

# Australian Marketplace Connections Inc.

## Vision

*To see every Australian have at least one opportunity in their lifetime to work alongside someone who is a living letter of Jesus Christ to them -2 Cor 3:3*

## Mission

*Helping to take the Kingdom of God into the Marketplace*

## Values

- *Mutual trust*
- *Humility*
- *Authenticity*
- *Excellence*
- *Challenge*
- *Encouragement*
- *Accountability*

## Strategy

*To connect, collaborate and catalyse growth of the Kingdom of God in the marketplace*

*We accomplish this through the following processes:*

- *connecting intercessors, Pastors and Marketplace Ministers (Christians in the workplace)*
- *providing a networking and resourcing hub*
- *equipping, encouraging and supporting Christian civic, business and professional people in their ministry*
- *running Integrated Leadership Groups, Marketplace Champions Forums and Marketplace Workshops*
- *contributing to training courses and conferences*
- *assisting local churches develop a networked missional culture in the marketplace*

## Theological Foundations

AMC arose in early 2004 out of concern that the Kingdom of God (KoG) has been marginalised in the life of the nation, and the marketplace has been marginalised in the daily life of the church. ILG developed from this AMC concern, not as a para-church organisation but as an integral part of the “new wine skin” church’s ministry to the marketplace (Luke 5:36-39). In essence this theological position embraces the following characteristics (in alphabetical order):

- adhering to the Bible as the Word of God (2 Peter 1:19-21)
- adhering to the pre-eminence of Jesus Christ as head over all things (Col 1:15-20)
- adhering to the priority of the Great Command (Matt 22:37-40)
- being mainstream evangelical empowered and led by the Holy Spirit (Gal 5:25)
- being Trinitarian (Eph 4:6, Col 1:15-20, Zech 4:6, Matt 1:11).
- commitment to freedom under God’s grace (Gal 5:1) - guarding against theological legalism and liberalism)
- commitment to generosity to the poor in the marketplace (Jer 22:16, Prov 3:9) commitment to growing discipleship in the marketplace (Matt 28:18-20)
- every Christian being an ambassador of Christ with the God given ministry of reconciliation as an integral part of their daily occupation (John 15:16-17, 2 Cor 5:17-20, Col 1:19-20)
- every Christian called into the priesthood of all believers (1 Peter 2:5-9)
- inclusive of men and women; conservative, charismatic and pentecostal (Gal 3:28)
- integrating God@work in the marketplace (John 17:18) and standing against the false dualism of separating ‘Sunday from Monday’, the ‘sacred from and the secular’ etc.
- minimalist organisationally with minimum necessary overheads
- non-denominational and non-factional (1 Cor 3:1-9)
- non-hierarchical (each person goes direct to God in prayer per Matt 6:10)
- priority of prayer and intercession.