

#### **Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada**

The ELCIC is a church *In Mission for Others*. At the 2013 meeting of our National Church Council, members in attendance discussed the question, "where is God calling the National expression of our church?" In response to that question—through prayer, discernment and discussion—the following four areas of focus were determined.



## Spirited Discipleship

- Develop and grow the Call to Spiritual Renewal
- Speak publically and witness for the gospel as a National Church.
- Undertake corporate leadership by encouraging energy for Spiritual Renewal for communities.



### Compassionate Justice

- Challenge the causes and respond to the consequences of injustice through effective partnership with Canadian Lutheran World Relief.
- Continue to pursue right relationships with indigenous peoples.
- Continue and increase stewardship of creation initiatives.
- Promote responsible resource extraction.
- Support and work for justice and peace in the Holy Land.
- Address issues of homelessness and affordable housing.



#### Healthy Church

- Articulating a common vision for the church.
- Develop and promote a culture of mutual trust and accountability.
- Improve the financial health of the church.
- Improve communications concerning the National Church.



# Effective Partnerships

 Enhance the church's ability to be In Mission for Others internationally, in the North American Region of the LWF, in Canada and through partnerships.