

References – how the mission, vision and values are theologically rooted:

- [1] **John 10:10 (NIV)** – “I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.”
- [2] **Acts 2:42 (NIV)** – “They devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.”
- [3] **Hebrews 10:24 (NIV)** – “And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds.”
- [4] **Genesis 2:7 (NIV)** – “Then the Lord God formed a man from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living being.”
- [5] **1 Corinthians 12:4 (NIV)** – “There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them.”
- [6] **Genesis 1:27 (NIV)** – “So God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.”
- [7] **Matthew 19:14 (NIV)** – “Jesus said, ‘Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.’”
- [8] **2 Corinthians 5:18 (NIV)** – “All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation.”
- [9] **Matthew 7:12 (NIV)** – “So in everything, do to others what you would have them do to you, for this sums up the Law and the Prophets.”
- [10] **1 Corinthians 12:12 (NIV)** – “Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ.”

Linking Arden Forest MAT’s Mission, Vision & Values to the Six Core Theological Concepts

Core Theological Concept	Connection to The Arden Forest MAT Mission, Vision, and Values
Creation	Inspiration is at the heart of the MAT’s vision, nurturing the unique talents of every child. The reference to breathing life into learning reflects God breathing life into humanity. ^[4]
Trinity	The commitment to collaboration and shared responsibility reflects the Trinity’s model of unity in diversity. By working together across schools, the MAT fosters a community of mutual support . ^[10]
Love	The MAT’s mission to nurture the whole child is deeply rooted in love. By prioritising well-being, respect, and inclusion, it fosters an environment where all can flourish in love and service . ^[3]
Salvation	The MAT provides hope, aspiration, and resilience , equipping children with the wisdom and courage to navigate challenges and make good choices, leading to personal transformation and growth . ^[1]
Incarnation	The emphasis on holistic care and nurturing relationships mirrors Jesus’ presence among humanity, ensuring every child is valued, supported, and given the opportunity to flourish . ^[7]
Reconciliation	Through respect, dignity, and fostering reconciliation , the MAT builds inclusive communities where all voices are heard and valued, echoing the call to restore and strengthen relationships. ^[8]