

**YEAR BOOK**  
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**REPORTS & DECISIONS**  
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## AUGUST SYNODS

1-2 August 2014

### Please Note:

- Material from Committees and Boards to be considered by the August Synods must be in the hands of the Synod Secretaries for effective distribution at least 14 days before the August Synod meeting date.
- If you wish the Administration Division to print and distribute your Report to Synods we will need to receive it by Monday **Thursday 10 July 2014**.

## BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION

**Thursday:** 27 February 8 May 10 July 25 September  
11 December

## CONFERENCE (HAMILTON) 15 – 19 November 2014

14 November - Tauwi Stationing

15–19 November - Conference (commencing Sat 15 Nov, 9:45am and concluding Wed 19 Nov, 3:00pm)  
- Tauwi & Te Taha Maori Meetings - TBC

## CONNEXIONAL BUDGET TASK GROUP

Monday 24 February

## COUNCIL OF CONFERENCE

21–22 March 10:00am Friday to 6.00pm Saturday – 409 Great South Road, Auckland  
12–13 September 10:00am Friday to 6.00pm Saturday – 409 Great South Road, Auckland

## TE TAHA MAORI

### Hui Poari

21–22 February (*Te Rahui Centre, Waikato*) 2-3 May (*Whakatuora Centre, Tamaki*)  
25-26 July (*Whakatuora Centre, Tamaki*) 5-6 December (*Te Rahui Centre, Waikato*)

## METHODIST TRUST ASSN / INVESTMENT BOARD / P.A.C.T. 2086

5 March 25 June 24 September 3 December

- The Executive meets the evening before the meeting.
- Agenda for the meeting closes 10 days before the date of the meeting.

## MISSION RESOURCING

**Candidates Assessment Weekend:** 16-18 May

**Ordinands Assessment Event:** 27-29 August

## METHODIST CONNEXIONAL PROPERTY COMMITTEE (formerly CB&L)

**Wednesday:** 19 February 19 March 16 April 21 May  
18 June 16 July 20 August 17 September  
15 October 12 November 10 December

### Please Note:

Plans, applications and materials for consideration by the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee, need to be considered firstly by the District Property Advisory Committee, then forwarded in time to reach the Administration Division **no later than the Wednesday prior to the meeting**, to enable the Plans Committee to consider the proposals.

## PASTORAL COMMITTEE

25 February (Auckland)

## PAC DISTRIBUTION GROUP

25-26 July

## SYNOD DATES 2014

*Please note:* The number shown in brackets is the number of copies of material required for distribution within each Synod.

Northland U.D.C. (30) (Churches Together in Northland)	15 February (Sat) September – date TBC
Auckland (80) Manukau (30)	<u>Regional Synod:</u> 8 March (Sat) <u>Auckland Synod:</u> 7 June (Sat) <u>Manukau Synod:</u> 14 June (Sat) <u>Regional Synod - Annual:</u> 9 August (Sat) <u>Auckland Synod:</u> 4 October (Sat) <u>Manukau Synod:</u> 11 October (Sat)
Waikato-Wairariki (2)	7 March (Fri) 6 June (Fri) 1-2 August (Fri-Sat) 28 November (Fri)
Lower North Island (90)	15 March (Sat) 1-2 August (Fri-Sat) 6 December (Sat)
Nelson-Marlborough-West Coast (30)	<u>Nelson:</u> 11-13 March (Tue-Thu) <u>Blenheim:</u> 1-3 August (Fri-Sun) <u>Reefton:</u> 21-23 November (Fri-Sun)
Central South Island (110)	<u>Full Synod:</u> 15 March (Sat) @ 9:30am <i>Dunsandel</i> <u>Northern Synod:</u> 20 May (Tue) @ 7:30pm <i>Upper Riccarton Church</i> 25 November (Tue) @ 7:30pm <i>St Marks, Christchurch South</i> <u>Southern Synod:</u> 24 May (Sat) @ 10:00am <i>Woodlands Road Lounge</i> 29 November (Sat) @ 10:00am <i>Woodlands Road Lounge</i> <u>Meeting to consider August Synod papers:</u> 30 July (Wed) @ 7:30pm <i>Woodlands Road Lounge &amp; Upper Riccarton</i> <u>Ministerial Synod:</u> 1 August (Fri) @ 10:00am – 5:00pm <i>Upper Riccarton</i> <u>Full Synod:</u> 1 August (Fri) @ 7:00pm-9:00pm <i>Upper Riccarton</i> 2 August (Sat) @ 9:00am-5:00pm <i>Upper Riccarton</i>
Otago-Southland (40)	7-10 March (Fri-Mon) <i>Synod &amp; School of Theology, Queenstown</i> 21 June (Sat) 1-2 August (Fri-Sat) <i>Synod</i> 22 November (Sat)
Sinoti Samoa (90)	AGM: 4-6 July (Fri-Sun)
Vahefonua Tonga 'o Aotearoa (1)	28-31 March (Fri-Mon) 25-28 July (Fri-Mon)
Wasewase ko Viti Kei Rotuma e Niu Siladi (25)	<u>Wasewase Executive Meeting:</u> 22 March (Sat) <i>Hamilton East Fijian</i> <u>Annual General Meeting:</u> 18-19 July (Fri-Sat) <i>Meadowlands</i>

### also required:

Wairarapa Union District Council: 15 copies  
Westland Buller District Union Council: 20 copies  
Te Taha Maori: 60 copies

### TAUIWI STRATEGY & STATIONING

23-24 March (Auckland)                      24-26 & 26-27 August (Auckland)

### DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS RETREAT

2-4 May (Long Bay, Auckland)

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**Lee**, Sun Mi , Rev Dr

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**Taufa**, Saikolone , Rev

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**Lasi**, Tau , Rev

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**Allen-Goudge**, Robyn D , Rev

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**Francis, Lorraine**, Rev

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**Misilei, Misilei** , Rev

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**Karaka Family Church**

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**Petersen, Mary**, Rev

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**Woodward, Gillian**, Rev

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**Hancock, Carol**, Rev

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**Hight, Dianne C , Dn**

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### **St Andrews Coromandel**

Rings Road, Coromandel, 3506

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### **Turangi Co-operating Parish:**

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**Galloway, Ian**, Rev

**Waihi Beach United Church**

Wilson Road (no letterbox at church), Waihi Beach, 3611

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**Whakatane Anglican Methodist Co-operating Parish:**

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**Ponsonby Tongan Congregation (Vaine Mo'onia)**

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**Tongan Methodist - Christian Education**

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Church\Worship Centre eMail: rovingdove@xtra.co.nz

**Tongan Methodist Youth Group**

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**Christchurch South Tongan Parish:**

c/o 40 Somerset Crescent, Spreydon, Christchurch, 8024  
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**Moa, Kepu, Rev**

**St Johns Methodist Church Addington (Tongan Congregation)**

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Church\Worship Centre eMail: kepu.moa@compassnet.co.nz

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**Gisborne Tongan Parish:**

8 Duncan Street, Mangapapa, Gisborne, 4010  
Business Phone: (06) 868 7433 Fax: +64 (06) 868 7433

**Taunga, Simote P, Rev**

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**Lotofale'ia Mangere Tongan Methodist Parish:**

34 Orly Avenue, Mangere, Auckland, 2022  
Business

**Manukia, Goll F, Rev**

**Lotofale'ia Mangere Tongan Church**

34 Orly Avenue, Mangere, Auckland, 2022  
Business Phone: (09) 275 0268

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**Lower Hutt Tongan Parish:**

40 Davidson Crescent, Tawa, Wellington, 5028  
Business Phone: (04) 232 9849

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**Otara Tongan Parish:**

PO Box 61070, Otara, Auckland, 2159  
Business Phone: (09) 274 1183 Fax: +64 (09) 274 1167

Kilikiti, Vaikoloa , Rev

Paea, (HOLA) Holakitu'akolo , Rev

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**Papatoetoe Tongan Parish:**

91-93 Carruth Road, Papatoetoe, Auckland, 2025  
Business Phone: (09) 277 6457

Pope, 'Ikilifi L , Rev

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**WASEWASE KO VITI KEI ROTUMA E NIU SILADI SYN**

**Auckland Fijian Parish (Tabacakacaka):**

PO Box 12356, Penrose, Auckland, 1642  
Business Phone: (09) 534 3350

Tuwere, Ilaitia S , Rev

Uludole, Alivereti , Rev

**Auckland Fijian Fellowship Church**

128 Whitford Road, Somerville, Auckland, 2014  
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**Wasewase ko Viti Kei Rotuma e Niu Siladi:**

c/- 49 Byndwr Road, Fendalton, Christchurch, 8052  
Business

Tikoinaka, Peni , Rev

Ducivaki, Joeli , Rev

Bale, Akuila , Rev

**Hamilton East Fijian Congregation**

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**North Taranaki Fijian Congregation**

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**Tauranga Fijian Congregation**

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# Accredited Methodist Lay Preachers

## Accredited Lay Preachers Register as at January 2014

This list has been drawn up from the 2013 update forms that were returned individually or from a congregation or parish. Names are noted in Synods, under alphabetical order of family name. Every attempt has been made to make the list accurate and current from the information given; any corrections may be sent to Viv Whimster on [jvwhim@actrix.co.nz](mailto:jvwhim@actrix.co.nz) or via the Connexional Office.

The registration and update forms are available from the website:  
[www.methodist.org.nz/Ministry/Lay Preachers/Annual Update Form](http://www.methodist.org.nz/Ministry/Lay%20Preachers/Annual%20Update%20Form)

An asterisk denotes that the Network has been informed that the LP is accredited, currently active and 'upskilled' (AAU). (*'Upskilled': led no fewer than 3 services, and undertaken no less than 8 hours on-going training, in the past year.*)

R = Retired.

Name	AAU	Date of Issue of Certificate
<b>NORTHLAND</b>		
<b>Network representative:</b> Rowan Smiley		
Calton, Julie	*	
Deverell, Beverley	*	2010
Gough, Janice Anne	*	2010
Gwilliam, Rosalie	*	1994
Lendrum, Harry	R	1950
Little, Kathleen	*	1992
Mison, Julie	*	
Muir, John	R	1972
Selby, Margaret	*	
Simpkin, William (Bill)	*	1963
<b>AUCKLAND</b>		
<b>Network representative:</b> Brian Chamberlin		
Ackerley, Michael		
Chamberlin, Brian	*	1964
Cornelius, Elizabeth Anne	*	1989
Faasou, Jerry Roebeck		
Fesolai, Uiki Fesolai		
Finlay, Rob		
Fuimaono, Taliaoa Sialega Kamu		
Green, Gordon	*	1991
Hogg, Eddie		
Jones, Brian	*	2004
Levaopolo, Tiava'asu'e Seupule		
Lolohea, Saimone		
Lolohea, Sateki		
Mailata, Ianeta Faalogoifo	*	2011
Malcolm, Coral	*	
Matthews, Audrey	R	1962
McConnochie, Dene	*	1954
Michie, Laurie	R	1960
Overend, Robert	*	2007
Rao, Owen		1990
Robati-Man, Marina		

Robinson, Judith Eleanor	*	1988
Skinner, Brenda Joy	*	1958
Smiley, Rowan	*	1965
Smith, Clive	*	1962
Taito, Bernard		
Taoa, Vili Mose		
Welch, Gwenda		
William, Evangeline		2002
Wills, Gaylin		

## MANUKAU

**Network representative:** Rev Ian Faulkner

Ahokava, Kolotau	*	
Carter, Nancy	R	
Clarke, Marie		
Fononga, Kuovatisi	*	2011
Galo, Susana	R	2010
Galo, Ruta	*	2011
Maka, Tevita	*	
Malafu, Lolita	*	
Matamu, Fanga Saulelia	*	
Matthews, Audrey	R	1962
Vao, Bill (Viliani)	*	1963
Vili, Sua	*	

## WAIKATO-WAIARIKI

**Network representatives:** Geoff Warth, Vangana Helu

Dickie, Catherine	*	1951
Diprose, Elaine	*	1998
Evans, George	R	1980
Fifita, Joseph	*	2013
Genner, Hazel		2006
Guy, Penny	*	2012
Hale, Lewis		1960, 2008 (M)
Hey, Kathy	*	2008
Hight, Maurice		1987
Keightley, Yvonne (Vonnice)	*	1990
Luxton, Raewyn		1984
Murray, Barbara	*	1999
Pinkerton, Lynn	*	1994
Purdie, Janice	*	1997
Rentz, Rosalie		2009
Riesterer, Don		1953
Robertson, Peter	*	1997
Robertson, Graham		1971
Roper, Jack	*	1986
Russell, Nan	*	2010
Southon, Ngaire	*	2005
Speirs, Alan	*	1960
Sutton, Mary	*	2008
Warth, Geoff	*	1999
West, Mary	*	2008
Whimster, Viv	*	1998
Wilson, Sylvia	R	1992
Young, Bernard		2008

## LOWER NORTH ISLAND

**Network representatives:** Keith Knox, Rosalie Sugrue

Aldersley, Ronnie (Mrs)	*	1979
Anderson, Taiana	*	
Bishop, Margaret	*	2008
Boyd, Fraser	*	1979
Calhaem, Maureen		2002
Caswell, Maureen		
Coon, Dennis	*	2005
Davis, Pamela		2002
Davis, David	*	1999
Garner, Avis		1975
Hooper, Barbara	*	2008
Knox, Keith	*	1964
Little, Barbara	*	2007
Malpass, Ron	*	1992
Millar, Rex	*	1953
Moller, Barbara	*	2013
Pitt, Russell	*	1991
Schnell, Jessica	*	2012
Single, Glenys		
Sugrue, Rosalie	*	1994
Taylor, Lindsay	*	1993
Thornley, John	*	1965
Wallis, Bob	*	2001
Yuile, Bryan		

## NELSON/MARLBOROUGH/WEST COAST

**Network representative:** TBC

Hall, Robin	*	1996
Martin, David	*	2012
Smale, Peter		1969

## CENTRAL SOUTH ISLAND

**Network representative:** Margaret Inglis

Cant, Garth	*	1960
Chapman, Vera		2011
Fergus, Beverley	*	2008
Hill, David	*	2008
Hudson, Warren	R	1963
Inglis, Margaret	R	1996
Jackson, Ray	R	1957
Makinson, Maurice	R	
Teague, Basil	R	1962
Teague, Chris		2003
Thorns, David		1964
Thorpe, Geoff	R	
Trotter, Geoffrey	*	1999
Van der Kley, Martin	*	1972
Walls, Heather	*	1957

**OTAGO/SOUTHLAND****Network representative:** Colin Gibson

Gibson, Colin	*	1991
Graves, Alan	*	1964 (P) 1996
Masterton, Rachael	*	2013
Merrett, Elaine	*	2009
Pole, Naomi		
Stoddart, (Edith) Anne		2010
Stuart, Nola Leith	*	2010
Willis, Dorothy	*	1981
Willis, Ernest	*	1982

**SINOTI SAMOA****Birkenhead Samoan**

Brewster, Tiliitaua	*	1998
Brewster, Alfred	*	
Esekia, Su'a Selau	*	2003
Ioapo, Saili	*	1998
Kalolo, Malagaoma Elia	*	1990
Magiagi, Fa'au	*	1988
Meki, Fualau Faimoa	*	2009
Mulitalo, Su'efuaina	*	2009
Te'o, Muaimalae Salemona	*	2009

**MANGERE CENTRAL SAMOAN**

Afuie, Faumuina	*	1994
Afuie, Teuila	*	2009
Autagavaia, Iosua	*	1977
Feomaia, Liu	*	2009
Lemoa, Fagavao	*	2009
Mareko, Iesili	*	1994
Mareko, Ulumago	*	1994
Niuula, Vaega	*	1994
Semu, Eteuati	*	1998
Semu, Solinuu	*	2009

**ST JOHN'S AUCKLAND SAMOAN**

Elia, Unasa Simi	*	1988
Fa'amatua'inu, Ieremia	*	2002
Manufalealili, Tuiloma Su'e	*	1989
Mataua'iga, Inu Tuaimalo	*	2001
Tuivaiti, Lupematasila	*	1988
Vaitu'utu'u, Leaula Ben	*	2001

**VAHEFONUVA TONGA**

No official returns

**WASEWASE KO VITI KEI ROTUMA E NIU SILADI**

No official returns

# Widows & Widowers

*of Presbyters & Home Missionaries*

Title	Initials	Last Name	First Name	Postal 1	Postal 2	Postal City	Postcode
Mrs	S	Alley	Sandra	11 Alison Road	Surfdale	Waiheke Island	1081
Mrs	M	Attwood	Margaret	Villa 14, Melrose Park	P O Box 6030	Tauranga	3146
Mrs	R	Benny	Ruth	134B Broughton Street		Gore	8710
Mrs	J R	Besant	Joyce	1 Arlington Street	Burnside	Christchurch	8053
Mrs	D E	Billinghurst	Daphne	14 Hamua Place		Waitara	4320
Mrs	G B	Boyd	Gwyneth	26 Solway Drive	Witherlea	Blenheim	7201
Mrs	D P	Bruce	Pat	Brylyn Rest Home	200 Te Kowhai Road	Hamilton	3288
Mrs	N P	Carter	Nancy	2/20 Woodward Avenue	Mangere Bridge	Auckland	2022
Mrs	S M	Christian	Sybil	28 Colenso Street	Sumner	Christchurch	8081
Mrs	M M	Clements	Mona	90 Francis Street	Hauraki	Auckland	0622
Mrs	A L	Climo	Pal	C/- Estuary Village	14 Waimanawa Lane	Waiuku	2123
Mrs	L M	Clucas	Lois	535B Devonport Road	Tauranga South	Tauranga	3112
Mrs	E	Cole	Esme	1/133 Carnoustie Drive	Wattle Downs	Auckland	2103
Mr	B J	Cook	Brian	58 Kohu Road	Titirangi	Auckland	0604
Mrs	H M	Couch	Harriet	28 Raymond Street	Fairview Downs	Hamilton	3214
Mrs	M E	Craig	Marjorie	Carter House	69 Moehau Street	Te Puke	3119
Mrs	G M	Currie	Glenys	42/140 Chapel Street		Masterton	5810
Mrs	E M	Dawson	Enid	44 Kupe Street	Orakei	Auckland	1071
Mrs	C E	Dickie	Catherine	78 Wilfred Street	St Andrews	Hamilton	3200
Mrs	N D	Eisner	Noelle	S/A 14, 10 Welcome Bay Road, Bayview Apartments c/- 18 Montgomery Crescent	Greenwood Park	Tauranga	3112
Mrs	P	Eureti	Pare		Melville	Hamilton	3206
Mrs	I L	Fowler	Iris	54 Buscomb Avenue	Henderson	Auckland	0610
Mrs	A M	George	Aileen	Apartment 203 Charles Fleming Retirement Village	112 Parata Street	Waikanae	5036
Mrs	J E	Gilbert	Joy	11/13 Nursery Place	Westtown	New Plymouth	4310
Mrs	E	Goodman	Elsie	Unit 33, Acacia Court	25 Kolmar Road	Auckland	2025
Mrs	H M	Griffith	Helen	110a Main Road		Wellington	5022
Mrs	J I	Hall	Jo	493 Prisdale Road	Rochedale, Logan City	Queensland, Australia	4123
Mrs	B	Hamlin	Beverley	9a Pinkerton Grove	Newlands	Wellington	6037
Mrs	W M	Hayman	Wanda	11 Hitherlands	Little Dimocks Balham	London	SW12 9JN
Mrs	L	Heimuli	Lolofi	507 Sandringham Road	Sandringham	Auckland	1025
Mrs	P	Hilder	Phyllis	43 Einstein Street		Gisborne	4010
Mrs	K M	Horwood	Kath	1a Wesley Ave	Mt Albert	Auckland	1025
Mrs	D S	Kitchingman	Dorothy	C/- 141 Cuthberts Road	Bexley	Christchurch	8061
Mrs	F	Kramer Gerritsen	Frieda	Route De Beaumont 9	CH 1700, Fribourg	SWITZERLAND	
Mrs	B	Langley	Barbara	c/o Tim Langley	PO Box 10	Pictou	7520
Mrs	A	Latu	Ataile	38 Wise Street		Wainouimata	5014
Mrs	B	Leadley	Beryl	7 Sunnyside Street	Onerahi	Whangarei	0110
Mrs	L	Leary	Lorraine	103 Office Road	Merivale	Christchurch	8014
Mrs	M	Lewis	May (Cis)	31 Springhill Street		Dunedin	9011
Mrs	M	Mabon	Marilyn	20 Waikare Avenue	Waiwhetu	Lower Hutt	5010
Mrs	M	Mackie	Marianne	PO Box 42		Mangawhai	0540
Mrs	C A	Manihera	Carol	155a Gilberthorpes Rd	Hei Hei	Christchurch	8042
Mrs	B J	Olds	Barbara	1/19 Danbury Drive	Torbay	Auckland	0630
Mrs	E M	Olds	Edith	c/- Acacia Park	134 Hamurana Road	Omokoroa	3114
Mrs	J A	Olds	June	Flat 5	91 Harewood Road	Christchurch	8053
Mrs	P A	Olsen	Phyllis	13 Maxwell Ave	Grey Lynn	Auckland	1021
Mrs	K	Palelei	Kueni	27 Romney Place	Manurewa	Auckland	2102
Mr	B	Parkes	Basil	166 Battys Rd		Blenheim	7201
Mrs	R M	Pond	Rosemary	27 Sumner Street	Devonport	Auckland	2025
Mrs	L	Ratucoka	Laisa	23 Aurora Terrace	Hillcrest	Hamilton	3216

Title	Initials	Last Name	First Name	Postal 1	Postal 2	Postal City	Postcode
Mr	T	Reid	Terry	31 Leinster Terrace	Lincoln	Canterbury	7608
Mrs	P F	Ruck	Pat	12/125 Fourteenth Avenue		Tauranga South	3112
Mrs	L T	Sa'o	Lisa	27b Kelvin Road		Papakura	2110
Mrs	E R	Scammell	Rae	Villa 5, Woodlands Resthome	PO Box 100	Feilding	4702
Mr	C	Telford	Colin	7 Balfour Crescent	Riverlea	Hamilton	3216
Mrs	F	Te Whare	Fay	10A Cumbria Way	Sherwood Vale	Hamilton East	3216
Mrs	E G	Thornley	Betty	Grace Joel Retirement Village	188 St Heliers Bay Road St Heliers	Auckland	1071
Mrs	R	Toomer	Ruth	Address not known			
Mrs	M E	Trebilco	Mavis	75/60 Maranui Street		Mount Maunganui SYDNEY	3116 2200
Mrs	M	Tuimaseve	Matilda	Address not known			
Mrs	S W	Watson	Sheena	376 Halswell Road	Halswell	Christchurch	8025
Mrs	S F	Watson	Stella	241A Port Hills Road	Heathcote Valley	Christchurch	8022
Mrs	H M	Widdup	Hilda	12 Malvern Way	Kapiti Village	Paraparaumu	5032



# Chronological List & Record of Years of Service

*Of Presbyters & Deacons of the Methodist Church of New Zealand*

**NOTE:** (See Resolution 2, p.8, 1977)

- (a) Normally a Deacon and Presbyter's name is listed as from the date of first appointment by the Conference.
- (b) The names of Presbyters received from other Conferences appear under the year of their first appointment by their previous Conference.
- (c) The names of Presbyters received from other Churches into Full Connexion are listed from the year of their appointment by the Conference.
- (d) S = Supernumerary, R = Retired Deacon

<b>A. Presbyters:</b>					
		Mullan, David S (S)	1969	Brookes, Norman E (S)	
		Wedding, P Joan (S)		Corlett, Ashley I (S)	
1947	Campbell, Michael J (S)			Eagle, Brian R J	
		1961	James, Russell E (S)	Harkness, Barry G (S)	
1950	Schroeder, Leonard P(S)		Marshall, C Russell (S)	Rigby, Russell G (S)	
	Woodfield Frank H (S)		Taylor, A Kerry (S)	Turner, Brian H (S)	
			Wallace, William L (S)		
1951	Stead, Peter A (S)			1970	Smith, G Clive (S)
		1962	Bilverstone, John (S)		
1952	Gibson, Loyal J (S)		Hawkey, Graham E (S)	1971	Blundell, Warren H (S)
			Jones, Barry E (S)		Salmon, John B (S)
1953	Baker, Frederick J K (S)		Wakeling W J Douglas (S)		Wright, Jack (S)
	Newman, Alan (S)		Woodley, Alan K (S)		
	Osborne, John H (S)			1972	Dye, Michael (S)
	Stubbs, David G (S)	1963	Ansell, David H (S)		MacLeod, D Ian
			Browne, Wallis F (S)		West, Peter J L (S)
1954	Hammond, George M (S)		Clarke, Ian L (S)		
	Heppelthwaite, Ernest (S)		Laws, Derek G (S)	1973	Grant, Stuart C (S)
	Rakena, Ruawai D (S)		Miller-Taylor, Barbara I (S)		
	Rushton, Percy P (S)		Tucker, W Geoffrey (S)	1974	Roberts, John H (S)
1955	Abbott, William K (S)	1964	Neal, Barry W (S)	1975	Bell, Anthony N
	Bennett, Trevor L (S)		Slinn, Stuart G (S)		Dye, Michael (S)
	Cable, Wilfred J (S)		Ungemuth, Shirley V (S)		Jacobson, Patricia M (S)
	Goreham, Norman J (S)				Moala, Taniela T (S)
	Tauroa, Lane M (S)				Sinclair, Paul F (S)
	Thornicroft, Neville (S)				Tana, Diana A
		1965	Barnes, Stanley J (S)		
1956	Andrews, Robert S (S)		Chessum, William A (S)	1976	Greer, Michael W (S)
			Clarke, Edwin B (S)		White, Graeme R (S)
1957	Bell, G Basil W (S)		Herbert, C Brice (S)		
	Guthardt, Phyllis M (S)		West, Norman J (S)	1978	Wall, Lynne J
	Kitchingman, Henry W (S)				Wall, Terence W
	Pullar, Beverley (S)	1966	Alexander, Roy M (S)		Upson, Alan R (S)
	Russell, Kenneth H (S)		Prince, Donald F (S)		
	Taylor, Philip F (S)		Taylor, Keith J (S)	1979	Astley-Ford, H Mary (S)
			West, Stanley J (S)		Bush, David J
1958	Dickinson, J Mervyn (S)				Ferguson, Robert A
	Gilbert, Wilfred S (S)	1967	Jamieson, Colin G (S)		Greenwood, I Marie (S)
			Pratt, David C (S)		Short, Robert D (S)
1959	Bowen, Lewis A (S)				Stroobant, Anthony D (S)
	Dine, Mervyn L (S)	1968	Allan, Robert A (S)		
	Goudge, Stanley R (S)		Hay, J Cedric (S)	1980	Biggs, Donald F
			Hey, Roger J E (S)		Cooper, K Desmond (S)
1960	Gust, Warwick (S)		Leadley, Alan J (S)		Cumberpatch, Lindsay E
	Hanson, E Francis I (S)		Mclver, Graeme M (S)		Egli, Bruno W (S)
	Hornblow, Maxwell A (S)		Meredith, John D (S)		Elderton, William E (S)
	Horrill, C Seton (S)		Phillipps, Donald J (S)		Murray, John S

1981	Bell, David S Frith, Lynne O Hoggard, Trevor Noa, Nomani (S) Tugia, A Fa'aoso (S) Whaley, Graham H (S)		Moa, Kepu Peterson, Brian C (S) Peterson, Marion J (S)		Sandiford Phelan, Ruth Stephens, Barbara (S) Tu'itupou, Molia		
1982	Clarke, Lois R H (S) McNicol, Derek V (S) Ferguson, I W Leslie (S) Richards, Gillian M (S) Samoa Saleupolu, Aso T	1993	Te'o, Suiva'aia Thompson, Susan J Zanders, Gloria J (S)	2005	Devanandan, Prince Durrant, Jo Gibbons, Sandra Grant, Cornelia Isaia, Limu Lasi, Tau Webster, Alan K Woodward, Gillian		
1983	Burnett, Margaret E (S) Kane, Graham A (S) Rosewell, Wendie (S) Sedon, Ashley J (S)	1994	Alaelua, Faiva Siulangapo, 'Inoke Tregurtha, Paul	1995	Kerr, Jessie (S) Osborn, Beverley (S) Stephenson, P Anne (S) Unasa, Uesifili Vickers, Ralph (S)	2006	Judge, Alan Judge, Rachel Ngahe, 'Alifeleti Vaitu'ulala Pupulu, Utumau'u Taufa, Saikolone
1984	Abbott, Bryant S L (S) Elphick, Doris J (S) Keesing, Neil R Springett, Margaret (S) Taylor, Peter	1996	Taufa, Samiuela (S) Tufuga, Fatuatia	1997	Abernethy, Gordon (S) 'Akaoula-Tongotongo, Sylvia Dargaville, Anne (S) Manu, Tavake Morunga, Christina Subhan, Augusten	2007	Griffiths, Anne Kinera, Philomeno Oh, Martin Taufalele, Tevita Tikoinaka, Peni
1985	Caygill, Mary E Rogers, Douglas I (S) Smith, Kenneth R (S) Watkin, Gillian M (S) Wicks, Raymond G (S)	1998	Anderson, Bruce Gibson, Mark	1999	Aumua, Tovia Hopner, Elizabeth (S) Nicholls, Val Taufui, Hausia Walters, Kathryn van de Geer, Jill	2008	Franklin, Tony Norman, Peter 'Uhila, 'Alipate
1986	Chandler, Clive H (S) Garner, Edna J (S) Allen-Goudge, Robyn D	2000	Faleatua, Faleatua Hall, Margaret (S) Hanscamp, Nigel Loader, Vilma (S)	2009	Kim, Joohong Nuku, Hiueni Pope, Ikilifi Poultney, David Tafuna, Metuisela Gilkison, Anna Aoina-Salesa, Ali'itasi Sidal, Bob Vaka'uta, Nasili		
1987	Ambler, Mavis (S) Baker, Marcia J (S) Clover, Gary A M Kilikiti, Vaikoloa Waaka, Te Napi Tutewehiwehi	2001	Cable, Alison Dymond, Michael (S) Fogg, Jan Mann-Taito, Falaniko Molineux, Alison Williamson, Peter	2010	Kaisa, Kalo Manukia, Goll Fan Misilei, Misilei Peach, Dale Taunga, Simote Preston, Anne Subhan, Augusten Donaldson, Andrew Tofaeono Siolo II, Amaamalele		
1988	Hughson, Gregory A Trebilco, Paul R Westaway, Robyn E (S)	2002	Hardy, Marcia Paea, Holaktiu'akolo Pole, Siosifa Tupou, Tamata'ane	2011	Asiata, Alofaifo Boddy, Ian Lasi, Alisa Gamman, Andrew Meyer, Bertie Prestidge, Paul		
1989	Bruce, G Jean (S) Millar, M Anne (S) Manu'atu, Lisiate F T (S) Nesbit, John B (S)	2003	Donald, Margaret (S) Fakatou, Motekiai Finau, Viliami Kinahoi-Veikune, Setaita	2012	Aholelei, Nehilofi E'Moala' Chandra, Suresh Croft, Ian Finau, Tevita Hanley, Ian Ha'unga, Sunia		
1990	George, Norma J (S) Rolinson, David T H Doubleday, Andrew	2004	Ieli, Paulo Preston, Anne				
1991	Ancrum, Audrey P (S) Manukia, Mosese Olsen, Kenneth W Taungapeau, 'Eveli Yasa, Mike (S)						
1992	Fa'afuata, Iakopo						

Lea'aetoa, Sione  
Palelei, David  
Tu'uhoko, Makeleta Lute Pole  
Waight, Thomas

2013 Balawa Delai, Rupeni  
Bale, Akuila  
Fihaki, Kalolo  
Fisi'iahi, Kuli  
Havea, Manoa  
Langi, Ilaisaane (Saane)  
Petaia, Neti  
Shackleton, Tania  
Solomon, Abhishek  
Tu'ipulotu, Mele Foata

2014 Amituana'I, Ieremia  
de Alwis, Freddy  
Ducivaki, Joeli  
Halaleva, Finau  
Molitika, Melema'u  
Tupou, Hosea  
Uludole, Alivereti  
Welch, Marilyn

## B. Deacons

1979	Evans, Edna E (R)	1990	McInnes, Jean I MBE (R)
1982	Birtles, Margaret Hunt, P Anne (to '92) Tregurtha, Rachel A (R)	1993	Hunt, Stan (R)
1983	Cubin, Raewyn (R) Higham, B June (R)	1996	McLeod, Malcolm C (R)
1984	Ramsay, B Anne (to '97)	1998	Williams, Richard (R)
1985	Gibson, June L. (R)	2011	Nicholas, Mary Tui'pulotu, Mele Foata Whitehouse, Megan
1986	Barrow, Shirley-Joy Hallam, Valma E Hight, Dianne C		
1987	Reid, Rita J (R) Unasa-Su, Piula (R)		
1989	Bryant, David M (R) Bryant, Margaret I (R) Dalton, R Harvey (R) Fawkner, Brenda R N (R) Goodwin, Lorna J (R) Sulzbürger, Elva M J (R)		



# Chronological List

*Of Presidents, Vice-Presidents & General Secretaries  
of the Methodist Church of New Zealand*

The full Chronological List of Presidents, Vice-Presidents & General Secretaries of the MCNZ is available on the Methodist Website <http://www.methodist.org.nz/conference/2013>

Entries for 2013 are as follows:

Place	Year	President	Vice-President	Secretary of Conference
Manukau	2013	Rex Nathan	Jan Tasker	David Bush, BSc, Grad Dip MGMT

## In Memoriam

*Ministers & Probationers*

*Ministers and Probationers who have exercised Ministry in New Zealand and were still in the Methodist Ministry at the date of their death.*

The list of our honoured dead has been compiled by direction of Conference. As some entries are incomplete any information concerning errors or omissions would be appreciated and can be sent to PO Box 931, Christchurch 8140, New Zealand.

The following is a list of Ministers and Probationers of MCNZ who have died since last Conference and up to the publishing date of the 2014 Yearbook.

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Name of Minister	Birthplace	Year of Birth	Entered Ministry	Date of Death	Place of Burial / Cremation
Baker, Edward (Ted)	Hamilton	1914	1949	3 Mar 2013	Auckland
Boyd, Edward P	Balclutha	1930	1958	26 Nov 2012	Blenheim
Craig, Hughan Morris	Auckland	1927	1953	28 May 2013	Te Puke
Dickie, Arthur William	Dunedin	1927	1954	27 July 2013	Hamilton
Heimuli, Tevita Kilifi	Nuku'alofa, Tonga	1942	1997	26 Oct 2012	Auckland
Lewis, Evan Rhys	Dannevirke	1929	1958	29 Jan 2013	Dunedin
Pate, Heremia (Henry)	Piarere, Tirau	1930	1969	21 July 2013	Tirau
Shepherd, Trevor	Port Albert	1921	1946	22 Sep 2013	Hamilton
Telford, Gillian Anne	Hamilton	1938	1980	10 May 2013	Hamilton
Uasi, Langi'ila	Tonga	1946	1991	? April 2013	Auckland
Watson, Alexander C	Dargaville	1925	1954	15 Aug 2013	Christchurch
Webster, Alan Charles	Cheviot, Canterbury	1929	1977	10 Feb 2013	Thames

# In Memoriam

## *Deacons, Deaconesses & Overseas Workers of the Methodist Church of New Zealand*

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Name	Birthplace	Year of Birth	Entered	Date of Death	Place of Burial / Cremation
Nuttall, Noeline (MBE)	Christchurch	1925	1949	26 Jun 2013	Hamilton
Pickering, Mori	Otakou	1909	1931	9 Mar 2013	Dunedin
Westaway, Francis Henry George	Christchurch	1942	1995	19 Oct 2012	Christchurch

# In Memoriam

## *Home Missionaries of the Methodist Church of New Zealand*

Who have served the Church as Home Mission agents and who at the date of their death were still active or had the status of Retired Home Missionary. In some particulars the list is incomplete. Information concerning any errors or omissions should be sent to PO Box 931, Christchurch 8140, New Zealand.

There have been no notifications of deaths for Home Missionaries since the last conference.

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**The Methodist Church of New Zealand**

**Te Hāhi Weteriana O Aotearoa**



**CONFERENCE**

**WESLEY COLLEGE – SOUTH AUCKLAND**

**OCTOBER 2013**

<b>PRESIDENT</b>	-	<b>Rex Nathan</b>
<b>VICE-PRESIDENT</b>	-	<b>Jan Tasker</b>
<b>SECRETARY</b>	-	<b>David Bush</b>





# Conference Staff

Wesley College – South Auckland

President	:	<b>Rex Nathan</b>
Vice-President	:	<b>Jan Tasker</b>
Ex-President	:	<b>John Roberts</b>
Ex-Vice-President	:	<b>Olive Tanielu</b>
Secretary	:	<b>David Bush</b>
Associate Secretary	:	<b>Bruce Anderson</b>
Office Staff	:	<b>Wendy Keir</b>
	:	<b>Peter van Hout</b>
	:	<b>Greg Wright</b>
Daily Record	:	<b>Alison Molineux</b>
	:	<b>Peter Norman</b>
Journal Secretary	:	<b>Martin Oh</b>
Business Sheet Updates	:	<b>Nehu Te Pou</b>
	:	<b>Abhishek Solomon</b>
Legal Adviser	:	<b>Ruby Manukia-Schaumkel</b>
Chaplains	:	<b>Jill van de Geer</b>
	:	<b>Arapera (Bella) Ngaha</b>
Hosts	:	<b>Tony Franklin-Ross</b>
	:	<b>Valeti Finau</b>
Conference Music	:	<b>Christine Peak</b>

# Conference Day to Day

Wesley College – South Auckland

<b><i>Venue Location</i></b>	
<b>Wesley College: 801 State Highway 22, Paerata</b>	
<i>For venues within Wesley College (as stated for individual events below) please refer to the Wesley College Site Plan in the Conference Handbook.</i>	
<b><i>Friday 4 October</i></b>	
<b>11:00am – 6:00pm</b>	Registration open in foyer of Recreation Centre [A]
<b>10:00am – 1:00pm</b>	Stationing Committee - <i>Te Whare Maia</i> [C]
<b>1:00pm – 2:00pm</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
<b>2:00pm – 5:00pm</b>	Tauiwi Strategy - <i>Te Whare Maia</i> [C]
<b>5:30pm</b>	Wesley Historical Society AGM/Dinner <i>AGM in the Chapel [I] and Dinner in the Dining Room [B]</i>
<b>6-00pm</b>	Dinner for those staying at Wesley College (\$20 ticket holders only)
<b><i>Saturday 5 October</i></b>	
<b>7:30am</b>	Evangelical Network Breakfast - <i>Lounge next to the Gym</i> [A5]
<b>8:30am – 9:45am</b>	Introduction to Conference – <i>Chapel [I]</i>
<b>9:30am</b>	<i>Families of the Deceased meet with Tumuaki in the Music Room</i>
<b>9:45am</b>	Powhiri / Welcome - ( <i>morning tea served in the foyer</i> )
<b>10:45am – 11:15am</b>	<b>Morning tea - in the foyer [A]</b>
<b>11:15am</b>	<b>Opening Worship and Service to Honour Those Who Have Died</b> (Whole Conference)
<b>12:45pm</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
<b>12:45pm</b>	Presidential Lunch with Families of the Deceased – <i>Lounge</i> [A5]
<b>2:00pm – 3:00pm</b>	Recognition of Retirees / End of Ministries
<b>3:00pm – 3:30pm</b>	<b>Afternoon Tea</b>
<b>3:30pm – 5:00pm</b>	Drama in 3 Locations
<b>5:00pm – 5:30pm</b>	Rehearsal for Ordination Services – <i>Recreation Centre</i> [A]
<b>5:00pm</b>	<b>Free time</b>
<b>6:30pm – 10:00pm</b>	Conference Dinner. Presidential Address to be delivered during the dinner
<b><i>Sunday 6 October</i></b>	
<b>9:30am – 10:00am</b>	Opening Worship in Te Taha Maori - <i>Te Whare Pakeke</i> [E] & Tauiwi - <i>Chapel</i> mtgs
<b>10:00am - 12:30pm</b>	Te Taha Maori & Tauiwi Meetings
<b>12:30pm</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
<b>12:30</b>	Lay Preachers meeting and meal - <i>Lounge next to the Gym</i> [A5]
<b>2:00pm</b>	Ordination Service
<b>4:00pm</b>	<b>Afternoon tea</b>
<b>4:30pm – 6:30pm</b>	Optional Field Trip to Matanikolo Housing Project and Otarā Mustard Seed Early Childhood Centre
<b>6:00pm</b>	Dinner ( <i>own arrangements</i> )
<b>6:00pm</b>	Liberal Society / Evangelical Network Meeting/Dinner
<b>7:00pm</b>	Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Network and Their Friends Dinner <i>Paasha Turkish Café, Shop 6, 245 King Street, Pukekohe. RSVP Susan Thompson</i> <a href="mailto:susanthompson@clear.net.nz">susanthompson@clear.net.nz</a> (all are welcome)

<i>Monday 7 October</i>	
8:30am – 9:00am	Opening Worship - Youth
9:00am – 9:30am	Introduction to Conference Staff, Observers, Visitors, Council of Elders Consensus Decision Making – reminder of Conference Process Questions 1-24 (General Secretary)
9:30am – 10:30am	Te Taha Maori & Taiuiwi Caucus to bring names for President and Vice President
10:30am – 11:00am	<i>Morning Tea</i>
11:00am – 12:30pm	Business Committees – choose one committee
12:30pm – 1:30pm	<i>Lunch</i>
1:30pm – 3:30pm	Partnership Reporting, Council of Conference, Te Taha Maori, Taiuiwi
3:30pm – 4:00pm	<i>Afternoon Tea</i>
4:00pm – 5:00pm	Mission Resourcing
5:00pm – 6:00pm	Mission and Ecumenical
6:00pm – 7:00pm	<i>Evening Meal</i>
7:00pm – 8:45pm	Guest Speaker: (TBC)
8:45pm	Close of Day – Abhishek Solomon

<i>Tuesday 8 October</i>	
8:30am – 9:00am	Opening Worship - Youth
9:00am – 10:00am	Trinity College
10:00am – 10:30am	<i>Morning Tea</i>
10:30 – 12:00pm	Board of Administration
12:00pm – 12:30pm	Welcome to Visiting Guests
12:30pm – 1:00pm	<i>Lunch</i>
1:15pm – 2:00pm	<i>Lunch-time Communion (Church)</i>
2:00pm – 2:30pm	Communications
2:30pm – 3:30pm	Faith and Order
3:30pm – 4:00pm	<i>Afternoon Tea</i>
4:00pm – 5:00pm	Social Issues
5:00pm – 6:00pm	Mission Resourcing con't and Youth Report
6:00pm – 7:00pm	<i>Evening Meal</i>
7:00pm – 8:00pm	Guest Speaker: Damon Salesa
8:00pm – 8:30pm	Wesley College
8:30pm	Close of Day – Wesley College

<i>Wednesday 9 October</i>	
8:30am – 9:00am	Opening Worship – Youth
9:00am – 10:00am	Methodist Mission Aotearoa / Social Services
10:00am – 10:30am	<i>Morning Tea</i>
10:30am – 11:00am	Law Revision
11:00am – 1:00pm	Unfinished Business
1:00pm – 2:00pm	<i>Lunch</i>
2:00pm – 3:00pm	Covenant Service
3:00pm	Close of Conference

# Business Committees

Wesley College – South Auckland

- A. COUNCIL OF CONFERENCE**  
*Convenors: Gillian Laird and Barbara Peddie*  
Council of Conference  
Budget Task Group
- B(i) TE TAHA MAORI**  
*Convenors: Keita Hotere and Lana Lazarus*  
Te Taha Maori  
Grey Institute Trust  
Wellington Charitable & Educational Trust
- B(ii) TAUWI**  
*Convenors: Alison Molineux and Lani Tupu*  
Tauwi Strategy & Stationing  
Evangelical Network  
New Zealand Methodist Women's Fellowship  
Wasewase ko viti Kei Rotuma
- C. LAW REVISION**  
*Convenor: Ruby Manukia-Schaumkel*
- D. ADMINISTRATION/CONNEXIONAL PROPERTIES & FUNDS:**  
*Convenor: Ruth Silverstone*  
Administration Division  
Connexional Trusts  
Investment Advisory Board  
Methodist Trust Association  
Robert Gibson Trust  
Wesley Historical Society  
Travel & Study
- E. MINISTRY:**  
*Convenor Trinity College: Max Thomson*  
*Convenor Mission Resourcing: Marilyn Welch*  
Ministry Education (Trinity College)  
Mission Resourcing  
Tauwi Youth Ministry  
Diaconate Task Group  
Methodist Lay Preachers Network  
Churches Education Commission  
Chaplaincies  
Trounson Trust  
Wesley College  
Uniting Congregations of Aotearoa NZ

**F. FAITH & ORDER**

*Convenor: David Poultney*

**G. SOCIAL SERVICES**

*Convenor: Michael Greer*

Methodist Mission Aotearoa

Upper North Island Social Services

- Methodist Mission Northern
- The Lifewise Trust
- Airedale Property Trust
- One Double Five
- Employment Generation Fund
- Ministry with Deaf Trust
- Tamahere Eventide Home & Retirement Village
- Methodist City Action
- Vahefonua Tonga Mission
- Sinoti Samoa Mission

Lower North Island Social Services

- Wesley Community Action
- Palmerston North Methodist Social Services

South Island Social Services

- Christchurch Methodist Mission
- Methodist Mission Southern

**H. MISSION & ECUMENICAL**

*Convenor: Keith Hopner*

Partner Mission Church Relations

Ecumenical Relationships

Inter-religious Relationships

World Methodist Relationships

Christian World Service

**I. COMMUNICATION/ORGANISATIONS**

*Convenor: Barbara Peddie*

Methodist Publishing Board

PAC Media & Communications

**J. SOCIAL ISSUES**

*Convenor: John Roberts*

Interchurch Bioethics Council

Public Questions Network



# Mission Statement

Our Church's Mission in Aotearoa New Zealand is to reflect and proclaim the transforming love of God as revealed in Jesus Christ and declared in the Scriptures. We are empowered by the Holy Spirit to serve God in the world. The Treaty of Waitangi is the covenant establishing our nation on the basis of a power-sharing relationship, and will guide how we undertake mission. In seeking to carry out our mission we will work according to these principles:

Ko te putake a to tatou Hahi Weteriana i Aotearoa nei, he whakakite atu, he kauwhau hoki i te aroha whakatahuri o te Atua, he mea whakaatu mai i roto i a Ihu Karaiti, me nga Karaipiture. Ko te Wairua Tapu e whakakaha ana i a tatou kia tu maia ai hei tuari ma te Atua i roto i te ao. Otira, ko Te Tiriti o Waitangi te kawenata e whaka o rite ana i ta tatou noho hei tangata whenua, hei tauwi hoki, ki tenei whenua. Ma tenei Tiriti tatou e arahi i roto i nga whakariterite o tenei whakahau, tono hoki, ki roto ki te ao.

## **Christian community**

To be a worshipping, praying, and growing community, sharing and developing our faith and working through its implications in our social context.

## **Evangelism**

To challenge people to commitment to Christ and Christ's way.

## **Flexibility**

To be flexible, creative, and open to God's Spirit in a changing world and Church, so that the Church is relevant to people's needs. To release energy for mission rather than to absorb energy for maintenance.

## **Church unity**

To foster networks and relationships with communities of faith having similar goals.

## **Inclusiveness**

To operate as a Church in ways that will enable the diversity of people (e.g. all ages, all cultures, male and female) to participate fully in the whole life of the Church, especially decision-making and worship.

## **Every member a minister**

To encourage each person to develop his/her full potential by accepting and nurturing each other, developing skills and providing resources, challenging and enabling for service in the Church and community.

## **Cross-cultural awareness**

To become aware of, and challenged by, each other's cultures.

## **Justice**

To work for justice for any who are oppressed in Aotearoa New Zealand, keeping in mind the implications of the Treaty of Waitangi. To share resources with the poor and disadvantaged in Aotearoa New Zealand and beyond.

## **Peace**

To be peacemakers between people and in the world.

## **Healing**

To listen for hurt and work for healing.

## **Ecology**

To care for creation.

# Procedure for election of...

## President & Vice-President

### SECTION 7:5.1.7

- (d) Tauwi and Te Taha Maori will each select its preferred candidates for the offices of both President and Vice-President according to their own procedures.

#### Process

1. Hui Poari and Tauwi Strategy Committee each nominate five members for the Conference panel from the membership of their respective Council of Conference members.
2. The Panel is not the Council of Conference (Council membership is a convenient way of selecting Connexionally experienced people).
3. The first task of the panel is to choose two Convenors, one from each of the groups of five.
4. The five members of Taha Maori and the five from Tauwi bring to the panel the names agreed by their caucus groups as being appropriate people to lead Te Haahi for the following Connexional year.
5. In conversation as a group, the panel's task is to come to a consensus as to the names of the President and Vice President Elect. Only those names which are common to both caucus groups are to be considered. The panel does this as a Conference panel, having listened into the discussions in their respective caucus groups as to both the task of the Presidency and the qualities required in this coming year.
6. The Panel should, from the names acceptable to both caucus groups for Presidency, select the President, having regard to the qualities and skills necessary for that office. The panel should then, from the names acceptable to both caucus groups for the Vice Presidency, select the Vice President, having regard to the qualities and skills necessary for that office and the person whom the Panel believes would be able to work in a complementary manner with the President as a Presidential team.
7. If there are no names in common for either President or Vice President, the two caucus groups shall reconvene to enquire whether any names not previously forwarded to the 5+5 from the list of nominations in the Conference agenda, would then be acceptable. If additional names are agreed upon, the panel meets again and follows the process from paragraph 4 above.
8. (a) In the event that it is still not possible to have any names in common for the presidency, then the current President and Vice President remain in office for a further year.  
(b) In the event that there is a commonality which enables the selection for President but not the Vice President the existing Vice President will remain in office with the newly elected President for a further year.
9. If the panel members at any point in their conversations require any assistance that may help them reach a consensus they may call on the General Secretary and the Legal Advisor.
10. The request for assistance is conveyed to both parties by one or other of the Convenors.
11. The request for assistance, noting the specific reasons for the assistance, is to be put in writing by the panel.
12. The assistance given by General Secretary and Legal Adviser is also noted in writing by the two Convenors and checked for accuracy prior to the General Secretary and Legal Adviser leaving the panel.
13. Having come to a consensus, the Convenors report to the General Secretary that the appropriate process has been followed, and name the President and Vice President for the next year.
14. At an appropriate time the General Secretary reports to President that this is the decision of the panel.
15. The names of the duly appointed President and Vice- President Elect are then announced by the President.



# Guidelines for...

## Conference Decision Making

The primary goal of the decision-making process is to enable Te Taha Maori (Tangata Whenua, the people who are of the land) and Tauwiwi (the people who came later and settled here) – partners of Te Hahi Weteriana o Aotearoa, the Methodist Church of New Zealand – to make decisions which demonstrate partnership.

The first step in decision-making is for Te Taha Maori to reach general agreement and Tauwiwi to reach general agreement on the decision before them. Then the two groups meet together to see if they can agree with a suggested decision.

Facilitation of the partnership decision-making process requires particular skills, which not all elected leaders will have developed, so an experienced facilitator may be asked by the President or Vice-President to lead the Conference at such times.

### **PRINCIPLES**

The following are principles for making decisions in a manner which demonstrate our Treaty Partnership: i.e. between Taha Maori and Tauwiwi.

- The aim of Conference decision-making is to discern what is best for the Church.
- A decision is made only when it is clear that both partners – i.e. Taha Maori and Tauwiwi can state that they can agree with the suggested decision.
- Taha Maori/Tauwiwi may caucus if this will enable their group to reach general agreement so a partnership decision can be explored.
- Partners may choose their own language for the discussion. (Tauwiwi will need to decide the language(s) appropriate for them).
- When the partners do not agree, no decision can be made. Instead a process will be established which may lead to agreement in the future.
- The Council of Elders will monitor the process and may guide it.

### **DECISION-MAKING STRATEGIES**

**Consensus** is a term often used when general agreement or substantial support, rather than majority rule, is a group's aim. "Consensus" as generally understood in relation to decision-making in large groups, enables:

- participation by a larger number of members
- the opportunity for minority options to be acknowledged
- a greater chance of obtaining unity of purpose in a group with a variety of values
- more stable, longer lasting decisions.

**Consensus does not mean unanimity or total agreement.** Rather it is the group agreeing to work together in a certain way, even though some members might prefer not to, e.g.

#### ***We are prepared to accept this decision because:***

- it is for the good of the group
- we see it is so important
- we feel that our viewpoint has been adequately expressed
- we do not agree, but in the interests of the Church we will allow this to be the decision.

In consensus decision-making, if it is clear that no agreement is possible at the time of the discussion, before the topic is adjourned the President may choose to ask the Council of

Conference to meet to explore whether there is any way forward. If Council reports that there is no way forward then plans will be made for other approaches which may lead to consensus in the future. In the meantime the status quo will continue.

## **MEMBERS' RESPONSIBILITIES**

Consensus decision-making requires a high level of member responsibility and individuals need to be aware of how they can contribute in a helpful manner.

### ***Members should:***

- expect to contribute briefly, to the point, and only once on a topic
- prepare what they have to say and speak only if that point has not already been made
- contribute material if it assists the discussion or reconciles an apparent difference
- keep silent if they cannot contribute in a way which aids the discussion.

## **PROCESSES**

Some processes help us to listen to each other and find a way forward for the Church.

### ***For example:***

#### **Discussion**

Contribution which assists decision is about

- The issue
- Theology of the issue
- Suggested ways forward

#### **Consensus**

The process of seeking consensus can use a number of techniques which may assist the group to reach its **general agreement**.

### ***Some of these are:***

- caucusing
- brainstorming to collect ideas
- buzzing in pairs or threes to clarify a position
- dividing into small groups to respond to the same of different parts of the topic
- having a prepared presentation of the issues involved
- adjourning the topic till later in the agenda and having two or three people work at finding an alternative way forward
- a majority decision
- having members indicate non-verbally if they agree/disagree with the ideas being expressed
- identifying common ground and then working on areas of difference
- asking those with a different opinion if recording their view will enable them to allow the decision to be made.

**Caucusing** is a method used in large groups to assist decision making. It is a meeting of group(s) within the larger group. Caucusing enables any group to clarify its position on the business in hand. Conference does not continue when it divides into Taha Maori/Tauwiwi caucus groups, so it is not appropriate for the President, Vice-President or facilitator of the Conference to continue facilitating any of the smaller groups.

**In the Conference Taha Maori or Tauwiwi can call for their group to caucus, but only if doing so seems likely to assist the full group to reach a decision.**

### ***There are 3 ways for this to happen:***

- or (a) the person presiding over the Conference may determine that caucusing is appropriate
- or (b) Tauwiwi may call for a caucus
- or (c) Taha Maori may call for a caucus.

Conference then divides into Taha Maori and Tauwi groups. The people who facilitate the full Conference do not lead the small groups, so these groups need to have their own facilitators ready.

### **Caucus process**

Each group decides its own process for establishing its position on the topic.

- or
- (a) They may work in one group
  - (b) They may divide into smaller groups, e.g. ethnic, gender, district or interest groups, who discuss their position regarding the topic.

The sub-group(s) come to their decision so they rejoin the larger group and report their position. Then that group seeks to reach agreement. This continues until all the sub-groups have rejoined the caucus. A sub-group may decide it cannot reach an agreed position but that it is prepared to support the one reached by the full group.

If at any time a sub-group cannot reach an agreed position and this prevents a decision being reached by the full group, then the sub-group may ask for a specified time to explore other approaches if that is expected to result in an eventual decision.

The caucus then discusses its position to see if it has been able to reach a common mind. If it has, the caucus rejoins the Conference.

### **What does the Conference do?**

When Tauwi and Te Taha Maori groups rejoin, Conference reconvenes, so the person presiding resumes his/her role. Normally the group which called the caucus reports first, then the other group reports its position. If the person presiding called the caucus, he/she will determine the order of reporting back. Then the whole Conference works toward a consensus decision.

When the process is complete the person presiding shall make a clear statement of the decision.

### **SUMMARY**

- Conference decision-making is a process which demonstrates Te Taha Maori-Tauwi partnership agreement and enables full participation from all member groups.
- Consensus agreement using caucus groups, and other methods of assisting decision-making is an appropriate mode for making partnership decisions.
- For such processes to be successful all group members need to participate in an informed and responsible manner.

Facilitation of these processes is a skilled task and the President and Vice-President may request experienced people to lead some sessions.

## *Decision-making Procedures through a Consensus Process*

Information/Clarification for Conference

### **CAUCUSING**

#### **a) Calling for a caucus**

According to present procedures, calling for a caucus only relates to the convening of Te Taha Maori and Tauwiwi caucuses. However, interest groups can meet within the Tauwiwi caucus. If an individual or an interest group in the life of the Conference wishes to raise a process issue, they should approach their caucus facilitators and express their concern. The facilitators are:

- **Tauwiwi:** Lynne Frith and Paula Taumoepeau
- **Te Taha Maori:** Will choose their facilitators at their pre-conference meeting

The facilitators will then take what action they feel is appropriate

#### **b) Steps for making Treaty partnership decisions**

In the process of making Treaty partnership decisions, we have discerned the following 5 steps:

- **Step One: Starting together**

Both treaty partners are present. Caucusing does not occur in this step. The report is received. A presentation is made outlining the contents of the report and the suggested decisions. Space is made for questions seeking clarification etc.

- **Step Two: Testing out how the Treaty partners feel about the issues under discussion**

Focus is now upon the 'suggested decisions'. The President/Vice-President seeks the mind of Conference on 'suggested decisions' where there appears to be consensus, and these are processed. Where a consensus is not obvious on specific 'suggested decisions' there is clarification as to lack of consensus. For example, is it related to differences between the Treaty partners or within a partner? At this point either partner may request caucusing, or the President/Vice-President may suggest it. An initial time limit is proposed for the caucusing. The President/Vice-President clarifies for the whole Conference, what both caucuses will be addressing when they meet separately.

- **Step Three: Sharing responses from the caucuses**

When both caucuses are ready to report back, both sets of facilitators will meet with the President and Vice-President to share the responses. This is suggested for two reasons. Firstly, it will avoid the President/Vice-President having to react 'cold' to what is reported to the Conference. Secondly, the sharing will indicate if either or both caucuses need to give reasons as to why they have arrived at a particular point. For example, if both caucuses were in agreement, there would be no need to share reason.

If a caucus does not achieve a consensus, this will be reported to the whole Conference. It would not be appropriate for the other caucus to indicate its response at this point. If finally within a caucus there is no consensus to proceed, no decision by Conference can be made (see page 9, last paragraph).

- **Step Four: Making a Treaty Partnership decision**

If there is agreement by both caucuses, Conference can make a decision. Conference can only make a decision if both partners agree.

If there is no agreement between caucuses, or within a caucus, the areas where there is a lack of agreement will be clearly identified. Some or all of the following questions might

then be asked: Is more information required? Is it necessary to caucus again? Could an 'ad-hoc' representative group meet during Conference to address the areas of disagreement and seek a way ahead? If there is still lack of agreement between the two partners, then no decision is made by the Conference, and the status quo remains. The President/Vice-President will define the 'status quo'.

- **Step Five: Moving on to the next business**

Before this happens, Conference is asked if there are any concerns/issues arising from the discussion that need to be addressed and reported back to Synods/Conference the next year. This is important where Conference members agree 'in principle' with a particular proposal, and expect that their concerns will have been addressed when the 'fleshed-out' principle returns to the next Conference for final endorsement. Consequently, a decision might read "We have agreed that ... and the following concerns/issues have been referred to ... for consideration and a report to Synods and Conference next year".

If any Conference member wishes to record their dissent from a Conference decision, they should put it in writing and hand it to the Daily Record Secretaries.

## *Procedures to enable the business of Conference...*

to be taken "En-Bloc"

- (1) Committees/Boards will be asked to advise the Conference as to those reports/resolutions that can be presented to the Conference En Bloc. On the recommendation of the Committees or Boards they will be put to the Conference En Bloc. Reports/Resolutions to be taken En Bloc will be highlighted on the PowerPoint presentation.
- (2) In order to safeguard the rights of members of Conference to speak on any report/resolution, any member may by simple request to the Chair, have removed from the "En Bloc" procedures any report/resolution.

(Minutes of Conference 1978, Resolution 1, page 564, amended 2004)

### **FUNCTION – COUNCIL OF ELDERS**

The Council of Elders shall enable and assist the Church in its Bicultural Journey by seeking to model the equal partnership prefigured in the Treaty of Waitangi, and at Conference specifically will:

- (a) monitor and recommendations of all Conference Committees and Boards of the Conference, and
- (b) reflect and comment on the style, processes, work and priorities of all Conference Committees and Boards, Conference discussion and decision making, and
- (c) refer back for further consideration any report or recommendation which the Council of Elders considers will hinder or divert the Church from its Bicultural Journey, and
- (d) report each year to the Conference.

# Members of Conference

Wesley College – South Auckland 2013

<b>President of Conference:</b>	Rex Nathan
<b>General Secretary:</b>	David Bush
<b>Ex President of Conference:</b>	John Roberts

NOTE: The following lists are for registrations as at 1 September 2013. Updates will appear in the supplementary papers.

