



CCCQld **VISION**

2024-2025

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Our Vision

Our Vision as a network

THE HISTORY OF RELIGIOUS MOVEMENTS FOLLOWS A PATTERN: MAN, MOVEMENT, AND MONUMENT. THE CHRISTIAN BROTHERS MOVEMENT IGNITED IN 1826 WHEN EDWARD CRONIN, A RECENT ROMAN CATHOLIC CONVERT, REJECTED DENOMINATIONAL RIVALRY AND, WITH A FEW OTHERS, BEGAN MEETING IN DUBLIN FOR FELLOWSHIP AROUND THE LORD'S TABLE.

This return to Christian unity and simple worship rapidly spread across the United Kingdom. The early Brethren's devotion to Scriptures and sacrifice inspired many. By 1851, there were 125 Open Brethren assemblies, growing to 723 by 1892.

In 1876, the first Brethren assembly formed in Queensland, spreading throughout the region. However, churches that begin as a movement of God, can quickly become a monument.

But there is hope. Jesus said to the church in Ephesus, "Remember therefore from where you have fallen; repent and do the works you did at first" (Rev 2:5).

As the Christian Community Churches of Queensland, formerly Christian Brethren, we must repent and return to Christ. We must ask the Holy Spirit to give us boldness and new ways of presenting the unchanging message of the gospel in the ever-changing culture and we must be willing to step out in faith and try new things.



And so, this is my hope for our network, that as we turn back to Jesus, and let go of pride, he might pour out his Spirit on us so that we might become a healthy, growing, and multiplying movement. This is the very heart of our vision.

Timon Bengtson
QLD State Co-ordinator

We hope to become a unified network of healthy, growing and multiplying churches impacting Queensland and beyond with the Gospel.

1 HEALTH

We see a vibrant future for CCCQLD churches, who by God's grace are revitalised into healthy gospel centred communities, who have a sincere passion for Jesus, his word and each other.



2 GROWTH

We see a movement of churches who are reaching people in their community with the gospel and are constantly hearing testimonies of people who have come to know Jesus.



3 MULTIPLICATION

We see a movement of churches where every Christian is intentionally trained and equipped to be a disciple-maker, and where leaders are identified, trained, and sent out to establish new churches, thereby saturating Queensland with the gospel.





To make this vision a reality, we will be focusing on four key priorities over the next two years:

- 1** Reaching the next generation
- 2** Leadership development and training
- 3** Church renewal and church planting
- 4** Building connection and relationships in our network

Main Focus 1 .

REACHING THE NEXT GENERATION



MOST PEOPLE DECIDE TO TRUST IN JESUS BETWEEN THE AGES OF 12-25. THEREFORE, IT IS CRITICAL THAT WE GEAR OUR MINISTRIES TOWARDS THIS REACHING YOUNG PEOPLE. WE ARE HOPING THIS YEAR TO FOCUS OUR MINISTRIES TOWARD A YEAR OF MULTIPLY. EVERYTHING WE BE DOING THIS YEAR, WILL BE FOCUSING ON CREATING A MULTIPLYING DISCIPLING MOVEMENT AMONG THE YOUNGER GENERATIONS IN OUR MOVEMENT.

'Multiply' Discipleship Program



Next year, we are inviting young people to dive into the transformative 'Multiply' curriculum by acclaimed authors

Francis Chan and David Platt. It explores the essence of discipleship and provides an introduction to the entire Bible. Whether you're new to discipleship or seeking a deeper understanding of the Bible, this is for you.

For those eager to participate, you will need to enlist a mentor or a fellow church member to join you on this exciting quest. Don't miss out on this exceptional opportunity! **Registrations for the Multiply Discipleship Program close on February 9th.** Elevate your spiritual journey and sign up today! Contact the office for more information.

