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**THE BENEFICE OF LOWER TEESDALE – PARISH BROCHURE**

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## **LOWER TEESDALE BENEFICE MISSION STATEMENT**

Our Churches grow in number when they are present in and connected to the local areas, which may be manifested through social action. Churches which are visible or are recognised as being active in giving to their community, are more likely to grow.

Congregation growth often occurs after years of focused activity or engagement in meeting the needs of a community. Hospitality and generosity are significant for growth. Participation in social action can also offer a practical route into faith for people who have not previously been part of the church community and might not have considered exploring faith before. Volunteering in church-based projects or activities enables people to reappraise churches and their beliefs and often leads to people reengaging with Christian faith.

We are seeking like-minded people to join us on our journey.