## Presbyters

'Aho, Finau Pa'ila  
'Akau'ola Tongotongo, Sylvia  
Alaelua, Faiva  
Allen-Goudge, Robyn  
Anderson, Bruce  
Aoina-Salesa, Ali'itasi  
Asiata, Alofa  
Aumua, Tovia  
Balawa Delai, Rupeni  
Bell, David  
Bell, Tony  
Biggs, Don  
Boddy, Ian  
Brookes, Norman  
Bush, David  
Caygill, Mary  
Chandra, Suresh  
Clover, Gary  
Cooper, Desmond  
Devanandan, Prince  
Donald, Margaret  
Donaldson, Andrew  
'E-Moala-'Aholelei, Nehilofi  
Eagle, Brian  
Faafuata, Iakopo  
Fakatou, Motekiai  
Faleatua, Faleatua Fa'atoafe  
Faulkner, Ian  
Fihaki, Kalolo  
Finau, Tevita  
Finau, Viliami  
Fisi'iahi, Kuli  
Fogg, Jan  
Franklin-Ross, Tony  
Frith, Lynne  
Gibbons, Sandra  
Gibson, Mark  
Grant, Cornelia  
Greer, Michael  
Griffiths, Anne  
Hardy, Marcia  
Ha'unga, Sunia

Havea, Manoa  
Hoggard, Trevor  
Ieli, Paulo  
Isaia, Limuolevave  
Kaisa, Kalo  
Kilikiti, Vaikoloa  
Kim, Joohong  
Kinaera, Philomeno  
Langi, Saane  
Lasi, Alisa  
Lasi, Tau  
Lea'aetua, Sione  
Mann-Taito, Falaniko  
Manu, Tavake  
Manukia, Goll Fan  
Manukia, Mosese  
Martin, Betsan  
Meyer, Bertie  
Misilei, Misilei  
Moa, Kepu  
Moala, Taniela Takapautolo  
Molineux, Alison  
Murray, John  
Nathan, Rex  
Ngahe, Vaitu'ulala  
Nicholas, Mary  
Nicholls, Val  
Norman, Peter  
Nuku, Hiueni  
Oh, Martin  
Olsen, Ken  
Paea, Holakitu'akolo  
Palelei, David  
Peach, Dale  
Peddie, Barbara  
Petaia, Neti  
Pole, Siosifa  
Pope, 'Ikilifi

Poultney, David  
Preston, Anne  
Pupulu, Utumau'u  
Roberts, John  
Samoa Saleupolu, Aso  
Shackleton, Tania  
Sidal, Bob  
Siulangapo, Inoke  
Solomon, Abhishek  
Subhan, Augusten  
Tafuna, Metuisela  
Tana, Diana  
Taufa, Saikolone  
Taufalele, Tevita  
Teo, Suiva'aia  
Thompson, Susan

Tikoinaka, Peni  
Tufuga, Fatuatia  
Tu'ipulotu, Mele Foeata  
Tu'itupou, Molia  
Tupou, Hosea  
Tu'uhoko, Makeleta Lute  
Tuwere, Ilaitia  
'Uhila, 'Alipate  
van de Geer, Jill  
Veikune, Setaita Kinahoi  
Wall, Terry  
Webster, Alan  
Williamson, Peter  
Woodward, Gillian  
Zanders, Gloria

#### **Deacons**

Alley, Megan  
Birtles, Margaret  
Hight, Dianne

#### **Lay Ministers**

Kaufononga, Moi

#### **Members of Other Churches in Full Connexion**

Bale, Akuila  
Croft, Ian  
Franklyn, Bob  
Gamman, Andrew  
Gilkison, Anna

#### **Ministers from Other Churches Serving the Conference**

Calman, Maureen  
De Alwis, Freddy



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Wesley College – South Auckland 2013

**Vice President of Conference:** Jan Tasker

**Ex Vice President of Conference:** Olive Tanielu

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Board of Administration  
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Council of Conference, Lay Preachers' Network Convenor  
Investment Advisory Board  
MCNZ  
MCNZ  
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Methodist Mission Southern Board  
Methodist Publishing Board  
Methodist Trust Association  
Methodist Women's Fellowship  
Methodist Women's Fellowship  
Mission & Ecumenical  
Tauwi Strategy & Stationing  
Travel and Study Grants Committee  
Trinity Theological College  
Trinity Theological College  
Trinity Theological College  
Wesley College Trust Board  
Wesley Historical Society

Bilverstone, Ruth  
McGeorge, David  
Whimster, Viv  
Garlick, Hugh  
Malpass, Ron  
Manukia-Schaumkel, Ruby  
Rakena, Frances  
Tasker, Jan  
Tito, Sharon  
Pitts, Nigel  
Titus, Paul  
Johnston, Norman  
Havea, Akanesi  
Smith, Marie  
Hopner, Keith  
Talakai, Edwin  
West, Mary  
Grundy, Nicola  
Thomson, Max  
Biddle, Richard  
Johnston, Chris  
Lane, Peter

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Council of Conference & Poneke Rohe  
Council of Conference & Tai Tokerau Rohe  
Council of Conference & Tai Tokerau Rohe  
Council of Conference & Tamaki Rohe  
Council of Conference & Tamaki Rohe  
Council of Conference & Taranaki Rohe  
Council of Conference & Taranaki Rohe  
Council of Conference & Te Taha Maori  
Council of Conference & Te Taha Maori  
Waikato Rohe

McGregor, Alamaine  
Hotere, Keita  
Marama, Hotere  
Laird, Gillian  
Rountree, Te Aroha  
Barney-Katene, Julie-Anne  
Ranui, Alison  
Lazarus, Lana  
Ngaha, Bella  
Rivers, Shirley

## Youth Representatives

Palmerston North Methodist Parish – Youth  
Sinoti Samoa Youth  
Sinoti Samoa Youth  
Tauwi Youth Ministry  
Vahefonua Youth  
Vahefonua Youth  
Vahefonua Youth  
Vahefonua Youth

Schnell, Jessica  
P-Misikei, Malavai  
Tai, Lynley  
Tu, Filo  
Finau, Penittoa  
Kupu, Osaiasi  
Tatafu, Alisi  
Taulata, Kolosaini

**Northland District**

Northland Synod

Smiley, Rowan

**Auckland**

Auckland Fiji Methodist Circuit

Kini, Sireli

Auckland Synod

Peak, Christine

Auckland Central Parish

Davies, David

Devonport

Strickland, Merilyn

East Coast Bays

Davids, Shadrack

Methodist Mission Northern

Hines, Marion

Northcote-Takapuna Parish

Biddle, Roger

Orakei Parish

Hall, Linda

Pitt Street Fijian Congregation

Vuidravuwalu, Jonacani

St Mary's Cooperating Parish

Samoa Saleupolu, Vaotane

Waitakere

Whittome, Ruth

Wesley Roskill Parish

Mailei, Kautongo

Whangaparaoa Parish

Chamberlin, Brian

**Manukau**

Crossroads Methodist Church

Smith, Lynn

Howick-Pakuranga Parish

Smith, Clive

Mangere-Otahuhu Parish

Maka, Tevita

Manukau Synod

Williamson, Andrea

Manurewa Methodist Parish

Saiatua, Ngahe

Papatoetoe Methodist Parish

Loloa, David

Pukekohe Parish

Austen, Margaret

Waiuku and Districts Combined Churches

Wills, Gaylyn

**Waikato**

Hamilton Methodist Parish

Davey, Adrian

Matamata Union Parish

Muckle, Eric

Tauranga Methodist Parish

Warth, Geoff

Waikato Waiariki Synod

Southon, Ngaire

Waikato/Waiariki Fijian Parish

Vulaono, Filipe

**Taranaki, Wanganui**

Lower North Island Synod

Olsson, Jenny

Wanganui Methodist Parish

Rhodes, John

**Hawkes Bay, Manawatu**

Palmerston North Parish

White, Jill

St James Union, Woodville

Harding, David

St Marks, Feilding

Tupou, Hilita

Trinity Napier

Gaudin, James

**Wellington**

Hutt City Uniting Congregations

Davis, Arthur

Hutt City Uniting Congregations

Davis, Pam

Hutt City Uniting Congregations

Laukau, Senorita

Upper Hutt Uniting Parish

Sina, Sione Na'a

Wellington Methodist Parish

Dale, Tony

Wellington Methodist Parish

Katoa, Mafi

Wellington Methodist Parish

Tautau, Myra

Wellington South Union Parish

Swenson, Rhonda

**Nelson, Marlborough. West Coast**

Blenheim  
Motueka Uniting Parish

Green, Joyce  
Norman, Lynnette

**Vahefonua Tonga O Aotearoa**

Auckland Manukau Tongan Parish  
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Auckland Manukau Tongan Parish  
Lower Hutt Tongan Parish (Ututa'u)  
Lower Hutt Tongan Parish (Ututa'u)  
Otago Tongan Methodist Parish  
Otago Tongan Methodist Parish  
Saione Tongan Parish, Papatoetoe  
Vahefonua Tonga O Aotearoa

Akoteu, Kalolo  
Havea, Mahe  
Havili, Saia  
Kaifa, 'Aisea  
Lolohea, Mafua  
Manu, Naita  
Metuisela, 'Uha'one  
Pope, Lopisoni  
Tai, Aisea  
Talia'uli, Tu'ineau  
Terepo, Sila  
Tuiaki, Selu  
Tupou, Tau'atina  
Vea, Malu  
Veikune, Maika Kinahoi  
Nuku, Tongi'aepau  
Tupou, Temaleti  
Minoneti, Kaumavae  
Nacagilevu, Meleane  
Pauta, 'Eneasi  
Taumoepeau, Paula

**Central South Island**

Central South Island Synod  
Christchurch Central Methodist Parish  
Christchurch North Parish  
Christchurch West Methodist Parish  
New Brighton Union  
Port Hills Uniting Parish  
St John Moraia of Christchurch West Parish  
Wasewase Ko Viti Kei Rotuma

Brown, Cheryl  
Prosser, Digby  
Wilkie, Roslyn (Roz)  
Clayton, Dick  
Williams-Lemi, Siu  
Spindler, Sue  
Tikoinaka, Una  
Bower, Niko

**Otago Southland**

Dunedin Methodist Parish  
Methodist Mission Southern  
Otago Southland Synod

Hughson, Hilda  
Black, Laura  
Masterton, Rachael

**Sinoti Samoa**

Hastings Samoan Parish  
Mangere Central Samoan Parish  
Methodist Church of New Zealand  
Oratia Methodist Samoan Church  
Panmure Samoan Parish  
Sinoti Samoa  
Tauivi Co-Facilitator/Sinoti Samoa

Pio, Leaula  
Iosefa, Kalala  
Tanielu, Olive  
Auva'a, Faletagoai  
Tuimauga, Toleafoa TS  
Robertson, Mataiva  
Tupu, Lani

# Observers

Wesley College – South Auckland 2013

'Aholelei, Kaifa  
'Aholelei, Vilivaka  
Amani Amituana'I, Ieremia  
Asaeli, Nauvai  
'Aukafolau, Mele  
Bower, Kula  
Bush, John  
Ducivaki, Joeli  
Faafuata, Rosa  
Fifita, Piliniute  
Filiai, Falakesi  
Finau, Valeti  
Finau, Tautefua  
Fungalei, Tevita  
Galo, Ruta  
Hafoka, Falonisesi  
Halaleva, Finau  
Halapua, Mele  
Haukinima, Stanley  
Hea, Siale Vailea  
Hoglund, Henry  
Kalapa, Sione Kapeli  
Kau, Tevita  
Langi, Matafonua  
Langi, Mele  
Lelei, 'Ilaiasi Ufi  
Lennox, Doreen  
Ma'afu, 'Ofeina  
Manukia, Sione Felonitesi  
Manukia, Moana  
Manukia, Tangitangi  
Matakaiongo, 'Ofa  
Mausia, Sesipa  
Mika, Jason

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### Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa NZ

Rev Roy Christian

Rev Lorraine Francis

### The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia

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Moala, Keith  
Molitika, Mele  
Nau, 'Ofa  
Ngavisi, Sakalia  
Pahulu, Moa  
Paongo, Waitemata  
Raleqe, Narieta  
Saafi, Fumi  
Samiu, 'Ilifeleti  
Sipa, Siale  
Tafea, Motu'ila  
Talakai, Vaiolupe  
Talia'uli, Mele Seini  
Tatafu, Tanaki  
Taufa, Tisileli  
Taukei'aho, Tomasi  
Taukolo, 'Ofa  
Thompson, 'Emeline  
Tuihaangana, Fane  
Tu'ipulotu, Tevita Senituli  
Tu'itupou, Paea  
Tukino, Makeleta  
Tukuafu, Tevita  
Tukutau, Siutaisa  
Tupou, Melevea  
Tu'uhoko, Pole  
Uhi, Michael  
Uludole, Alivereti  
Vaitohi, Feleti  
Vao, 'Aisea  
Ve, Fusi  
Williams, Seniola

### Free Wesleyan Church of Tonga

Rev Dr. Finau P. 'Ahi

### Seoul South Annual Conference, Korean Methodist Church

Rev Bishop Jun Taek Lim

Rev Sang Hun Lee

**The Methodist Church of New Zealand**

**Te Hāhi Weteriana O Aotearoa**



**REPORTS FROM  
CONNEXIONAL COMMITTEES  
AND BOARDS**

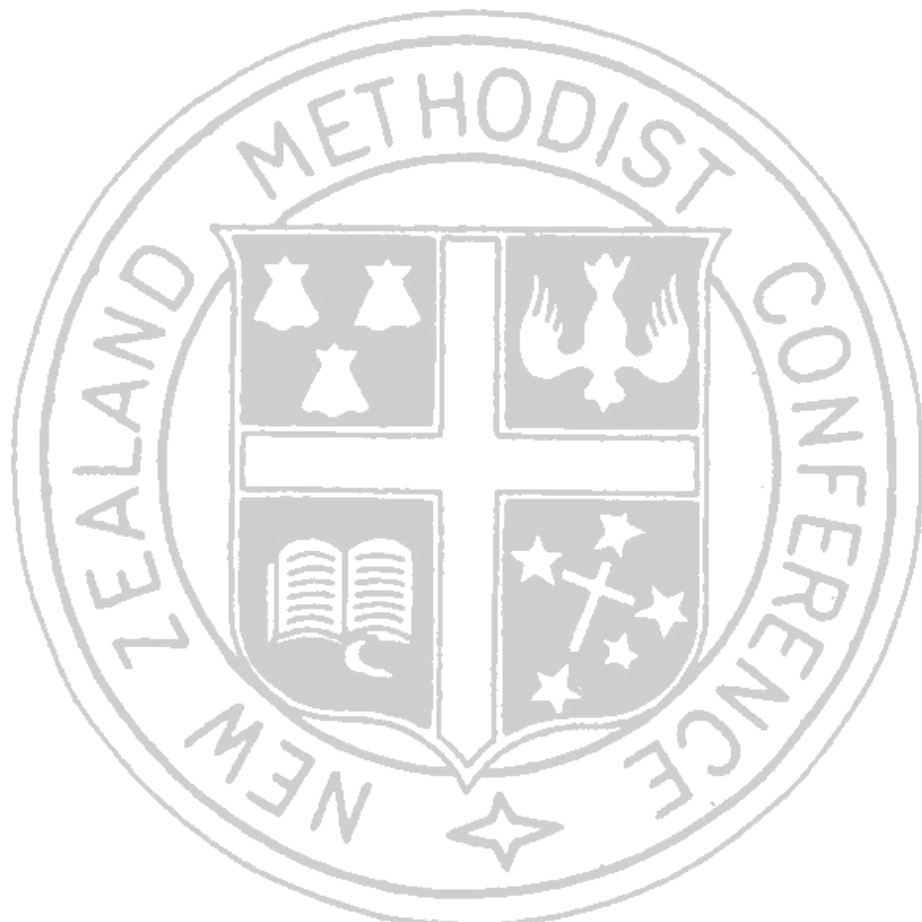
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## *Council of Conference*

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## **COUNCIL OF CONFERENCE**

At every Council of Conference meeting, the day begins and ends with Devotions, and the task of preparing these is shared around members, as indeed are the tasks of facilitation and presentation of each session. It is surprising how often there will be a common theme running through each devotional session, and how the threads are woven through the work that we do.

### **Visioning**

At each Council of Conference meeting, the first session is the time for visioning – our ‘blue sky’ time, in which members are encouraged to share their thoughts and theology around hopes for our future church. Some of our thoughts were: where is the heart of the Connexion? Some said it was in our bi-cultural journey, others that it was in the people, and others that it is in our relationships. The topic generated much spirited conversation, with possible ideas to develop for ministry in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. These included a growing awareness of the significance of the small congregations. ‘Where two or three are gathered...’ was seen to be an important part of our Methodist ethos.

We also explored the impact of climate change on our Pacifica neighbours and asked what is our response as Christians and as a nation towards climate change refugees?

A third significant area of conversation was around the economic, social, and spiritual impact of multi-national companies in local communities. Will the church of the present engage politically with the government and with multi-national companies to ensure that there is a sustainable future for everyone?

We will reproduce resource material that Council of Conference used, so that others may also benefit from these discussions.

### **Theological Reflections**

Council of Conference gives a significant amount of time to its theological reflections at each meeting, and the work done at these sessions enhances the business sessions. At both meetings, we focused on climate change. In April, Mark Gibson led a session on the implications and challenges of climate change. President Rex, Rev Dr Susan Thompson and Rev Prince Devanandan represented MCNZ at the Methodist Consultative Council of the Pacific in Rarongo, Papua-New Guinea, and brought material from that to the August meeting. In April, Council identified the importance of both mitigation and adaptation, and explored the importance of living sustainably in our whanau and our churches, and ways in which we might work towards this goal. How will climate-driven changes in our environment affect our mission strategy? We noted that the Presbyterian Church of New Zealand has asked the Government to take climate change refugees from the Pacific. Is this an action MCNZ should support? In all of this, we remind ourselves that we are called to find ways to protect creation and recover a sense of its sacredness.

President Rex and Vice President Jan shared some of the experiences of Pacific communities: a Papua-New Guinea community where multi-national exploitation has irreparably damaged land and fragmented the indigenous community, and a small, low-lying island where rising sea levels have contaminated the fresh water and killed the crops, a devastation bringing in its train poverty, health problems, fear, and an uncertain future for the children. Rex and Jan shared with us a study, ‘Life-giving Mission’, based on Ex 1: 8-22; 2: 1-10.

### **Let the Children Live**

At each meeting, we spent time focusing on the 10-year vision of Te Haahi. We are only too well aware that the media or our own community networks put before us the stories of innocent children killed, or suffering horrible injuries as a result of family violence. In spite of the great work of the different agencies there does not appear to have been any significant change for the better. Council of Conference strongly encourages Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa to fully embrace, support, and participate in this priority mission of our church. We commend the work that has already been actioned within the life of the church and ask that all parts of the church share the stories, resources and ideas. Council acknowledges and commends the Public Issues Network for their continuing support of ‘Let the Children Live’ and the provision of resources for this mission priority.

### **Formulating a Process of Becoming a Synod of the Methodist Church of New Zealand**

Council of Conference rejoices with Wasewase ko viti kei Rotuma as it has become a Synod of MCNZ. The journey of Wasewase ko viti kei Rotuman towards becoming a Synod was undertaken with great care, and we recognize that there should be consistency in working with all cultural groups seeking the standing of a Synod of the Conference. We ask Law Revision, in consultation with the partnership team to review the process to ensure this consistency. (See S5.1, Decision 4 April)

Council of Conference received information about a meeting held with representatives of the Seoul South Conference, and also about further conversations that president Rex and Vice-President Jan held at the 2013 Conference of the Seoul South Methodist Church of Korea. Council notes that the congregations of the Seoul South Conference now resident in New Zealand have begun the work of moving towards a closer relationship with MCNZ. Council affirmed the partnership process that will now be followed, and the importance of ensuring that our Methodist bi-cultural partnership and the ethos of MCNZ is clearly understood.

### **Wesley College Chaplain**

Council of Conference received both a written and a verbal report on the work of the 4 + 4 for the position of Superintendent Chaplain of Wesley College. It was noted that the church process had been followed, and the name of the Rev Ali'itasi Aoina Salesa had been recommended to the Wesley College Trust Board and the relevant courts of the church, and approved as the Superintendent Chaplain Designate.

Two additional reports on the Chaplaincy team and the Methodist ethos, both written by the Principal, Rev Ian Faulkner, were received and much appreciated by Council of Conference. We encourage Conference members to familiarize themselves with these reports, as they highlight very clearly both an understanding of Methodism and our way of being.

### **Revised Social Principles of the Methodist Church of New Zealand**

Council of Conference thanks Tony Franklin-Ross for his revised draft of the Social Principles of MCNZ. Tony was asked to review the current Social Principles, and Council of Conference received and discussed the paper at the August meeting. We note the need for current issues to be included, and for on-going conversations with Te Taha Maori and the Pasifika Synods.

### **Central South Island Strategy**

Council received updates of the CSSI Synod strategy document in April and August. We applaud the process and the work that has gone into this document. We believe that the process has lessons for the whole church as it considers how it will organize itself in the future.

### **Two-yearly Conference**

Council of Conference prepared a paper on moving toward a two-yearly Conference in tandem with the two-year Presidency, and asked Rohe and Synods to consider the theological and resourcing implications of this. We received responses, written or verbal from Hui Poari and all Taiwi Synods. We acknowledge all those who have contributed to the discussion of a two-yearly Conference. Council focused its discussion on how a two-yearly Conference might make a difference in the life of Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa, and on those who might be advantaged or disadvantaged by this change. We talked through the implications on ordination, tributes to the deceased, and retirees, and took time to discuss the possibilities of what might happen in alternate years when the full Conference was not held. This led to a wider question: How do we share our experience of being in connexion? Would this change if the frequency of Conference changed? And what other ways of sharing being in connexion are there apart from Conference? We would encourage Rohe, Synods, boards and committees to continue this discussion, which remains on the Council of Conference agenda.

### **Connexional Budget**

At our April meeting, we appreciated the presentation by David McGeorge from the Budget Task Group, which grapples with the challenge of how to adequately fund the life of the church with

decreasing resources. We are a small church that acts like a big one, and we need to take seriously the need to act in a way appropriate to our size.

Council discussed ways of reducing our own costs. These included back-to-back meetings with Tauwi Strategy to save on travel, a less extravagant use of our resource people, and better use of technology.

We appreciated receiving the Minutes of the Budget task Group, which helped Council to understand more fully the background to the Connexional Budget, which we approved at the April meeting.

We commend the implementation of the 'Think Tank' convened by the Budget Task Group, that is doing some wider dreaming about how we can work smarter as a connexion, and we recommended that Christine Peak and David Bell be members of the think-tank' group. We look forward to their ongoing reports.

A focus question for us is: How can we be more creative with the funds we have currently?

### **Memorials**

Council of Conference received and discussed Memorials from Conference 2013. With regard to the Memorial from Auckland Synod regarding the time span of each Presidential team, we decided that the current four-year process is in the best interests of members of the team, and neither compromises the functioning of that team nor contravenes the Law Book.

No recommendation.

There was also no recommendation for the Memorial from the Lower North Island Synod on behalf of the Wairarapa Union District Council.

For the Memorial from Auckland Manukau Synod regarding financing for Synod Superintendents, Council asks Conference to affirm a commitment to full-time Synod Superintendants where needed, and asks the Board of Administration to explore possible ways of funding Synod Superintendency and new national ministries such as Children and Youth Ministry projects, and to report back to Council of Conference.

### **Council of Conference Membership**

Council of Conference thanks Barbara Peddie, who is retiring after six years as a Council member, including four years as Co-Convenor. Barbara has offered the Council gifts of sensitive theological reflection, careful leadership and a deep commitment to the bicultural journey. Council is very grateful to her for her service and hard work.

In conclusion, at every session, Council of Conference puts the Conference focus questions "What is God saying to us now and what more can be done to promote the work of God?" at the head of each agenda item and keeps these in mind throughout the meetings. We would also like to report to the partners who send members to Council, that as a bicultural committee, we have gained understanding and clarity about our bicultural relationship – our taonga – and are committed to developing this understanding throughout the Connexion.

Co-Convenors: Gillian Laird, Barbara Peddie

### **Suggested Decisions:**

1. The report is received.
2. Council of Conference asks the Law Revision Committee in consultation with the Partnership Team to review the process of becoming a Synod of the MCNZ to ensure consistency.
3. Council asks Parishes and Rohe to continue to explore ways in which they can 'Let the Children Live' locally.
4. Conference acknowledges and thanks Barbara Peddie for her excellent work as Co-Convenor (Tauwi) of Council of Conference.

5. Membership of Council of Conference for 2014 is:  
Te Taha Maori: Gillian Laird (Co-Convenor), Julie Anne Barney-Katere, Keita Hotere, Marama Hotere, Arapera (Bella) Ngaha, Lana Lazarus, Diana Tana, Te Aroha Rountree, Alamaine McGregor, Alison Ranui. (Substitutes: Frances, Sonny, Kathy, Shirley)  
Tauiwi: Susan Thompson (Co-Convenor), Aso Samoa Saleupolu, Mark Gibson, Viv Whimster, Opeta Amani. Peni Tikoinata, Susanne Spindler, Christine Peak, Olive Tanielu, Thelma Efford  
Trainees: Marcia Hardy, Andrew Doubleday, Mataiava Robertson, Setaita Kinahoi Veikune.  
Membership of the Council of Elders: Sharon Tito, Frances Rakena, Garth Cant, Vaikoloa Kilikiti
6. Membership of the PAC Distribution Group for 2014: Te Aroha Rountree, Leu Pupulu, Ernest Willis, Edna Te'o, Lynn Heine, Keita Hotere, John Roberts, David Bush.

## CONNEXIONAL BUDGET

### SECTION A

#### 2012-2013 Connexional Budget

For the Year to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2013, contributions from parishes toward the wider work of the Church through the Connexional Budget totalled \$647,890— an increase of \$19,518 over the previous year. Additional income of \$73,802 came from the Connexional Banking arrangement with the BNZ. This continues to be a significant contribution to the budget.

The Task Group strongly urges any Methodist parishes or other Methodist church groups who operates an account outside of the Bank of New Zealand arrangement to transfer to the banking arrangement that the Church has negotiated with the Bank of New Zealand.

During the year the Budget Task Group granted \$863,686 to various Connexional groups. Despite some parishes responding positively to the call for increased contributions to the Connexional Budget, the askings still exceed the giving. Therefore, some new initiatives are not being funded.

#### Budget Requests 2012-2013

	<b>Amount Requested</b>	<b>Net Amount Allocated</b>
Recipients of guaranteed funding	34,040	30,995
Recipients of non-guaranteed funding	948,044	832,692
	982,084	863,687
Fund administration	2,000	3,067
<b>Totals</b>	\$984,084	\$866,754

#### Funded from:

	<b>Net Amount Allocated</b>	<b>Actually Received</b>
Connexional Budget from Parishes & Entities	482,035	471,612
Uniting Congregations in Aotearoa	158,000	151,278
Grants - special account	60,000	73,802
Grant - Te Taha Maori	25,000	25,000
Other Income	58,000	61,081
<b>Totals</b>	\$783,035	\$782,773

**(i) Receipts** from both Methodist and Union Parishes (not including grants and donations)

	<b>Allocations</b>	<b>Contribution</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>%</b>
2012-13	\$665,035	\$622,890	93.7%
2011-12	\$594,197	\$603,372	101.5%
2010-11	\$585,725	\$617,602	105.4%
2009-10	\$622,338	\$609,341	97.9%
2008-09	\$579,028	\$635,066	109.7%

**(ii) Results** from Methodist Parishes

**(a)**

	<b>Fully Paid</b>	<b>Not Fully Paid</b>
2012-13	79	3
2011-12	79	8
2010-11	76	1
2009-10	72	5
2008-09	80	2

**(b) Percentage of Budget Allocation reached from Parishes**

		<b>Methodist</b>	
<b>Year</b>	<b>Allocation</b>	<b>Contribution</b>	<b>%</b>
2012-13	507,035	471,612	93.01%
2011-12	422,197	447,590	106.01%
2010-11	405,725	456,169	112.43%
2009-10	462,338	446,958	96.67%
2008-09	439,028	476,455	108.52%

		<b>Union</b>	
<b>Year</b>	<b>Allocation</b>	<b>Contribution</b>	<b>%</b>
2012-13	158,000	151,278	95.75%
2011-12	145,000	155,782	107.44%
2010-11	155,000	161,433	104.15%
2009-10	160,000	162,383	101.49%
2008-09	140,000	158,611	113.29%

**(iii) Payments** to Divisions and Committees

	<b>Allocation</b>	<b>Payment</b>
<b>Guaranteed</b>		
World Council of Churches	8,740	8,740
World Methodist Council (incl Member Expenses)	1,955	1,955
Christian Conference of Asia	2,300	2,300
Bio Ethics Committee	3,000	3,000
Travel & Study	15,000	15,000
	<u>30,995</u>	<u>30,995</u>
<b>Non Guaranteed</b>		
<u>Partnership &amp; Mission Expenses</u>		
Connexional Expenses	340,521	340,521
Board of Administration	45,624	45,624
Ministry Education	150,000	150,000

Methodist Mission and Ecumenical	12,996	12,996
Touchstone	41,004	41,004
Uniting Congregations of Aotearoa New Zealand	20,597	20,597
Wasewase	9,996	9,996
Budget Administration	3,067	3,067
Christian World Service Overseas Aid- 2% of parish contributions	12,958	12,958
<u>Tauwi Mission &amp; Expenses</u>		
Mission Resourcing	195,000	195,000
Evangelical Network	3,996	3,996
	<u>835,759</u>	<u>835,759</u>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b><u>\$866,754</u></b>	<b><u>\$866,754</u></b>

(iv)

**Payments to Divisions and Committees:**

	<b>Guaranteed</b>	<b>Non Guaranteed</b>	<b>% Paid to Non Guaranteed</b>
2012-13	\$30,995	\$835,759	100.00%
2011-12	\$41,185	\$830,580	100.00%
2010-11	\$29,243	\$847,595	100.00%
2009-10	\$40,854	\$877,086	100.00%
2008-09	\$35,253	\$771,303	100.00%

**SECTION B**

**2012-13 Year**

This year budget preparation material was sent to Synods in October to try to facilitate discussion with parishes. The Task Group is grateful for the efforts of Synods to engage with parishes, especially at such a busy time of the year.

The Budget, which was adopted by the Council of Conference for the year for the year to 30 June 2014 was:

**Contributions from Parishes**

Northland	4,370	
Auckland	121,855	
Manukau	43,087	
Waikato – Bay of Plenty	59,370	
Lower North Island Synod	70,508	
Nelson	12,420	
Central South Island	55,281	
Otago – Southland	11,169	
Vahefonua Tonga	80,000	
Wasewase ko Viti Kei Rotuma e Niu Siladi	5,000	
Te Taha Maori	25,000	
Sinoti Samoa & Parishes	30,000	
Uniting Congregations in Aotearoa New Zealand	155,000	673,060.30
Special Account Grant		75,000
Connexional Legacies and Other		53,650
PAC distribution group		0
<b>Total Income</b>		<b><u>\$801,710</u></b>

## Allocations to Divisions & Committees

<u>Guaranteed</u>	<u>Amount requested</u> \$	<u>Amount allocated</u> \$
World Council of Churches	10,546	10,546
World Methodist Council	2,404	2,404
Christian Conference of Asia	7,295	20,245
	\$20,245	\$33,195

<u>Non-Guaranteed</u>	<u>Amount requested</u> \$	<u>Amount allocated</u> \$
<u>Partnership &amp; Mission Expenses</u>		
Connexional Expenses	299,369	286,369
Board of Administration	20,400	0
Archives	45,340	22,670
Ministry Education	150,000	150,000
Methodist Mission and Ecumenical	12,996	3,000
Touchstone	50,000	46,000
Wasewase ko Viti Kei Rotuma e Niu Siladi	12,000	10,000
Uniting Congregations of Aotearoa New Zealand	21,008	21,008
Budget Administration	2,000	0
Christian World Service Overseas Aid- 2% of parish contributions	9,733	10,361
<u>Tauivi Mission &amp; Expenses</u>		
Mission Resourcing	272,398	195,000
Evangelical Network	4,000	4,000
Hospital Chaplaincy	15,000	15,000
Travel & Study	15,000	15,000
Bio Ethics	4,000	3,000
	933,244	781,408
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$953,489</b>	<b>\$814,603</b>

The Task Group has been concerned for some years at the gap between funds available and the funding requested. In June a 'think tank' was held to explore possibilities and opportunities. The Task Group plans to test some of the thinking with others during 2014 and to consult more widely.

The Task Group was advised in June that due to reduced expenditure in Connexional Expenses, funds were available to reallocate. \$19,000 was made available to Mission Resourcing to help fund Project Refresh and 10 Minutes on a Tuesday. It is particularly pleasing to see the positive effect of the steps taken to reduce costs.

### Connexional Budget Task Group

The Budget Task Group for 2013 will consist of; President, Vice-President, General Secretary, the Tumuaki of Te Taha Maori, two persons appointed by Taha Maori and Tony Dale, David McGeorge, Paula Taumoepeau and with Connexional Staff in attendance.

Question 25(c): What are the decisions of Conference relating to the Connexional Budget?

### Suggested Decision:

1. The report is received.





B (i)

## Te Taha Maori

- Te Taha Maori
- Grey Institute Trust
- Wellington Charitable & Educational Trust







## TE TAHA MAORI

### INFORMATION AND REPORTING BACK

*He rama tau kupu ki oku wae  
I nga ra o te pouri, o te marama, o te raru o te hari.  
Awhinatia mai matou e te Matua it e rangi,  
Kia manako ki tou aroha, kia mahi i au mahi  
Kia whakapai i tou ingoa,  
I roto i a Ihu Karaiti, Te Ariki, Amine.*

We remember with respect and gratitude the many members of Te Hahi Weteriana o Aotearoa who have died in the course of the past year and we express our deepest sympathy, our arohanui to the bereaved families. We especially remember and mourn the loss of our own members whose wisdom, knowledge, sound leadership and dedication to servicing the needs of the people, have been the poutokomanawa for Te Taha Maori. We give thanks to God for their faithful service.

*E nga mate haere! Haere ki te putahinui o Hine-Ruaki-moe.  
I whakamoea ai koutou ki te moengaroa, haere i te huihui a Matariki, i kiia ai, Matariki  
kainga-kore. Kahore nei hoki he kainga pumau mo te tangata ki tenei ao.  
E moe, e moe, oti atu!*

### THEOLOGY IN AOTEAROA

**Theology:** In our first Hui Poari this year we set a deliberate focus on “*Let the children live: Tukua nga mokopuna kia puawai*”. In that process we mind mapped:

- What is – in our rohe?
- What do we want? and
- How do we get there?

In considering the third aspect we determined that we should not ‘reinvent wheels’ but that we should:

1. find out what agencies and resources are already working in our communities
2. choose those whose work is in sync with our own TTM ethos, and
3. sit alongside these agencies and work with our people through them.

In this way we will have a more effective distribution of our own people resources.

Our Hui Poari in May and July made a shift in focus that engaged us in our ecumenical relationships. A number of our people have travelled overseas this year and so at our May and July Hui Poari reflections from the various trips have been shared. In May Lana and Diana shared insights from their Singapore trip for preparatory meetings leading up to the World Council of Churches (WCC) Assembly in Busan, Korea later this year. Our theology session in July began with reflections on ‘loaves and fishes’ and we recalled Buddy Te Whare’s likening this event to the *poukai*. There were discussions around the symbolism of the sharing of resources, of ‘casting your bread upon the waters’ and just what that might mean for us today as TTM.

We appreciated the presence of President Rex and Vice-President Jan at this Hui Poari and this theology session led easily into President Rex’s insights of his travels to Korea, Papua New Guinea and Tonga this year. Signs of social inequality and poverty and the influence that the contemporary consumerist society has had on the development of tribal peoples, especially in the context of PNG, became much clearer for us.

A focus question for us in this work has been: ***What learnings are there for us that we can share with our own communities in the building and exploration of our ecumenical relationships?***

## **EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

Hui Poari in February supported the re-instatement of the **Enabling Ministry Team (EMT)** and affirmed the Training Curriculum for our Ministry (Minita-a-iwi and Kaikarakia) and Leadership Training programmes. The revised criteria for the selection of candidates wishing to train as Kaikarakia and Minita-a-iwi was adopted at our July Hui Poari and to date the EMT have facilitated several Rohe and combined Rohe wananga with a focus in this year being on revisiting and learning about TTM history, our current structures, goals and accountability processes.

At our May Hui Poari Keita Hotere facilitated a workshop on the 'NZ Constitutional conversations' that have been currently taking place nationally. The workshop explored the material provided by the Constitution Advisory Panel through the Ministry of Justice and our own church's response to this debate.

**Liaison Persons:** The Liaison Persons have met in May and July this year and reports back to Hui Poari have been extremely positive. Police vetting forms for all our trainees in the Rohe have been issued and only a few have yet to be processed.

**Trinity College:** TTM Members are involved in all spheres of the College's life with representation through students, staff and the Trinity College Council. The courses, Theological Reflection TR3011 and Maori Studies MS101 and MS102 continue to be well supported by TTM members and the wider church. One student's reflection on the TR3011 experience was "...enjoyed listening to the korero about different areas and mission stations ... felt my tupuna were with me wherever I travelled and I paid my respects to the tupuna of the areas that we travelled to".

Shirley Rivers and Te Aroha Rountree will join the team of Tutors and students who travel to Israel in October 2013 as part of the context of the life of Christ as explored through the New Testament Courses at Trinity College.

**Wesley College:** The 4 + 4 process has been followed for the appointment of the Wesley College Chaplain and the recommendation passed through to Council of Conference.

## **RANGATAHI**

Throughout our Rohe rangatahi continue to participate in all aspects of TTM styles of Christian life, witness and service. It has been encouraging to witness the development of our Rangatahi ministry in each of our rohe. Rangatahi ministry involves much more than simply 'creating safe youth and young people spaces' so that rangatahi feel comfortable and are able to express who they are within their whanau and rohe. Our rangatahi actively engage with all aspects of church life and we support them to take active roles in karakia, they learn how to plan and facilitate youth activities, workshops and wananga in their rohe in ways that meet the needs of our rangatahi today.

The use of the newest advances in technology and communication is encouraged and embraced by all our rangatahi – most tamariki already know how to use these new mediums with ease. At Hui Poari rangatahi regularly utilise technology through powerpoint datashows as a means to share and recount activities in their rohe and "Retell the local rangatahi story, the people, the places and the history".

As with our Tauwi partner, youth ministry continues to be a challenge. We have worked at this matter for some time now and believe that we may have come to a point where we have the 'bones' of a possible way forward. A small work group will bring a proposal to December Hui Poari that we hope will offer some insights to TTM Rangatahi ministry for the future.

## **FINANCE AND PROPERTIES**

**Finance:** Te Taha Maori continues to operate on budget, resulting in another satisfactory end of year financial result. Various programmes were successfully carried out and scholarship grants were dispensed to deserving applicants for secondary, tertiary and post graduate studies.

On 23 November 2011, the inaugural meeting of the newly constituted trust, Te Taha Maori Property Trust, was held in the church offices, 409 Great South Road, Penrose Auckland. The

inaugural board members were confirmed, namely: Te Taha Maori Tumuaki Diana Tana, Rex Nathan (Secretary/Executive Officer), Arapera Ngaha and Henedina McCarthy. The Trust is established for the furtherance in New Zealand of the religious, charitable, social and educational work of Te Taha Maori and to that end acts as a holding body of all properties formerly held in the name of the Home Mission and Church Extension Investment Funds Board, Model Deed Trusts or in other groups who had oversight and management of properties for the benefit of Te Taha Maori. The property assets and funds held by the Grey Institute Trust have also been transferred to this trust. In this the second year of operations, the transfer of all property titles has now been completed and business is progressing well.

**Properties:** Hui Poari in July determined that the repairs, renovations and upgrading required for our property at 296 Massey Rd is a major undertaking and so plans are being considered around how best to utilise this property. TTM have resolved to demolish the house situated on the land and are currently looking at options to make use of that property in ways that will better service our needs.

Our various centres in Kawakawa, Auckland, Hamilton and Hawera continue to be well utilised and our search for an appropriate venue as a centre for our Northland congregations continues.

### **Te Taha Maori Property Trust**

During the year the Te Taha Maori Property Trust trustees were able to complete the transfer of title for the properties formerly held in the name of the Home Mission and Church Extension Fund Board into the name of the Te Taha Maori Property Trust. The Trust has also sought the transfer of title of properties held under Methodist Model Deed Trusts which are for the benefit of Te Taha Maori to be transferred from the Model Deed Trusts to the Te Taha Maori Property Trust.

The largest of the model deed trusts remaining in the Church, the Grey Institute Trust, concluded the transfer of all of its titles in May 2013.

The Te Taha Maori Property Trust now administers the ground leases as was previously done by the Grey Institute Trust and will provide income each year to the work of Te Taha Maori.

The Te Taha Maori Property Trust has also received the non-property assets of the Grey Institute Trust.

The Trust has worked through a number of lease renewals in respect of other properties, predominantly in Te Tai-tokerau. The Trust is looking at initiating regular property inspections of all Te Taha Maori properties to assist in the proper stewardship of those properties.

### **Te Taha Maori Grey Investments 2010 Trust**

The Te Taha Maori Grey Investments 2010 Trust received 80% of the proceeds of the free-holding and sale of ground lease New Plymouth sections owned by the Grey Institute Trust.

The funds have been invested through the New Zealand Methodist Trust Association and during the year \$1,238,966 was transferred to Te Taha Maori for its work.

The Trust is in discussion with the Investment Advisory Board as to a range of possible investments to meet the long term requirements of Te Taha Maori.

### **ECUMENICAL MATTERS**

Tumuaki Diana Tana was invited to attend the **Anglican Hui Amorangi o te Tai Tokerau** in May, and when the issue of same gender relationships arose she was able to articulate a TTM position on this matter to this gathering. **Te Runanga Whakawhanaunga i nga Haahi (TRWH)** met in June and issues of Child Poverty, Food in Schools, New Zealand Constitution, as well as a focus on Amorangi Services were brought to the forefront.

**Christian Conference of Asia (CCA):** Tumuaki Diana continues as the Moderator of the Ecumenical, Gender and Youth Committee (EGY) and in September she and Te Aroha will travel to Bangkok to participate in a meeting of this committee.

**World Council of Churches (WCC):** TTM will have in attendance three members, Tumuaki Diana Tana, Dr Arapera Ngaha and Lana Lazarus, at the World Council of Churches (WCC) General Assembly in Busan, Korea later this year. Dr Arapera Ngaha is one of six indigenous participants at the WCC Assembly who will facilitate and co-ordinate a two day pre-assembly gathering for Indigenous peoples (IP). In August she attended a preliminary planning meeting in Bangkok, Thailand, with the other facilitation team members. There are more than 70 participants from all parts of the world registered for this event (the Indigenous Peoples pre-assembly gathering) and the theme of this gathering is *“God of Life, Renew the people of the land”*.

## **CONNEXIONAL MATTERS/PARTNERSHIP**

**The Bicultural Journey:** The church’s bicultural journey derives from acknowledgement and appreciation of the Gospel in context, here in Aotearoa. It isn’t always easy for us to travel this path, but we persevere and we expend the time and energy required because we are committed to our treaty partner, and committed to strengthening relationships within this, our church family. TTM continue to serve on a number of committees and boards of the church and our mainly lay leadership juggle family and work commitments in order to offer meaningful service to the church.

**Council of Conference: (COC)** The Church’s bi-cultural commitment through Te Tiriiti o Waitangi is fundamental to addressing partnership issues between TTM and Taiuiwi. The COC is one of the few places in the church where the bi-cultural commitment to connexional partnership can be seen at work. Over the many years that COC has been in place many TTM and Taiuiwi members have been engaged in partnership working hard on common issues that face our church – and this year has been no exception.

Visioning and theology sessions at the COC meetings this year have brought to light the damage that continues to plague Papatuanuku; the issues that confront the low lying islands of the Pacific due to climate change and the rising seas that will in time engulf them. We ask and we wonder what will happen to the people, but even more pertinent, what can we as a church do to help?

Our Connexional Mission priority for the next 10 years ‘Tukuna nga mokopuna kia puawai’ remains a core agenda item at our gatherings together this year. Reports from throughout the Connexion seem to suggest that it is a regular agenda item that the whole church has embraced, to varying degrees and in many varied ways. It is important to acknowledge that as a church we are trying to make a difference in the lives of all in both the public and private arenas.

We acknowledge with appreciation the invaluable contribution Barbara Peddie has made in her role as Co-convenor of COC and we wish her well in her continued work of the church.

## **LOOKING FORWARD**

The areas noted in this report, as well as many others, continue to keep us busy as we move forward into the future:

1. Every time we meet is an opportunity for recalling our memory. It is imperative that we continue to educate our own people to remind ourselves of our own history, our responsibilities and obligations as Maori as well as our own tikanga that guides us in all we do.
2. Building our membership and knowledge base is important.
3. The proposed models for our rangatahi work in the rohe and nationally will be a challenge that we look forward to engaging with. “Watch this space”!
4. Strengthening our bicultural and partnership relationships is paramount for maintaining our connexional commitments and responsibilities. That reinforces the need for all our people to be up to the play in our bicultural understandings.
5. Our ecumenical relationships remain a particular focus for us - whanaungatanga.
6. Social and political developments concerning our people are always on Hui Poari’s agenda - the issues of same sex marriages, the GCSB legislation, the leadership struggles on the political scene and next year’s elections are all serious issues that we continue to wrestle with.

### **Suggested Decisions:**

1. The report is received.
2. The 2014 membership and officers of Hui Poari be: Tumuaki Diana Tana, Lana Lazarus, Rex Nathan; Rangatahi: Julie-Anne Barney-Katene; Tai Tokerau: Tamati Rakena, Tamaki: Gillian Laird, Bella Ngaha; Waikato: Doreen Wilson, Shirley Rivers; Te Rohe Potae: Hinga Ormsby; Taranaki: Frances Kingi-Katene, Jim George; Poneke: Alamein McGregor and one further representative each from Poneke, Te Rohe Potae and two representatives for Otautahi-Te Waipounamu to be appointed by the President.
3. The 2014 Liaison People-Officers of Rohe shall be: Tai Tokerau: Frances Rakena; Tamaki: Gillian Laird; Waikato: Doreen Wilson; Te Rohe Potae: Hinga Ormsby; Taranaki: Frances Kingi-Katene; Poneke: Alamein McGregor.
4. That the 2014 membership of *Te Runanga Whakawhanaunga i Nga Haahi o Aotearoa* shall be Diana Tana, Lana Lazarus, Rex Nathan and Te Aroha Rountree.

## **GREY INSTITUTE TRUST**

The trustees have continued with the long standing policy of allowing lessees to purchase the free holding of the properties in New Plymouth.

The trust agreed to help a lessee with a repair to a retaining wall that had been partly damaged in a storm that swept through New Plymouth during 2011. This repair is to be finished in September 2013 with repair costs being partly met by funds received from the Earthquake Commission.

There has been considerable discussion of a block of units owned by the trust which are called the "Kaumatua Flats". This discussion centred on their continued need and whether it was a core service of the trust and why they were built. The question has not been finished and further discussion will need to occur before any decision is made.

The trustees decided during the year that they would deal with the issue of winding up the Model Deed Trust. This required that they look at the Trust Deed and consider the beneficiaries of the trust to ensure that they that they discharged their obligations to them.

When communicating with the beneficiaries it was decided to set up two new trusts and transfer the assets and the limited liabilities to these trusts. Te Taha Maori Grey Investment 2010 Trust and Te Taha Maori Property Trust were set up to receive the assets and liabilities of the Grey Institute Trust. Most of this work was completed by the 30 June 2013.

The last meeting of the Grey Institute Trust will be held in New Plymouth in September 2013.

### **Suggested Decisions:**

1. The report is received.
2. Conference notes that winding up of the Grey Institute Trust and sends it's thanks to all those who have served the trust over its life.
3. That the trustees remain unchanged until such time as they provide formal notice that the Grey Institute Trust is wound up. The trustees are: Rev Diana Tana (Chairperson), Mrs Juanita Bishop, Mr John Honeyfield, Mrs Doreen Erueti, Ms Julie-Anne Barney-Katene, Mr Rex Nathan, Mr Greg Wright, Mr Norman Johnston, Mr Chris Gregory.

## THE BOARD OF THE WELLINGTON METHODIST CHARITABLE AND EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENTS

The Board approved the following grants during the financial year ended 30 June. All grants are required to be targeted for the benefit of children or youth:

	\$
Te Taha Maori Moutoa Scholarship	20,000
Rangatahi Worker	30,000
Educational Resource Worker	10,000
Masterton Christian Child Care Programme	15,000
Schools and Te Kura Kaupapa Maori (16)	33,000
Christchurch Schools to be closed (7)	10,000
Incredible Families Charitable Trust	5,000
Kapiti Fun for You Trust	1,000
Lansdowne Kindergarten	300
Learning Disabilities Assn. of Wairarapa	1,700
Skylight Trust	5,000
Special Olympics Wellington	2,000
Susana Uesile Aoga Amata Playgroup	2,000
Wellington Riding for the Disabled	3,000
	<u>3,000</u>
	\$138,000

We have continued to invite applications for grants from schools, kura kaupapa, community groups – primarily these are from the greater Wellington region. This past year there was a decrease in the total amount distributed as grants. Being aware this was happening, it was decided to make grants to seven Christchurch schools which are to be closed as a result of school reorganization following the earthquakes.

The Board's farm at Moutoa, near Foxton, continues to be well managed. A new revised nine-year lease has been negotiated with the Kieran McErlean Trust, and registered. An increased rental for the next three years has also been negotiated.

The Board was initially responsible for establishing the Masterton Children's Home in 1921; this closed in 1978. In the 1960s this developed into a major funding relationship that included ownership of the land and the buildings for the Home. During 2012 the General Secretary received three enquiries through the Confidential Listening and Advisory Service regarding residents in the Home. In January 2013 the Board and two former chairpersons of the 'Masterton Home Management Committee' met with the David Bush and Greg Wright, who advised the Board of the enquiries. The Church, and the Board, are awaiting further communication, if any, from either the Confidential Listening and Advisory Service, the Claims Resolution Service or the individuals themselves. It is unclear what the outcome may be.

Matthew Roberts, Chairperson  
Neville Price, Secretary

### Suggested Decisions:

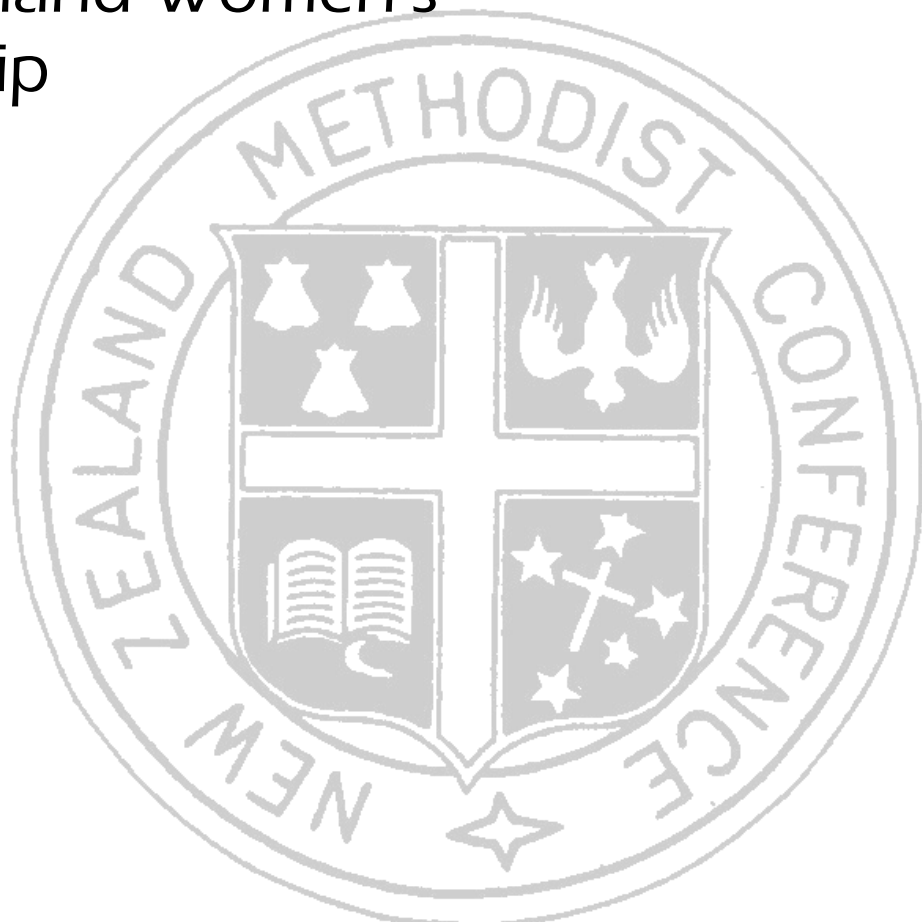
1. The report be received.
2. The membership of the Board for 2014 is: Bruce Anderson, Marten Hutt, Senorita Laukau, Heather Lumsden-Ratu, Diana Tana, Robina Wichman, Bunnie Willing, Leatuavao Viko Aufaga, Trevor Dine, Owen Prior, Matthew (Matt) Roberts (Chairperson), Neville Price (Secretary), and any others appointed by the President.



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## Tauiwi

- Tauiwi Strategy & Stationing
- Evangelical Network
- New Zealand Women's Fellowship





## **TAUIWI STRATEGY & STATIONING**

Tauwi Strategy meetings this year continued within the stated purpose of the committee, 'to give expression to the partnership between the cultural groups within Tauwi and other expressions of diversity and to pursue visioning, strategy, planning and decision making on behalf of Tauwi'.

The worship sessions in the April and July meetings around the theme of, 'Past, Present and Future' have taken the 2013 Presidential challenge to a level of applying this theme in various ministry and mission settings. Our worship services gave the members of the Tauwi Strategy meeting plenty of challenges and food for thought.

### **Tauwi Youth Ministry**

Conference 2012 affirmed the report and work done by the Tauwi Youth Ministry Consultation Group and asked it to continue with its work and to report to back Conference 2013. The Group circulated to Synods its report on the Revised Vision, Mission Statement and Strategy of the Tauwi Youth Ministry to Synods and asked for feedback. The Group intends to bring this revised vision, mission statement and strategy to Conference 2013 for adoption. In spite of some confusion about the two versions of the same report, the Tauwi Strategy meeting, after a lot of discussion, affirmed the revised vision, mission statement and strategy for Tauwi Youth Ministry. The responses from Synods were also affirmative of the directions set by the group for Youth Ministry. Tauwi Strategy acknowledges and thanks Sue Spindler and Filo Tu (Co-conveners), and the Tauwi Youth Ministry Consultation Group for an excellent report and the thoroughness of their work.

### **Integrated Ministry with Children, Young People and Families**

The Mission Resourcing's Proposal for the Children's and Youth Ministries to have one shared Co-ordinator was based on a belief that if these two ministries work together hand in hand, they could be a key to a healthy growth of the Church. It was also based on the reality that to fund two separate national leaders for these ministries would be an impossible task for the Church. The proposal recognises the different needs of the two ministries and recommends having separate ministry teams for each Ministry. The ministry teams will be charged with the responsibility of setting visions and strategies for each Ministry, and to implement those strategies. The ministry teams will also work with Synods' youth and children's ministry leaders on one hand, and on the other hand will work with the National Co-ordinator who will predominantly focus on resourcing, training, national and ecumenical relationships and being a connexional advocate for children, youth, young people and families at Conference and Tauwi Strategy meetings. The Proposal was discussed and warmly accepted by both the Children's Ministry Task Group, and the Tauwi Youth Ministry Consultation Group.

The proposal was circulated to Synods, and asked for nominations for the children's ministry team and for the youth ministry team. The proposal also asked for feedbacks on two main questions – one was about the parishes' and Synods' responsibilities for children's and youth ministries; and the other was about the church's responsibility to ensure long term funding for these ministries. The Synods' responses were generally positive with one response said that it would be more appropriate for the Youth Ministry to be Synod-based rather than on the national level. Another Synod did not support the proposal due to a lack of detailed information about the position and extra costs to Synods. Tauwi Strategy meeting agreed that long-term funding needs to be secured before the appointment of a national co-ordinator, so that the appointee can have confidence in a stable employment situation. Synods need to have equal access to the co-ordinator without incurring extra costs due to distance. It was noted that the Job Description was currently being worked on.

### **Purpose and Tasks of Tauwi Conference and Tauwi Strategy Meetings**

Tauwi continues to discuss and re-define its understanding of the purpose, role and tasks of both the Tauwi Strategy Meeting and the Tauwi Meeting at Conference. It was noted that the role of the Tauwi Meeting at Conference is predominantly that of information sharing, and for the Tauwi Conference members to have a shared understanding of the Conference issues, thus preparing them for Conference debates and decision making. We reminded ourselves of our immediate past when Tauwi used to meet at Conference all day debating and agreeing or disagreeing to

Conference issues, but only to find ourselves having a second debate on the same issues at the floor of Conference. Tauivi is determined not to repeat this experience in future. It was suggested that we get feedback about this year's Tauivi Conference meeting at our next Tauivi Strategy meeting.

We acknowledged that the purpose of Tauivi Strategy meeting is 'to give expression to the partnership between the cultural groups within Tauivi and other expressions of diversity, and to pursue visioning, strategy, planning and decision making on behalf of Tauivi'. It also provides an interface between the Council of Conference and Tauivi'. The diverse nature of Tauivi requires a great deal of co-operation, connection, clear communication and ongoing transparent conversations in the life of Tauivi. Tauivi Strategy meeting began to explore questions like, 'How can we best operate within our Tauivi cultural and theological diversities?' 'What actually are our role and tasks?' To begin to find answers to these questions Tauivi Strategy meeting did a self-assessment exercise by having group discussion based on the following questions: (1) *How have your Synods and Parishes been supported by the discussions and strategies that have come out of the Tauivi Meetings?* (2) *How has this meeting helped you shape your Synod Strategy?* (3) *How have your Synods' concerns been heard and supported by this meeting?* (4) *How have the strategies and resources you have brought from your Synod been able to be used by the wider church through coming to this meeting?* (5) *What might we do differently?* The groups' reflections and the discussions that followed have given us much to focus on regarding the tasks and role of the Tauivi Strategy meetings in the future.

### **The Future Facilitation of Tauivi Meetings**

Tauivi Strategy meeting acknowledged that current Tauivi facilitators have completed their three year term as facilitators for Tauivi meetings. The meeting expressed its thanks and appreciation for the excellent work Lani and Alison have been doing for the last 3 years. Tauivi took time to discuss ways of facilitating its future meetings. It was suggested that instead of having separate facilitators, the members themselves could possibly take facilitating turns during Tauivi meetings. In the end, Tauivi Strategy meeting unanimously re-elected Alison Molineux, and Opeta Amani to be the facilitators for the next three years.

### **A New Synod – Wasewase ko Viti kei Rotuma e Niu Silandi**

March 16 of this year marked the historical transition of Wasewase ko Viti kei Rotuma from being an Advisory Committee to be a full Synod of the Methodist Church of New Zealand. This is a huge achievement by the Fijian and Rotuman membership which took them over 25 years to arrive at this point. The Inauguration Service, including the induction of Rev Peni Tikoinaka as Superintendent of the new Synod, was led by President Rex Nathan and Vice President Jan Tasker and was held at Wesley Wellington Church. It was a time of celebrating the past, valuing the present, and working towards what God holds for them in the future. The service also included the establishment of the Wasewase kei Rotuma Women's Fellowship District, and the commissioning of its leaders by Marie Smith, National President of the Methodist Women's Fellowship. Our special guest, Rev Tuikilakila Waqairatu, President of the Methodist Church of Fiji, brought greetings from our Pacific sister-Conference. The service was followed by a Fijian traditional welcome that included chiefly speeches, a kava ceremony and a presentation of the Tabua (whale's tooth) to President Rex as a mark of Fijian respect. The welcome concluded with a Fijian meal and colorful entertainments. The following week, March 23, the Auckland Fijian Tabacakacaka (Circuit) had its own celebration when the Meadowlands Methodist Church was officially handed over for their use. We would like to acknowledge the leadership of first conveners of the Fijian Advisory committee, Isoa Matawalu (1985-1988), and especially Susau Strickland (1989-2003) whose leadership has helped pave the way for the Fijian and Rotuman Ministries within the Methodist Church of New Zealand. We also wish to acknowledge the ministries of the late Reverends: Apakuki Ratucoke, Elia Samusamuvodre, Joni Lagi and Mosese Naivolaisiga who are no longer with us; as well as acknowledging the Rev Malakai Kurulala, Rev Mikaele Yasa, and all the lay women and men, and youth leaders who have all contributed to the building up of the Fijian and Rotuman Ministries. In recent years the church is grateful for the expansive ministry and leadership of Rev Peni Tikoinaka and his wife Unaisi, and for the teaching and pastoral ministry of Rev Dr Ilaitia Tuwere.

### **Let the Children Live**

Tauiwi Strategy meeting encourages all parishes and Synods to participate fully in this decade mission theme of the church. Suggestions for promotion of 'Let the children live' include having a banner display at Conference and inviting the children to have a fun day at Conference time. The meeting asks Synods and parishes to keep this item on their meeting agendas as a reminder of our Connexional decade mission priority.

### **Trans-Cultural Groups**

The Tauiwi Strategy meeting received and discussed a report from a meeting held on 12 May 2013 and attended by the President and Vice President, General Secretary, Mission Resourcing Directors, the Superintendents and representatives from each of the three Pasifika Synods of the Methodist Church of New Zealand. The Report highlighted relationship issues amongst the leadership of the English Speaking Parishes including the CV parishes, the Pasifika congregations working within those parishes, and the Pasifika Synods. The Report noted that the Church Law is quite clear about these relationships in that all the Pasifika language congregations are under the oversight of the Pasifika Synods, and that any Pasifika members, be it Tongan, Samoan, Fijian or Rotuman, who wish to renounce their Pasifika Synod, are welcome to worship in and become members of an English language congregation. However the report noted that the leaders of certain English speaking parishes have ignored the Church Law lest it contravenes the Bill of Human Rights. Within these parishes, the breakaway members from Pasifika congregations who declared their independency of their Pasifika Synods are being accepted as new Pasifika congregations under those English speaking parishes, bringing them under the oversight of the English speaking Synod, which is contrary to the Church Law Book. It was also noted that such action has caused verbal and physical conflicts, and even violence, between the leaders of the two Pasifika congregations. It was also alleged that in one case, a Pasifika Synod has made a heavy financial demand on a Pasifika congregation, thus affecting that parish's budget. The Tauiwi Strategy Meeting acknowledged that this conversation needs to continue and to take place across all the Synods for a better understanding of the Pasifika membership of our church, and for exploring a better working out of our inter-cultural relationships within Tauiwi.

### **Family Violence and Abuse**

Tauiwi acknowledges that family violence and abuse happens in Methodist families. Family violence does not discriminate on the basis of religion, income or culture. Tauiwi will work to raise awareness of family violence and abuse, noting that Sinoti Samoa and Vahefonua Tonga have already established programmes responding to family violence and abuse. We acknowledge the need to create an openness that allows us to talk about family violence and abuse within our faith communities. We also acknowledge that the presbyters and church are not family violence and abuse workers. Rather, they are a referral point, first point of contact and we are the permission givers - not keeping secret that should not be secrets. Tauiwi Strategy meeting asks all Synods to be responsible for raising awareness of family violence and abuse.

### **Circuit Based Ministry**

Tauiwi Strategy received and discussed Strategy Reports from Auckland (Auckland and Manukau), and Central South Island Synods. Auckland has initiated a circuit model 'Circuit 2000', outlining how they are moving into a circuit based model of ministry. Christchurch has been forced to restructure ministries in the post-earthquake environment, and has realized that the circuit model is the obvious way forward. Tauiwi Strategy meeting affirmed the considerable body of work done by the two Synods. The meeting asked for some further work to be done by way of a document to explain the historical understanding and current practical implications of 'parish' and 'circuit', including properties, staff and finance. The meeting asked Norman Brookes and Trevor Hoggard to write this paper, which is to be sent out to Synods as a resource.

### **Lay Superintendency**

Tauiwi has had this issue on its agenda since 2010. This year a paper from Trevor Hoggard which laid out a way forward was sent to the Synods to discuss and give feedback. All Synods responded to this paper. From the Synod responses and the discussion that followed, the Tauiwi Strategy meeting decided there is no consensus in Tauiwi with regards to stand-alone Lay Superintendency. It was noted that the existing church law allows for Lay/Presbyter team Superintendency. In this model of Superintendency, the lay member of the team, depending on

their gifts and skills, may take a dominant role, allowing the presbyter member of the team to do the sacramental tasks of Superintendency. It was also noted that the term Co-Superintendent may not be correct. The meeting requested Mission Resourcing and others to prepare a presentation for Synods during 2014 to clarify 'Superintendency Team' – lay and presbyter, noting the pastoral need in some Synods; and fact that Superintendents do not need to reside in the geographical Synod as already shown by the Pasifika National Synods.

### **Suggested Decisions:**

1. The report is received.
2. Conference expresses its gratitude to Lani Tupu and Alison Molineux for their service as facilitators of the Tauivi Strategy and Tauivi Conference meetings for the last three years; and to Norman Brookes for his valuable contributions to work of the Tauivi Strategy and Stationing Meetings.
3. Noting the report with regards to the establishment of the Wasewase ko Viti kei Rotuma Synod,
  - a. Conference expresses its thanks and appreciation for the leadership and hard work of all the Fijian and Rotuman members of Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa;
  - b. Conference notes that it will take some years to complete the transition of the Wasewase ko Viti kei Rotuma to become self-sufficient.
  - c. Conference ensures that Wasewase ko Viti kei Rotuma Synod remains on the Connexional Budget for the next three years during its establishment phase.
4. Noting the details in the report regarding lay stand-alone Synod Superintendency,
  - a. Conference affirms the 'no consensus' decision by Tauivi on Stand-alone Lay Synod Superintendency;
  - b. Conference asks Mission Resourcing to prepare a Paper about the nature and responsibilities of Lay and Presbyter Superintendency Teams.
5. Conference welcomes the conversation around the 'Circuit-based Ministry' and asks Norman Brookes and Trevor Hoggard to prepare a resource paper for Synods on the historical understanding of 'circuit' and the current practical implications for 'parish' and 'circuit', including properties, staff and finance.
6. Considering the details in the report regarding the Integrated Ministry with Children, Young People and Families, Conference notes the position of National Co-ordinator is a member of the Tauivi Strategy Committee.
7. Noting the discussion in the report regarding Family violence and abuse, Conference affirms the following initiative that from 2014, Synods will be responsible in their parishes and congregations to ensure training in:
  - a. Raising awareness of family violence and abuse;
  - b. Identifying indicators of family violence and abuse;
  - c. Appropriate responses to, and follow up to disclose of family violence and abuse;
  - d. Sharing resources across the Church, including Methodist Missions and those who have experience, knowledge and skills in responding to family violence and abuse;
  - e. That each parish develops and implement a 'child, and other vulnerable peoples - safe polices, process and procedure'.
8. Tauivi Facilitators for 2014 are Alison Molineux and Opeta Amani
9. Tauivi Membership of Council of Conference for 2014 will be: Susan Thompson (Co-Convener), Aso Samoa Saleupolu (Tauivi Executive Officer), Mark Gibson, Peni Tikoinaka, Thelma Efford, Viv Whimster, Olive Tanielu, Sue Spindler, Opeta Amani and Christine Peak. Trainees: Marcia Hardy, Mataiva Robertson, Setaita Kinahoi Veikune & Andrew Doubleday
10. Tauivi members of the Council of Elders will be: Vaikoloa Kilikiti and Ron Malpass
11. Tauivi Strategy Committee for 2014 will be: President Rex Nathan, Vice President Jan Tasker, General Secretary David Bush, Tauivi Executive Officer Aso Samoa Saleupolu, Director English Speaking Ministries Trevor Hoggard, Tauivi Facilitators Opeta Amani and Alison Molineux, Principal Trinity College David Bell, (one to be named), Rowan Smiley (Northland), Christine Peak (Auckland), Andrea Williamson (Manukau), Setaita Kinahoi Veikune and Edwin Talakai (Vahefoua Tonga), Tovia Aumua and Edna Te'o (Sinoti Samoa), Ngaire Southon and Susan Thompson (Waikato - Waiariki), Jenny Olsson and Tony Bell (Lower North Island), Jean Faithful and Jill van de Geer (Nelson – Marlborough – West Coast), Andrew Donaldson and Cheryl Brown (Central South Island), Rachael Masterton and Martin Oh (Otago – Southland), Peni Tikoinaka and Niko Bower (Wasewase

ko Viti kei Rotuma), Alan K Webster (Evangelical Network), one to be named (MCYPF National Co-ordinator), and the current Taiuiwi members of Council of Conference already named in the Council of Conference Membership 2014.

