



EXPANSION 2026

Every year, Expansion calls us to something sacred – not a project, not a target, but a step of faith. We pause. We pray. And then we move.

Our theme this year is Abide. Jesus said, “I am the vine; you are the branches... apart from me you can do nothing” (John 15:5). Abiding is not standing still; it’s staying connected to Jesus so that fruit grows. And look at the fruit of this year! Teenagers receiving and reading their bibles. New families finding home and purpose in the Lockyer Valley. Hope has walked into hospital wards, disaster zones, and nations. Pastors from across Australia and New Zealand equipped and sent back stronger. All of it grown from Highlanders who abide in Christ and then act.

This is what Expansion is about. Not equal giving, equal sacrifice. Not spectators but participants. Every prayer, every gift, every “yes” plants churches, raises young leaders, stands with families in crisis, fuels our INC movement toward 3,000 churches worldwide, and carries the gospel to the hardest places on earth.

So, here’s what we’re asking of you this year:

Pray – take the month before you respond. Ask the Lord, “What’s my part in this season?” Not last year’s part. This season’s.

Decide – read this booklet with open hands. Let Him highlight to you the things that stir your heart.

Act – then move on it. Whatever He puts in your hands to sow, sow it in faith. He multiplies what we release, not what we hold.

We are so proud of Highlands, and so thankful for you, your prayers, your generosity, your willingness to partner with what God is doing. Whatever you sow this year, God will use for His glory.

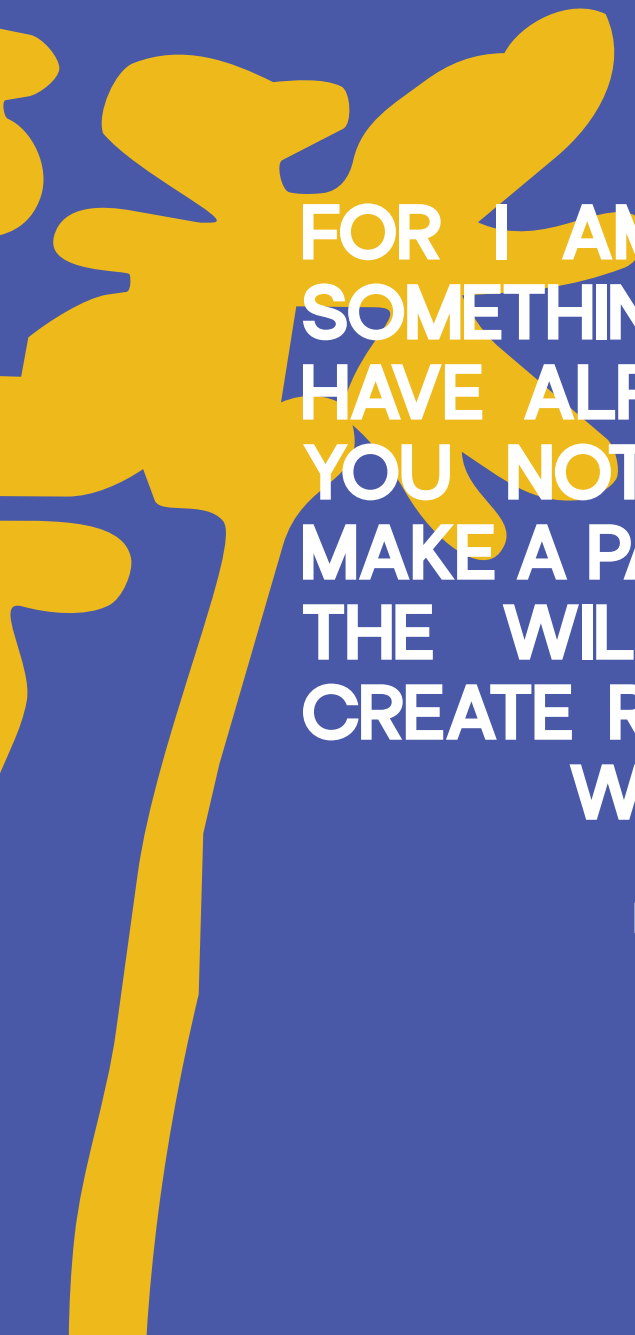
We love you, we’re praying for you, and we can’t wait to see what God grows through us – now, and in the legacy we leave.

