

## HOME MISSION CONTINUED...

- ✓ Over the past 6 years 18 churches have never given anything (33 gave nothing in 2024 & 2025 – 3 of which however gave directly to SEBA)

Per capita giving over past 6 years (churches)

- ✓ 59 churches have increased their giving
- ✓ 62 churches have reduced their giving
- ✓ 2 have given the same

Total raised in 2025 by SEBA churches = £321,357.43.

## OUT OF 145 SEBA CHURCHES (2024 FIGURES – in brackets = 2023 figures)

- ✓ 48% (48%) of our churches have less than 40 adult members
- ✓ 19% (15%) of our churches have less than 20 adult members.
- ✓ 12% (11%) of our churches have 15 or less adult members.
- ✓ Around 52% (51%) of our churches have 5 or less under 11's on Sundays.
- ✓ Around 18% (17%) of our churches have no under 11's on Sundays.
- ✓ 68% (58%) of our churches have 5 or less young people 11-18 on Sundays.
- ✓ 26% (21%) of our churches have no young people 11-18 on Sundays.
- ✓ 42% (20%) of our churches had no baptisms

**NOTE - Above figures from annual church returns.**

Male ministers in SEBA churches = 88 (including RLMs)

Female ministers in SEBA churches = 41 (including RLMs)

## SOME SEBA STATISTICS

	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
<b>SUNDAY ATTENDANCE</b>	12,922	12,325	/	10,497	10,592	10,778	11,397
<b>SUNDAY SERVICE -</b>							
Children 0-10						1,389	1,425
Young People 11-17						876	930
Young Adults 18-30						701	804
Adults 31-64						4,055	4,260
Seniors 65+						3,757	3,978
<b>REGULAR CONTACTS</b>							
Children 0-10						16,220	18,299
Young People 11-17						2,047	2,237
Adults 18+						5,054	5,504
<b>Totals</b>						<b>23,321</b>	<b>26,033</b>
<b>BAPTISMS</b>	225	222	42	127	196	230	324
<b>CURRENT MEMBERSHIP</b>	11,845	11,615	11,285	10,884	10,470	10,155	9,970

**NOTE - Above figures from the 2024 annual church returns.**

## MINISTRY CHANGES in 2025 (figures in brackets = 2024)

- ✓ 6 (6) ministers moved out of SEBA
- ✓ 3 (5) moved to new posts within SEBA
- ✓ 6 new ministers to SEBA
- ✓ 4 (5) ministers retired from church ministry
- ✓ 1 (2) minister retired from chaplaincy positions
- ✓ 2 retired ministers died
- ✓ 2 ministers completed their MiT period and are now ministers in SEBA churches (NAMs).
- ✓ 2 new Ministers in Training

## MINISTERIAL RECOGNITION IN 2025

- ✓ Commended 5 (3) for Baptist Ministerial Training via a college
- ✓ Commended 3 RLM for training
- ✓ Met with 3 (5) NAMs for their Interim Interviews
- ✓ Commended 8 (6) NAMs for full Baptist Ministerial Accreditation

## CHAPLAINS (HOSPITAL, PRISONS AND OTHER) IN 2025

- ✓ 18 (16) in Sector Ministry (which also includes those who aren't Chaplains). 7 hospital, 1 prison, 2 school and 8 others.

## CHURCHES IN 2025

- ✓ River of Life Community Church new to BUGB and SEBA (Ashford)
- ✓ St Leonards and Wellington Square Baptist Church now amalgamated – Hastings and St Leonards Baptist Church.

## CHURCHES – PER NETWORK

- ✓ East Kent: 16
- ✓ East Sussex: 22
- ✓ Gatwick: 14
- ✓ Mid Sussex: 11
- ✓ North Downs: 21
- ✓ North Kent: 17
- ✓ South Kent: 16 (+ 2 chapels – Boughton and Capel)
- ✓ West Kent: 11
- ✓ West Sussex: 17

Total churches in SEBA – 145 (Including Temple Ewell, The Bridge and Goring and excluding Chapels)

## NETWORKS

- ✓ Joth – East, North and South Kent
- ✓ Paul – West, mid and East Sussex and North Downs
- ✓ Andy – Gatwick and West Kent

## RETIRED MINISTERS IN 2025

- ✓ Retired Baptist Ministers living in SEBA - 107

## SEBA ORDINATIONS IN 2025 = 4

## SEBA INDUCTIONS IN 2025 = 13

## REGIONAL MINISTER PREACHING ENGAGEMENTS IN 2025

- ✓ Total number of preaches – 68

## SAFEGUARDING

- ✚ *Safeguarding Training in from Feb 25 to Jan 26*
- ✓ Level 2 training – 768 (722) individuals
- ✓ Level 3 training – 330 (348) individuals

- ✚ *Safeguarding 'Situations' from Feb 25 to Jan 26*
- ✓ 53 (79) situations / cases
- ✓ 98 (102) safeguarding queries
- ✓ 3 LADO investigations

## CORE LEADER TRAINING

- ✓ Two sessions in 2025 – Walderslade and Horley.

## PREACHING COURSE - 2025

- ✓ 31 completed the course

## HOME MISSION GIVING IN 2024

- ✓ £33.57 National per capita giving.
- ✓ £32.33 SEBA per capita giving (incl. personal gifts).
- ✓ £31.36 Average per capita giving – churches only.