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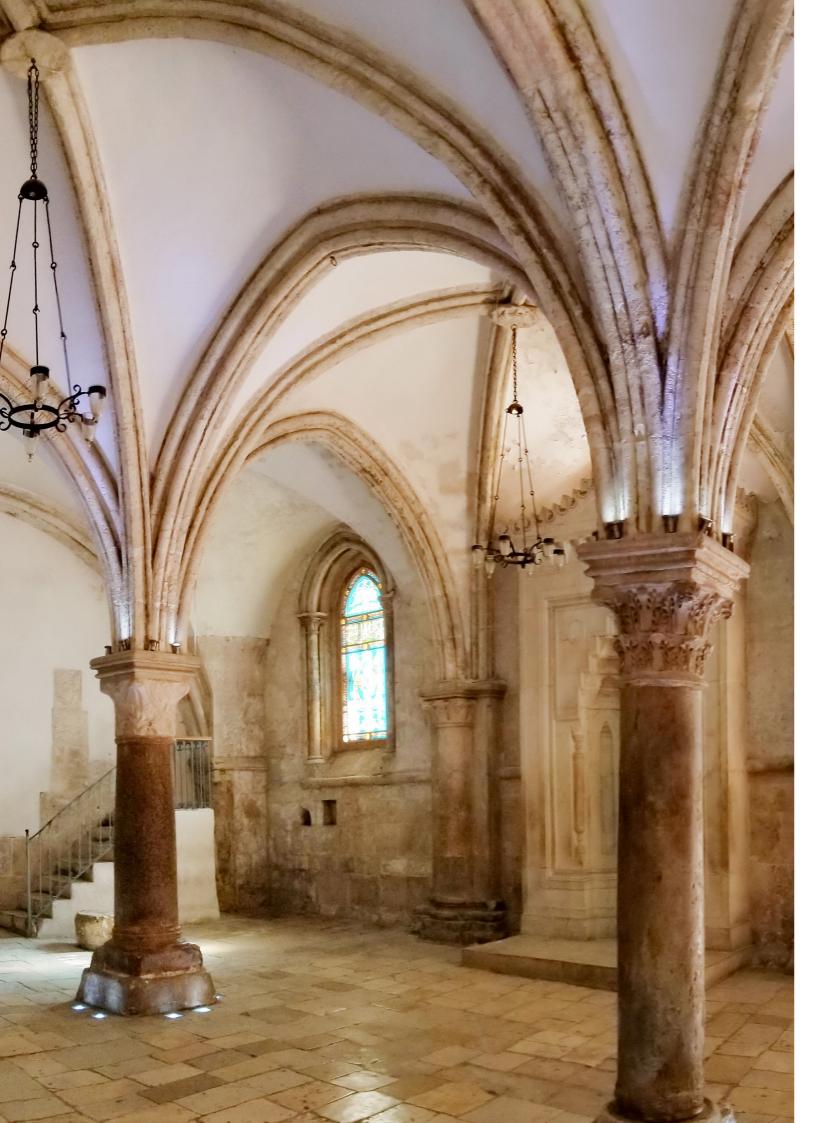


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Welcome to Chapter 2!

Hey there Enjoyers,

Over the past 25 years of Enjoy Church, as each anniversary passes and new year begins, we always look to theme the year we're stepping into by faith. And this year is no different except that rather than just the turning of a page there is a strong sense of stepping over the threshold into a new chapter. Chapter 2.

Chapter 2 in the book of Acts is undeniably important to the New Testament Church for a multitude of reasons. It's here that we witness the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, the first of Peter's sermons being preached, thousands repenting and being added to the church, then the formation of church life. In the midst of this, we see the wind and the fire of the Holy Spirit swirling and landing on those in the upper room and setting them apart for this brand new chapter of their lives.

As we prepare our hearts for this year's Vision Offering, our encouragement to Enjoyers everywhere is that what God is wanting to do in you, will be far greater than what God is wanting to do through you. Personally, I don't just believe this to be true, I know it to be true.

