



Church Land

- How acquired?
- How much?
 - 185 000 Ha in 2 053 properties
 - 175 000 Ha in 105 large props
- How used?



Vision of Churches

- Restore dignity
- Heal communities
- Eradication of poverty
 - Sustainable & proper use of land



Challenges

- “Disposal” of resources
- From tenants to owners
- Local government
- Traditional authorities
- Sustainability



Church & Land Reform

- Affirm redistributive nature
- Barometer of transformation
- From alienation to reconciliation



Theological Themes

- The earth is the Lord's
- Ownership is never absolute
- Tend toward commodification & accumulation
- Jubilee & Shalom - redistribution
- Work - livelihoods
- Reconciled



Land Reform: A Slow Train Coming?

- Redistribution
- Restitution
- Tenure reform

Speed up
OR
Change direction



An Alternative Agrarian Reform

- Prioritise poor - rather than powerful
- Active state - not just 'free market'
- Food security; dignified livelihoods; nurture resources
- Range of tenure - secure for poor, women