Youth Leaders Summit

The youth leaders Summit provides a distinctive opportunity for individuals in our network involved in youth work or wanting to start a youth ministry. It aims to inspire and empower participants to initiate a disciple-making ministry with a multiplying impact in their church. Taking place on **Saturday, February 10th, from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm**, this event will provide inspiration, camaraderie with fellow youth workers, and will equip you with practical tools to be effective in ministering to youth. Come join us to explore how you can reach out to this pivotal generation through your church.

Multiply Nights

Join us throughout the year for unforgettable evenings of united worship and powerful testimonies, celebrating the incredible things God is doing in our year of multiplication! Be part of the excitement as our youth share inspiring stories and let's fervently pray together for a bountiful harvest of spiritual growth and blessings. Don't miss out on these transformative events! Check the calendar for details.

State Combined Sports Night

Join us for an exhilarating Sports Night, where youth groups from across the state unite to compete for the coveted state youth trophy! But it's not just about the thrill of victory, but an opportunity to extend a warm invitation to all the youth in our church networks who may not have encountered the transformative message of gospel. So, make sure you get a team ready for our combined State Sports Night to be held in the middle of the year.

CYC Camps

Discover a transformative journey at CYC camps, a longstanding cornerstone of our movement. Join us this year as we strive to create an unforgettable experience, where countless young individuals not only encounter Christ but also embark on a profound journey of discipleship. Don't miss out on the opportunity to forge lasting connections and deepen your faith in an environment designed to inspire and nurture.

Main Focus 2

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT AND TRAINING



AS SOMEONE HAS ONCE SAID, "WHEN THE LEADER GETS BETTER, THE WHOLE CHURCH BENEFITS." MANY OF OUR ELDERS ARE FAITHFUL MEN AND HAVE WORKED TIRELESSLY IN THE MINISTRY. HOWEVER, OVER THE NEXT SEASON WE WANT TO TRAIN ALL OF THEM IN THE GOSPEL MINISTRY.

Training for Elders and Future Leaders through Elder Hubs

Elevate your leadership with our Elder and Future Leader Training! Immerse yourself in the profound insights of "Gospel Eldership" by Robert H. Thune during three dynamic sessions in SEQ and three in Wide Bay.

Current Elders, seize the chance to enrich your skills, while inviting some aspiring leaders/elders to join you in this transformative experience (2 Tim 2:2). Don't miss out—come along and embark on a journey of growth, purpose, and biblical leadership!

Here are the topics:

ELDERS HUBS 2024

Elder Hub 1 – What is an Elder and a Biblical approach to church leadership?

Elder Hub 2 – The Duties of an Elder (part 1) – Feeding and Leading the Church

Elder Hub 3 – The Duties of an Elder (part 2) – Conflict resolution and leading in the mission.

Refer to the calendar for dates.

Alongside these three sessions, we will be giving you a reading guide and a copy of "Gospel Eldership" to each person who registers. **Registration will open in January and close on the 16th of February.** There will be a minimal cost to cover resources and other related expenses.

Expositors Training Day

On **Monday the 18th of March until Wednesday 20 of March** we will be conducting an expositors training day. The focus of the training will be to upskill Elders, Bible teachers and aspiring preachers in how to effectively communicate the Word of God. The seminars will be run by facilitators formerly a part of Word Partners ministry.

Full Time Workers Retreat

We recognize that ministry can be demanding. Our retreat offers a dedicated space for you to refuel in the presence of the Lord. This retreat promises a sanctuary where you can recharge, gain valuable tools for ministry, and foster connections within a supportive community. Currently scheduled for the **16th and 17th of October.**

2024 National Conference

The 2024 National Conference theme is Gospel Renewal. This year we are privileged to have Jon Tyson a Pastor and Church Planter in New York City. Originally from Adelaide Australia, Jon moved to the United States over 2 decades ago with a passion to seek and cultivate renewal in the Western Church. He is the author of Sacred Roots, A Creative Minority, The Burden is Light, Beautiful Resistance, and The Intentional Father. He serves as the Lead Pastor of Church of the City New York. This conference is a must for all the leaders longing to see God bring renewal into their churches.

