

## **Incedo Board Chair Report 2010**

### **The Past**

I am really grateful to those who have got us to where we are today. It has taken courage and hard work to get us here. We have a rich history and wealth of experience. It is good to be able to look back and give thanks for life's journey and the people we travel with. It is here we can see Jesus weaving his story through our lives. For the past few years now we have been through a process of seriously evaluating what is worth preserving and developing, and what has come to an end. I think we are continuing on a good path as far as maintaining an attitude of "holding things lightly."

### **This Year**

I think this year in many ways has been about discovering a little bit more what being Jesus' hands and feet might look like. I've also been challenged a lot about the role of institutions in community, and more specifically Incedo's role. I think for many of us it has been a formative year. There have been challenges and transitions. What we look like together is different now than a year ago.

### **The Future**

I believe we are now moving into a time of permission giving. We need to be exploring opportunities and developing inclusivity. We acknowledge God is extravagant and creative and intensely alive. He calls us to participate in his body –and that's a great place to be. My hope is that Incedo will become a more helpful tool for discovering how God's kingdom functions through our lives. As we stand looking into the future I think we need to be looking with wonder at the possibilities. There is an ad for Otago University with a theme song I really like - "Take your place in the world". Everyone brings something different to this family. It's time to take our place in the world. Take courage – we are all in this together – and step out.

It's all about Jesus

And People

Together.

Blair.

Board Chair.