

VISION COMPONENTS for ASBC 2018 AND BEYOND

1) *Gathered Church*

Value: Gathered by God for his glory.

Strategic Areas of Focus:

- 1) Ensuring services are **accessible by all types of people** (Indigenous, transient, new Christians, all ages)
- 2) Rapid welcoming and **integration of new people** into the community (hospitality) while creating opportunities for people to serve (consistent with calling)
- 3) **Engaging the living word of God** through a wide variety of teaching, prayer and worship forms (celebration culture and spiritual refreshment)

Connection to Pilgrimage: Strategies 1, 2, 6 (Main) + 8, 10 (Minor)

2) *Desert Church*

Value: Partnering to strengthen healthy desert Christian networks.

Strategic Areas of Focus:

- 1) **Increased interconnection** between ASBC and indigenous/remote communities (cohesive team, kingdom-orientated advocate)
- 2) Regular promotion of **unique desert qualities** (spiritual retreats, adventure trips)
- 3) Demonstrate willingness to **adapt current practices** to discover a mutually beneficial way forward

Connection to Pilgrimage: Strategies 2, 6, 7, 9 (Main) + 1, 3, 4, 5 (Minor)

3) *Equipped Church*

Value: Spiritual equipping toward maturity in Christ.

Strategic Areas of Focus:

- 1) Growing people in their **unique calling** (identity), character (integrity) and competency (influence) through encouragement and various teaching approaches
- 2) **Relational approach** to training – both short and long-term (support and accountability)
- 3) **Multiplication mindset** – training to train others (simple and reproducible) including interconnection of ministries

Connection to Pilgrimage: Strategies 4, 5, 7, 9 (Main) + 1, 2, 3, 6, 10 (Minor)

4) *Scattered Church*

Value: Sent by Christ to be in mission every day.

Strategic Areas of Focus:

- 1) Promotion of both **organic vocational influence** and **organised ministry events** (official and unofficial)
- 2) Reaffirm personal missions/ministry by **developing a missional mentality** that is backed up with intentional connection and support
- 3) **Nurture of “sent believers”** through various means of pastoral care

Connection to Pilgrimage: Strategies 1, 2, 3 (Main) + 4, 5, 6 (Minor)

MISSION STATEMENT

Gathered for his glory and connecting with all Central **Desert** believers, we **equip** God's people, enabling the **scattered** church to be in mission every day.

10 STRATEGIES FROM THE **PILGRIMAGE**

1. **Loving, seeking and obeying.** Actively loving God, seeking His will and being obedient to His call.
2. **Relational church.** Intentionally focussed on Christ-like relationships.
3. **Inside-out church.** Maximise projecting, enabling and supporting the mission of church community members in their mission every day.
4. **Empowering, enabling and supportive church.** People are actively empowered, enabled and 'held', being supported, nurtured and connected.
5. **Lean and strong core.** Actively supporting ministry and mission through a strong, efficient and actively supportive core.
6. **Simplified church.** Minimising barriers to participation, action and sending.
7. **Team church.** Projects and ministries are team-based and intentionally grow leadership.
8. **Agile welcoming church.** Welcoming people into community/service/action fast.
9. **Long-view church.** Planning and embedding succession and leadership growth.
10. **Transparent church.** Maximising openness, clarity and communication.