So together, let's pray and seek the Lord as to what our part will be in this year's Vision Offering. But maybe more importantly, as individuals who are called to be living sacrifices, let's pray and seek the Lord as to what our part shall be in Chapter 2.

God bless you Church,

Love Shane & Georgie

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Milestones

11 July 2021

Online services launched during COVID restrictions

7 November 2021 First in–person service

5 March 2022

Launch of second Sunday service

22 June 2023

First scoping trip to Siem Reap

30 July 2023

Launch of third Sunday service

6 August 2023

First building project completed

September 2023

Siem Reap strategy launched

Cambodia

Chapter 1 (2021–2023) Phnom Penh Church Plant

A standout highlight from this first chapter is the calibre of local leaders who have embraced the Enjoy culture to create a space for people to experience fun, joy, freedom and relationship.

In a national culture marked by hierarchy and religion, newcomers repeatedly remark at the genuine sense of joy, peace and lack of hierarchy they sense as soon as they enter. We are excited by the level of volunteer engagement at Enjoy PP, which is about more than just having people who serve on Sunday, but seeing people living out what it means to be a disciple of Jesus everyday and in every sphere of their lives.

Most importantly, a move of the Holy Spirit is being experienced. People are hearing God speak, seeing visions, prayers are being answered in miraculous ways, and many are committing their lives to Jesus and being set free. God is rallying people with one vision: to build His house.



Chapter 2 (2024–2026) Healthy Churches in New Locations

In this next chapter, Kimsong and Davy will become the new Phnom Penh Location Pastors to lead this location into the next season. Ps Bandith Nhep will step into a new role overseeing Enjoy Church Cambodia and the church planting strategy — beginning with Siem Reap.

Cambodia is a nation with less than 2% Christians, so more churches are needed. Enjoy Church Cambodia will begin operating in two locations and continue its online presence.

Phnom Penh: We are believing for favour and wisdom to see healthy and sustainable church growth. One growth challenge is the seating capacity of our current space, so we are believing for a 500 seat auditorium.

Siem Reap: A city population of almost 250,000 with a significant cultural value to the Cambodian people. A flexible 40 seat room has been secured for our initial gatherings, but we expect to outgrow this very quickly. As we put down roots, we are believing to see the right connections, location, and leaders, as a space is established for people to encounter the living God, and to experience life—changing joy, freedom and build life—long relationships.

Online: Currently, our online Sunday services are averaging 4,000 views each week, with some services reaching 60,000 views. This tells us people are hungry for the life-giving Good News message and genuine worship, and they need to experience it in their language. We have piloted recording and releasing Khmer language worship songs and testimonies into this online space and will be increasing this over the next 12 months.



Chhe Odom Vatey Cambodia

Growing up I had no parents or safe space to call home, so had to look after myself and my younger brother. In need of a spiritual guide, I would go to the pagoda presenting offerings to idols, religious images, and had a special tattoo to protect me from danger. Whenever I entered church, I suffered headaches, abdominal pain and would feel uncomfortable all over.

One night when my brother didn't return home, I knelt and wept to God asking Him to bring my brother home. It was in this moment that I heard a voice say, "It will be okay, everything will be better."

In the morning I explained to a pastor what I'd heard and was told that this is "good news from God." Within a week my brother returned home. I was so excited that God helped save him and posted on Facebook, "Thank God that even though I do not know where He is from. He saved my life and my brother. My hope is in God!"

My life immediately changed when I heard God's voice and I believe that God is good above all else. Now, I'm wanting to pursue a Masters degree in Biblical Christian Ministry and Arts, and to one day become a church pastor or leader.



Osaka

Chapter 1 (2018–2023)

Enjoy Church Osaka was planted in 2018 with a small team of people. With less than 1% of the population being Christian, Japan has been called a "missionary's graveyard". Street outreach, invitations to international parties and eikawa (English lessons) events were some of the ways that the team worked hard with a strong heart conviction to plough the Osakan ground.

