



TO KNOW JESUS AND MAKE HIM KNOWN



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God's Great Plan for Us

This whole amazing journey started for all of us with a personal encounter with Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior and OUR NEED FOR FORGIVENESS. We believe that God wants a relationship with all of us and that through speaking to God (prayer) and reading His word (the Bible) we can know Him and that He in turn can speak to us.

The Bible says that we all need to be saved from the consequences of a life-style which is contrary to God's laws. No one is righteous and without sin. Sin is the very thing that separates us from God & we are all guilty of breaking Gods law in some way.

Romans 3:23 "for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God."

BE BAPTISED IN THE HOLY SPIRIT

Acts 2:37-40 When the people heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?" Peter replied, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off, for all whom the Lord our God will call."

BE A WITNESS FOR JESUS

By living a lifestyle that brings Glory to God. Be willing and able to share the gospel (the good news) with the people you come into contact with on a daily basis. Trust God to send you to the nations on either a short term or long term basis.

Invite your friends to church.

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Scripture is quite clear on tithing - one should give one tenth of all that one earns back to God, who gave it to us in the first place (Malachi 3 :6-7).

Offerings are our seed and are to be given over and above your tithe. Tithes and offerings are used to continue ministry (2 Corinthians: 9:6-10).

HAVE GOOD FOUNDATIONS

It is important to develop a firm understanding of those issues that are foundational to the Christian faith. These are described in Hebrews 6:1-2 as: repentance, faith in God, baptisms, laying on of hands, the resurrection of the dead and eternal judgment.

JOIN IN OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATIONS

This is an important time to get together. It is a time of worship, prayer, listening to the Word of God and sharing the gifts of the Spirit (Hebrews 10:25) encouraging and ministering to one another.

COMBINED PRAYER TIME

This is a vital time for us as a church. Corporate prayer is time spent talking to God and hearing His voice for our local church and the needs of the nations and His people.

BECOME PART OF A CONNECT GROUP

These groups meet in homes and help one form friendships, grow as a Christian and share on a more heart to heart basis. (Acts 2:46).

Church Governance / Administration

ELDERS

If as per Scripture the Elders are called to lead then we need to have an understanding of this office. In scripture we see that the words elder, bishop, overseer, shepherd and pastor refer to the same office. They are one and the same function and not separated from each other.

In 1 Peter 5:1-3, Peter uses the words elder, bishop, overseer, shepherd and pastor interchangeably. Paul does the same in Acts 20: 17,28.

We also see in Scripture that leadership is not a title but simply one of the functions of the Body (Romans 12 :8). As stated we believe and are committed to 'the priesthood of all believers', with all of us functioning in the gifts God has given us. (1 Peter 2 :4-11, Romans 12 & 1 Corinthians 12).

As a result we do not 'carry titles'. It is worth noting that Paul himself never, at any given time, referred to himself as Apostle Paul but rather as Paul (his name), an Apostle (his Function) - Romans 1 :1 and 1 Corinthians 1 :1.

DEACONS

We also have a committed team of Deacons who lead and serve in the life of the church, supporting the Eldership in leading and also supporting the church at large.

Leaders should always have the heart of a father, wanting their children to go further :

1. Building away from themselves and not towards themselves

(1 Corinthians 4:17. Acts 8 v 4-17.).

2. Being prepared to pass on the baton (Deuteronomy 34 : 4-9. John 20: 21-22.).

3 Going beyond the 3rd Generation (2 Timothy 2 :1-2. Psalm 103 :17).

Our Vision & Values

OUR MISSION

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OUR MANDATE

To be a gathering, healing, training and sending church.

WE HAVE A DREAM

To accomplish our vision, we have a dream to establish a multicultural community of friends where people are loved, forgiven, and accepted; a safe place where people can be restored, trained, and take what they have learned and spread it to their neighbours and to the nations.

THE MODEL

Our church is led by a team of Elders who oversee the different ministries in the life of the church. We grow and develop people in ministry so they can embrace their part in the mission God has given us (Matthew 28:16-20). We believe that there is an opportunity for everyone to be involved in what God has called us to do.

THE MOBILIZATION OF EVERY BELIEVER

Forging strong relationships is important to us. Through our friendships, we function with the desire to empower and involve all believers so they can embrace their part in God's mission for us. (1 Peter 2:9-10)

GENEROSITY

We aim to resource all aspects of ministry with our finances, giftings, and people. Our finances, to resource the ministry, is obtained through tithes (10% of your income) and offerings.

FAMILY

Family is important in all that we do. We strive for the integration of all ages, races, and cultures. walking and working together in a multi-generational and multi-faceted expression of all that God has intended for us (Acts 2:42-47).

We also understand biblical marriage as the union of one man and one woman as taught by Jesus (Matthew 19:4-6).

Our Vision & Values

THE BIBLE

The Bible in its entirety is the inspired and authoritative Word of God and is the only acceptable standard for life, ministry, and conduct in the church (2 Timothy 3:16-17).

