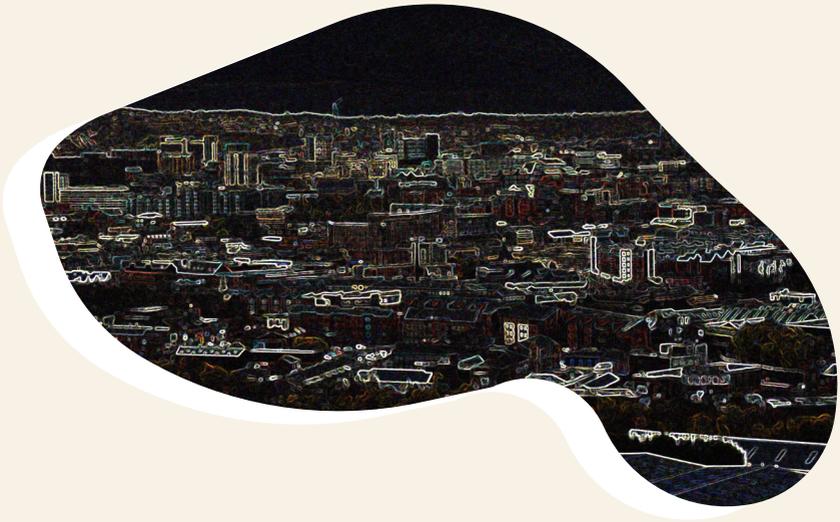


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# OUR VISION.

C3 Hope family, here we are, year 2 of this new book God is writing, and we are in truly remarkable days.

As the dream is starting to unfold, we are already astonished at what God is doing; lives are being changed, families in financial need are being fed, people are being added to the Kingdom of Heaven daily and Jesus is being glorified.

What we've seen so far has been incredible, but we are just scratching the surface at the need in our city. God has got great plans for the community right on our doorstep, across Sheffield, and beyond.

Those plans are going to require every single one of us to play a part - with our time, treasure and talent, to realise all God has for His church.

Vision Builders is an essential part of our annual church calendar, and a key opportunity for all who call C3 Hope their home to bring their first and best to God, as we look to see His Kingdom expanded together.

For us, the goal is simple - **to fulfil the vision of God here on earth.**

King Solomon encourages the readers of Proverbs 3 to *"Honour the Lord with your wealth, with the first fruits of all your crops,"* as he echoes the words of Moses to the Israelites in Leviticus 23.

This is a family moment, where we come around the table and give our first and our best to God. Where we stand in faith that God can multiply what we have into a great feast for those who we come into contact with every single day.

It's our time to be the Church and the change we want to see. And if that's what we are building, then that's who we were created to be too.

Would we be *God-led, Christ-centred, Spirit-filled and people-focused* as we pray about what we could give as an act of worship and obedience to the one who gave it all for us.

Join us in the miracle that is happening before our eyes.

Thank you for playing your part.

*Jo + Lois*

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# THIS IS WHY.

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## Isaiah 61:1-7 declares;

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The Spirit of the Sovereign Lord is on me, because the Lord has anointed me **to proclaim good news** to the poor.

He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim **freedom for the captives** and release from darkness for the prisoners, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour and the day of vengeance of our God, to **comfort** all who mourn, and **provide** for those who grieve in Zion— to bestow on them a crown of **beauty** instead of ashes, the oil of **joy** instead of mourning, and a garment of **praise** instead of a spirit of despair.

They will be called oaks of righteousness, a planting of the Lord for the display of his splendour. They will rebuild the ancient ruins and restore the places long devastated; they will **renew the ruined cities** that have been devastated for generations.

Strangers will shepherd your flocks; foreigners will work your fields and vineyards. And you will be called **priests of the Lord**, you will be named **ministers of our God**. You will feed on the wealth of nations, and in their riches you will boast.

Instead of your shame you will receive **a double portion**, and instead of disgrace you will **rejoice** in your inheritance. And so you will inherit a double portion in your land, and **everlasting joy will be yours**.

**This is our vision, this is our calling.**

# WHAT WE'RE GIVING TO:

Discipleship and *Pastoral* Training.