12. Taiuiwi Stationing Committee for 2014 will be: President Rex Nathan, Vice President Jan Tasker, General Secretary David Bush, Taiuiwi Executive Officer Aso Samoa Saleupolu, Director English Speaking Ministries Trevor Hoggard, Principal Trinity College David Bell, (one to be named), Rowan Smiley( Northland), Christine Peak (Auckland), Andrea Williamson (Manukau), Setaita Kinahoi Veikune and Edwin Talakai (Vahefonua Tonga), Tovia Aumua and Edna Te'o (Sinoti Samoa), Ngaire Southon and Susan Thompson (Waikato - Waiariki), Jenny Olsson and Tony Bell (Lower North Island), Jean Faithful and Jill van de Geer (Nelson – Marlborough – West Coast), Andrew Donaldson and Cheryl Brown (Central South Island), Rachael Masterton and Martin Oh (Otago – Southland), Peni Tikoinaka and Niko Bower (Wasewase ko Viti kei Rotuma), Alan K Webster (Evangelical Network).

## **EVANGELICAL NETWORK**

This has been a quiet year for the Evangelical Network in terms of stationing and national events. We continue to meet as a Christchurch executive and support group with a potluck dinner on the second Friday of every second month at Beckenham Methodist...contact Alan if you are in Christchurch in and around that time and you'd be very welcome to come as our guest or as a participant. In true Methodist fashion, we meet and eat together, before prayer and worship! We see ourselves as supporting and encouraging the whole church in questions of evangelism and creative input into church life, and extend our warm welcome to any who are interested in a part or a whole of our calling.

Two areas of potential interest for our evolving vision are:

1. **The Fresh Expressions initiative** that is running as part of the New Zealand outworking (!) of a joint Methodist/Anglican work in the United Kingdom. Our sister church (mother church?) on the opposite side of the world has discovered and is in the process of energising and resourcing Fresh Expressions, an attitude to Church that begins with community connections and evolves into a worshipping community, sometimes with the enthusiastic support of older and less energetic established congregations. If you google "Fresh Expressions" you'll get a glimpse of what is happening in British Methodism, and you will see why some of us – not just the traditional evangelicals, we might add – are excited by the possibilities that this opens out. Kiwi Anglicans are similarly interested: and nation-wide, a series of key people has begun working to see whether this model and these principles might be perhaps of more relevance and application to our culture than those from that other body of land and culture between us to the northeast..(!) Nationally, Fresh Expressions has held conferences and discussion-groups in all the main centres - however, it seems that it is only in Christchurch that training events have actually begun. Accordingly, a few of us have signed up for the Fresh Expressions Aotearoa New Zealand(FEANZ) Mission Shaped Ministry course, held year-long at Laidlaw College where some of the experiences and possibilities of the British Fresh Expressions are being explored, discussed, contextualised and evaluated by a wide range of church leaders and planters from different denominations. It is too early to say yet how this will impact New Zealand Methodism: but in the stories from the UK of such enterprises as grounding of new work alongside old, intentional engagement not necessarily from an existing worshipping community but into a culture that is "spiritually interested, institutionally alienated" (to use a phrase from somewhere else altogether: Kenneth Callahan) and very creative new forms of church we are finding a considerable number of interesting possibilities opening up that could well resonate with Methodism for future church planting and church growth. Watch this space.
2. **What is the Gospel?** The other current area of interest for the Evangelical Network has been the beginning of a wide discussion on that basic question that has been of considerable heart interest to us all. Given that it is Good News, given that it is at the heart

of what informs our lives as churches and ministries, given that it is what Jesus came to preach, a casual observer would imagine it to be a simple question with a simple answer...but of course that is never going to be the case in a postmodern, secular and cynical environment! Different wings of our church might want to include and exclude different “essentials” ..and it will be important for us all to recognise and evaluate those responses, not towards finding an irreducible distillation as exploring what this might mean for us as a church. Towards finding a way through that I am, as part of the interest and calling of the Evangelical Network, collecting and collating responses to that question for critical examination as we contemplate our future church growth...for if we are not preaching and living Good News, it might well be asked what we are doing... Email me at [a.k.w@paradise.net.nz](mailto:a.k.w@paradise.net.nz) for your contribution to the discussion: I'd love to hear from you!

The Evangelical Network looks forward to continuing robust enquiry and debate, and beyond that to being part of reform where it is necessary...

Rev Alan K Webster  
Evangelical Network Superintendent

**Suggested Decision:**

1. The report be received.

## **NEW ZEALAND METHODIST WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP**

*Supplementary Report*



# **NEW ZEALAND METHODIST WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP**

## **"Encourage Effective Communication"**

### **Supplementary Report**

*(Continuation from page B(ii)6)*

It is my pleasure to bring you the annual report of the NZ Methodist Women's Fellowship for 2012-13.

For the executive committee it has been a challenging year for us all but we have learnt many things along the way as we have aimed to work through our theme to "*Encourage Effective Communication*"

The members of the executive are: Marie Smith – President; Akanesi Havea – Treasurer; Merrill Baker - Secretary/Liaison Link/ Vice-President; Tongi'aepau Nuku – Uniting Congregations Link; Fa'afetai Fa'alogo – Diaconate/NCW/ Vice-President; Brenda Baker – Minute Secretary; Lute Taufalele-Vute – Missions; Lise Malaeimi – World Federation Link; Helen Kim Scholar

During the year a number of our Fellowships have been saddened by the death of a member and we do pay tribute to the many ways that these women have contributed to our lives and the life of the MWF.

In particular there are those who have served on a previous NZMWF National Executive:

Kath James – 1968-70, 1988-90

Beryl Paine- 1980-82

Flora Litchfield 1980-82

Noeline Hoddinot – 1982-84

Alison Beeston – 2004-2006

Ruth Le Couteur - 2006-08

'These are a few of the women who led us,  
we know there have been many more  
We name but a few, yet we honour them all  
those women who went on before.'

### **Membership**

The establishment of the Wasewase ko Viti kei Rotuma Women's Fellowship District at the Inauguration of the Fijian and Rotuman Synod was a very special and moving occasion held at Wesley Church Taranaki Street Wellington on 16<sup>th</sup> March 2013. It was a privilege to attend and welcome Unaisi Tikoinaka as its President and we look forward to their involvement in the MWF.

### **Communication**

I appreciated the opportunity to meet with members of the Mafutaga Tamaitai Sinoti Samoa at their meeting in Auckland in April. Invitations to visit other Districts and groups have been received and we look forward to sharing these occasions with you. Merrill Baker and I were able to attend the PWANZ Business Meeting in May in Wellington.

President's letters and Bulletins have been sent out regularly by email to Districts. Districts then forward the information on to the Fellowship groups. All these are available to be read or downloaded from the Methodist Women's Fellowship web page of the Methodist Church [www.methodist.org.nz](http://www.methodist.org.nz).

Available on this site is information about the Kurahuna Fund and the Friendship Scholarship Fund which have money available to assist Maori and Pacific Island girls attend secondary school in New Zealand.

The Smethurst Fund is available for women in Methodist or Uniting Congregations with a

Methodist component, for courses, lay leadership training, some tertiary academic courses.

**Funds distributed this year:**

**Kurahuna \$6,300**

**Friendship \$6,130**

**Smethurst \$22,938**

**SPECIAL PROJECT and Other Funds Distributed**

Each year we join with the Presbyterian Women Aotearoa New Zealand – PWANZ - to support a New Zealand Project and an Overseas Project, which is selected with the assistance of Christian World Service. Not only is this a fundraising effort but also an opportunity for us all, Fellowships and Congregations, to learn about the background of the group and the country where they are based.

*Our thanks to all Fellowships and Parishes who contributed so generously to enable these gifts to be made.*

**2012-2013 Special Project:**

**\$9,000** For the Disability, Spirituality and Faith Network in New Zealand

**\$25,971** For the Ama Takiloa programme run by the Tonga Community Development Trust.

**2013-14 Special Project: 'A Brighter Future at Home and Abroad'**

*NZ Women's Refuge*, in conjunction with the Brainwave Trust, will provide specialist training to 100 new Women's Refuge Child Advocates who will work with parents to teach them parenting techniques and skills to help their children develop in the best possible way.

*The Women's Centre in Sri Lanka* which works with young women workers in the Free Trade Zone factories. is the overseas project. Many of these women have been displaced by war and face discrimination and exploitation by factory owners and landlords.

**\$2,726.25** from the sale of Used Stamps to Mission and Ecumenical Appeal for 'Water for Goldie College'

**\$2,382.75** from the Medical & Education Fund went to the Missionary Children's Home in Bangalore.

Fellowship groups throughout the country also contribute financially to local congregations and a wide variety of community and educational groups. The time and effort involved in this is appreciated.

**WIDER INVOLVEMENTS**

**WFM & UCW (World Federation of Methodist & Uniting Church Women)**

New Zealand women take interest and active role in the WFM&UCW.

In particular Leu Pupulu from Auckland is World Treasurer.

Lynne Scott of Christchurch is President of the South Pacific Area.

Lise Jubilee Malaeimi of Auckland/Wellington is the Helen Kim Scholar.

\$3,812.00 has been contributed to the various World Federation Funds.

The *Tree of Life* – news bulletin of the WFM&UCW is now forwarded by email to Districts.

The *South Pacific Area Seminar* is being held July 2014 in Brisbane and 33 NZ women will attend.

The NZMWF is a member of **NCW (National Council of Women)**. Many women throughout the country are active members of NCW. which gives us the opportunity to be very involved in many

social issues that affect our communities.

**Pacific Women's Watch** – based in Auckland is becoming more active and we have two representatives.

**World Day of Prayer** – The 1st Friday in March and many throughout NZ join in this international service.

**COUNCIL 2013** – 32 women attended the biennial Council held at El Rancho, Waikanae 6-8 September

Rev Cornelia Grant conducted the opening service. Special Project funds were presented to Gillian Bell from the Disability, Spirituality & Faith Network and Michael Earle from CWS for the Ama Takiloa Centre. Michael presented NZMWF with a Tapa Cloth from the women of 'Eua Island east of Tongatapu.

*DISTRICT REPORTS* presented show the wide variety of activities that are included in fellowship programmes – Bible Study groups, Craft Groups, Speakers, Memoirs groups- Family History, Health and Family Issues. All are aware of the Methodist focus to –'Let the Children Live'.

Concern was expressed at the amount of violence shown in Tv programmes and people are asked to write to the Commission about the specific programmes.

There are Liaison links between Districts and Fellowships and contacts with Ministry Students.

Although the membership is declining in some areas it is important to be aware of people's changed circumstances, recently shifted or retired, women who are often needing to make new networks.

This is a time to invite women to join with a group or congregation *to be an 'Invitational Fellowship'*

Olive Tanielu from the Mafutaga Tamaitai Sinoti Samoa was elected the NZMWF President for 2014-2016.

Sunday morning we joined the Raumati Congregation of the Kapiti Uniting Parish for a Communion Service. Mataiva Robertson spoke about the Violence Awareness seminars that are being held and the Interfaith Conference at the Bossey Institute in Switzerland.

On 1<sup>st</sup> February 2014 it will be 50 years since the Methodist Women's Missionary Auxiliary (MWMU) and the Guild Fellowship joined to form the MWF. We will celebrate this during the coming year.

Together we continue in our daily lives to make a Christian witness in home, church and community.

'You call us to be the light of the world.  
May we not hide our light but shine so all can see your love shining through us.'

Marie Smith  
National President (2012-2014)

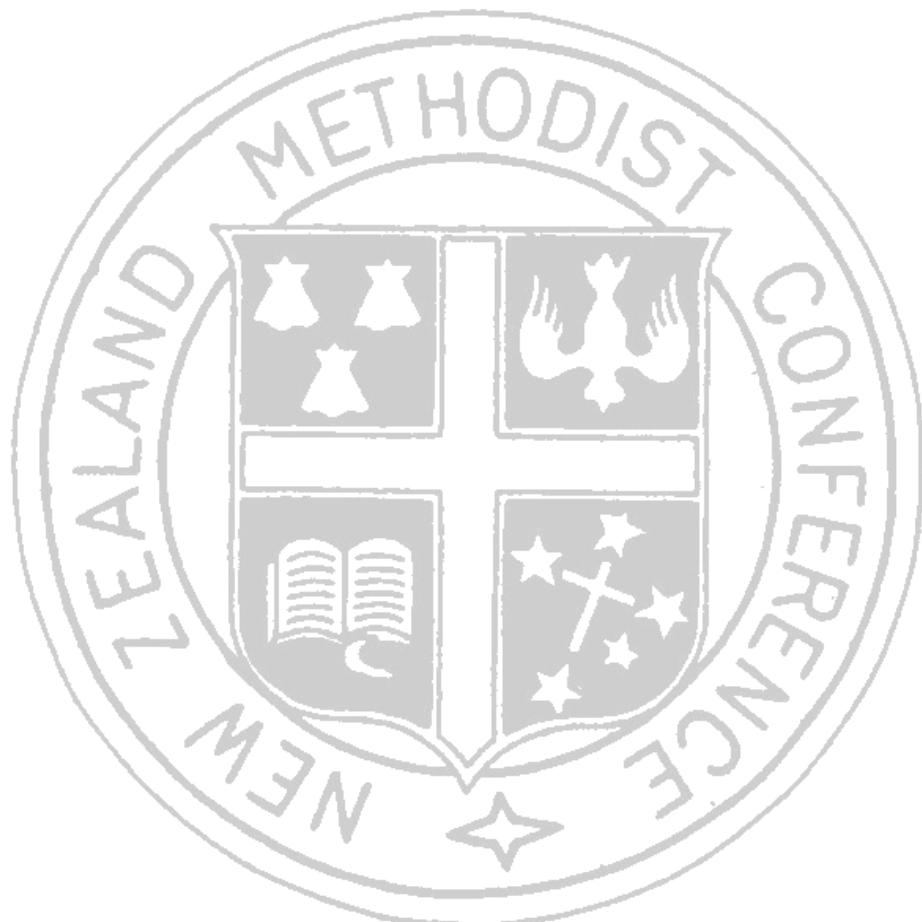
**Suggested Decision:**

1. That this report be received.



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*Law Revision*





# LAW REVISION

## Major Revision of the Law Book

The Committee is continuing its work of revision of the Law Book. During the year Section 1. Membership, Section 3. Parishes and Section 4. Synods, were circulated for comment. The Committee is especially grateful for the input from Faith and Order in helping to clarify issues in the membership section and the many helpful comments from Synods and individuals. Reading and analysing Laws and Regulations is not something all aspire to, but it is essential that some carefully critique the Committees work.

## Significant Revisions are:

### Section 1: Membership

Changes include 'Electoral Roll' renamed 'Membership Roll'.

The paragraphs describing 'The Lords Supper' and 'Public Worship' have been moved to Section 3. Parishes, as they describe part of the corporate life of the parish.

### Section 3: Parishes

Missions are moved from this section to Section 5. Connexional Boards and Committees, to recognise the changed structure of Missions. The wording for this section will be finalised in 2014.

A new section for Local Shared Ministry is added.

Parish Meeting becomes Parish Council.

### Section 4: Synods

All Synods, geographic and National now have the same Laws and Regulations. The separate sections for Sinoti and Vahefonua represented the Church making space for a new structure in National Synods. Experience has shown that all Synods have the same role and function and can be governed by the same law.

The revised section 4 is printed as an appendix, sections 1 and 3 will lie on the table during Conference. The intention is that Conference will adopt sections 1,3, 4 at this Conference.

The process which the Committee intends to follow is that the remaining sections of the Law Book will be circulated prior to Conference 2014 with a view to adopting the whole updated Law Book at Conference 2014.

It is important to note that the Committee is seeking to remove anomalies, ensure Conference decisions are included and redundant matters removed. The revision process is not intended to promulgate new Church Law. However there are some areas where significant change is being suggested and these areas are being brought to Conference for approval.

When looking at the Law Book the current and updated version is the one on the Methodist website. This can be downloaded and saved to your computer.

## Specific Changes for decision.

### Existing:

Section 3.6.6 (f) representatives of Membership Roll members (to be appointed by the annual Congregational Meeting in the proportion of one to every fifty members or part thereof).

### New:

Up to four representatives of Membership Roll members (to be appointed by the annual Congregational Meeting)

### Existing:

7. 5.2 The members of the Parish Meeting appointed by each Leaders' Meeting within the Parish:  
(see 3.6.4.(j))

- (a) where the Membership Roll membership of a congregation shall be 60 or less, the Leaders' Meeting shall appoint up to four members from the membership of that Leaders' Meeting;

- (b) where the Membership Roll membership of a congregation shall be more than 60, the Leaders' Meeting shall appoint up to six members from the membership of that Leaders' Meeting;
- (c) substitute members may be appointed.

**New:**

7.5.2 The members of the Parish Council appointed by Leaders' Meetings within the Parish. Each Leaders Meeting can appoint up to four members. (see 3.6.4.(j))

**Local Shared Ministry**

Law Revision met with the Local Shared Ministry Work Group to consider how Local Shared Ministries would be described in the Laws and Regulations. As this is new law, Conference will be asked to approve it.

7.10 *Local Shared Ministry (LSM) is a model of parish ministry where:*

*The congregation is the ministering community*

*The Parish Council is the governance body of the Parish.*

*The Ministry Support Team is responsible for the ministry of the Parish*

*An enabler shall be appointed by Synod*

*The Parish Superintendent is appointed by Conference*

- (a) *The Parish Council shall shape the Mission of the Parish (See 3.7.3 )*
- (b) *The Ministry Support Team shall take responsibility for pastoral care, worship, Christian education, community concerns and Social Justice on behalf of the parish council.*
- (c) *Members of the Ministry Support Team are “called” by the parish and confirmed by the parish council to serve for a 3 year term. Members of the Ministry Support Team shall be drawn from the Membership Roll of the parish and be persons who evidence Christian commitment through regular participation in the worship and mission of the congregation.*
- (d) *Members of the Ministry Support Team shall be ex officio members of the Parish Council.*
- (e) *Members of the Ministry Support Team may be appointed as parish stewards. In the event of a conflict of interest between the two roles the Parish Superintendent will appoint a suitable person to act in one or both roles.*
- (f) *The Ministry Support Team implements the mission of the congregation, and shall encourage other members of the congregation to offer their gifts in the life of the parish.*
- (g) *The Enabler shall act as spiritual director, consultant, encourager, supervisor, trouble-shooter and resource person. If the Enabler is a presbyter, s/he may also serve as the parish superintendent.*
- (h) *The Enabler’s task is team building, development of the pastoral, worship and mission skills of the Ministry Support Team. The Enabler shall audit the experience and skills of the team members and report to the parish council as required.*
- (i) *The Enabler shall facilitate any review of members of the Ministry Support Team upon the completion of a 3 year term of office and report to the parish council.*

**Changing the Words Supernumerary to Retired Minister**

It is noted that the removal of a compulsory retirement age under New Zealand law has resulted in some Presbyters superannuating but not retiring. The Church Superannuation Fund mandates superannuating no later than the year in which a member reaches the age of 65. Retirement is at an age of the Ministers choosing or if the pastoral Committee requires retirement on the grounds of health or disability. This has meant that some Law Book references to supernumeraries are not correct and the words retired minister is what is meant.

In each case below the word Supernumerary is replaced by retired.

**Section 2: 21. 2** The provisions relating to Ministers carrying on or engaging in any trade, business or profession shall not apply to Supernumerary (**retired**) Ministers PROVIDED ALWAYS



that such business or other profession, or association with another organisation is not one which may bring the name of the Church into disrepute.

#### **Section 4 - MEMBERSHIP OF THE MINISTERIAL SYNOD**

5. 1 (a) The President and Vice-President of the Conference;  
(b) All Presbyters whose names appear on the Stationing Sheet of the region and all Supernumeraries (retired ministers) who are normally resident in the region;

**Section 10: 23. 3.1 (d)** to defray the costs of removal of a Supernumerary (retiring minister) from the Circuit/Parish of appointment at the time of retirement to the place of retirement in New Zealand. (If the Supernumerary wishes to reside outside New Zealand, to defray expenses to the place of departure from New Zealand. These provisions shall apply at the discretion of the Board to removals either prior to or following actual retirement.);

#### **Section 11: 2.2.11 Trounson Trust**

The purposes of the Trust are to assist:

- widows and children of Ministers of the Church;
- Supernumerary (retired) Ministers in ill health or special need

#### **Winstone Memorial Trust Fund**

The purposes of the Fund are to:

- augment the stipends of ministers receiving less than the standard stipend;
- assist Supernumerary (retired) ministers and their widows.

#### **Committee Membership**

The Committee was sad to receive the resignation of Gardenia Atimalala Taule'ale'ausumai. Gardenia has made an important contribution to the Committee.

Manase Latu who has represented Vahefonua has also completed his term. We thank Manase for his wisdom and input over many years.

#### **Legal Advisor**

Howard Lawry took up a United Nations appointment in the Solomon Islands from 1 July 2013 and has been granted 18 months leave of absence. When such a vacancy occurs the Law Book specifies that the Ex-President will convene a Committee of the President, Vice President, Tumuaki and General Secretary who will bring a nomination.

The Committee recommended to the President that two people, Richard Cunliffe and Ruby Manukia-Schaumkel share the role. Richard will have primary responsibility for day to day matters and Ruby for Conference and Law Revision Committee.

Richard is Partner in MACTODD based in Queenstown. He has served as a member of the Christchurch Mission Board and advised the church for many years in his specialist areas.

Ruby is Principal of Manukia Consultants based in Auckland. Ruby is a member of Vahefonua and currently serves on the Board of Administration, Wesley College Board of Trustees, Faith and Order and Law Revision Committees. She brings significant legal experience from New Zealand, Tonga and the USA.

## **SECTION 4 - SYNODS**

### **INTRODUCTION**

Synods, are Courts of the Church, responsible to the Conference and to the Parishes and Congregations within their boundaries or areas of responsibility, to exercise governance on behalf of Conference, and to initiate, guide, encourage, and exercise a corporate episcopacy of the people called Methodists within their boundaries or areas of responsibility, as part of the body of Christ.

1. 1 The Methodist Connexion shall be organised thus:
  - (a) Synods named on the list of Stations of the Conference;
  - (b) Rohe (see 6.3.7);

## **AUTHORITY**

2. 1 Each Synod shall have and exercise such authority as shall from time to time be conferred upon it by the Conference and as shall elsewhere in these Laws and Regulations be contained or implied.
- 2.1.2 Except as elsewhere in these Laws and Regulations provided no meeting shall be competent to:
  - (a) suspend the operation of any Laws and Regulations of the Church, or any resolution of the Conference;
  - (b) pass any resolution to take any action contrary to the polity of the Methodist Church.
2. 2.1 Conference shall from time to time determine the boundaries of each Synod.
- 2.2.2 Sinoti Samoa, Vahefonua Tonga and Wasewase ko Viti kei Rotuma shall have national wide responsibility for all Samoan, Tongan and Fijian language parishes and congregations of the Methodist Church of New Zealand Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa under their jurisdiction.
2. 2.3 Conference may alter the boundaries of a Synod, amalgamate all or part with another Synod, or form a new regional court. No such change would normally be effected except on the recommendation of the Synod(s) and Mission Resourcing following full consultation with Parishes / Congregations concerned. Normally such alteration or amalgamation would not be effected without the consent of a majority of the Parish Meetings.

## **FUNCTIONS OF THE SYNOD**

3. 1 Each Synod has a responsibility to help members and Parishes discover their Mission and Ministry in Aotearoa New Zealand and thereby to fully participate in the life of the Church.
3. 2 Each Synod has a responsibility for and to each parish, congregation, and fellowship in its boundaries and shall foster and maintain a strategy for:
  - (a) evangelism, worship, Christian education and leadership training, community concerns and social justice, property and finance including redevelopment of existing resources, and partnership and participation with other churches;
  - (b) implementing or responding to Connexional decisions, whether of Conference or Parish;
  - (c) acting as a forum for discussion on matters of concern within the region / areas of responsibility;
  - (d) to provide a body to which Conference can both direct issues and seek advice relating to the care and oversight of members/congregations
  - (e) ensuring that adequate and up-to-date records are kept of all matters pertaining to the Synod including Minutes and Financial Accounts.
3. 3 Each Synod may organise and manage its life as appropriate within the Laws and Regulations of the Church.
3. 3.1 Each Synod may establish regional or geographical committees, as from time to time, be found necessary for the good working of the Synod.
- 3.2.2 Each Synod is encouraged to associate with other Synod/s to foster co-operation on a greater regional basis.
- 3.2.3 Each Synod should maintain appropriate interactions with other Synods, but may not interfere in the governance of the other Synod.
3. 3 The Officers of the Synod are: The Superintendent, The treasurer, The Secretary, Property Secretary.
- 3.3.1 The Officers shall be nominated for Annual appointment by the Conference. The nominations shall be brought to the Synod by the Nominations Committee/Synod Executive appointed by the Synod. Should the nominee not be stationed to the Synod in the ensuing year then the Synod shall at its next meeting make a nomination to the President.
3. 4 Each Synod may appoint an Executive which must include the officers and such others as enable the efficient operation of the Synod.
3. 5 Such Executive shall:

- (a) be responsible for the effective functioning of the Synod;
- (b) carry out other functions as from time to time shall be requested by the Synod;

## **MEMBERSHIP**

- 4.1 Membership of the Synod is based on the principle of automatic membership for all ministers under the authority of Conference, and on parity of numbers between lay and ordained members. Membership shall comprise:
- (a) the President and Vice-President of Conference (see 7.5.1.13);
  - (b) all duly appointed Officers of the Synod;
  - (c) all Presbyters and Deacons whose names appears on the Station Sheet of that Synod;
  - (d) all Presbyters, Deacons and Lay Persons who hold Connexional appointments and who reside in that Synod area.
  - (e) all Presbyters of other denominations who are appointed to any Co-operative Venture on the Stationing Sheet of the Conference within that Synod.
  - (f) all Lay Workers authorised by Conference to carry out specific functions within the Synod;
  - (g) all Minita-a-iwi and Probationer Minita-Rehita whose names appear on the Stationing Sheet of the Synod;
  - (h) two lay representatives from each Parish or Mission, with two additional representatives for each additional Presbyter or Probationer Presbyter appointed by Conference to that Parish or Mission;
  - (i) two lay representatives of each Co-operative Venture on the Stationing Sheet of Conference, with two additional Lay Representatives for each additional Presbyter appointed to that Co-operative Venture (whether by the Conference or other participating Church);
  - (j) two representatives of the Synod's Women's Fellowship(s);
  - (k) the National President of the Methodist Women's Fellowship if she resides in that Synod;
  - (l) two lay representatives from each Connexional Board/Trust/Committee located in that Synod;
  - (m) at least two persons representing the Synod's Children and Youth Ministries;
  - (n) all Lay Representatives on ecumenical or confessional Bodies within the Synod of which the Conference and other Bodies of the Conference, including the New Zealand Methodist Women's Fellowship have membership, with prior consent of the Conference given through the President;
  - (o) any Member of the Council of Elders or the Council of Conference resident in that Synod;
  - (p) any person appointed an 'Associate' of Synod by the President
  - (q) Enablers
  - (r) two representatives of the Synod's Lay Preachers.
  - (s) Synods may appoint additional members to reflect the work of the Synod.
  - (t) Presbyters or Deacons serving in Chaplaincy roles within the Synod area.
- 4.2 Only a person who is a member of the Methodist Church of New Zealand or a member of a partner Church in a Co-operative Venture constituted under a Constitution approved by the Conference shall be eligible to attend Synod as a Representative.

## **MEMBERSHIP OF THE MINISTERIAL SYNOD**

- 5.1
- (a) The President and Vice-President of the Conference;
  - (b) All Presbyters whose names appear on the Stationing Sheet of that Synod and all Supernumeraries who are normally resident in that Synod area;
  - (c) All Presbyters of other denominations who are appointed to any Co-operative Venture on the Stationing Sheet of the Conference;
  - (d) All Deacons whose names appear on the Stationing Sheet of that Synod area;
  - (e) All Minita-a-iwi and each Probationer Minita-Rehita whose names appear on the Stationing Sheet of the region;
  - (e) all lay persons appointed to a Synod Superintendency team;
  - (f) all lay workers authorised by Conference to carry out specific functions with the region;

- (g) Enablers contracted to the congregations/parishes within the Synod.
  - (h) Each Synod shall have a meeting of the Ministerial Synod at least annually.
- 5.2 Every member of the Ministerial Synod shall attend all sessions of the Ministerial Synod and each representative session unless a dispensation has been applied for and granted by the Synod Superintendent.

## **MEETINGS**

- 6.1 Each Synod shall meet for the Annual Meeting at the date determined by Conference and at such other times as that Synod determines.
- 6.2 A Synod Meeting may be adjourned to a time and place to be specified in the resolution for such adjournment for the conduct of any uncompleted business which shall be recorded in the resolution for the adjournment.
- 6.3 In special circumstances the Superintendent, shall, upon a requisition in writing by not fewer than six (6) members of the Synod, convene a Special Synod Meeting. Not less than seven day's written notice of such Meeting, specifying the time and place thereof and the business to be considered, shall be given to each person entitled to attend the Meeting. The Meeting shall not transact any business other than that specified in the notice. A record of the business transacted shall be kept and presented to the next ordinary Synod Meeting.
- 6.4 The conduct of meetings of the Synod shall be in accordance with the following:
- (a) Synod meetings shall be conducted according to the meeting procedures adopted from time to time by the Conference, see Section 7.
  - (b) at any official meeting of the Synod the attendance of at least one-third of the members entitled to attend shall constitute a quorum of such meeting;
  - (c) Any decision of Synod shall be made by those members entitled to vote.
- 6.4.1 Any issue or concern affecting the wider Church will be considered firstly by the Synod before being referred to a Standing Committee of the Conference, to a Board or Division, to another or other Synod(s), or for consideration at the next Conference. Matters for the consideration of the Conference shall be forwarded as Memorials to the General Secretary as soon as possible after the August Synod meeting. (see 3..9.1)
- 6.4.2 Where, due to the proximity of Conference, there is insufficient time for the procedures set out above to be followed, any important matter affecting the welfare of the Church may be referred direct to the Conference in the form of a Notice of Motion. (see 3.9.2)

## **SYNOD NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE**

- 7.1 The Committee shall be appointed at an early stage in the Connexional year and shall comprise up to three Ministers and up to three laypersons. Its task is to bring nominations for all Synod officers, and for such Connexional and Conference appointments for which the Synod is entitled to make nominations.
- 7.2 The Committee shall carry out its task as follows:
- (a) names shall be submitted to the Committee not less than ten days prior to the commencement of the August Synod;
  - (b) before submitting nominations the Committee shall confer with the person(s) or Parish(es) concerned;
  - (c) other names may also be considered by the Synod, but the conditions applying to (b) above shall still be observed.

## **SYNOD SUPERINTENDENCY**

- 8.1 Synod Superintendency shall be carried out by a Presbyterian in Full Connexion and by such others as are appointed by the Conference to exercise general pastoral oversight of the Synod and to carry out administrative duties as required by Conference, who shall:
- (a) convene all meetings of the Synod and see that the business of Synod is conducted in accordance with the questions, rules and procedures prescribed by Conference;
  - (b) as far as possible make annual official visits of an inspirational and advisory character to the Parishes of the region;
  - (c) convene and preside at the Ministerial Synod and initiate discussion on the work, and personal well-being of all ministers in that synod;
  - (d) arrange for the induction of ministers appointed to that synod;
  - (e) answer the questions which are asked by Conference concerning the ministers in

- that synod, and supply such information by the due date to the Connexional Office.
- (f) ensure appropriate supervision for all ministers within the synod;
  - (g) carry out all other Superintendency duties as required by the laws of the Church.
8. 2.1 A Synod Superintendent has the right after due notice to the Parish Superintendent to visit any Parish within the boundaries of the region and in sole discretion, to inquire into the affairs of the Parish and to confer with the Parish officials. If requested all Parish records and books shall be produced for inspection.
8. 3 A Synod Superintendent may appoint a Presbyterian in Full Connexion to act as Superintendent of any Parish in the region to which a Presbyterian in Full Connexion has not been appointed. Such Parish Superintendent shall act in consultation with the Synod Superintendent.
8. 4 The Synod Superintendent may appoint a member of Synod (either Ministerial or Lay) to preside at meetings of the Synod.
8. 5 The nomination of Superintendent(s) to Conference from the Synod shall normally be for a three year term. The appointment or re-appointment by the Conference of the Synod Superintendent(s) is an annual one, commencing on the 1st day of February each year. The nomination shall be reviewed by the Synod every three years unless a vacancy occurs earlier by the death, resignation, incapacity, or transfer of the existing Synod Superintendent(s) in which case it shall review the appointment as soon as possible.
8. 6 In the requisite year, the Nominations Committee/Synod Executive shall bring to the August Synod a nomination or nominations for the Synod Superintendency.
8. 7 If a Synod's nominee for the office of Synod Superintendent is, at the following Conference stationed outside the region, the representatives from the synod at that Conference shall submit a further nomination to the Conference.
8. 8 An Induction Service, conducted by the President of the Church or appointee, shall be held at an appropriate time after Conference has approved the Stationing Sheet.
8. 9 Where a sole Synod Superintendent has been appointed to a Synod the President of the Conference, in the event of that person's death, resignation, or incapacity, shall appoint one of the Presbyters of that Synod concerned to fill the office as long as the necessity shall continue. The Presbyterian so appointed shall be designated "Acting Synod Superintendent". An Acting Synod Superintendent may be similarly appointed in the event of the Synod Superintendent being absent from the appointment. In both instances the Acting Synod Superintendent shall have all the powers and duties of a Synod Superintendent.

### **SECRETARIES OF SYNODS**

9. 1 The Synod Secretary shall:
- (a) ensure that the minutes of the Ministerial Synod and the Synod are accurately recorded and that confirmed copies are forwarded to the Secretary of Conference;
  - (b) ensure the Synod Superintendent, the Synod Representative(s) to the Taiwi Strategy and Stationing Committee, Mission Resourcing Board and the Trinity College Council are supplied with copies of the minutes of the Ministerial Synod;
  - (c) ensure that the Synod furnishes the required Statistical returns;
  - (d) ensure that all resolutions bearing upon the work of Connexional Boards, Committees and Divisions are sent to the bodies concerned.
9. 3 The Synod shall make available practical help to expedite the work of the Secretary, including the provision of secretarial assistance. The cost thereof shall be a Synod responsibility.

### **SYNOD FINANCES**

10. 1 All funds held and administered by the Synod are under the final authority of the Conference.
10. 2.1 There shall be a Synod Account into which shall be paid all monies received by the Synod and from which shall be paid all Synod expenditure.
10. 2.2 Accounts shall be held with such bank or banks and in such manner as the Conference shall from time to time determine.
10. 2.3 All bank accounts shall require at least two signatories. The signatories to be annually appointed by the Synod.
10. 2.4 The financial year for each fund or funds of the Synod shall end on the 30 June each year and the Accounts shall be presented to the Synod as soon as practicable thereafter.

10. 2.5 All accounts shall be audited/reviewed annually by an auditor appointed annually by the Synod. No person shall act as auditor in respect of accounts for which such person is responsible.
10. 2.6 The Synod shall be responsible to obtain audit/review certificates in respect of all accounts within the synod not later than 31 August each year.
10. 2.7 The Synod accounts together with the Audit/Review Certificate in respect thereof shall be forwarded to the Connexional Office not later than 31 August each year.

### **SYNOD TREASURER**

10. 3 The Treasurer shall be responsible for administering and keeping all Synod Financial accounts, and carrying out such other financial, stewardship and advisory tasks as the Synod shall from time to time request. The Treasurer shall liaise with the Administration Division, and be responsible for communicating to the Synod Conference financial policies and decisions.

### **SYNOD PROPERTY** (see Section 9.7)

11. 1 Each Synod has a responsibility for the oversight of property within its area and shall guide the Synod's strategy in respect of property.
11. 2 In formulating such strategy Synod shall:
- (a) initiate consultation in the use of all property resources in the synod;
  - (b) study and consider Parish aspirations, strategy, plans and financial arrangements in respect of property;
  - (c) facilitate the seeking of such Connexional consents and support as are needed;
  - (d) see to the adequate oversight of Connexional Property in the synod and such other property (e.g. campsites) as are not the specific responsibility of any Parish Meeting or Incorporated Board within the area;
  - (e) oversee on behalf of the Conference the implementation within the synod of any Conference decision on property.

### **Synod Property Convenor**

11. 3 The Synod Property Convenor will Chair the Synod Property Advisory Committee.

### **Synod Property Advisory Committee**

11. 4.1 There shall be a Synod Property Advisory Committee appointed in each Synod which shall be elected at the August Synod in accordance with procedures determined by each Synod. In electing the members of the Property Committee, a Synod shall have regard to the required creative skills in strategy, building, finance and property to carry out its functions.
11. 4.3 The Synod Property Advisory Committee shall:
- (a) assist Parishes in working out their strategy in all property matters;
  - (b) consider all proposals by Parishes for the purchase, sale, lease, mortgage or other borrowing against buildings and property, plans and specifications of proposed buildings or alterations to buildings, and report to Synod and the Methodist Connexional Property Committee of the Board of Administration with recommendations regarding such proposals; (see 9.9.1)
  - (c) assist local congregations and Parishes in all matters concerning buildings, maintenance, briefs to architects, plans, specifications, and the purchase or selling of any property;
  - (d) assist a Parish in the choice of an approach to any builder, architect, draughtsman or other professional person, as may be appropriate to meet the needs of the Parish;
  - (e) assist in researching the history of Church land in the region.

### **SYNOD APPOINTMENTS**

12. 1 Each Synod shall as required appoint a Synod Candidates Convenor, who may serve more than one Synod. The Candidates Convenor shall ensure that the requirements of the Conference with respect to candidates have been fulfilled. (see 2.3.6 and 2.3.10)
12. 2 Where the Synod has a probationer appointed the Synod shall appoint a Synod Assessor of Probationers, who may be a presbyter or a layperson. The duties of the Synod Assessor of Probationers are to support the probationer, and to report annually to the

- Annual Synod and Mission Resourcing (see 2.5.4)
- 12.3 Each Synod shall appoint a Synod Study Leave Supervisor who shall encourage Presbyters to take Study Leave. The Supervisor shall receive reports on such Study Leave and the reports may be shared with the Ministerial Synod. (see 2.24.1)
  - 12.4.1 Each Synod shall appoint a Parish Review Committee to arrange and undertake the review of the Parishes in the Synod. The review committee shall comprise two Ministers and three Lay persons, to be known as the Parish Review Team. (see 3.8.1)
  - 12.4.2 The Review Team shall meet with the Minister(s), Parish Stewards, other officials of the Parish and the Leaders' Meetings and the Parish Meeting. The Review will be conducted using the current Guidelines of the Church which cover all aspects of the life and work of the Parish, including resources and property. (see Information Leaflet No.171)
  - 12.4.3 The Review Team shall report in writing, together with any recommendations, to the Synod. The report and the Synod recommendations arising shall normally be presented by a member of the Review Team to the Leaders' and/or Parish Meeting.

### **Suggested Decisions:**

1. That Conference adopts the Law and regulations relating to Local Shared Ministry.
2. That Conference adopts sections 1, 3 and 4 for on-going use.
3. That Conference agrees to replacing the word Supernumerary with retired in the sections noted in the report.
4. Conference thanks Gardenia Atimalala Taule'ale'ausumai and Manase Latu for their valuable contribution to the work of Law Revision.
5. Conference congratulates Richard Cunliffe and Ruby Manukia-Schaumkel on their appointment as acting legal Advisors.
6. The Law Revision Committee for 2014 is: Ruby Manukia-Schaumkel, Jill van de Geer, Peter Williamson, Jan Tasker, Stuart Grant, Lynne Frith, Rowan Smiley, Fatuatia Tufuga, Kathleen Tuai Ta'ufo'ou, The General Secretary, Donald Phillipps (corresponding member) Howard Lawry (Leave of absence)

### **Question 27(b) – What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Presidential rulings which have been made during the year?**

#### **Matters related to Boards and Committees**

1. Sao Timaloa to the Lifewise Trust Board
1. Emma Falconer to the Board of Tamahere Eventide Home
2. Ruby Manukia-Schaumkel and Richard Cunliffe as Acting Legal Advisors for the Methodist Church of New Zealand
3. Howard Lawry leave of absence
4. Kathryn Ravenswood to the Lifewise Trust Board
5. Rev Mary Nicholas to the 155 Whare Roopu Board
6. David McGeorge to Wesley College Trust Board
7. Graham White to Mission Resourcing Board
8. Richard Biddle to trinity College Council
9. The resignation of the Board of 155 Whare Roopu is accepted
10. That the Board be replaced by a Commissioner as recommended by the Superintendent
11. That Rev Mary Nicholas continue to be involved with the staff of 155 through the provision of pastoral care
12. That Mr Christopher Perry and Ms Robyn Mathews provide professional support to the staff of the community law centre

### **Suggested Decision:**

1. That the report be received.







# *Administration*

- Administration Division
- Connexional Trusts
- PAC Distribution Group
- PACT 2086 Trust
- Investment Advisory Board
- Methodist Trust Association
- Robert Gibson Trust
- Wesley Historical Society
- Travel & Study





## **BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION**

### **CONNEXIONAL OFFICE STAFFING**

We have an exceptional staff team, which is unchanged over the last year. The enormous effort which went into settling the Christchurch earthquake claim came to fruition in May when the claim was signed off.

The house at 1 Maydell Street continues to be a good home for the office, although we are looking forward to a new purpose built space.

The General Secretary took half of his long service leave in June/July. He will take the remainder in May/June 2014. Rev Dr Susan Thompson provided excellent back-up to the Board and Connexion as Acting General Secretary while David was on leave.

### **BOARD MEMBERSHIP**

The membership of the Board also remains unchanged for 2014. However Board Chair Ruth Bilverstone has indicated this will be her final year as a Board member and Chair.

The Board for the 2014 Connexional Year is: Ruth Bilverstone (Chair), David Bush, Alan Bettany, Don Biggs, Ruby Manukia-Schaumkel, David McGeorge, Arapera (Bella) Ngaha, Digby Prosser, Nan Russell, Diana Tana, Paula Taumoepeau, John Wilson (Secretary).

### **STIPENDS COMMITTEE**

The Stipends Committee met in May to consider the stipend for the 2013-2014 year. The Committee is a sub-committee of the Board of Administration: David McGeorge, Jan Tasker, Dale Peach, Nicola Grundy, and David Bush.

The Committee considered the following factors:

- The Consumer Price Index for the year to 31 March 2013 which showed an increase of 0.9%.
- The Labour Cost Index for the year to 31 December which showed an increase of 1.6%.
- The stipends of the Anglican and Presbyterian Church, our most significant partners.
- The stipend adjustments of partner churches.

Conference decisions with regard to stipends ask that the Committee considers the CPI and any other relevant factors when recommending an adjustment to the stipend. In recent years the adjustments have followed the CPI.

The Committee noted however that the Methodist Stipend was the lowest of those offered by partner churches and that partner churches were adjusting stipends by the slightly larger movement in the Wage Cost Index.

The Committee therefore recommended to the President that the stipend increase by 1.6% and allowances by 0.9% from 1 July 2013. The President approved these adjustments and the changes have taken effect.

### **PROVISION FOR LONG LEAVE AND ANNUAL LEAVE**

#### **Long Leave**

Long Leave is credited to those in stationed appointments at the rate of one week for every year's service, to be taken between the 7<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> years.

Currently the parish where a Presbyter is located in the year when the leave is taken bears much of the cost. As most Presbyters will move in a 7-10 year period it is possible some parishes will not be faced with the costs of long leave and others may have a Presbyter taking leave 2 or 3 times in a similar period.

The Stipends Committee is recommending that long leave be provisioned on an on-going basis. Parishes would need to contribute one week's stipend per year, but when their Presbyter is taking long leave, the payment would come from the long leave provision, not the parish. This would allow the parish flexibility to organise short-term arrangements as they would not be paying stipend and allowances over that time.

Initially of course there may be some shortfall in the funds required. The Committee did note that Mission Resourcing does have a fund which provides approximately 50% of the costs of long leave stipends to those parishes which meet the criteria.

### **Annual Leave**

A similar process could apply. Parishes would be levied the annual leave provision on a monthly basis at approximately 8% of stipend. Funds would be lodged in a MTA account.

Annual leave payments would be paid from the annual leave provision rather than the parish.

This would allow annual leave to be carried over from one year to the next or one parish to the next.

BOA staff will investigate if application and verification of leave can become an online process.

At this stage these are ideas for discussion. The Board has asked that a discussion paper be circulated to Parishes, Rohe, Synods and Boards.

### **CONNEXIONAL TRAVEL**

For many years there has been a category title 'Connexional Travel' which sets a reimbursement rate of 48 cents per km. This rate does not directly correspond with any of the rate bands for parish travel reimbursement.

The Committee is recommending that for a Presbyter or Deacon in receipt of a travel allowance that they be reimbursed according to the distance the vehicles they use travel in a year, according to their log book.

The IRD also specifies a rate of 39 cents per km where a log book does not need to be maintained. The Committee is recommending that this rate (39 cents per km) applies for casual travel. This would be for both Connexional and parish travel.

The lower rate recognises the marginal cost of consumables and is not making a contribution to 'capital cost' which is incurred when a vehicle is required to carry out the duties of a Presbyter.

This change was approved by the President and took effect from 1<sup>st</sup> July 2013.

### **TAXATION ISSUES**

#### **Fringe Benefit Tax**

The extensive review by IRD did not result in changes which affect the Methodist Church of New Zealand. The provision to use vouchers to part-pay salary was removed, but the MCNZ has not used or approved use of this as it believed it was against the spirit of the legislation.

Charities continue to be exempt from Fringe Benefit Tax. The cost if this privilege had been lost would have been more in administration cost and complexity than dollars. As noted above, it is important that as a church we live up to the spirit of these tax laws so that the privilege is not undermined or lost.

#### **Taxable Status of "Free" Housing**

Early in 2013 the IRD advised that "free" housing would become taxable at the market rental from 1<sup>st</sup> April. An urgent meeting with the Revenue Minister and IRD officials, as well as a detailed submission from the churches saw the start date pushed back to 1 October 2013. The delay was to allow the parties to consult further, and for the Government and IRD to consider the most appropriate way forward.

The October date has now 'lapsed' and fruitful conversations with the Revenue Minister are continuing. If it is possible a verbal update will be given at Conference. It is clear however that parishes do not need to provision for any change in the current financial year.

### **SUPERNUMERARY FUND**

The three yearly actuarial review was received in July.

This review acts as an audit of the Fund to ensure that it is being properly managed and that its funding is adequate to meet present and future obligations.

The financial health of the Fund is dependent on the level of investment returns and the rate of increase in stipend. In the last three years lower interest rates and low inflation have meant that these did not reach the levels assumed in the last three yearly review.

The Fund continues to have sufficient assets to cover present and future pensions. There are insufficient funds available however to allow an increase in the pension rate and this remains at \$411.43 per year of fund membership.

The Fund is also required by the Superannuation Act to hold sufficient resources to meet all obligations if every member resigned at once. To meet this requirement the Board of Administration has taken out, on behalf of the whole church, a mortgage over the assets of Morley House and the Board of Administration share of 409 Great South Road. The mortgage guarantee currently stands at \$3 million. The risk of all members resigning is low and the amount of the guarantee will decline as members superannuate.

The Board has also made two payments into the Fund totalling \$96,700.41 to meet the obligations of nominated beneficiaries. A member who does not have a spouse may nominate a beneficiary. This cost is 'built in' and covered for 'new members' who joined the scheme after 1996. For 'old members' who joined before 1996 the church is required to make a capital payment into the Fund to cover the assessed pension which will be payable to the nominated beneficiary. The Board made the payment from its reserves, but notes that this is an obligation of the whole church and would need to be funded by the church if the Board was not in a position to fund these payments.

A full report is sent to all members of the Fund each year.

#### **HEALTH AND SAFETY**

Following the Pike River Royal Commission new requirements for health and safety are being issued. Particular responsibility is placed on Directors to ensure that work places are safe and that there is a safety culture established. As a guide it is stated that an organisation needs to spend as much time and effort considering health and safety as it does on financial matters.

The Board is considering the implications of the new requirements and will be reporting to Synods, Hui Poari, Parishes, Rohe and Boards.

As a first step the Board is engaging a health and safety professional to work with the Board to advise how responsibility for compliance needs to work in a multi-layered organisation like the Methodist Church.

Once the Government has finalised the health and safety regulations, these will be translated as necessary.

Does the Methodist Church have a culture of safety? Following the release of the new requirements for Health and Safety the General Secretary discussed with leaders in the church the expectation that all 'incidents' would be recorded and reported. The object being that steps would be taken to mitigate future risk.

One response was particularly disturbing: "Did you hear about the church member who fell off the roof?"

At church working bees do we allow members to undertake tasks beyond their ability or expertise?

How do we decide what is appropriate for members to do, and when do we engage professionals?

Have we ever put someone at risk because we are seeking to save money rather than engage a professional?

It is clear that health and safety is an area which will need to be treated seriously. The regulations will provide significant penalties when the standards are breached or ignored.

The Board believes we owe it to our members, and the public who use our facilities that the Methodist Church meets or exceeds health and safety requirements.

## **REMOVAL FUND**

The Board of Administration reduced the removal fund levy to \$10 per member from the 2012-2013 financial year. This is proving to be sufficient to cover removal costs and the levy will remain at this reduced figure for the 2013 -14 financial year.

The levy payment to parishes is calculated from the membership numbers provided in the annual statistical returns for the prior year. If no statistics returns are received, membership numbers are used from the last returns received.

During the year ended 30 June 2013, the fund was responsible for 18 moves (17 in 2012) at a total cost of \$85,416 (\$58,864 in 2012). This is an increase of 1 move and an increase of \$26,552 when compared to the previous financial year. The cost increase was due to some more expensive moves. Interestingly the inter-island moves (4) were not the most expensive. The fund pays for up to 45 cu metres of household effects and insurance for up to \$100,000. These are the amounts that the Removal Company believes will enable all people to move the contents of a four bedroom plus study dwelling. The majority of moves do not exceed 45cu metres. Amounts above these limits are the responsibility of the Presbyter.

We are also pleased to report that the moves were completed with very few issues.

## **SIGNING AUTHORITY**

The Board of Administration was asked during the year to clarify who may sign parish bank accounts.

All parish accounts require two signatures, or in the case of electronic banking two authorities. The Parish Council is responsible for approving who will be the authorised signatories. Usually the Treasurer and two or three others will be authorised.

In 2012 Vahefonua Tonga very helpfully made a ruling that in their congregations signatories must not be closely related to one another (husband, wife, son, daughter, brother, sister etc.).

The Board believes Vahefonua has given a good lead. The issue as far as we know, is not misuse of signing authority, but the need to ensure that our processes are robust and there can be no perception of conflict of interest.

The Conference has previously noted that Presbyters should not be signatories; the church is reminded of this.

It has also come to our notice that some are still pre-signing cheques. This is a very risky practice and should not be occurring.

## **CHARITIES COMMISSION**

As a consequence of the Financial Reporting Bill, there are changes being made to the Charities Act which will affect all charities.

Most of these changes relate to the how registered charities undertake their annual reports, auditing and filing of the annual return to the Charities Commission.

These changes will have some impact from 1 April 2014 but the full force of these changes will not occur until 1 April 2015.

### **Financial Reporting for Registered Charities**

During 2012 and 2013 employees of the Board of Administration have undertaken a number of workshops on Xero accounting and the changes to financial reporting for Public Benefit Entities. The changes to financial reporting standards will impact upon every not-for-profit entity registered with the Charities Commission from 1 April 2015 but as there will be a need to have comparative financial information, each registered charity will need to think about being able to have financial information in a format that is able to be used in the new formats.

This is the first time that financial reporting standards have been developed for the not for profit

sector and having a four tier system is unique in the world.

This is a brief overview of the Tier structure. It is the intention of the Board of Administration to provide workshops for the preparers of annual accounts during 2014 on the details on how to comply with the standards so that if parishes wish to “early adopt” the standards when they prepare their annual accounts on 30 June 2014, they can do so. In addition to providing workshops the Board intends to provide an online “blog” so that on-going information is provided and that questions and answers can be received. If possible social media as well as print media will be used.

A PBE is a Public Benefit Entity or a Not-for-Profit entity.

### ***PBE Tier Criteria***

Tier 1 will be the default tier for all public benefit entities unless they are able to prove that they fit into one of the other Tier groups.

Entities that are not large (as defined) and not publicly accountable (as defined) may elect to be in another tier if they meet the criteria for that tier.

#### Tier 1 Criteria

##### *Entity Size*

The XRB proposes that entity size be used as the primary criterion to establish the PBE tiers and that **all large** PBEs be required to report in accordance with Tier 1 requirements.

For this purpose, **large** will be defined as:

*“Entities with expenses greater than \$30 million”,*

with expenses defined as:

*“Expenses recognised in the Statement of Financial Performance in accordance with PAS”.*

##### *Public Accountability*

The XRB proposes that PBEs which have public accountability also be required to report in accordance with Tier 1 requirements. This is consistent with the higher level of accountability expected of entities operating in the capital markets.

#### Tier 2 Criteria

The XRB proposes that the criteria for Tier 2 be as follows:

*“A PBE may elect to be in Tier 2 when the entity:*

- (a) does not have public accountability (as defined); and*
- (b) is not a large PBE (as defined).”*

with the same definitions of public accountability and large as specified for Tier 1 applying.

This approach allows entities that do not meet these criteria, to report in accordance with a simpler set of accounting standards if they consider it results in a better matching of the costs and benefits of their reporting. It is expected that the majority of entities eligible to do so will make the election.

Only a small number of Methodist Church entities will be either Tier 1 or 2.

#### Tier 3 Criteria

The XRB proposes that the criteria for Tier 3 be as follows:

*“A PBE may elect to be in Tier 3 when the entity:*

- (a) does not have public accountability (as defined); and*
- (b) has operating expenses (as defined) less than or equal to \$2 million but more than \$125,000”,*

with operating expenses being defined in a new reporting standard currently under development by the External Reporting Board (XRB). However, the Board understands that the concepts being developed will be based on cash payments and cash accounting.

#### Tier 4 Criteria

The XRB proposes that the criterion for Tier 4 be as follows:

*“A PBE may elect to be in Tier 4 when the law allows the entity to report in accordance with cash accounting and whose operating payments are less than \$125,000.”*

The Board believes that most of the entities that are part of the Methodist Church and report to Conference will meet the Tier 3 and 4 criteria and therefore most of the education to the preparers of annual accounts will focus on these two Tiers.

#### **Accounting Standards**

The XRB proposes that the accounting standards applying to the PBE tiers be as follows:

##### PBE Tier 1:

PBE Accounting Standards (PAS) comprising International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSAS), modified as appropriate for New Zealand circumstances, together with additional standards as necessary. This is a new suite of standards which will be issued and amended from time to time in accordance with the XRB's power to issue and amend standards.

##### PBE Tier 2:

PAS RDR comprising the standards applying to Tier 1 but with reduced disclosure concessions. This is a new suite of standards which will be issued and amended from time to time in accordance with the XRB's power to issue and amend standards.

##### PBE Tier 3:

PBE Simple Format Reporting Standard – Accrual (PSFR-A) comprising a single standard allowing reporting in accordance with a simple format approach, using accrual accounting but with recognition and measurement concessions (compared to Tiers 1 and 2). This is a new suite of standards which will be issued and amended from time to time in accordance with the XRB's power to issue and amend standards.

##### PBE Tier 4:

PBE Simple Format Reporting Standard – Cash (PSFR-C) comprising a single standard allowing reporting in accordance with a simple format approach, using cash accounting. This is a new suite of standards which will be issued and amended from time to time in accordance with the XRB's power to issue and amend standards.

#### **XERO ACCOUNTING**

Over the past 12 months employees of the Board have been involved in a number of workshops and training sessions to help treasurers and other parish members move their accounting systems onto Xero. As at the date of this report 40 entities within the Church use Xero as their main accounting system.

The Staff at the Board receive daily enquiries from parishes about using Xero and Board staff have been kept busy with implementation and training.

It is hoped that by moving onto Xero that parishes are able to continue underrating the day to day accounting work needed at the parish but knowing that help is but a phone call away at the Connexional Office.

The management of the Board have extended their support to parishes by meeting the monthly costs of Xero for parishes who report to Conference. This means that the major costs associated with the transition to Xero are minimized and that parishes can focus on obtaining the necessary skills to use Xero.



## **COMPLAINTS – DISCIPLINARY CODE**

During the year four matters were referred to the Complaints Officer. The Complaints Officer referred one back to the General Secretary and matters have been concluded through a 'mediation style' process. One complaint has been resolved, two are in early stages of the process and an investigation commenced in 2012 has also been completed.

One complaint is on-going and is currently in the hands of the Complaints Review Officer.

## **COMPLAINTS REVIEW COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON REPORT**

The Chairperson of the Complaints Review Committee is required to report to Conference each year as to the work of the Complaints reviewers and to make any suggestions as to amendments to the Disciplinary Code.

This year, there has been one ongoing complaint that continues to be with the Chair for the Complaints Review Committee.

There are no suggestions for amendments to the Disciplinary Code.

### **Suggested Decisions:**

1. Conference asks the Board of Administration to produce a discussion paper on Provisioning of Long Leave and Annual Leave and to report back to Conference 2014.
2. That the Synods, Parishes, Rohe and Boards when approving authorised signatories on their accounts ensure that potential conflicts of interest be avoided, in particular that signatories must not be closely related.
3. The Board for the 2014 Connexional Year is: Ruth Bilverstone (Chair), David Bush, Alan Bettany, Don Biggs, Ruby Manukia-Schaumkel, David McGeorge, Arapera (Bella) Ngaha, Digby Prosser, Nan Russell, Diana Tana, Paula Taumoepeau, John Wilson (Secretary).

## **CONNEXIONAL FINANCIAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**

*Supplementary Paper*

## **ARCHIVES**

### **Highlights and achievements of the Methodist Church of New Zealand Archives**

Period covered: 1 July 2012-30 June 2013

#### **Re-opening of the Christchurch Methodist Archives**

It was almost like being back to normal, with the Christchurch Methodist Archives re-opening again on 9 January 2013. The Archives Collection had been moved from Morley House, to a storage warehouse in June 2012. After 6 months getting the collection back into place, and setting up a Reading Room in the storage facility for researcher to use, we were ready to open again.

The Christchurch Methodist Archives is the first religious archive in Christchurch to open again after the February 2011 earthquakes.

#### **Retirement of Frank Paine**

Long-term volunteer Frank Paine retired after 26 years of service in July 2012, just before his 88<sup>th</sup> birthday. His in-depth knowledge of Methodist Church parishes is missed.

#### **Appointment of Cynthia McKenzie to the Auckland Archives**

Cynthia McKenzie was appointed as temporary Archivist in November 2012, to manage the Auckland Archives. She is an experienced librarian and researcher.

#### **Volunteer team**

The assistance of the volunteers in reorganising the Archives Collection onto shelves after moving to the storage warehouse was invaluable. Other projects volunteers have been working on include the New Zealand Methodists Name Index, cataloguing records and typing handwritten lists and indexes.

Volunteers: Marlene Borgfeldt, Joyce Challies, Enid Ellis, Katherine Gillard (from November 2012), Jan Kotlowski (from January 2013), Frank Paine (retired 22 July).

Total volunteer hours: approx. 900 hours

### User statistics July 2012-June 2013

	Christchurch	Auckland
Written enquiries received (including email)	403	27
Telephone enquiries	50	7
Researchers in person	9	8

### New acquisitions

The following parishes have transferred records to the Methodist Archives: Lyall Bay Church, St Johns Church, Levin, St Johns Church, Karori.

Jo Smith, Head Archivist, Christchurch

### Suggested Decision:

1. The report be received.

## METHODIST CONNEXIONAL PROPERTY COMMITTEE

The Methodist Connexional Property Committee is responsible for both the Church Building and Loan Fund which oversees Church property transactions, deposits and loans and for the Insurance Fund which manages the placement of the Church's material damage and liability suites of cover.

The Committee meets monthly and is principally made up of Church members from the Central South Island Synod. Rev Michael Greer has been a member of the Committee for the past 18 months.

The Committee will be looking to increase its representation from the wider Church. This is seen as important as the Methodist Connexional Property Committee continues to deal with the issues of seismic strength of Church property throughout the Connexion.

### Church Building and Loan Fund

The Church Building and Loan Fund holds the deposits resulting from the sale of Church property in the name of the parish that previously occupied the property,

The Fund also provides low interest loans to Church groups developing, purchasing or carrying out significant maintenance to Church property throughout the Connexion.

Interest on the loans is charged at 90% of the Westpac residential floating first mortgage rate, currently 5.62% and loans can either be interest only for a term of five years or repaid by interest and principal instalments over ten years in which case the interest for the first two years is significantly rebated.

The interest rate charged is reviewed quarterly but with the very flat mortgage interest rates prevailing over the past two and a half years, the lending rate has not altered. As mortgage rates increase, particularly if the Official Cash Rate (OCR) is raised in early 2014 as is likely, the formula for the interest rate charged will provide for an increase in the rate charged to Church borrowers.

The parishes depositing the sale proceeds of property receive interest at the rate of 80% of the lending rate with the quarterly interest distributions currently at 3.93% per annum. An increase in the lending rate will provide a similar lift in the deposit interest rate.

Parishes are entitled to draw a large part of the interest earned to use for parish expenses subject to the approval of the Synod and an annual review to ensure that on-going use of the interest is required. Currently 80% of the interest earned is available.

Where properties that are no longer required for Church purposes are sold and there is little likelihood of replacement property being purchased, a levy of 15% on the sale price is deducted and is split 50/50 with one half being credited to the Development Fund Property and the other half to Development Fund Ministry to provide assistance to other parishes. The net proceeds of sale are then held in the name of the Synod (noting the parish which sold the property) and the benefits of the proceeds of sale are available to the Synod for its purposes.

### **Development Fund Properties**

Conference in 1989 resolved that 50% of the annual excess of income over expenditure of the Church Building and Loan Fund excluding any grants, donations, bequests or capital accretion from the Methodist Trust Association deposits be made available to the Development Fund Property with 2/5ths being added to capital and 3/5ths being added to the Income Fund.

Grants are made on the recommendation of Mission Resourcing. Mission Resourcing and the Methodist Connexional Property Committee have been discussing how appropriate this provision is and it is suggested that it would be preferable for the Methodist Connexional Property Committee to approve grants as part of the normal property approvals.

This will become particularly important as the Church looks to fund the cost of the detailed seismic assessments that will follow the initial evaluation reports where these determine that a building has a seismic strength ratio below 34% of new building standard (NBS).

There is a recommendation, for consideration by Conference, approving a change in the authorising arrangements.

### **Seismic Surveys**

The seismic surveys of all non-domestic residential property owned by the Church south of Huntly have been completed.

This determined that over half of the Church's property is potentially earthquake prone and the reports determined that just under 20 properties were considered to be so significantly at risk in the event of another moderate to major earthquake that the Church needed to vacate the properties to ensure the safety of its congregations and the communities groups using the properties.

In the other cases, where the buildings were found to be below 34% of NBS but the engineers have determined that the buildings did not pose a sufficiently serious risk to require them to be closed whilst further detailed engineering assessments (DEA) were completed and plans prepared for the strengthening of those properties, the properties continue to be used.

The contract for the balance of the country (ie north of Huntly) will hopefully have been let by the time of Conference.

There is no question but that the Church will face considerable issues and capital costs both in regard to the provision of the DEAs and the structural work that will follow.

All local authorities have or will shortly be requiring property owners to have professional seismic evaluations of their property and the Methodist Church of New Zealand, in common with other major denominations, are being proactive in carrying out these reviews and requiring strengthening of its property in advance of local authority requirements.

### **New Government Policy**

On 8 August 2013 the Minister of Building and Construction, Maurice Williamson, announced the government's policy to deal with earthquake prone buildings.

While the implications of the policy are still being reviewed it seems that building owners now have up to five years in which to have an assessment undertaken on their earthquake prone buildings, with another 15 years being available to them to carry out the necessary work or demolish. On top of that, some listed historic places (likely to include either Category One buildings or those listed on the national heritage register) another five years will be available to upgrade their seismic strength. It is noted that where a programme of strengthening has already been agreed with a local authority, that agreed timetable does not change.

Some properties (and this could include rural churches that are considered to be used "infrequently") may be excused any requirement to be strengthened.

The Methodist Church of New Zealand has previously stated that it expected its buildings found to have a seismic rating below 34% NBS to be strengthened to 67% over the next few years. The Church also

expressed a desire for buildings over 34% NBS but below 67% to be strengthened over time to 67% NBS. It is noted that the New Zealand Society for Earthquake Engineering continue to advocate for buildings to be strengthened to 67% NBS.

The Methodist Church of New Zealand needs to determine whether it will amend its requirements in the face of the much more relaxed stance now promoted by the Government.

In 2013, the Methodist Connexional Property Committee asked all synods whether they supported any relaxation in the Church's stance. Four synods and one parish responded with the general response being that the Church should meet the legal requirements. Given the newly announced government policy this is for the trigger of 34% (which will still affect over half of the Church's buildings) and with a very significantly extended time for strengthening.

The Methodist Connexional Property Committee seeks the guidance of Conference as to how the Church, as part of its Mission, responds to these issues of community well-being and pastoral concern.

It must be stressed that the need to comply with the code has not been removed but rather the time-frame suggested by the Canterbury Earthquakes Royal Commission has been extended. If a waiver of compliance is available for seldom used (rural?) churches, would the Methodist Church of New Zealand wish to take advantage of such relief?

The Committee understands that it will continue with the assessment programme for the remainder of the Church's buildings to determine the seismic strength of the building stock.