Main Focus 3

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CHURCH RENEWAL AND CHURCH PLANTING



WE ACKNOWLEDGE THE NEED FOR REVITALIZATION IN SEVERAL OF OUR CHURCHES. TO ADDRESS THIS, WE ARE DEVELOPING A COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH ASSESSMENT AND STRATEGIC PLANNING TOOL. WE PLAN TO COLLABORATE CLOSELY WITH CHURCHES SEEKING ASSISTANCE IN THIS PROCESS. ADDITIONALLY, WE ARE ESTABLISHING A COHORT OF CHURCHES AND LEADERS PASSIONATE ABOUT CHURCH PLANTING, AND WE INVITE PARTICIPATION IN THE UPCOMING NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF CCCAUS. THE FOCUS OF THE CONFERENCE WILL CENTRE ON BOTH CHURCH RENEWAL AND PLANTING INITIATIVES.

Church Health Tools

Introducing our new Church Revitalization Program! If your church recognizes the need for revitalization, we will be developing a set of assessment tools designed specifically for Eldershops. These tools will enable you to assess and enhance your church's current health according to a biblical paradigm. In addition, we offer comprehensive training on revitalization strategies, emphasizing the pivotal role of discipleship at the core of your church.

Consulting and Coaching

Our state coordinator is ready to consult with Eldership teams, providing insights and expertise where required. He offers help in vision formation, preaching planning, strategic planning, developing a leadership pipeline, evangelism training, and focusing the church on community impact and spiritual formation. We will be offering to assist three churches in 2024, with the view of increasing the level of resourcing and assistance in the following years.

Church Planting Cohort

In the upcoming year, we plan to establish a church planting cohort comprising enthusiastic churches and church leaders eager to formulate a strategy for initiating new congregations. This Cohort will convene regularly over the course of the year, providing participants with opportunities to gain insights from experienced church planters in Australia. We are hoping that by the end of the year each participant will have developed a plan for multiplying and planting a new church.

Main Focus 4

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BUILDING CONNECTION AND RELATIONSHIPS



JESUS SAID "BY THIS SHALL ALL MEN KNOW THAT YOU ARE MY DISCIPLES." WE WANT TO FOSTER ENVIRONMENTS WHERE PEOPLE FROM OUR CHURCHES CAN FELLOWSHIP WITH OTHERS AND EXPRESS LOVE FOR EACH OTHER.

Combined Nights of Worship

Get ready for an extraordinary year ahead as we embark on two spectacular nights of worship! Mark your calendars for the **Vision Launch Night on February 11th**, where we'll unpack our vision for the year. Then, join us at the end of the year on November 24th for Celebration Sunday, a joyous gathering to revel in all the incredible things God has done in our midst as a movement. Can't make it in person? No worries – both nights will be live-streamed, ensuring that everyone across our state can be part of the excitement! Don't miss out on these unforgettable moments of unity and celebration.

AMT Mission4LL

Mission4LL encourages everyone to lift up their eyes and catch a vision for God's global mission. It is a 6-city tour with international guest speakers hosted by churches in each city. It will be in **Brisbane on the 11th and 12th of May**. It will have a full program for kids and youth, inspiring everyone in the fulfilment of the great commission.

Zoom Revival Prayer Nights

Join us for an uplifting experience in the upcoming year! We are thrilled to announce four Zoom Revival Prayer Nights—one for each term. Come together with us to seek God's renewal and revival for His people. Let's unite in prayer, impacting our state with the transformative power of the gospel. Don't miss out on this opportunity to be part of something truly inspiring!

Women 2 Women Conference

Women 2 Women conference is designed to uplift and unite women from all walks of life, providing a space for connection, bible teaching, and spiritual growth. Immerse yourself in dynamic worship sessions, engaging workshops, and heartfelt conversations that will deepen your relationship with God and strengthen your bonds with fellow sisters in Christ. Don't miss this divine opportunity to be part of a community that uplifts, inspires, and supports you on your journey of faith.

See the calendar for more details.



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