

Online Network Membership

We are currently leading through a time of international pandemic and realise this has resulted in restrictions of movement for many. This document explains a form of membership we are making available which doesn't represent this current situation but those of more normal times.

As technology increasingly means the world is a global village, we know that friendships and relationships can be both formed and maintained at geographical distance. Rediscover Church has a global reach through our online presence and this can result in people desiring to have a relationship with us that is greater than simply digesting our content — some would like to establish a sense of belonging. If those who have this desire are able to physically join with us in Exeter, UK then we encourage local membership, but for those who are unable to join with us in this way we have an online network membership available.

Our online network membership has the following requirements:

- You are unable to attend our activities physically either because of illness or geography
- You are an active follower of Jesus
- You believe in our vision and core beliefs
- You will seek to be a blessing to the Rediscover community
- You have considered reasons why you are connecting with us rather than with a local expression of church
- You attend an online 'A Place to Thrive' course
- You complete an application for online network membership

The benefits of our online network membership are:

- Introduction to the community
- Opportunities to get involved with activities such as online pastoring, facilitating local alpha courses etc
- Opportunities to partner with us in building the kingdom of God through online giving
- Access to online community groups and teaching programmes
- Regular updates from the pastors and team

Pastoral limitations of online network membership:

•	There are clearly limitations to the way we can express love and care to those who are geographically distanced from us so expressions such as pastoral visits and practical help is not possible