



ANNUAL REPORT

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EXECUTIVE MINISTER REPORT

“THE CHURCH IS CHRIST’S BODY, IN WHICH HE SPEAKS AND ACTS, BY WHICH HE FILLS EVERYTHING WITH HIS PRESENCE.”

EPH 1:23 (MSG)

The Board and Staff of Churches of Christ WA are determined to support On Mission energy by walking and working alongside churches, delivering the best possible services and resources that will help to facilitate the ministry of local churches in their communities.

We have an amazing heritage that reminds us that it is Christ who incorporates us together into His body, the Church. As Eugene Petersen reminds us, “The church... is not peripheral to the world; the world is peripheral to the church. The church is Christ’s body, in which he speaks and acts, by which He fills everything with His presence.”

Our heritage has gifted us with a legacy, forged over time, of unity in diversity. It is not a unity of uniformity neither is it a diversity of arrogance. Rather it is a vulnerable unity and a robust diversity that flows from our loving submission to Christ and to each other so that we are both compelled and propelled to share the love of Christ in the world.

In our unity and diversity:

- We can believe in an imagined future together
- We will listen to each other
- We will support vision
- We explore possible synergies that value-add to churches and our ministry partners
- We will facilitate networking
- We will provide the best resources we can
- We will uphold local church autonomy
- We will aspire to be dynamic and effective

We are confident that the church has a necessary and vital future in this State. To that end, we are deeply committed to standing with each church and our partners in pursuit of the mission of Christ.

TANIA WATSON

Executive Minister



CHAIRMAN REPORT

“... THE PEOPLE WHO KNOW THEIR GOD SHALL STAND FIRM AND TAKE ACTION.”

DANIEL 11:32B ESV

Last year was a time of forward planning and preparation for the Churches of Christ WA Board. We can happily say that as result of this careful preparation, we have secured our footing on solid ground and can now move forward in areas of growth and health as people.

No longer are we trying to get our house in order; we are ‘open for business’ on all fronts! We’ve finished spending energy treading water, and are seeing real ministry gains everywhere we look.

It is a privilege to be part of this association, and I am proud to be known as a son of this family!

RYAN LADEN

Chairman

2016 - 2017 HIGHLIGHTS

CHURCH DEVELOPMENT THROUGH NEW BUILDINGS, REDEVELOPMENT AND REFURBISHMENT:

- ALBANY CHURCH OF CHRIST
- BASSEDEAN CHURCH OF CHRIST
- LAKE GWELUP COMMUNITY CHURCH
- MUNDARING CHURCH OF CHRIST
- THE ROCKS CHURCH
- SUBIACO CHURCH OF CHRIST
- TRUE NORTH MERRIWA



MINISTRY GATHERINGS EXPANDED:

- ANNUAL ON MISSION MANDURAH RETREAT
- MINISTRY SKILLS TWO DAY GETAWAYS
- SPIRITUAL RETREATS
- GOOD NEWS CONVERSATIONS
- MONTHLY PRAYER FOR NEW BELIEVERS
- NORTH AND SOUTH BOARD BUILDERS WITH ROB REIMER



STATE YOUTH GAMES

18 TEAMS | 875 PLAYERS | 111 VOLUNTEERS

700-800 PEOPLE ATTENDED THE SATURDAY NIGHT SERVICE



260
PEOPLE BAPTISED

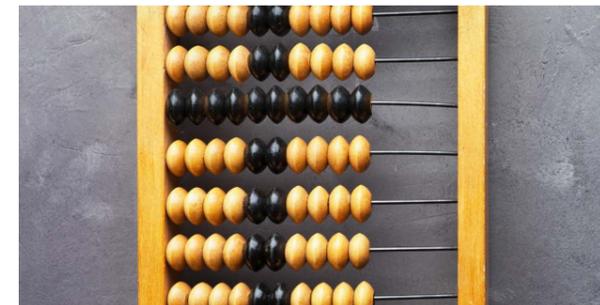


LAUNCH

OF THE ON MISSION JOURNAL



COCWA
BOOKKEEPING SERVICE
FOR CHURCHES



INCREASE IN CHURCHES IMPLEMENTING
SAFE TRAINING
FOR THEMSELVES



RELAUNCH
OF KIDS VISION

YOUTH VISION

Working with Churches of Christ to equip and empower those who work with the youth and young adults in our communities and beyond is a privilege. This past year has seen us maintain some great initiatives, and begin to innovate new ways of doing things.

Marquee events, such as Edge Camp, State Youth Games, and Emerging Youth Games, have continued to grow with record numbers of attendance. These numbers are extremely encouraging, and highlight the demand for spaces to engage purposefully with young people.

We have four different churches engaged in our Next Level Internship program, and the training and development their representatives have received has been informative for them and their faith communities.

We continue to review our systems and structures so we can best serve those who are committed to serving others. We don't want to see our communities limited by tradition — our desire is to help communities recognise where they are and how they can become the most effective in loving God, serving Christ, and taking others on that journey with them.

AMIT KHAIRA

on behalf of the Youth Vision team



KIDS VISION

Across the state, there are a number of people knitted together in common cause and mission, devoted to seeing the youngest members of our churches discover faith. Kids Vision has begun to develop a community with these passionate leaders, connecting them with each other in encouragement, support, and discovery.

Throughout the year, we have come together for several key events, and there has been a sense of joy as individuals have had the opportunity to begin to journey with brothers and sisters that share a common passion for Kid's Ministry. We have gathered, reconnected, shared innovative ideas and look forward to what God will grow.