Putting a new emphasis on our discipleship pathways and multiplication within our Connect Groups.

Mission both *local* and *global*.

Meeting the needs of those on our doorstep and those further afield.

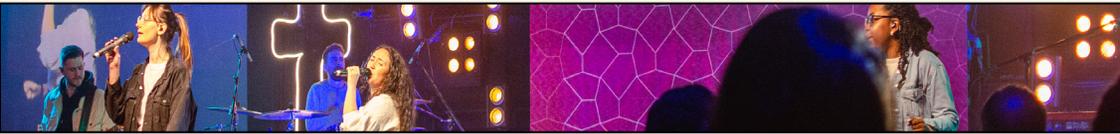
Continuing to bring The Hope Centre back to *life*.

Saving the team time and resources to spend elsewhere in renovating the building that's bringing Hope to our community.

Developing our *online* presence.

It's incredible the amount of people we are speaking to who are watching in on our services without us knowing! We are believing to see a great harvest through this.

Goal: £120,000



# Our generosity will:

**Advance** the gospel and share the message of Jesus Christ to our city and beyond, through our in-person and online gatherings.

**Expand** our mission both local and global to see the hope of Jesus brought to every life, no matter how seemingly hopeless or dark.

Help **build** a Christ-centred, unified community where lives are healed and miracles happen among us daily.

**Maintain** strength and integrity in our church; a church of health, holiness and wholeness.

Help us **embrace** and **provide** for the most in need in our community through the continuing renovation of the Hope Centre.

Help us **be** and **make** disciples who make disciples as the great commission calls. Growing and becoming more like Christ as we journey with one another and multiply our Connect Groups across the region.

**Cause** Christ-led change in cultures in universities, schools, media, welfare and politics.



# WAYS TO GIVE.

As a church we will be taking up our Vision Builders offering on **Sunday 22nd May** (or catch-up on Sunday 29th May). Here are three ways you can give:

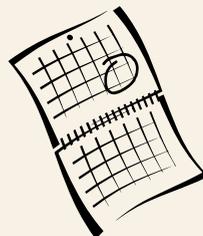
## A one off gift:

You could give a one-off gift directly into the offering on Sunday 22nd, online via the Vision Builders page on our website, or directly to the bank account. You can find our bank details below.



## Monthly standing order:

If you decide to give monthly, you can set up 10 monthly instalments (of any amount you choose). Starting June 2022. You can find our bank details below.



## Pledge:

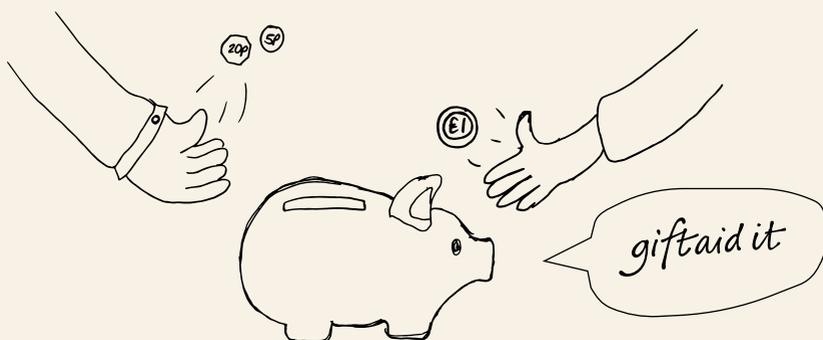
You could also decide to commit to a pledge, to be redeemed before March 2023.

Chris Davies (our Vision Builders chaplain) will be available to help throughout the year.



**Account name:** C3 Trust UK  
**Sort code:** 20-76-89  
**Account number:** 80457590  
**Ref:** Your Gift Aid code (if applicable) and C3 Hope.

# Did you know you can Gift Aid your giving?



If you are a UK Tax payer, **C3 Trust UK can claim an extra 25% of your giving** through the government Gift Aid scheme. Please ensure that the Gift Aid on your giving does not exceed the amount of tax you have paid.

