

# Faith for the Future

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In 1901 Pastor Edwin Fischer arrived in Perth to establish the first Lutheran congregation in Western Australia. Since that time our mission has been to bring the Good News of God's love in Jesus Christ to all people, in our communities and beyond. Now the "Faith for the Future" development project sees us once again going forward in faith, laying the foundation for future growth.



St Johns Court Northbridge

## THE VISION

The new building will help us to celebrate and share the love of God not just for St Johns congregation, but the local community and the WA Lutheran Church District. St Johns will become a Christian centre within Northbridge, a place where people can share in the spirit of church community through outreach and care activities. It will also generate a substantial income, **approximately \$1million each year** once all loans are repaid. St Johns congregation has voted unanimously to **donate** these proceeds to the Western Australian District for the benefit of our Lutheran Church.

## THE FACILITY

The new building will provide spaces for St Johns congregation and the WA District office. There will be a hall for gatherings and worship, space for youth and children's church, meeting rooms, lounge, offices and a kitchen. The remaining space, about 2300 square metres, will be available for commercial lease to suitable tenants. Within the courtyard and public areas artworks will depict the Good News of Jesus Christ to the community.

## THE COST

The redevelopment will cost up to \$13.3million. We are now seeking \$1million in donations. Borrowings from a commercial bank and the Lutheran Laypeople's League, will provide the necessary finance to allow the project to begin. Repayment of our loans will be from rental income. St Johns congregation has been working towards this project for many years and is contributing the land (valued at \$5million) and all funds to cover predevelopment costs, such as architect and legal fees (further \$1.3 million).

St Johns Cash Contribution	\$1.3m
Future Donations	\$1.0m
LLL Loan	\$3.0m
Bank Loan	\$8.0m
<b>Total Building Cost</b>	<b>\$13.3m</b>

## HELP NOW

Members and friends of the WA District are now being invited to give towards the \$1 million required. In addition you can earmark your LLL deposit accounts or pledge unencumbered real estate to support the LLL loan application.

## HELP IN THE FUTURE

Another way of giving is by means of a bequest. If you are considering this we recommend discussing it with your family.

### 2 CORINTHIANS 8:7

But just as you excel in everything - in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in your love for us - see that you also excel in this grace of giving.



### **FUTURE GROWTH**

There are many exciting possibilities for the future income to be used to celebrate and share the love of God, such as:

- New church plantings and support for struggling congregations
- Youth ministry and camp site
- Seniors housing
- Outreach to TAFE and University campuses, or other groups
- Subsidised services to disadvantaged people
- Full time District President and/or District Officer
- An accumulating investment fund for income generation.

### **MAKING YOUR GIVING COMMITMENT PAYMENTS**

There are many ways of giving and the most usual methods are listed below. Donations can be tax deductible.

- One off gift
- Donation by credit card at **[www.lll.org.au](http://www.lll.org.au)**
- Regular electronic giving i.e. direct debit , or cheque payments
- Directing interest from Lutheran Laypeoples League (LLL) interest bearing accounts.

Don't forget to support us with your prayers, asking for God's guidance every step of the way to completion of this "Faith for the Future" project.

**For more information visit: [www.faithforthefuture.org.au](http://www.faithforthefuture.org.au)**

“I can see untold blessings flowing to us, our community, our District, and into all our mission endeavours, through this courageous step of faith – faith for the future!”

Pastor Greg Pfeiffer

“I see this as a unique opportunity for all mission efforts throughout The WA District to be richly blessed. All praise be to God.” Ted King, LCAWA District Church Council

“Within the next 15 years, the whole WA Lutheran community will gain ongoing income to fund extensive and bold local mission initiatives that reach more Western Australians with the gospel of Jesus Christ.”

Pastor Adrian Kitson

“This is an exciting project for our District, providing the future ability to support ministry initiatives within Western Australia and the broader Church.” Lester Dreckow, LCAWA District Church Council

