



Assembly of
Confessing Congregations
within the Uniting Church in Australia

Vision and Goals **2007 – 2017**

ACC VISION

The Vision Statement of the ACC is:

*Confessing the Lord Jesus Christ,
proclaiming the truth,
renewing the church.*

ACC GOALS

The Charter and other founding documents of the ACC lay down the origin, mission and purpose of the ACC. This leaflet contains the Short Term (establishment), Medium Term (developmental) and Long Term (transformative) Goals which the National Council has set, in order to give effect to its mission and purpose in a timely and organised way.

Long Term Goals **(Transformative Phase)**

1. become a compassionate, caring movement of churches in which the lost, lonely, broken, shamed and guilty can find Jesus Christ and a new life in Him
2. become a source of inspiring resource materials to meet the changing face of ministry in Australia and beyond
3. become a leading international reform movement in the worldwide church
4. become the home of quality conferences, seminars and training opportunities that are renowned nationally and internationally
5. become a respected and sought-after commentator on Australian life, attitudes and values
6. become a centre of national youth leadership and resourcing excellence
7. become a sender and supporter of identified national and international missions and missionaries
8. become an essential reference point for the UCA, the media and national and international churches in evangelical scholarship
9. become a trainer and sender of ministers to ACC churches and beyond

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Short Term Goals (Establishment Phase)

1. establish a sound congregational and individual membership base
2. establish bodies to resource ACC congregations theologically, doctrinally, missionally, pastorally, socially and ecumenically
3. establish prayer as a central activity of the ACC
4. establish appropriate State and regional movements for the expression of ACC values and goals at a local level
5. establish necessary and appropriate founding documentation to ground the ACC theologically and legally
6. establish quality communication, both with members and publicly
7. establish appropriate national and regional conferences and seminars
8. establish a sound financial and administrative structure
9. establish links with like-minded Christian denominations, organisations and bodies within Australia and internationally

Medium Term Goals (Developmental Phase)

1. develop a range of quality resources for use in ACC churches
2. develop pastoral support for lay and ordained ministry in the ACC
3. develop training opportunities for ACC clergy and lay members in ACC recognised training institutions
4. develop the capacity of ACC congregations in evangelism and church planting
5. develop support for ministries to the sexually broken
6. develop a national youth strategy including conference and training opportunities
7. develop multicultural interaction and appropriate support groups
8. develop recognition and support of the persecuted church internationally
9. develop office support staff and procedures to service the membership, National Council, Commissions, Boards and Movements