As God favoured the location, Sunday services were launched, Friendship Groups created and people said "yes" to Jesus and were water baptised. In March 2022, while many churches were struggling, momentum started to build in Enjoy Church Osaka with people leaning in, seeking God more, and growing in unity.

2021-8 salvations & 7 water baptisms 2022-10 salvations & 3 water baptisms 2023 so far -13 salvations & 7 water baptisms

In 2023, over 50 people have taken their next steps of faith by participating in a new Christians course. More people have been joining teams, Friendship Groups are multiplying and people are stepping into leadership roles to lead new teams.

Chapter 2 (2024–beyond)

The heart of this next chapter is to see a harvest of multiplication and healthy growth – in teams, Friendship Groups, salvations and baptisms.

One great need is for our own building. For the past 4 years we have been using the same venue, however this venue will be closing down. We are believing for a place to host not only weekly Sunday services, but a space for mid—week use to host Friendship Groups, courses and events such as English conversations and other outreach opportunities.

Over the next few years we see more people being reached, more finance to improve the gear for our service production, to fund more outreach events, and create more care packages. As we continue to step out this chapter, we are believing for more people to be part of the team who have the same heart, vision and commitment to see Japan saved.

The Oki Family Osaka

Yoshiro was invited to church by his friend Masa, one of the first people to attend Enjoy Church Osaka. Yoshiro received salvation and invited his entire family to come to his water baptism. At the time, his father was against Christianity and his family wasn't very supportive, encouraging him to study the Bible as if it were literature or a textbook.

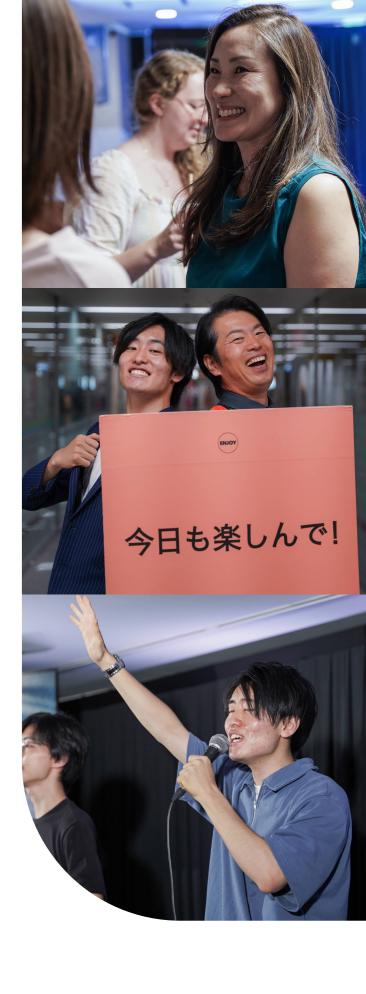
Over time, Yoshiro has seen his whole family receive salvation and when each felt ready, become water baptised. In Japan, it is very significant for an entire family to become Christian.

Yoshito, his father, was skeptical of God in the beginning because they were mature and had figured out their own viewpoints already. However, the process of unlearning and learning to see the world, their family, work and relationships in a new 'God' way has caused a 180–degree shift in their lives for the better.

They have never felt closer as a family. Their communication and how they maintain unity and love has changed, and the marriage of Yoshito and Kaoru has changed for the better.

Yoshito and Kaoru serve in the host team. Yoshiro serves on the worship team. They all are part of a Friendship Group and leadership training sessions. Kaoru loves serving on the host team because she feels "it's her role to protect people's smiles by sharing her own smile with them." She's even been inviting clients and friends to church.

The Oki family is full of joy and life. They are the fruit of what can happen when one seed is planted.



Acts

The Holy Spirit Comes at Pentecost

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. ²Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. ³They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues^f as the Spirit enabled them.

⁵Now there were staying in Jerusalem Godfearing Jews from every nation under heaven. ⁶When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken. 7Utterly amazed, they asked: "Aren't all these who are speaking Galileans? 8Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language? 9Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, g 10 Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome ¹¹(both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!" 12 Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, "What does this mean?"

¹³Some, however, made fun of them and said, "They have had too much wine."

