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## VISION 2008-13

God has been sustaining the ministry of St Jude's Carlton since 1866. With thankfulness to God for his mercy, and knowing that everything comes from His hand, we prayerfully believe that He is calling us to serve Him with this Vision.

#### OUR MISSION:

The core purpose of our church is:  
To proclaim and live the Gospel of Jesus Christ,  
so that people might believe, belong, grow and serve.  
We do this for the praise of God's Glory.

#### OUR VISION:

To seek the  
spiritual renewal  
of Inner Northern Melbourne,  
our City and the World.

#### SEEK THE SPIRITUAL RENEWAL OF INNER NORTHERN MELBOURNE

By 2013:

- We aim to have five congregations totalling 750 people, reaching urban families in the inner north of Melbourne. We aim that 25% of our members will have become Christians in this five-year period.
- We aim to see signs of spiritual renewal of the Carlton Housing Estates through the growth of a vibrant, indigenous, transforming Estates church incorporating Horn of Africa fellowships, a multi-cultural leadership team and the raising up of three local church planters/evangelists.
- We want to sharpen our ministry to urban professionals by refocussing our Sundays@5 congregation, and then growing our outreach to the workplace from this base.
- We aim to have 1,000 students attending weekly Bible-based ministries.
- We aim to have Christian contact with 2,000 International students, with 500 in regular attendance at our programs, 100 new Christians, and 50 people moving into leadership.

#### SEEK THE SPIRITUAL RENEWAL OF WIDER MELBOURNE

We aim to exercise a city-wide influence in Melbourne by sending out 15 ordinands and other vocational ministry workers into the Melbourne Diocese in the next five years.

#### SEEK THE SPIRITUAL RENEWAL OF THE WORLD

We aim to make an impact in the world by:

- Developing a focus on cross-cultural mission in two or three specific regions.
- Sending 15 new missionaries to global opportunities in the next five years.
- Giving away 5% of our income by 2013 to relieve the global poor.
- Supporting ministry to indigenous Australians.

**OUR CHALLENGE:**

God is the one who brings renewal by His Spirit. We need to call on Him in prayer to bring this transformation of our world, beginning with us.

“And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit.”

**2 CORINTHIANS 3:18**

Go before us Lord, in all our doings, with your most gracious favour, and assist us with your continual help.

Renew us by your Spirit; that in all our works, begun, continued and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name, and finally by your mercy obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

*Adapted from A Prayer Book for Australia, p217*