The Methodist Connexional Property Committee acknowledges the significant assistance and goodwill of Synods and Parishes as they respond to the initial evaluation reports released to date.

### **Church Plans**

The Connexion has found that its collection of plans of Church property was not as extensive as was originally expected and it would be grateful if any parish holding building plans of Church property could forward those plans to the Connexional archive. If the parish wishes to retain a copy of the plans the Archives will arrange for a photocopy of each of the sheets to be made and returned to the parish. Providing these plans to the engineers will provide significant savings both in the on-going initial evaluation reports and in the later detailed engineering assessments.

### **Health and Safety in Employment Act**

The position of building owners and managers of buildings known to be earthquake prone (sub 33% of NBS) with regard to providing a safe working environment has been raised. One national insurance broker has questioned whether public liability (and presumably officers and directors) covers would continue if a building known to be below code collapsed in an earthquake and caused injury to its occupants.

The President's Legal Advisor has been asked for an opinion on the matter and a further supplementary report will be prepared if required.

### **Holding of Title**

In 1993, Conference resolved that it wanted all property held under Model Deed Trusts transferred to the Board of Administration (or other approved incorporated board) and the Model Deed Trusts wound up with administration of Church property being transferred to the Parish Leaders meetings.

Conference 2011 agreed a further decision requesting all remaining Model Deed trustees to move expeditiously to the transfer of title and the winding up of the few remaining Model Deed Trusts.

The largest model deed in the Connexion, the Grey Institute Trust, has heeded Conference's request and has arranged to transfer title to all of the remaining New Plymouth leasehold properties and the freehold properties held by the Grey Institute Trust into the name of Te Taha Maori Property Trust. As previously, the income earned from these properties is transferred to Te Taha Maori for its purposes. Several other Model Deed Trusts have also moved to transfer title and wind up.

## **Registered Trusts**

The Methodist Connexional Property Committee and the Board of Administration have reviewed a recent and growing tendency for Church groups to look to form registered charitable trusts to undertake aspects of the work of the Church.

The Methodist Connexional Property Committee and the Board of Administration see two issues arising from the proliferation of these Trusts. Firstly the Church is moving away from parish leaders being in control of the life and work of the Church such as was occurring in some of the Methodist Model Deeds where the trustees in a number of cases operated quite independently of the wishes of the parish. Secondly, if the terms of the trust do not make the trusts compliant with the Laws and Regulations of the Church then it is most likely that the trusts would not be considered legally part of the life and work of the Methodist Church of New Zealand and not be covered in terms of the church's liability insurances. This means that the trusts and more importantly the trustees may be acting without either the protection of the Church or the benefit of liability cover in the event that some issue arises which gives rise to a claim.

The issue of trust law is particularly technical and it may not be possible for existing trusts that do not meet the requirements of Conference oversight and the Church's insurance cover to be brought retrospectively under the Church's oversight and protection. This is a matter that the General Secretary, the Committee and the Board of Administration have taken legal advice on through the President's legal advisor and independent senior legal counsel.

It is considered that the ramifications for the Church in the formation and operation of such charitable trusts is as important and as fundamental as the sale and purchase of Church property and there are recommendations for consideration by this Conference requiring any group within the Church considering the formation of a charitable trust to undertake the work of the Church or in any way related to the work of the Methodist Church of New Zealand to seek the explicit approval of the General Secretary before such trusts are formed and registered. Many of the trusts exist to undertake educational and social service delivery functions and the commitment of the Church to third parties (particularly government departments and other significant funders) is substantial with the potential liability of the Church on an annual basis possibly in the hundreds of thousands of dollars. Accordingly it is imperative that the Connexion understands the reason for the formation of any charitable trust, the implications of the operation of that trust, both for the trustees and for the Church, and the liabilities and obligations being assumed by that Trust either on behalf of the Methodist Church of New Zealand or substantially on behalf of the Church.

## **Property Insurance**

Following the significant difficulties that surrounded the replacement of the Methodist Church of New Zealand insurance cover for the 2012 year, the placement for 2013 proceeded very smoothly. The Methodist Church of New Zealand property insurance is placed as part of the cooperative AllChurches Risk Management Bureau placement involving the Baptist, Anglican, ACTS, Elim and Lutheran Churches with cover being held partly through Lloyds of London and partly through QBE Insurance NZ.

Conference 2012 reaffirmed the position of the Methodist Church of New Zealand that it would insure all of its property for natural calamity cover including earthquakes and it is acknowledged that the inclusion of the earthquake cover has significantly increased the cost of the insurance cover over a less comprehensive insurance arrangement which excluded natural disasters.

The recent swarm of earthquakes off the coast of Marlborough are a timely reminder however that New Zealand sits on a web of active earthquake fault lines and if the failure of the fault line giving rise to the July earthquakes had been a few kilometres north, the damage suffered in Wellington would most likely have been significantly greater than has been experienced.

The government earthquake commission levy was increased in 2011 from five cents per \$100 of cover to 15cents per \$100 of cover to apply from insurance renewals after February 2012. The Insurance Fund did not pass on this cost for the 2013 insurance year but this will need to be included in the 2014 renewals.

Conference has also previously re-affirmed the importance of insuring property for the full replacement value unless the synod agrees as part of an agreed property strategy that individual properties may be insured for indemnity value.

The Insurance Fund notes that such lesser cover has significant implications in the event of a claim for the repair of damage to part of a building where the parish may have to face a significant share of the repair costs.

### **Maximum Claim Pay-out**

The Insurance Fund has also stressed to those responsible for the stewardship and management of Church property that the nominated sums insured will set the maximum that can be claimed in the event of any destruction of Church property. Accordingly it is imperative that all Church property is re-valued regularly (including residential property which is now subject to a nominated sum insured – not the measured area of the residential property) and the insurance schedule updated at least every other year.

The Insurance Fund continues to provide a subsidy of 75% of the replacement insurance valuation costs incurred by each parish or church group when the sums insured are updated following re-valuation.

The Insurance Fund also promotes Business Interruption insurance to both provide protection to parish income budgets against the potential loss of rent and other property income in the event of an insurable loss and also to potentially cover the costs of hiring replacement facilities pending the repair or replacement of Church property. Those parishes with Business Interruption insurance following the Christchurch earthquakes can attest to the significant benefit of the cover.

### **2010/2011 Canterbury Earthquakes Claim**

The Connexion has been advised that the Methodist Church of New Zealand's insurance claim with Ansvar New Zealand Ltd [ACS (NZ) Ltd] was agreed in May 2013 and fully settled in cash by the end of July 2013.

All parishes that suffered damage or loss of property have either had the damage repaired or have been credited with either the assessed cost of replacement or repair or the sum insured for their property whichever was the lessor.

The additional sum received by the Fund over and above the nominated sums insured has been transferred to the Central South Island Synod to hold as a strategic property fund as the Synod resolves how its mission plan will be actioned.

The completion of the insurance claim has been a major undertaking with the total amount received exceeding \$43.5M plus GST.

The Methodist Connexional Property Committee acknowledges the great assistance received from Arrow International (project managers), Structex Metro (consulting engineers), Maltbys (quantity surveyors), Marsh Ltd (our insurance consultants) and Cerno and Associates (the assessors appointed by the Methodist Connexional Property Committee immediately following the 2010 earthquakes.

The Methodist Connexional Property Committee also wishes to acknowledge the way in which ACS (NZ) Ltd and their appointed assessors Crawfords UK worked towards a satisfactory resolution of the Church's claim which involved not only a very considerable sum of money but some very technical issues around both the Church's extremely wide ranging insurance arrangements and the damage suffered by Church property.

As at the date of completion of the report, the only outstanding matters relate to claims for residential property with the Earthquake Commission and to enable settlement of the claim with ACS (NZ) Ltd, the Church has assumed the likely outcome of the EQC settlements.

Whilst this has involved some potential risk that the sums expected may not finally be received if the Church had waited for the EQC settlements to be completed it is unlikely that it would have reached a settlement with ACS (NZ) Ltd before 2014.

The Methodist Connexional Property Committee has found its dealings with EQC to be protracted and largely frustrating. But, in this, it seems to share the experience of the majority of affected Christchurch property owners.

The Methodist Connexional Property Committee also wishes to place on record its appreciation of the patience and forbearance shown by the Church whilst the insurance claim was resolved.

### **Liability Insurances**

The Church's liability covers are placed with Lumley Group. Church officials are asked to advise the Connexional Office as soon as they are aware of any matter that could lead to a claim against the Church for some alleged error or failure. Failure to involve our insurers at the very earliest opportunity could mean that cover is denied or limited with serious consequences for the Church. There is no penalty for a notification of an event that does not eventuate or develop.

### **Suggested Decisions:**

1. That the report be received
2. That:
  - a) the Methodist Connexional Property Committee consider and where considered appropriate in terms of the Church, synod or parish mission plan approve grants from the Development Fund Property,
  - b) the Methodist Connexional Property Committee prepares and distributes, to the Church, guidelines for the use of such grant funds
3. That the Conference decision of 2011 and notwithstanding current and proposed statutory time limits:
  - a) requiring all Church property with a seismic strength rating of less than 34% new building standard (NBS) be strengthened to at least 67% NBS and
  - b) requiring all Church property with an NBS rating of between 34% and 67% to be strengthened to over 67% over time be confirmed.
4. That Conference reaffirms its request that all remaining Model Deed Trusts transfer title to the Board of Administration or other approved incorporated board of the Church by 31 October 2014.
5.
  - a) That any Church group or group affiliated with the Methodist Church of New Zealand and which seeks to use the name, logo or reputation of the Methodist Church of New Zealand Te Hahi Weteriana and which intends to promote and register a trust (including an incorporated charitable trust) must receive the approval of the General Secretary of the Methodist Church of New Zealand Te Hahi Weteriana to the formation and registration of such trust.
  - b) When evaluating an application, the General Secretary shall be required to consider the reasons suggested for any trust, the expected operational efficiencies and legal protections sought. New trusts shall only be approved where the General Secretary is satisfied that the trust will promote the life, work and mission of the Church and that no appropriate mechanism currently exists within the life of the Church.
  - c) In considering any request the General Secretary may seek the advice of the President's Legal Advisor, Methodist Mission Aotearoa, the local or national synod or such other board or agency as the General Secretary shall consider appropriate.
  - d) Any trust that is formed or purported to have been formed without the prior approval of the General Secretary shall not be considered a trust of the Methodist Church of New Zealand and shall not be entitled to use the Church's name, logo, charitable or GST registration or to benefit from the Church's insurance arrangements.
6. That the insurance of the Methodist Church of New Zealand property for its full replacement value and for comprehensive all risks including natural disasters be confirmed. Insurances for a lesser value may only be arranged with the approval of the synod as part of an agreed Synod/Parish property strategy.
7. That Conference notes and affirms the settlement achieved in respect of the Methodist Church of New Zealand property damaged in the Canterbury earthquakes and acknowledges the assistance provided to the Church by its consultants and advisors as detailed in the report.

## CONNEXIONAL TRUSTS

### **PAC DISTRIBUTION GROUP**

The Distribution Group of: David Bush, Keita Hotere, Lyn Heine, Coral Malcolm, Saikolone Taufu, Sharon Tito, Edna Te'o, Ernest Willis and Ex-President John Roberts met in August to consider the 'applications' for funding.

In accordance with the 2011 Conference decision, applicants were referred to the Touchstones rather than a specific theme. This change has meant that parishes and groups no longer employ creative writing skills to make their application fit the theme. A welcome change.

The Distribution Group was pleased to received 5 letters requesting a consideration for an Endowment and 62 for consideration by the Main Fund.

Funds available for distribution were:

Endowment - \$475,000

Main Fund: (within the Church) - \$198,000

Main Fund: (outside the Church) - \$118,000.

To get an idea of how difficult it is for the Distribution Group the Main Fund requests from within the Church were close to \$800,000.

There were a number of 'applications' which were quite unrealistic in the amount being requested. We would ask that all applicants be mindful that PAC is a gift for the whole Church. A very large request or repeated requests year after year are not within the spirit of connexionalism. A realistic request, where there is also real input from the asking group is easier for the Distribution Group to consider.

It was also noted that quite a few applicants included the GST component of quotes in their request. GST registered entities, which includes all Methodist parishes will claim a GST refund and to also seek funding for GST is 'double dipping'

The Distribution Group also continues to be frustrated at the length of some applications. This adds to the cost, but seldom the clarity of the application. Please be brief.

There are two areas which PAC will not fund. That is individuals and building projects (other than a building project deemed to be a Connexional priority).

We were also aware that some of the Synod applications had not been through a proper process.

Once again we were dismayed by the volume of paper in some applications, and that some tried to hide stipend and salary by inflating the cost of other items in their budget, a matter which becomes obvious when some inflate and others do not.

With regard to stipends and salaries the Distribution Group reiterates that it is unlikely to agree to continuing wage/stipend costs, but it does recognise that it is unrealistic to fund equipment costs only when a project is in start-up phase.

### **Endowments**

This is the most difficult decision for the Group each year.

The Endowment for 2013 was given to Mission Resourcing for the integrated Children's and Young Adults ministry. To enable this ministry to commence on a part-time basis the Endowment was set at \$450,000 and \$25,000 was made available as a grant.

The Distribution Group is aware that Mission Resourcing needs a much larger endowment to fully fund this position. Each Distribution Group stands on its own right, one year cannot direct the next. Each group is aware however of who have received endowments. The initial question is "What will happen if PAC cannot fund this endowment".



The Endowments were also instituted to take pressure off the Connexional Budget.

### **Committee Membership**

Coral Malcolm and Sharon Tito complete their three year term on the Group this year. The Church thanks them for their valuable service.

The final reflection of the group after completing its work is that there is a great deal of life and positive energy in the Church.

### **We Highlight Stories**

#### ***Papakura Methodist: Slippers Project – putting our head above the parapet***

After reading ex-Mayor of Wellington Mark Blumsky's book 'Slippers' the Parish has been considering "What makes Papakura Methodist different? What sort of attitude should they project? What actually is our vision for Crossroads Methodist?"

The result is four pairs of slippers. A children's ministry project, a retail chaplaincy, café children's corner and a women's sexuality group. The request was for a modest \$2,200. PAC will provide a \$1,000 grant to get them started.

A reasonable and well thought out programme which the Parish has the capacity to implement.

#### ***Wesley Community Action: Finding Foster Parents***

Foster parents can transform the lives of children by providing a stable, loving environment. But where do foster parents come from? Wesley Community Action is initiating a project to find and then train foster parents. PAC contributed \$10,000.

#### ***Family Violence Project***

Sinoti Samoa is being proactive in addressing issues of family violence. Assistance was sought for the second stage of their programme. PAC contributed \$10,000.

#### ***Chat Bus***

Operates in Dunedin. As the name suggests it operates buses which travel to schools in the Dunedin area providing free counselling. At present they have two buses operating in ten primary and intermediate schools. They see approximately 60 children each week. PAC contributed \$7,000.

### **The successful applicants were:**

<b>Main Fund</b>	<b>Description Request</b>	<b>Grant \$</b>
Poems in the Waiting Room	Poems in the Waiting Room	500
Grafton Downs Limited	Rezoning of Farmland under Unitary Plan	50,000
Manurewa Samoan Parish	Manurewa Samoan Women's Fellowship Sewing Project	1,000
ITCTB, Manurewa Tertiary Chaplaincy	Work with Students and Staff, new administrator	5,000
SUNZ	Salary and expenses of South Island Camps Facilitator	5,000
Wesley Community Action	Supporting NZ's most vulnerable children	10,000
Canterbury Tertiary Education Chaplaincy Committee	Grant toward a Tertiary Chaplaincy Foundation to put ministry on a sounder financial base	5,000
Methodist Mission Southern	Independent Advocacy Service	10,000
Cust Union Parish	Children's Ministry at Cust, outreach to community	800
Woodend Methodist Church	Community outreach in Woodend - programs for children, social activities for elderly	1,000
ChatBus Trust	Counselling for children	7,000
Mission Resourcing	Refresh Ministries - 10 Minutes on a Tuesday	24,000

Iconz4girlz	Extend Ministry in Canterbury in support of Christchurch rebuild	1,500
Otago Tertiary Chaplaincy Trust Board	Funding for Annual Peace Lectures	5,000
Home and Family Society, Christchurch	24 Hour Supported & Emergency Accommodation - teaching parenting skills	4,000
The Boys' Brigade Canterbury/West Coast Battalion	Support for Development Manager over next 12 months	5,000
Marsden Cross Trust Board	Complete purchase of land for heritage centre	8,250
Transfer of Methodist Memory Project	Transfer of knowledge about Methodist history in Aotearoa, visits to Methodist sites	2,000
The Boys' Brigade in New Zealand	Provide quality training programmes	5,000
Pakuranga Inter-Church Charitable Fund	Community courses	2,500
Friendship House Trust	Friendship House Community Centre Redevelopment	12,000
Fresh Expressions Aotearoa NZ	Website development and maintenance, NZFE stories published on DVD	5,000
Hastings Methodist Samoan Parish	Tofa Liulu Development project	2,000
Methodist Social Services	Meeting the Need Project - counselling	5,000
Methodist Mission and Ecumenical	Christian Conference of Asia Consultation on People moving in Asia	10,000
Chartwell Co-operating Parish Hamilton	Youth and Family worker	5,000
1st North Shore Girl's Brigade	T-shirts for girls	300
Waimate District Resource Trust Inc	Use of Salvation Army Buildings as a Community Centre	3,000
1st Kamo Girls Brigade	1st Kamo Girls Brigade Mission to young women	1,000
Dargaville Methodist Parish	Revitalisation of Church equipment	2,500
Petersgate Counselling Centre	Assist with operating costs	5,000
Sione Tongan Methodist Parish, Papatoetoe	Youth Development Programme	5,000
Mafutaga Tamaitai Sinoti Samoa Ekalesia Metotisi Niu Sila	Young women to attend Bi-annual Leaders meeting	2,000
Crossroads Methodist Church, Papakura Parish	Slippers Project	1,000
Tabacakacaka ni Ceva kei Aotearoa	Travel costs for Fijian Presbyter over next two years	5,000
Manchester House Social Services Society Inc	Family Support/Social Work	4,000
Wintec Ecumenical Chaplaincy Provider Trust	Ongoing support of full time Chaplain at Wintec Hamilton	5,000
The Parenting Place	Toolbox Parenting Programme	2,500
Sinoti Samoa	Multiple projects	20,000
Sinoti Samoa Komiti Social Issues	Family Violence Programme	10,000
St Johns Auckland Samoan Parish Womens Fellowship	Sewing project	1,000
Mercury Bay Cooperating Parish	Community meals, coordinating community services, 'Messy Church' activities and games	2,000

Mangapapa Union Parish, Gisborne	Community Care Projects	2,000
Christian Social Services, Wanganui	Mission foodbank	5,000
Christchurch Parents Centre	Updating childbirth and parent education resources for all our families	1,250
Napier Family Centre	Family services in the Whanau Room	5,000
Papatoetoe Wesley Methodist Church	Upgrade church office computer	1,200
Manukau and Auckland Synods	Synod Superintendency Support	20,000
Nelson Marlborough West Coast Synod	2014 School of Theology	1,200
Public Issues		10,000
Mission and Ecumenical		10,000
<b>TOTAL ALLOCATED</b>		<b>\$316,500</b>

<b>Archives Fund</b>		
Methodist Church of NZ	Archives	11,657
<b>TOTAL ALLOCATED</b>		<b>\$11,657</b>

<b>Education Fund</b>		
Trinity Theological College	Support for Theological Education for MCNZ	6,729
<b>TOTAL ALLOCATED</b>		<b>\$6,729</b>

<b>Endowment Fund</b>		
Mission Resourcing Board	Sustainable, integrated Children, Youth and Families Ministries <i>(Endowment \$450,000 + grant \$24,955)</i>	450,000 24,955
<b>TOTAL ALLOCATED</b>		<b>\$474,955</b>

#### **Suggested Decisions:**

1. That the report be received.
2. That the PAC Distribution Group for 2014 be: Keita Hotere, Lyn Heine, Ernest Willis, Edna Te'o, Saikolone Taufu, *(plus two more TBC)*, the Ex-President (John Roberts), the General Secretary (David Bush).

#### **PACT 2086 TRUST**

PACT 2086 Trust exists to manage the Church's interest in the terminating ground lease of the property bounded by Queen, Turner, Liverpool Streets and City Road, opposite Myers Park at the top end of Queen Street Auckland.

In addition to the lessor's interest in the Queen Street property, the Trust's other investments are a plantation forest in the Kaweka Ranges, Hawkes Bay, a portfolio of fixed interest and equity investments and an investment in Grafton Downs Ltd.

#### **Queen Street Lease**

The lessor's residual interest in the Queen Street property is revalued at ten yearly intervals and the next revaluation is due in the financial year ending June 2017.

### **Kaweka Forest**

In April 2013, the Board inspected the Kaweka Forest in the company of its forest manager, Owen Springford of Southern Forestry.

The trees are now approaching 20 years of age and have been subjected to a full silviculture management programme with pruning to six metres.

The trees have grown particularly well and it is anticipated that first logging will commence in 2016 depending on the international log and timber market.

A notable feature in the PACT 2086 Trust accounts is the significant reduction in value ascribed to the carbon credits held in respect of the forest which follows the virtual collapse of the carbon market over the past 12 months.

The forest is revalued at five yearly intervals with the next revaluation due in the financial year ending 2016.

### **Grafton Downs Ltd**

Grafton Downs Ltd is a joint venture between Wesley College Trust Board and PACT 2086 Trust.

Grafton Downs Ltd has been actively pursuing the inclusion of its property within the proposed Rural Urban Boundary in the Auckland City Unitary Plan review. If successful this would lead, in time, to a large urban subdivision with significant returns to the Church.

In the meantime the property is being farmed as a successful 'share milker' run dairy unit.

### **Suggested Decision**

1. The report be received.

## **INVESTMENT ADVISORY BOARD**

The Investment Advisory Board was established by Conference in 1976 to assist and advise the Connexion with regard to commercial investments.

The Investment Advisory Board also acts on delegated authority from the Board of Administration to consider property transactions that have a commercial or investment focus. The Investment Advisory Board shares, with Airedale Property Trust, in the operation of the Auckland Property Group and provides property management services to a number of commercial church properties.

The Investment Advisory Board was heavily involved in the preparation of the Guidelines for Socially Responsible Investment adopted at Conference last year and will be working with the New Zealand Methodist Trust Association in seeking accreditation through the Responsible Investment Association Australasia (RIAA) particularly once the Executive Director's workload in respect of the earthquake claim and seismic strengthening reports has been resolved.

The Executive Director has advised the Board of his intention to retire at the end of 2015 and the Board, in association with the New Zealand Methodist Trust Association, is engaged in a review of the current structures and policies of the Boards, the employment contract with respect to the Executive Director and the relationship between the Boards, the Board of Administration and the wider Connexion. This will include an externally facilitated Board review in September 2013.

The Board has acknowledged the considerable lead in time provided by the Executive Director which will enable the evaluation and review of structures and tasks to be undertaken in an orderly and reflective fashion.

The Board expects to report over the next two years as to its deliberations and recommendations to the Connexion.

**Suggested Decisions:**

1. The report be received.
2. The Board for 2014 be: To be confirmed.

## **NEW ZEALAND METHODIST TRUST ASSOCIATION**

The Methodist Trust Association was established by Conference in 1978 for the cooperative accumulation and commercial investment of the funds of the Methodist Church of New Zealand. All investments are held for the benefit of depositors with the Association as the Association holds no capital of its own. All income earned by the Association after the payment of expenses is distributed to depositors by quarterly income distributions. The equity assets of the Growth and Income Fund are revalued each year and the resultant movement in equity values is spread amongst depositors in the Growth and Income Fund.

Investment in the New Zealand Methodist Trust Association is available only to groups responsible to the Conference of the Methodist Church of New Zealand.

**Markets**

The twelve months to June 2013 proved to be less turbulent than the preceding two years.

The strenuous efforts of the Federal Reserve in the United States to stabilise and grow the American economy appear to be achieving some measure of success as the housing and employment markets in America show some early signs of resilience. Unfortunately the same cannot be said for Europe and while the financial issues in front of the European community have been pushed to the background over the past several months, the issues have not gone away. The problems highlighted by the events in Greece, Italy and Spain particularly remain to be resolved. Whether such a diverse group as is the European Union can resolve issues which impinge on the sovereignty of individual nations is still to be seen.

Chinese growth while still several times greater than that of Europe or America and over twice the rate of New Zealand has slowed and this has had a marked knock-on effect for commodities, particularly the hard commodities of iron ore and coal. Unsurprisingly this has led to a significant cooling in the Australian economy which has for so long lived on the reflected glory of the extractive raw materials sector.

Emerging markets however, particularly in the greater Asian region, are expected to continue their steady progress towards a larger and more affluent middle class and the growth of local consumer markets to equal Western Europe and America combined.

The New Zealand economy continues to bubble along very satisfactorily particularly when compared to its main trading partners. Dairy (allowing for the very unfortunate contamination issues of July and August, 2013) continues to provide excellent returns. Even although there are changes in the make-up of the manufacturing sector, it continues to operate quite successfully with unemployment at 6.4% as at 30 June 2013 compared to an average of 6.9% last year which compares satisfactorily with the OECD average of 8%. New Zealand's geographic isolation, benign climate and stable government continue to be of benefit.

The Methodist Trust Association continued with its record of sound income returns and whilst the capital accretion for the year was not overly large, the overall returns from the Association continue to be attractive especially when measured over the average annual return for the past several years.

It is noted however that past investment returns do not guarantee future returns will be similar.

**Annual Accounts**

The Methodist Trust Association continues to receive excellent support from the Connexion which would appear to reflect the returns being provided by the Association back to the Church.

As at 30 June 2013 the Methodist Trust Association was managing just over \$243,100,000 on

behalf of depositors, an increase of just on \$29M over the previous 12 months (+13.4%). Total income distributed to investors for the year was \$14,057,000, an increase of \$2,780,000 or 24.6% on the preceding 12 months.

Total management fees and administration expenses for the fund continues to diminish as a proportion of total funds under administration, reducing to 0.423% compared with 0.44% in the year to June 2012.

The Board and Management of the Methodist Trust Association remain acutely aware of the importance of the performance of the Methodist Trust Association within the life of the Methodist Church of New Zealand Te Hahi Weteriana o Aotearoa given that the Association now manages a considerable proportion of the Church's assets. The Board is particularly mindful to ensure that there is a broad and substantial diversification of investments held within the Methodist Trust Association so that as the Church focuses its investment capital on the Association there is not a lessening in the overall spread of investments either over classes of investments or with regard to individual issues and issuers.

The Board and management are committed to maintaining their careful vigilance as well as ensuring, to the best of their ability, that the investments selected for the Methodist Trust Association meet the spirit and intent of the Church's Guidelines for Socially Responsible Investment.

In addition to this report to Conference, the Methodist Trust Association also publishes a full annual report to depositors which includes a list of the Association's equity investments and a more detailed analysis of performance. The Association recommends a careful study of the annual report to depositors to all groups within the Church including those who have yet to undertake investments through the Methodist Trust Association.

### Income Distributions

The income distributions for the four quarters were:

	<u>Jun</u> <u>2013</u>	<u>Mar</u> <u>2013</u>	<u>Dec</u> <u>2012</u>	<u>Sep</u> <u>2012</u>	<u>12 Mths to</u> <u>30.06.13</u>
<b>Income Fund</b>	5.52%	6.35%	6.25%	5.64%	5.94%
<b>Growth and Income Fund</b>	4.28%	4.35%	4.13%	3.91%	4.17%

The income distributions across all funds continue to be very satisfactory and compare favourably with general market rates and with interest returns from other reputable financial institutions.

The decision taken in 2009 and 2010 to invest in longer dated fixed interest deposits and lock in the returns available has proven to be extremely beneficial.

Whilst it is anticipated by most financial pundits that the official cash rate (OCR) will be increased by the New Zealand Reserve Bank from its current historically very low level of 2.5%, which has prevailed since mid-2011, it is unlikely that interest rates over the next 12 months will return to anything resembling the rates available in 2009 and consequently, as investments mature, it is expected that the distribution rates available from the Association will diminish a little. This has to be viewed however against excellent, above market returns, which have been available for the past several years.

The Association has been particularly careful to ensure that whilst it seeks good yield from its new investments, it does not accept a lower level of security than is appropriate for a fund of its size.

This is starting to cause some selection issues for the Association as it reaches reasonable prudential investment levels with a number of the leading New Zealand debt issuers. The Board of the Association is constantly reviewing its fixed interest allocations in an endeavour to protect both yield and security.

### Credit Sails Ltd

One of the ramifications of the global financial crisis from 2008 was the failure of many supposedly secure fixed interest investments and investment vehicles. From this fortunately the Methodist

Trust Association has been largely exempt. One investment however that did fail was the Association's investment in the AA rated Credit Sails issue. The Association reported to depositors in 2009 that its entire investment in the structured investment product Credit Sails had been lost contrary to the Association's understanding that it had invested in a carefully managed and structured fund that was designed specifically to protect investors against any capital loss. This was demonstrated by its AA credit rating from Standard and Poors Ltd.

A group of investors led by Logic Finance Ltd of Wanaka and supported by and including the Methodist Trust Association sought a review of the performance of Credit Sails both through the New Zealand Stock Exchange and the Commerce Commission.

The Commerce Commission after completing its initial investigations reached an agreement with the promoters of the issue (Forsyth Barr Ltd and the Credit Agricole Group of France) to settle potential claims against them by investors by the payment of what amounted to be 85 cents in the dollar for those original investors who had retained their investment.

On maturity of the issue in early 2013 there was a further 2 cents per dollar paid out in accumulated interest and other funds so that the Association in June 2013 was able to reimburse depositors affected by the write off in June, 2009 to 87 cents in the dollar.

Whilst the Association continues to regard any loss of capital as unsatisfactory, it is pleased that its understanding of the intended security for the investment was underscored by the findings of the Commerce Commission.

#### **Growth and Income Fund**

The income distributions for the Growth and Income Fund continue to provide a solid quarterly return for the year.

The Fund also provided a modest capital addition of 1.87% for the year making the total of Growth and Income Fund return to depositors of 6.04% for the year.

The capital accretion was made up of increases in value in the Association's shares, a small "profit" on the foreign exchange hedging but a reduction in the assessed value of the Association's property at Great North Road.

The capital accretion allocated over the Growth and Income Fund deposits totalled \$1,626,557.

#### **Board Membership**

The Board of the Methodist Trust Association is to undertake a review of the Board's governance structures to ensure that the Board has the most appropriate mix of skills and experience to oversee what has become a significant funds management operation.

It is expected that this review will be completed in time for a report to Conference 2014.

The Association provides a more detailed annual report to depositors which is available from the Connexional Office or online at [www.methodist.org.nz](http://www.methodist.org.nz)

#### **Suggested Decisions:**

1. That the report be received.
2. That the Board for 2014 be: To be confirmed.

## **THE ROBERT GIBSON METHODIST TRUST**

The commencement of the 2012-2013 for the Robert Gibson Methodist Trust Farms started well and by the end of December were approximately 16000 Kg\MS ahead of the previous year at the same time. Drought conditions arrived and had an adverse effect on our production.

Maire Farm	2012-2013	117,742 Kg/MS	4518 Kg/MS	ahead
	2011-2012	113,224 Kg/MS		

Totara-Rimu	2012-2013	130,313 Kg/MS			
	2011-2012	138,779 Kg/MS	8466 Kg/MS		behind
Total production for the year is	2012-2013	248,055 Kg/MS	3,948 Kg/MS		behind

Totara-Rimu farms riparian planting is completed.

On the Maire Farm most of the waterways have been fenced and further riparian planting has been completed. Approximately \$200,000 was spent on this farm to comply with Council and Fonterra regulations.

#### Bursary Notes.

Wesley College	\$52,500
Mission Resourcing	\$ 8,000
Youth Ministry	\$33,000
Bursaries	\$68,450
R.G.M.T. Hall	\$ 6,800
Total	<u>\$168,750</u>

It is with regret that we will accept the resignation of two board members this year. Mrs Reba Hunt joined the R.G.M.T in 1989, and has been a valued member on Bursary and Farm Committees, completing twenty-four years of loyal service. We wish her well for the future. Dean Smith has retired from the board,( due to a change in personal commitments ), after three years of valuable contributions on the farm committee. We wish him and his family well for the future.

R.G.M.T. Board Members: Preston Bulfin, John Chittenden, Susan Clarry, John Le Fleming, Rev. Tony Bell, Rev. David Bush, Bill Yateman, Steve Nicholas, Mataiva Robertson.

Responsibilities within the R.G.M.T.:

Bursary Committee: Preston Bulfin John Chittenden, Susan Clarry, Reba Hunt, Bill Yateman.

Farm Committee: John Le Fleming, John Chittenden, Reba Hunt, Bill Yateman.

W.A. Yateman  
Chairman R.G.M.T.

#### Suggested Decisions:

1. The report be received.
2. The R.G.M.T. Board membership for 2014 is: Preston Bulfin, John Chittenden, Susan Clarry, John Le Fleming, Rev. Tony Bell, Rev. David Bush, Bill Yateman, Steve Nicholas, Mataiva Robertson.

## **WESLEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY (NZ)** **Te Roopu Hitori o Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa**

### **SECTION A – Information and Reporting Back**

Historians have long claimed that the value of history lies in the light which it throws on the future. Now in its eighty-third year, and mindful of its task of interpreting the past and relating it to the present and the future the Wesley Historical Society(NZ) encourages researching, recording, and sharing the story of Methodism in Aotearoa/New Zealand and the South Pacific. After nearly two centuries of significant Methodist presence in this country, dealing with important historic sites, many of which need extensive conservation and repair work, continues to occupy the time and energy of WHS members, as well as local parishes and communities.

The Society has continued its work through the year from mid-2012 to July 2013, but over that time we recorded with sadness the deaths of two of our members, Nola Lane, wife of our Treasurer Peter, and Allan Watson of Christchurch.



The 2012 Annual General Meeting was held at Wesley Methodist Church, Taranaki Street, Wellington on 2 November. Mrs Vivienne Ireland, née Luke, granddaughter of Sir Charles Manley Luke of the Primitive Methodist Church who became the first Vice President of the united Methodist Conference was warmly welcomed to the meeting. Dr Elaine Bolitho led the opening devotions, first paying tribute to members who had died during the previous year. She then gave special thought to those events surrounding the union that had taken place in Wellington a century before. In an occasion of particular interest at the conclusion of the AGM, the Society's latest publication – a tribute to Dame Phyllis Guthardt – was launched by its editors Susan Thompson and Lynne Frith to general acclaim.

Following dinner, the Rev. Donald Phillipps gave an excellent lecture entitled 'Methodism in 1913 – and Beyond', reflecting on the centenary of union between the Primitive Methodist Church and the Wesleyan Church in New Zealand which the Society intends to publish shortly.

During the past year the Society has:

- Welcomed the Rev. Dr Lynne Wall as a member of the WHS Executive.
- Led a time of devotional reflection at the first morning of Conference 2102 on 'God of the Past', as requested by the President and Vice President.
- Published the 2012 WHS Journal under the editorship of Rev. Dr Terry Wall.
- Published "A Kind of Opening" – A Tribute to Dame Phyllis Guthardt: Celebrating the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Ordination of Women in the Methodist Church of New Zealand', edited by Lynne Frith and Susan Thompson. Together with other contributions, this publication contained Val Bailey's lecture to the WHS in 2009, as Conference marked the jubilee of Phyllis's ordination.
- Contributed advice, information and support to researchers studying Methodist related topics and engaged in ongoing discussions related to projects that are linked with the history of the Methodist Church in New Zealand. Contributed Methodist history articles to *Touchstone*.
- Awarded the Gilmore Smith Scholarship to Lynne McDonald for her doctoral research on Christian missions in Choiseul, Solomon Is, 1902-1968.
- Donated \$1,000 to the Marsden Cross Trust Board appeal as a contribution towards completing the purchase of land on which the cross stands at Oihi, Bay of Islands.
- Prepared an up-to-date WHS brochure for distribution at the 2012 Waitangi conference 'Re-evaluating Christianity's influence in Shaping Aotearoa New Zealand c.1800 to c. 1860'.
- The Rev Norman Brookes' research on the property records of Co-operating Ventures and Union Parishes throughout New Zealand is now available. A file of data includes both chronological and geographical listings, of interest for District Synods and Property Committees,
- Begun a stock take of WHS publications.

It gives me great pleasure in presenting this Annual Report to express my warmest appreciation to all the members of the Executive, especially to Secretary Margaret Ziegler, to the Publications and Scholarship Committee under the convenorship of Susan Thompson, to Editor Terry Wall, and to Minute Secretary Shona Michie. The Society records its thanks for the work Treasurer Peter Lane and his late wife Nola have accomplished. Together as a team they brought our finances into good order and we will particularly miss Nola's gentle presence and her perceptive input. Our deepest sympathy to Peter in the loss of his beloved wife.

We record with gratitude the generous work of our auditor Stuart Wellm.

Honoured Members have continued to make important contributions to the work of the Society, and I would personally want to thank them as well as all those who have supported the WHS during this year. We express our thanks to Alec Utting for keeping our web-site up-to-date and are aware of the efforts our regional contact members make to publicise the continuing work of the WHS.

## SECTION B – Strategic Planning

- The Gilmore Smith Memorial Scholarship is offered annually for postgraduate work undertaken in historical research related to Methodist history in New Zealand and the South Pacific, which may result in publication by the Society.
- The Society's 2013 Journal will be published.
- In association with the Anglican Historical Society, and in the fifth year since the signing of the Anglican-Methodist Covenant in 2008, a WHS Proceeding that combines Dr Peter Lineham's research on Christian witness on Auckland's North Shore, edited by the Rev.Dr Allan Davidson will be published.
- The Society will continue discussion with individuals and groups in ongoing research projects that relate to the Society's objectives.
- The Society will continue with the policy of reviewing its publication holdings for surplus stock.
- The Society engages in continuing dialogue with Methodist Archives.
- The Society's web-page is regularly updated.

Helen Laurenson  
President

### **Suggested Decision:**

1. That the report be received.

## **TRAVEL AND STUDY COMMITTEE**

The Travel and Study Committee is a standing committee of Conference, and as such, works in partnership between Tauwi and Te Taha Maori.

It exists *"to approve, on behalf of Conference, grants to those seeking:*

- a) Support for travel and study in order that they may up skill themselves in the service of the Church*
- b) Assistance for research projects, in depth studies, and forward planning for the outreach and mission of the Church" (Laws & Regulations: 7:14.1-7.14.3)*

This includes processing applications to the Bradley Trust.

The Committee's work is funded from the Connexional Budget (\$15,000 in 2012-13) and the income from PAC endowment funding. We are grateful to the PAC Distribution Group for two endowment grants, without which the ability to make grants would be severely constrained. The Connexional Budget allocation alone would not meet the requests for assistance.

In any year, the proportion of funding that may be granted to an individual is dependent on the total funds available, and the number of applicants in that year.

In the past year 25 grants totalling \$33,320 were made to support a range of study programmes, and attendance at international events and conferences. Three applications were referred to the Bradley Trust. Study programmes and conferences range from EIDTS papers to attending the World Council of Churches Assembly.

### **Trends**

In recent years there has been a growing number of applications from lay people to participate in a wide range of courses, including those offered by Trinity College. There has also been an increase in the number of applications from Te Taha Maori members.

### **Who May Apply?**

Any member, lay or ordained, of the Methodist Church of New Zealand may apply to Travel & Study. Grants are not normally given to ordained personnel within two years of Ordination or Reception into Full Connexion. Students received for ordained ministry training within the Methodist Church of New Zealand are ineligible for grants. Applicants who have received grants within the previous three years will not normally be considered.

### What the Funds Do Not Cover

Grants are not made for travel within New Zealand, or for computers or other equipment. Travel & Study does not fund events, but rather offers grants to individuals to attend educational events or conferences. Neither Travel & Study nor the Bradley Trust provides grants to cover stipend while an individual is engaged in a study programme. Retrospective grants are not made.

Ministers from other denominations who are not in Full Connexion, serving in Cooperating Ventures with a Methodist component, will not normally be eligible for grants.

Travel & Study grants are for the purpose of individuals to up skill. For that reason, the committee does not fund events e.g. a Synod for a School of Theology

### Issues the Committee Is Considering

1. Lead Worship courses. The fees for these courses are modest. As parishes and synods benefit directly from the training of worship leaders and lay preachers, the committee believes that parishes and/or synods should contribute to the course costs.
2. Undergraduate degrees and diplomas. The current policy is to not make retrospective grants i.e after a person has attended a conference or completed a course of study. We are considering a change of policy with regard to undergraduate degrees.
3. Should priority be given to applications for grants for academic study at institutions within New Zealand?
4. Currently, individuals self-select study programmes and institutions at which to enrol. How and when does consultation occur about what study programmes will benefit the church?
5. Synod Superintendents provide references for applicants. Is it desirable for Synod Executives to endorse applications? This might increase the interest and "ownership" of the synod in relation to professional development.

### Operational Policy

The committee is currently reviewing operational policy, to ensure best practice and contemporaneity.

*Mary West, Secretary  
Lynne Frith, Convenor*

### Grants approved by Travel and Study Grants committee July 2012- 2013

Name of applicant	Study proposed	Synod
Janet Chalmers	EIDTS Ministry with Youth MN212	Central S. Island
Ruth Lowe	A/A	A/A
Nicholas Van Houten	A/A	A/A
Mark Stephens	A/A	A/A
Tau Lasi	Ministry in a Multicultural Society (Otago)	Auckland
Mary Caygill	Diploma in the art of Spiritual Direction (referred to Bradley Trust)	Central S. Island
Tony Franklin	Attendance at WCC	Lower N. Island
Beverly Fergus	EIDTS Introduction to the New testament	Central S. Island
Doreen Lennox	Conference for Lay People (U.K.)	Waikato Waiariki
Tumuaki Diana Tana	Asia Region Church delegates meeting	Te Taha Maori
Prince Devanandan	A/A	Auckland
Veitmoni Suifanga	Trinity College MS 102 MD103- EL 102	Waikato Waiariki
Jessica Rabone	Trinity College MD103	Lower. N. Island
David Poultney	Contributor at Oxford Institute	Waikato Waiariki

Alipate 'Uhila	Graduate Diploma in Theology (semester 1)	Auckland
Mabel Msopero	Masters of Business Admin (research paper)	Lower N. Island
JooHong Kim	Master of Theology (referred to Bradley Trust)	Central S. Island
Mataiva Robertson	Bossey Ecumenical Institute (Geneva) Referred to Bradley trust)	Sinoti Samoa
Utumau'u Pupulu	Trinity College papers	Sinoti Samoa
Bella Ngaha	WCC attendee	Te Taha Maori
Tau Lasi	Otago papers	Auckland
Jill Hawley	Contributor at WCC	Central S. Island
Lana Lazarus	WCC attendee	Te Taha Maori
Joshua Robertson	Lead worship 2 (Samoan language)	Sinoti Samoa
Auola Feaunati	A/A	A/A
Sione Olio	A/A	A/A
F Tautalafua	A/A	A/A

The Travel and Study Grants committee appreciates that the majority of applications have been received by the requested date. It is important that the Guidelines are carefully read prior to any applications to avoid disappointment if the applicant does not meet the criteria.

**Suggested Decisions:**

1. Travel & Study recommends that parishes and congregations fund those who wish to participate in Methodist Lay Preacher training programmes.
2. Any application for post-graduate study should preferably have the endorsement of Trinity College in order for it to be considered by Travel & Study.
3. Synods are encouraged to note the annually published list of recipients of grants and invite those recipients to share their learnings or experience with the synod.

## **SUGGESTED DECISIONS**

1. The reports be received.

### **Board of Administration**

1. Conference asks the Board of Administration to produce a discussion paper on Provisioning of Long Leave and Annual Leave and to report back to Conference 2014.
2. That the Synods, Parishes, Rohe and Boards when approving authorised signatories on their accounts ensure that potential conflicts of interest be avoided, in particular that signatories must not be closely related.
3. The Board for the 2014 Connexional Year is: Ruth Silverstone (Chair), David Bush, Alan Bettany, Don Biggs, Ruby Manukia-Schaumkel, David McGeorge, Arapera (Bella) Ngaha, Digby Prosser, Nan Russell, Diana Tana, Paula Taumoepeau, John Wilson (Secretary).

### **Methodist Connexional Property Committee**

1. That the report be received
2. That:
  - c) the Methodist Connexional Property Committee consider and where considered appropriate in terms of the Church, synod or parish mission plan approve grants from the Development Fund Property,
  - d) the Methodist Connexional Property Committee prepares and distributes, to the Church, guidelines for the use of such grant funds
3. That the Conference decision of 2011 and notwithstanding current and proposed statutory time limits:
  - c) requiring all Church property with a seismic strength rating of less than 34% new building standard (NBS) be strengthened to at least 67% NBS  
and
  - d) requiring all Church property with an NBS rating of between 34% and 67% to be strengthened to over 67% over time  
be confirmed.
4. That Conference reaffirms its request that all remaining Model Deed Trusts transfer title to the Board of Administration or other approved incorporated board of the Church by 31 October 2014.
5.
  - a) That any Church group or group affiliated with the Methodist Church of New Zealand and which seeks to use the name, logo or reputation of the Methodist Church of New Zealand Te Hahi Weteriana and which intends to promote and register a trust (including an incorporated charitable trust) must receive the approval of the General Secretary of the Methodist Church of New Zealand Te Hahi Weteriana to the formation and registration of such trust.
  - b) When evaluating an application, the General Secretary shall be required to consider the reasons suggested for any trust, the expected operational efficiencies and legal protections sought. New trusts shall only be approved where the General Secretary is satisfied that the trust will promote the life, work and mission of the Church and that no appropriate mechanism currently exists within the life of the Church.
  - c) In considering any request the General Secretary may seek the advice of the President's Legal Advisor, Methodist Mission Aotearoa, the local or national synod or such other board or agency as the General Secretary shall consider appropriate.
  - d) Any trust that is formed or purported to have been formed without the prior approval of the General Secretary shall not be considered a trust of the Methodist Church of New Zealand and shall not be entitled to use the Church's name, logo, charitable or GST registration or to benefit from the Church's insurance arrangements.
6. That the insurance of the Methodist Church of New Zealand property for its full replacement value and for comprehensive all risks including natural disasters be confirmed. Insurances for a lesser value may only be arranged with the approval of the synod as part of an agreed Synod/Parish property strategy.
7. That Conference notes and affirms the settlement achieved in respect of the Methodist Church of New Zealand property damaged in the Canterbury earthquakes and acknowledges the assistance provided to the Church by its consultants and advisors as detailed in the report.

### **Investment Advisory Board**

1. The report be received.
2. The Board for 2014 be: To be confirmed.

### **New Zealand Methodist Trust Association**

1. That the report be received.
2. That the Board for 2014 be: To be confirmed.

### **PAC Distribution Group**

1. That the report be received.
2. That the PAC Distribution Group for 2014 be: Keita Hotere, Lyn Heine, Ernest Willis, Edna Te'o, Saikolone Taufu, (*plus two more TBC*), the Ex-President (John Roberts), the General Secretary (David Bush).

### **The Robert Gibson Methodist Trust**

1. The report be received.
2. The R.G.M.T. Board membership for 2014 is: Preston Bulfin, John Chittenden, Susan Clarry, John Le Fleming, Rev. Tony Bell, Rev. David Bush, Bill Yateman, Steve Nicholas, Mataiva Robertson.

### **Travel and Study Committee**

1. Travel & Study recommends that parishes and congregations fund those who wish to participate in Methodist Lay Preacher training programmes.
2. Any application for post-graduate study should preferably have the endorsement of Trinity College in order for it to be considered by Travel & Study.
3. Synods are encouraged to note the annually published list of recipients of grants and invite those recipients to share their learnings or experience with the synod.

**METHODIST CONNEXIONAL PROPERTY COMMITTEE**  
**Supplementary Report**  
*(Continuation from page D-13)*

**INSURANCE - FUNCTIONAL REPLACEMENT COVER**

9 September 2013

The Insurance Fund has been asked to investigate whether the Methodist Church of New Zealand (the Church) insurance arrangements can provide functional insurance replacement.

In this context functional replacement cover is defined as the planned replacement of an existing building in the event of a total loss with a building of smaller size and accordingly with a reduced replacement value.

Premium is charged on the replacement value of the intended replacement property.

The insurance cover currently held by the Church will provide for such an arrangement but there are a number of issues to be considered.

**Synod Approval**

The relevant synod must agree that, in the event of a total loss, the property would not be rebuilt but would be replaced by a smaller building considered suitable to meet the current needs of the Church in that location.

**Known Replacement**

The property which would be rebuilt in the event of a total loss of the existing structure must be identified or designed to the point that a replacement valuation can be provided to the Insurance Fund through one of the normal replacement valuation providers.

The replacement value of the current building will also be required.

**Self-Insurance in the Event of a Partial Loss**

Most frequently, property which suffers an insurance event is not lost in its entirety but rather is partially damaged.

In that case, it would be the existing building that was being repaired not the lesser valued alternative replacement building.

Where a building is not insured for its full replacement value and it suffers loss, the insurance law of average provides that the property owner is considered to be carrying their own insurance for the difference between the sum insured and the actual replacement value. Claims for the repair of the damaged portion of the property may therefore be shared between the insurers and the owners in the proportion that the sum insured bears to the total replacement value. This is the same situation where a building is insured for functional replacement or indemnity.

The Insurance Fund has arranged that so long as the functional replacement value is greater than 70% of the replacement value of the existing building then any partial loss will be settled as if the existing building was insured for its full insurable value. If the functional replacement value is below 70% then the insurance cover provides only for the percentage that the functional replacement value is of the full replacement value.

An example:

Existing Building	500 square metres	
Estimated Replacement Cost	\$2,500 per square metre =	\$1,250,000
<b>Percentage of Current Replacement</b>		<b>100%</b>
Nominated Replacement Property	350 square metres	
Estimated Replacement Cost	\$2,500 per square metre =	\$ 875,000
<b>Percentage of Current Replacement</b>		<b>70%</b>

Indemnity Value of Existing Building	500 square metres	
Estimated Depreciated Cost	\$1,000 per square metre =	\$ 500,000
<b>Percentage of Current Replacement</b>		<b>40%</b>

If the building is insured for replacement value and is completely destroyed the Insurance Fund will provide the functional replacement value \$875,000 which is the sum insured.

If the property is insured for indemnity value and is completely destroyed the Insurance Fund will provide \$500,000 being the sum insured.

If the building suffers partial damage costing \$100,000 to repair, under the full replacement and the functional replacement examples the parish would receive the full cost of the repair. Under the indemnity scenario or if the functional replacement value was less than 70% of the full replacement value the Parish would be considered to be carrying its own insurance for part of the repair. In the case of indemnity insurance, in our example the Insurance Fund would meet 40% of the cost of the repair with the parish being responsible for 60%.

The sum insured will need to include a sum for demolition and removal of the existing building which will be common over the three scenarios.

## **THE USE OF BUILDINGS KNOWN TO BE EARTHQUAKE PRONE (SUB 34% NBS)**

4 September 2013

The Methodist Connexional Property Committee (MCPC) has sought advice from the Church's insurers and the President's Legal Advisor over the use of buildings known to have a seismic rating of less than 34% new building standards (NBS).

Our insurers advise that Public Liability cover continues to be available unless an engineer or the local authority have advised that they consider the building to be unsafe to continue to occupy, and the Church continues to use the buildings.

Mr Cunliffe, acting as the President's Legal Advisor, has considered the Church's position in terms of the Health and Safety in Employment Act, the Occupiers Liability Act and the Crimes Act.

He notes that:

- churches are places of work for some people
- there is no breach of any existing regulation under the Health and Safety in Employment Act simply by continuing to occupy a building known to be earthquake prone
- employers must take all practicable steps to minimise hazards including the risk of potential building failure
- while congregations are not employees, seeking to protect their wellbeing to a similar standard is sensible
- the Occupiers Liability Act creates an obligation for those in charge of a building to ensure that the building is essentially safe for visitors to use
- under the Crimes Act, reckless disregard for the safety of others could lead to a charge of criminal nuisance.

In all cases imposition of liability will be determined on the facts and with the benefit of hindsight.

The statutory time period allowed for strengthening a building is not necessarily a defence against liability in the case of injury or damage.

The time periods allowed under the Building Act are only the timetable set for buildings to meet the standards; they do not remove the onus of the owner to keep occupiers safe during that time.

As a responsible building owner the Church is proactively moving to understand the seismic strength of its building stock.



The knowledge gained from these investigations then means that the Church has an obligation to move to protect those who use the Church's property.

Where a building is earthquake prone the Church should:

- cease using the property if there is cause for immediate concern
- undertake a review of the means of bringing the building up to the level of compliance required
- determine the viability of strengthening and plan for the future of the building.

If continuing to use the building, the Church should:

- ensure that all users are advised of the seismic rating with signage warning users the building is earthquake prone
- proactively manage existing building issues ensuring there is an approved response/evacuation plan (and clear signage) in the event of an earthquake
- undertake a review of the means of bringing the building up to the level of compliance required
- determine the viability of strengthening and plan for the future of the building.

# CONNEXIONAL FINANCIAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

## Supplementary Report

*(Continuation from page D-7)*

The Connexional Financial Review Committee has met once since the last Conference.

During the year, Connexional Staff, prepared and submitted, on behalf of the Committee submissions to the Ministry of Innovation and Business, the External Reporting Board and Parliamentary Select Committees on Assurance Consultation (audit and reviews for not for profits), Accounting Standards and Financial Reporting, and the Financial Reporting Bill. All of these legislative change areas will directly impact Methodist Church entities in the next few years.

At its meeting held in Christchurch on 20 September 2013, the committee considered the issues that it needs to address with the whole of the Church.

The issues include:

- Comments and advice for the Board of Administration when the Board reviews the Audit Policy of the Methodist Church of New Zealand.
- The suggestion that instead of providing for a formal review for smaller entities within the Church, provide for a more targeted financial “health check” to be undertaken.
- The need for the Church to be prepared by the 1 April 2015 for new reporting standards and formatting of annual accounts. This is likely to include changes to financial reporting with some funds currently separately reported being required to be consolidated into the financial statements of the respective legal entity they fall under.
- Asking if there is the ability to early adopt these standards, should the Church do so for Tier 3 and 4 registered charities?
- The process for on-going education for preparers of annual accounts.
- The uptake and use of the Xero accounting package and associated training needs.

As with last year, it has been noted that a number of statistical returns have not been completed and returned and these are mentioned in the Conference Report. The Committee also notes that many entities have not sent through completed annual accounts and business issues reports.

The Committee will, through the Board of Administration, be sending, a letter to each Connexional Entity to inform them whether they have complied with the Churches Audit Policy. Conference should note that based upon the 143 entities that the Board of Administration is aware of, 45% provided annual accounts to the standards required by Conference, 27% were not up to the standard required and 28% of the 143 entities did not make a return. **As noted above, the Church will need 100% compliance with the new accounting standards from 1 April 2015, which is 17 months away.**

### **Accounting Blog Site**

It was noted by the Committee that the Connexional office have started a web site for administrators and accounting personnel within the Church as a place to go share ideas and keep people up-to-date on recent events which may impact upon them. The site is [accounting.methodist.org.nz](http://accounting.methodist.org.nz). The Committee would like to further encourage the use of this medium as well as Touchstone and e-messenger to ensure people are kept up to date.

### **Accounting System for Parishes**

The Committee reported last year that 16 entities within the Church are using Xero. As at the date of this report that number had increased to 39. There has generally been a very positive response to the use of Xero and the one on one support that has been provided to assist Parishes better handle some of the impending legislation changes.

### **Committee Membership**

During the year Allan Clark retired from the committee and the committee asked Gordon Hanson,

a partner at PKF Goldsmith Fox to join as a member, on a temporary basis to assist the committee when the difficult questions need answers.

**Work Plan for 2014**

- Establishing the formal criteria for a “Health Check” for smaller entities within the Church
- Seeking the Business issues reports from Methodist entities that receive them

**Suggested decisions:**

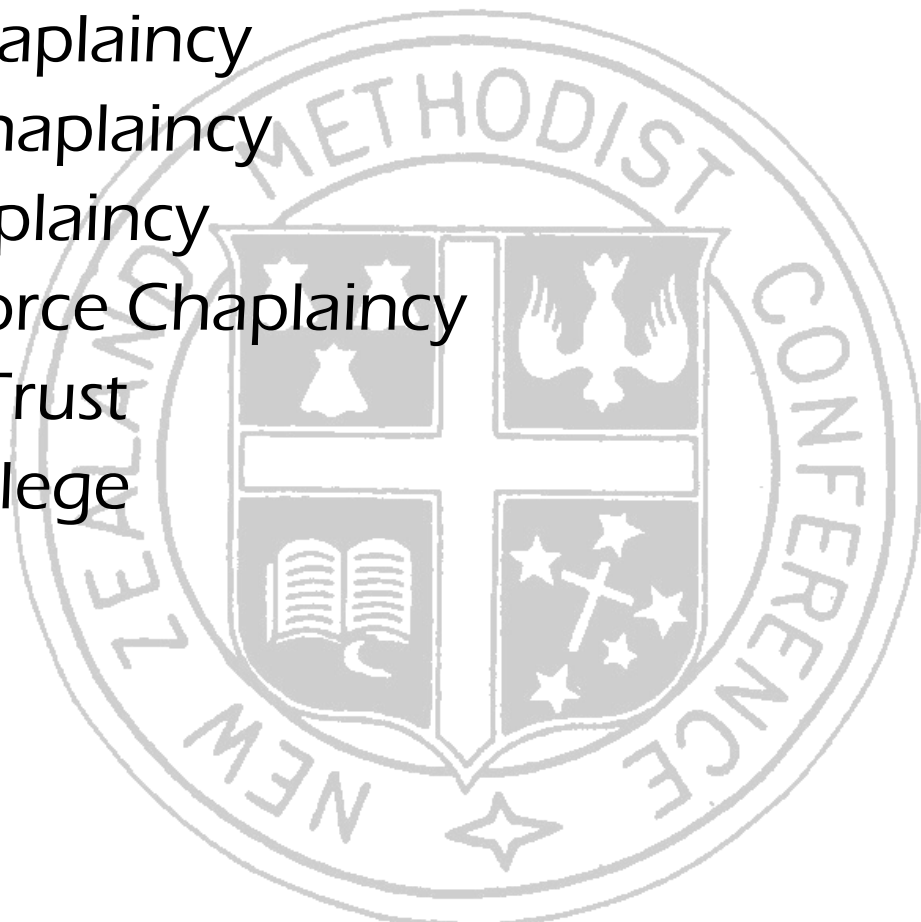
1. That the report be received.
2. Conference thanks Allan Clark for his work on the Connexional review Committee
3. Conference notes that parishes and boards will be required to comply with new reporting standards by 1<sup>st</sup> April 2015 and asks the Board of Administration to advise the requirements of the standards and encourages Synods, Parishes and Boards to start a planned programme to ensure compliance before 31 December 2014.
4. That Craig Fisher of Hayes Knight Audit is the independent external member of the committee with the Board of Administration providing administration services and input.
5. That the members of the Connexional Review Committee 2013 are David McGeorge, Paula Taumoepeau, Craig Fisher, the President and the General Secretary with one to be added.



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## Ministry

- Trinity Methodist Theological College
- Mission Resourcing
- Diaconate Task Group
- Methodist Lay Preachers Network
- Churches Education Commission
- Tertiary Chaplaincy
- Hospital Chaplaincy
- Prison Chaplaincy
- Defence Force Chaplaincy
- Trounson Trust
- Wesley College
- UCANZ





# TRINITY METHODIST THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

## Targeted Review of Qualifications (TRoQ)

There has been considerable progress since the TRoQ began in 2012. The Christian Theological Ministries Education Sector (CTMES) has been approved by NZQA as the registration body for all tertiary providers in theology up to and including level 6 certificates and diplomas.

It is anticipated that by the start of 2014, Trinity College will teach a new two year course known as the Diploma in Christian Studies (Advanced Pastoral Leadership). Existing courses in Practical Theology will be mapped into the CTMES-TroQ framework. Only Carey, Laidlaw, Trinity and one other institution will provide a two year advanced diploma. The Council is very pleased with the TroQ outcomes, even though they will come at a significant financial cost and major time costs.

It is possible that at some point in the future various courses offered in the LiMS programme may be offered for NZQA credit Certificates, in particular MS101 and MS102, the Maori Studies courses, along with the online suite of courses Effective Leadership, Beginner's Guide to Theology, Practical Theological Reflection which are associated with English language Lay Preachers stream. This is part of an on-going discussion within the Curriculum Review Panel.

## 2013 the Year of tcol-mahara

2013 is a pivotal year in the history of Trinity College.

In ways that have never before been possible, participants from around New Zealand have access to an unparalleled range of resources, courses, professional development networking, and tutor assistance. There is also an astonishing array of educational and networking opportunities for the whole Church.

It can be summed by the phrase: tcol-mahara. Essentially that is shorthand for the College thinking in public.

By and large, most Church members are aware that Trinity College offers blended learning, which combines face-to-face with online experience.

What is only beginning to be appreciated, however, is the ability of tcol classrooms to continuously monitor and improve the quality and depth of the teaching and learning that can and does occur. How is this done? Through analysis and statistical reporting of some 30,000 online interactions every month.

Participants also have direct feedback options. There are a variety of end of course surveys, occasional options to rate specific activities, and an ability to rate the overall course in some instances. All opinions, positive and negative, help the College to improve what it is doing.

It has not been plain sailing to get to this point. There are always nay-sayers, and, in the Church resistance to any kind of change is more than proverbial. This is particularly so around new technologies.

Yet anyone who can use a mobile phone has the whole tcol-mahara educational world at their finger tips. And, it's easy to learn what to do.

At its most basic level, Mahara is just the same as using a USB memory stick: a means by which participants can store files, but also take them from computer to computer. The only difference is Mahara is in the cloud, on the internet. It's linked to the tcolnow classrooms, a cloud based learning system.

So the need for the memory stick disappears as connectivity grows. Participants have 50 Mb of free online storage, plus 2 Mb in tcolnow classrooms, and that amount can be adjusted upward. Some sites also give generous free file storage, e.g. You Tube, Google Drive, Drop Box. These repositories are linked to Mahara.

Mahara is much more than that, however. It is a e-portfolio system, that allows participants to store and display sermons, articles, talks, snippets, journals, poetry chapbooks, journals, photos, graphics, embed videos, and display Twitter, Facebook and Linked-in profiles, and RSS from WordPress, Blogger, etc.

Mahara offers outstanding control over privacy. Mahara is essentially for alumni and tcol participants but participants can give secret URLs to share pages with friends who are not Trinity College participants. Tutors can display work on pages to the web.

Tcolnow is about learning together, and creating a variety of written responses, but Mahara is an entirely personal way to display and share work. In Mahara participants can take tests to determine personal learning styles, create professional development plans, and set career professional development goals. So, why not take the challenge and find a suitable course in 2013. There are webinars which show how to learn online.

### **2014 the Year of tcol-alfresco**

Alfresco is an open-source Content and Records Management System that offers unparalleled opportunities for Trinity College to develop a number of strategies around student information which fits privacy, NZQA and TEC regulations, as well as allowing development of a Trinity College historic resource to benefit all staff, students and those in the wider Connexion who want develop and run with it.

### **Staffing changes at Trinity College**

At the May 2013 meeting of Trinity College Council, the President, Vice-President and General Secretary along with a number of students, were invited to attend to observe the workings of this important Connexional Board.

Some significant information was shared. In the next two years the Chair of the Council, Max Thomson, Rev Val Nicholls and Rev Dr David Bell seek to conclude their terms of appointment.

This is, of course, is a very significant set of changes with many implications not only for the College, but indeed the whole Church.

Dr Bell intimated to the Council that he would finish as Principal at the end of 2014. He explained his reasons as follows. By then he will have worked for Trinity College for nine years, three as a resource person based in Wellington and six as Principal. He felt that it has been a very good innings in a personal sense. He stated that the old order of tertiary education has gone and won't return, and within that wider societal change a new Trinity College has emerged. There are now blended learning block courses, multi-site delivery and quality lay education options.

All three indicated to the meeting that they will work flexibly to enable a smooth transition for new people into the roles during 2014 and if need be into 2015.

Trinity College Council and the General Secretary will be working towards enabling wide communication of the up-coming changes within the Church and will be communicating various scenarios in due course.

### **Comprehensive Risk Management Plan for Trinity College**

The Council wishes to place on record its appreciation to Stephanie Winterling and Max Thomson for their work in helping both the Council and the staff to understand the nature of risk analysis, mitigation plans and effects and thereby develop a comprehensive plan for risk management objectives.

### **Changes to Trinity College Council Membership**

Stephanie Winterling will return to the USA at the end of 2013. The President, Rev Rex Nathan appointed Richard Biddle as Stephanie's replacement during 2013. The Council wishes Stephanie and her family a safe passage home and record their appreciation for her contribution during 2013. The Council also records its appreciation of the willingness of Richard Biddle to step into this role. Stephanie and Richard together indicate the desire of the Council to actively seek younger people to share their expertise within a major Connexional Board.



## **Alumni Association**

There are currently 57 registered members of the Alumni Association.

The first Alumni gathering was a dinner at Auckland AUT, with 25 members present, from as far afield as Dunedin. Rev Donald Phillipps gave a splendid inaugural address. It is available in the HUB news service and will shortly be in print with the first edition of the Alumni annual magazine.