With much love,

KEN & MOIRA WOOTTON

CHAIR, HIGHLANDS CHURCH





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FOR I AM ABOUT TO DO
SOMETHING NEW. SEE, I
HAVE ALREADY BEGUN! DO
YOU NOT SEE IT? I WILL
MAKE A PATHWAY THROUGH
THE WILDERNESS. I WILL
CREATE RIVERS IN THE DRY
WASTELAND.

ISAIAH 43:19 (NLT)

HIGHFIELDS DEVELOPMENT

BREAKING GROUND

After five years of prayer, planning and faithful process, we are excited to announce that we will be breaking ground in Highfields in 2027.

This journey has been marked by discernment, preparation and a deep sense of God's leading. Over the past five years, this has also involved countless meetings, planning and working through government approvals at both state and local levels. Throughout these years, we have seen Him continue to build His Church in this growing community. People are finding Jesus, families are discovering belonging, children and young people are being formed in faith, and new

leaders are stepping into their purpose. What began as a seed has continued to grow, and now we are stepping into the next chapter.

Through Expansion, we are moving toward a permanent church home in Highfields. A place designed not simply to host services, but to create pathways for people to encounter Jesus throughout the week.

We are believing for a home where generations can gather, worship, pray and grow together. A place where children can discover the love of Jesus, teenagers can build a faith of their own, families can find community, and people can be equipped to live as disciples in their everyday lives.

As Highlands Highfields continues to grow, we see this development becoming a beacon for the region. A place where Church, School and Early Learning come together to

reach far and wide into Highfields and beyond. A place of influence, hope and transformation, where lives are shaped not just on Sundays, but every day of the week.

This build is about more than bricks, plans or facilities. It is about making room for the harvest still to come.

Before us, others sowed faithfully and created opportunities that we now have the privilege of carrying forward. Today, it is our turn to build with tomorrow in mind, to sow seeds of faith that will bless people we may never meet and shape stories we may never fully see.

Together, we are creating a place for the Church to flourish, the community to be served and future generations to encounter Jesus for many years to come

For this exciting foundational phase, we are believing to raise \$1,000,000.



HOW COULD YOUR FAITHFULNESS
NOW SHAPE A LEGACY OF FAITH
IN GENERATIONS TO COME? SCAN
THE QR CODE TO DONATE



*Artist's impressions

CHURCH PROJECTS

MAKING ROOM

As Highlands continues to grow, so does the opportunity to reach more people with the hope of Jesus. Through Expansion 2026, your generosity will help support:

LOCKYER VALLEY (GATTON)

God is opening doors across the Lockyer Valley. What began as a monthly gathering has continued to grow, with new families finding community, people encountering the presence of God and disciples becoming more like Jesus. Through Expansion, we are preparing to move towards weekly services, creating greater consistency for discipleship, connection and mission across the region. This is about more than adding another service. It is about establishing a healthy, growing church that can serve the Lockyer Valley every week and create pathways for more people to know Jesus.

Together, we are sowing today and making room for the harvest still to come. To make this vision a reality, we are believing for \$100,000.

NEXT GENERATION

There are few greater opportunities than investing in the next generation. Every child and young person we reach today has the potential to influence families, communities, and future generations for Jesus. What we sow into their lives now can leave a lasting impact for years to come.

Across Highlands, more than 450 young people connect through Kids and Youth ministry every week.

Through Expansion, your generosity helps support:

- Kids ministry environments and resources
- Youth discipleship and leadership development
- Bible distribution and faith formation
- Outreach opportunities for young people
- Safe and engaging ministry spaces

What we sow into young people today can leave a lasting impact for generations to come.