It has been a year of new beginnings! In July, Kids Vision partnered with Churches of Christ Sport and Recreation (CCSRA) to run the first Kids Games, engaging parents, kids, and new families in a wonderful event. Several churches engaged in a fun project as we explored the On Mission Journal theme, Theology and Art, with our kid's ministries. In October, we will collectively have gathered with many of our teams for the Beyond KidsMin Conference that will equip, train, and explore the future of Kids Ministry.

JONO VOSE

Leadership Developer, Kids Vision



CHURCH & MINISTRY SUPPORT

Reflecting on the last 12 months, I'm excited about the ongoing and growing focus on the Gospel that has laid the foundation for a number of 'Good News Conversations'. These have seen pastors gathering together to encourage one another in and with the Gospel, to celebrate the Good News that God is building His church. It is a privilege to join God, as His beloved children, in His great work of salvation. To God be the glory.

BILL ADDISON

Church and Ministry Support

I have had the privilege of engaging with churches and leadership teams as they have pursued a renewed depth of spiritual leadership through Bible reading and the Soul Care program. This has seen many people's lives become free and full in new ways, and the stories of lives being changed continues to inspire others through the power of God's love. It is our honour to walk together as we pursue God in every dimension of our lives.

JOHN HUTCHINSON

Church and Ministry Support

OUR TIME INVESTMENT



45%

INDIVIDUAL MENTORING AND COACHING



15%

STRATEGY AND DEVELOPMENT



40%

DIRECT CHURCH ENGAGEMENT AND SUPPORT

LEGACY

“... THE APOSTLES, THE PROPHETS, THE EVANGELISTS, AND THE PASTORS AND TEACHERS — THEIR RESPONSIBILITY IS TO EQUIP GOD’S PEOPLE TO DO HIS WORK AND BUILD UP THE CHURCH, THE BODY OF CHRIST.”

EPHESIANS 4:11-12

We have 180 retired and retiring ministers who have faithfully served our association and partner organisations. We are grateful for them laying the foundations for the present generation, so they can launch forward in the Kingdom's growth. Our role as retired ministers is to be the cheerleaders of those who now carry the front line responsibility to equip the people of God.

BARRY THYGESEN

Pastor Support to Retiring and Retired Ministers

NEW WORKS

It is an exciting time to come onto the staff team at Churches of Christ and help shape the waterways that flow towards love, particularly when I see much of our world fuelled by hate. From the smallest to the largest churches there is an energy and intention to continue building communities that are following and reflecting the love of Jesus. I have liaised with Kids Vision, Youth Vision, CCSRA, and other partners to help facilitate this intention, and have been in conversation with churches about how we can connect with their communities to encourage growth through people wanting to know what it means to be a disciple of Jesus.

PETER BARNEY

New Works

FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT

INCOME
\$1 MILLION



AFFILIATION FEES
20%



INSURANCE
41%



PARTNERS CONTRIBUTION
27%



INTEREST
6%



TRAINING & EVENTS
6%

EXPENSES
\$1 MILLION



CHURCH MINISTRY SUPPORT
54%



CHURCH OPERATIONAL SUPPORT
34%



EVENTS
12%

BOARD & STAFF

BOARD



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CHAIRMAN



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NEW WORKS

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BARRY THYGESEN
CHURCH & MINISTRY SUPPORT

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FINANCE

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STATE YOUTH MINISTER

JOHN INGHAM
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LAWYER

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REAL ESTATE BUSINESS OWNER

HEDLEY BOND
RETIRED ENGINEER

JOLENE GRIFFITHS
CHAIRMAN, PROPERTY
REDEVELOPMENT

LARRY LUONG
PRIVATE CLIENT MANAGER

CHURCHES & PARTNERS

CHURCHES

Beckenham Community Church
Bridgetown Church of Christ
Bridgetown Church of Christ
Bruce Rock Church of Christ
Bunbury Aboriginal Christian Fellowship
Carnarvon Church of Christ
Church @ The Stadium
Church of Christ Albany
Church of Christ Bassendean
Church of Christ Bullcreek
Church of Christ Collie
Church of Christ Kalgoorlie
Church of Christ, Wembley Downs
City Church of Christ Perth
Cornerstone Church of Christ
Corrigin Church of Christ
Dalkeith Road Church of Christ
Dowerin Church of Christ
Dunborough Church of Christ
Eastlake Church
Elevate Church
Encounter Church
Esperance Church of Christ Christian Fellowship
Foothills Church of Christ
Fremantle Church of Christ
Geraldton Church of Christ
Harvey Church of Christ
Indonesian Family Church
Jesus Central
Jesus es el Camino
Kalamunda Church of Christ

Kingsley Church of Christ
Lake Gwelup Christian Church
Lifestreams Christian Church
Lifestreams Karawara
Living Grace Dianella Church
Maylands Church of Christ
Merredin Church of Christ
Morawa Church of Christ
Mount Pleasant Church of Christ
Mukinbudin Church of Christ
Narembeen Church of Christ
New Spring Church
Nollamara Church of Christ
Noranda Church of Christ
Norseman Community Church
Perth Arabic Christian Centre
Rockingham Church of Christ
Roleystone Community Church
Serpentine Church of Christ
Shalom House Church
South Bunbury Church of Christ
Southern River Church
Spires Life Church
Subiaco Church of Christ
The Rocks Ministry
Thornlie Church of Christ
True North Church - Merriwa
Valley Church of Christ
Warnbro Community Church
Warwick Church of Christ
Westcity Church of Christ
York Church of Christ

PARTNERS

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Bethesda Hospital
Building Extension Mutual Fund
Churches of Christ Sport and Recreation
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