It is anticipated a Wellington based dinner/evening will happen in September.

There are a number of benefits conferred by belonging to the Alumni Association, not the least being access to significant no fees/nominal fees professional development courses in tcolnow classrooms.

## **Ardet, Hub, and Touchstone**

Trinity College currently distributes Ardet around the Connexion every six weeks. The College pays for two pages in Touchstone every second month. HUB is a new venture: a weekly news service in mahara: it uses feeds from Touchstone, Ardet, Maori TV, BBC News, and various forums from tcol and mahara including Which Book? Book Club HUB will likely become a highly desired educational tool for tcol participants.

## **Trinity College Graduation March 2013**

Trinity College approached its March 2013 graduation service with a sense of fierce pride in those who have passed significant milestones in their Christian walk.

We celebrated those who have been stationed into various appointments, presbyteral and diaconal, and lay. We especially acknowledged those lay people who have graduated with our own Licentiate in Ministry Studies, LiMS: Ruta, Tuipulotu and Sione. Sione died last year after completing the LiMS, and his certificate is awarded posthumously. It was special for the graduation ceremony that his family could attend and receive the certificate and graduation scarf.

Those who have passed the robust theological education required for our level 6 NZQA Diploma in Practical Theology, DipPTh, will understand only too well the learning commitment required. The Church can be proud of what has been accomplished. From this year on, we are also acknowledging those who have completed the courses necessary for lay preacher's certification. It is over to parishes and synods to ensure that these graduands are registered with NZLPA. The full list of certificated Worship Leaders is available in the redesigned LPN101 page in tcolnow. We are anticipating this will be a welcome set of additions. All in all, a vintage year for Methodist education for ministry.

## **DipPTh**

Falanisesi Hafoka  
Kuli Fisi'iahi  
Manoa Havea  
'Ilaisaane Langi  
Neti Petaia  
Sione Pi'e

## **LiMS:**

Rupeni Balawa  
Ruta Galo  
Matafonua Langi  
Keith Moala  
Tuipulotu Pulu  
Abhishek Solomon  
Sione Takataka (posthumously)

## **Trinity College Certificate in Homiletics**

Salote Lilo (Tongan)  
Rachel Masterton (English)  
Sekopi Moli (Tongan)  
Babara Moller (English)  
Tuipulotu Pulu (Tongan)  
Tongo Vaingina (Tongan)  
Iunisi Vaitohi (Tongan)

## **New LiMS Courses in 2013 and 2014**

Additional courses resourcing laity are being taught within the LIMS programme all with Connect Meeting Room video teaching and tcolnow classroom forums. These are

WL301 Preaching for the 21st century - a four part course

BS301: How to Read Corinthians - a five part course

NS series: Night School - a six part course

In 2014 it is anticipated Rev Dr Mary Caygill will lead a new short series of Intensives on Spiritual Direction at Wellspring-at-Waiake. Further course changes will be notified after the TRoQ is completed, but a discussion has been initiated around a possible paper for Youth Ministry within LiMS.

### **Suggested Decisions:**

1. That the report be received
2. That the membership for Trinity College Council for 2014 shall be: Max Thomson (Chair), Rev Dr Susan Thompson (Deputy Chair), Richard Biddle, Eleni Drodrolagi, David McGeorge, Arapera Ngaha, David Bell (Principal) Nicola Grundy (Secretary) plus one appointed by the President to understudy the role of chair during 2014-5.

## **MISSION RESOURCING**

### **Funding**

In last year's report to Conference we highlighted the precarious nature of Mission Resourcing's funding base. We stated: 'We believe it is time for the church to honestly face the hard questions of where it puts its resources and the expectations it has of its staff and ministers.' Behind this plea lies the fact that Mission Resourcing is dependent upon the Budget Task Group and the amount of funding received has remained static for several years thus reducing resources by inflationary rises in costs and stipends year on year. Other parts of the connexional infrastructure, by contrast, have been less dependent on the limited finances of the Budget Task Group, or even able to finance their life entirely through their own resources. Unless this situation is addressed, it is only a matter of time before Mission Resourcing is unable to function. The planned closure of the Refresh and '10 Minutes on a Tuesday' programme has been forced on the Board because no permanent source of funding was found. Generous donations in response to appeals have enabled the ministry to continue for a while longer, but even our most significant gift only sustained the work for another four months at half time. The money for the previous National Youth worker position, as with the national Children's Work Co-ordinator simply ran out. Mission Resourcing cannot even fund the annual convening of the Taiwi Children's Ministry Team and Taiwi Youth Ministry Team. This is why the proposal for the new Children/Young People/Family advocate position is based on an application for PAC Foundation Funding which will secure permanent funding. We do not think it wise to start a new staff position dependent on short term, unsustainable funding again.

The good news is that this plea has been heard and Mission Resourcing has participated in several conversations with the Budget Task Group Think Tank. Negotiations to put Mission Resourcing on a more sustainable footing are progressing well and we will report again next year on the outcome.

## **Growth and Evangelism**

During May two people asked Mission Resourcing the same question: Does the church have any policy for growth? It's an easy enough question to ask, but in reality, it is only possible to answer both "yes" and "no". Read through any year's Stationing Profiles and you will see all sorts of initiatives up and down the country endeavouring to share the love of God more widely. Attend any Strategy and Stationing Committee and within the nuts and bolts of routine procedures are a variety of regional efforts to support and enlarge the mission of the church. So, the answer is yes, there are many policies for growth, renewal and evangelism about. However, if the question is asking whether the connexion as a whole has a guiding hand on the tiller to direct, let alone support these many local and regional efforts, the answer is probably more "no" than "yes".

The truth is that most of us are nearly killing ourselves keeping the show on the road, especially in English-speaking parishes; we are fully occupied managing decline to such an extent that many of us have no energy left to consider possible growth and starting new work. Aware of models that alarm us, we have been quick to say what sort of evangelism we don't like, but that does not relieve us of the duty to find a model we could embrace.

We are in danger of giving the impression that Methodism has resigned itself to die. This might become a self-fulfilling prophecy unless we try to break out of our downward spiral and ask is there anything we still have to offer that is uniquely our gift. Are there new ways of delivering this that might get us excited again? Are there good ideas working well in one place that we could share with another?

The Directors of Mission Resourcing would be happy to get out of the office and meet with synods, parishes or property committees and the Missions to consider those areas of new growth across NZ where we need to place our marker and build up a new Methodist presence as well as identify those places where it is crucial we remain represented. We do not wish to suggest that we have all the answers, but we do see our role as helping to bring the right set of people together to talk intelligently and confidently about the future.

## **Chaplaincy Forum 2013**

The inaugural Chaplaincy Forum met in Auckland at 409 Great South Road on Friday 14 June 2013. Eight chaplains or those responsible for chaplaincy services came along by invitation to trial the forum and evaluate its potential as a vehicle for affirming chaplaincy ministries in the MCNZ. We had representatives of police, hospital, prison, school, tertiary, aged care, and defense force chaplaincy. This small group was simply a representative selection to launch the initiative and was weighted towards Auckland and Manukau people in order to keep the costs down. The support of chaplaincy ministries appears on the Mission Resourcing's list of duties, but not knowing how to offer support has prevented very much happening in this field – hence this initiative.

The meeting opened with a discussion of some of the descriptive theological words being used to describe chaplaincy services, drawing on the British Methodist website. A 7 part study course for the training of lay volunteers for chaplaincy outreach from the British church was also publicized, together with suggestions for other forms of chaplaincy to include airport, agricultural and retail. An initiative for retail chaplaincy is about to be launched in Papakura and we noted that Lifewise in Auckland already has a chaplain at large for the business/city centre community.

Participants then had opportunity to share their own stories which revealed both the diversity of the settings as well as some connecting themes. The meeting then closed with a session looking at the usefulness of such a forum and other ways in which Mission Resourcing or the connexion generally, might offer support to those involved in chaplaincy ministry.

Some of the questions or suggestions arising include:

Can Conference record those presbyters serving in full time chaplaincy roles more positively than simply being "unavailable for stationing"?

How do we keep a current list of presbyters, deacons and lay people who are involved in some form of chaplaincy ministry?

Can chaplains be encouraged to speak of their ministry through *Touchstone* to inform and inspire the church?

How easily do chaplains keep in touch with their local synod? Do synod superintendents offer pastoral support?

Can serving chaplains offer training experiences to students at Trinity College in the form of placements?

The meeting concluded that the forum had been a successful sharing of ideas and interests and was worth continuing in the future. It was suggested that the forum meet annually and move around the country each year to allow a different geographical selection to be possible whilst keeping within the small budget available. Mission Resourcing thanks those chaplains who supported this initiative and will publicize next year's forum more widely.

### **Korean – Methodist Church of New Zealand Dialogue**

President Rex Nathan and VP Jan Tasker enjoyed an informative visit to the Seoul South Conference in April which helped considerably in the growing relationship between our two Conferences. It is hoped that all synods are now aware of the possibility of Korean presbyters from the Seoul South Conference to attend synod meetings as associate members of synod.

The meetings this year have continued to address the implications of Korean congregations based in New Zealand becoming full members of Te Haahi Weteriana. One topic was a comparison of the role of the Synod Superintendent in the two churches. It has also been noted that the Korean church has an office called "elder" which has no direct equivalent in the New Zealand church. Korean elders are ordained to a lay ministry within the congregation, loosely analogous to parish stewards. One other point of difference lies in the variable stipend offered to presbyters within the Korean church, similar to the American United Methodist model, in contrast to the universal stipend paid across the New Zealand church. Other aspects of church life that reveal both similarities and differences remain on the agenda for future conversation.

### **SeRVNT-Hood**

Mission Resourcing has encouraged the re-launch of the SeRVNT-Hood programme which the LNI synod initiated in partnership with Wesley Community Action and Taranaki Street parish Wellington. Unfortunately the programme had to be cancelled this year due to lack of people wishing to enroll. It would be helpful to hear from Conference whether it considers there is enough support for this programme to try again.

### **Leadership Development and Resourcing**

The Directors have continued to respond to opportunities to support parishes and synods in their strategic planning, Supply ministry, stationing and other sundry requests. The Directors have endeavoured to get out of the office a bit more, sit on fewer committees and spend more time talking with synods and parishes. This has resulted in the Directors getting involved in the post-earthquake strategic thinking of CSI synod and leading its annual Retreat, visiting synods and parishes, making submissions on lay Synod Superintendents on behalf of Tauwiwi Strategy and joining other strategic debates with connexional leaders about cross-cultural identity and financing models for the church with Budget Task Group. If there is any way you think Mission Resourcing may be of assistance to you, please do get in touch with the Directors.

### **Local Shared Ministry Workgroup**

This year the Workgroup has been busy revising the Local Shared Ministry booklet to keep it in line with the current practice and needs of the existing Units. A revised booklet has been published, an Enabler's review process outlined, and an Enablers Handbook is currently being produced.

In practice there is a great deal of variety when it comes to lay involvement in ministry and leadership of our churches. For this reason we have sought to broaden our annual training events to include resourcing for Local Shared Ministry as well as all forms of lay leadership.

The 2013 training event took place as part of the Nelson, Marlborough, West Coast Ministerial Synod meetings in Picton 19-21 July. The Workgroup sought to offer helpful resources to Ministry Teams, provide an opportunity for dialogue, provide support and encouragement, and grapple together with the changes taking place both within congregations and in the wider community in which we seek to exercise our ministry and mission. Topics covered included:

- An introduction to Local Shared Ministry
- Ministry gifts
- Ministry options
- Parallel thinking for decision making
- Connecting with the community
- Transitions
- Creative worship
- Requests can be made to the Workgroup to come to Synods, districts or parishes to resource lay teams or help with the transition to Local Shared Ministry. The Workgroup members for 2013 were: Andrew Gamman, Trevor Hoggard, Val Nicholls, Mary Peterson and Ngaire Southon.

### **Refresh Ministry**

This last year has been one of struggling to find the finance to keep the Refresh ministry going. The original funding came primarily from a generous grant from the PAC Distribution Group. When a subsequent application to PAC was declined, we scrambled to find funds wherever we could to continue the ministry. We are very grateful for the many gifts and notes of support that have been received from individuals, parishes, churches and trusts which have kept the ministry going up until the present time. These generous gifts have included significant contributions from Pakuranga Methodist Parish and Auckland Methodist Synod. A contribution from the Budgeting Task Group has ensured funding for a half-time position until the end of the present Connexional year. And, just as this report is being finalised, another substantial grant from the PAC Distribution Group has guaranteed that the ministry will be able to continue through most of 2014.



Refresh started with a big vision. The aim was to provide ideas, motivation, and practical training to help church leaders offer worship and run groups that would better connect with the twenty-first century secular Kiwi culture. As well as the missional aspect, the project sought to provide resources to lighten the load and refresh church leaders working hard in ministry.

### **Transitions**

There is a wide-spread interest in spirituality with which traditional churches largely fail to connect. In her book *Megatrends 2010* Patricia Aburdene predicts the “spiritual transformation of capitalism”. Don’t think Christian, she uses the word “spirituality” to mean “enlightened self-interest” and a move to values driven consumers, ecological awareness and socially responsible investors. Our response to much of which is to say a loud “yes”. But it is no easy task for the church to tap into this mind-set. Paul Tomlinson in *Re-enchanting Christianity* tells of having a conversation with a friend when he talks about “Christian spirituality”. His friend remarks “I’ve never heard those two words together before.”

Refresh workshops and seminars sought to help congregations present the gospel in a style relevant to the new situation. Specific guidelines have been given to help to slowly transition our worship style from presentation to participation; from didactic to discovery; from explanation to experience; from word to image.

A range of Refresh resources is available from the Methodist website and now includes a resource that outlines how and where to get score sheets on-line for worship music, how to download music for groups that do not have a musician, the use of film in church and ideas for Martyrs’ Sunday. I was also requested to produce some updated discipleship and confirmation studies and these are now with Faith and Order.

With the shortage of funding sources, my hours were reduced from the end of July 2013. Sadly, this has meant that the original vision of the Refresh ministry has now been abandoned. As long as available funds allow, I now simply aim to continue the weekly production of “10 minutes on a Tuesday” and follow up correspondence from those using this resource.

### **10 Minutes on a Tuesday**

“10 Minutes on a Tuesday” is the weekly lectionary resource that has formed the backbone of the Refresh ministry. It aims to provide a smorgasbord of creative ways to present the weekly lectionary readings in worship services. This year I have met with leaders from Te Taha Maori, Sinoti Samoa and Vahefonua Tonga to find out about their special days in the church calendar and seek to include more resources specifically related to these arms of the church. The aim is to extend this to other groups. “10 Minutes on a Tuesday” continues to be sent out by email to a little under 1,000 people per week. In this last year the giant textweek.com lectionary website added a link to “10 Minutes on a Tuesday” to their weekly resources. This has resulted in over 1,000 others per month accessing this resource via the Methodist website. I have now received email correspondence from Australia, Great Britain, Canada and the United States of America.

### **COCU Indexing**

As of this year “10 Minutes on a Tuesday” has been produced weekly for three years. This means that, via the archived copies on the website, previous approaches to the lectionary readings for a given week can be accessed. However, there is not an exact repeat of the same 52 weeks of the lectionary each three years. The church year is full of moveable feasts, so it gets a bit complicated. For example *Year C Pentecost 5 2013* has different readings from *Year C Pentecost 5 2010*. By using the *Consultation On Church Union* number, in this case *44C*, the same passages in a previous year can be found. We are now in the process of going through all the archived copies cataloguing them according to the COCU Indexing System. This will make the archived copies accessible for on-going use.

### **Co-operation**

As the face of the Refresh ministry Andrew Gamman is currently also serving as a Lead Tutor for Trinity Theological College, and a member of both the 2014 Planning Committee and the Local Shared Ministry Workgroup. Up until February he was the Parish Enabler at East Coast Parish and up until July, when his hours were reduced, he was on the Auckland Northland Ecumenical Tertiary Chaplaincy Board and Parish Superintendent for the Bay of Island Uniting Parish. Liaison and cooperation with other structures in the denomination with similar objectives have been essential to Refresh.

### **Suggested Decisions:**

1. Conference receives the report.
2. Conference acknowledges the work done by Esme Cole in promoting and supporting children’s ministry in her role as National Children’s Ministry Co-ordinator for the last 3 years, and thanks her for the gifts, passion and dedication she brought to this role.
3. Conference affirms the continuing dialogue with the Korean congregations of the Seoul South Conference.
4. The Mission Resourcing Board for 2014 will be Marilyn Welch (chair), Tovia Aumua (vice chair), Setaita Veikune-Kinahoi, Chris Johnston, Graeme White and the Directors of Mission Resourcing (ex officio) and one other appointed by the President.

### **Kids Loving Church**

Children who love church AND churches that love children.

At the inception of Kids Loving Church we identified that our aim for Children’s Ministries was to:

- Raise the profile of our ministry on a local as well as a national level.
- Ensure that all Methodist congregations are empowered and motivated through training and resourcing to run effective children’s ministries, both within the church and the local community.

- Ensure that our children are reflected in the strategic decisions of the church both locally and nationally.

This would be done through focusing on three key areas: communicating, advocating and participating. In the past year we have continued to do this in a number of ways:

The Children's Ministry Network database continues to grow and is a great way to connect directly with children's ministry leaders and volunteers, ensuring they receive all the information regarding training and resources available to them.

This year we have started to see the benefits of our commitment to grow our ecumenical relationships. We joined with children's ministry leaders from the Baptist, Anglican and Presbyterian churches as well as Scripture Union and Churches Education Commission to offer short, focused workshops known as Spark Plus. They have been a great success and we have contacted all the synods offering to run a similar workshop in their area and help identify and train local leaders to provide a similar ongoing resource. Conversations are also underway with our ecumenical partners about a Messy Church conference and workshops next year.

The developing ecumenical relationships have also broadened the range of workshops available to our children's ministry workers. It has been wonderful being able to tap into the experience and views of a range of children's ministry leaders across the country. We hope that the relationships that made these workshops available, locally and nationally continue to grow and strengthen in the coming years in order to continue equipping (and sometimes challenging) everyone who has an impact on a child's experience of church and how we minister with them.

The Children's Ministry Task group continues to hope that all those training to be presbyters will undertake some study for ministry with, for and by children and young people. We encourage lay and ordained to access such training available at local level through different groups and other denominations, eg Scripture Union Way2Go training, Godly Play and Messy Church workshops. The Kids Loving Church newsletter has been an invaluable way to publicise these events.

Thank you to all the congregations who have made it a priority to ensure that everyone working with their children have been police vetted and continues to ensure that these checks are updated every 3 years and that anyone new to the ministry has completed a Police Vetting Check.

Last year Conference supported the development of national safety guidelines, policies, procedures and protocols for use by all those individuals and groups. It had been our expectation that we would bring a draft of this document to Conference 2013. Unfortunately identifying key people with the required knowledge and skill to develop these guidelines has taken longer than expected. We have also been in conversation with other church groups, who have recently spent considerable time and money developing and testing safety policies and procedures, about the possibility of buying their document for further development and adaption to our needs. Work on the guidelines, policies and procedures and protocols remains a priority and will continue in the coming year. (The Central South Island Synod has indicated that they would like to continue with this work).

As you will be aware, we have come to the end of our funding for Kids Loving Church and the employment of the National Children's Ministry Co-ordinator. We have completed the task given to us:

- We have raised the profile of ministry with children as well as the need for this ministry to receive funding to be resourced on a local and national level.
- Challenged parishes, synods and Connexional groups to consider our children in their strategic planning and the decisions they make.
- Resourced and equipped those ministering with our children.
- Built strong and fruitful ecumenical relationships

- We have identified the best way forward to continue supporting and growing this vital ministry. We endorse the Sustainable Integrated Proposal for the Children, Young People and Families Co-ordinator and the supporting Children and Youth Ministry Teams. The proposal honours our responsibility to minister well to all our children and their families and to resource and nurture those ministering to them.

We look forward with anticipation to the next stage of the church's journey in this vital ministry to, with and for children.

We would like to end by thanking:

1. All Children's Ministries Teams for their dedication to help our children grow in faith and the groups who have opened their doors to us to work together to grow our ministry to, with and by children.
2. The Children's Ministries Implementation Task Group for their support and hard work during the past year as well as The Mission Resourcing Board for continued support.
3. Everyone who worked together on the Sustainable Integrated Children, Young People and Families proposal to ensure that we are ministering well to our children, youth and families.
4. Everyone who walks besides our children in their faith journey.

#### **Suggested Decision:**

1. The report be received

#### **Consultative Group for Taiui Youth Ministry**

Following Conference 2012 further work was done on the Vision, Mission and Strategy for Taiui Youth Ministry (TYM) to include the feedback received. A revised version was then sent to Synods and Hui Poari for comment. Positive feedback was received from Synods and the document was affirmed at Taiui Strategy's July meeting. The revised version that follows has two accompanying addendum, one which expands on the Mission Statement and includes Bible references for each aspect, and one which expands on how the strategy applies at all levels of the church. These addenda are available on request from the Co-Convenors or the Mission Resourcing Directors. The Vision, Mission and Strategy for Taiui Youth Ministry need to be looked at alongside the Joint Proposal for a Sustainable Integrated Ministry with Children, Young People and Families.

Sue Spindler and Filo Tu  
Co-Convenors, Consultative Group for Taiui Youth Ministry

### **TAIUI YOUTH MINISTRY VISION, MISSION AND STRATEGY**

#### **Preamble**

Taiui Youth Ministry (TYM) is part of the whole ministry and mission of the Methodist Church of New Zealand – Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa. The church is committed to nurturing the Christian faith and the development of its young people in ways that reflect the church's bi-cultural journey and all its diversities.

#### **Our Vision**

In Christ, in Connexion, in Touch

- *The Gospel message invites young people as Methodists to live out the way of Christ together in the community and in the world.*

#### **Our Core Values**

1. God loves all young people
2. God calls every young person to serve
3. God gives gifts to every young person and enables each one to carry out that service
4. The MCNZ values the involvement of young people in its leadership and mission



## **Our Mission**

- Create a caring environment in which young people are valued and feel they belong, are nurtured in their Christian faith and growth, and given opportunities to serve and to develop their gifts
- Ensure that youth leaders and presbyters have ongoing training and resourcing for youth ministry and are supported in this work
- Our Core Values and Mission Statement will inform and guide how we carry out our mission

## **Our Strategy**

- Provide access to appropriate programmes locally for young people led by trained, resourced and well-supported leadership
- Synods to implement policies that include youth representation and involvement in decision-making, and to provide resourcing and support to youth leaders
- Provide national co-ordination to:
  - support and resource Synod and parish youth leadership
  - co-ordinate national youth events and training for youth ministry
  - ensure ongoing national, ecumenical and international networking

### **NOTE: Conference 2012 YB (page E-47, Question 29(f), Decision 4)**

*Conference notes the need for establishing a Taiuiwi Youth Council to oversee the Taiuiwi Youth Strategy and asks the CTYM Group to report to Conference 2013 on the roles, convenorship, membership and funding strategy of such Council.*

### **Suggested Decisions:**

1. The report is received
2. The Taiuiwi Youth Ministry Vision, Mission and Strategy be adopted.
3. Noting the Conference 2012 decision to establish a Taiuiwi Youth Council, Conference agrees that this now is being replaced with the Taiuiwi Youth Ministry Team as detailed in the report on the 'Integrated Ministry with Children, Young People and Families'.
4. Conference thanks the CTYM group for their work which is now complete.

## **A Sustainable Integrated Ministry with Children, Young People and Families Proposal** ***The whole church taking the whole gospel to the whole family – a biblical household ministry model***

WE ARE ALL INVOLVED. Everyone. Whether you are a Sunday school teacher, a youth worker, a presbyter, a lay preacher, a parent or grandparent, whether you have a role in your church or you are just an ordinary member. Everyone is a minister. We are preparing our children to become youth, and we are preparing our youth to become young adults, and then senior adults – so the cycle continues. While each stage of preparation is significantly different, we need to focus on the end result, 'our hopes and dreams for the children and young people of our church and communities – to have a Christ-like faith'.

In essence we are ministering to the whole family of God.

Mission Resourcing is proposing that the Taiuiwi Children's Ministry and the Taiuiwi Youth Ministry work together with one shared National Co-ordinator. The proposal reflects many benefits of working together to ensure the specific needs of each are met and both Ministries are valued equally. The proposal promotes a separate Children's Ministry Team and a Youth Ministry Team who will work together with the National Co-ordinator. Both the Consultative Group for Taiuiwi Youth Ministry and the Children's Ministry Implementation Task Group fully supported a Sustainable Integrated Ministry with Children, Young People and Families Proposal by Mission Resourcing. The diagram below indicates how the National Co-ordinator and the two Ministry Teams work together with the Synods' and Parishes' Youth and Children's Ministry leaders.

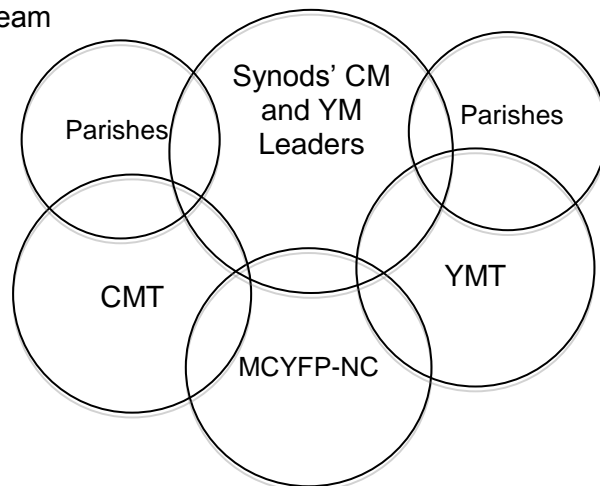


Tauiwi Ministry with Children, Young People and Families

MCYFP-NC: National Co-ordinator

CMT: Children's Ministry Team

YMT: Youth Ministry Team



The National Co-ordinator and the Ministry Teams will work to identify the needs and set vision and strategy for each ministry, and to identify the areas where they need to support and complement each other. The proposal will strengthen the relationship with both ministries on all levels of church involvement and ensures that the two ministries are not competing for funding to enable them to minister well with our children, young people and families.

A discussion document reflecting the rationale and structure of the proposal has been widely circulated throughout the church and is available from Mission Resourcing.

The proposal has been supported by all the Synods, except one that felt they needed further information regarding the position and any extra costs to Synods. We have noted in the feedback that one of the Synods questioned whether we needed someone nationally for Youth Ministry as they felt this was being done on a local level and that the greater need was for someone to co-ordinate children's ministry nationally. Both the current Ministry Groups believe all synods will benefit from the employment of a National Co-ordinator of the Integrated Ministry with Children, Young People and Families which will ensure resourcing, training and equipping for our children and youth ministry leaders in every level of our church life. The National Co-ordinator will ensure the provision of resources, networking, and putting in place a support structure for children and youth ministry leaders who can often feel isolated or unsupported. The National Co-ordinator will work together with the Parishes' and Synods' youth and children's leaders, and the ministry teams to organize local and national activities for either each ministry or combined ministry activities that will encourage a smoother transitional and relational growth edge from one generation to the next. The Co-ordinator will also provide an ecumenical and national focus on ministry with children and young people, promoting their inclusion in the strategic planning of the church, and advocating for the children, young people and families at the decision making bodies of the church and community.

Mission Resourcing submitted an application to PAC for an endowment to enable the proposal to proceed. While we are very grateful to PAC for the funds granted to date, they are as yet insufficient to fund the Ministry and the employment of the National Co-ordinator. We will continue to explore other funding sources and make applications for funding of this position. We are encouraged by the conversations taking place in Synods and at Tauwi Strategy meeting regarding our national responsibility for ministry with our children and youth and how we financially support the ministry.

We express our gratitude to all Synods for their positive feedbacks and creative suggestions for fundraising, and to the Tauwi Strategy Meeting for taking time to discuss and approved the proposal. We are all involved. Everyone is a minister.

## **Suggested Decisions:**

### **Taiui Integrated Ministry with Children, Young People and Families**

1. The report is received.
2. Conference affirms the following principles for nomination of the membership of the Youth Ministry Team and the Children's Ministry Team:
  - a. One person nominated by each of Sinoti Samoa, Vahefonua Tonga, and Wasewase ko Viti kei Rotuma, and Wesley College (only for the Youth Ministry Team); and three persons nominated by the geographical Synods.
  - b. The three nominations from the geographical Synods are processed through the Taiui Strategy nomination committee which ensures their geographical spread.
  - c. All nominations are skill based and have shown commitment to the growth and promotion of youth and children's ministries within the church and community;
  - d. Appointees to the Ministry Teams will normally serve for two years
  - e. Each Ministry will appoint its own Convener
  - f. The National Co-ordinator will be an ex-officio member of both Ministry Teams.
3. Conference confirms the appointment of the following persons to the Ministry Teams:
  - a. Children's Ministry Team:  
Suiva'aia Te'o, Morven Sidal, Esme Cole, Kula Bower, plus 2 further names to be confirmed, 1 from geographical Synod nominees and 1 from Vahefonua Tonga
  - b. Youth Ministry Team:  
Siu Williams-Lemi, Esme Cole, Filo Tu, Narieta Ralege, plus 3 further names to be confirmed, 1 from geographical Synod nominees, 1 from Vahefonua Tonga and 1 from Wesley College
4. Until the appointment of the National Co-ordinator, Conference notes that Mission Resourcing will give directions to and coordinate the work of the two Ministry Teams.
5. Subject to the availability of long-term funding,
  - a. Conference approves the employment of a National Co-ordinator for an initial term of three years, who will be accountable to Mission Resourcing;
  - b. Conference notes that Mission Resourcing will initiate a process for the appointment of a National Co-ordinator
6. Recognising the need to secure long-term funding for the Integrated Ministry with Children, Young People and Families, Conference:
  - a. encourages all Synods and Parishes to consider pledging financial support for these important Ministries,
  - b. affirms Mission Resourcing continuing to seek funding from other sources.
7. Conference asks Mission Resourcing to initiate reviews of the work of the:
  - a. National Co-ordinator, Taiui Children's Ministry Team, and the Taiui Youth Ministry Team in the second year of the appointment of the National Co-ordinator.
  - b. Integrated Ministry with Children, Young People and Families in the fourth year from Conference 2013 (2017)

## **DIACONATE TASK GROUP**

"It's not so much about what we are called to do, but who we are called to become. Diaconal ministry is not a job or a function within the church. It is a way of life, of being and loving. It is an attitude to life, living with a loving heart and enacting that love in the world." So ended a reflection by Rev Val Nicholls at a recent Commissioning.



The Task Group reminds the Church that deacons hold before congregations the needs and concerns of the wider community in outreach, prayer and compassion and that we can be an advocate for change and for justice in society. Our ministry is complementary to presbyter and lay leader, and is specifically covenanted to support and care for those on the margins of church and society.

During the year there were a number of positive events:

- In early March history was made with the induction of Margaret Birtles as Deacon to St Stephen's congregation in the Tauranga Methodist Parish. This was a first through the Methodist Church's stationing process.
- In April a small group met in Hamilton for the Deacons' annual Gathering and welcomed deacons, a deacon in training, and a prospective deacon. Our gatherings are good for us all and we are looking forward to Convocation 2-4 May 2014 in Hamilton.
- As part of "Let the Children Live" initiative we invited a speaker from "Child Matters" an organization which works with at-risk children. "Safe, Not Sorry" is a booklet available from "Child Matters" in Hamilton.
- SeRVNTHood – During the Gathering Shirley-Joy Barrow told us of this week-long programme which challenges Parish young people to move out of their comfort zones and experience other aspects of society and serve their community. The Lower North Island Synod is expecting to promote one or two in their area before the end of this year.
- In June, Ruta Galo, a school teacher who is a student deacon in the candidating process this year, was commissioned into the Mangere-Otahuhu Methodist Parish. Her ministry covenant is with children and families in partnership with her school. We took part in her service and were glad to meet up with that congregation.
- Celebrating the Diaconate: David Poultney, Chair of Faith & Order, is looking at the possibility of nominating a special Sunday to celebrate the Diaconate - to raise awareness, and to highlight the possibilities of diaconal work in parishes.
- We place on record the ministry of Deacon Francis Westaway of Lawrence who died suddenly in Christchurch and give thanks for his long ministry.
- We are appreciative of the support of Trinity-Wellspring @ Waiake who work with us in the development of diaconal ministry.
- We welcome Trevor Hoggard to Mission Resourcing, and look forward to finding positive ways to move forward into the future.
- As mentioned above, Convocation is planned for Hamilton from 2-4 May 2014.

#### **Suggested Decisions:**

1. That this report be received.
2. The Diaconate Task Group for 2013-2014: Co-Convenors: Deacons Margaret Birtles / Edna Evans, Rachel Tregurtha, Brenda Fawkner, Megan Alley, Richard Williams.

## **METHODIST LAY PREACHER'S NETWORK**

#### **In Memoriam**

We acknowledge the work and witness of all Lay Preachers and in particular give thanks for the life and ministry of those who have died during the year:

Graham Harris	St Johns Nelson
Alison Beeston	Kapiti Uniting, Waikanae
John Dunn	Lincoln Union Parish
Bettie Lawson	Roxburgh

We extend our deep sympathy to their families and know they will be missed by their congregations.

#### **Trained, Resourced and Recognised Lay Preachers**

The importance of ministry offered by Lay Preachers is being appreciated increasingly as fewer parishes have full-time presbyters available to lead worship every Sunday. This responsibility and privilege brings the challenge of ensuring that Lay Preachers are well trained, well resourced and appropriately recognised.

## **Trained**

Parishes support Lay Preachers by identifying their gifts, by encouraging them to train and become accredited, by giving them opportunities to widen their preaching experience and then by supporting them to undertake continuing training at workshops, study groups or maybe formal study.

## **Resourced**

Many parishes pick up the suggestion of gifting the first annual subscription to the New Zealand Lay Preachers' Association (NZLPA) to newly accredited Lay Preachers; this includes receiving the quarterly magazine *Word and Worship* with its excellent articles.

Some parishes also support their Lay Preachers through a regular book allowance, giving them the means to acquire: reference material, books of liturgy that can deepen the ability to express what sometimes defies words, or background reading to broaden an understanding for preaching. Most Lay Preachers value the hard copy and books are not cheap; many use the internet for resources such as 10-Minutes on a Tuesday and are sorry this does not have the funding to continue long-term. All Lay Preachers have access to the Trinity College website which most of us under-utilise – it is a straightforward way to share resources and keep in communication.

## **Recognised**

Some parishes regularly use Lay Preachers to lead worship; preparing for a service may take 10 hours or more and involve driving significant distances to reach a church in good time for a service. On behalf of all Lay Preachers, thank you to those parishes who reimburse travel and also make a *koha* (not a payment, but a gift or donation suggested at \$70) for all visiting preachers. Well-led worship resources a congregation for the week ahead and following these guidelines can be a way to value this.

## **Newly Accredited Lay Preachers August 2012 – August 2013**

Palolo Mafile'o Tuala,  
Seumanutafa Faitoto'a,  
Lolila Faitoto'a, Limoe Kelly,  
Penny Anne Guy,  
Joy Kingsbury-Aitken,  
David M. McGregor,  
Jan Poswillo,  
J. Moller,  
Mapulesua Letoi,  
Alaelua Malaeimi,  
Semau Aaron Palelei,  
Siosifa (Joseph) T. Fifita

## **Annual Update**

This has been sent to Lay Preachers via email and to all parishes in July with the hope of having them returned by the end of August. We are grateful to those who responded promptly, including parishes who do not have any Lay Preachers at all.

## **Website**

It has taken more time and work than anticipated to update our pages on the website but it is hoped to have it complete by the end of 2013. Currently up-to-date are: the latest Network newsletter, the update form, certificate application form, and our contact details.

## **Network**

Dorothy Willis has handed over her remaining area of responsibility, viz. maintaining the database, which is a significant task demanding of time and energy. We extend our sincere thanks to Dorothy, for completing last year's returns – we greatly appreciate her friendly approach, skill and commitment to this.

## Suggested Decisions:

1. That the report be received.
2. Conference thanks Dorothy Willis for her work and commitment to the Methodist Lay Preachers' Network.
3. The Network Convenors for 2014 are: Viv Whimster (Convenor), Syd Easton, Ngaire Southon (Co-convenors).

## THE CHURCHES EDUCATION COMMISSION

We appreciate the generous support and commitment of the Methodist Church towards the work of the Churches Education Commission in New Zealand ('CEC'). We have had a number of highlights over the past year which I will outline in this report.

**CEC**  
CHURCHES  
EDUCATION  
COMMISSION



### Strengthening Relationships

*We have been developing stronger relationships with our key stakeholders.*

- Grassroots events held in Auckland, Whangarei, Tauranga, Dunedin & Manawatu.
- Community gatherings for CRE teachers & Chaplains, including Commissioning services: held in Auckland, Whangarei, Hawkes Bay, Wellington, Waikato, Taranaki, Gisborne, Nelson, Marlborough, Manawatu and Dunedin.
- The development of new partnership programmes for Regions, including *Grassroots*, *Backyard* and the *Foundation Supporters Club*
- The incorporation of Regional (CEC) Trusts across New Zealand
- We have recently partnered with a number of National Children's Ministries including, Baptist, Presbyterian, Methodist, Anglican, and Scripture Union to host Professional Development (Spark) workshops

### Excellence in the Classroom

*We aim to inspire, equip and resource CRE teachers for excellence in the classroom.*

- CRE teachers from Southland to Northland can view professional development training clips, powerpoint materials and many other resources via the CEC Toolbox
- A digital version of the *Life Choices Year 1* curriculum is now available, at no cost, to our CRE teachers via the CEC Toolbox. *Life Choices Year 2* is currently being formatted for digital use and will be available online shortly.

### CEC iLearn

Those wanting to become a CRE teacher can now complete their training online via **CEC iLearn**. There are 6 training modules to complete, and each module is taught via short video clips followed by a series of questions. The beauty of this new system is that people can now complete the training in their own time and at their own pace.

Each clip ranges from 3 to 13 minutes in length which creates an easy-to-digest and fun way to learn. Since its inception in late February of this year, 110 people have signed up to **iLearn** and several of these have already completed the training and will soon commence their first CRE class in their local school.

### Innovative CRE programmes – 'Champions'

*A success story – Cornwall Park Primary*

We have had an exciting start at Cornwall Park Primary and are now into our second term. 'Champions' is a large group style CRE programme and we currently have 219 children attending our lunchtime sessions. Junior pupils are now asking if it is only for the seniors or if they can join in too! The principal and staff are very positive about the programme and CRE teachers have also been most supportive, attending each session and assisting in prayer and wherever else they can. It is wonderful to see the children so engaged and interested in the lessons, all the while having heaps of fun.

## Lifewalk Trust – Chaplaincy

The work of chaplaincy is now run by Lifewalk Trust (new website is [www.lifewalk.org.nz](http://www.lifewalk.org.nz)). Lifewalk Trust is a charitable trust that supports, resources and places chaplains in state schools. The services Lifewalk Trust provides include: high quality training, partnership and placement of chaplains in local schools, as well as ongoing professional development to all chaplains.

### NZ CEC Statistics - as at 30 June 2013

New parent information brochures delivered to Primary schools in previous year	12,768
CRE teachers attended professional development workshops in previous year	569
CRE teachers using CEC Toolbox regularly	1,446
Life Choices digital downloads	512
Percentage of CRE teachers under 40	29%
New CRE teachers completing their training online via CEC iLearn	110
Large group programmes operating	122
Non-school time programmes operating	30

We want to thank the Methodist Church for their generous support.

Simon Greening, Chief Executive

#### Suggested Decision:

1. The report be received.

## **THE INTERCHURCH TERTIARY CHAPLAINCY COUNCIL (ITCC) & AOTEAROA NEW ZEALAND CHAPLAINCY ASSOCIATION (ANZTCA)**

The Inter-Tertiary Chaplaincy Council (ITCC) exists to coordinate the various trusts and councils which sponsor and place Christian chaplains in the various tertiary institutions of New Zealand. In the past it has played a major role in funding these chaplains, but the decline in church funding has meant that the funding of chaplaincy falls now on local fundraising (which often includes church support) and support from the institutions, many of which welcome the presence of chaplains.

The current chair is the Rev Dr Terry Wall, and the secretary, Associate-Professor Peter Lineham. The 2012 annual meeting was held at Ramsay House, the Anglican Chaplaincy Centre at Victoria University Wellington. It included representatives from the chaplaincies of Wellington, Manawatu, Taranaki, Auckland, Canterbury and Otago, and church representatives from the Methodist and Presbyterian churches. Apologies were received from the Anglican representative and the Trust boards of the Maclaurin Chaplaincy, Eastern Institute of Technology, Southland Institute of Technology, and the two chaplaincies in Hamilton.

There are some very strong chaplaincies in the universities, and they are now often given some funding from the institutions, in the face of the weakening of student associations. The Polytechnic situation is more varied, with some very strong chaplaincy work in some supportive institutions, while in other places it is weak or does not exist. There is virtually no chaplaincy presence in private training establishments. Work among international students is often particularly strong, with help from International Student Ministries, which is a member of the board.

There is a constant struggle to raise funds, and individual chaplaincies seek support from individuals and congregations often with help from the local Anglican diocese in some northern areas, or a significant Trust. The lack of church funding is a serious issue for most local trusts, as the ITCC itself has no money left to fund more than some basic support for the national tertiary chaplaincy's chairman's role with the wider Christian community.

The Aotearoa-NZ Tertiary Chaplains Association (ANZTCA) is a professional association for tertiary chaplains with around 60 members, most of whom serve part-time in our Universities and

Polytechnics. Currently there are two Methodist Presbyters employed full time as University Chaplains, Rev Uesifili Unasa (University of Auckland) and Rev Greg Hughson (Otago University). The ANZTCA annual Conference was held last November at Waikato University in Hamilton... Ricky Waters (Co-ordinating Chaplain at Massey University (Albany), Unitec Institute of Technology, and Manukau institute of Technology) is the current Chairperson and the Executive includes Victoria Sibley (Massey, PN) – Secretary; Paola Minehan (EIT) – Treasurer; Jill Shaw (Massey, Albany) – Northern Regional Co-ordinator; Paul Stock (Massey, PN) – Central Region Co-ordinator; Lisa Stuart (SIT, Invercargill) – Southern Regional Co-ordinator; Greg Hughson (Otago Uni) – International Rep (IACHE); Mike Wright (Otago Poly) – Conference Co-ordinator. The ANZTCA 2013 Conference will be held at Otago University in Dunedin 25-28 November where we will join in celebrations of the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Ecumenical Tertiary Chaplaincy Trust Board. The ITCC Annual Meeting will also be held during this Conference giving Trust Board reps the opportunity to meet Chaplains from around the country.

Thanks to a generous grant of around \$50,000 five years ago from the All Churches Bureau ANZTCA has been able to distribute the remaining balance this year to a wide range of projects devoted to sharing Christian hospitality and the gospel on our campuses.

Tertiary Chaplains fulfil a vital role on behalf of our Churches offering pastoral care and spiritual support to thousands of students and staff, of all cultures and faiths, and of no faith. There is a growing ministry to international students from over 100 countries who come to our land to study. We believe that the provision of Chaplaincy services to our tertiary institutions must continue to be supported as a vital and key mission of the whole Church and should be seen as an opportunity for our churches to partner with these institutions in offering pastoral support and Christian hospitality. The Methodist Church can be proud of its long-standing support of Tertiary Chaplaincy and we ask that this support continue. Often our Chaplains are sought out by students and staff in real need of spiritual support and guidance at crucial turning points in their lives. Our vision is to continue to grow these ministries nationally, in harmony with the Mission Statement of the Methodist Church of NZ and those of other churches.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you require further information. Please also contact tertiary chaplains in your area. They need your ongoing support and prayers. Ask them what they need and invite them to come and share with you about their ministries which are offered on your behalf and with your support. See the ANZTCA website for contact information [www.anztca.net.nz](http://www.anztca.net.nz).

The ITCC thanks the Methodist Church of New Zealand for its support through administering its funds.

Peter Lineham, Secretary, ITCC.  
Ricky Waters, Chairperson, ANZTCA.

#### **Suggested Decisions:**

1. That the report be received
2. That Conference affirm the importance of ongoing support for tertiary chaplaincy in Aotearoa-NZ

## **THE INTERCHURCH COUNCIL FOR HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY**

### **Introduction**

The ICHC has just completed the fifth year operating under its 5 year contract with the Ministry of Health.



### **Negotiating a New Contract**

Hospital Chaplaincy in Public Hospitals is a response to the contemporary issues which face the Church and society today. Key areas of focus for our Chaplains and Chaplaincy Volunteers are: supporting the resolution of helplessness, despair and loss; assisting spiritual transitions; waiting alongside people in crisis; helping patients resolve anger, guilt, fear and anxiety; promoting reconciliation in relationships and between belief and recommended treatment; offering corporate worship and bringing hope and celebration; providing specialised pastoral



interventions such as prayer for healing, anointing, providing sacramental ministry to those who want it, offering the rites of the church; pastoral counseling and spiritual direction; blessings of work areas, wards, buildings etc.

In our negotiations with the Ministry of Health this year the ICHC reminded the Ministry of Health that in promoting reconciliation in relationships only a qualified priest or minister can administer the sacrament of reconciliation including absolution, in particular where a patient is experiencing distress regarding lack of forgiveness, and/or perceived failure and sinfulness.

- The Ministry of Health confirmed that its funding for Hospital Chaplaincy over the next 3 years will be at the 2011/12 level, which is \$100,000 less each year than we have received in 2012-13. The Ministry also reminded us that the government funding is based on the understanding a considerable, if not equal, financial contribution to the chaplaincy services is coming from the Churches and community.
- There is an increasing need for Chaplains to provide for the Spiritual wellbeing of all in hospitals. The ICHC must demonstrate that those who provide and supervise this ministry in hospitals i.e. Chaplains, are theologically educated and pastorally experienced people who are accredited as NZ Healthcare Chaplains.

### **Looking Ahead and Missional Objectives**

- We see that caring for those who are ill, fulfils both the ministry of the Church to its own people, and the mission of the Church, in reaching out to others at times of their greatest need. With patient stays in hospitals becoming increasingly shorter the likelihood of this ministry being primarily a response to crisis events is increasing
- For those in our Mental Health Services this is a ministry among some of the most “needy people”
- Funding is required to maintain the 57 FTE paid Chaplains positions, in order to enable the co-ordination of the trained volunteer Chaplaincy Assistant workforce. Some, but not all, of the volunteers could ideally be licenced lay or ordained persons, able to provide the reserved sacrament, anoint the sick, pray for healing and commend the dying when the need arises. This would free the Chaplains to attend to the higher level needs of patients who are dying, in Critical Care Units and the Accident and Emergency Departments

On behalf of the Chaplains, Chaplaincy Assistants and locums, we wish to thank the Methodist Church not only for its financial support, but also the prayer and pastoral support for our 300 plus paid and voluntary staff, who bring hope to the poor of mind, body and spirit who are admitted to this country’s hospitals.

Ron Malpass  
National Executive Officer

### **Suggested Decisions:**

1. The report be received.
2. That the conference notes the Rev David Poultney is the Methodist Trustee on the Interchurch Council for Hospital Chaplaincy Trust Board.

## **PRISON CHAPLAINCY SERVICE**

The Methodist Church is a member of the Prison Chaplaincy Trust Board. The current Methodist representative is Rev Peter Williamson.

A short history and the mission statement of the Prison Chaplaincy Trust Board is contained in the Conference Report of 2012. Its reason for being is contained in the Corrections Act 2004, where s. 79 requires “... that in every corrections prison ... appropriate provision is made for the various religious and spiritual needs of prisoners.” The Prison Chaplaincy Service is contracted to deliver these “appropriate provisions,” both for prisoners and staff.

In the course of the year, paid and volunteer staff delivered 66,574 hours, with 97,564 attendances – directly to those of Christian faith, and arranging chaplaincy services for those prisoners of other faiths. Chaplains visit the units, deliver Bible resources, support other programmes (such as

sports activities, music festivals and kapa haka events), attend staff training, and attend to a host of administrative duties.

Like many government agencies, the Corrections Department is undergoing immense organisational change. This is leading to a more regionally focussed delivery of services, the development of chaplaincy services to private prison providers in Auckland, and the renewed focus on the Prison Chaplaincy Service's core requirements: "spiritual health and well-being, guidance, counselling, loss, grief and dying, faith development and discussion, recruiting volunteers, and providing usual Christian church services and ceremonies."

The Trust Board is grateful for support that Methodist volunteers provide (and more volunteers are always welcome), and the support given to both Chaplains and the Trust Board alike. You are invited to see more of our shared ministry at [www.pcsanz.org](http://www.pcsanz.org).

**Suggested Decision:**

- 1 That the report be received.

## **DEFENCE CHAPLAINCY**

*Supplementary Report*

## **TROUNSON TRUST**

**Let the children live**

is the 10 year Mission focus of the  
Methodist Church of New Zealand Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa

As applications for hardship grants have been received in 2012-2013 the Trustees of the James and Martha Benevolent Fund have continued to acknowledge the original intentions of the Trounson family when this fund in initiated in 1929.

Originally the Trust was only available for Methodist members and adherents in the Auckland area.

This fund is now offered throughout New Zealand for members or families who are experiencing financial hardship. Individuals may not apply themselves.

These named leaders may apply:-Parish Presbyter, Deacon or a Lay leader in a Methodist or Cooperating Parish without a stationed appointment. These applications are made without the knowledge of the recipient. Any grant is expected to be delivered by the Church leader to the recipient.

The money that is available to be given as grants is the interest only on the capital and the money in the Endowment account, which is held at the Connexional office.

The Trustees greatly appreciate the two endowments from the PAC Distribution group. These were received in 2010 and 2012 the total endowment is now \$123,000. The interest is available quarterly.

Now the endowment has been increased this helps to ensure that grants are able to be realistic, although frequently it is not possible to give the amount that is suggested. The maximum amount is \$500 in any 12 month period to an individual or family.

The Trustees find it difficult make decisions without adequate information of the situation. The applications received since Conference last year have been more explicit and have given sufficient information to allow the Trustees to make informed decisions. Thank you.

One application the Trustees made a grant for is currently 'on hold' until the money is actually needed for the specific work.

Several of the applications this year have been able to be actioned by email, (where possible please send your applications by email). Very recently there were 2 urgent requests; decisions were made within 36 hours. Thank you to the Connexional office for responding quickly and sending the cheques by 'fast post'.

As well as urgent requests the Trustees receive some applications that are of a sensitive nature. These are dealt with in 'face to face' meetings.

The November 2012 meeting was to have been a time when we planned to farewell Nigel Hanscamp. In 2009 Nigel had invited Waikato members to become the Trustees and he led us for the first 3 years. Unfortunately our meeting clashed with the Mission Resourcing farewell to Nigel and Rebecca. We hope that in November 2013 Rev. Dr Trevor Hoggard will be able to come to Hamilton to meet with us.

The Trustees are very aware of the responsibility that we have. We acknowledge the generosity of the Trounson family. During each of the years that we have been Trounson Trustees there have been a number of applications that have included children The reminder for each of us this year has been 'Let the children live'.

Mary West Convener, Rev. Metui Tafuna,  
Mrs Gwen Kentish, Mr Colin Telford

**Suggested Decision:**

1. That the report be received

Attached is a summary of the grants given July 2012- 30<sup>th</sup> June 2013:

Applications and Grants distributed by the Trustees of the  
James and Martha Trounson Benevolent Fund 1<sup>st</sup> July 2012 - 30<sup>th</sup> June 2013

Parish which applied and month	Amount requested	Grant which was approved
Auckland Manukau Synod Nov. '12	\$500	Declined did not meet the guidelines
Kamo Cooperating Nov.'12	\$400	\$300
Christchurch West Nov.'12	\$300	\$300
Christchurch West Nov.'12	\$200	\$200
Invercargill Nov.'12	\$250	\$250
Feilding Dec.'12	\$300	\$300
Linwood Ave Christchurch Feb.'13	\$500	\$400 <i>approved but not yet actioned waiting to next step in the request</i>
Waikato Waiariki Synod June'13	\$500	\$500
Bay of Islands June.'13	\$500	\$500
Ngaio June'13	\$150	\$150
Chartwell Hamilton June'13	\$500	\$300
Lower North Island Synod June'13	\$500	\$500
Invercargill June'13	\$480	\$480
Pitt Street June'13	\$500	\$500

**Total grants approved \$4280.00** with \$400 approved and available as needed.

# WESLEY COLLEGE

## Introduction

It has been a very challenging year for Wesley College. Despite the highs and lows we are pleased to be able to present this report to Conference 2013.

## Chaplaincy Team Ministry

The multi-cultural members of the Wesley College Parish reflect not only the ecumenical nature of the Parish but also its inter-faith diversity. This provides the basis of ministry for the Chaplaincy Team who continue to challenge, encourage and support each member to grow in faith and to live out their faith regardless of their background. The Chaplaincy Team has five members. The two stipended Chaplains are Rev Sylvia 'Akau'ola Tongotongo, Superintending Chaplain and Whaea Paewhenua Nathan, Chaplain Maori. The other three members are part of the Chaplaincy Team in their roles: Rev Ian Faulkner, Principal; Rev Stephen Tema, Deputy Principal Boarding; and Rev Ali'itasi Salesa, Head of Department Life and Faith (known in other schools as Religious Education). The blessing of having the Chaplaincy Team is the assurance that all the members of the community have at least one Chaplain with whom they are comfortable to relate to for the sake of their well-being.

In a Parish with majority living together in community twenty four seven, in a Boarding establishment, a lot of energy is focused on nurturing the family environment of: living in harmony; respecting one another's space; opposition to cultures of violence; and challenging systems of domination and exclusion. These are some of the core values of the Methodist ethos grounded and lived out in the Special Character of the School. At its heart is what the Church's 10 year challenge declares, 'Let the Children Live.' Wesley College hosted a Youth Service for the Auckland and Manukau Synods in June with the theme 'Let the children live'. This was a success with more than 500 young people in attendance, and about 100 adults including 15 ordained ministers from around the Districts.

2012 was the 6<sup>th</sup> year Wesley College has an Affirmation Service combined with the Leavers' Chapel Service. As an affirmation each student makes a declaration of commitment to continue to live their faith with passion and compassion beyond the gates of Wesley. This is not a confirmation service and it is not an alternative that interferes with confirmation process of the students' respective churches.

## Education Matters

The teaching staff continue to provide the teaching and assessment programmes that will enable students to meet the Government target that 75% of 18 year olds have achieved the National Certificate in Educational Achievement [NCEA] Level 2. In recent years this target has been met with at least 90% of Year 13 students leaving having achieved NCEA Level 2.

A new requirement that students achieve 10 numeracy and 10 literacy credits before being awarded NCEA Level 1 is a new factor for us to take into account as we work towards meeting this Government target. Achieving the above number of literacy and numeracy credits is also a prerequisite for the award of Level 2.

In 2011 following a review of the New Zealand Qualifications Framework and the start of a realignment of the standards the level of difficulty of the numeracy and literacy standards was raised from Level 3 or 4 of the New Zealand Curriculum to Level 6 of the New Zealand Curriculum.

A significant number of students enter Wesley College with learning levels in Reading and the Mathematics Number strand at Level 2 of the curriculum. It is a challenge for teaching staff to lift these levels to the point where the students concerned can access the curriculum and successfully achieve standards set at Level 6 during Year 11. This requires a lift in performance of 4 curriculum levels over two years. It is a reality that for a number of students the attainment of NCEA Level 1 is a two year programme.

Heads of curriculum departments and middle managers are engaged in a focussed professional development programme that aims to address questions around the best way to accelerate learning so that more students develop the skills to achieve at age-appropriate curriculum levels.

## **Property and Investment Council**

### ***Financial report***

The Wesley College Trust Board's continues to maintain a tight control over the Boards finances and the low investment returns continue, though there has been a 14% increase in income to the Board from its investments, and due to an increase in boarding numbers the Boards revenue from boarding fees has increase from 2011 by 21%

The sale of the Board leasehold residential land in Waikowhai has continued to give the Boards financial position a considerable boost in extraordinary income. In the 2012 financial year an additional \$710,728 was realised from the sale of 2 properties. This has contributed to a \$300,557 net profit for the year.

### ***Financial outlook***

There have been some significant developments for the Wesley College Trust Board's joint venture company shared with the PAC2086 Trust. Follow many meetings with Auckland Council representatives, the potential to realising a residential development on the 200 hectare site surrounding Wesley College has become a reality.

## **Grafton Downs Limited**

Grafton Downs Ltd is a joint venture between the Wesley College Trust Board and PACT Trust.

Grafton Downs Ltd has been actively pursuing the inclusion of its property within the proposed Rural Urban Boundary in the Auckland Council Unitary Plan review.

If successful this would lead, in time, to a large urban subdivision with significant returns to the Church.

In the meantime the property is being farmed as a successful 'share milker' run dairy unit.

## **Looking forward**

The potential development of the Wesley College / Grafton Downs Ltd farm land has led to some exciting questions for the Wesley College Trust Board. The Board is examining the future structure and possible future location of the College taking into account the special character of Wesley College which outlines the need to primarily cater for students boarding at the Proprietor's hostel. The Board will examine whether the Paerata site continues to be the appropriate location for the College or whether a more appropriate decision is to sell the site to the Ministry of Education and again relocate the College.

## **Suggested Decisions:**

1. The report is received.
2. The 2013 membership of the Wesley College Trust Board is: Diana Tana, Colin Telford, Norman Johnston, Gillian Laird, Lana Lazarus, Jack McCoskrie, Wesley Mansell, Meleane Nacagilevu, Harvey O'Loughlin, Utumau'u Pupulu, Barry Shuker, Patisepa Tala'imanu, Mara Tupaea, and David McGeorge.

## **THE METHODIST ETHOS**

From time-to-time I am asked to comment on the term 'the Methodist ethos'.  
What does it mean? In particular, what does it mean in the context of Wesley College?

In a review of Wesley College<sup>1</sup> in 1998 the Methodist ethos was described as:

- Expression of the Christian faith and Wesleyan insights with passion, integrity and in the setting of here and now.
- Consideration of the needs of others, especially those who are different from us.
- Support for values which respect the integrity of persons and communities.
- Use of language and images which are inclusive and which express equality.
- Opposition to cultures of violence and to systems of domination and exclusion.
- Provision of safe environments and processes for dealing with conflict, harassment, abuse and violation.
- Openness to the future and to new insights, experiences and people.
- Treasuring our heritage and working to express it relevantly.

This paper expands on some aspects of this statement, places the statement in an historical perspective and comments specifically on some Wesley College experiences / implications. It updates a statement first prepared in October 2008. This update recognizes that the Wesley College Special Character Statement was revised in 2010 and that this revision had some implications for the life of the College. This new statement linked the Special Character Clause in the Wesley College Integration Agreement<sup>2</sup> with the current Mission Statement of the Methodist Church of New Zealand – Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa and reflected the Methodist ethos as described in the Hawk and Hill report quoted above.

The Methodist ethos has its beginnings with John and Charles Wesley. Both men were priests of the Church of England. The Wesleyan / Methodist Church emerged out of the Methodist movement within this Church. The Methodist movement began at Oxford University when the Wesley brothers gathered an enthusiastic group of students around them. They met regularly for prayer and the study of the scriptures. They celebrated weekly communion and ordered their lives methodically. An interest in the social ills of their time was demonstrated through visiting the poor, the sick and the imprisoned.

Other students mocked members of this earnest group with the taunt "Methodist". This mocking would indicate that these Methodists were different! It is this difference – the 'Methodist ethos' that finds its expression in the Special Character of Wesley College and the desire for this to be lived out at Wesley College.

In basic terms, the Methodist movement placed emphasis on two things: first a desire for salvation and then as evidence of this to work towards a betterment of society. These two intertwined hallmarks of the Methodist movement can found in the 'Nature, Design and General Rules of the United Societies'<sup>3</sup> issued on May 1, 1743 by John and Charles Wesley.

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<sup>1</sup> Hill J and Hawk K, *Educational Research and Development Centre, Massey University College of Education: Albany, Wesley College Review, July 1998.*

<sup>2</sup> *Wesley College, (formerly a Private School) was integrated into the State education system under the terms of the Private Schools Conditional Integration Agreement (1975) in 1976. The Act provides for Integrated Schools to maintain a Special Character.*

<sup>3</sup> *Laws and Regulations of the Methodist Church of New Zealand, Revised Edition 2006, Introductory Documents 1.*

Methodists have always been clear that no-one is beyond the reach of God's love. Salvation is there for everyone who turns to God, and not just for the chosen few (the elect). We recognise that salvation is not earned or gained by good works: it is a measure of God's grace!

From early times Methodists combined a focus on an individual's response to God with a passionate and active concern for social justice. The huge crowds who heard and responded to Wesley's preaching were often the poor. The upper classes regarded him as a threat to the social order because he treated the lower classes as equally human. Early Methodists were active in the struggle against slavery, campaigned for prison reform and set up a range of educational initiatives to improve literacy and health. Improved literacy was seen as a means to develop understandings of the faith. Methodist Class Meetings, Leaders' Meetings, Quarterly Meetings, Synod Meetings and the Conference developed skills that Lay Leaders were able to use in a range of contexts, including local and national government.

Methodist folklore speaks of the impact of Methodism on the life of the early eighteenth century: of the rediscovery to some degree of a social message. In 1743 John Wesley wrote (in *An Earnest Appeal to Men of Reason and Religion*): "We see, on every side, either men of no religion at all, or men of a lifeless, formal religion. We... should greatly rejoice if by any means we might convince some that there is a better religion to be attained, a religion worthy of the God that gave it. And this we conceive to be no other than love; the love of God and of all mankind, the loving God in our heart, and soul and strength, as having first loved us, as the fountain of all the good we have received, and of all we hope to enjoy; and the loving every soul which God hath made, every man on the earth as his own soul."

In 1952 the New Zealand Conference adopted a statement 'Some Social Principles of the Methodist Church'.<sup>4</sup> Its introduction quotes the above 1743 reasoning to underpin these principles. This statement was reaffirmed in 1967 and 1976. It continues to speak strongly to 21<sup>st</sup> century people.

In the New Zealand context, Methodist people have been active in a range of social contexts and national and local politics. Methodists have been prominent in speaking out on public issues such as the misuse of alcohol and the 'sin of sweated labour', racism and sexism, human rights abuses, unfair trading practices, unethical investment, environmental pollution and Third World Debt. Methodism has also made bold statements about Te Tiriti o Waitangi, in 1983 beginning a bi-cultural journey leading to a multi-cultural Church, power sharing and the just distribution of resources within Aotearoa / New Zealand.

Methodists have traditionally held to a four-fold approach when applying the Christian faith to contemporary issues and practice. The four approaches relate to scripture, tradition, reason and experience.<sup>5</sup>

For Methodists exercising reason is critical. Methodists affirm that we are called to love God with our minds as well as our hearts and that we are encouraged to think things through in the light of reason. This means that we seek to become aware of different points of view (for example by reading), and using our own critical thinking in order to make sense of God's world.

Methodists seek to discover the Word of God through 'searching' the scriptures. While there are different understandings about this, Methodists have always warmed to prophetic words.

Some words of scripture particularly challenge those at Wesley College. The following are examples:

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<sup>4</sup> *Laws and Regulations of the Methodist Church of New Zealand, Revised Edition 2006, Introductory Documents 1.*

<sup>5</sup> *Called By Name, Pastoral Care and Christian Education Office of the Methodist Church (UK), 2002*

- What does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God? [Micah 6:8].<sup>6</sup>
- Then Peter went up to him and said ‘ Lord, how often must I forgive my brother if he wrongs me? As often as seven times?’ Jesus answered, ‘Not seven, I tell you, but seventy-seven times.’ [Matthew 18: 21 – 22]
- The spirit of the Lord is upon me, for he has anointed me to bring the good news to the afflicted. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives, sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim a year of favour from the Lord.” [Luke 4: 18]
- Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to you. [Matthew 7:8]
- No, because when you weed out the darnel<sup>7</sup> you might pull up the wheat with it.” [Matthew 13: 24 – 30 and 36 -43]
- Jesus told this parable: There was a fig tree growing in a vineyard. The owner came out looking for fruit on it and couldn’t find any. The owner said to the vine dresser, ‘Look here! For three years now I’ve come out in search of fruit on this fig tree and have found none. Cut it down. Why should it clutter up the ground?’ In reply, the vine dresser said, ‘Please leave it one more year while I hoe around it and fertilize it. If it bears fruit next year, fine; if not, then let it be cut down.’ [Luke 13: 6 – 9]

At times scripture challenges how conventional wisdom and practice is applied at Wesley College and how members of the Wesley community, both adults and young people, are called to relate to each other. Recognising this requires responses other than the conventional to be considered.

Emerging from the recognition of these challenges to conventional wisdom and practice and the call to re-evaluate relationships has grown a willingness to consider the range of disciplinary practices within the College and their effectiveness. In this context effectiveness is seen as making behaviour more ‘life-affirming’, as opposed to ensuring an unacceptable / unwanted behaviour is no longer noticed.

In 2009 Margaret Thorsborne<sup>8</sup> was engaged through the Ministry of Education Student Engagement Initiative to work with hostel staff and the school Deans. This Restorative Practices Workshop introduced a way of managing young people that was new to many. A new language was introduced and the workshop participants were exposed to thinking that encouraged a move from punitive measures to restorative practices to resolve difficulties. Since this workshop most hostel and teaching staff have had the opportunity to participate in a workshop designed to add the tool of restorative practices to their relationship and management toolbox.

