

On the Way Together PRIORITIES

Following Synod 2008, action to discern the priorities included:

- *Developing and distributing resources.* Six publications, a website and various videos assisted the various councils and agencies of the Church to engage with the *On the Way Together* five life-giving themes;
- *Extensive interviews.* Included interviews with each of the eight presbytery minister teams, ministers and Church leaders;
- *Receiving feedback.* This has come from congregations, Synod bodies, presbyteries, presbytery ministers, Church boards and agency leaders about progress in implementing the *On the Way Together* process;
- *Facilitating workshops.* These have taken place in a great variety of settings across the Church's structure and life.

Having listened carefully and discerned the Spirit's guidance, four priorities were adopted by the Synod (2010) for consideration during the next five years. Other aspects of the Church's life may also receive attention, but these four areas require special focus.

PRIORITIES follows previous *On the Way Together* publications and offers two practical resources for various councils, commissions, boards and agencies of the Church to get to grips with the Synod's priorities.

The resources are:

1. A circle sharing exercise to encounter and reflect on the *On the Way Together PRIORITIES*.
2. A workshop to make connections between the *On the Way Together PRIORITIES* and strategic plans.

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On the Way to Together is a special project of the Uniting Church in Australia, Synod of Victoria and Tasmania. The UCA Synod of Victoria and Tasmania adopted the five life giving themes and *On the Way Together* process at its 2008 meeting, and the *On the Way Together PRIORITIES* at its 2010 meeting.

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