

**THINGS SHARED IN THE “WHAT IS GOD SAYING TO US?” SECTION OF OUR CHURCH MEETING  
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> NOVEMBER**

- Reflecting on Joseph (Jesus’ earthly father); how much he faithfully trusted and followed God with each step of life changing decisions.
- We should not lose sight of two things amongst the detail of going forward; firstly, making use of the building and secondly, serving the local community and being relevant.
- Isaiah 43: 18-19 ‘Forget the former things, do not dwell on the past. See I am doing a new thing!’ with the focus being on doing a new thing.
- “Come into the light.”
- Psalm 127: 1-2 ‘Unless the Lord builds the house, the labourers build in vain’, Psalm 143:10 ‘Teach me to do you will’ and Psalm 94:14 ‘For the Lord will not reject his people, he will never forsake their inheritance’. Keep trusting in Him.
- Important to be praying for our new leadership team. Important that members support the team and step up whilst conversely the leadership team are conscious to not to rush off and leave members behind in decision-making.
- Isaiah 1:21 ‘See how the faithful city has become a prostitute’. Possibly “the city” as a reference to our city of Newcastle as the context for our mission and message?
- Nehemiah ‘direct your paths’ and ‘My Purpose’. Nehemiah 1: so many ‘then’s’. So orderly, there was a process. Believe God will take us from one ‘then’ to another ‘then’. God will be with us every step. Also referenced Joshua just before they are about to cross the river – to consecrate themselves and ‘get ready’.