



AFM 110 Years celebration:

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The AFM started with one assembly in Doornfontein. At the beginning of 1911 there were 513 untrained workers, (338 Black & 175 White) sometimes referred to as Apostolic Faith Missionaries. Over the years the AFM grew to over 1.4 million members, structured into **43 Regions and Networks**, with **1806 congregations**, **2498 pastors**, **5 National Departments** (Children, Youth, Men, Sisters, Welfare), **9 Specialised Ministries** and a **Theological College**.

The administrative Head office is in Central Office Park, 257 Jean Avenue, Centurion.

Early AFM members regarded the Missionary task as their main interest and Commission. At that stage the names Apostolic Faith Mission and Apostolic Faith Movement were used alternately as synonyms, even in the minutes of the Executive Council.

The AFM is in the process of becoming a modern day missional movement -Where every member will understand what it means to be missional and be able to live every day from the basis of being sent into his/her community and every sphere of society, as an agent of change: Impacting the lives of others with the message, values, character and love of Jesus.

We are endeavouring this by means of the One AFM Game plan, our Missional Strategy launched in November 2013. This strategy has five drivers, or focus areas namely:

1. **Empowerment** -of all members for missional living,
2. **Ecumenical Involvement**, -recognizing the body of Christ as all life-giving churches, working together where possible to fulfil our mission.
3. **Community Involvement** -addressing the real needs in our communities, to be socio-economically and Spiritually relevant.
4. **Governance** -to structure, lead and govern ourselves with integrity and accountability, as part of our everyday witness as followers of Christ.
5. **Discipleship** -guiding our members to become true followers of Jesus and not only fans. -To move believers from only being church members, or spectators to active team members.

Under the leadership of our president, Pastor George Mahlobo the AFM also strives to deepen our unity and Cohesion, while celebrating our God given diversity.

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