

## Our Mission

Joining Jesus Christ on mission to make disciples

(Matthew 28:18-20, Colossians 1:28-29, Acts 1:1)

## Our Vision

A faithful Life-Giving presence in the community of LaSalle  
A community of Christ-followers living in such a way that there is a  
transformative influence in our community

## Core Values

- Discipleship (Growth) is at the core of who we are (Colossians 1:28,29)
  - Small Groups – this is where community and life flourishes
- Scripture – God’s Word as understood through the person of Jesus Christ –
  - Community - share the gospel and our lives! (1<sup>st</sup> Thessalonians 2:7)
- Giftedness of believers – body functions best when each member does its part (Eph 4:16)



**OBF LaSalle**  
**Playing our Part in God's Bigger Story**

At Open Bible Fellowship we understand that **church** is not *where we go* but *who we are*.

### **His Story**

We believe that God is involved in an amazing – all encompassing (Big!) redemptive mission to bless and redeem the world to himself through Jesus Christ. This mission has been His idea from the very beginning and it continues today. His Spirit is working and moving - and He graciously invites, (calls!), His people to join Him in this grand undertaking.

### **Our Story**

In answer to this call, together we choose to live intentional lives. Daily we are watching for the Spirit of God to be working in the lives of those around us. With Jesus Christ as our example we *make the most of every opportunity* – choosing to be ready to bless and love those we come in contact with so that we may be able to give an answer regarding the hope that is within us.

### **Community**

Our part in God's redemptive story is best lived out together with other Christ followers: A Worshipping, Loving, and Sending Community. This community spurs discipleship as an opportunity to learn from each other in our differences and support each other in our growth. We gather to declare His praises and to spur one another on toward love and good deeds – as we each *go* on to play our role in His grand story.

\*John 3:16 (He loves the world!)  
\*1<sup>st</sup> Peter 3:15 (ready to answer)  
\*Matt 22:37-40 (loving others is parallel to loving God)  
\*John 20:21 (Father sent Jesus – Jesus sends us)  
\*Genesis 12:1-3 (All will be blessed through you)  
\*Math 5:13-15 (Salt and light)  
\*1<sup>st</sup> Peter 2:9 (people called to declare His praises)

## **OBF LaSalle A Church With a Heart for Community**



### **Is it a church or a Community Centre? Yes!**

#### **We can envision a building at the corner of Todd and Malden:**

- A visible picture of Christ of moving into the neighbourhood
- A building that is a dynamic tool in our efforts to engage our community with the transformative message of God's love – the building is not *the* church – we are!
- Offered to our neighbourhood as both a community centre and church; A community centre because all are welcome and real life needs are addressed – a church because those needs are ultimately met in Jesus Christ
- Being a welcoming, giving and inviting place where Christian community is modelled
- Serving both congregation and community as a physical reminder of our call to be both salt and light where we have been placed