

Welcome to our Collective Worship



You are listening to the song 'A Million Dreams'

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As we gather today, we invite you to celebrate the joy of being together in the presence of God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit



Our Welcome Words:

We share our hopes **with one another**

We encourage **each other**

We flourish, we grow, in **unity**

We embrace everyone and **every opportunity**

We are here to worship **together**

Sharing love and **hope with each other**



OUR FATHER

in heaven

hallowed be your name

forgive us
our sins

as we forgive those
who sin against us



What new things will we look at today?



Today we will be finding out more about the importance of having hope in our lives.



*What does HOPE mean to
you?*

*What do you HOPE for in your
lives?*

Rather than thinking
about things that you
WANT, can you think
about the kind of person
that you hope to **BE**?



How will YOU finish the sentence, 'I hope to 'bee''



What kind of person do you hope to be each day?

The question does not ask what job you hope to do when you grow up.

This is a question about the kind of person you would like to be now!



**God wants us to grow
and flourish. To be the
best we can be.**



To be the ‘best we can be’ is not always easy. The start of a new year is the perfect time to think about all that we can hope to achieve in the year ahead.

I will hope to be ...

I will achieve this by ...

- Here is my example from last year:
- I will hope to be **more resilient** – I will keep going, I will persevere, even if it is not easy at first.
- I will achieve this by **learning a new skill**. I know I won’t master it straight away, but I will keep trying!

Look at what Mrs Ettridge made!

Learning to crochet was difficult at first, and I definitely needed to persevere and show resilience! I nearly gave up MANY times!

It would have been easier to give up, but I kept going and now I feel proud of myself as I have a new skill – and I can share my creations with others. I love to crochet, and I love to give away the things I make to people that I care about.



So let's reflect for a moment...

What **you** hope to
achieve in 2026?

What **values** will you
show along the way?



Sometimes it is hard to be hopeful, when things don't go right straight away...

In this short video, this is shown very clearly:

[Never Lose Hope](#)

What messages of hope did you notice?



Time to reflect

Having hope in our lives helps us to face difficulties, however big or small, in a positive way and with the strong belief that things can get better.



HOPE, for most Christians, is rooted in faith and trust in God. It is the belief that God will be there to support and care, even during difficult times.

Abraham and Sarah were an elderly couple who desperately hoped for a child. They kept their faith in God and were rewarded with a child, Isaac.

Joseph is one of the most prominent figures in the Bible. He is known for his incredible story of resilience, faith and hope. He still kept faith, even when things seemed desperate.

Despite facing a situation that seemed hopeless, **David** defeated the giant Goliath with just a stone and sling, showing the power of hope and faith in God.

