

# Week 02 Small group

## Unity and Maturity through Diversity

# TRANSFORMED LIVING

### **Warm up question**

Hand out two pieces of paper to everyone. Then ask each person to write one thing about the person to their left and right in answer to the question, "What can s/he do really well?"

### **Read**

Read Ephesians 4:7–16.

### **Study**

1. What different gifts and skills do you appreciate in the people in your group and within CBC generally?
2. What is the purpose of those gifts that are more public and visible (verses 11-13)?
3. A new believer asks how they can discover and use the spiritual gifts God has given them. What would your advice be?
4. Paul contrasts maturity and immaturity (verses 13, 14). How does he describe maturity?
5. What role does 'love' play in both 'keeping the unity of the Spirit' (verses 2-3) and achieving maturity (verses 15-16).
6. Compare Paul's analogy of the body (verses 15-16) with what he has written elsewhere (1 Corinthians 12:12-31). How does this analogy help to explain healthy church life?

### **Pray**

Pray for each other in turn, asking God by His Holy Spirit to release His gifts through you in greater measure.