To continue accelerating the vision for our next generation ministries, we are believing for \$20,000



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LEGACY OF FAITH IN GENERATIONS TO COME? SCAN
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LOCAL MISSION

RED FROGS

Through Red Frogs, we're able to connect with young people across schools, universities, sporting clubs, party environments and community events throughout our region. Every new partnership, conversation and connection creates an opportunity to support young people and share the hope of Jesus.

This year, Red Frogs continues to grow its reach across our region. More than 20 school talks are booked, partnerships are growing with Dalby State, Toowoomba State High and St Mary's, and boarding school engagement at Toowoomba Grammar is creating meaningful connections with students and families.

University ministry is running with its biggest team yet, with around 50 volunteers across Gatton and Toowoomba, while Alpha, Steak Nights and prayer gatherings are creating space for faith conversations and discipleship.

Through sport chaplaincy with the Toowoomba Clydesdales and Mountaineers, Red Frogs is also building relationships with athletes and creating opportunities for players to engage with church and faith.

Through Expansion, your generosity helps support:

- School and university outreach programs
- Volunteer training and development
- Sport chaplaincy and community engagement
- BBQ trailer outreach and event support
- Resources that help Red Frogs continue reaching young people across our region

Together, we're helping Red Frogs go where young people are, building relationships that open the door for lasting impact.

Our goal is to raise \$80,000 to accomplish the vision for Red Frogs in our region.



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RED FROGS WERE THE HANDS AND FEET OF JESUS IN MY LIFE. BEFORE I KNEW CHRIST, I STRUGGLED WITH DEPRESSION, ADDICTION, AND A LACK OF PURPOSE. EVERYTHING CHANGED WHEN A RED FROG SIMPLY TOOK THE TIME TO LOVE AND INVEST IN ME. THAT ENCOUNTER LED ME TO CHURCH, WHERE I MET JESUS AND MY LIFE WAS COMPLETELY TRANSFORMED. TODAY, I KNOW HIM AS MY LORD AND SAVIOUR, AND I NOW SERVE WITH RED FROGS AT THE SAME CAMPUS WHERE HE FIRST CHANGED MY LIFE.

CHLOE, FORMER UQ GATTON STUDENT

THROUGHOUT 2026 IN RED FROGS, WE'VE SEEN

3,600+

YOUNG PEOPLE
REACHED

2,900+

VOLUNTEER HOURS

100

ACTIVE
VOLUNTEERS

20+

SCHOOLS ENGAGED

7

UNIVERSITY COLLEGES
REACHED

5

YOUNG ADULT RED
FROGS SMALL GROUPS





BEAUTIFUL CRAZY

Beautiful Crazy exists to bring hope and practical support to families facing some of life's most difficult moments. Through simple care packs known as "Hugs in a Bag", families in ICU are reminded that they are not alone, while hospital staff are encouraged and appreciated for the incredible work they do every day.

This past year, Highlands partnered with Beautiful Crazy to support ICU staff and families at Toowoomba Base Hospital, providing meals, coffees and care packs for those navigating difficult circumstances. New partnerships have also begun with St Vincent's Hospital, creating opportunities to extend this support to even more families and frontline healthcare workers across our region.

Through Expansion, your generosity helps support:

- Hugs in a Bag care packs for ICU families
- Practical support for hospital staff
- Partnerships with local hospitals
- New opportunities to extend care and support to families in crisis

- The potential for future initiatives such as ICU waiting room improvements and expanded hospital partnerships
- Growing the impact of Beautiful Crazy locally and nationally

With your faith, we're helping families and frontline healthcare workers know they are not alone.

\$15,000 will continue to supply "hugs in a bag" to our local hospitals and build a fund for potential projects such as ICU waiting room improvements.



