

EFCA CORE VALUES

(that manifest our mission)

In the light of our MISSION and VISION, the following VALUES grip us as we reflect and pray over our particular circumstances and constituency as a church in Sydney and beyond at this time in redemptive history.

播道會靈福堂核心價值

(將我們的使命顯明)

按照我們已設定的使命及異象，為到我們的獨特處境和整體會眾，在救恩歷史的現今時刻中，作為一間放眼普世，植根雪梨的地方教會，在神面前反省及祈求時，以下的核心價值牢牢地抓住我們的心。

GROWING UPWARD (更親近神)

Worship 敬拜

“The Church exists to glorify God and enjoy Him forever.”

“教會為榮神而存，永遠以神為樂。”

Prayer 禱告

“All things in life characterised by prayer.”

“凡事禱告，信徒本色。”

GROWING INWARD (效法基督)

Discipleship 門訓

“Radical discipleship exalts the Lordship of Christ and builds up the Church.”

“門徒訓練，徹底完全；高舉基督，建立教會。”

GROWING OUTWARD (活出基督)

Fellowship 團契

“The Church either glows in authentic fellowship or be removed as a local social club!”

“教會，如不發光於團契，便成會所而被廢！”

Mission 宣教

“The Church must evangelise the world or it will fossilise!”

“如不普世差傳，教會便成化石！”

Leadership 領導

“The Church goes as far as the leadership takes it.”

“教會成敗，在於屬靈領導。”

Stewardship 管家

“Every Christian ought to be a faithful steward of his money, time and talent in the service of God.”

“每個基督徒，應當是神的忠信管家。有錢出錢，有力出力，有時間出時間。”

Ministry 事奉

“Ministry in and beyond the church marks the distinctive calling of every Christian.”

“教會內外所有事奉，都標記著神對每個信徒的清楚呼召。”

2007 – 2011 YEARLY THEMES

2007

Year of Consecration

Year of spiritual cleansing, surrender of hearts, and dedication of lives to God

2 Chr. 7:14

if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land.

這稱為我名下的子民，若是自卑、禱告，尋求我的面，轉離他們的惡行，我必從天上垂聽，赦免他們的罪，醫治他們的地。

- Designated day of prayer, fasting & consecration for all pastoral & church staff & Board members
- Designated day of prayer, fasting & consecration of all members & friends of EFCA at the worship services in different venues
- Quarterly combined prayer meetings on the theme of consecration
- Sermon series on consecration: confession of sins, forgiveness, reconciliation, renewal
- Bible-studies, discussion & prayer groups on consecration

2008

Year of Construction/Cultivation

Year of discipleship, training & mentoring

Neh. 4:6b

So we rebuilt the wall till all of it reached half its height, for the people worked with all their heart.

這樣，我們修造城牆，城牆就都連絡，高至一半，因為百姓專心做工。

- Discipleship training program (e.g. *MasterLife* by Avery Willis, *Experiencing God* by Henry Blackaby)
- Leadership training & development program (e.g. *Spiritual Leadership* by Oswald Sanders)
- Mentoring (e.g. *Iron Sharpens Iron* by Howard Hendricks)
- Implementation & integration of the EFCA Life Development Process (e.g. *Purpose-Driven Church* by Rick Warren)
- Strengthening of Body Life in the various fellowship groups & cell-groups (e.g. *Body Life* by Ray Stedman)
- Gift-driven mode of ministry, that is, discernment & deployment of ministry by spiritual gifts
- Strengthening of marriages and families (e.g. *A Biblical Portrait of Marriage* by Bruce Wilkinson)

2009

Year of Consolidation

Year of building, expansion & excellence of proven and coordinated church programs & activities

1 Cor. 3:12-14

If any man builds on this foundation using gold, silver, costly stones, wood, hay or straw, his work will be shown for what it is, because the Day will bring it to light. It will be revealed with fire, and the fire will test the quality of each man's work. If what he has built survives, he will receive his reward.

若有人用金、銀、寶石、草木、禾秸在這根基上建造，各人的工程必然顯露，因為那日子要將他表明出來，有火發現；這火要試驗各人的工程怎樣。人在那根基上所建造的工程若存得住，他就要得賞賜。

- Addition of pastoral leadership & increasing specialization (e.g. Children, Youth & Mission ministries)
- Increase of training programs, events & activities (e.g. deployment of all EFCA-supported Bible-college students, MTS & PCT interns for teaching in our EFCA LDP)
- Widening of leadership base at all levels of church life and fellowship: worship leaders, cell-leaders, youth leaders, Sunday school teachers for all grades, etc.)
- Laying the foundation of our Dream Centre in terms of plan, finance, site, etc.

2010

Year of Commission

Year of extension, sending & multiplication of evangelistic & mission work

Matt. 28:19-20

Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in^[a] the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

所以，你們要去，使萬民作我的門徒，奉父、子、聖靈的名給他們施洗（或作：給他們施洗，歸於父、子、聖靈的名）。凡我所吩咐你們的，都教訓他們遵守，我就常與你們同在，直到世界的末了。

- Sending & support of short-term & long-term missionaries to unreached people groups within & beyond Australia
- Pastors & Board members leading members on short-term mission trips to targeted unreached people-groups
- Multiple & inspiring worship services in all the three language groups
- Establishment of EFCA as part of the PCT network of churches for training pastors, leaders and interns
- Set-up of EFCA in-house training school

2011
Year of Celebration
Year of rejoicing, thanksgiving and projecting ahead

Neh. 6:16b

When all our enemies heard about this, all the surrounding nations were afraid and lost their self-confidence, because they realized that this work had been done with the help of our God.
我們一切仇敵、四圍的外邦人聽見了便懼怕，愁眉不展；
因為見這工作完成是出乎我們的 神。

- Combined total of a thousand-strong worshippers in our worship services
- Start of move into our Dream Centre
- Vision of growing EFCA Churches in other states of Australia and beyond
- Preparation of the next generation of leaders and members & passing of baton for the next lap of growth, challenges & ministries
- Special combined celebration events, services, programs, reports, souvenirs, tokens of appreciation to pastors, deacons, leaders, etc.