***‘knowing, showing and growing God’s good news in Malden Manor’***

**Welcome**

What is the best piece of good news you have heard recently (either personally or in the news media)?

**Worship**

Read Romans 1 v 16-17 – use these words about the gospel good news as a starting-point for a time of praise and worship.

**Word***‘a great door for effective work has opened to us’* 1 Corinthians 16 v 9Three responses to this open door:

* Sleep – miss it, ignore it - Ephesians 5 v 8-16
* Crash – make a mess of it -Ephesians 5 v 15-16
* Approach with prayer - Proverbs 3 v 5-6

Biblical mission always involves both cost and blessing: Luke 9 v 22-23; Mark 10 v 29-30.  
Where are you in this – please let us know by Easter:  
 God wants me in New Malden.  
 God wants me in Malden Manor.  
 I don’t know - you tell me where you see me fitting best.

1. What are your current thoughts about the Malden Manor church-plant?   
   What about it makes you excited, and what makes you nervous?
2. How have you gone about seeking God’s place for you in it?  
   How will you know when God has spoken to you?
3. From the verses above in Luke 9 and Mark 10, what factors do we see to be a part of Christian mission?  
   Do we think/talk/preach too little about the cost of following Jesus?  
   How prepared are you to face the cost and to truly follow?  
   How does Jesus’ promise in Mark 10 influence your thinking?  
   What else can motivate us to truly follow, despite the cost?  
   (e.g. Heb.12 v 1-3; John 14 v 1-4)

**Pray**Where does God want you in September – New Malden or Malden Manor?  
Pray for the night shelter welcoming homeless guests again on Tuesday.