

## Selfie Sunday: October 2016

Selfie Sunday is a day in October for Churches of Christ to take a photograph of their congregation(s), and record other details about the life of their local church. This will become a giant snapshot in time of Churches of Christ in Australia. A suggested date is the 16<sup>th</sup> of October.

### Why Selfie Sunday?

The representatives on Churches of Christ in Australia are seeking to discern the voice of God. To invite prophetic voices to speak to us. To listen to the heartbeat of our churches. To look across our movement nationally to see how God is at work. To speak life and hope over the movement. To pray for our churches, and stir up a fresh outflow of prayer in our churches for one another.

We are faced with three big questions as a movement:

### Where are we?

When looking to travel somewhere, it's important to find landmarks to locate where we are. The Selfie Sunday snapshot of our churches will provide a landmark in time. We hope it will be an honest assessment of where we are as a movement, revealing both the challenges and joys of our common mission.

### Where have we come from?

When navigating travel, it is important to understand how we got to where we are. What have we learned on our trip to this point? Where was our trip smooth, where did we get off track? And critically, why did we set out in the first place?

These are important questions locally. What mission did God give your church in the first place? What new doors of ministry has God opened in your journey? Through our collective stories, we hope to clarify the unique mission of Churches of Christ in our nation.

### Where are we going?

Through a snapshot of where we are now, and through reflection on where our churches have come from, we hope to discern where God is leading us. As you share your hopes for the future of your church, and as we listen to hundreds of other churches sharing their hopes and dreams, we trust we will gain fresh insight as to what the Spirit is saying to our churches. By recording the stories of our churches on the Selfie Sunday website, we hope to inspire fresh prayer and support of churches for one another.

May this family portrait strengthen the bonds of unity between us. Please be part of the Big Picture on Selfie Sunday!

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