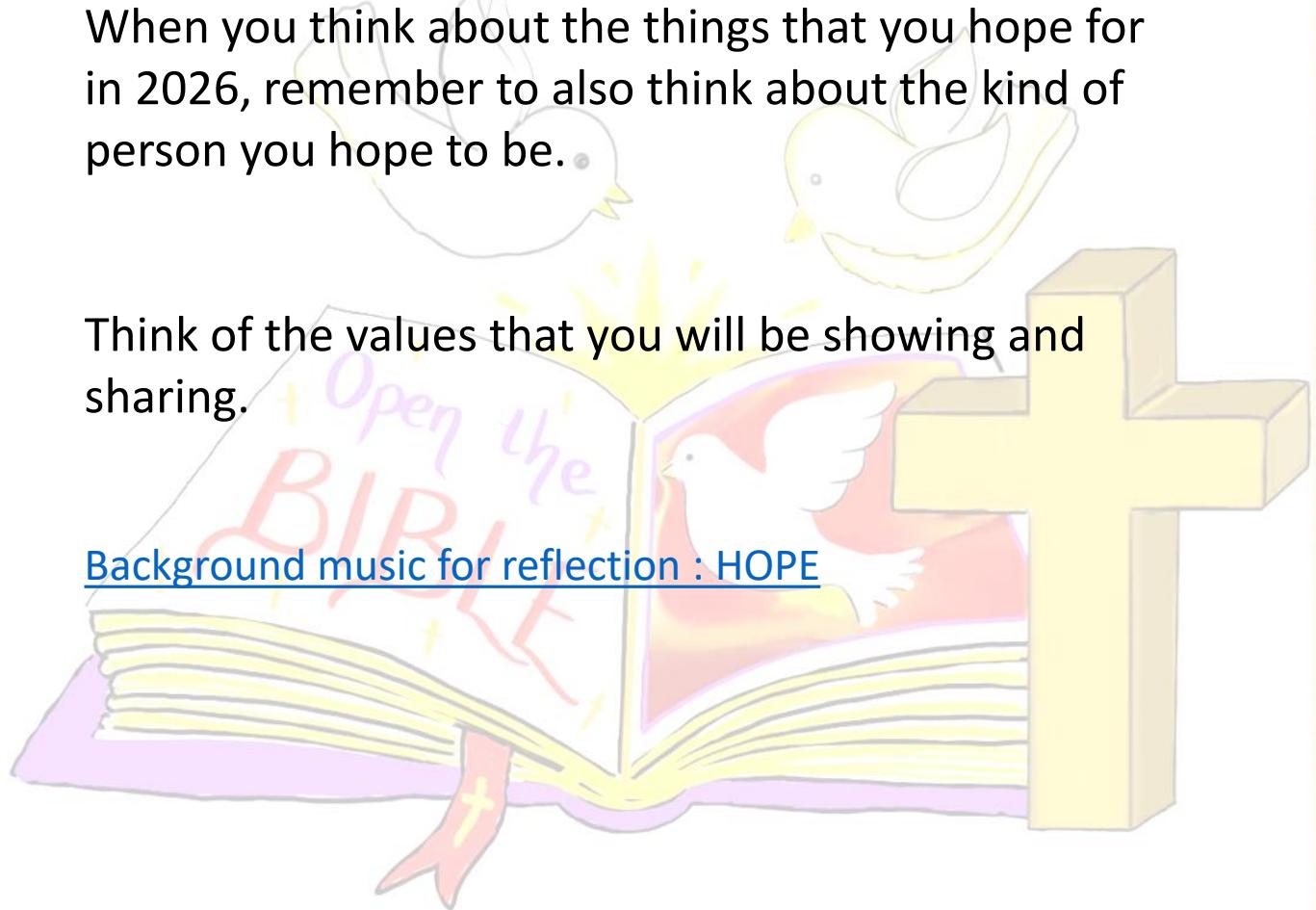
Time to reflect



When you think about the things that you hope for in 2026, remember to also think about the kind of person you hope to be.

Think of the values that you will be showing and sharing.

[Background music for reflection : HOPE](#)



**What have you
thought about from
today?**



We invite you to share a song:

Today we invite you to sing 'HOPE', reflecting on the words as we sing.

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We invite you to pray or reflect

**Thank you for all that we have in our lives.
Thank you for the wonders and adventures
that we are yet to experience.**

**Please guide us as we show courage in
trying new things and help us to encourage
and support those around us.**

**Help us all to be the best we can be in all
that we do.**

**Please help us to follow our hopes and
dreams and to encourage and inspire
others to do the same.**

Amen.

***Take a quiet moment to
reflect on all that we have –
and all that we hope to be.***

[Background music for reflection : HOPE](#)

A shared prayer of hope, written by children, for children ...

We hope for friendship and kindness, for compassion and love,

For trust, for forgiveness, for guidance from above.

We hope for gratitude, for a life full of joy,

For a kind world to live in, for each girl and boy.

We hope for a world where we have courage and trust

Where we inspire change- we know that we must!

We hope for happiness for our sisters and brothers,

A world where we remember to think about others.

We hope for sunshine and rainbows, for none to feel sad.

We hope for warm homes for families- for all to feel glad.

We hope for the joy of Christmas, the excitement of snow,

We hope to see happiness for all those we know.

We hope for smiles and cuddles, for joy and laughter,

We hope that everyone has a 'happy ever after'.