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THE STORIES COMING BACK FROM THE HOSPITAL STAFF HAVE BEEN INCREDIBLE. FAMILIES RECEIVING A BEAUTIFUL CRAZY BAG CAN'T BELIEVE THE KINDNESS OF STRANGERS, THEY'RE BLOWN AWAY BY THE THOUGHTFULNESS OF IT. WE'RE ALSO BUILDING GREAT RELATIONSHIPS WITH HOSPITAL AND FOUNDATION STAFF THROUGH THE AMAZING OPPORTUNITIES TO BLESS AND SUPPORT THEM TOO, AS THEY CARE FOR PATIENTS IN SOME OF THE HARDEST MOMENTS OF LIFE.

BECK CAMERON



NATIONAL MISSION

INC CHURCH PLANTING

Highlands is committed to strengthening and supporting the wider Church. Through our partnership with INC, we help invest in pastors, church planters and emerging leaders across Australia and beyond.

As part of the INC movement, Highlands carries a shared vision to see Australia for Christ. Making disciples, empowering leaders and multiplying healthy churches across our nation.

Through Expansion, we have the opportunity to support existing INC church plants in Eumundi, the Gold Coast and Parramatta and other church planters in the initial stages of planting over the next 12 months. These churches are faithfully establishing strong foundations, building local teams and creating pathways for people in their communities to encounter Jesus.

Our partnership provides practical support and resources during the important early stages of church planting, helping these churches continue to grow in strength, reach new people and develop healthy, sustainable ministry.

This is about more than supporting an organisation. It is about helping establish communities of faith where people can find Jesus, grow as disciples, discover belonging and step into their God-given purpose.

We may never attend every church we help establish or meet every person who walks through their doors, but our faithfulness today can become part of their story tomorrow.

To assist these Church plants, we want to set them up for success with \$30,000.



CONVOY OF HOPE

When disaster strikes, Convoy of Hope partners with local churches to bring practical support to communities in need. From bushfires and floods to family crisis and recovery initiatives, Convoy provides food, water, essential supplies and ongoing care when people need it most.

This year alone, Convoy of Hope supported communities affected by bushfires, floods and cyclones across Australia, while also helping women escaping domestic violence through programs such as Haven and Dress Her with Dignity.

Through Expansion, your generosity helps support:

- Disaster response and recovery efforts
- Food, water and essential supplies
- Crisis care initiatives
- Support for vulnerable families and communities
- Local church partnerships across Australia



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TO CONVOY OF HOPE,
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GLOBAL MISSION

INC INTERNATIONAL: TOWARD 3000

Through Expansion, Highlands is partnering with INC Global's Toward 3000 vision. A bold, faith-filled strategy to establish 10 church-planting schools in 10 regions around the world. These schools will train, equip and support church planters who understand their communities, speak their language and are ready to carry the Gospel into places where healthy churches are needed most. Together, these regions place more than two billion people (around a quarter of the world's population) within reach of an INC church.

The goal is to grow the INC movement from more than 1,750 churches to 3,000 churches by 2031, with each church-planting school believing to help establish 25 new churches every year. This is not simply about increasing a number. It is about creating pathways for people to encounter Jesus, become disciples

and find life within healthy, Spirit-filled church communities.

Through our Expansion giving, Highlands will help resource these schools with leadership development, evangelism and missions training, practical ministry preparation and ongoing mentoring. Church planters will be supported through regular check-ins, regional gatherings, site visits and networks of encouragement, while funding will be distributed through accountable regional processes focused on health and long-term sustainability.

The first strategies are already taking shape across Thailand, Malaysia, Eastern Europe, India and the Middle East.

What we sow today can help train a leader, plant a church and transform a community tomorrow. By partnering with Toward 3000, we are investing in a harvest far beyond ourselves—strengthening the Church and helping more people encounter Jesus for generations to come.

We are committing to \$20,000 to begin our support of this area.

COMPASSION

Through Compassion, more than 450 children are sponsored by the Highlands family, helping provide education, healthcare, discipleship and practical support. Expansion also currently funds three Survival Programs in the Philippines and Indonesia, supporting mothers and babies through the critical first 1,000 days of life.

Through Expansion, your generosity helps support:

- Child sponsorship initiatives
- Survival Programs for mothers and babies
- Local church-led community development
- Education, healthcare and discipleship opportunities

A strong start in life can change the future of an entire family.