Peter Addresses the Crowd

¹⁴Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: "Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. ¹⁵These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It's only nine in the morning! ¹⁶No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:

17"'In the last days, God says,
I will pour out my Spirit on all people.
Your sons and daughters will prophesy,
your young men will see visions,
your old men will dream dreams.

18 Even on my servants, both men and

women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy.

¹⁹ I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood and fire and billows of smoke.

²⁰The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord.

²¹ And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.'a

²²"Fellow Israelites, listen to this: Jesus of Nazareth was a man accredited by God to you by miracles, wonders and signs, which God did among you through him, as you yourselves know. ²³This man was handed over to you by God's deliberate plan and foreknowledge; and you, with the help of wicked men, ^b put him to death by nailing him to the cross. ²⁴But God raised him from the dead, freeing him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for death to keep its hold on him. ²⁵David said about him:

"'I saw the Lord always before me.
Because he is at my right hand,
I will not be shaken

I will not be shaken.

26 Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices;

rejoices; my body also will rest in hope, ²⁷because you will not abandon me to the realm of the dead,

you will not let your holy one see decay.

28 You have made known to me the paths of

you will fill me with joy in your presence.'c

²⁹"Fellow Israelites, I can tell you confidently that the patriarch David died and was buried, and his tomb is here to this day. ³⁰But he was a prophet and knew that God had promised him on oath that he would place one of his descendants on his throne. ³¹Seeing what was to come, he spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, that he was not abandoned to the realm of the dead, nor did his body see decay. ³²God has raised this Jesus to life, and we are all witnesses of it. ³³Exalted to the right hand of God, he has received from the Father the promised Holy Spirit and has poured out what you now see and hear. ³⁴For David did not ascend to heaven, and yet he said,

"'The Lord said to my Lord:
"Sit at my right hand

35 until I make your enemies
a footstool for your feet."'d

³⁶"Therefore let all Israel be assured of this: God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Messiah."

³⁷When the people heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?"

³⁸Peter replied, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off—for all whom the Lord our God will call."

⁴⁰With many other words he warned them; and he pleaded with them, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." ⁴¹Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day.

The Fellowship of the Believers

⁴²They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. ⁴³Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. ⁴⁴All the believers were together and had everything in common. ⁴⁵They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. ⁴⁶Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, ⁴⁷praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.



Enjoy Communities

Restoring Lives. Transforming Communities.

Each Enjoy Church location is strategically positioned to reach their community with the love and hope of Jesus. Through Enjoy Communities, our mission and development arm, we are committed to forming highly relational points of connection with our local and international communities.

From these points of connection we are seeing families strengthened as we minister to a diversity of people, navigating a diversity of life challenges. These include young children, youth and families, the elderly, migrants, asylum seekers and refugees, and to those experiencing social isolation, addictions and homelessness.

Our many local initiatives and partnerships, across Australia, include:

Albion North Primary | AMES (English & Employment Services) | Bakers Delight | Banjos Bakery — Traralgon | Bayley House | Bayside Community Care | Carry On Cafe | Dandenong Council | Dorothy Carlton Preschool | Djerriwarrh Festival | Emergency Relief Network Group for Latrobe | Foodbank Victoria | Freeza Youth Program | Friends of Refugees | Heart Focus Church | Kingborough Council | Kingborough Community Missions | Kingston Council | Kurunjang Secondary College | Latrobe City Council | Latrobe Community Health Service | Loaves & Fishes | Kingston High School | Make a Difference | Melton Council | Morwell Central Primary School | Morwell & Dandenong Neighbourhood House | Noble Park Primary School | North Sunshine Kindergarten | Orange Door | Peninsula Special School | Ramahyuck | Red Frogs | Salvation Army | South East Community Links | Staughton College | Sunbury Downs College | Sunbury Heights Primary | Sunbury Winter Shelter | Sunshine Christian School | Sunshine College North & West | Sunshine North Primary | Together for Kids | University of Tasmania | Westcare | Westall Community Hub | Yarrunga Primary School

Internationally, we continue to partner with:

Mothers Heart, Cambodia | Children in Families, Cambodia | Kinnected Myanmar

This foundation of community relationship; built through our local and overseas initiatives and partnerships, has positioned us strongly to step into Chapter 2 to see lives restored and communities transformed.