Restorative Practice methodology is a very Methodist practice. Restorative practices create positive interpersonal values, use language and images that are inclusive, provide safe environments in which students can learn to live and work together in harmony, express opposition to cultures of violence and to systems of domination and exclusion; and provide processes for dealing with conflict, harassment, abuse and violation.

Some commentators reflect that as more staff [the adults in the situation] develop skills in the use of Restorative Practice methodology a ‘less-charged’ atmosphere has become evident in both the

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<sup>6</sup> *Methodist people and pupils at Wesley College talk about being humble. Are showing justice and demonstrating mercy seen as parts of walking humbly with God? Micah’s question is the first statement in what has become known as the School Prayer. The question ‘And what does the Lord require if you and me?’ is followed by the prayer attributed to John Wesley that concludes this paper – ‘God help me to Do all the good I can ...’*

<sup>7</sup> *Darnel is weedy grass.*

<sup>8</sup> *Margaret Thorsborne & Associates; Restorative Justice, <http://www.thorsbourne.com.au>*



school and hostel environment.<sup>9</sup> Some observers note that consistent moves to accentuate positive interpersonal relationships reduce conflict and underlying tension as ‘this is the way we do things’ becomes the norm. Another spinoff is that young people experience a different way of resolving conflict and begin to adopt different ways of relating to each other.

There is a view that restorative practice methodology is the easy option: with the miscreant being let off with a consequence that at the most extreme is a ‘slap on the wrist with a wet bus ticket’. Experience has shown that this is far from an easy option. It requires both adult and young person to recognise that where there is behaviour that does not build community, or within the school to promote conditions for achievement, a better outcome will only result when there is a will to discuss what’s happening and to implement changed behaviour. Restorative Practice methodology allows for a range of opportunities to effect this change from low level ‘restorative chats’ through to high-powered ‘conference’.

Special Character imperatives require us to ask:

- Which option builds community?
- Which option develops responsibility?
- Which option creates a positive future for all?

At present many would say that Restorative Practices have this effect.

At Wesley College we meet every weekday for worship and again twice on Sunday. These regular meetings create an opportunity for the scriptures to be examined and their application in relation to Wesley College, Aotearoa and the World to be noted, questioned, considered and pondered upon.

These emphases, approaches and social principles have expression in the Special Character clause of the 1976 Integration Agreement, as revised in 2010, and include:

- religious observances [a desire for salvation]

Chapel observances, the Life and Faith programme and the ‘witness’ within the community provide the opportunity for all to discover who God is for them. For some this discovery is new. For others it is a reawakening or a rediscovery as new understandings emerge and are forged.

- A broad-based education with special attention to numeracy, literacy and other key competencies.

In the 1976 Agreement this focus was narrower. It referred to industrial training and instruction in the English language: skills to empower in the face of an invasive culture<sup>10</sup> in a new ‘world’. The 2010 statement picks up the wording in The New Zealand Curriculum that was first issued by the Ministry of Education for discussion in 1993.<sup>11</sup>

The invasive culture at this time might be seen in the negative influences that are prominent in New Zealand society - often transmitted through the media, internet, videos, music and lyrics - that promote violence, sexually explicit behaviours, gender discrimination, ethnic / cultural superiority and other life-sapping anti-social behaviours. Numeracy, literacy and the key competencies are seen as essential to full participation in today’s complex world.

- Provision of safe environments where students can learn to live and work together in harmony [living out the social principles]

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<sup>9</sup> One indicator of the effect of a Restorative approach is that the Wesley College Trust Board Disciplinary Committee did not meet during the period 2010 – 2012.

<sup>10</sup> Chessum, Rev. W, Wesley College 160<sup>th</sup> Reunion Sermon, Wesley College Collegian 2004.

<sup>11</sup> The New Zealand Curriculum Framework – Te Anga Marautanga o Aotearoa, Ministry of Education, Wellington, 1993.

These emphases, approaches and social principles also provide a context within which we view the challenges faced by those who live at Wesley College. It is reality that a number of the young men and women who enter Wesley College have prior experience (some describe this as 'baggage') that mean they do not trust those in positions of leadership or authority. It is a reality that not all have the skills to manage social interactions or academic learning in a positive manner. It is a reality that not all have experienced stable, balanced interactions with others that allow them to live and work together in harmony. The Wesley College community is a microcosm of New Zealand society. The impact of a widening economic disparity, cultural / ethnic diversity and a heightened fear of the stranger and the different is marked in society beyond our gates. At times they are focussed within. Where the will exists, these are challenges that can be addressed. Wesley College recognises the risk that is inherent where these conditions exist. We also recognise that there is a greater risk in not taking that risk. In a small way the creation of a better society depends on taking it!

Within an educational (and predominantly boarding) setting the 'Methodist ethos' also speaks about how those who do not conform to the standards set by society or the institution are to be regarded. When we believe that salvation (a recognition by an individual of who God is and of the relationship that exists between 'me and my God') is available for all, then we must also hold the belief that all are human and redemption is available for all. Methodists recognise that punishment does not redeem a person. Redemption grows out of a recognition of 'doing wrong'; a wish to 'put things right'; a willingness to change; followed by making the most of an opportunity for 'a second chance'. There are many examples of students at Wesley College who have responded, begun a new journey and moved on to make a useful contribution to Wesley College and subsequently to society in the place they have chosen to live after Wesley College. The transformation of the heart, leading to a new way of living, is at the core of the gospel (the good news).

Therefore, to sum up in a very Methodist way: What is the Methodist ethos?

First, to recall the words in Jim Strathdees' hymn (1969): "I am the light of the world":

**To seek the lonely and the lost  
To make the powerful care  
To make music in an old man's heart  
And sing to the colours of the earth**

**I am the light of the world  
You people come and follow me  
To follow and love is to learn the mystery  
Of what you were meant to do and be.**

and then to quote the words attributed to John Wesley:

**Do all the good you can,  
By all the means you can,  
In all the ways you can,  
In all the places you can,  
At all the times you can,  
To all the people you can,  
As long as ever you can.**

Ian Faulkner, Principal, 5 May 2013

**THE CHAPLAINCY TEAM - WESLEY COLLEGE 2013**

**BACKGROUND**

1. Wesley College is a Parish of the Methodist Church of New Zealand – Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa. The Church stations a Presbyterian to the Parish. The Parish number is 2830.
2. The stationed Presbyterian is the Superintendent Minister of the Parish and Chaplain of Wesley College and is known as the Superintending Chaplain.
3. The Wesley College Community in 2013 comprises 312 students (228 of whom live in residential accommodation at Wesley College), 100 teaching, hostel and support staff. A small number of others attend the Wesley College Chapel as their primary place of worship.
4. Complex and often conflicting relationships are evident in the community. The Parish is multi-ethnic and multi-cultural. Most of those living in the community are under the age of 19 years. 2013 enrolment data indicates that 40% of families identify as being part of the Methodist / Wesleyan family. 28% indicate that they do not belong to any Christian or other religious tradition. 5% identify as being from the Anglican, 5% from the LDS and 5% from the Roman Catholic traditions. Most staff do not identify as being Methodist. 10% of the students are female.
5. Pastoral care to students / boarders and staff extends beyond the bounds of the College to extended families and former-students (there are the requests for former students to be married in the Chapel, for their children to be baptized in the Chapel, and for the Chaplains to conduct funeral services for former students and sometimes members of their extended families). Wesley College is the religious centre that many current and former students relate to.
6. It is a complex task to be the Chaplain to this community.

**THE CHAPLAINCY TEAM**

- i. In 2006 following a discussion related to how to effectively manage the pastoral imperatives in the community and the decision was made to develop a team approach to chaplaincy: to engage with the skill-set of other staff to provide pastoral care to the community. While not the only ones engaged in pastoral care those closely associated with the Chaplain in this task are known as the “Chaplaincy Team”. The Superintending Chaplain is leader of the team.
- ii. In 2013 the team comprises:
  - o Rev Sylvia Akauola-Tongotongo – Stationed Superintending Chaplain;those employed by the Wesley College Trust Board with specific chaplaincy responsibilities
  - o Whaea Paewhenua Nathan – Chaplain Maori;and those with these responsibilities
  - o Rev Ali’itasi Salesa – Head of Life and Faith
  - o Rev Stephen Tema – Deputy Principal Boarding
  - o Rev Ian Faulkner – Principal
- iii. The composition of the team:
  - o provides the opportunity for both young people and adults to choose who it is that they wish to relate to on a particular matter irrespective of gender, ethnicity, language proficiency or any other perceived barrier; and allows members of the team to check with others in the team (as appropriate) where there are ethnic, cultural or gender understandings that may be affecting the matter being discussed;
  - o demonstrates the Church’s commitment to bi-culturalism looking forward to a multi-cultural church where the contribution of each person is valued and celebrated;
  - o reflects the cultural, ethnic and language diversity of the Parish;
  - o reflects the gender structure of the Parish (noting that the senior positions in the school and hostel are held by male staff);
  - o reflects (in part) the theological diversity of the Parish and allows this diversity to be acknowledged, considered and celebrated.
- iv. The Chaplaincy Team does not have a disciplinary function. It focuses on the well-being of and as a support network for members of the community. The members of the Chaplaincy Team are part of the Pastoral Committee along with the Senior Matron, the Guidance Counsellor and the Assistant Principal. The Pastoral Committee is a further means of providing for the well-being of the community.

## UNITING CONGREGATIONS OF AOTEAROA NEW ZEALAND

This year UCANZ provides a brief report on its work to the Partner Churches – the Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia, the Congregational Union of New Zealand, Christian Churches New Zealand, the Methodist Church of New Zealand – Te Hahi Weteriana o Aotearoa, and the Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand.

2013 has seen the implementation of the new Procedures for Cooperative Ventures and working out the practical implications of the changes. There has been a settling in period where churches are exploring what it means to be Coordinating or Participating Partners in a Cooperative Venture. From a UCANZ point of view we continue to stress that communication between the partners is the key element of success in any Cooperative Venture. With the role of Joint Regional Committees changing there are some areas that no longer have a joint committee – but they continue to be overseen by the partner church courts. The redrawing of Presbytery boundaries in the PCANZ has provided both challenges and opportunities for UCANZ and the local churches. With new leadership at regional level we are always aware of the need to educate, inform and resource people to develop the relationships with the local churches in cooperative ventures.

As Executive Officer, Peter MacKenzie has been available to partner churches and local churches with advice, support and resources. It is always pleasing to get phone calls seeking advice before things go wrong or communication breaks down. Most problems that are brought to our attention in the UCANZ office are due to people failing to talk with each other. Peter has also had the chance to move around the country and meet many of the hard-working church members in Cooperative Ventures from Kaitaia to Bluff.

Cooperative Ventures have, along with the denominational churches, been faced with issues arising from engineering standards, earthquake safety and growing capital investment. UCANZ has worked with property trustees in seeking to establish processes for moving forward for a number of local churches. It seems that our main role is to remind the churches that they are in partnership and that communication needs to be maintained.

The Standing Committee has met over the year and one particular point of discussion has centred around the concept of the unity of the Church. This challenges us all to think about the role of UCANZ and Cooperative Ventures, the future of ecumenism, and what next steps might be taken. It is not easy being part of the institutional church in this time – but we believe that the Gospel is too important not to be proclaimed to our community.

In October 2013 the two-yearly Forum of Cooperative Ventures will be held in Hamilton – this is an event which will resource those who attend and develop directions for the future.

We continue to thank our partner churches for the support of UCANZ and will continue to remind them of the ongoing partnership that exists through Cooperative Ventures.

Peter MacKenzie

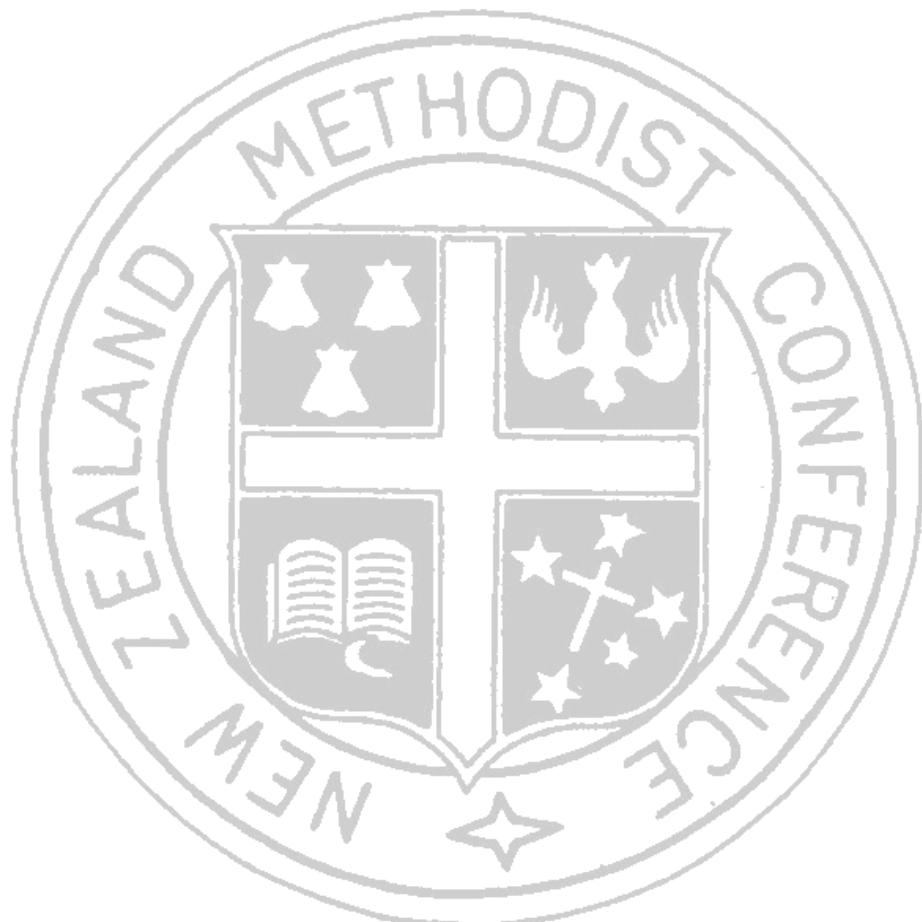
On behalf of the Standing Committee of UCANZ

### **Suggested Decision:**

1. That the report be received.

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Faith & Order





## **FAITH & ORDER COMMITTEE**

Over the course of the year Faith and Order has given consideration to a wide range of issues, some of these have been questions which have been before us for some time and others have emerged either out of the work we have undertaken or because they have been asked of us by the Church.

### **Convenor**

At our meeting in February my assuming the convenorship of the Faith & Order Committee was marked by a brief service of prayer at the start of our meeting. I have enjoyed this first year convening Faith and Order and I would commend to you the sincerity, care and commitment of the members of this committee. Frankly I never imagined I would be one of those people called upon to prepare reports for Conference or to present a report on the Conference floor; yet here I am.

### **The Mission and Purpose of the Faith & Order Committee**

This is, in the technical sense of the word, a conservative group. It is our task to look over our shoulder at the Methodist and wider Christian tradition but we do so not out of any commitment to obscurantism but so we can help the Church to faithfully engage in the present. We are a diverse group of people representing a range of theological perspectives and cultural contexts yet we seek together to offer a faithful, principled and informed service to the whole Church.

### **Seeking a Wider Participation**

During the course of this year we have asked ourselves how we might engage with the Church more widely; while we are diverse the group is almost entirely made up of people from Auckland and Manukau. We acknowledge that contextuality is important, that a sense of place informs our faith and how we each do theology. With this in mind we have – through letters to Synod Superintendents – invited Synods outside of the Auckland and Manukau area to nominate people as corresponding members. While corresponding members are not expected to attend meetings they will receive all reports and discussion documents and are warmly encouraged to make feedback through me as the Convenor. The Deacons also have a corresponding member – Deacon Margaret Birtles – and theology discussion group or theological reading group in a Methodist, cooperating or union parish is welcome to contact me and register an interest in corresponding membership. The first group to do so is from Morningside Church in the Dunedin parish.

### **Lectionary**

We record our thanks to the Rev Dr Tony Stroobant, who prepared the Lectionary again this year. Tony has now definitively retired and he handed over the latter stages of preparing the Lectionary to me to complete. Faith and Order will make a decision on a new person to undertake preparation of the Lectionary in the near future. The Lectionary continues to be made available both as a printed booklet and in and on-line. Though there are sound reasons why preachers might put the Lectionary aside on occasion, we commend it to you as a sustained thematic exploration of the Word of God that we share with a very significant part of the Christian Church both here and around the world.

### **Review of Ecumenical Relationships**

There is a twice yearly consultation between three groups with designated responsibility for ecumenical relations. They are Mission Resourcing, Mission and Ecumenical and Faith & Order. These meetings allow us to liaise and to keep in touch with developments and issues. There are ecumenical dimensions to many aspects of our church's life and this means the many ways with which we engage with other denominations are important and need to be kept in mind.

### **Joint Liturgical Group**

The Joint Liturgical Group continues to meet twice a year as a forum where Anglican, Methodist, Presbyterian and Roman Catholic representatives share and reflect upon liturgical development in their respective traditions. There is much to learn from this listening and we have found that our liturgical lives have been enriched though this encounter.

The group keeps in touch with the International English Language Liturgical Consultation (ELLC.) The ELLC publishes resources in English which are highly regarded and *Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa* – The Methodist Church of New Zealand – like many other denominations in the English speaking world draws upon these resources wherever possible. They also conduct reviews of publications such as the Revised Common Lectionary, which we use, and the book *Praying With One Voice*. Anglican Bishop Kito represented the Joint Liturgical Group at the annual meeting of the ELLC in Frankfurt this August.

The Roman Catholic representative, Louise Campbell, reported that she had attended a conference to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the publication of *The Sacred Constitution on the Liturgy*, the document which has guided the renewal of worship in the Roman Catholic Church since it was published.

The Rev Dr Terry Wall has represented us for the last seventeen years at meetings of the Joint Liturgical Group; as of the next meeting this role will be taken over by the Rev David Poultney.

### **Liturgy Commission**

Conference 2010 asked Faith & Order to prepare a revision of the current order of service for Holy Communion, which has served us well now for twenty years. At the beginning of 2011 Faith & Order set up a Liturgy Commission to undertake this work. All parts of the Church were contacted and invited to participate in the process. A consultation was held at St Mary's, Glen Innes and different groups presented on the experience and meaning of Holy Communion. Further reflection took place by members of the Liturgical Commission on developments in contemporary liturgical scholarship and how this is impacting upon the work of preparing liturgical texts for a range of denominations.

Six working groups were established in Christchurch, Napier, Hamilton and Auckland. Another group was established with the specific intention of involving young people in the development of a liturgy for Holy Communion. The intention was to prepare six to eight liturgies in English to be augmented by liturgies in the languages of our Pacific Synods.

We attach the opening essay of the new resource, it provides an introduction to the work and an introduction to the theology of Holy Communion.

*In commending this book to you we would begin by noting that Methodism began in a revival that was both evangelical and sacramental. That it was marked both by lively preaching and a recovery of the celebration of Holy Communion as normative to Christian worship. For John Wesley, Holy Communion was "an ordinary means of grace." It was to be attended and celebrated frequently, reverently and fervently. He also taught that Christ is spiritually present in the elements of Communion, an insight not to the fore in English Protestantism at his time and one we Methodists have often neglected in favour of a purely symbolic understanding.*

*Over the last century there has been a process of liturgical renewal. For Catholics this has involved a rediscovery of the rightful place of Scripture in Worship whereas we Protestants have been challenged to re-connect to the power of sign, symbol and sacrament. As part of this many historic Protestant churches have re-discovered aspects of sacramental worship that had been marginalised, forgotten or treated with wariness. Denominations have, each in their own way, embraced aspects of this. It is perhaps most clearly seen by English speaking Christians in the Commonwealth in how Holy Communion has become the normative act of Anglican Sunday Worship.*

*Methodists have not gone that far, yet Methodist sacramental practice has been enriched by the fruits of liturgical renewal and we celebrate Holy Communion more frequently than was often the case. As part of that renewal process more and more resources have been made available by Methodist denominations around the world. This book is the latest offering by Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa – The Methodist Church of New Zealand to support, inform and enrich Methodist sacramental life in this time and place.*



*This book contains a series of celebrations of Holy Communion, each born in a particular context and developing a particular theme. They are included and recommended for your use as they are seen as models of good practice in terms of contemporary Methodist and ecumenical sacramental theology and liturgical practice.*

*Members of the Liturgical Commission are aware that this book will not enjoy the canonical, binding status of A New Zealand Prayer Book or The Roman Missal yet it is our experience that the liturgies published by Faith and Order on behalf of the Church richly nurture the worship life of both parish and people. The publication of this new resource reflects the desire of Te Haahi to provide a range of material for celebrating Holy Communion that is both rooted in the broad stream of the Christian tradition and speaks to our context here and now.*

*We know that this will not be the only resource used in planning and celebrating Holy Communion in Methodist parishes let alone those union and cooperating ventures we are a part of. Contemporary New Zealand Methodist practice draws upon a range of sources and that there are people in Methodist, cooperating and union parishes who devise prayers and ritual for celebrating Holy Communion. If it were not for that very diversity and creativity this book would not exist.*

*However the Liturgical Commission feels it appropriate to reflect briefly on celebrating Holy Communion and on what is regarded according to long established norms as both integral and normative. We celebrate creativity but we urge that creativity be informed by an awareness of sacramental theology and best practice.*

*We would like to start by making what might seem to be quite a striking statement; there is no such thing as a Methodist sacrament. Yes we celebrate sacraments but they are not ours, they do not belong to us. We celebrate them as we are part of the living and dynamic Christian tradition. We celebrate them in our congregations not just for ourselves, not just for those here and now, but as part of the worship of the Church from its beginning to its end in the fullness of time. There are two consequences to this, our celebrations of Holy Communion need to stand within a pattern of historical continuity – even if Christians disagree about the interpretation of that continuity – and our celebrations also need to be recognisable to and resonant with the experience of celebrations of Holy Communion across the broad spectrum of Christian churches.*

*There are certain elements to a celebration of Holy Communion that we believe mark a fully authentic celebration. Sacramental theology talks about the importance of “right intention” when celebrating Holy Communion. Traditionally this is assumed because a duly authorised person is using an approved liturgy. While our church has authorised liturgies they are – as I have already noted – not as canonically binding as in some other churches. It is precisely this scope for a measure of freedom of choice that makes it so very important that those who preside at the Holy Communion in Methodist, cooperating and united contexts have some familiarity with what makes good practice.*

**Thanksgiving** - we increasingly talk of the Holy Communion as the Eucharist. This comes from the Greek word for giving thanks. In the Great Thanksgiving – or Eucharistic prayer – praise is offered to God for God’s action in creation and redemption. The Holy Communion is a celebration of the Paschal mystery, of God’s work of redemption in Christ.

**The narrative of Institution** - in celebrating Holy Communion we recall the words and actions of Jesus as he shared a meal with his friends on the night before he died. We need to call these things to mind, to say over the bread and cup the words Jesus used when he compared them to his own body, which was to be broken, and to his blood, which would be shed.

**An Invocation of the Spirit** - prayer is offered that the Holy Spirit might vest these ordinary things, bread and wine, with a new significance and find in sharing them a connection to the saving love of Jesus. The invocation of the Holy Spirit might also involve a prayer that the Spirit touch those present that they might grow deeper in faith, hope and love.

**Oblation or offering** - though we are historically wary of any language which talks about the celebration of Holy Communion in sacrificial terms it is a *sacrificium laudis* or sacrifice of praise. It is the witness of the practice, worship and spirituality of the Christian faithful that the celebration of Holy Communion is at the very heart of our worship and the church discipline's and spiritual practices of many churches emphasise this. It is something that we should prepare ourselves for when we come to participate in its celebration; in it we are challenged once more with the redemptive love of God shown in the living and dying and resurrection of Jesus. It is our sacrifice of praise and the offering of ourselves in rightful response to God's redemptive love.

**An anticipation of God's reign** - the Holy Communion is "a foretaste of the heavenly banquet." It is an intimation or sign of how the world will be. It calls us to trust and hope in the providence of God, to trust, as Julian of Norwich said; "all will be well and all manner of things shall be well." It also challenges each of us to ask ourselves what we can do to build up a world where everyone has a place at the table, where each person – where love and justice are hand in hand and we take our part in the work of redemption.

These components are integral to a celebration of Holy Communion in accordance with the tradition of Christian history and ecumenical practice. We acknowledge that New Zealand Methodism is marked by a range of cultures, theologies and spiritualities. This diversity is our strength and we believe that across our diversity a regular and careful celebration of Holy Communion can nurture us. It is our hope that this book can play some part in nurturing our people's faith and in feeding their souls.

### **Assistance to Law Revision**

The Faith & Order Committee was asked to assist Law Revision with a review of those sections of the Law Book pertaining to membership, baptism and confirmation. There was an unease noted in the initial request to us with the language of membership being used of in connection to infant baptism. In our reply we noted how membership has two meanings. Traditionally it denotes participation in something larger than oneself such as the Church, yet in modern use membership denotes a choice to participate, an active involvement and Methodists have always talked about membership in this way. This is our report to Law Revision, which was found to be useful in their deliberations.

*Christian initiation began as essentially unitive, in one act. Baptism, the invocation of the Spirit and first reception of Holy Communion would happen all in the same service. This has persisted in Eastern Orthodoxy where an infant is baptised, chrismated (anointed in a parallel of our rite of Confirmation) and spoon fed the bread and wine of Holy Communion. Strange as it might seem to us it is at least clearly an echo of early practice, the other clear, simple and cogent approach is the classic Baptist one in which a person deemed to having achieved maturity gives some account of their personal faith in Christ and is then baptised. Most Western Christian churches have separated the elements of Christian initiation; baptism, holy communion and confirmation in ways which are sometimes theologically incoherent and pastorally complex.*

*Thinking theologically about baptism, membership and confirmation I would like to assert that we are talking about the process of Christian initiation; from faith expressed by virtue of initiation into the life of the community to the beginning of an active sense of participation in the structures and roles the life of that community needs. Somewhere along this journey a person begins to receive holy communion.*

*The use of the word member is complicated in that it is both an allegory for participation in something bigger than oneself (in this case the Church) and a legal term with connotations of responsibility. There is – as you say – small m and big M membership. We concur that to talk of a child becoming a member of the community of faith in baptism is problematic. It is indeed true and attested by Scripture that baptism makes us members of the body of Christ but language is constantly shifting and evolving. While to be a member was to have a place in something larger than oneself membership is – in our contemporary mind-set – about voluntary association and active participation. Its original use in Methodism was about*

*membership of Methodist societies with all that implied for following a rule of life and the giving and receiving of support, guidance and correction. Naturally for Methodists to talk of a membership of the Church implies a degree of active participation and accountability. This has been reflected in our practice of Confirmation; which has always stressed admission into membership (with a big M!) Consequently our practice of Confirmation has associated it with a rite of passage into maturity or adulthood, this has been a more prominent and more explicit aspect of Methodist Confirmation than it has in either Roman Catholic or Anglican churches where membership is thought of very much as being a part of the greater whole. Methodist emphasis on big M membership is echoed in the tradition and practices of other churches descended From the British Free Churches or Nonconformity; most significantly in our context we share this emphasis with Presbyterianism.*

*This being said we – as a church – practice infant baptism though we imagine with varying degrees of comfort and ease. We assert that – as our rite of infant baptism says – God chooses us before we can choose him. We would want to speak warmly and positively of the place of baptised infants and children in the church yet we feel the present wording in*

*Section 1.2.1. “Baptism either of infants or older persons .... Is a basis of membership in the church” is unfortunate and in contemporary usage unconvincing when we talk about children.*

*The proposed form of words; “Through baptism a child enters the community of faith” seems to us an entirely adequate way of expressing this without referring to membership language.*

*A useful analogy for the nuances of membership, we thought, was citizenship. A child both in New Zealand or France is a New Zealander or French citizen. They have an absolute right of place from the moment of their birth and their respective nations rightfully offer them care and protection. However there are certain aspects of being citizens which do not apply to them yet; e.g. voting. Their small “m” membership is absolute and incontrovertible, yet their big “m” membership depends on them reaching certain stages (eg. Voting age) or competency (eg. A driving licence.)*

*We understand the rationale for reducing the minimum age for Confirmation from 14 to 12 but we have pastoral, theological and ecumenical concerns. We would want to take account of the practice of Confirmation in our partner churches.*

*Anglican practice is generally not to confirm before the age of 16, it used to be an earlier age but it was also the case that Confirmation was a necessary pre-requisite for receiving Holy Communion. This is no longer the case and baptised children, when they are old enough to receive Holy Communion and eat and drink appropriately are welcome to do so. The one context I have been informed of where Confirmation is administered at a younger age is amongst students at Anglican schools. I would add that the age guideline is simply that and young people can be confirmed earlier, if a bishop is satisfied that they hold a relatively mature faith and that they enjoy a supportive Christian home life. This sort of discretion is important; it may be the case that it is appropriate sometimes to confirm a 12 year old – but simply because the Law Book might permit it this does not mean it would be the norm.*

*We are advised that Presbyterian practice is to confirm in the mid to late teens; when young people elaborate for themselves some active faith in Christ. Again Confirmation is not a barrier to receiving Holy Communion.*

*We wonder about the implications of divergent threshold ages might be for the practice of Confirmation in co-operating ventures and union parishes where the rite often involves participation from the partner churches. We would want to urge the church to place due care and attention in preparing candidates for Confirmation (at any age.) With particular regard to younger candidates we would advocate a very specific programme.*

*We noted that often 12 marked the effective end of childhood and the beginning of some adult responsibilities until quite recently in historical terms. This and the practice of confirmation being a gateway to receiving Holy Communion made strong case for early confirmation. As I*

*have noted the link between participation in Holy Communion and Confirmation is effectively severed in contemporary practice. Also we have deferred some measures of adult responsibility often into the early 20s. We observed that often an early confirmation has been a passing-out parade. We question the wisdom of confirming just before adolescence with the self-questioning, distancing from authority figures and the trials of puberty just about to set in. Confirmation at 12 makes a fairly adult statement about something being settled in a person's life just before much about that life is about to change. None of which means early confirmation is never appropriate or that there is not a case for discretion. On a pastoral and liturgical level we would encourage parish communities to find ways of affirming and supporting older children and teenagers in their faith journey and celebrate their commitment as the journey through an often difficult life stage.*

*We also wonder if a lowered age for Confirmation creates a separation between what we look upon as the rite of affirming full membership and participation in the Body of Christ and the beginning of the possibility of meaningful participation – big M membership if you like - through taking part in parish, synodal and connexional administration and governance. We would suggest that if there is a lowering of minimum age of Confirmation then there may be some merit in encouraging some ritual, rite or celebration to mark entry into adulthood when a young person reaches the age of 18 or completes their schooling. NB. I am advised that Wesley College has a service of Affirmation for students in Year 13 (c.17yrs old) which is open to members of any church or faith but does not supplant the Confirmation practices and requirements of the various churches.*

### **Wesleyan Economics**

The Rev Norman Brookes has prepared an essay on Wesleyan economics. We commend this to the Church for its consideration. This work shows that questions about faith are not abstract or simply related to how we order our life as a church, they are questions about how to live with real and practical implications in the workplace and marketplace.

John Wesley wrote extensively about money, about earning it and about the wise use of it. Our choices about money are important and consequential. This is an issue worthy of study and conversation in our churches and our homes.

### **The Methodist Catholic Dialogue**

Earlier this year Methodists and Catholics involved in our shared dialogue joined together in a pilgrimage in *Te Tai Tokerau* / Northland to visit historical sites associated with the beginning of Methodist and Catholic life and witness in this country. We shared together in worship and enjoyed the hospitality of local *iwi* and Methodist and Catholic parishes.

The pilgrimage happened in historic circumstances following the abdication of Pope Benedict XVI, during our pilgrimage the cardinals were gathered in conclave and elected Pope Francis I – the first Latin American Pope.

When Pope Benedict XVI gave notice of his intent to abdicate Methodist members of the dialogue were involved in preparing our Church's formal message of support to the Catholic Bishops and faithful in *Aotearoa* / New Zealand. This was very much appreciated and very well received by our Catholic friends in a way which we think is indicative of the warm relationship between our two churches.

Our dialogue has proposed an exchange of gifts, something from each other's tradition that the other church will receive as a gift and acknowledge as such when it is used. We have decided on an exchange of hymns and the Methodist gift will be *We are many, we are one* by Colin Gibson. It is an example of contemporary New Zealand Methodist hymnody and could be easily sung in the context of a Mass.

### **The Methodist Anglican Dialogue**

The priority project of the Dialogue is the interchangeability of ordained Methodist presbyteral ministry with that of Anglican priests. As outlined in our report to Conference 2012 we continue to explore the example of Ireland between the Church of Ireland and the Methodist Church in Ireland.

Both Conference and the General Synod Standing Committee have affirmed the ongoing exploration of this 'Irish Model'. However, we acknowledge it has been a 10 year journey for the Irish churches to reach this goal; though we have the advantage of the fruits of their dialogue we need to continue to explore the particular contextual considerations of using it in Aotearoa-New Zealand.

The Co-Convenors, Rt Rev David Rice and Rev Tony Franklin-Ross have during this year taken the strategy of engaging direct conversations with various Anglican committees to test the reception of a substantive proposal based on the 'Irish Model'. Papers have been sent to the Liturgical Commission (as regard to exploring what changes would be required to the Anglican order of service for the Ordination of Bishops); with the General Synod Standing Committee (as regard to forming a firm proposal to the General Synod), and to the House of Bishops (to test for receptiveness and support or resistance to the model). Later this year we will be testing the waters with the Canon Chancellors. The sense of feedback so far has not raised any serious concerns as to the potential for the model to be further developed into a substantive proposal for consideration at General Synod and Methodist Conference. Clarifying questions raised with the Dialogue are also helping to refine the presentation of a model.

Further key conversations to engage are with Te Taha Maori and Tikanga Maori; as well as with Tikanga Polynesia as to the discrepancy between the geographic coverage of MCNZ being New Zealand only, and the Anglican coverage of Polynesia (which includes Fiji, Samoa and Tonga).

The international Anglican-Methodist Dialogue (AMICUM) is nearing the end of its current project, and is preparing a final report for publication early in 2014. We have received a draft of the report in order to give feedback. It will be a substantive and valuable document in that it affirms that there is already sufficient theological convergence so that what remains is the motivation of respective churches to achieve the final advancements in interchangeability of ministries.

Meanwhile a special service to celebrate the first 5 years of the Covenant was held in Napier on 9 June 2013 (the Covenant being agreed to by Conference and General Synod in 2008 – though the formal signing ceremony was in 2009). The co-convenors of the Dialogue facilitated the evening service at the Waiapu Cathedral of St John; and the acting Dean Rt Rev John Bluck hosted (who preached at the signing service in 2009). MCNZ President Rev Rex Nathan and Vice President Jan Tasker attended as official representation of MCNZ, with Rex preaching and Jan participating in leading the service. Singing was augmented by contributions from the Cathedral Choir and the Napier Methodist Tongan Fellowship (Further information is also in the July 2013 issue of 'Touchstone').

We also wish to explore other opportunities for relationships between the two churches, from flax-root engagement between parishes through to Connexional level (such as a relationship between the Public Issues Network and the equivalent Social Justice Commission, as well as respective regional and national youth ministries).

#### **Suggested Decisions:**

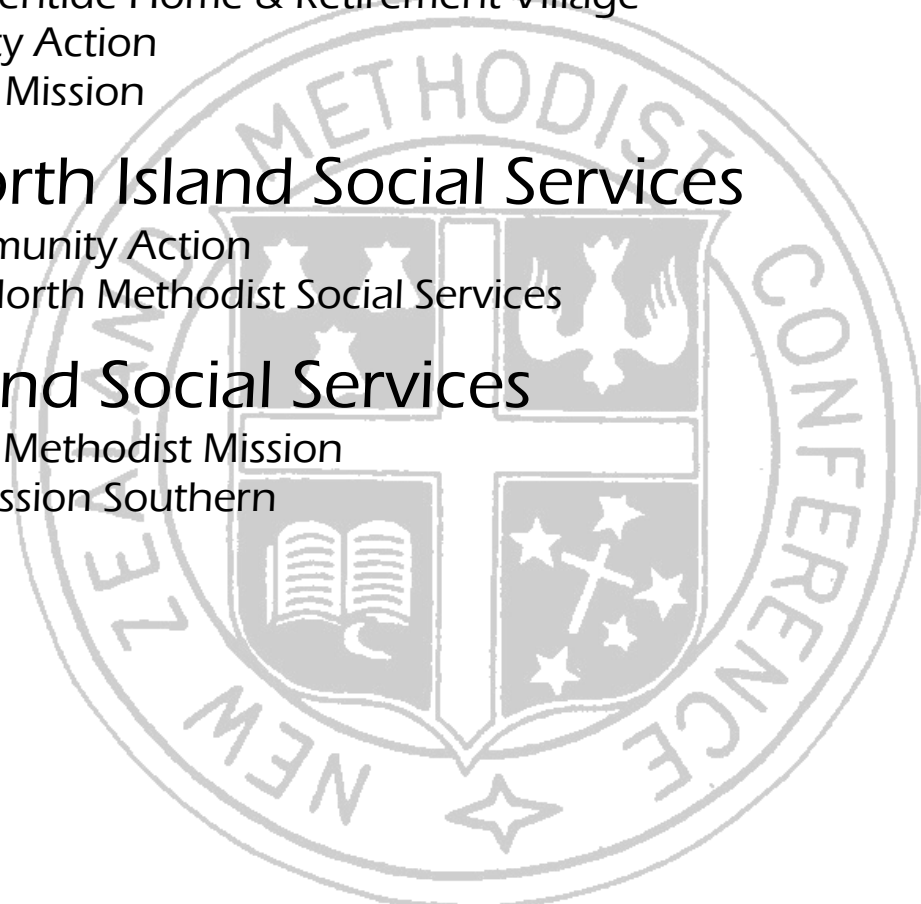
1. That the report be received.
2. Conference welcomes the issuing of a study paper on Wesleyan Economics and commends it to our parishes for study and conversation.
3. Conference receives the new resource for celebrating Holy Communion for a trial period of two year, it encourages parishes to find ways of discussing the experience of using these new services and to provide feedback to Faith & Order".
4. Conference expresses its continuing support for the Methodist – Catholic dialogue and appoints Rev Dr Trevor Hoggard (Co-convenor), Rev Tovia Aumua, Rev Anne Griffiths, Rev David Poultney and Rev Dr Terry Wall to represent our church in the dialogue.
5. Conference endorse the present direction of the Methodist – Anglican dialogue towards the future reconciliation of ministries rooted in a mutual appreciation of the apostolic ministry exercised by both our churches and appoints Rev Tony Franklin-Ross (co-convenor), Rev Prince Devanandan, Rev Paulo Ieli and Rev Dr Terry Wall to represent our church in the dialogue with Rev John Roberts as a corresponding member.

6. Conference thanks the Rev Dr Tony Stroobant for his faithful and capable work as Methodist editor of the Common Lectionary.
7. Membership of the committee 2014: David Poultney (convenor), Robyn Allen Goudge, Tovia Aumua (Sinoti Samoa), Rohan Bandara, Norman Brookes, Michael Dye, Tony Franklin-Ross, Cathie Hoggard, Trevor Hoggard, Goll Manukia Ruby Manukia, Valerie Nichols, Ikilifi Pope, Rowan Smiley, Paula Taumoepaeau, Terry Wall, Asaeli Tulagi (Wasewase ko Viti Rotuma e Nui Siladi). Trinity College may appoint a student to the committee, a representative of the Evangelical Network and two lay people to be appointed by the President.  
Corresponding members: Margaret Birtles (for the Deacons' Task Group) David and Marion Kitchingman, (for a study group at Mornington, Dunedin) and any others as may wish to participate as corresponding members.)



## *Social Services*

- Methodist Mission Aotearoa
- Upper North Island Social Services
  - Methodist Mission Northern
  - The Lifewise Trust
  - Airedale Property Trust
  - One Double Five
  - Employment Generation Fund
  - Ministry with the Deaf Trust
  - Tamahere Eventide Home & Retirement Village
  - Methodist City Action
  - Sinoti Samoa Mission
- Lower North Island Social Services
  - Wesley Community Action
  - Palmerston North Methodist Social Services
- South Island Social Services
  - Christchurch Methodist Mission
  - Methodist Mission Southern







# METHODIST MISSION AOTEAROA



## Preface

Methodist Mission Aotearoa encompasses the various social service entities of the Methodist Church in New Zealand. It is the coordinating forum for those agencies and aims to provide oversight, mutual support and a consistency of values, policy and practice to these essential and costly ministries of social service.

It is a period of fragile social and economic wellbeing in New Zealand. Overtly influenced by the far-reaching and fundamental changes occurring in employment, education, health, housing and welfare, rapidly escalating inequality stalks our communities. It poses one of the most severe challenges that New Zealand faces and almost always impacts most severely upon the most vulnerable.

At worst, it can pave the way to decades of disparity and is all too often accompanied by an incessant, distasteful and wildly inaccurate characterisation of those in our communities who, for whatever reason, remain vulnerably dependent.

It is in that testing environment our social service agencies continue to manage, develop and maintain services, engage with communities, advocate, support and serve. But increasingly, it is with sparse financial resources.

The global financial crisis has radically diminished the capacity of philanthropic funding for community services and the severe curtailment in Government spending has significantly constrained initiatives. The growing awareness of seismic risk also has implications for the funding and development, management and maintenance of capital-intensive projects.

Notwithstanding all of that, Te Haahi Weteriana's presence in costly ministries of social service remains as far-reaching as ever and new and timely initiatives continue to be taken. Its services remain inclusive, responsive and values-based:

- unafraid to challenge decisions that compromise the common good of a fair and equitable distribution of social and economic resources;
- shaped by the knowledge that the wellbeing of the individual, families, the community and the economy are inextricably interdependent;
- embracing all ages, culture and condition;
- keeping into the present day an essential Methodist commitment upon which its services have been founded and sustained. What Wesley would have termed "*social holiness*": an uncompromised commitment to fairness and justice, to the issues and circumstances of ordinary people, and to the wellbeing of all.

Michael W Greer  
Chair, Methodist Mission Aotearoa

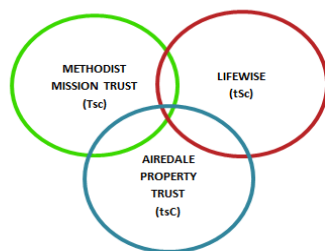
## METHODIST SOCIAL SERVICES IN THE UPPER NORTH ISLAND

### METHODIST MISSION NORTHERN



#### Introduction

Methodist Mission Northern, Airedale Property Trust and The Lifewise Trust sit in a unique relationship with each other; each brings to the other, skill and expertise which enables the whole organisation to function well. Key to this is a strong theological undergirding provided by MMN; a highly skilled social service provided by Lifewise; and a professional commercial team within Airedale Property Trust.



This structure has enabled the Mission to build its services with a strong sense of social justice, stewardship of resources, and commitment to community and church values.

### **The year that was....**

The mission is committed to the Treaty of Waitangi, and with the support of Maori staff, there is a growing awareness of the bi-cultural journey. As is often the case, there is still work to be done. With the appointment of Pio Jacobs as Kaumatua, significant events in the life of the Mission are being appropriately honoured.

During the year the MMN Board and the Lifewise Trust Board received the resignation of Gardenia Atimalala-Taulealeausumai. Gardenia, a lawyer with skills in the area of family law, served on the Boards of MMN and Lifewise for a number of years and brought a compassionate and professional heart to the task.

Ms Sheila Thorne retired after 11 years as Chaplain to Everil Orr Village. Both the Mission and Auckland Synod acknowledged her contribution earlier in the year as she had been active in the Synod life as well as the Mission.

The Aotea Chapel Community has joined with the St James Presbyterian Parish in an innovative new ministry. The “Chaplain at Large” is a ministry to the inner city without the usual expectation of congregation built around a gathered community. Café events, poetry evenings, and informal meetings are all part of this ministry – in a new way it brings the Mission into contact with the downtown communities and those communities are made aware of the Mission.

*Did you know:*

- *that in downtown Auckland the major religion is not Christianity but Muslim?*
- *that over 40,000 people move in and out of the inner city each day?*
- *somewhere in Auckland there are almost 100,000 university students?*
- *that many young people enjoy discussions about spirituality and spiritual journeys but have given up on ‘institutional’ religion?*
- *that children singing outside at a playground or Childcare Centre are regarded as an acoustic hazard – ideally children should be inside when they are singing and the windows closed?*
- *That the happiest people live in countries where the difference in income between the highest and lowest wages is the least?*

With the changing face of Auckland, the Mission has intentionally attempted to share the provision of social services with Parishes, for two reasons: the rapid change is more than the Mission can cope with on its own; and it is the Mission’s belief that all Parishes need to be part of the provision of services simply because that is what Methodists should be doing! (*word and deed*). It has been a privilege for the Mission, through Lifewise and Airedale Property, to have built a number of significant relationships with Parishes and other MCNZ organisations: Birkenhead Parish, Waitakere Parish, Otara Tongan Parish, Mangere Tongan congregation; and to have worked closely with others: Mt Albert Parish, Wesley College, Takapuna Parish, St Pauls CV Whangarei, Papakura Parish, Te Taha Maori, (some of this work is through the APT Property Group), 155 Whare Roopu Community House Trust, Open Door Korean Congregation, to name a few.

The Mission’s relationships extend beyond Parishes, a number of partnerships are established with other community groups, NGO agencies and government departments: Royal Road School,

Friendship House, Oceania, various District Health Boards, regional offices of Ministry of Social Development, Ministry of Justice, Work and Income, Department of Corrections, Ministry of Education, Housing New Zealand, Ministry of Building Employment and Innovation, Auckland Council, Inspiring Communities, Habitat for Humanity, Auckland City Mission, Vision West, Tindall Foundation, ASB Community Trust, Vodafone, Rotary, Neighbourhood Watch, NZ Police, Auckland Refugee and Migrant Services, West Harbour Community Hub,

In these partnerships two key things emerge; one is the need for Early Childhood Education, and the second is the need for housing.

*Did you know that:*

- *Auckland's housing shortage is growing? (Now in excess of 30,000 homes – 13,000 per year are needed).*
- *Those who 'couch surf', that is live at a friend's place, those who live in un-lined garages with no facilities, or are boarding house residents are not recognised by government agencies as homeless?*
- *There is plenty of cheap, unhealthy 'fast' food available in low decile communities where obesity and poor health are significant problems?*
- *Lifewise continues to support homeless people into housing – now made more difficult by the shortage of housing (in May - of 16 referrals only 4 were housed)?*
- *Houses are predicted to be in more demand and to cost more over the next few years?*
- *(May 2012 there were 2897 houses and in May 2013 there were 2413 listed by Harcourt's; according to the same source of information, the average price jumped from \$579,949 to \$612,475 [6% increase] this compares with the Wellington region of a change from \$355,909 to \$377,336.)*

During 2013 the Board of 155 Whare Roopu resigned to facilitate a review of the structures at both management and governance levels. The Service is important in the high needs area of Northland and is therefore seen as a significant area of social service need. It has a strong community development ethos and is a leader in the provision of a number of unique services through the assistance staff and management have provided to such things as a Community Television Station, Waka Ama, emergency housing, Community Medical Centre and its own contracts with MSD and the Ministry of Justice (a Community Law Centre). The President, on the advice of MMN, has appointed a Commissioner and Lifewise and APT are conducting a review of services and will make recommendations to the Commissioner who, in turn, is reviewing the governance of the Service.

The work of the Boards and staff of MMN, Lifewise and APT is constantly being tested against the **Vision** (*A socially just and inclusive society*), **Mission** (*to make visible signs of hope, to challenge injustices, to enhance community*) and **Values** (*Respect – Courage – Integrity*) of the organisation. This has to be set against the direction of this and the previous Governments towards fewer providers and more detailed/demanding compliance and audit requirements. In spite of this, the focus has been to move from the Mission "doing things" on behalf of congregations, Parishes and Government Departments to "working in partnership with" parishes in a social development capacity, to give expression to social justice and social service as a natural part of the local life and witness. It is, sadly, rather sobering to read that John Wesley expressed the same concerns about poverty as we are trying to today. In a report by the British Methodist Church in partnership with the Baptist Union, the Church of Scotland and the United Reformed Church some pertinent gems can be found, and one is at the beginning of the report:

*In 1753 John Wesley, said, "So wickedly, devilishly false is that common objection, 'They are poor, only because they are idle'." Yet today many churchgoers and members of the public alike have come to believe that the key factors driving poverty are the personal failings of the poor – especially 'idleness'. (The lies we tell ourselves: ending comfortable myths about poverty. Methodist Publishing 2013)*

It is worth us, as a Church and as individuals, watching the tenor of written and spoken words – especially those of Crown Ministers - regarding social justice and social issues, then instead of perpetrating the myth, we quietly but clearly remind ourselves and others that there is a better way:

- *Why is it that we are supposed to be ending poverty, but instead have been blaming the poor?*
- *Why is it that a person who avoids tax, hides income is heralded as a success and a model for us all and a person who pays tax, donates time and money, and shares their home and food goes un-noticed?*
- *Why is it that we see mis-use of benefit as crime and tax evasion as cleverness?*
- *Why is it that some people are worth a salary 1,000 times larger than another?*
- *Why is it that the social problems belong to some-one else when social solutions should be shared by us all?*

## LIFEWISE



Rotorua is a highlight of the services provided by Lifewise. A new property and expanded service has meant more people with issues of alcohol and drug addiction can receive care and support back into the community.

The number of ECE centres is growing, and with the commitment to the provision of a quality accessible service, demand out-strips the ability to supply. Of interest is the special Play Group provided at Glen Eden in partnership with the Waitakere Parish where, with support from the MOE, many children who would not have access to ECE are finding a supportive and caring staff and parents are encouraged to take an active interest in the Play Group.

Royal Rd Primary School asked Lifewise to take over the oversight of their ECE Centre which is based on the school site. This has been another success, with parents and community taking an active interest in the Centre.

The Tongan Centre on Everitt Rd (Otago) is a credit to the members of the Otago Tongan Parish. However, on going vandalism has been a down-side of this project, which reflects the frustration many within this community feel towards a Government and society which (mostly) young people see as rejecting and abandoning them. It is the ECE Centre with the greatest amount of vandalism in NZ during its build phase. On the positive side, it is the first Centre to open with more than 50% of the maximum roll already enrolled – just on 30 children before opening day!

Lifewise is a leader in the provision of quality home care. The model is 'restorative' and seeks to give clients flexible services which are about encouraging people to take ownership of their care and support. Increasingly the service is not only about "old" people, but is available to young and in fact very young (infants) with very high needs. The Service also manages a number of clients' Individualised Funding accounts (this service has grown in 3 years from one or two staff to a staff of about 160!). Lifewise also featured in a new booklet and DVD "Four Go Flating" about the experience of Lifewise-supported young people who set up a flat together in Auckland and their families. (See <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5F3WGDj2DQY> for more info.)

The Hub through the Merge Café is finding new and innovative ways to address the needs of the homeless and others who struggle to make ends meet. Merge Café began as a challenge to the existing stereotype of the 'soup kitchen' model, which had been used for over one hundred years, and has proven to be a successful response to a real need in the city. Of note (and concern), is the emergent group of people on middle income with high debt levels brought about, in part, by the high cost of accommodation – if it is expensive to buy then it is also expensive to rent!

Two events are a regular feature of the Lifewise calendar: The Big Sleep Out (BSO), which as an event is an ideal way of informing (and educating) senior executives and community leaders about the life of a homeless person. It also serves as a way to engage people in the solution, CEO's and

community leaders are not in their positions for nothing, and they are more often than not creative, innovative and like to find solutions to challenges (the event raised \$175,000.00 and came up with 49 possible ideas for addressing homelessness – reduced to 3 to start on in conversation with the Auckland Council). The BSO allows Lifewise tap into that rich source of ideas!

And, the other event is Neighbours Day Aotearoa (NDA). This has become a national event thanks to the inspiration of staff at Lifewise, members of the Takapuna Parish, and Inspiring Communities. It enjoys support from the Police, Mental Health Foundation and many City and Community Councils. This year the first event was low key as The Warehouse has become a major supporter and the main event will be happening later this year. Stephen Tindall of the Tindall Foundation takes considerable personal interest in the NDA project.

During the year a booklet “My Lifewise” was produced which highlights the connection between clients, staff and donors. This booklet has proven to be very popular as it sets the work of Lifewise in context through clients, staff, and donors telling their stories.

## **AIREDALE PROPERTY TRUST**

**Airedale Property Trust**

APT has made a valuable contribution to the Synods within its region through the provision of advice on property development, maintenance and tenancy. This has meant that Parishes such as Birkenhead will soon have social houses on the Beach Haven site. A situation that ends up as a win – win - providing the Parish with a source of income, and a needy group of people on the North Shore will have housing.

The most significant project has been the development of the Matanikolo housing site. APT has provided support for the development of this important Tongan dream. With 22 social houses well on the way to completion a very small but significant dent will be made in the housing crisis of Auckland.

In order to carry out the proposed social housing development work APT has had to meet a ‘qualifying’ requirement with the Social Housing Unit (within the Ministry of Business, Innovation, and Employment). The document, which on its own weighs in at 2.5kg, required a huge amount of time and work – not to just comply with the needs and expectation of HNZ, but to ensure APT remained loyal to the Mission’s vision of social justice and empowerment of individuals and communities. Now that the document is approved, no group within the Methodist Church of New Zealand need go through the exercise of preparing such documentation, a project proposal could just be appended to the approved APT document and lodged with SHU.

It is important to note that the acute needs of first time home owners are not being addressed. As much as we might like to be able to help, with a limit on the resources of APT, the focus can only be on social housing, not on first home buyers. This is not to say that the issue isn’t important - it is, but neither the Mission, nor Lifewise, nor APT have adequate staff to begin challenging the Government on this issue. Releasing more land around the city and providing for more high-rise development is complex – more land means more land-banking, not necessarily reduced section prices; high rise means more stressed inner -city infrastructure and not necessarily lower rentals or more home owners. The question begs to be asked – what is wrong with and where is the “State Housing” that served the country in the past?

Everil Orr retirement village, owned by the Church, but leased and run by Oceania, is on time with the proposed re-development. This is a very large project which, when it is completed, will have a value of over \$100M. It has been the expertise of the staff and Board of APT which has enabled this re-build to move ahead smoothly and on time.

With this development looming on the financial horizon of APT and therefore MMN and Lifewise, good budgeting and future-proofing of income has had to be carried out. During the initial stages at least, the ability to generate income for the work of the Mission will be reduced. However, with

careful planning the Boards all believe that the work which the Mission, APT and Lifewise carry out can still be continued.

### **And looking ahead....**

- Lifewise will look to strengthen and broaden the provision of Home care. As a highly respected provider of a restorative model of care, Lifewise is ideally positioned to grow this service.
- The work of Merge Café will continue to strengthen. Its beauty is that it is flexible and is not designed to last for ever, but to be part of the journey towards ending homelessness.
- Rotorua services will be strengthened as more short-term rental accommodation is made available to those with mental health or addiction issues. Lifewise and the Mission also look to maintaining strong links with local Iwi.
- Where appropriate the Mission and Lifewise will work with Parishes and Synods to promote the Conference "Let the Children Live" campaign.
- Whenever possible partnerships with Parishes and congregations will be built to deliver social services. This means devolving services into the community and not centralising – the best resources for assisting a community are in the community.
- APT will continue to ensure the smooth development of the Everil Orr Retirement Village;
- and oversee the development of the Beach Haven site;
- and supervise the building of further ECE Centres if required by Lifewise.
- APT will review the Franklin Village Home (Pukekohe) and evaluate the potential of Wesley Home (Mt Eden).
- Both APT and Lifewise will keep in touch with key stake-holders and lobby local politicians regarding the Unitary Plan for Auckland City.
- The Mission will focus on ensuring the theological values of the Church are upheld in all the activities of the three Boards.
- Inner-city mission through the Chaplain at Large will be developed in partnership with the congregations and community of the Inner City. Innovation and creativity will guide this part of the Mission's life.
- The Mission Board will look to the future Superintendency needs of the three Boards. With the current Superintendent signalling that retirement is looking rather attractive, the serious task of finding a replacement will start sooner rather than later!

Marion Hines, Chairperson  
John Murray, Superintendent

### **Suggested Decisions:**

1. The report is received.
2. The 2014 Methodist Mission Northern Board membership be: Prince Devanadan, Nicola Grundy, Marion Hines, Keith Hopner, David Hunt, John Murray (superintendent), Greg Wright and further members to be appointed by the President.
3. Conference thanks Ms Gardenia Atimalala-Taulealeausumai for her contribution to the Methodist Mission Northern Board and to The Lifewise Trust Board.
4. The 2014 Lifewise Trust Board membership be: Prince Devanandan, Nicola Grundy, Marion Hines, Keith Hopner, John Murray (Superintendent), Dr Katherine Ravenswood, Sao Timaloa.
5. The 2014 Airedale Property Trust Board membership be: Warren Chapman, Mel Easton, David Hunt, Prof. Keith Hooper, John Murray (Superintendent), John Wilson, Greg Wright.
6. The 2014 Board of 155 Whare Roopu Community House Trust be appointed by the President on the advice of Methodist Mission Northern Board once the work of Commissioner is completed.
7. The 2014 Board members of the Employment Generation Fund are: Warren Dalzell, Angus Fletcher, John Fraser, Brian Gauld and Bryce Nicholls
8. The 2014 Board members of the Ministry to the Deaf are: Peter Grundy, Kathy Hohepa, Jean Masters, John Murray, Barry Neal and Glenn Schischka .
9. The 2014 Board members of Methodist Community Action (Hamilton) are: Louis Fick, Alan Grant, Margaret Henshaw, Muriel Leadley and John Murray
10. The 2014 Board members of Tamahere Eventide Home are: Beverley Attrill, Chad Chibnall, Catherine Dickie, George Diprose, Emma Falconer, Neville Jack, Ken Olsen, Peter Schaare, Shane Vanin and John Walsh and further members to be appointed by the President.
11. Conference thanks David McGeorge for his contribution to the Board of Tamahere Eventide Home.

### **METHODIST CITY ACTION**

We are having a good look at our programmes and place in Hamilton this year. This includes looking at the Methodist Mission in the context of services provided alongside other denominations Missions, our client groups and other collaborative relationships

across the city. We have also been looking at the bigger picture of Methodist Mission, how we fit within the framework of MMA, and our place in the Methodist Centre in Hamilton.

### **Missions in Hamilton**

MCA has very good relationships with the other faith based social services across the city. Many of us meet regularly in a range of different contexts; as trustees of the Hamilton Combined Christian Foodbank Trust, as participants of the Hamilton Combined Christian Council of Social Services. We have strong and supportive networks with each other and have also discussed our different services / niches / similarities and points of difference. We have often been accused as a group of all doing the same thing, but have determined that we quite clearly all have areas of specialty and there are no actual overlaps, which mean that we aren't competing for the same funding for the same services.

MCA, despite being one of the smaller missions locally and nationally within MMA; are recognized as providing key leadership in a number of areas. We are actively involved in city issues and have informal regular meetings with Council staff. This is an opportunity to represent the views of the community that interacts in the city centre and to keep the community as a visible and interested aspect of city wide issues.

We are also part of the council initiated Social Wellbeing Forum - Community Connectedness sub group.

We have organized Neighbor's Day activities with other organisations in the London St area

We are a trustee of the Hamilton Christian Nightshelter Trust

We attend Managers Forum meetings facilitated by Community Waikato

We organize an annual 'Brown Paper Bag Appeal' to support the Foodbank

We facilitate meetings between social service and crown agencies re food support, housing....

We run a Community Meal every Monday (36 people took up the offer of free flu jabs through the community meal this year)

We run a range of programmes designed to empower and engage the community and these have particularly attracted the disability sector so far.

### **Methodist Mission Aotearoa**

MCA are involved in bimonthly meetings of all Methodist Missions and have been looking at how we work more closely with our national colleagues. We are the smallest Mission with a budget of around 300k, and 3 permanent staff. We rely on a very part time staff member and 3 contractors to facilitate the bulk of our programmes. I have been looking at other Missions activities and where we might be able to work more closely together, building on the success of some of their programmes that may be transferable to Hamilton.

We have also discussed a closer working relationship with Lifewise in Auckland, however with examination of our similarities and differences, believe that we have some very clear differences, and informal relations will remain the best option for us both at this time.

It would seem that many of the Missions would like closer relationships with our local Parishes and that achieving this in a meaningful way is a challenge for each side.

### **Client Groups**

Many Methodist City Action programmes cater to organisations providing vocational services to clients living with physical and / or intellectual disabilities. We work closely with their stakeholder organisations to enhance the aims of their services, which is primarily to enhance community involvement and independent living. The Methodist Centre is a disability friendly space, with access to the building, individual rooms and bathrooms being accessible to those using mobility aids and wheelchairs, and providing parking.

We also have a number of people attending programmes from the mainstream community who may be living with mental health and addiction issues and others who for one reason or another are on the margins of society.

We provide a Community Meal once a week with a nominal fee of \$1.00. The food preparation, room set up and clean-up is all done by volunteers. Many of our volunteer pool are from the Korean Community, and they also provide the food once a month that is used in the meal. Currently 50-60 people per week attend the meal and this can go up to 80 towards the end of the year.

We run a Super Net computing group, this is primarily with elders in the community and many participants are also from the immigrant community. We have a designated computer suite with 15 computer stations and run a range of specific and tailor made programmes, catering to individuals, groups and organisations as required.

Our programmes are many and varied and include; African Drumming, Indoor Team Sport, Cooking, Art and Craft, Vocational Computing, Microsoft Programme Specific Computing, Life Skills, Move to Music, Brain Gym.

### **Methodist Centre**

The Methodist Centre is our landlord. We have been working with them and leading improvements in the Centre, to make this a brighter, more welcoming and better maintained venue in the central city. Over the last 18 months this has included organizing; an outside clean, repainting of outside window and door sills and kitchen door, repainting back wall of auditorium, repainting the doors in the bathrooms and some walls, repainting fellowship room and lounge, new curtains in the fellowship and lounge, steam cleaning the chairs in both those rooms, cleaning the carpets in the foyers and lounge, new plants and repotting plants in the hallway, adding plants to the rose garden. Some of this has been done through the allocation of part of our rent towards these costs, some of it has been done with MCA staff time, and with client and volunteer assistance.

In the longer term we are planning to revamp the kitchen space to facilitate the Mission being able to run more cooking programmes, and be able to prepare a wider range of affordable and nutritious Community Meals. This will be a capital upgrade to the Centre that we are hoping to get philanthropic support for as there will be many benefits to the broader community as well as the Methodist community in doing this.

There are a variety of meeting spaces where not only MCA programmes are run, but many other organisations also have their meetings. There is ample parking, disability access, and a quiet green space in the city. I believe over the last year that through our input into the Centre and the active promotion of the we do to other organisations to use this as a venue, that we have been able to increase the variety of users in this space.

### **General Issues**

There are many issues affecting the Hamilton community which are also relevant to the broader Waikato and the nation. We have been part of a local campaign to make people more aware of the fact that any one of us could be just **“One Step Away”** from a circumstance that puts us in a poverty situation; getting behind on bills, having a budget blow out, having an injury that puts us on ACC, or a health issue that results in significant time off work, redundancy, mortgage increases... any of those circumstances could tip the balance. This could then mean that we need to change accommodation, may need food assistance or income support. In general the people that are experiencing poverty have not chosen to put themselves in that situation.

We have ballooning property and rental prices and a shortage of affordable and appropriate accommodation for many people. The government has signaled that it is looking at selling its property stock to social service agencies. What happens when those agencies that can afford to enter that market, then decide in a few years that accommodation provision is not one of their core services? At what point do we make sure that the government is taking some responsibility for provision of community services. More and more services are being dropped with the expectation that social services will pick up the shortfall, without increased funding to enable us to do so.



**Food provision** is becoming a political issue. The government has initiated a 'Food in Schools' programme. The Hamilton Combined Christian Foodbank is spending over \$1000 per week to top up donated food that is distributed in the community. This is separate to, and works well with, the food distributed by the Salvation Army from Countdown supermarkets. We have increasing obesity statistics with resulting health costs. (Being able to provide low cost basic food preparation programmes we see as a next logical step to expand our services).

Methodist City Action is currently looking at our place in the city, how well do we match our mission statement in the provision of services and networking in the city? How well do we live being the face of Methodism in Hamilton.