To support the survival programs with Compassion, we will need \$45,000.



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MISSIONARIES

Expansion also supports global missionaries and ministry partners including Christine Brodie with Wycliffe Australia and SIL Australia, training literacy and education workers across the Asia-Pacific region. Through this partnership, lives are being impacted, communities are being strengthened, and the hope of Jesus is reaching people across the world.



FIRM

FIRM partners with churches and ministries across Israel and the Middle East, bringing practical support and the hope of Jesus to people living in some of the world's most challenging environments.

Through Expansion, your generosity helps support:

- Church planting initiatives
- Humanitarian aid and crisis response
- Gospel outreach in restricted regions
- Resources for local Christian ministries

Even in difficult places, the Gospel continues to bring hope.



VIETNAM

Through our partnership with INC churches in Vietnam, we're helping to provide clean water, support growing churches and strengthen local communities. This year, another water well is being installed in DakLak Province, providing a reliable source of clean water while creating opportunities for local churches to serve and reach their communities.

Through Expansion, your generosity helps support:

- Clean water and solar well projects
- Community support initiatives
- Church planting and church growth
- Resources for local ministry

Meeting practical needs often opens the door for lasting transformation.



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OUR LEGACY SO FAR

We've seen God do amazing things thanks to the generosity and faith of our Church. Here's a snapshot of what's been happening in our local, national, and global communities over the last 12 months.

CHURCH & NEXT GEN

1,328

PEOPLE GATHERING
EACH WEEKEND

220+

PEOPLE SERVING ON
TEAM EACH WEEKEND

80

AVERAGE WEEKLY
ATTENDANCE
LOCKYER VALLEY

100+

SMALL GROUPS

555+

SMALL GROUP MEMBERS

30

BAPTISMS

2,679

EASTER ATTENDANCE

226

RESPONSES TO THE
GOSPEL

9%

GROWTH
YEAR-ON-YEAR

250+

KIDS WEEKLY

200+

YOUTH WEEKLY

60

BIBLES GIVEN
TO TEENAGERS

25+

NEW FAMILIES
CONNECTED IN
LOCKYER VALLEY

133

GRIP PARTICIPANTS

26

LDJ PARTICIPANTS

139

FREEDOM IN CHRIST
PARTICIPANTS

NATIONAL MISSION

\$20,000

GIVEN TO SOCIETY
CHURCH IN MELBOURNE
(CHURCH PLANT)

500

PEOPLE SERVED
THROUGH CONVOY OF
HOPE BUSHFIRE RESPONSE

1,000

MEALS PROVIDED
THROUGH CONVOY
OF HOPE



GLOBAL MISSION

\$10,000

INITIAL INVESTMENT
INTO FIRM

3

COMPASSION SURVIVAL
PROGRAMS FUNDED

5

LITERACY STUDENTS
TRAINED THROUGH
WYCLIFFE

1

DAKLAK WATER
WELL UNDERWAY

450+

COMPASSION CHILDREN
SPONSORED

EXPANSION 2025 - NOW

75%

PLEDGES FULFILLED

\$789,466

EXPANSION PLEDGES

\$593,155

EXPANSION GIVING RECEIVED

There is a place in California called Death Valley. It is the hottest, driest, most lifeless ground in North America. Nothing really grows there. But every so often, the rain comes and the desert erupts.

Millions of wildflowers cover the valley, seeds that had been in that soil for years, waiting for the rain. They call it a superbloom. The seed was there, the seed wasn't dead, it was simply waiting for the rain.

"See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland." – Isaiah 43:19

I believe we are in a new season of 'rain' at Highlands. I can see the green shoots already sprouting here and around our world. Skeptical? Look again.

More people far from God are coming to Christ. Disciples are being formed and not simply gathered. Our rooms are fuller, yes, but our groups and teams are also deeper, and our young people are hungry for God's presence and to see Him move in their world. Our mission partners are advancing the Kingdom of God with incredible testimonies - carrying the hope of Jesus into hospitals, into schools, into crisis and into the nations. Life is coming up out of ground that has looked dry.

