



# The Anglican Church of Australia - The Diocese of Willochra

## OUR MISSION STATEMENT

### BIBLICAL MANDATE

Jesus came and said to his disciples, "All authority in heaven and on earth is given to me. **Go therefore and make disciples of all nations.**"  
Matthew 28 : 18 - 20

Jesus said, "**You will receive power** when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and **you will be my witnesses**... to the the ends of the earth.  
Acts 1 : 8

### OUR VISION

To be followers of Christ, filled with the Holy Spirit, confident in faith and sharing it boldly.

### OUR GOALS

1. Proclaim the Good News and make disciples of Jesus
2. Grow a mature and confident faith in Jesus
3. Be transformed by the Holy Spirit to reach our God given potential

## OUR FOCUS

Growing Christian Communities

4. Encounter God through meaningful, uplifting and engaging worship

5. Show God's love for the whole Creation
6. Pursue God's justice in the world through word and action
7. Share our gifts with others

### FIVE MARKS OF MISSION (ACC 2012)

1. To proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom
2. To teach, baptise and nurture new believers
3. To respond to human need by loving service
4. To seek to transform unjust structures of society, to challenge violence of every kind and to pursue peace and reconciliation
5. To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth

### OUR FOUNDATIONS

*"Mission and evangelism are the very life-blood of the church"*  
(Stephen Pickard).

We, the church in the Diocese of Willochra, are not only about ensuring a *"future church"*, but about *"entering into God's mission which desires life in all its fullness for the earth and all that dwells therein"* and allowing that mission to transform our church now. (Life in Abundance: Imagining the present Church).