Catherine Hodges, Director

**Suggested Decisions:**

1. The report is received
2. The HMCA Board members are: the Superintendent of the Hamilton Methodist Parish, Louis Fick, Alan Grant, Margaret Henshaw, John Murray and Muriel Leadley

## SINOTI SAMOA MISSION

Puna'oa o le Soifua Manuia  
Sinoti Samoa Methodist Mission  
October 2013  
Conference Report

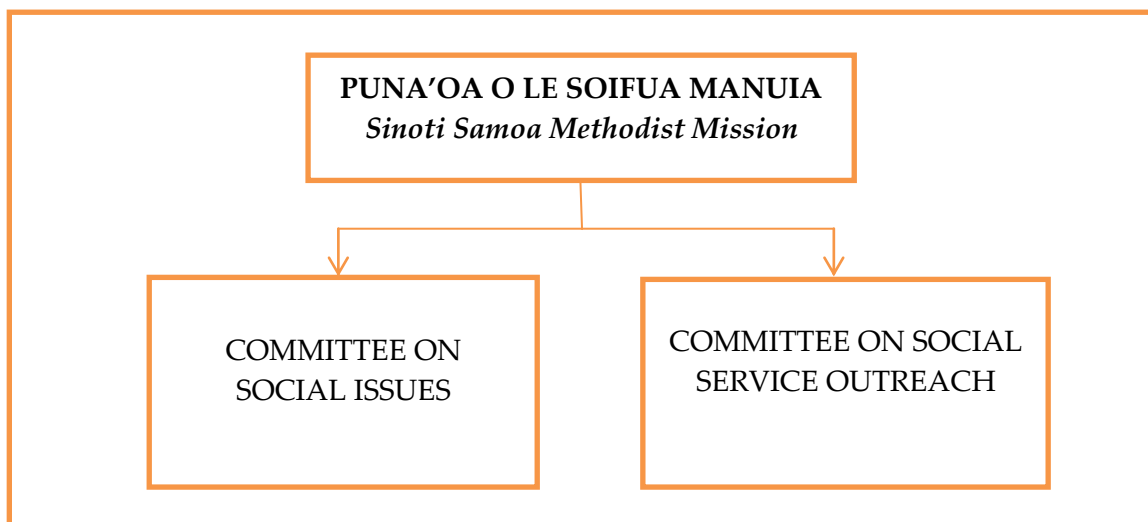
**Preamble**

Sinoti Samoa continues to work as a National Body, encompassing the spirit of what it means to be culturally "Samoan" within the New Zealand context. Our theme for 2013 is: "E lē o le auauna mai, a ia auauna atu – *Not to be served, but to serve*". We continue the process of discussions as to how we can better serve our Communities – both within our local and regional Church settings – through Mission and Ministry.

We are grateful that much progress has been made on this work already, as evidenced below. As a National Missional Body there are difficulties, however, we have excelled in producing a more productive and educating style of approach that is currently unique to Sinoti Samoa. We gain experience from new and innovative ideas and projects such as our workshops, whilst providing milestones in the works of the National Women's Fellowship, Youth Ministry and our Lay Preachers' Network.

**Puna'oa o le Soifua Manuia**

At the Annual General Meeting this year, Sinoti Samoa passed a new structure for implementing the ministry and mission of the Synod in a new way. *Puna'oa* is the new banner in which Sinoti Samoa will share its work within local Parishes and the surrounding communities.



The roles and responsibilities under this new structure will see a continuation of Regional Workshops focusing on *Family Violence, Anger Management & Suicide Prevention*; together with the new outreach focus on issues surrounding: Housing, Social Justice, Food Bank, New Zealand Immigration, Pacific Education and more.

### **Mafutaga a Tama'ita'i**

Our National Women's Fellowship is in strong numbers, and continues to produce strong and passionate leaders within our local and regional communities. On a National Scale, the Fellowship continues to meet annually, with the Leaders Meeting and National Fellowships meetings on a bi-annual basis.

The on-going dream of the Women's Fellowship to build a complex within the Auckland/Manukau region – with the main focus of providing facilities for the wider community that is modern, flexible, and a part of our outreach – continues to be a goal that is strived for by all. Noteworthy is the achievement of fundraising over \$1 million dollars towards the project, however, funds continue to be sourced for making this dream a reality.

### **Tupulaga Talavou**

The Tupulaga Talavou (or Youth) of Sinoti Samoa have completed its fourth *Leadership Training Weekend*. The National gathering of Leaders from individual Youth Groups was based on equipping our young people with tools in the realm of Leadership in and beyond the Church.

A new Vision and Strategy has been adopted. The Vision of Sinoti Samoa Tupulaga Talavou, is to: **“Return to your first love”** (based on Revelations 4:2) in achieving our goal and dream for the future is our mission”

- To motivate each other;
- To provide opportunities to be leaders;
- To encourage Aulotu and Matagaluega to work towards independent Tupulaga branches;
- To look forward to the future;
- To carry on the legacy for future generations.
- To have a God-centred heart

Preparations are underway for the second National Youth Camp to held during Labour Weekend of October 2014 at El Rancho – Waikanae Christian Holiday Park.

### **Suggested Decisions:**

1. That the report is received.
2. That the Board Members are: Filo Tu (Convenor), Malavai P-Misikei, Mataiva Robertson, Olive Amani Tanielu, Faleatua Faleatua.

## **METHODIST SOCIAL SERVICES IN LOWER NORTH ISLAND**

### **WESLEY COMMUNITY ACTION**



The Board of WCA recently reviewed and amended the Strategic Directions document for WCA. This sets the direction for the 'what, how and why' foundations of WCA's development. This process reaffirmed the importance of WCA working alongside the most marginalised in our community and doing this in a way that is transformative of individuals, families and communities. This requires a belief in a 'secular conversion' which is perhaps a modern expression of Wesley's 'social holiness'. This is an approach beyond charity, beyond self promotion / self-interests, beyond pious judgements, and beyond doing 'to' people. Working hard to live up to these high expectations is the source of much joy and frustration for the team in WCA.

### **Key Highlights Challenges and Changes in last year:**

We are working hard to embed our Wesley Way approach across all of our work. This is a commitment to engage with people in a way that brings out the best in all. We continue to wrestle with how to best give effect to our mission for vulnerable older people in a residential aged care setting at Wesleyhaven Village and doing this in a way that is financially viable. One of our teams works alongside the most vulnerable old people living in their own homes. This team work from Kapiti to Wellington and the Hutt Valley with people who are frequently invisible within their local communities.

We have recently been selected to provide a service for families with young children who are struggling and need some extra support. Called Family Start, when fully operational we will be working alongside 118 whanau in Porirua.

Moving into our new centre in Waitangirua has been much welcomed and slowly this space is growing new initiatives that bubble up from the local community. Down the road in Cannons Creek Porirua, the community pantry and gardens grow in strength with more families supported to establish their own home gardens and there is increasing support for the Good Cents initiative to promote financial security in low income households.

We have reformed our specialist youth services teams to form one Te Waka team. This multi-skilled team provides a stable and supportive place for young people to begin to get their lives back on track after significant challenges.

WCA continues to make a significant contribution at a national policy level on the Government's vulnerable children action plan. With our running of Incredible Years parenting programme in Porirua, teen parent activities in Waitangirua, Family Start programme and play groups for hard to reach communities, we are increasingly being recognised as leaders in working with young families. Our long-term relationships with whanau associated with the Black Power and Mongrel Mob communities have supported a range of positive initiatives. These are leading to fewer court appearances and a growing interest in education, training and employment within these whanau.

The work of WCA is hard. The middle-class concern about poverty frequently lacks a depth of appreciation of how messy and challenging working in this space is. Campaigns, sermons, seminars on poverty are easy in comparison. The work of WCA is rewarding. We value the interest and support of the Methodist Church whenever we receive it.

More details and stories of the contribution of Wesley Community Action are available on our web site [www.wesleyca.org.nz](http://www.wesleyca.org.nz) .

### **PALMERSTON NORTH METHODIST SOCIAL SERVICES**



As Methodist Social Services prepares to celebrate its 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in August this year, it has been a year of challenge, as well as we have seen some successes. It is always a privilege to work with people and to see the positive change they bring to implement into their lives.

We continue to deliver quality support services to community, and as demand has increased have managed to meet the need, until recently. For the first time in approximately 5 years, we have had a waiting list for counselling services. Additional funding has been sought to alleviate the situation, however the funding arena is very tight. We are fortunate that we have the services of volunteer and intern counsellors to support the employed counsellors in meeting the needs of community.

We continue to offer family whanau based education programmes, and have updated content for two of the historical programmes offered.

We are working to look at the work required to bring Highbury House up to earthquake standards.

Strategic planning is an on-going process, and takes new forms to adapt to the environment.

We have said farewell to our long standing administrator, and this has brought about some changes which we are working through positively.

Financials have been a significant challenge this year, and we look forward to 2013-2014 with some sense of hope.

Nici Scott-Savage, Director

## **METHODIST SOCIAL SERVICES IN THE SOUTH ISLAND**

### **CHRISTCHURCH METHODIST MISSION**



#### **Introduction**

Many of the people we serve continue to experience the increased levels of stress, and the behavioural and emotional disturbances associated with post-disaster settings, including anger, sadness, frustration and anxiety.

Psychological distress is often more reflective of the difficulties and hardships encountered during recovery and rebuilding, rather than the impact characteristics of the event. For example, many families have encountered complications in their lives that they were unprepared for. The shortage of housing and escalation in rental housing costs has meant that:

- many face increase in proportion of income going to pay rent, with little money left over for other basic living costs
- others face costs and stress of continual moves due to rental increases
- some families are forced to live in garages, cars or one room units.

As parents become depressed as a result of lost employment/inability to cope financially, parenting becomes more neglectful and there is more likelihood of family violence and alcohol and drug issues

Children and young people are particularly vulnerable to increased levels of long-term stress, behavioural and emotional disturbance after disasters. Our work with children and families in schools, communities and people's homes, has indicated that some children are displaying their stress through:

- challenges with peer relationships,
- fear in participating in certain activities
- difficulty self-regulating emotions,
- separation anxiety,
- decreased concentration,
- problems with sleeping,
- fear of being alone, including going to the school bathroom

Evidence from other disasters, as well as Christchurch earthquakes, suggests those with more financial, social and intellectual resources generally recover faster than those with less. Poor households' economic and material losses, while less in absolute terms, can be devastating. Many poor households will never fully regain pre-impact levels, increasing their vulnerability to future events.<sup>1</sup> People who under normal circumstances 'get by' can fall into poverty. It is therefore important that the basic needs are attended to, such as housing, clothing and food.<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Morrow, B.H. (1999). Identifying and mapping community vulnerability. *Disasters*, 23(1), 1-18.

<sup>2</sup> NATO 2008, Hutton 2001

## **Our Work**

### ***Social Services***

Over the past year our community and social services staff have provided a comprehensive home-based family social work service, psychological services for children and families, counselling for children aged 5-13 years, parenting programmes, budgeting and advocacy support, a life skills programme for men, and an earthquake support coordination service.

We deliver programmes and activities in school and community settings including a children's leadership course and programmes where children are taught how to recognise feelings and emotions and explore new and positive ways of dealing with these. We have a multidisciplinary team working in the most severely impact schools, providing a range of services, including child and family case work, group work for children or parents, psycho social assessment, in-class support and referral to other services etc. In addition we provide a collaborative social connection programme for isolated older adults, and we run specific groups for parents who have children that are not living in their care.

### ***Early Childhood Education***

As well as the services provided by our Community and Social Services Teams we operate Aratupu, our early childhood education and whanau support centre. Aratupu provides 'wrap-around' early childhood education and community support services for its children and families, including a whanau worker, a health worker, home-based support work, coffee mornings for extended families, parenting groups, and community outings and activities that encourage families to connect with others in their local neighbourhood and develop local support systems.

### ***Aged-Care***

We have held a long-term commitment to supporting older adults and to providing affordable caring services for older people. Wesley Care provides rest home and hospital care for older people, and also respite care services. We are proud to be building building consent to build a modern, accessible and spacious new hospital for Canterbury's ageing population. The new hospital will be built on our Wesley Care Harewood site and honours our commitment to providing affordable supportive age care services.

### ***Community Housing***

Christchurch Methodist Mission has over 50 years' experience in providing community social housing. We provide affordable warm social housing for elders in a supported environment. We have made a commitment to increase our social housing provision in order to respond to the high need in Canterbury for safe, warm and affordable housing options. At the end of 2012 we purchased a new social housing complex in the city centre for housing for low income parents with young children.

### ***Emergency Support***

We help vulnerable individuals and families with immediate urgent needs such as accessing food parcels, firewood, warm clothing, providing school camp fees, and helping with housing issues. At Christmas time we produce food hampers and deliver them to those in need, along with gifts for the children. In 2012 1000 people were helped at Christmas time with food hampers and gifts.

More details of our work can be gained from our web-site <http://www.mmsi.org.nz/>

### **Our Board**

The Board comprises Jenny Keightley (Chair), Garth Nowland-Foreman, Pam Sharpe, Mary Caygill, Martin Hadlee, Andrew Donaldson, Indira Sirisena and Lucy D'Aeth.

This year the Board accepted the resignation with regret of John Wilson, Richard Cunliffe, Mark Liddle and Alison MacKenzie. We thank them for their contribution to Christchurch Methodist Mission.

## Our Thanks

Our work is not possible without the support of many people, and we thank everyone who has supported the Christchurch Methodist Mission.

## Suggested Decisions:

The Board recommends to conference that:

1. Jenny Keightley, Garth Nowland-Foreman, Pam Sharpe, Mary Caygill, Martin Hadlee, Andrew Donaldson, Indira Sirisena and Lucy D'Aeth be appointed to CMM Board for a further year,
2. Further Board members be approved by the President.

## METHODIST MISSION SOUTHERN



### Our Vision

*Change that Works: Enough Support & Challenge for You to Risk a Better Future.*

The vision of Methodist Mission Southern is of a fair, safe, caring and sustainable society where every citizen is valued and respected, and enjoys equal opportunity to lead a fulfilled life.

### Long and Short Term Strategies

For the period 2013-16, the Mission has 5 strategic objectives:

*Services:* Expanded services (geographically, service focus, and/or in volume of delivery).

*Culture:* Achievement oriented staff, well supported & dynamic.

*Reputation:* Recognised as a respected, innovative, provider working within a national framework, focused on building preventative resiliency.

*Ownership & Governance:* Strong, responsive governance.

*Financial:* An extended investment base to support innovative delivery choices.

### Resource Needs

Our resource needs are:

- *Cash:* Compliance costs are increasing. Technology costs are increasing. Insurance costs are increasing. Demands from funders are increasing in complexity and volume with no correlating increase in funding, even for inflation. Staff are on average paid at 75-80% of the going rate for their work. This is simply not good enough. It hampers our ability to attract the skills we need, and it underrates the work of those who do work for us.
- *Recognition:* Getting seen by a Government that appears to want a corporatized and nationalised sector (and they want it yesterday) is tough; retaining our particular character and independence in the face of these moves is even harder.
- *Time:* The knowledge of how to do what we do better, with greater impact, is increasing rapidly. Yet staff can find this knowledge stressful, not empowering. Taking care of staff during times of continuous professional challenge takes time that we don't always have.
- *People:* Our greatest resource need is for highly skilled and creative workers and managers who can help us leapfrog these challenges and deliver on our promise of meaningful social justice programmes.

### Who Will Do The Work?

We employ between 60-78 staff (depending on the seasonality of delivery). We have a board of 9. We have two Kaitohutohu. We have dozens of volunteers, and beyond them, caring and generous cheerleaders. And we have the care and consideration of the parishioners, presbyters, and Synod Co-Superintendents of Otago-Southland, for which we are very grateful.

### When Will The Tasks Be Done?

The end of calendar 2016.

### **What Will We Have Achieved By Next Conference?**

- We will have supported hundreds of families.
- We will have promoted the idea of a socially just society in the media and beyond.
- We will have provided a stimulating and social space for isolated older folk.
- We will have kept three community centres in highly deprived areas open for another year.
- We will have helped dozens of youth and scores of adults into work.
- We will have linked hundreds of young mums and dads to critical support services.
- We will have taught dozens of men in prison how to drive.
- We will have improved the literacy of dozens of imprisoned Dads, and helped them connect to their children.
- We will have worked with the families of prisoners, supporting them to help their men strengthen relationships, in particular with their sons
- We will have collaborated on joint projects with other agencies, particularly A3 Kaitiaki and Otakou Marae.
- We will have helped prepare nearly a hundred pre-schoolers for a life of learning.
- We will have provided life skills to hundreds of primary aged children.
- We will have provided a life and leadership skills for kids
- We will have helped “let the children live”.
- We will have created cycles of hope.

### **How Will We Know When We Have Achieved Our Goals?**

We have 13 short, medium, and long-term key performance indicators that are monitored by the Board and senior management on a regular basis. The use of these keep us focussed and on track.

Laura Black, *Director*  
Joy Clark, *Chairwoman*

### **Suggested Decisions:**

1. That the report be accepted.
2. That the Board for Methodist Mission Southern for 2013 be: Joy Clark (Chairwoman), Julie Pearse (Deputy Chairwoman), Austen Banks, Keith McKenzie, Natalie Karaitiana, Nigel Pitts, Richard Devereux, Siosifa Pole, and Laura Black (Director).

## **VAHEFONUVA TONGA METHODIST MISSION**

*(Supplementary Report)*

The Vahefonua Tonga Methodist Mission is now registered with the Charities Commission and the Board of Trustees has been working on setting up Governance and strategies to work hand-in-hand with MMA, MSD, CYF, DHBs, Educational Institutions, Prospective Employers, Police and other organizations to:

- i) Undertake initiatives and programs aimed at improving employment opportunities (particularly of youth), access to housing, access to medical professionals, legal help and improving other life opportunities;
- ii) Assist all Tongans to live independently but retaining strong family values and connections;
- iii) Improve the education and work skills of New Zealand Tongan Methodist and other New Zealand Tongan communities to enable members to find employment and to recognize and improve life opportunities in family, work, recreation and other pursuits;
- iv) Other such services as may be approved from time to time by the Conference for the betterment of the New Zealand Tongan Methodist and other New Zealand Tongan communities.

To achieve these objectives, the Vahefonua Tonga has been running programmes, camps and retreats under its "tradename" SIAOLA (Weaving to Reap/Creating Positive Outcomes) with emphasis of curtailing the current prevalent societal and health issues around alcohol and drugs abuse, family violence, gambling, youth suicide prevention, chronic diseases, poverty and housing needs in the Tongan Community.

### **Suggested Decisions:**

1. The report is received.
2. Vahefonua wishes to record its heartfelt thanks and gratitude to Lifewise and Airedale Property for the help in the development of the Matanikolo Housing Project.
3. The members of the Vahefonua Tonga Methodist Mission Trust Board are : Rev Setaita Kinahoi Veikune (Chairperson) Edwin Talakai (Secretary), Kaliopasi 'Akolo (Treasurer), Rev 'Alipate 'Uhila, Rev 'Ikilifi Pope, Dr Maika Kinahoi Veikune, Dr Melenaita Taumoefolau, Moimoi Ahau Kaufononga, Kathleen Tuai-Ta'ufo'ou, Palanite Taungapeau, Seniorita Laukau, and Moses 'Alatini.



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## Mission & Ecumenical

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- Christian World Service





# METHODIST MISSION AND ECUMENICAL



Methodist Mission and Ecumenical (M&E) is the official agency of the Methodist Church of New Zealand (MCNZ) that promotes the church's overseas mission church relationships, its ecumenical relationships, both local and international, as well as its confessional (Methodist) relationships. *"Ecumenism is something that all Christians are called to. Ecumenism is the gospel; it is the historical biblical faith. It is the very true expression of the Christian faith, not just a proclaimed faith, but a faith that is embodied"* [Michael Kinnamon]. Mission and Ecumenical ministry places this at its core in carrying out the mission statement made by Conference 2006 –

**"To be Methodist is to be ecumenical."**

## MISSION

### 1. UNITED CHURCH IN THE SOLOMON ISLANDS (UCSI)

Partner mission church relationships with the UCSI continue with the Mission and Ecumenical. The new moderator Rev. Wilfred Kurepitu has settled well into his new role. The struggle of the United Church Solomon Islands continues due to lack of financial resources. Eddison Kotomae, former executive of human resources was elected new general secretary of UCSI. The change of the general secretary is welcomed not only for M&E but also for Uniting World Australia and Methodist Church UK. No visit to Solomon Islands in 2013 as the secretary visits in alternate years. The next visit will be in 2014. The secretary met with Eddison general secretary of UCSI and received an update during the Methodist Consultative Council (MCCP) meeting in Rarongo in May 2013. Over the conversation Eddison stated the developments in Munda and the concerns for UCSI. He added that due to the construction of a new international standard airport in Munda a number of houses in the vicinity of the airstrip were demolished and the people were relocated elsewhere. How the people are settling into their new places is something that we have to wait and see.

### 2. HELENA GOLDIE HOSPITAL – MUNDA

Dr. Graham and Jenny Longbottom have returned to Helena Goldie Hospital after their furlough in England for a year. Graham Longbottom has been sending reports about Helena Goldie Hospital and other places during the year.

Graham in his report in May said: we did what we could when we were there. We are of course now back at HGH and there are many needs here. This photograph was taken in the x-ray dept. This department is dangerous to those waiting in out-patients as they all get a dose of x-rays. Despite this, a proposal to renovate the department failed to get funding from the European Union. This view shows the incomplete medical laboratory extension. Beyond this is the out-patient department where patients wait & receive unwanted radiation! The ramp on the right was created with funding from Christian World Service N.Z. Hopefully the laboratory & x-ray departments can be upgraded & redesigned as a single project over the next two years.



This photo shows the new house for the hospital Chaplain. Funding for this was raised by Methodist congregations in New Zealand in 2011 and it was completed in 2012. It is now occupied by Rev Benjamin Pitakoe, Marama Esme and their family. Some of the staff houses need some maintenance and repair.



There are over 100 people living in hospital accommodation, with a large number of children. It seems to be an idyllic place to grow up, with canoe rides and swimming literally on the door-step.

### **Opening of New Eye Unit and Eye Surgical Tour 2013**

A new eye unit (the picture below) was opened at HGH. Cataract surgeries are now carried out at this unit by visiting eye surgical teams. This is a greater blessing for the people of the Western Roviana province.



Helena Goldie Hospital is the only source of health care to the 27,000 people living on the islands around the hospital. They are some of the poorest and most vulnerable people on earth. The cost of providing this care has increased significantly over the last few years and the monthly wages for staff are now more than the government grant. The hospital is a service rather than a business, with hospital fees generating about 1% of the total income. Mission and Ecumenical continues to provide the salary of the Director of Nursing Chris Lieve. It also provides some funding for

relieving nurses. A request was made by Dr. Longbottom to assist with salary for an accountant for the hospital. M&E is exploring the possibilities to assist HGH with an accountant. We pray for the future of this community and the hospital that struggles to provide appropriate health care due to severe financial constraints.

### **3. HELENA GOLDIE COLLEGE OF NURSING**

Work has now started on an extension to the College of Nursing Library. This has been funded by college students fund raising – they go out fishing all night! The fish is cooked on a barbeque and then served with rice & cucumber for lunch – SB\$15, which is about £ 1-50. (NZ \$ 3.00)



This is a general view of Helena Goldie College of Nursing, showing the office & classroom on the left, Davinia Taylor Hall with library centre and the students' dining room on the right. Just next to the dining room is a new construction – this will be the area for serving food on the occasion of the graduation of the first diploma students, 16<sup>th</sup> April 2013, exactly 3 years after the opening ceremony of the college. M&E supported three students over their training for three years. They have successfully completed their training and are working at HGH. In 2014 M&E will support one student from Sasamuqa to be trained as a nurse and another from Munda.

The dormitory (on the right) built by an Australian rotary club last year is now occupied by 10 college students. The solar power system and water tank (to the rear) were fitted in March.



This photograph (on the left) shows Dr Jenny presenting a pulse oximeter to one of the senior nurses at Sasamunga Hospital during the visit with Steve Pearce in early March. A similar instrument has been given to Helena Goldie Hospital; the money for both was raised by the young people at Wilpshire Methodist Church in Blackburn.

#### 4. DAVINIA TAYLOR MEMORIAL HALL

Davinia Taylor memorial hall was damaged due to termite attack. Dr. Graham Longbottom requested SBD 19,000 from M&E for repair of termite damage and treatment. M&E granted NZ \$ 3200 with a condition that proper care must be taken to avoid such damage and maintain the building as M&E does not have funds to spend on repairs of this kind. Graham in his reply said: Thank you for the grant to repair Davinia Taylor Memorial Hall. I attach a photograph of Steve Pearce inspecting the damage with me yesterday. It is hard to know how this has been overlooked from our perspective, but the locals do not seem to notice!! I am hopeful that we can set up a regular check of all hospital buildings & staff houses.



## **5. SASAMUQA HOSPITAL**

The total amount raised for the Solar Power Unit through the annual appeal is \$32,588.00. Total cost is NZ \$58,200.00. The balance to be funded from designated funds for Sasamuqa Hospital. The contractor in Honiara Willies Electrical & PV Solar Power has been paid the initial payment of 60% of the cost to purchase the material at the time of writing this report. The work is due to be completed by October 2013 depending on the weather conditions in transporting the material to Sasamuqa by boat. The secretary and the team look forward to seeing the completed Solar Power Unit during the visit to Sasamuqa in April – May 2014.

## **6. GOLDIE COLLEGE**

The Mission and Ecumenical special appeal in 2013 is for a water supply unit for the Goldie College. Parishes, Women's Fellowships and individuals are continuing to support the project. At the time of writing of this report one third of the target amount has been reached. We look forward for more support for the installation of a submerged water pump and a storage tank for the students in the hostel and the staff of Goldie College.

## **7. UNITED CHURCH IN PAPUA NEW GUINEA (UCPNG)**

M&E partnership with the United Church in Papua New Guinea continued in 2012 – 2013 with the new moderator Rev. Bernard Siai now leading the church. UCPNG looks forward for continued support from the M&E. Papua New Guinea has been in the focus of the media in the recent times due to the asylum seekers arriving by boats to Australia being sent to Papua New Guinea. What the UCPNG will do in this situation is something we have to wait and see. Refugees in Nauru refugee centre have rioted to draw attention on the processing of their asylum claim. *ABC correspondents in PNG reported that asylum seekers were likely to meet with increasing resistance, especially if they received advantages paid for by Australia but not available to many locals. Former PNG Opposition Leader Dame Carol Kidu said there were already too many displaced people in a nation facing enough problems of its own. Oro Province Governor Gary Zuffa warned the move could be "very divisive"*[NZ Herald 23/07/2013]. While there is a major concern about poverty in PNG the facilities and assistance of the detainees in Nauru may make the local people of PNG angry. UCPNG is not in a position to provide pastoral care of these people in the detention centre as the resources are limited for them.

### **VISIT TO PNG**

The secretary M&E visited Papua New Guinea in May 2013 as part of partnership with UCPNG. The visit coincided with the Methodist Consultative Council of Pacific meeting in Rarongo. President Rex Nathan and Susan Thomson travelled with Prince Devanandan as they attended the Methodist Consultative Council of the Pacific meeting in Rarongo from 13 to 17 May 2013. The delegates of the MCCP received a warm traditional welcome extended by the students and staff of the Rarongo School of Theology and Mission (RSTM).

### **PROTESTANT CHURCH OF WEST PAPUA**

Protestant Church of West Papua Region The Evangelical Christian Church of Tana Papua has requested the secretary Mission and Ecumenical to pay a visit to their region on a fact finding mission. Life of the people of West Papuan region has turned out to be more vulnerable under the Indonesian military operations to protect the mines. Mission and Ecumenical secretary made an attempt to visit West Papua from Papua New Guinea. Due to visa restrictions to the region and travel difficulties this was not possible. The Rev. Brian Turner has been in touch with the secretary Mission and Ecumenical on this matter and has passed on the information as and when reaches him. Secretary Mission and Ecumenical has had conversations with Jan Rumbrar vice chairperson of the Evangelical Christian Church, Tana Papua when met in meetings overseas and has maintained email communication. Mission and Ecumenical would get involved in this mission when feasible and finance for such mission is available. Mission and Ecumenical thanks Brian Turner for the assistance and his interest in the mission.

## **8. THEME OF MCCP: CLIMATE CHANGE AND GOD'S PACIFIC PEOPLE**

The theme for 2013 was chosen by UCPNG. Rev. Bernard Siai in his opening message in the morning service focused on the rising of the sea level and the shoreline coming inland. He said "The weather could be predicted in the past, but not now. There were more natural disasters such as surface floods, cyclones, hurricanes, typhoons and many others as a consequence of global

warming. Cyclones in the Pacific tropical region are an ongoing scenario. Amidst these vulnerable situations the MCCP conference must rise up and say something to the world. The reason God called us to this meeting is to speak as leaders of the church. The churches are silent about the climate change. Only the Roman Catholic Church is speaking out. Now the women are beginning to gather to raise their voices by demonstrations calling the government to respond." Bernard's message highlighted the issues of PNG and also in a general way the silence of the churches in the region.

There were 14 representatives from Australia, New Zealand, Fiji, Samoa, Solomon Islands and Papua New Guinea. The overseas director of the British Methodist Church for Asia and Pacific, Steve Pearce was also present. MCCP meets biennially.

In 2011 the meeting was in Honiara, Solomon Islands on the theme of Diaspora. The participants in the past meetings expressed their dissatisfaction over the lack of minutes of the meetings. In an attempt to recollect the proceedings of MCCP meetings it was pointed out that MCCP was established as the members are part of the same church. There were tensions between Methodist Churches in the Pacific and the Methodist churches of Australia and New Zealand. There were also concerns about the Free Wesleyan Church of Tonga establishing its congregations in Australia and New Zealand. The extra ordinary circumstances the Methodist Church was in led to the forming of the MCCP.

The meeting started with Bible study on climate change led by Rev. Kolomo Maka. The focus of the study was on climate change and God's creation. Reports from the countries that were represented were shared. The reports highlighted issues relating to sexual abuse in the churches, and how the churches must respond. Whether it must be reported to police or whether it should be dealt within the church is a question before the people. The churches decided to ask for assistance from the Methodist Church of New Zealand and Uniting Church of Australia on how to handle issues of abuse.

Conversations continued on the subject of "Mitigating and Adapting to Climate Change". A discussion was held on what will be the future of the people of Tuvalu. Bruce Mullen from UCA stated that a request was made to Australian government to grant open visa to the people of Tuvalu in 2010. There was no follow up and waiting to hear Australian government's position. A request was also made to the president of the Methodist Church of New Zealand to take up this matter with the New Zealand government to consider the possibilities of taking the climate refugees of Tuvalu.

On Friday 17 May the participants were taken on an exposure tour of the Rabaul district to fathom the missionary past and the church's ministry at present. This included visit to the old city of Rabaul which was buried in ashes in the eruption of Rabaul volcano in 1994. They also visited George Brown High School at Vunairima, School of Education at Gaulim, School of Skill and Leadership at Malmaluan and the war memorial cemetery in Kokopo. These visits gave the participants the opportunity to learn what happened in the region in the past and how life is continuing at present. It also highlighted the state of poverty and the needs of the people and churches.

## **9. M&E WORK WITH RARONGO SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY AND MISSION**

In the current academic year 59 students have been enrolled of which 58 males and one female. In addition women are taught dress making, housekeeping, home economics, cooking and caring for children. They are trained as support persons to pastors. Rev. Garo Kilagi is the acting principal since Rev. Dr. William Longgar left in October 2012. Moderator Bernard and Acting Principal Garo requested that Mission and Ecumenical provide scholarships for two final year students in 2013 as they are unable to pay to complete their studies. Mission and Ecumenical PNG Kina 13,200/- (NZ \$ 7,200.00) for the two students for 2013: Kingsley Moria and Peniasi Youwalela.

## **BOOKS SENT TO THE LIBRARY FROM MISSION AND ECUMENICAL**

The secretary Mission and Ecumenical asked about the use of the books and the amount of books that have been received. The librarian showed the inventory of the books. The library has received

over 600 books from Mission and Ecumenical over the past decade. A request was made that Mission and Ecumenical sends books in specific areas of need. The acting principal and the librarian were asked to prepare a list of the books they need and send it to M&E.

#### **INTERNET FACILITIES FOR RARONGO SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY AND MISSION (RSTM)**

Telecom has laid the cables right into the premises of the college. From the curbside the college has to pay for the rest of the wiring. This had been a subject of conversation since the secretary Mission and Ecumenical visited Rarongo in 2011. There has been no action on the part of the RSTM. Acting principal Garo said that he will check on this with Telecom and let Mission and Ecumenical know the progress. The five computers installed in the library are outdated. Constant power failures means, they have to run on uninterrupted power source. The power failures may result in the computers crashing. Laptops with battery backup may be the way forward. The RSTM will have to come up with solutions. A fax machine that was operating on a wireless frequency is now out of service. There is no communication with outside world except with cell phones.

#### **10. M&E SECRETARY'S VISIT TO BUKA, BOUGAINVILLE**

From Rabaul the secretary Mission and Ecumenical travelled to Buka in Bougainville while other MCCP participants travelled to Port Moresby. After arriving in Buka, Bishop Tim Arthur and the office staffs served afternoon tea. Thereafter a general conversation followed about the church and the work. During the conversations it was mentioned that the graduation for the first batch of lay pastors at Kekesu was held. Other matters discussed were:

1. Bishop Tim Arthur's second term in office will end in 2014. Whether he will go into a third term depends on how people will vote in the election.
2. Bougainville is preparing to celebrate the centenary of the arrival of the gospel in 2016. Tentative dates of the celebration are 12 to 25 of September 2016.
3. New Zealand missionaries who served in Bougainville or their children are expected to attend the centenary celebration. Bishop Tim requested Mission and Ecumenical secretary to contact them and inform about the celebration. And invite them to Bougainville.

After the meeting the bishop invited secretary Mission and Ecumenical to preach on Sunday morning in the Buka city center church. It was Pentecost Sunday 19 May. The service started at 9 am and continued till 11.45 am. The secretary Mission and Ecumenical preached on the theme of Pentecost. After the service the congregation had organised a fellowship lunch.

In the afternoon another meeting was held with Rev. Enoch Abbey – United Church health secretary for the region, Misiri Omepa - United Church education secretary of the region, Andrew Seau – United Church regional treasurer, Marama Miriam Arthur - advisor of the women's fellowships of UC and Bishop Tim Arthur.

The staff shared the success stories of Kekesu Ministry Training Unit and gave copies of the photographs taken in the Graduation ceremony in April. They also requested that M&E support them to get books to the library in the Lay Ministry Training Institute at Kekesu.

#### **WOMEN'S DEVELOPMENT PROJECT PLAN**

A major project is at the planning stage to have a vocational training centre for women at Kekesu. This will be primarily to train women who come out of intermediate and high school without academic qualifications to receive training in self-employment programmes. Kekesu is chosen as there is land available for such a facility and it will enable the centre to complement the lay ministry training with the spouses of the students receiving vocational training. The project will include programmes on dress making, weaving and crafts that would assist women with earning an income to support the family. Possibilities to have computer education to be explored in the future when PNG Power provides power to the region. To begin with, an initial sewing and dress making centre to be setup in a parish church. This will then be moved to Kekesu. Application for funding to build the centre in Kekesu is made to the PNG national government. To buy sewing machines to setup the initial training centre, a request has been made to Mission and Ecumenical. The secretary has asked the Bishop to work out a budget for the cost of manual sewing machines and submit it to Mission and Ecumenical for possible funding.



The need for such vocational training has risen as there are no programmes for school leaving young women to receive any vocational training in the area. A micro finance credit system is in place for women to borrow money to start income generating self-employment projects, but there is no training in skills available for them to have an effective income generation programme. A vocational training centre for women will fulfill this need in the region.

## **11. APPRECIATION**

Mission and Ecumenical appreciates the considerable support it receives from Methodist Women's Fellowship groups, parishes, and individual church members, for mission activity in the life of the United Church in the Solomon Islands, and the United Church in Papua New Guinea. The second mile giving enables us to do so much more in assisting our partner mission churches. In particular we acknowledge the generous support of the Korean Methodist Congregations of Auckland and the East Coast Bay Parish for their ongoing support.

## **ECUMENICAL - NATIONAL**

### **12. METHODIST ECUMENICAL CONSULTATION (MEC)**

MEC continues to meet twice a year. This includes representatives of the Mission and Ecumenical Committee, the Faith and Order Committee, and Mission Resourcing. It is a forum for conversations regarding Methodist ecumenical endeavours which spread across three Methodist committees. It is not a decision making body but informs each other of the work carried out and also identifies the areas where the work overlap.

### **13. NATIONAL DIALOGUE FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY**

Church representatives continue to discuss the need for a national ecumenical entity that will promote the visible unity of the church. The first meeting for 2013 was held on Monday 4 March 2013 in Wellington. The meeting reviewed the process thus far. Several years ago Conference of the Methodist Church requested a new ecumenical initiative. Since then the National Dialogue for Christian Unity is in place and a basis of unity was drawn to form the Churches Forum for Christian Unity. The consensus for the forum was from Anglican, Methodist and Roman Catholic churches while Salvation Army continues to be a participant in the dialogue. Other churches who came to the initial meetings withdrew from becoming part of a forum.

The dialogue group identified the international bilateral dialogues between the participating churches. The group opted to look at the Methodist - Roman Catholic dialogue and the Anglican - Methodist dialogue. The group looked at the following documents to draw insights to strengthen the unity among the churches.

- a. Harvesting the Fruits: Basic Aspects of Christian Faith in Ecumenical Dialogue by Walter Kasper
- b. Synthesis: Together to Holiness – 40 years of Methodist and Roman Catholic Dialogue
- c. Receptive Ecumenism.

In addition a paper presented to WCC by the Council for World Mission and Evangelism "Together Towards Life: Mission and Evangelism in Changing Landscapes" and the Roman Catholic Response to it were circulated. The dialogue group also noted that the recently concluded Anglican – Methodist global dialogue report will be available in 2014.

Rev. Dr. Trevor Hoggard was invited to the meeting on 4 March 2013 to lead a discussion on Methodist Roman Catholic bilateral dialogue.

### **International Catholic-Methodist Dialogue**

Trevor explained the series of meetings and the Synthesis document and also referred to the Durban report 2011. He explained the points of view as Roman Catholics saying 'We will never change' and the Methodists saying 'there will be no change in my lifetime.' Though these two views were there in dialogue there is so much of common ground for both churches to consider, e.g. paragraph 5 points to "religion of the heart is the heart of religion." There is so much of harmony in existence with regard to the fundamentals of the two churches. There is not much of

agreement on other doctrinal issues. Both churches have agreed that ordination is by the grace of God, and the church's call to unity is not an option but an important aspect of being church. Trevor's presentation and input to strengthen the unity dialogue was appreciated very much and the group thanked him being present at the meeting.

National Dialogue for Christian Unity continues to meet twice a year with a hope of inaugurating the Churches Forum for Christian Unity. The delay is due to the Anglican Archbishop getting appointed to Rome as Anglican representative and the election of a new Archbishop. The new Archbishop is elected and the group is looking forward to the next meeting.

#### **14. ANGLICAN METHODIST DIALOGUE**

Meetings were held regularly. Detailed report of the proceedings is covered in the Faith Order report.

#### **15. ECUMENICAL COURSE 2013**

The ecumenical course was held from 8 to 13 July 2013 at St. John's College as "Looking Beyond Divisions: winter school on Ecumenism". There were 16 registered participants out of which 5 were graduate students counting the course for credits towards their degree programme. In addition there were another 10 present for the symposium on Saturday 13 July. The programme was successful and its impact is spelt out in the evaluation forms received. The feedback shows the extent of the value of holding such a course. One of the participants wrote in his email after the course the following:

*"Just wanted to send you a brief word to thank you for last week's course at St Johns - stimulating, refreshing and timely. To have brought together such an eminent group of ecumenists from around the world to NZ is impressive in itself, the quality and depth for the most part was equally impressive. Yes it was a shame that so few people were free to come for the week or the Saturday Symposium, but then Jesus started with 12 and numbers we now learn are over 2 billion! It was good to meet and share with those who did come. Few of us ever appreciate what's going on behind the scenes in organising such a week but you clearly indicated at the end that there was a lot of outside help in resourcing the week both financially and in terms of speakers and content. So thanks for making it all possible."*

The course and its input is highly appreciated and commended. The following tutors from overseas made presentations:

Rev. Prof. Michael Kinnamon – former general secretary of NCC – USA  
Rev. Prof. Robert Gribben – Centre for Ecumenical Studies, Charles Sturt University  
Rev. Prof. James Haire - Centre for Ecumenical Studies, Charles Sturt University  
Rev. Dr. Ray Williamson - Centre for Ecumenical Studies, Charles Sturt University  
Dr. Tamara Grdzeldze – Orthodox lay theologian working for Faith and Order Commission – WCC

The following tutors from New Zealand added to the presentations:

Rt. Rev. John Bluck, Rev. Dr. Janet Crawford, Bishop Peter Cullinane, Sr. Catherine Jones, Rev. Dr. Trevor Hoggard, Rev. Dr. Terry Wall and Rev. Richard Hancock.

It was a privilege to have all these eminent ecumenical leaders from New Zealand and overseas to be present in the ecumenical course.

The challenge was meeting the costs. The amount of money collected by way of fee charged was not up to the mark of meeting the expenses. Mission and Ecumenical will not have any financial gains but an excess of expenditure. That is the nature of mission that is costly. That is the calling for the ecumenical mission.

The Centre for Ecumenical Studies (CES) of Charles Sturt University, Canberra paid for the air tickets of the five overseas lecturers. We thank the Centre for Ecumenical Studies for the financial contribution. We thank all the tutors for their profound academic input into the programme.

M&E proposes to hold the ecumenical study programme biennially and to hold the Saturday Symposium of ecumenism annually in the future.

## **16. INTERRELIGIOUS RELATIONSHIPS**

There is nothing significant to report in this area during the year. The Mission and Ecumenical Secretary has continued to attend regular meetings of the Council of Christians and Muslims. There were a few educational and sharing of information meetings. No action to follow.

# **ECUMENICAL - INTERNATIONAL**

## **17. WORLD COUNCIL OF CHURCHES**

### **ASIA REGION PRE-ASSEMBLY MEETING - 19 TO 21 MARCH 2013**

Asia Region meeting of the delegates to the World Council of Churches Assembly 2013 was held from 19 to 21 of March 2013 at the Christian Guest House, Bangkok. There were 49 Church representatives from various parts of Asia. They were all nominated by their respective churches to be delegates/participants at the assembly. From the Methodist Church of New Zealand Diana Tana, Lana Lazarus and Prince Devanandan were the participants. Emily Colgan and Brent Swann participated from the Anglican Church of New Zealand. The meeting was organised to prepare the delegates for the general assembly in October – November 2013. Introductions were made to the conduct of the assembly, the inputs are to be informative and educative for the benefit of the participants and the details of operational parts of the WCC.

The meeting also introduced the participants to the documents to be considered at the assembly. They are:

1. Church: Towards a Common Vision
2. Statement on Unity

### **CHURCH: TOWARDS A COMMON VISION**

Church: Towards a Common Vision is a convergent document that will be tabled at the WCC assembly in Busan in 2013. This document is a follow up of the earlier one: Baptism, Eucharist and Ministry. Church: Towards a Common Vision is an extensive work by the Faith and Order Commission of the WCC. The general secretary of WCC says that this document will have an important role in the coming years for discussing the next steps toward visible unity. The preface states: For twenty years, the delegated representatives of the Orthodox, Protestant, Anglican, Evangelical, Pentecostal and Roman Catholic Churches ... have sought to uncover a global, multi-lateral and ecumenical vision of the nature, purpose and mission of the church. This document is another step toward that goal.

### **STATEMENT ON UNITY**

Thus far the statements on unity are known as traditional western statements of unity. The new document is looking at diverse forms of unity of Christians from various other contexts. In that way the document will be more appealing to churches throughout the world.

The meeting was organised in an excellent setting in the Christian Guest House. Bible studies and input sessions helped to understand an Asian perspective of theme at the WCC Assembly. It was an excellent preparation to fully participate in the assembly. The meeting also highlighted the discrepancy of the theme and the lack of action to follow. The theme "God of life, lead us to justice and peace" is more a prayer rather than an action. Asian religious and spiritual life is always looking for action through prayer and meditation. Bishop Reuel Norman O. Marigza of Philippines said, "for Asians it must be to bring about justice and peace, we are not just to pray, but also to advocate and do and work for total salvation." For the Asian Churches and participants the theme of the assembly is much bigger than a prayer. It is a reminder and a call to action on naming injustice and pursuing justice to restore peace.

The meeting helped the participants to gain a better understanding about the assembly of the WCC as this will be the first time for many of them to attend such a global meeting. Mission and Ecumenical thanks the Travel and Study Committee for the assistance by meeting the airfare. The

WCC Asia Desk and the Church of Christ in Thailand met the local expenditures of travel in Bangkok, food and accommodation cost.

### **10TH ASSEMBLY OF THE WORLD COUNCIL OF CHURCHES - 30 OCTOBER TO 8 NOVEMBER 2013, BUSAN, REPUBLIC OF KOREA**

The 10th Assembly of the WCC will be held from 30 October to 8 November 2013, in Busan, Republic of Korea. The theme of the WCC Assembly is "God of life, lead us to justice and peace." Diana Tana will be the representative of the Methodist Church of New Zealand together with Prince Devanandan as the ecumenical officer and resource person for the participants. Bella Ngaha will be the representative of the indigenous people of the land. Tony Franklin –Ross, Lana Lazarus and Soana Muimuiheata will be participants. Jill Hawkey will be the New Zealand presenter of the Madang. Filo Tu will be a youth resource person at the assembly and also be part of the organisers of the stewards' programme.

#### **MADANG at the WCC Assembly**

Madang in Korean language means 'a courtyard, a place of gathering of people to exchange, learn and share'. Madang will take place parallel to the assembly in the same premises. This word is picked for the meeting place where sharing of information and churches' ministry from various contexts and countries will be on display by way of PowerPoint presentations, videos, books, posters etc. The working group has picked 86 workplaces in Madang out of which 26 are from Asia. The presentation at Madang from New Zealand will be a joint one with Japan. These two contexts were affected by the earthquakes. The presentation will highlight how the church's mission in each of those contexts changed to cater to the needs of the people in the aftermath of the earthquakes. Jill Hawkey from Christchurch is collating the information around the situation in Christchurch while Rev. Dr. Naoya Kawakami coordinates from Fukushima – Sendai region in Japan.

#### **INDIGENOUS PEOPLE'S FORUM**

##### **Arapera (Bella) Ngaha**

Prior to the general assembly the Indigenous People's Forum will take place along with many other meetings in Busan on the 28 and 29 of October 2013. It is an honour for the Methodist Church of New Zealand to have Arapera (Bella) Ngaha being selected to serve in the organising committee of the Indigenous People's Forum. Bella attended a preliminary meeting in Bangkok in August to prepare for the forum in October. Bella together with Lana and Diana will attend the Indigenous People's Forum prior to the assembly in Busan.

### **18. CHRISITAN CONFERENCE OF ASIA**

#### **VISIT TO CCA OFFICE**

After the Asia Region pre-assembly meeting of the WCC Assembly in Bangkok Diana Tana, Lana Lazarus and Prince Devanandan made a visit to the office of the Christian Conference of Asia in Chiangmai on 22 March 2013. The team from New Zealand were taken to CCA office in the campus of the Payap University that belongs to Church of Christ in Thailand. The general secretary Henrietta Hutabarat-Lebang and staff extended a very warm welcome. In her comments Henrietta recalled the strengthening relationships between Methodist Church of Aotearoa New Zealand and the Christian Conference of Asia. In response Diana acknowledged the welcome in the traditional Maori way followed by a waiata. In her introduction Diana conveyed the greetings of the Methodist Church of New Zealand and the people of Aotearoa. Lana introduced herself to the group with a brief note about herself and her background. There was no need for Prince to introduce himself as every one of the staff knows him from previous meetings. All participated in a brief worship. Diana was able to teach two hymns in Maori as printed in the CCA hymn book 'Sound of the Bamboo'.

#### **MISSION AND ECUMENICAL WORK WITH CCA**

The main topic of the conversation was "What is the missionary call to the churches in their mission to the people on the move?" CCA – FMU (Faith Mission and Unity Department) proposed to hold a roundtable conversation for the churches of Asia to focus on this aspect of mission. This is a unique subject and very little work has been done toward the issue thus far. The objective of the meeting will be to call the churches and ecumenical bodies to adequately form mission and

ministry models to assist the people on the move and to lobby with governments on difficulties faced by the people who move. Suggested date for the meeting is 10 to 15 January 2014 and the venue to be New Zealand. New Zealand Methodist team responded positively to host the meeting saying that they will consult the church officials and confirm our role.

Since then the request was made known to the general secretary David Bush and the Council of Conference was informed. Mission and Ecumenical together with Diana Tana is working towards finding the money to host the consultation in Auckland.

The second part of our meeting has been for Diana to meet with the secretary of EGY (Ecumenical Formation Gender Justice and Youth Department of CCA). Since 2010 Diana has been the moderator of this cluster of work in the CCA. This was the first time she met Sunila Amar the secretary of the department.

### **Constitution and Structural Review Committee**

Due to rising costs and very limited resources CCA has to curtail its operations and prioritise its work. Hence there is a need to revise the constitution to downsize the representations and the number of staff in each area of work. The work is ongoing and the next meeting of the CSRC is scheduled to be held in August 2013. Prince Devanandan, representative of the member churches in New Zealand to the general committee of CCA is a member of the Constitution and Structural Review Committee.

Proposed changes to the constitution and structures of CCA were sent out to the member churches. Mission and Ecumenical elected a subcommittee to study the changes and make recommendations for the Methodist Church of New Zealand to respond to the proposed document. The recommendations made by the subcommittee were then conveyed by the general secretary and president to the CCA.

### **ASIA ECUMENICAL COURSE 2013**

Dale Peach from the Methodist Church of New Zealand attended the Asia Ecumenical Course 2013 held in Jakarta, Indonesia from 10 to 23 May 2013. Dale shared her learning and experiences: *I had the privilege of attending this year's Asian Ecumenical Course held in Jakarta, Indonesia, from 8-20 May. There were 24 people from 12 Asian countries, and about 13 different denominational traditions. Theme of the course reflected the theme of the forthcoming WCC Assembly - 'Called to be Life-Givers to the World' and focused on Asian issues relate to 'Justice and Peace'. After discussions the participants identified the following justice and peace issues in Asia (in no particular order): discrimination; poverty; corruption; capitalist ideology that makes people self-centered; unemployment; inter-faith conflicts; political tensions; barriers to women leadership; attitudes to the poor, especially to indigenous people and immigrants; and environmental crises. Many of the speakers addressed these areas of concern.*

*We spent majority of the days in the classroom. We also spent a day visiting three different Mission Fields. Our first visit was to Bantar Gebang - the Jakarta Dump, where we saw some of the current recycling efforts and environmental care. We heard of their future expansion plans. However, these efforts still only process a small fraction of the about 6,000 tons of rubbish that arrive every day. There are huge concerns regarding the future welfare of the 7,000 people who currently live at the dump and make their living from what they retrieve from the rubbish. Our second visit was to a church that is also taking small steps to take better care of the environment. One of the inspiring projects they shared was their paper recycling innovations. The third stop was to a pre-school in a slum area of Jakarta run by a Trust, making a significant difference to the lives of the children.*

*One of the highlights of the course was the visit by the WCC General Secretary Rev. Dr. Olav F. Tveit who spoke on the theme of the October WCC Assembly. Rev. Dr. Tveit also launched a new book - the 'Asian Handbook for Theological Education and Ecumenism'. The cultural evening was another highlight, as I imagine it is with every AEC. Many of the participants attended in their national dress and we had fun as we shared things from our cultures. One outcome of this course was a new song that celebrated our ecumenical unity - titled 'Enjoy'. Hopefully CCA will find a way to share this song of joy.*

## **TRAINING OF YOUTH ON JUSTICE AND PEACE BUILDING**

A training programme for youth under the theme of “**Justice –Peace for Life: Sowing the Grains of Peace**” will take place from August 11-17, 2013 in Hong Kong. Henry Hoglund from Vahefonua Tonga and Janice Au’ava from Sinoti Samoa have been nominated to be the participants in this programme. Mission and Ecumenical hopes that their attendance at this programme will enhance their ability to be resource people for youth in the Methodist Church of New Zealand and beyond.

## **19. FINANCIAL REVIEW**

Mission and Ecumenical appreciates the arrangement by Connexion to provide financial advices and accounting services through the services of Jane O’Neill. Mission and Ecumenical thanks Jane for the commitment she has made for the work of Mission and Ecumenical and the trouble she takes to travel to Auckland to attend the meetings. Mission and Ecumenical also thanks the Connexion for covering the cost of travel for Jane.

The committee is concerned about continual drawdown from its accumulated funds for the operating expenses of Mission and Ecumenical and the implications this has for the future of the committee’s work. Mission and Ecumenical has been receiving just \$3,000 p.a. from the Connexional allocation. Financial forecasting indicates that at the present rate of draw-down from the accumulated fund and without additional funding the work can only be carried on for about 5 more years. Committee members have been exploring this matter with Connexional leaders.

## **20. MISSION AND ECUMENICAL SECRETARIAT**

Since February 2012 Mission and Ecumenical secretariat is operating in the building of 409 Great South Road. The secretary says that the facility at 409 is great as it gives collegial support and gives the space to liaise and coordinate with other officials of the Methodist Church. Meeting the staff and executives in the building and sharing views is part of the work. The facility also reduces the cost of telephone and internet services for Mission and Ecumenical as these services are provided at a very low cost for the users of the building. Further, facilities such as photocopying, heating of the building, board room for meetings and dining room facilities are also made available to Mission and Ecumenical. these resources enhancing the operations of Mission and Ecumenical very much and the communication with partners overseas have become accessible by far.

## **21. STRATEGIC PLAN**

### **Our vision**

Our ministry is shaped by two dimensions. Our action for mission comes out of Jesus’ words in John 10:10 - I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly. Our calling for ecumenism is drawn from the expression of Michael Kinnamon: “The church is inherently one. Division not only contradicts the church’s witness to the reconciling love of Christ, it is denial of the church’s very nature.” Mission and Ecumenical continues to stand on these two principles in carrying out the work of Mission and Ecumenical within the Methodist Church of New Zealand and beyond.

Our vision is for the church to put mission and ecumenical activity at the very core of its existence: mission given expression at the global as well as the local level; existing partner church relationships being further developed, and new relationships made possible; ecumenical thinking and action to be seen as integral to our churches life through the affirmation of existing ecumenical relationships while looking for new expressions of ecumenical life.

### **Key goals**

- Looking forward into the future to work for visible unity of the church based on the documents “Church: towards a new vision” and “the statement on unity” that will come out from the 10<sup>th</sup> assembly of the WCC in October – November 2013 in Busan South Korea.
- Build a new generation of ecumenical leaders in Aotearoa New Zealand through ecumenical studies and symposiums.
- Host the CCA’s mission roundtable on people’s moving in Asia and Pacific in January 2014 together with the Anglican and Presbyterian Churches.
- Continue to use the “Transforming Mission” and the “To be Methodist is to be Ecumenical” papers as working documents that provide a theological base for the work of the committee and secretary.

- Support and strengthen the world-wide mission of the Methodist Church of New Zealand, in particular the partnership relationships with the United Church of Papua New Guinea and the United Church of the Solomon Islands, through personal visits, regular correspondence and sharing of resources.
- Identify contexts to which Christ's call is discerned where there are conflicts and violence that cause suffering of innocent people with a particular focus on West Papua and the asylum seekers detention centers in Papua New Guinea.
- Promote and strengthen relationships with ecumenical agencies of which the Methodist Church of New Zealand is a member: Christian World Service, Christian Conference of Asia, and the World Council of Churches.
- Further facilitate the National Dialogue for Christian Unity and work towards forming of the Churches Forum for Christian Unity as agreed in Conference 2011.
- Promote an awareness of religious diversity within Aotearoa New Zealand and the fostering of good relationships between religions.
- Promote the relationships of the Methodist Church of New Zealand with world Methodism.
- Further develop effective communication with parishes, rohe and uniting congregations, through visits and presentations during Sunday worship services, monthly newsletters, occasional papers, information leaflets, articles in "Touchstone", visits and speaking engagements, and increased use of MCNZ website.

### **Suggested Decisions:**

#### **Report**

1. The report is received.

#### **United Churches in the Solomon Islands and in Papua New Guinea**

2. Conference affirms the significant relationships with the United Church in the Solomon Islands, and the United Church in Papua New Guinea, and the assistance being provided to them through Methodist Mission and Ecumenical.

#### **Ecumenical**

3. Conference affirms the discussion and work to date and the ongoing dialogue toward the formation of a Churches Forum for Christian Unity in Aotearoa New Zealand.
4. Conference affirms that Rev. John Roberts and Rev. Prince Devanandan be the Methodist Church representatives in the National Dialogue for Christian Unity.
5. Conference affirms the positive outcome of the ecumenical studies winter school held in July 2013 with assistance from Ray Williamson, James Haire and Robert Gribben of the Centre for Ecumenical Studies of Charles Sturt University, Canberra. Conference acknowledges the colossal contribution made by the Centre for Ecumenical Studies of Charles Sturt University financially and in teaching; requests the President to express appreciation in writing to Ray Williamson, Robert Gribben and James Haire.
6. Conference thanks the members of the organising committee of the ecumenical studies winter school: Derek Tovey (Anglican), Pat Lythe (Roman Catholic) Terry Wall and Prince Devanandan (Methodist).
7. Conference affirms Diana Tana as the representative and Prince Devanandan as the ecumenical officer of the Methodist Church of New Zealand Te Hahi Weteriana O Aotearoa at the 10<sup>th</sup> Assembly of the World Council of Churches in October 2013 in Busan.
8. Conference affirms the participation of the following from the Methodist Church of New Zealand at the 10<sup>th</sup> Assembly of the World Council of Churches in October 2013 in Busan: Lana Lazarus, Tony Franklin-Ross, Arapera (Bella) Ngaha, Jill Hawkey, Soana Muimuiheata and Filo Tu.

#### **Committee membership**

9. The Mission and Ecumenical Committee membership for 2014 be: Keith Hopner (convener), Terry Wall, Sylvia 'Akau'ola-Tongotongo, Linda Hall, Hugh Dyson, Keita Hotere, Barry Jones, Lana Lazarus, TeRito Peyroux, Uesifili Unasa and Poulima Salima.

## **CHRISTIAN WORLD SERVICE**

The last year has been one of trying new things for Christian World Service. We began the calendar year by staffing the shoppers' storage at the Ellerslie Flower Show and our participation was funded through a grant from the PAC. Its main purpose was to recruit new donors and this we did. Though we felt the most beneficial experience was the interaction that staff had with volunteers as we staffed the storage areas together.



### **Targeted Appeals**

A couple of opportunities have enabled CWS to venture into on-line fundraising and target appeals to specific interest groups. We did an on line only campaign to support our Indian partner EKTA. The funds raised were used to finance their activities as part of the UN campaign of One Billion Women Rising, to promote safety and security for women from violence.

The collapse of the Rana Plaza factory in Savar, Bangladesh, in April prompted the CWS International Programme Coordinator to contact the Bangladesh Garment Workers Union to see if we could help. Over 1100 factory workers died when the multi storey factory collapsed despite the owners having got a clear warning of building failure only the day before. They replied that they wanted help for the surviving families and the injured workers. CWS was able to put the case to New Zealand Trade Unions and two responded by making sizeable donations. These funds will be used to help the families of those who were affected by the collapse of the building. It has also raised important issues about the working conditions of people employed in the clothing trade in countries like Bangladesh.

### **Syrian Refugees**

For World Refugee Day in June, CWS focussed on the plight of Syrian Refugees and the work of our partner the Department for Services to Palestinian Refugees (DSPR). Money raised will be sent to partner agencies trying to meet some of the many needs of more than 1.5 million refugees, mostly women and children. CWS partner, the Department of Service to Palestinian Refugees (DSPR) working in Jordan and Lebanon is struggling to provide food, water, accommodation, psychosocial support and medical assistance to refugees once forced out of Palestine and now from Syria. CWS global partner the ACT Alliance is working through its member the Syrian Orthodox Church. In April two Bishops of the Syrian Orthodox Church were kidnapped and their driver killed, on their way back from a humanitarian mission in Aleppo.

### **Cyclone Evan**

Just before Christmas 2012, Samoa and Fiji were hit by a cyclone and funds raised by CWS were given to support families repairing homes and other buildings for general community use.

CWS is part of a seven NZ NGO agency consortium working on disaster risk reduction simulation exercises in Vanuatu, Tonga and Fiji. The Tonga Community Development Trust, CWS partner in Tonga will be the agency the consortium will work with in Tonga.

### **Christmas Appeal and Other Fundraising Initiatives**

Besides these appeals, the Christmas Appeal is still CWS major fundraiser. In 2012 we focussed on land grab and in 2013 the focus will be on Water. It will feature the work of partners in Sri Lanka, Palestine, Uganda, Nicaragua and Tonga.

While the Christmas appeal has been a CWS tradition for 68 years, we are always exploring new ways of fundraising and some of these have been outlined. We are strongly encouraging people to consider becoming regular donors. This regular income enables us to plan better and to give some more security of income to our partners.

As mentioned in last year's report we have developed a new product – Direct Partners whereby faith communities can support the work of one specific CWS partner. I would like to acknowledge with thanks, Mornington Methodist Church in Dunedin, who were one of the first churches to take up this challenge and raised \$3,489. They have the advantage of having Colin Gibson as their choir master and to raise funds the Choir put on a concert featuring songs based on Margaret Mahy's poems, with music composed by him. The funds raised will go towards the installation of 52 water cisterns in Palestinian villages across the West Bank so they can collect their own



rainwater and have control over how they access and use this to meet their domestic and community needs.

This year we will also be participating again in Live below the Line whereby people are encouraged to feed themselves on \$2.25 per day to raise funds for a CWS partner. The recipient of these funds will be the Women's Resource Centre in Madurai, India. The resource centre works with Dalit (sometimes known as Untouchables), Tribal people (indigenous) and now Gypsy (Navrikurvar) communities.

### **New Governance Structure**

At the 2012 meeting of the CWS Council it adopted the recommendations of the Board regarding the changes to CWS Governance structure in the future. The Council will no longer exist. The Board will have direct representation from supportive churches and will be drawn from across New Zealand, not just Christchurch. Besides the Church representatives on the Board it will have others chosen for their expertise and skills. It will meet six times a year, two of which will be face to face, the other four will be conducted using SKYPE. The AGM will rotate around the country raising CWS profile in centres outside of Christchurch. These changes will come into effect later this year.

### **World Council of Churches**

In November last year CWS hosted Rev Dr Kim Dung Sung, Asia Secretary for the World Council of Churches. He made a visit to Christchurch at the request of the General Secretary of the WCC in solidarity with the Churches in Christchurch in the aftermath of the earthquakes. He also introduced us to the concept of the greed-line. The focus is usually on the poverty line; why not focus on the greed line or unbridled greed, in a world where the gap between the rich and poor is getting wider than ever before. This will be the subject of one of the ecumenical conversations at the 10<sup>th</sup> WCC Assembly to be held in Busan, South Korea later this year.

I have been a member of the Assembly Planning Committee, representing the specialised ministries, the aid and development wings of the member churches of the WCC. My role in the Assembly is to be a rapporteur for the ecumenical conversation – Compelled to serve: Diakonia and the changing developing paradigm. This changing paradigm includes the shift in geo-political power to the BRICS (Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa), the millennium development goals post 2015, the marginalisation of civil society, the youth bulge and the promotion of the private sector as a key player in the delivery of official development assistance. Many of these issues we have highlighted in articles in Touchstone and in my speech to the conference, last year.

### **Government Funding**

You may note that I have said very little about government funding. Something that was once a major feature of CWS is now becoming less so. We are striving to be a more donor based organisation with any monies received from government to be considered a bonus. We have been successful in one grant for a Tongan partner and are considering whether to apply for funding under the new partnerships scheme. However, it is a lottery whether you receive the money or not. The heavy compliance workload and often micro management from MFAT officials means that staff resources can be fully occupied with little return. We still need to engage with the scheme though in order to have some influence to try and change it.

Finally I would like to thank you for your on-going support of CWS and the work of its partners. Special thanks to the General Secretary, Rev David Bush and the staff at the Connexional office, Rev. Prince Devanandan, Methodist Mission and Ecumenical and the Methodist Women's Fellowship who faithfully raise funds for us through the special appeal, in conjunction with Presbyterian Women. I would also like to thank Paul Titus editor of Touchstone for providing us with a monthly platform from which we can inform Church members about our work and concerns.

Pauline McKay, National Director

### **Suggested Decisions:**

1. The Report is received.
2. That the Methodist Church of New Zealand encourages its parishes and members to continue to support the ministry of Christian World Service and in particular its annual Christmas Appeal.

# **WORLD METHODIST COUNCIL**

*(Supplementary Report)*

**September 9<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> 2013**

**Wesley's Chapel, London, England**

## **The Family Gathers**

"You haven't come to visit, you have come home." With these words of Lord Leslie Griffiths, Minister of Wesley's Chapel welcomed more than 250 delegates from 36 countries as the World Methodist Council gathered in London. The Historic Chapel would inspire our work. It is where John Wesley lived and preached, where in 1881 the World Methodist Council came into being, and where the vision of a 'Worldwide Parish' was born.

The Council received three new member Churches, the Uniting Church in Sweden and the Free Methodist Churches in both Rwanda and The Congo bringing the number of member churches to 80.

General Secretary Ivan Abrahams challenged 'the Council to be a spiritual and moral force in the Wesleyan family and in the world.'

## **The Family Considers**

Every Council delegate serves on a Standing Committee. From the significant time set aside for committees to meet reports were made to the Council. Some highlights of the committee meetings are:

**Social Justice** brought recommendations seeking non-violent resolution in Syria.

**Ecumenical Relations** proposed a new committee Faith and Unity to focus on and promote dialogue within the Methodist family.

**Family Life** proposed a focus on Children and Rights of the Child.

**Youth and Young Adults** proposed increasing active, essential participation of youth and young adults in the life of the Council.