We hope our planet is cherished- we must all show care

Of the animals on land, in the sea, in the air.

We hope for wars to stop, we hope for peace for all,

For respect of all life- no matter how small.

We hope to make a difference, to have our say,

It might be difficult- but we'll do it anyway

We will all do our best to be the best we can be,

We will live our lives with generosity.

We hope to look after each other, showing friendship and care,

To persevere, to work together, to help and to share.

We hope to embrace every opportunity that comes our way,

Please help us to make the most of EVERY day.

Amen

As we start 2026, we would like everyone to think about the importance of hope in our lives.

As we leave Collective Worship today, we would like you to take some thoughts with you...

Share your hopes for the coming year ... what values will you need to show?

How will you encourage the hopes of others?

'Encourage one another and build each other up' (Thessalonians 5:11)

You can share your hopes on the little bees.



Take a quiet moment...

As you leave Collective Worship today, reflect on all you have heard.

Listen to the music...

Take thoughts of **HOPE** with you.



Thank you for sharing Collective Worship



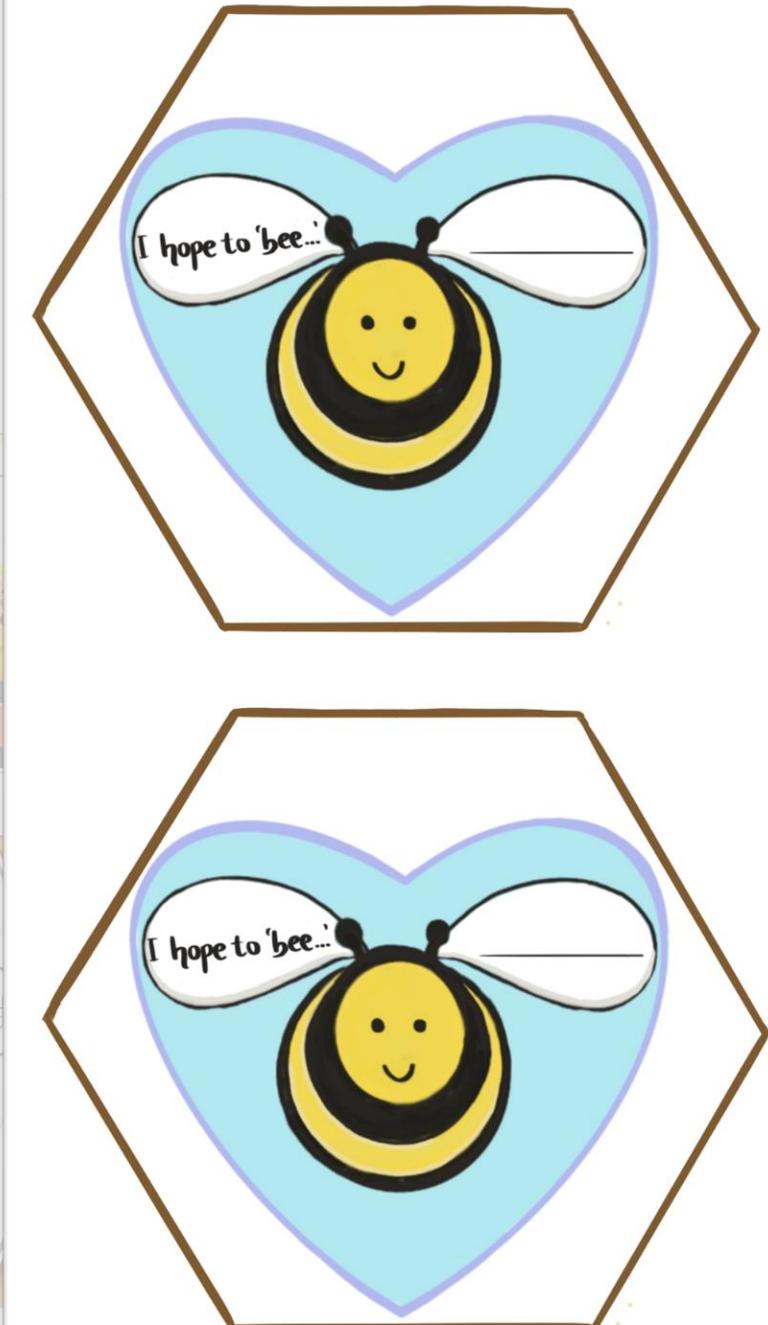
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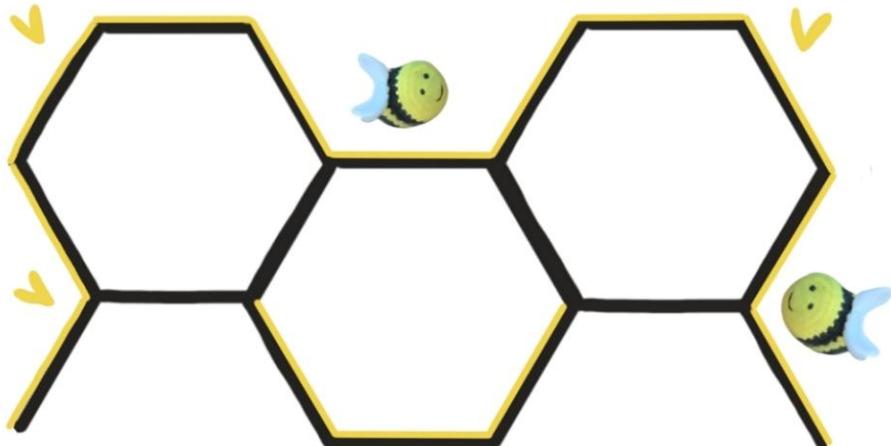


