

Session Three – Moving Forward Together
REGIONAL MEETINGS
Diocesan Gathering 2010

What is our Vision for the Region?

Region:	MACQUARIE	
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PAST		PRESENT
Where have we Been?		Where are we Now?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Region ineffective; ▪ Distance; ▪ Joint celebrations – top end good, lower end bad; ▪ Ineffective parishes in coordinating youth – needs to be done at regional level; ▪ Priests getting older, lacking energy; ▪ Lack of awareness of regional meetings; ▪ No planning for the region by the region – just reports from parishes and reports from Diocese; ▪ WYD regional team was FANTASTIC and joint activities between Toronto and Morisset (not whole region); ▪ Regional reconciliations; ▪ Problem working in parishes. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Youth Club/YCW; ▪ NET Team (National Evangelisation Team) – Port Macquarie to coordinate youth activities; ▪ Money goes on maintenance; ▪ Don't know anyone within the parishes who could take on these ideas; ▪ St Paul's helping to set up Social Justice Groups on the school; ▪ Music Ministry in WYD underpinned good musicians; ▪ Appeal of music – Hillsong type –v- “liturgical music” – cultures which identify with rhythm and celebration.
FUTURE		

<p style="text-align: center;">What are our Hopes for the Future? Where Would we Like to Be?</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">How Are We Going to Get There?</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ .Regional liturgical celebrations that are open to “Hillsong” movements; ▪ Regional Christmas carols – plan together, pick feasts/events to gather people, such as carols; ▪ Start small and get bigger and better; ▪ Walk around the Lake – liturgical celebrations; ▪ Identifying people with skills; ▪ Find a way to communicate to parishes – bulletin board/circulars; ▪ Sourcing/resourcing at the Chancery – more layers deanery, information gets distorted. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Lakes deanery used to be very effective.