And here is what I don't want you to miss: the same rain that is falling on this Church is falling on you. This is not only a season of faith for Highlands – it is a season of faith for your life. The dry ground in your own story, the prayer you gave up praying, the dream you buried because it took too long – do not assume it's dead. It may just be a seed, waiting on rain. So

while we believe together for what God will do through this Church, believe again for what He wants to do in you. Same God. Same Spirit. Same rain.

Andrew Murray wrote that "God has prepared unheard-of things, blessings much more wonderful than you can imagine, more mighty than you can conceive." And I believe that we are seeing this unfold in our time. So we cannot stop now. Not when the rain is falling. Not when the seed is breaking open. We will keep praying. Keep believing. Keep sowing. We will purposefully and passionately continue partnering with the Spirit of God in accelerating His plans.

The bloom ahead of us is greater than anything behind us. God is moving in a new way - do you not perceive it, Highlands? So let's keep going.

DOUG & BECK CAMERON

SENIOR EXECUTIVE PASTORS



A photograph of a crowd of people, likely in a church, with their arms raised in the air. The image is slightly blurred, emphasizing movement and energy. The text is overlaid on the center of the image.

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CLEAR LOTS OF GROUND FOR
YOUR TENTS! MAKE YOUR
TENTS LARGE. SPREAD OUT!
THINK BIG! USE PLENTY OF
ROPE, DRIVE THE TENT PEGS
DEEP. YOU’RE GOING TO NEED
LOTS OF ELBOW ROOM FOR
YOUR GROWING FAMILY.

ISAIAH 54:2-3 (MSG)

WE'RE IN THIS TOGETHER!

WRITE DOWN IN FAITH WHAT YOU'RE BELIEVING FOR

KEEP THIS LIST, PRAY FOR IT OVER THE NEXT 12 MONTHS, AND SHARE YOUR ANSWERED PRAYERS WITH US SO WE CAN CELEBRATE TOGETHER.

SOW IN FAITH TODAY. BELIEVE FOR THE HARVEST TO COME.

EXPANSION OFFERING

PLEDGE CARD

NAME _____

EMAIL _____

**REQUIRED IF YOU HAVE SELECTED A TAX DEDUCTIBLE ITEM BELOW*

GENERAL EXPANSION GIVING

I would like my expansion giving to go wherever the greatest need is

\$ _____

NEXT GEN

\$ _____

CHURCH PROJECTS

☐ LOCKYER VALLEY \$ _____

☐ HIGHFIELDS CHURCH \$ _____

☐ HIGHFIELDS COLLEGE \$ _____

Tick this box if you are giving to Highfields College as a tax deductible item

NATIONAL MISSION

INC CHURCH PLANTING, CONVOY OF HOPE

\$ _____

☐ *Tick this box if you are giving to Convoy of Hope as a tax deductible item*

LOCAL MISSION

RED FROGS, BEAUTIFUL CRAZY

\$ _____

☐ *Tick this box if you are giving to Red Frogs as a tax deductible item*

☐ *Tick this box if you are giving to Beautiful Crazy as a tax deductible item*

GLOBAL MISSION

COMPASSION, FIRM, GLOBAL MISSIONARIES

\$ _____

☐ *Tick this box if you are giving to Compassion as a tax deductible item*

WAYS TO GIVE *Please note, if your giving area has reached its funding goal, we will direct your donation to another area of need.*

☐ **CREDIT CARD** Name _____

Card Number _____

Expiry Date ____/____ CVV ____
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Frequency ☐ Once ☐ Monthly ☐ Fortnightly

Start Date _____ End Date _____

AMOUNT \$ _____

SIGNATURE

☐ **AT A GIVING POINT**

☐ **DIRECT CREDIT**

MIDDLE RIDGE
CBA BSB 064 459
Account 10431426

HIGHFIELDS
CBA BSB 064 433
Account 11181112

LOCKYER VALLEY
CBA BSB 064 433
Account 11181104

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