WINNING SOULS FOR DISCIPLESHIP

We aim to evangelise, care for, and grow individuals in Christ as we reach into our community and the nations with the gospel and dynamic of practical ministry; thereby fulfilling the Great Commission (Matthew 28:16-20). Evangelism is the responsibility of every Believer, and not just an occasion or event.

OUR VALUES ARE OUR TREASURE

Rather than rules, our values are essential building blocks that are born out of our convictions about how we should live according to God's Word. We do our best to focus on and embody core values as a church.

PRAISE AND WORSHIP

We believe that worship is a lifestyle and not just a Sunday activity. We seek to worship God in all that we do, keeping Christ central and expressing worship in creative and diverse ways.

PRAYER

We acknowledge the total need for God and His Spirit in every area of our lives, therefore prayer and spiritual warfare precedes all that we do.

THE GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

We desire the Gifts of the Spirit to be manifest in and through our lives on an individual and corporate basis as we function as the body under the headship of Christ (1 Corinthians 14:1).

How we do Church

The Church Model

Our church is led by a Team of elders who oversee the different ministries in the life of the church. We believe that there is an opportunity for everyone to be involved in what God has called us to do. We believe that the local church should be:

1. Autonomous and Self Governed yet accountable to an outside team, in our case NCMI.
2. Self Financing – financed by the tithes and offerings of the local believers.
3. Eldership Governed – not authoritarian, but led by a Team of elders who, together with the lead elder, help set the Vision, Direction and Doctrine of the church.
4. A Dynamic model which allows for feedback and participation of everyone in the church with Jesus Christ as the Vision.

The Church Governance

As stated we believe that Jesus Christ is the Head of the Church .We believe in the New Testament model of church governance. where we see Apostles planting, establishing and working into local churches. Raising up an Eldership Team who then leads and governs the local church, together with a team of Deacons.
(Titus 1 :5, Acts 14 :21-28.)

1 Timothy 5 :17 The elders who direct the affairs of the church well are worthy of double honour, especially those whose work is preaching and teaching.

Note ~ It is the elders (plural) and not boards or deacons who are to “direct the affairs of the church”.

Leadership at all levels is always in plurality :

Church – Acts 15 :22.

Elders – Acts 20 :17-31. 1 Peter 5 : 1.

Deacons – Acts 6 : 1-7.

Translocal – Ephesians 4 : 11-16.

Biblical Leadership

Biblical Leadership is one of shepherding, going ahead of the sheep, leading them to green pastures and still waters (Psalm 23). It is also protecting the sheep against savage wolves (Acts 20:29).

Leadership starts at Home (1 Timothy 3:5). “If anyone does not know how to manage his own family, how can he take care of God’s church?” The Greek word here is – proistemi- which means to stand before.

Our leadership style should not simply be one of management or rulership but rather one of standing in front as a shepherd who is leading by example, inspiring protecting and caring.

Our Statement of *Faith*

WE BELIEVE:

- In the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments in their original writing as fully inspired by God, and accept them as the full and final authority for faith and life.
- In one God eternally existing in three persons – Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
- That the Lord Jesus Christ was begotten by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, and is true God and true Man.
- That God created man in His image; that man sinned and thereby incurred the penalty of death, physical and spiritual, and that all human beings inherit a sinful nature which issues in actual transgression involving personal guilt.
- That the Lord Jesus Christ died for our sins, a substitutionary sacrifice, according to the Scriptures, and that all who believe and trust in Him are justified on the grounds of His shed blood.
- In the bodily resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ, His ascension into heaven, and His present life as our High Priest and Advocate.
- In the personal return of the Lord Jesus Christ.
- In the personality of the Holy Spirit, His regenerating work, and abiding presence in the true believer. That the Holy Spirit indwells all true believers and that He has been sent to be the Comforter and Empowerer of the Christian Church, to produce the fruit of the Holy Spirit and the gifts of the Holy Spirit according to the Scriptures.
- That all who repent of their sin and receive the Lord Jesus Christ by faith are born again of the Holy Spirit and thereby become children of God.
- That all Christians are called to a life of holiness, devotion to the Lord Jesus Christ and service to Him.