A Gift Aid declaration form will be available on the Vision Builders page on our website for those who are eligible but are not yet registered on our Gift Aid database.

Every penny of the Gift Aid from this offering will be used to resource the vision of C3 Hope.

*You can find out more about this and fill in a Gift Aid form via our website - [www.c3hope.church/giving](http://www.c3hope.church/giving)*

# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

## 1. When should I set up my giving?

It would be brilliant for your giving to be set up as soon as you're able to. This helps us with budgets, cash flow and good stewardship of your generosity so we can get it to the right place as soon as possible.

## 2. Why am I giving to C3 Trust UK, and not C3 Hope?

C3 Hope is part of C3 Trust UK which is the registered charity under which C3 Hope operates. C3 Trust UK is the legal name for the family of C3 churches, the charity operates across the north of England. When you give to this offering and any other offering we take up at C3 Hope, your giving and any Gift Aid will be designated to the work and mission of C3 Hope.

For more information about C3 Trust UK please visit [www.c3trust.org.uk](http://www.c3trust.org.uk)

C3 Trust UK is a charitable company limited by guarantee registered in England and Wales. Charity No 1119791 Company Number 05999100.

### 3. How do I know that my money will be used wisely and with integrity?

Through the work of our Finance Team, Executive Team and Trustees we are committed to ensuring that we steward our finances diligently and in good faith.

Our charity financial management, transparency and reporting have been greatly commended by our Independent Financial Auditors, UHY Hacker Young who recently remarked on improvements we have made in the past 2 years in our overall governance, financial process and effective management of funds.

C3 Hope is affiliated with C3 Global who provide spiritual oversight to C3 Hope through their European Directors Pastors Steve & Lizby Warren, who also lead C3 Imagine in Amsterdam. This oversight adds additional protection and accountability for the church alongside our local Eldership.

C3 Trust UK's Trustees are Chris Davies (Chair), Ps Paul Benger, Wale Olarinde, Joanne Hemmingfield, Colin Davies (CEO) and Miran Muthiah. Anna Ibbotson is our Finance Manager and Company Secretary.



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## 5. What if I cannot fulfil my pledge?

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Chris Davies is our Vision Builders Chaplain and he, along with the team is dedicated to helping people navigate the waters and deliver on their commitments.

If you feel like you cannot fulfil your pledge, we would suggest you discuss your pledge with Chris so that he can help you proceed in a healthy, yet faith-filled manner. You can reach him on [chris.davies@c3hope.church](mailto:chris.davies@c3hope.church) or get in touch with the finance team on [finance@c3trust.org.uk](mailto:finance@c3trust.org.uk)

We believe that God wants us to find freedom in our finances and does not want us to experience any 'out of control' debt. If you are experiencing 'out of control' debt, your first priority should be to see a debt counsellor, or the like, and resolve any difficulties through both prayer and sound financial management.

Tithing is an important part of your financial breakthrough and should always be part of any financial plan as it allows the grace and blessing of God to cover you. Your commitments can then be prioritised to prevent you from re-entering the debt cycle. We will not compel anyone to fulfil their pledge if they decide to end their commitment, and would be glad to refer you to our partners at CAP MONEY should this be helpful.

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## 6. What about confidentiality?

All of our records are kept in strict confidence and follow all GDPR and data protection guidelines. Only those who manage the Vision Builders offering, alongside the Lead Pastors and our Vision Builders chaplain, can access the records.

## 7. I am new to church. Should I be giving to Vision Builders?

It's completely up to you. Some people jump in and enjoy getting right into the flow of the church, whilst others are more tentative. It all depends upon your choice and your desires.

Please feel under no compulsion to give and no guilt at all if you chose not to. **We build C3 Hope on vision first, commitment second.** So look to the Holy Spirit and do what you feel is right to do.

## 8. How will I know my donation has made a difference?

As part of our renewed commitment to transparency, we will provide quarterly updates letting you know what has been spent and the impact your giving has made.



If you have any more questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch. Email [hello@c3hope.church](mailto:hello@c3hope.church)

<https://c3hope.church/vision-builders/>



A *big* thank you for  
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