



SIM Mission Statement

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Convinced

- Convinced that no one should live and die without hearing God's good news, we believe that he has called us to make disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ in communities where he is least known.

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Compelled

- Therefore, compelled by God's great love and empowered by the Holy Spirit...

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We proclaim

- we cross barriers to proclaim the crucified and risen Christ, expressing his love and compassion among those who live and die without him.

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We make
disciples

- we make disciples who will trust and obey Jesus, and will become part of Christ-centred churches.

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We work
together

- we work together with churches to fulfil God's mission across cultures, locally and globally.

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We facilitate
participation

- we facilitate participation in cross-cultural ministry by those whom God is calling.

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God's good
news

- We are all sinful – we have rebelled against our creator by refusing to trust in the goodness of his commands, instead putting our own desires ahead of His desires
- Romans 1:21 – For although they knew God, they neither glorified him as God nor gave thanks to him, but their thinking became futile and their foolish hearts were darkened.

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God's good
news

- God, in his holiness and justice, cannot tolerate our rebellion. As a result, we are subject to eternal separation from God our creator.
- Heb. 10:26-27 – If we deliberately keep on sinning after we have received the knowledge of the truth, no sacrifice for sins is left, but only a fearful expectation of judgment and of raging fire that will consume the enemies of God.

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God's good
news

- God, in love, sent his Son Jesus to take on himself the penalty for our rebellion.
- Romans 3:25 – God presented him as a sacrifice of atonement, through faith in his blood. He did this to demonstrate his justice, because in his forbearance he had left the sins committed beforehand unpunished.

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God's good
news

- Jesus exchanged our sin for his righteousness.
- 2 Corinthians 5:21 – God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

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news

- We were adopted into God's family as sons and daughters.
- Romans 8:15-16 – For you did not receive a spirit that makes you a slave again to fear, but you received the Spirit of sonship. And by him we cry, "Abba, Father." The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children.

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Discipleship

- We are being shaped into the likeness of Jesus.
- Romans 8:29 – For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the likeness of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. And those he predestined, he also called, those he called, he also justified, those he justified, he also glorified.

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Discipleship

- Are we becoming more conformed to the likeness of Jesus?
- Are we being intentional in helping others to become more like Jesus?

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Discipleship

- **In time spent with the Lord**
- Luke 5:16 – But Jesus often withdrew to lonely places and prayed.
- John 15:4 – Remain in me, and I will remain in you.
- Phillipians 4:6 – Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.

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- **In thinking**
- Romans 12:2 – Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve and what God’s will is – his good, pleasing, and perfect will.
- 1 Corinthians 2:16 – “For who has known the mind of the Lord that he may instruct him?” But we have the mind of Christ.
- 2 Corinthians 10:5 – We demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and we take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ.
- Philippians 4:8 – Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things.

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- **In heart**
- Mark 6:34 – When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd.
- Mark 10:21 – Jesus looked at him and loved him. “One thing you lack,” he said. “Go, sell everything you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me.”
- 2 Cor. 5:14 – For Christ’s love compels us, because we are convinced that one died for all, and therefore all died.

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- **In listening**
- John 8:28 – So Jesus said, “When you have lifted up the Son of Man, then you will know that I am the one I claim to be and that I do nothing on my own but speak just what the Father has taught me.
- John 10:2-5 – The man who enters by the gate is the shepherd of his sheep. The watchman opens the gate for him, and the sheep listen to his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes on ahead of them, and his sheep follow him because they know his voice. But they will never follow a stranger, in fact, they will run away from him because they do not recognize a stranger’s voice.
- John 16:13 – But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come.

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- **In seeing**
- 1 Samuel 16:7 – But the Lord said to Samuel, “Do not consider his appearance or his height, for I have rejected him. The LORD does not look at the things man looks at. Man looks at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart.”
- John 5:19 – I tell you the truth, the Son can do nothing by himself, he can do only what he sees his Father doing, because whatever the Father does the Son also does.
- 2 Cor. 5:16 – So from now on we regard no one from a worldly point of view. Though once we regarded Christ in this way, we do so no longer.

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- **In attitude**
- Luke 22:27 – For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one who is at the table? But I am among you as one who serves.
- John 13:14-15 – Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you.
- Philippians 2:5-8 – Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus, who being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness.

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Our Response

- Romans 10:13-15 – For “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”
How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? And how can they preach unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”