WE BELIEVE:

- In the resurrection both of the just and the unjust, the eternal blessedness of the redeemed, and the eternal banishment from God of those who have rejected the offer of salvation.
- That the whole company of those who have accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as their Saviour have been redeemed by Him and regenerated by the Holy Spirit and form the one true Church, and that each local church on earth should take its character from this concept. Therefore, the new birth and personal confession of faith in Christ are essentials for Church membership.
- In the priesthood of all believers in Jesus Christ.
- That the ascended Christ has given various ministries or ministers to the Church in order to bring all believers to the place of Christian maturity in the understanding of truth, and the performance and function of the ministry (Ephesians 4:11; Romans 12:4-8 and 1 Corinthians 12:10 ff.).
- That the healing of the sick in the name of Jesus Christ is still active in the Church (Mark 16:16-18; Matthew 8:16-17; 1 Corinthians 12:9; James 5:14-15).
- That God never removed the gifts of the Holy Spirit from the Church, and that the Scriptural commands to “seek earnestly the best gifts”, and to “forbid not to speak in tongues”, are still applicable today (1 Corinthians 12,13 & 14:1-39).
- That the miracles as recorded in the Bible were real miracles, and are possible in the present day (John 14:12 and 1 Corinthians 12:10).
- That all believers are called to fulfill the Great Commission (Matthew 28:18-20). Christ is the Head of His body, the Church, and that in all things He has pre-eminence.

Our Philosophy

Our mission and vision must flow through a structure (wineskin). Our vision is not only what we are doing and becoming. It is also aligning ourselves to the role God has called us to function in, which is working with the rest of His church in fulfilling His purposes.

David served the purposes of God in His generation (Acts 10:36). Our passion is to do the same. The structure that we see in the new testament could be called an Apostolic & Prophetic Wineskin. A wine skin has a purpose, function and certain shape and must be flexible. The purpose of the wineskin is simply to receive, contain and distribute the Wine. We need a New Wineskin to administer the New Wine – The Holy Spirit.

In Luke 5 :37–38 Jesus said, “And no one pours new wine into old wineskins. If he does, the new wine will burst the skins, the wine will run out and the wineskins will be ruined. No, new wine must be poured into old wineskins.”

In order to accomplish all God has for us as a local church we are totally convinced that we must be governed by the authority of God’s Word. Led by a Team of Elders who are in relationship and submission to an Apostolic Team. This we believe is the Biblical Pattern / Structure / Wineskin, as laid out in the New Testament. Every local church, while retaining its autonomy should relate to an Apostolic / Prophetic Team. While the Elders are the highest form of governance in the local church, the church must still relate and be accountable to an Apostolic / Prophetic Team through it’s Elders (Acts 8:4-14, & 11: 22-24).

We also believe that every member is a part of the Team and as such has a part to play. – **Together Everyone Achieves More** –
The Dynamic of TEAM is one of equal importance but different function.

We cannot win unless the whole Team plays together – it is not important who scores the goal but that the Team wins.

God’s Team – Genesis 1 :26–28.

Moses’ Team – Numbers 11:6.

David’s Team – 2 Samuel 23 :8–39.

Jesus’ Team – Mark 3 :13–19.

Peter’s Team – Acts 2:14.

Paul’s Team – Acts 14 :21–28.

Marriage Team –Genesis 1 :26–28 and 1 Corinthians 9: 5

NCMI

NEW COVENANT MINISTRIES INTERNATIONAL

WE as JMR Church relate to NCMI

NCMI is not a grouping of churches, a denomination, a movement or an organization. It is simply a name given to a team with recognized Ephesians 4:11 gifts (apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors, and teachers) who partner in their commitment to the same vision of working, on a grass-roots level, with local churches to accomplish God's mandate of making disciples of all nations.

NCMI History

NCMI had its beginnings in South Africa during the early 1980's. Dudley Daniel, who was leading a church in Johannesburg, South Africa, began to meet regularly with other pastors and leaders in the city for relaxed discussion around God's Word. As 'iron sharpened iron' and friendships grew, so did a common concern for the church in the nation. Along with a growing common vision came recognition and respect for the reality of each other's gifting in God. Labels or titles were never claimed or used (as it is to this day) but during that time an authentic acceptance of each person's gifting in God was formed.

As the work grew, God began to birth an even greater passion for the nations in the hearts of the growing NCMI team. One result of this conviction was that in January 1990, Dudley and his wife Ann responded to God's call to relocate to Adelaide, South Australia. In Australia, a church base from which to further resource church planting into Australasia was established.

Not long after Dudley and Ann relocated, a wave of church planting was released, initially from South Africa, and then later from Australia and other countries. This momentum continues up to the present time and has resulted in many churches being planted around the world. The number of existing churches that chose to partner with NCMI in the work grew rapidly. By 2012, pastors, churches, and individuals from more than 100 countries around the world were partnering with NCMI in embracing an apostolic-prophetic model to participate in the various opportunities for envisioning, encouragement, training and church planting.

The team has continued its work with local churches in fulfilling God's mandate to the church, expanding and growing in Africa, Asia, Australasia, USA, South America, Europe (both Western and Eastern) and the ex-Soviet bloc countries. There is a deep passion & commitment in the hearts of the partnering leaders to see all nations discipled for Christ in fulfillment of the Great Commission.

Our Eldership Team



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Visionary Elders



**Terrance & Fiona
Padayachee**
Elders



**Rajen & Charmaine
Rajah**
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Lenny & Ruth David
Elders



**Nathaniel & Samantha
Naidoo**
Elders