A resource to print off and use: the children think about a value they will hope to show this year. On the reverse of the hexagon, they can describe or illustrate the actions that they will take to show and share this value. They can be displayed both ways!

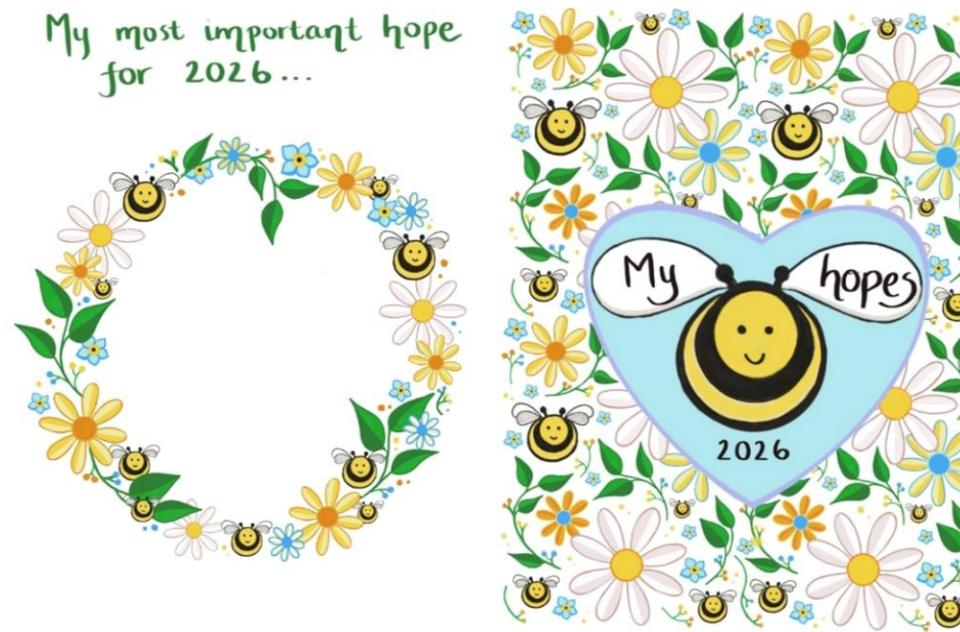


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this is how I will show

My hopes for 2026 :



My most important hope
for 2026 ...



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