Artem Kuzmenko Melb East

The first week I arrived in Melbourne, I came to Re. Store and was impacted by people's kindness there. This connection led me to a Friendship Group and then to church. When I first started attending church, my belief was that all gods were the same. But when I accepted Jesus Christ as my Lord and Saviour, my journey of transformation began.

In the 8 years before coming to Australia, I experienced displacement from my own home twice in the Ukraine. The first was in 2014 while living with my pregnant wife, when Russia occupied the Donetsk region of Ukraine and Crimea. Then again in 2022 when Russia approached the city of Irpen. This battle destroyed the city, my home and sent me into a deep shock. When my wife left with our child, I hit rock bottom.

Australia then opened its borders for Ukrainians and my sister told me to fly to Australia. I knew no—one here and could see no point in saving my life, yet I was able to miraculously cross all the borders to arrive here in Australia.

Now, I love Jesus and am praying for my wife, child and relatives back in the Ukraine. I am sure that when my sister told me to go to Australia, it was God speaking to me because I have found Jesus and restoration for my life.

For the first time since Russia invaded my home 8 years ago, I have found a home.



Deb Schulz Melb North

In 2008, my children and I came to Enjoy Church quite broken. Early on God started to build my trust in Him and provide in the most creative of ways. One time I remember not having a car and crying out to God for a way to get the children to school and church. I was rostered on to serve in Kidmania the next day, so rang my Pastor to let them know that I wouldn't be able to make it. He replied, "Deb, someone gave me the keys to a car yesterday!" God knew ahead of time what I would need and I was loaned the car until I could purchase one.

God has grown me up in this House. He has taken my brokenness and healed me with each step. He has positioned beautiful people around me and provided for us in the most creative and miraculous of ways.

My life has been transformed in this House and I have genuinely seen the goodness of God over and over and over.





Dennis Van Dam

Before coming to Enjoy Church, I was living a life of alcohol addiction and facing severe health issues because of it. I was an angry person who lacked any care for others or myself.

One Sunday I asked my sister for the link to watch the online service. Watching alone in my bedroom, God came and slapped me with so much love that when Ps Shane made the altar call I broke down crying and said "yes!"

Knowing that I needed good strong godly people in my life, I did the Internship Program in 2022. That year really lay the foundation for Jesus to grow and shape me to become the person He wants me to be.

God has changed my attitude and outlook on life. Because of the love and grace He has shown me, I now have more grace and compassion for others. God keeps growing my joy and thankfulness towards Him, which overflows into the way I interact with other people and show God's love to them.

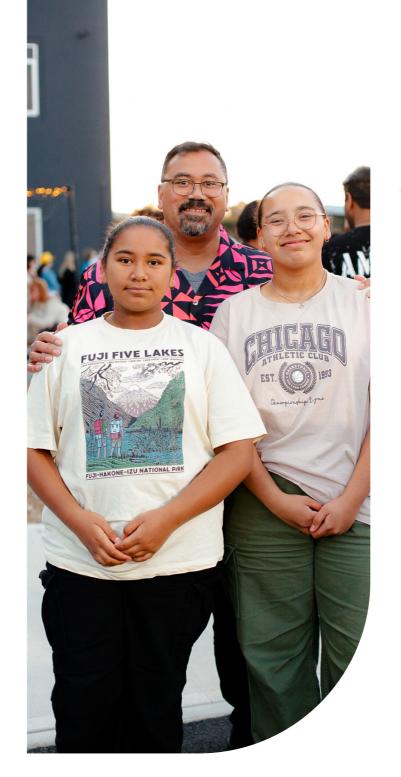
Facilities

The heart behind our Enjoy Church facilities is that they would host the moments where lives are changed. This requires our facilities to accommodate the ministries that facilitate those moments:

Ministry	Purpose	Facility Requirements
Services To lead people closer to Jesus Christ, bringing about real spiritual change through evangelism and discipleship	To lead people closer to Jesus Christ,	An auditorium to hold our people
		Audio and video systems to help us enter into moments of praise and worship and deliver the words that will guide our paths
	Air conditioning systems to manage the temperature while ensuring fresh air	
		A foyer and café to build relationships for moments when we need someone to come alongside us
Empire To see young people live with vision (Youth) for their future, equipping them to reach and fulfil that vision	<u> </u>	To accommodate the energetic expression of young people
	Host the moments of fun and significance for our future leaders	
Kidmania (Children)	To help your children become all that God created them to be	A children's program that ministers to many age groups requires a facility that provides multiple spaces for different age groups and needs
Communities	To see those we walk alongside free from poverty and oppression	Space for Mainly Music programs, Re.Store, classes, short-term food storage and more

As we look to this next chapter, having a vision for each of these ministries requires an investment into these facilities across Enjoy Church locations. It is a space for us to minister to and care for you, your family and our local community.





Stephen Penaia Te'o Melb West

In 2004, I walked into the church foyer feeling the love and welcomed right away. I knew that this would be my home church and still feel the same sense of welcome today.

As my wife and I were making Enjoy Church home, we were also stepping out a new reality that we may never have children due to her strong medication. We were advised that pregnancy was not safe for both mother and baby. We were yearning for children and continued to hope and pray for children as I started to serve within Enjoy Church. We had many people praying for us and eventually we were given the all-clear to try for children. We had beautiful daughters, in 2009 and 2013.

In the lead up to the birth of our second child, things were not going well in our marriage. In 2014–2016, we went through a bitter separation.

My main priority was for my girls to grow up within God's house, irrespective of what we were experiencing. I needed them to know God's love, His grace and that there was always a place for them in God's house.

"Direct your children onto the right path, and when they are older, they will not leave it." Proverbs 22:6 NLT

For the past 15 years I have served in the Kidmania team. I've seen a lot of children come through Kidmania and now some of them have children of their own. We talk about being a generational church, and I've seen what this looks like. When parent/s raise their children in God's House, serve and have a relationship with God, their children see this as an example. As they grow, they serve the house and the house becomes their own. When they have children, the cycle continues and they will always have that path to guide them back into God's house.

FAQs

When do commitments to the Vision Offering begin?

You may begin to fulfil your commitment from Sunday, 12 November 2023.

How do I contribute to the Vision Offering?

There are two ways you can contribute to this year's Vision Offering.

Online: Complete an online Commitment Card at enjoy.church/vision in the lead up to and on Commitment Sunday. You have the option to contribute by credit card, whether it be a once-off or recurring amount, or if you wish to give through bank transfer, these are the details of the bank account specially created for our Vision Offering:

Account Name: Vision Offering

BSB: 083-437

Account Number: 86-258-1531

In-person: During a Sunday service, you can indicate 'Vision Offering' on the giving envelopes provided and place this into any offering container or at The Hub.

What will the Vision Offering be used for?

Contributions made at each location will be collected and deposited into a central account. The Vision Offering is then distributed towards 5 main areas:

- 1. Church planting and establishment
- 2. Purchasing and leasing of facilities
- 3. New location fit outs
- 4. Purchasing of buildings, permits, compliance and administration facilitation
- 5. Building maintenance and facility upgrades

The Vision Team and Board will work together regarding the distribution of the Vision Offering so that we might see our church vision come to fruition.

Why can't I provide my card details on the Commitment Card?

The physical Commitment Card previously allowed you to record the card payment details for your commitment. However, changes in data security standards now place restrictions on the collection and use of your card information. To comply with these standards, we have removed the ability to record your card information on the Commitment Card. A QR code has been provided in its place to direct you to a secure giving page.

How do I get more information about the Vision Offering?

We invite you to speak to your Location Pastor, contact the Enjoy Church office by calling +61 3 9240 6000, or by emailing vision@enjoy.church.



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