



## **Welcome to Reading the Bible Together**

Reading the Bible Together is an inclusive way that as many of us as possible can read our way through the whole bible in three years. We recognise that reading through the whole bible can be a challenge and many have tried and given up. We hope doing it together will help us to take in the WHOLE word of God and not just our favourite bits.

### **How it works?**

#### ***The reading bit...***

Each month there is a selected book (or books) of the Bible for you to read during that month. A brief introduction to the book(s) will be available to help you get started and then you can read it at your own pace. There is also a simple question sheet to help you think about the part of the Bible you are reading.

You can pick up the reading program from the bookcase at church. It is also on the reverse side of this introduction.

Ways to read...

- We would recommend trying to read a little bit of the selected book every day. Not least because daily bible reading is a good habit for us to form. If you travel lots, or don't get on with reading, then maybe listening to the book will be a way to join in. (It's free to listen online at [Biblegateway.com](http://Biblegateway.com) or downloads YouVersion to your phone. This is something we can help with if you get stuck.) If you are already following a bible reading program then why not set aside an evening in the month to read the whole book.
- Families can make this part of what they do at home. It can be done together if the kids are younger, or can be done separately if the kids are a bit older.
- Don't forget to pray for help before you read and then pray about what you've read after.

#### ***The together bit...***

On the final Tuesday Grow Group of each month we will all come together to share and encourage one another with what we've been learning throughout the month. Don't forget to bring your filled out question sheet!

If you can't make a Tuesday there will be other creative ways that you can use the last week of the month to share and encourage with what you have been learning.

We will also include the book we are reading in other occasions we meet together. Also think about dropping into conversation with others what's helped you, or text a verse that's caught your attention. Remember the aim is to Read God's word, Know God's word, and to Grow to know Jesus whose word we are reading.