**Education** highlighted the critical importance of education to Council life and Christian development.

**Evangelism** shared their passionate Vision and theme for 2016. One family, One Mission. That the World may know Jesus Christ.

**Worship and Liturgy** are planning to make Liturgies and Children's resources available on line.

**Theological Education** shared a proposal for a leadership Academy

A new and very significant Standing Committee **Interreligious Relationships**, reported for the first time.

**Finance** reminded of the decision made in Durban for member churches to be asked to contribute 50 cents per member to the Achieving the Vision Endowment. The aim is to establish a US\$20 million endowment which can provide on-going income to fund the Council's work.

Affiliates to the Council also reported:

**Oxford Institute**, the papers from the recent meeting are available online.

**Epworth Old Rectory** reminded of the treasure of Methodism which belongs to us all.

**Ministerial Exchange** encouraged

**World Federation of Methodist and Uniting Church Women** have been focusing on the Millennium Goals

**Methodist and Uniting Church Men** are seeking to mobilise Methodists to fight hunger.

**World Methodist Historical Society** are committing themselves to increased networking with member Churches

A common recurring thread in Committee reports was the need to increasingly use e-mail and virtual meetings to involve more people, more easily share information and reduce costs. Our work was also inspired and enabled by phenomenal worship.

The Methodist Peace award for 2013 was awarded to Marion and Anita Way. Missionaries in Angola and Brazil, the citation noted, "In 54 years of continuous service the couples work helped more than 15,000 children and 45,000 families, and more than 100,000 through the outreach that their organisations conduct". Sadly Marion died in May 2013, but Anita was present to receive the medal, citation and cheque for US\$1000.

### **Looking Forward**

All the work of the Council had a future focus, but there was a particular emphasis on the World Methodist Conference which will meet in Houston Texas from August 31<sup>st</sup> to September 4<sup>th</sup> 2016. The theme: One, One people, One Faith, One table, One Lord Jesus. Sarah Wilkie programme coordinator asked, "what is the dish you will bring to the table", requesting member churches to suggest workshop leaders, speakers, and other key participants who can inspire.

As delegates left Wesley's Chapel they must walk past the Statue of Wesley. On the plinth the words 'The World is my Parish' are engraved. With this in mind Lord Griffiths challenged. "Go from this place to change the world in the Spirit of Christ"

### **Suggested Decisions:**

1. That the Methodist Church of New Zealand supports the World Methodist Council Achieving the Vision Endowment, by contributing US\$ 50c per member to the endowment fund by 2016.
2. Conference challenges each parish to raise the equivalent of US\$50c per member to contribute to the Achieving the Vision Endowment.





# *Communications*

- Methodist Publishing Board
- PAC Media & Communications





## **METHODIST PUBLISHING BOARD (TOUCHSTONE)**

The primary focus of the Methodist Publishing Board (MPB) is promoting connexionality through sharing information. Your newspaper, 'Touchstone' has a key role in providing a sense of unity in all the diversity that is increasingly found within both Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa, the Methodist Church of New Zealand, and Uniting Congregations. Our kaupapa is to facilitate the sharing of stories; challenge and deepen our understanding of the Christian faith; and, in the light of the Gospel to engage critically with issues of the day in church and wider society. MPB recognises and values the diversity of the Connexion, and encourages all rohe, parishes, boards and committees to share their stories and ideas in the pages of Touchstone. We remind you again that this is *your* paper, and if we are to tell your stories and explore your issues, it helps if we hear about them!

Because we are a bicultural church with multiethnic membership, we are a theologically diverse church. This, of course, means that you, the readers, will not agree with every word that appears in the publication. If you did, we would have failed in our objective! We value it your feedback. The 'Letters to the Editor' provide the liveliest debates.

Each month 12,000 copies of 'Touchstone' are distributed to parishes (including Cooperating Ventures and Union parishes), rohe, missions, congregations, ecumenical agencies and individuals. The full newspaper is also posted on the Methodist website. Because online publishing is global, the paper is increasingly providing a point of connection beyond 'our' circle.

The costs of printing are always increasing. Of course we look for ways of reducing printing and distribution costs but have a limited capacity to make a significant difference. We are grateful to the Connexion for supplementing our expenses in these days of low interest returns on our PAC endowments. We are also grateful for those organisations and individuals that make donations to help us to operate within our budget. We have also managed to maintain an income from advertising.

We continue to explore ways of improving our website. (We remind you that Touchstone can be found on line.)

We are most fortunate in having an immensely talented and dedicated editor. Without Paul Titus and his editorial team, we would not have a professional publication that not only serves your church, but also has a high standing among other denominational publications.

On a personal note, I wish to thank Paul, and members of the MPB board for their continued work and support.

Barbara A Peddie, Board Chair

### **TOUCHSTONE EDITOR'S REPORT TO CONFERENCE 2013**

This year we have carried on with initiatives begun last year and introduced several new ones. I believe the team of contributors and writers we have built up over the years continues to work effectively.

I have now settled into a routine with the 'correspondents' from the Pacific synods who organise the content for the Fijian, Samoan and Tongan language pages. Given the growing presence of the Pacific people in the Methodist Church, we also strive to share their stories in the English-language pages.

Freelance writers Cory Miller, David Hill and Hilaire Campbell have taken on a range of stories, some of which I have assigned and others they themselves have suggested. Other contributors include President Rex and Vice President Jan, who have dutifully reported on their travels. Our regular columnists include contributors from Uniting Congregations and the NZ Lay Preachers Association.

With the launch of Let the Children Live campaign, Touchstone is encouraging congregations and parishes to share the stories about what they are doing to improve the lives of children in their communities. We have run a number of stories on these initiatives already.

Another new initiative we launched in our August edition is a series of articles by historian Rev Donald Phillipps on notable Methodist personalities from the 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> centuries. Donald says he came across some remarkable figures while compiling a register of Methodist ministers and we are pleased to present a spot for him to share them with the Connexion.

I maintain a good working relationship with Public Issues coordinator Rev Betsan Martin on Let the Children Live and other topics. Betsan prepares an item for every edition of Touchstone and has covered such issues as a constitution for NZ, the Resource Management Act, the Trans Pacific Partnership Agreement and the Living Wage campaign.

Trinity College, Christian World Service, Methodist Missions Aotearoa, Methodist Trust Association and others have provided very welcome financial support through their advertising. We have expanded our ties with Trinity College by sending principal Rev David Bell the key stories from each issue of Touchstone so that he can provide them to the Trinity College community through its mahara on-line forum. We have also worked out a schedule with MMA to do a series of stories on some of the Missions' projects around the country.

There has been no further fallout from the statement of values and advertising policy put in place last year.

Touchstone will keep on telling the Church's good news stories and explore the controversies and social justice issues we face as a Church and society. Suggestions are always welcome on topics that we can address.

To conclude, I repeat the summary from last year's report: Touchstone is a collaborative product. As editor my main job is draw together the work of a network of contributors – professional journalists, as well as columnists, reviewers, artists, letter writers, volunteer reporters in parishes throughout the country, and proof readers. Their willingness to share their thoughts and stories makes Touchstone what it is. Once again I wish to express my appreciation and thanks to all of them and encourage everyone to keep sending their stories and suggestions to Touchstone.

Paul Titus, Touchstone editor

### **Suggested Decisions:**

1. The report is received.
2. The membership of the Methodist Publishing Board (Touchstone) for 2014 be: Barbara Peddie (Chair), David Bush (General Secretary), Joochong Kim, Jill Meredith, Jim Stuart, Paul Titus (Editor), Brian Turner, Pieter van den Berg (Advertising), Siu Williams Lemi, John Wilson

## **PAC MEDIA & COMMUNICATIONS FUND**

This has been another year where our committee had the difficult task of allocating this money to parishes and organisations who applied. There were challenging moments and much discussion about how we could do this task.

There is also continuing confusion by parishes/organisations applying to the PAC Endowment Fund for grants each year. Both PAC Distribution Group and PAC Media & Communications closure date for applications is the 30<sup>th</sup> June each year.

PAC Media & Communications Committee are suggesting the following alterations to try and alleviate this confusion:

1. PAC Distribution Group advertising and leaflets remain the same.
2. PAC Media & Communications advertising and leaflet change to the following suggestions:
  - Name change – Media & Communications Endowment Fund
  - Advertising for this Fund should be on a separate page to the PAC Distribution Group advertising on the Methodist Website.
  - Leaflet will be updated to include a checklist so that important material and signatures are not omitted.



Details and decisions on allocations are listed below and our congratulations to those groups who were successful.

Paeroa Co-operating Parish	\$2500	Ceiling mounted data projector, electronic screen
Tauranga Methodist Parish	\$200	Software
Fitzroy Methodist church	\$2000	Data projector, laptop
Mangere East Samoan Parish	\$1500	Data projector
Christian Broadcasting Association	\$2500	Towards scholarships for Christian Tertiary students studying Media & Communications
Birkenhead Methodist Parish	\$4000	Upgrading of church sound system
Auckland Manukau Youth Synods	\$1200	Portables, mixer, microphones
Kapiti Uniting Parish	\$2000	Towards cost of publishing 'Sophia & Daughters' by Rosalie Sugrue
Public Issue Network	\$800	Design work for parish resources
Mangere Central Samoan Parish	\$1500	Speakers, mixer, microphones
Levin Uniting Church	\$400	Projection Screen
Tamaki Rohe	\$2500	Data projector, screen, speakers, printer
Milson Combined Church	\$750	Church Signage
Christian World Service	\$1000	Data projector
Durham Street Methodist Parish	\$1500	Towards editing and publication of book by Rev Millar
Hasting Methodist Samoan Parish	\$3000	Data projector, laptop, screen, cabling
New Brighton Union Parish	\$750	Flat Screen TV
Thames Union Parish	\$500	Assistance to purchase Data Projector
Trinity Napier Parish	\$4000	Upgrading church sound system
Auckland Fiji Methodist Circuit	\$3000	Ceiling Mounted data projector, screen, laptop
Auckland-Manukau Property Advisory Committee (MASPAC)	\$1150	Ipad, cover and connection cables
Methodist Publishing	\$1000	Publishing of Hymns by Bill Wallace
Waitakerie Methodist Parish	\$1200	Data projector
Auckland-Manukau Tongan Methodist Parish	\$1200	Laptop and printer

Trish Moseley-Taylor, Convenor 2013

### **Suggested Decisions:**

1. The report be accepted.
2. Conference affirms:
  - a) The change of name from PAC Media & Communications to Media & Communications Endowment Fund.
  - b) PAC Media & Communications having a separate page to the PAC Distribution Group on the Methodist Website.
  - c) PAC Media & Communications leaflet to be updated with a checklist.
3. Committee for 2014 – Graeme White, TeRito Peyroux, Lana Lazarus, Robyn Allen-Goudge, Trish Moseley-Taylor (Convenor)





## *Social Issues*

- Public Issues Network
- Interchurch Bioethics Council





# **PUBLIC ISSUES NETWORK**

## **Effectiveness of PIN Structure**

New systems for Public Issues are in place and are working well, especially in respect of relationships and accountabilities in Te Haahi Weteriana. John Roberts' role as Convenor provides leadership and support for linking with parishes and the Connexion. His availability and his hands-on interest are much appreciated.

The Oversight group provides a welcome point of reference as members are widely representative of the church. Feedback given on submissions and resources and matters of public interest is appreciated.

The Wellington based Reference group and members give valuable commentary on key areas of activity such as parish resources, Living Wage and Constitutional Review. The group is representative Methodist interests and is well linked with parishes and communities. Membership of the PIN Reference group: Fuaillelagi Heger Saleupolu, Filo Tu, Sokopeti Sina, Alexander Garside, Bruce Anderson, John Roberts, Betsan Martin

## **CHURCH NETWORKS**

### **Te Taha Māori**

Reporting to Hui Poari and meeting with Tumuaki Diana are the means for regular contact with Te Taha. Topics include Let Children Live, submissions, the Water claim, sale of assets and the Constitutional Review.

### **Tauiwi – Sinoti, Vahefonua**

PIN worked with Aso Saleupolu and other Pacific leaders to prepare a special submission for Pacific peoples interests in the Constitution.

### **Parishes**

- Parishes are active in the Food in Schools campaign.
- PIN is supporting Let Children Live with parish resources on child poverty (see below)
- PIN worked with Hamilton parishes to host a public meeting for the Constitutional review
- The PIN Co-ordinator keeps up contacts with parishes in many parts of the country as travel opportunities allow. These are very beneficial, such as visits to Blenheim, Taupo, Upper Hutt parishes.

### **Ecumenical**

In the spirit of the Anglican Methodist covenant there is a proposal for discussion to develop further collaboration between the Social Justice Commission and Methodist Public Issues. This is deferred due to an Anglican review.

### **Methodist Mission Aotearoa**

John Roberts (PIN Convenor), Michael Greer (MMA Convenor) and Betsan Martin (PIN Coordinator) met at the end of March. There was clarification of MMA interests – mainly for the PIN Co-ordinator to work on resourcing parishes, and also a procedure for PIN to communicate with MMA via John Roberts and Michael Greer.

### **Public Issues Activities**

Support for the food in schools campaign including Breakfast and Lunch in Schools bill is now postponed till next year. The government plan to work with Fonterra and Sanitarium to provide milk and weet-bix is a welcome step in responding to child poverty. There is a lot of NGO collaboration for this campaign, in which PIN is involved.

### **Constitutional Review**

The Hamilton churches worked together to host a meeting at Chartwell Co-operating Parish, and the Palmerston North group met to respond to the terms of reference for the Review and sent a thorough account of their discussions. Te Tahac, the Oversight Group, Wellington Reference Group and individuals from parishes have given feedback.

The PIN submission uses material from church discussions, advice and information from Human Rights Foundation, Environment groups, lawyers, Constitutional discussions and hui. The PIN submission features support for Te Tiriti as a founding document, with the constitutional example of Te Haahi Weteriana. We propose consideration of Pacific interests given the history and role of Aotearoa NZ in the Pacific. We outline environmental and ethical responsibilities for a NZ Constitution.

PIN worked with Aso Saleupolu, Paula Taumoepeau, Uesifili Unasa and other Pacific leaders, and received legal advice on a submission on Pacific interests in a New Zealand Constitution. This has been circulated as a resource and draft for people to use as a submission.

### **The Living Wage**

Regular meetings are held in Wellington. Highlights include a meeting with the Wellington City Council which Rev. Bruce Anderson, Rev. Falaniko Mann-Taito and the PIN Co-ordinator attended as part of a large delegation. Rev. Falaniko spoke eloquently of the contribution of Pacific people through their work, their good will and the importance of fair wages in enabling them to support their families and contribute to their communities. The Councilors voted unanimously to support the resolution that Council staff prepare a report “to inform the annual plan deliberations on a proposed Council commitment to support a Living Wage”.

Rev. Bruce Anderson in Wellington, and Rev. Lynne Frith in Auckland, along with members of various faith groups have produced resources for churches. A theology for a Living Wage resource is appended. Further resources are on the PIN website.

Wesley Community Action, Wellington, is looking at the implications of a Living Wage for the agency. It is also partnering with the Service and Food Workers Union to employ a part time organizer to grow support from a Wellington based organizations.

Warehouse announcement of a Living Wage serves as a beacon for other businesses.

### **Resource Management Act and Water Policy**

PIN engaged with the Public consultations, engaged with some of the lead environmental NGO's and provided material to the PIN network. Submissions were prepared on the proposed RMA reforms and water policy proposals. Thank you to those of you who responded with feedback in the inadequate time frame available for these submissions!

### **Child Poverty**

There is growing momentum from many quarters to achieve action on recommendations of the children's Commission 'Solutions to Child Poverty'. The PIN Coordinator has prepared three resources to support parishes to discuss these issues and for the church to 'play our part'. These are on Income, Housing and Health.

Material on child poverty in Pacific communities has been prepared to develop parish resources in Samoan, Tongan and Fijian languages. This is a demanding task as it is not just a matter of translation, but of communication about the situation for Pacific peoples in Aotearoa NZ, policy and responses to address child poverty. PIN is investigating sources of funds for these Pacific language resources.

Waiwhetu Church (Hutt City Uniting Congregations) hosted a packed public meeting on child poverty.

### **Welfare Reform**

Updates on Welfare Reform are posted on the PIN website. This year welfare reform has been about implementation of the reforms proposed as government policy in previous years.

### **Trans Pacific Partnership**

Meetings since February have highlighted the process of negotiations over the coming months, dilemmas re NZ trading interests with China, and how to support public interest in a complex issue

about which there is limited public knowledge. It is widely thought that the TPPA is not so much about trade as about US strategic interests in the Pacific and corporate access to Pacific-rim markets.

The over-riding concern is that the TPPA is being negotiated in secret with no opportunity for public input. Investor State dispute provisions are widely regarded as extremely risky as there are examples of companies taking states to court for compensation for perceived loss of profits where state regulations limit corporate activity. For example, the NZ moratorium on GE foods could be the subject of a legal suit against the government.

The Health sector provides one of the most accessible areas of information and concern. There is widespread concern about a TPPA agreement undermining the role of Pharmac. The PIN Co-ordinator worked with a group on identifying environmental impacts of the TPPA and these were included in the RMA submission.

Auckland and Nelson cities have passed resolutions which feature the importance of democratic decision-making, and that agreements ensure overall benefit, not risk, to New Zealand. They include the need for NZ, and local government to retain control over procurement and health responsibilities. A meeting is organized with the Regional Council.

### **Inequality**

The newly published book 'Inequality, A New Zealand Crisis' is bringing fresh momentum to seeing how far New Zealand has moved on inequality and the growing gap between wealth and poverty. Extremes in corporate salaries and low wages are linked! Wealth is unfairly distributed. The Robert Wade lecture tour and conference on inequality brought fresh impetus to momentum to reduce inequality. PIN is part of the NZ Inequality network. Parishes resources in inequality are to be developed.

### **The Common Good**

PIN brings the appended Common Good project for Conference consideration. The Common Good Project is an ecumenical initiative which links well with Wesleyan traditions of compassionate engagement in community wellbeing. The Common Good is an inspiring theological tradition for Christian and church contributions to wellbeing, economic transitions towards stewardship, and strengthening safeguards for ecological integrity of our country, our oceans, the air and the planet.

At heart, the common good is a theological framework for public issues that is likely to resonate across the membership of the Methodist church, and that brings added coherence to the work of Public Issues network both in parish and church circles as well as for policy, submissions, and community networks.

### **Communications**

- Two weekly items to parishes for bulletins
- Power points for parishes on 'PIN Topics'
- Monthly PIN News & via e-Messenger
- Touchstone
- PIN items on website
- Facebook –yet to follow up!

Betsan Martin, PIN Coordinator

### **Suggested Decisions:**

1. That the report be received
2. Thanks and appreciation: Conference thanks John Roberts for his oversight role with the Public Issues Network. In particular recognition is given to his role in the restructuring with the Oversight Group in Auckland and the Wellington Reference Group, and in attending to church reporting, Connexional matters and communications.
3. Let the Children Live: Conference supports ongoing initiatives to reduce poverty *and* the risks of vulnerability by investing in child wellbeing through the Let the Children Live ten year initiative, and encourages PIN to contribute to this initiative. Conference commends the PIN

- resources on child poverty for use in rohe, parishes and the wider Connexion.
4. Care for creation: Conference affirms ongoing support for stewardship, mana and kaitiakitanga responsibilities for ecosystems based on the Care for Creation mission of the Church and the Treaty of Waitangi.
  5. The Common Good project: Conference expresses its support for the Common Good project and supports PIN involvement in it. This to be reviewed in 2014.
  6. Living Wage: Following on from decisions made at Conference 2012 Conference expresses ongoing support for the Living Wage movement and encourages wider participation by the church in the campaign. Conference affirms and encourages discussion of the Living Wage campaign's resource "A Living Wage: A Gospel Imperative".
  7. Trans Pacific Partnership Agreement and other matters of Trade and Overseas interests: Conference supports the ongoing involvement of PIN in a network of organizations expressing deep concern about the TPPA and its implications us in Aotearoa New Zealand; and that PIN continues to raise issues regarding TPPA for Conference.
  8. Inequality: Conference encourages PIN involvement in the Inequality Network, and supports development of resources for Parishes in 2014.
  9. Membership of the PIN Oversight Group to be: Rex Nathan (President), Jan Tasker (Vice-President), Diana Tana (Tumuaki), John Roberts (Oversight), David Bush (Connexion), Soana Muimuiheata (Vahefonua), Mataiva Robertson (Sinoti, Prince Devanandan, Marion Hines, Lynne Frith, Freddy De Alwis, John Murray, Uesifili Unasa, Betsan Martin. Others may be appointed by the President.

## **PUBLIC ISSUES NETWORK - APPENDIX 1**

### **The Common Good**

In July the PIN Co-ordinator was invited, as a representative of PIN, to a conference on the Common Good in Wellington. The conference was primarily for people in church leadership as well as others involved in justice and public issues. It was convened by Andrew Bradstock Professor of Public Theology at the University of Otago. About 60 people attended representing a range of theological positions including conservative, liberal and evangelical views. There was broad agreement on the significance of theology for the Common Good and on the important contribution of this thinking for the transitions we are making towards wellbeing for all (reducing inequality and child poverty), ecological care and respect, lowering carbon and developing a stewardship approach to economics including reference to the capacity of ecosystems.

The transformation we are involved with is to move from a society governed by self interest, property ownership and a market economy, to care for community wellbeing, safeguarding air, water and land as the common bases of life, and shifting to an economy of stewardship that is accountable for human and ecological wellbeing –and is not only measured by profit. The church is well positioned to contribute to this transformation as these are our core values.

The Common Good is well exemplified in the teaching and active mission of John Wesley. We see that a mark of Wesley's ministry was to respond to those excluded from the benefits of the industrial revolution and struggling to survive with poverty, and that Wesley responded with practical solutions. Houses were purchased to look after widows, orphans and others. Schools were founded to provide free education for children and loan societies were created to help people start businesses and pay off debts and become financially self-supporting. These responses came from a heart of compassion and from putting common good ahead of self-interest, and we might say common need is the common good!

Today we are responding to those marginalized by the market economy accompanied by social fragmentation, ecological degradation locally as well as the impacts of economic over-exploitation on ecological integrity globally.

Along with the important contribution to the theme of common good from the authority of the Wesley tradition there are wonderful sources for transformation from tangata whenua traditions, and from Pacific approaches to common wellbeing and economic activity sourced in guardianship. Eco-philosophy and the examples of leaders such as Thomas Berry, a Catholic priest, 'earth



scholar' and writer, inspire transitions to common good practices. Catholic social teaching on the Common Good is also an important and valuable theological tradition.

The Common Good project promises to be a significant movement from churches. In many ways the approach of the Common Good integrates areas of activity already underway, such as Living Wage, reducing child poverty and inequality. The Common Good expresses the orientation PIN brings to submissions and that we have proposed in the Constitutional Review submission. The Common Good offers a theological framework that corresponds with the issues of our time and we therefore commend this for Conference support.

## **PUBLIC ISSUES NETWORK - APPENDIX 2**

### **A LIVING WAGE A GOSPEL IMPERATIVE**

**Definition of a Living Wage:** *A Living Wage is the income necessary to provide workers and their families with the basic necessities of life. A Living Wage will enable workers to live with dignity and to participate as active citizens in society.*



#### **INTRODUCTION**

Over the last year there has been an increasing interest in the concept of a Living Wage in New Zealand. Unlike some other social advances New Zealand is not the first country to look at this concept. The City of Baltimore in the USA adopted an ordinance requiring the payment of a Living Wage in 1996. The campaign for a Living Wage in London started in 2001. Even the Prime Minister of Great Britain, David Cameron, recently acknowledged that a Living Wage was a policy “whose time had come.”

#### **Some Questions to Discuss**

1. How could your family live adequately on the minimum wage of \$13.75 per hour?
2. Rest home carers, office school and factory cleaners, kitchen workers etc are paid less than \$14.00 per hour whereas the recently resigned CEO of Solid Energy was paid approximately \$650 per hour. Discuss.
3. What action can you take to work towards a Living Wage in your workplace or community?
4. What can your community do about the growing inequality in New Zealand particularly for those least able to live with dignity?

#### **A BIBLICAL PERSPECTIVE**

A good starting point is when Jesus is asked which is the greatest commandment. Matthew, Mark and Luke all record Jesus **“Love God with all your heart and soul and mind and then love your neighbour as yourself.”** Luke then goes on to record one of the most famous of Jesus’ parables – the Parable of the Good Samaritan.

This passage goes to the heart of the Gospel message. The Love of God is inseparable from treating our “neighbours” as we would expect to be treated. Jesus in the Good Samaritan is saying that the all of humankind are our neighbours.

Hence we should treat everyone in the same way we expect to be treated ourselves. So if you receive a “wage” that you can live on then how can we deny a similar wage to others? Jesus in Luke 10:7 says “Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the labourer deserves to be paid” (NRSV). A “just” wage goes beyond what the “market” may decree as competitive to the point where the worker can live with some dignity. The “Message” translation interprets Luke 10:7 as **“a worker deserves three square meals.”** You can probably physically survive on one square meal a day but you need three square meals a day to not just live but to participate in local society with dignity. The payment of the worker is more than charity; a just wage is a right under God.

Jesus used parables regularly as he taught the disciples about the Kingdom of God. One in

particular is the Parable of the Workers in the Vineyard (Matthew 20:1-16). Workers are hired in the morning, midday, afternoon and evening yet all get paid the same. In our 21st century secular society this would be impossible; in fact it would probably be against the law. Some commentators see this parable as explaining that salvation is a gift that God can give at any time in a person's life. From a justice perspective it can be understood as the vineyard owner recognising that each worker needs a basic wage to be able to feed his family – a Living Wage – and pays his labours accordingly.

The concept of a “just” wage is not limited to the New Testament. In Leviticus 19:13 we read **“You shall not defraud your neighbour; you shall not steal: and you shall not keep for yourself the wages of a labourer until morning.”**

Isaiah has much to say about the poor and oppressed. Isaiah 10:1-2 says **“Doom to you who legislates evil, who makes laws that make victims – laws that make misery for the poor that rob the destitute people of dignity. Exploiting the defenceless widows, taking advantage of homeless children.”**

*“As an ethical issue it is important that the church shows leadership in supporting the move towards a Living Wage.”*

Ms Jan Tasker, Vice-President, Methodist Church of New Zealand Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa

## COMMENTARY

One of the most important themes of the Bible, in both testaments, is that each individual has an expectation that they will be treated with dignity and that this can only be achieved when social and economic policies do not cause inequality to increase to excessive and morally unacceptable levels.

If the income the family receives is not sufficient to feed and house them and provide sufficient resources to allow the members of the family to participate as active citizens in society then dignity has been removed. And this is contrary to all the teachings of the Bible and the church. The question now is **“has inequality in New Zealand reached the point when significant numbers of our fellow citizens no longer receive an income that allows them to live with dignity?”**

*“On a simple level the living wage campaign is a no-brainer. If you've got two coats and somebody else hasn't got one, you give them one of your coats. That's what it says in scripture.”*

Rt. Rev. Justin Duckworth Anglican Bishop of Wellington

## THE NEW ZEALAND SITUATION

While New Zealand did not suffer as visibly from the impact of the Global Financial Crisis, the crises of demand and the underlying causes of wage repression and labour market flexibility are as prominent as anywhere.

- Over the 30-year period that led to the crisis neo-liberal labour market policies have pushed New Zealand from being one of the most equitable countries in the OECD to being the 23rd most inequitable.
- The richest 150 people in New Zealand have grown their wealth by 20% in 2010 while wages moved less than 2%, such that now the top 1% of earners have more wealth than the bottom 60%.
- 270,000 New Zealand children (approximately 20%) are estimated to be living in poverty – one in six Pakeha, one in four Pacific, and one in three Maori.
- 90,600 New Zealand workers are currently on the minimum wage (\$13.75 an hour) and more than a third of all waged workers earn less than \$18.00 an hour.
- 40% of poor children come from families where at least one person is in full time work or self-employed.

The weakening of New Zealand's labour market institutions has driven down the cost of labour, pushing the economy into an unnecessary slowdown and a crisis of demand. New Zealanders should not have to endure poverty while they are in work.

In 2012 a Report<sup>1</sup> was commissioned from the Family Centre Social Policy Research Unit, Lower Hutt, to investigate and define what a Living Wage should be in New Zealand. The Research Unit determined a Living Wage on the basis of a typical household of two adults and two children with one adult working full time (40 hours per week) and the other adult working half time (20 hours per week). This was based on the Statistics New Zealand Household Labour Survey (June 2012) that found that in a two adult/ two child family 68% of households had two adults working.

The research included focus groups, independent data sources and Statistics NZ data. **The report concluded that the minimum Living Wage is an hourly rate of \$18.40.** This compares with the recently increased Minimum Wage set by the Government of \$13.75 per hour.

### **WHAT IS THE LIKELY ECONOMIC IMPACT OF A LIVING WAGE?**

Paying workers a Living Wage often produces significant increases in productivity, while simultaneously reducing staff turnover and absenteeism. As Victoria University professor Morris Altman argues:

- Paying a Living Wage need not be part of a zero sum-game; it need not involve income redistribution (just because one person has an increase does not mean that someone else has a decrease). Moreover, to the extent that a fall in wages results in an offsetting drop in productivity, as effort inputs fall off, unit cost will not fall as wages and related labour costs drop.
- The institution of a Living Wage at San Francisco International Airport, which directly affected 5,400 low-wage workers, resulted in 1,550 turnovers per year. Turnover rates amongst security screeners dropped from 94.7% to 18.7% (lifting wages from US\$5.45 to US\$10).
- One study from Los Angeles estimates that 16% of additional costs of the Living Wage policy were offset by decreased staff turnover.

*“Christians should encourage the payment of fair and just wages. A living wage will reinforce the meaning and dignity associated with work.”*

Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand Moderator, Rt Rev Ray Coster

[www.livingwage.nz.org.nz](http://www.livingwage.nz.org.nz)

## **INTERCHURCH BIOETHICS COUNCIL**

The InterChurch Bioethics Council (ICBC) is an ecumenical body supported by the Anglican, Methodist and Presbyterian Churches of Aotearoa New Zealand. ICBC members have between them, considerable expertise and knowledge in science, ethics, theology, medicine, education and mātauranga Māori (Māori knowledge). Biotechnology is the term that relates to biological, medical, environmental and agricultural technologies derived from science. Bioethics is an interdisciplinary category of ethics that provides the framework for policy and decision-making with regard to scientific research and resulting technologies; including future consequences, legal, political, commercial, theological and social aspects.

Our primary aim is to help our church members to increase their awareness, understanding and interest in the spiritual, ethical and cultural dimensions of bioethics through being adequately informed and encouraged to take action themselves on bioethical issues. For this Connexional year, we decided to make the Roadshow for secondary school students our primary focus. The “Bioethics Roadshow Seminar” is a daylong bioethics seminar incorporating live actors, discussion, and small group interaction. Our young people will see many new biotechnological developments in their lifetimes, and will face increasing ethical challenges. Our pilot Roadshows demonstrated very clearly that young people show great enthusiasm in engaging with these issues, and can also offer good insights. Since the last Conference, the Roadshow had a very successful Junior event in Nov-Dec 2012 (1000 students in six venues from Dunedin to Auckland). We have schools booked for a similar event in October-Nov this year. Host schools are: Auckland Girls Grammar (29th October), Wellington Girls College (25th November) and Queens High School Dunedin (29 November). We are still hoping that Wesley College will host a Roadshow for South Auckland schools and we would like to run this back to back with an event for Auckland-

Manukau Methodist young people. Dr Deborah Stevens, who organises the Roadshows will be a speaker at the Methodist Youth Conference.

It is also part of our brief to make submissions on your behalf to bioethical issues raised by Government and Government departments. This year we have submitted a response to the discussion document: 'ACART: Import and export of gametes and embryos.' A copy of the submission can be found on our web page. We continue to follow the increasing public (and Government) interest in the euthanasia debate, and the ICBC statement of our stand on this issue is on our webpage.

All ICBC study material and information for interested church groups and individuals can be found on the ICBC Website ([www.interchurchbioethics.org.nz](http://www.interchurchbioethics.org.nz).) This webpage is linked to the web pages for the three churches, and also has links to other relevant sites. We encourage you to check in on this site – and let us know how it works for you. You will find, among other issues, a study guide relating to euthanasia, and we are in the process of preparing an update to this. We will also post information on the current law regarding end-of-life issues. In addition to the study guides, you can find interactive dialogues that explore bioethical issues. Because the bicultural membership of the ICBC has been strengthened, the most recent dialogues have a bicultural dimension.

You will find a complete list of the ICBC membership on the webpage, and you can see the breadth of expertise that we have access to. In addition, we can call on past members of ICBC for assistance with issues where we need specialist information.

We always welcome feedback as to how we are doing. What have we done well? What could we do better? Is there anything else we could be doing on your behalf? I challenge members of Conference to take these bioethical issues seriously. They will affect all of you in one way or another!

Rev Dr Barbara A Peddie (MCNZ)

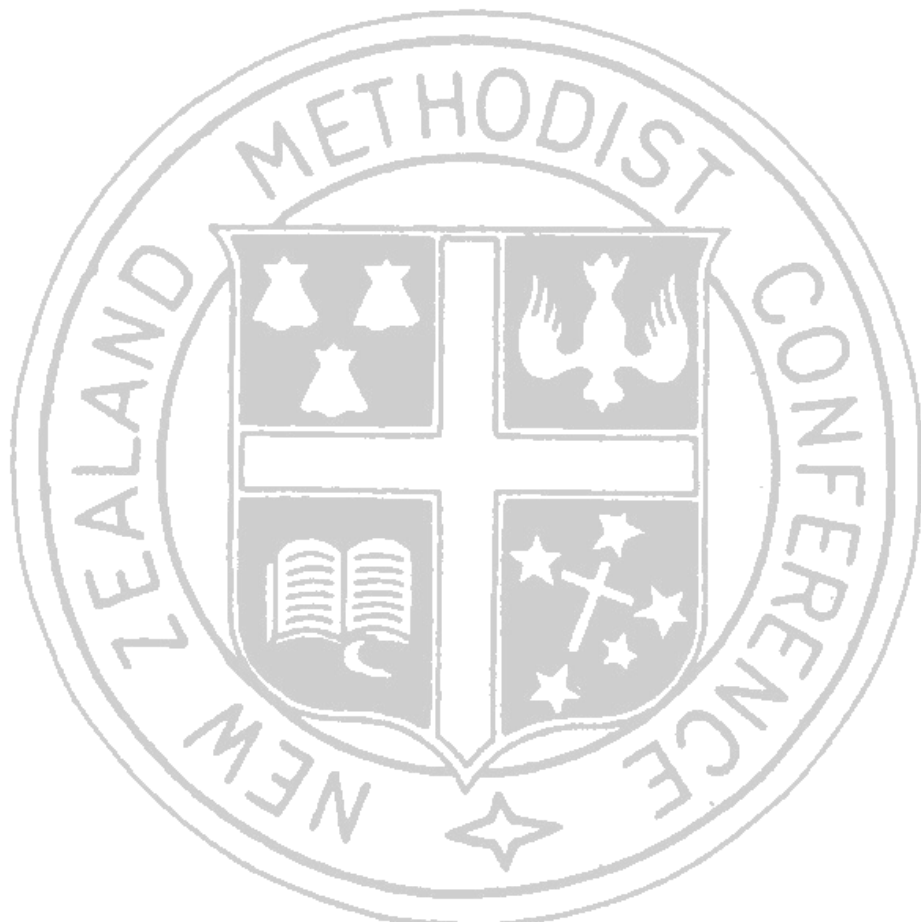
**Suggested decisions:**

1. The Report is received.
2. The Methodist members of the InterChurch Bioethics Council for the next year will be: Rev Dr Barbara Peddie (Christchurch) (Co-chair), Dr Arapera Bella Ngaha (Auckland), and Filo Tu (Wellington)

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## *Nominations for...*

- President
- Vice-President





## **NOMINATIONS FOR PRESIDENT & VICE-PRESIDENT 2013**

### **PRESIDENT:**

### **NOMINATED BY:**

**Sylvia 'Akau'ola-Tongotongo**

Waikato Waiariki  
Central South Island  
Manukau

**Tovia Aumua**

Waikato Waiariki  
Sinoti Samoa  
Te Taha Maori  
Nelson Marlborough West Coast  
Central South Island  
Wasewase ko Viti Kei Rotuma e Niu Siladi  
Auckland

**David McGeorge**

Nelson Marlborough West Coast  
Central South Island

### **VICE PRESIDENT:**

### **NOMINATED BY:**

**Tony Bell**

Lower North Island

**Jan Fogg**

Nelson Marlborough West Coast  
Central South Island

**Arapera (Bella) Ngaha**

Sinoti Samoa  
Te Taha Maori  
Nelson Marlborough West Coast  
Central South Island  
Auckland

**Paula Taumoepeau**

Vahefonua Tonga

**Viv Whimster**

Waikato Waiariki  
Central South Island  
Manukau

## ***Tovia Aumua***

### **Personal**

Tovia was born and raised in Samoa for twenty years before migrating to Aotearoa New Zealand in 1974. Married to Leotele Faleupolu in 1977. They have three grown up children: two daughters one son, and one grandson.

### **Schooling**

Attended Primary, Intermediate and Secondary Schools in Samoa. He studied for three years at the Technical Correspondence Institute in Lower Hutt in 1986. Tovia studied for Bachelor of Theology at the University of Auckland for three years while he trained for the Ministry at Trinity Methodist Theological College at the beginning of 1996.

### **Work History**

Tovia worked as Process Operator for UPEC Plastic Manufacture for three years. He then served as a Quality Assurance Inspector for Feltex Textile Manufacturer for thirteen years; graduating to Supervisor for four years. Tovia became an Owner/driver, for a Taxi Fleet in Wellington for two years.

### **Community Involvement**

These have included the following:

- Past member of children's School Board of Trustees for three years 1980 - 1982
- Past member for Pacific Island Advisory Council to Board of Trustees 1983-1986
- Past Deputy Chair of the Samoan Community Council (Samoa Potopoto) for Waitakere City Council 2001-2005
- Past Samoan representative to the Pacific Island Advisory Council to Waitakere City Council 2004 - 2007
- Former Chairperson of the Samoan Reference Group for Waitemata Health Board 2003 - 2006
- Former member of Waitemata Hospital Chaplains' Support Group for three years
- Past Secretary for West Auckland Ministers of Fraternity for five years 2002 - 2007
- Liaison person for Auckland District Health Board concerning Health programmes for Samoan members
- Current member of Pacific Island Auckland Eastern Zone for Healthy Eating/Healthy Living programmes
- Current member of the Pacific Island Parents' Council for the Revarina Primary School, East Auckland
- Liaison person to Auckland Pro Care Programmes for Exercise.

### **Church Involvement**

Attended and worshipped at Petone Multicultural Methodist Congregation from 1976 – 1995 where he became Sunday School Teacher, Youth Leader, Lay Preacher, Secretary Quarterly Meetings, Parish Steward and Minister Steward. Ordained Presbyter in the year 2000 at Hamilton

Tovia has served on various boards and committees of our church namely:

- Co Convenor Council of Conference for five years
- 5 plus 5 panel for Conference for five years
- Vice Chair of Board of Mission Resourcing
- Member of Faith & Order Committee
- Representative of Faith & Order Committee to Sub Committee preparing Liturgies for worship services for Annual Conferences a number of years
- Representative of Methodist Church to Methodist and Catholic Dialogue
- Superintendent Sinoti Samoa for seven years to date
- Representative to Taiwi Strategy and Stationing Committee for seven years
- Served as Presidential Chaplain once
- Served as member of 4 plus 4 panel for Connexional position
- Member of Auckland and Manukau Consultative Committee
- Member of Travel & Study Committee



His very first experience of Methodist Conferences was at Takapuna in 1983, where Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa planted a seed based on Social Justice as its response to the gospel by adopting a resolution to its commitment to Biculturalism. Tovia strongly believes he is one of the fruits of that seed where he is committed and passionate about his relationship and respect for Tangata Whenua, as well as his own bicultural relationship and respect to all members of the Methodist Family in New Zealand regardless of who they are... For this reason, he is proud to be Methodist.

### ***Tony Bell***

Although I was born in Lower Hutt my childhood and schooling was in Hawera, I attended Hawera Technical High School, taking the engineering course. On leaving school I wanted to be an electrician, but couldn't get an apprenticeship as I was "over-qualified" having attained U.E.

My working life began as a telephone technician with the then NZ Post Office, beginning at Hawera and being transferred to Wellington after two years. I was involved in installing private Exchanges in the rapidly growing number of high rise buildings, leading teams made up mainly of assisted immigrants from the UK. After two years I moved to maintenance of these exchanges (PABX's) and then managing others who did this work. In an effort to settle down I left the Post Office and made upper Hutt my home, now working for the firm that had gained the contract to manufacture PABX's in NZ. I had the glorious-sounding title of "chief Test Technician/quality control. I think this was to impress the Post Office as I was the leader of a team of two and I had to sign off each unit produced! It was from Upper Hutt that I candidated, having been involved with the Methodist church all my life and having a growing awareness of a call on my life. I tried to resist as all logic was against giving up a job for another that only paid 1/3 of what I was getting. But God won out and my family, now with two pre-schoolers- moved to Auckland to start with Trinity College in 1972. On arrival I found we were to be attending St John's College for 4 of 5 days each week. 1973 saw us fully part of St John's life, including living at Meadowbank.

On leaving Trinity/St John's I spent a year at Cambridge U.P before being persuaded to go to Ashburton (3 years.) Ten years at Kaiapoi CV followed, then Matamata U.P. for 6 years, Avondale U.P for 6 years before we were asked to go to Gisborne, both Shirley-Joy and I being designated as "Presidential Commissioners"- transitional ministry in effect. Following that we moved to Whanganui where I ended parish ministry and gave my time to the new Lower North Island Synod as Superintendent.

When I candidated I said that I was not interested in just being a chaplain to a terminally ill church, but that I believed that God still called people to witness to the love and hope found in Jesus Christ. I still hold to that belief. The LNIS has made mission its priority and has affirmed that parishes are the primary place of mission. We live in a country where ever increasing numbers of people need to hear a word of love and hope. I believe the Methodist Church is still very much needed with it's clear message of good news for life's marginalised folk.

I offer myself for Vice President because I still believe I can help the church in its mission, but also as VP to enable a lay person's skills to be picked up and used as President.

### ***Jan Fogg***

#### **Family**

I was brought up in Christchurch, one of three children. One of my strongest memories is my mother playing the pump-organ every Sunday in the little church on the hill we attended.

I have two adult children with my first husband, and four much-loved grandchildren.

I am a widow, my second husband Rev Dr Alan C. Webster died in February 2013.

## **Ministry/Work Experience**

My academic qualifications are in veterinary science, and a post grad diploma in Development Studies from Massey University; and a theology degree from Auckland University.

My first career was as a veterinarian. Between 1968 and 1998 I worked in a variety of roles, including 10 years as a lecturer at the veterinary school, and a number of years in private veterinary practice.

From 1975 to 1998 I served as a lay person in the church, as a Sunday School Leader, a Parish Councilor, a lay worship leader and lay preacher, and a part-time lay pastoral care worker.

From 2001 to 2010 I was a presbyter in the Methodist Parishes of Hawera and Stratford in Taranaki, and of Hornby-Riccarton in Christchurch.

From 2011 to 2013 I have been the worship convenor in the Thames Union Parish; in 2013 I began a three year appointment as Enabler to the East Coast Bays Methodist Parish in Auckland, and from July 2013 I am also part-time as Presbyter in the Thames Union Parish.

Over the last 13 years I have been Parish superintendent, Synod secretary, a member of Council of Conference, on the board of a rest home, chaired environmental volunteer groups; I have attended several conferences in relation to ecology and the environment, rural church, and spirituality in older people.

## **General**

Four years into my veterinary studies at Massey, I experienced a 'faith-awakening' through the small charismatic renewal group in Palmerston North. This experience has been the rock of my faith on which the grace of God has continued to build.

In 1991 I went with a group from an Aid organization to visit projects in Tanzania and Kenya. This was a life-changing experience for me and I came home convinced that, though my veterinary work was a very worthwhile occupation, God was calling me to something else. Three months later I was appointed half-time, to a new position for the Palmerston North Parish, as a lay Pastoral worker. I held this for three years, along with maintaining my veterinary practice, whilst also completing a post-grad diploma in development studies – the study of why 'developing countries' carry a burden of inequity in the global market place. For me that study sat strongly alongside my faith understanding of God's preferential option for the poor.

Since the end of my first year as minister with the Upper Riccarton congregation, I journeyed with my husband Alan as dementia increasingly took a hold on his life. This has been a journey of challenge, sadness, loss and grief, and an increasing respect and admiration for the very many people who are carers for others in their own homes, whatever age they may be.

My underlying motivation is a compassion for those whose voices are muted, be they animal, victims of abuse, those who are in poverty, the elderly.

The priorities I see for our Church at this challenging time, that I would wish to encourage, are supporting the spirit and life in congregations, be they 3 or 300 people; and for the Church to be bold in its public expression of living the gospel of Jesus.

## ***David McGeorge***

David Morris McGeorge, aged 54, was born and raised in Howick, baptised at Howick Methodist Church, confirmed at Trinity, Pakuranga and then married there to Jackie in 1981. They have three children Amanda a teacher in Auckland, Christopher a manager in Auckland and Samantha second year at Otago University studying Psychology.

David joined the ANZ Bank in 1976 from school and worked his way up to Senior Manager Business Banking Waikato until 2011 when his job was disestablished and he received a settlement. After taking time out, travelling overseas, completing projects for the Church and

renovating a rental property, David found work as General Manager Support at the Tamahere Eventide Retirement Village and Rest Home in April. During his time at the Bank he finished his education culminating in an MBA from Massey University. He is enjoying his work for the Church at the rest home managing staff in a different industry from banking as well as providing services for the elderly.

David has served on a range of committees in the Church over the years and in 2003/2004 was inducted as Vice President. He is currently the chairperson of the finance sub-committee of the Board of Administration of which he is a board member. He serves on the Stipends Review Committee and Budget Task Group that both report to the B of A. David is also a member of the Trinity College Council, Epworth Camp Board, Tamahere Rest Home Board, and the Church Audit Committee. This year David was approached to serve as a trustee on the Wesley College Board and then was elected Deputy Chair of the Board of Trustees for the school as well as chairing the Finance Committee.

David and Jackie currently live in Fairfield a suburb of Hamilton in their renovated 1950's property and worship at Wesley Methodist Church in the Hamilton East parish. It is a small congregation with a big heart and it is where they feel safe, secure, nurtured and loved. David is involved in some lead worship and occasional preaching both locally and in the wider provincial area. One area of interest in local Church life that has developed over the past decade has been the facilitation of leadership discussions where a congregation/parish is at a crossroads; especially in matters of financial/property choices.

"I believe that as Methodists we are all called to live our faith in practical ways and that our God given talents and our learned skills need to be used in our Church and communities alike to better the World that we live in. As the American Methodist Church holds to the doctrine of the Wesleyan quadrilateral, so I uphold the need to use our experience to interpret where the Holy Spirit is leading us. Whilst I agree with the concept of law and order, I also believe in renewal and the principal of continuous improvement. I am conservative by nature, education and through my career, however, I will chase down injustice where I see it, push for change where necessary and challenge bad policy where I see a better way. Education and the listening to ideas are important to me and as part of my faith journey I subscribe to the Epworth Book of the Month plan which brings a variety of literature to our household. Equality of opportunity, fairness of Church practice, empowerment of those working at the "coal face" in the name of Christ, freeing up of resources for the work of the Church and the welcoming of new members to our denomination are my key drivers."

I have permission from the CEO of the rest home to accept a nomination on the basis that he sees this as a continuation of my work life. I therefore hereby formally allow my name to be forwarded to Synod as a potential nomination for the role of President of the Methodist Church for the 2014/2015 two year term.

### ***Arapera (Bella) Ngaha***

***Ka mimiti te wai i Taumarere, ka tōtō te wai i Hokianga  
Ka mimiti te wai i Hokianga, ka tōtō te wai i Taumarere***

#### **Personal**

Arapera (Bella) was born in Rawene, Hokianga in 1951 and her family moved to Auckland in 1954. The daughter of a Methodist Minister, she boarded at Kurahuna Māori Girls' Hostel in Onehunga from a young age, and then went to New Plymouth Girls' High School and boarded at Rangiatea Methodist Māori Girls' Hostel for three years. Her final year at school was in Fairfield College in Hamilton.

Bella studied physiotherapy for a year at Otago University then married and lived in Twizel where her husband worked during the early 70s and returned to Auckland in 1973. She built her life in Auckland working in a range of administrative positions until returning to study at Auckland University in 1994. Bella was awarded her Doctorate in Maori Studies in 2011 and is currently a

Senior Lecturer in the Department of Maori Studies at the University of Auckland.

### **Community Involvement**

Bella's husband John is of Waikato descent and he maintains strong connections to his own marae in Otorohanga and is a strong supporter of Makaurau and Te Puea Marae in Mangere. Bella has supported his work on the marae committees and with the marae communities and continues to do so. She along with our other Minita-a-Iwi in Auckland serve the local marae communities and Maori Methodist whānau.

Bella has been a strong supporter of the Kura Kaupapa Maori and Kohanga Reo in Mangere where her children and grandchildren have attended and she has also supported the work of the Sir Keith Park Special needs school in Mangere. In 2011 she presented and spoke to a Submission to the Minister of Education regarding the closure of special needs schools, on behalf of a number of Maori and Pacific parents of children with disabilities at Sir Keith Park School. She has also assisted the research for the Ngāpuhi Waitangi Tribunal Claims.

### **Church Involvement**

Bella is a member of Tamaki Circuit of Te Taha Maori and has represented Te Taha Maori on a number of the Church's Bicultural Boards and Committees. These have included the:

- Council of Elders
- Council of Conference
- Trinity College Council and the
- Board of Administration

There are a number of other boards and committees of our church and positions of responsibility where Bella has willingly served the church. She is currently serving as Chaplain to President Rex Nathan 2012-2014 and has been a member of the Interchurch Bioethics Council for around 4 years. She has represented Te Taha Maori on a number of 4 + 4 Panels for Connexional appointments and has served on the Conference 5 plus 5 for many years.

Bella has steadily worked in the service of the Church and of Te Taha Maori in particular. Her work with the local Tamaki Circuit is such that she conducts regular karakia at Whakatuora for the local circuit.

Bella became a Minita-a-Iwi in 2012 and continues to serve the local and the global to her best ability. This year she will be representing Te Hāhi Weteriana o Aotearoa, the Methodist Church of New Zealand, as a delegate to the World Council of Churches (WCC) in October – November. In the company of four other indigenous people she will be facilitating the first 2 days of the Conference through the Indigenous Peoples' Forum.

## ***Paula Taumoepeau***

### **General Information:**

Born in Tonga 11 July 1948. First came to New Zealand on Scholarship in 1966 to finish secondary schooling and University then returned to Tonga to work for the Tongan Government. Migrated to New Zealand in 1976 and has been working as an accountant in Auckland and Australia since then.

Married to Elizabeth Taumoepeau for 37 years. Have 2 daughters and 2 grandchildren.

### **Ministry or Work Experiences:**

1. Financial Secretary for Vahefonua Tonga since inception at 2002 Conference
2. Lay Preacher since 2003
3. Member of Board of Administration and Supernumerary Trustee since 2004
4. Member of ASPAC (now MASPAC) since 2004
5. Member of Tauwi Strategy and Stationing Committee 2003 to 2006
6. Member of Budget Task Group since 2004
7. Member of National Presbyteral Assessment Team 2005 to 2012

8. Co-Convenor of Tauivi 2007 to 2010
9. Member of Conference every year since 2003

## ***Sylvia Tongotongo***

### **Marital/Family Information**

Married to Sione Tongotongo with two children, Henry Tongotongo and Catherine Guttenbeil and two grandchildren Victoria Guttenbeil and Saia Vazey Tongotongo.

### **Ministry or Work Experiences**

- Currently Chaplain at Wesley College (9<sup>th</sup> year).
- Other Ministry experiences include:
- Current member of the Mission and Ecumenical Committee (2<sup>nd</sup> year)
- Resource Person for New Zealand born/raised Pacific Islanders (4 years)
- Parish Ministry (5 years) shared between Auckland Central Parish with responsibilities to
- Epsom and Mt Eden, and Onehunga Co-operating Parish for 1 year.
- Secretary for Vahefonua Tonga o Aotearoa (2 years)
- Vahefonua Tonga representative to Tauivi Strategy and Stationing (2 years)
- Member of the MTA Board (3 years)
- Member of Wesley.com (2 years)
- Substitute to Council of Conference (3 years)
- President's Chaplain (1 year)
- Vice President of the Methodist Women's Fellowship (2 years)
- Methodist rep on New Zealand Delegation to the Inter-Faith Dialogue in Indonesia (2004)
- Methodist rep to the CCA Mission and Evangelism Forum in Thailand (2002)
- Methodist rep to the Inaugural Multicultural Forum in Sydney (2000)

### **General Information**

(Other Work Experience)

- Facilitator of Restorative Justice Practices for Ministry of Justice since 2001
- Office Manager and Administrator (7 years in New Zealand)
- Secondary School Teacher of Maths and Science (5 years in Tonga)

## ***Viv Whimster***

### **Marital/Family Information**

I am married to Jeremy; two of our four adult children are married and parents of our five grandchildren; our other two children are living independently. We moved to Tauranga and have belonged to Wesley Methodist Church since 1974.

### **Ministry or Work Experiences**

I trained as a pharmacist and spent several years in hospital pharmacies before having children; after which I consider parenting to be one of life's best training grounds!

When our youngest child was 2, I felt a strong sense of call to develop some pastoral skills in church ministry and completed a Ministry Internship Diploma through the Bay of Plenty branch of the Bible College of New Zealand (now Laidlaw). Towards the end of this time, I was appointed as Lay Minister/Family worker at Wesley.

As well as co-ordinating the children's and youth ministry, I have taken responsibilities as a member of the Wesley Ministry Team which has included pastoral and hospital visiting when others were on leave. I enjoy using the *Seasons of the Spirit* for Christian education and worship, attended the training event that launched the resource and have been part of the writing group for Lent-Easter 2014.

I became accredited as a Lay Preacher in 1998. When the New Zealand Lay Preachers' Association Executive was located in the Waikato-Waiariki, I held the position of Secretary, and am now Convenor of the Methodist Network Nucleus.

I have attended Conference since 2003, served on the Waikato-Waiariki Synod Executive and was Synod Steward (Lay Representative) for 5 years, which involved being on Tauwi Strategy and Stationing Committee. I have also been part of the Spirit and Spice group, am currently on Council of Conference, the Children's Ministry Workgroup and the Consultative Group on Youth Ministry.

I have continued to study through the local polytech (computing and adult education) as well as Otago Distance Learning, completing a B Theol in 2003, and am now working towards a Postgraduate Diploma. I have particularly enjoyed the papers that focused on understanding my own and other cultures.

To relax, I enjoy music, cycling, reading, crossword puzzles, movies and time with family and friends.

### **General Information**

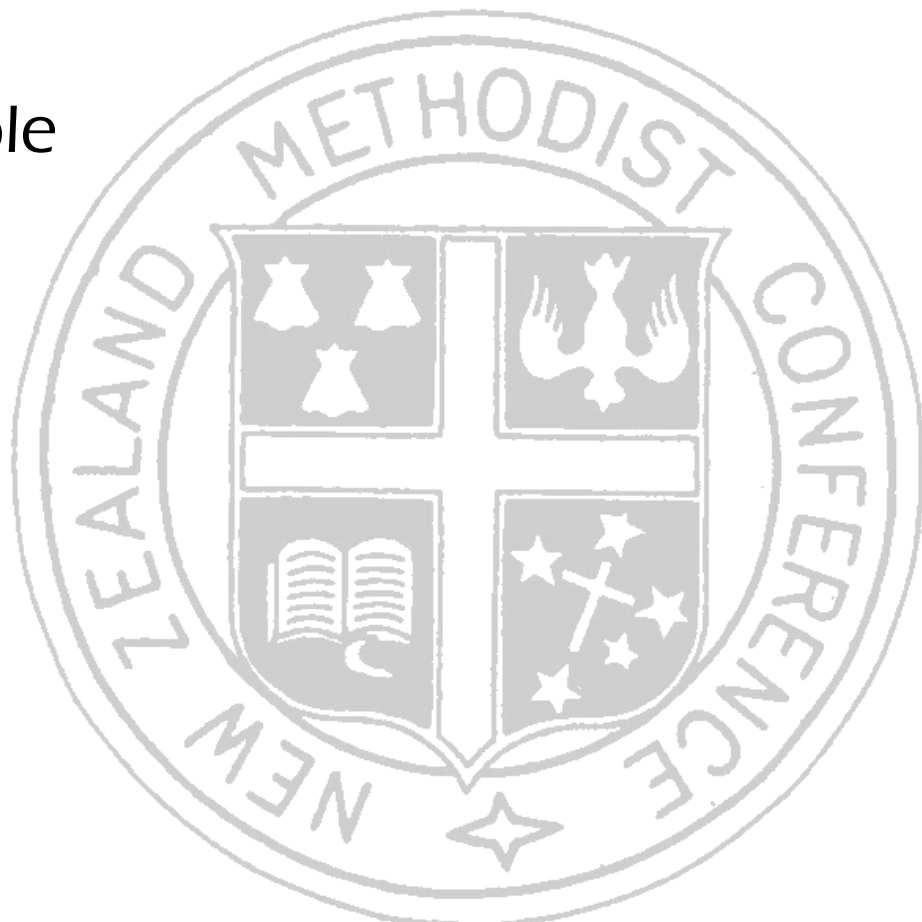
Although I originally joined Te Hāhi because I married a Methodist, I have increasingly become Methodist by choice – I value the social conscience, lay participation and cultural diversity of a church that had the courage to embark on a bi-cultural journey and seek to live in partnership.

There continue to be many challenges ahead for Te Hāhi; as a *pakeha/palangi* I see these as including: how to express our bi-cultural commitment in a multi-cultural society; how to continue to work together with theological diversity; how to resource ministry in the cultural synods and when congregations reach the lower limit of viability; how to witness to God's transforming love in a postmodern society that tends to be spiritual but not religious; how to work for justice in a world of increasing inequality. The Methodist Church is not alone in facing these challenges, but I believe it has the heart in its people and leaders to hear what the Spirit is saying and to be the people of God for this time and place.

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## *Tributes to Deceased*

- Presbyters
- Minita-a-Iwi
- Deacons
- Lay People







## *Edward (Ted) Baker*

1914 - 2013

The Rev Edward Baker, or Ted to everyone who knew him, died in his 99th year on Sunday 3rd March 2013. The Methodist Church can be grateful for his long and productive life, much of it served in Rural Methodism.

Ted was born in Hamilton in November 1914. His schooling was in the Waikato where he was to work on his father's farm at Horsham Downs and later at Waimauku. A strong home influence led him into Sunday school teaching at age 14 and Bible class leadership and preaching followed soon after. Three years overseas service in the Second World War with the 21 Battalion influenced Ted to enter the ministry after the war. Following one year at Trinity College he was accepted as a candidate from the Helensville, Kaukapakapa Home Mission station.

A real all-rounder, Ted took to his studies with great diligence and still had time to be the fast bowler in the Methodist cricket team. After his ordination in 1950 Ted served in a number of rural parishes, where his parishioners were greatly appreciative of his warm pastoral concern. He was probably best described as an evangelical Christian who had a growing attraction to charismatic experiences which in turn led him into the area of healing ministry. A great reader and keen Bible scholar he was known as an expository preacher. He seemed to have no problems in listening to other points of view. A number of current presbyters in the Church have indicated that they were encouraged into the ordained ministry by Ted.

In the six circuits where he served, he was strongly supported in his ministry by his wife Grace (Nee Parker) whom he first met serving at the tables of the dining room at Trinity College. Ted often spoke of valuing her quiet wisdom. Together they had to face the tragic loss of one of their two sons in a car accident in 1974.

Ted's final appointment was to Tuakau where, while extending ministry to members of the Presbyterian Church, he laid the groundwork for the formation of the Union Parish. When eventually he retired in 1978, he continued preaching, cultivating roses, helping organise the local RSA and encouraging others to take up bowls. During his retirement, in the year 2000, he associated himself with the Wesleyan Methodist Church. Nevertheless Ted was a regular attender at Mt Eden Methodist Church during the last five years of his life.

Well into his nineties Ted continued his private reading with a particular interest in Church history. Towards the end, although he became quite deaf, at age 96 Ted discovered the Internet where he would check out the writer's sermons!

The Methodist Church in New Zealand has been the better for Ted's quiet, sincere and effective service. The Church offers its sympathy and support to his family and friends.

## *Alison Beeston*

*Died January 2013*

Alison Beeston was a much respected member, leader, and Lay Preacher for over fifty years in the Methodist Church. Her church commitment goes back to Wanganui days, but was primarily expended in the Wellington Synod area through Wesley Methodist Church, Island Bay, this for several decades, thence through Trinity Union Church in Newtown, when the Island Bay and Trinity congregations combined; then finally in the Kapiti Uniting Parish. As a Lay preacher she also conducted worship in several Methodist churches within the Wellington area.

The standout features in respect to her Lay Preaching were that she did her home-work well, had a good theological mind, read widely, and put good thought into what she was presenting. Her work and worship leadership was always very much appreciated and respected.

Beside her lay preaching and worship leadership, Alison was very much a leader within the church, serving as Parish Steward and Chair person in the Wellington South/Lyall Bay Union Parish. She was very supportive of the ministers serving in the parish, also the Community Worker employed by the Parish during her leadership. She helped the parish become very much a community facing parish.

Alison was a member of the N.Z. Methodist Women's Fellowship National Executive 2004-2006 Committee. She was a respected and committed member of the team.

She was also respected as a business woman, who applied her administration and business skills in supporting her husband Peter in his craft of book-binding. In the modern era, Peter's craft became an increasingly difficult craft to sustain in a business sense; this because of the development of new technologies which were squeezing people craft skills such as Peter's out of the market; but with Alison's good sense and commitment and Peter's skills, together they saw it through to retirement. The sadness of course, was Peter's passing so early in that retirement. Peter had supported Alison in her Church interests.

Alison was a beloved mother, caring very much for her family, and was very complimentary of them in their support for her after she moved to Waikanae, also in their support for her as she suffered health problems associated with asthma and a stroke.

Alison is remembered as a person with a good heart and a good mind, who applied the gifts of both heart and mind in respect to family, church and friendships.

Memories of her will always be cherished.

## *Edward (Ed) Petrie Boyd*

1930 - 2012

Edward Boyd was born in Balclutha in 1930, where he received a firm grounding in the Presbyterian Church. When the Boyd family moved to Hastings ten years later, it was the warm welcome of the Rev Arthur Hopper that encouraged them to become active members of the Methodist Church. The lively Bible Class Movement in Hawkes bay at the end of World War II was a formative influence on Ed as a teenager. It provided a challenge to him at an important stage of his life. Ministers at Hastings such as R B Tinsley, G R Harris, T H Carr and L C Horwood played a significant part in confirming his Christian commitment.

Ed's initial vocational decision was to be a primary school teacher, but after training and one year's teaching, he was accepted as a candidate for the ministry in 1951. He served as a pre-Collegiate Probationer at New Plymouth (West End) for a year in 1952 before entering Trinity College. Two of his probationary years were spent in the Auckland East Circuit (Howick-Panmure). Ed was ordained in 1958 and his Circuit appointments were Roxburgh (1958-61), Marton (1963-68) and Dannevirke (1969-71). In 1956 Ed married Gwyneth, the daughter of an English Methodist Minister, Albert Burton. They had three children, David, Pippa and Felicity. The Boyd family were in Great Britain for a year in 1962, where Ed taught in secondary schools.

While in the Hawkes-Bay Manawatu District Ed was a member of the Spiritual Advance Committee. He was District Secretary in the Otago-Southland District. Ed's radio devotional broadcasts linked faith with life, and included interviews with church and community people. His appointment as a honorary Child Welfare Officer in Marton and Dannevirke, and as a visiting Chaplain to Lake Alice Hospital (including the Maximum Security Unit) provided opportunities for wider community involvement.

In 1972 Ed began a more community oriented ministry with his appointment as the N.C.C. full-time chaplain to Invercargill Borstal. After nine years in that position he was invited by the Justice Department to Head Office as Senior Prison Chaplain and Chaplain to Arohata Women's Prison. In this role, as pastor to all the chaplains in the prison system, he carried the administration of

prison chaplaincy through some difficult periods with tactfulness and integrity. He was respected as a conscientious counsellor, showing concern for the chaplain's family as well as for the chaplain. The organisation of Chaplain's Retreats, In-Service Training, assisting in the selection of new chaplains, acting as Industrial chaplain to Justice Department staff, keeping in touch with the leaders of Churches involved in prison chaplaincy, were all part of his daily programme as Senior Prison Chaplain. Ed encouraged the recruitment of women chaplains to serve in prisons. He earned a reputation as a diplomatic negotiator in tense situations, and was highly thought of by his fellow chaplains.

Ed was a practical man who earthed his ministry in community. He loved the richness and symbolism of liturgy and this was what he enjoyed so much during his retirement years as a member of his local Anglican Church. In Marton he contributed to the beauty of the sanctuary area by crafting the wooden cross himself and while in Roxborough, Ed worked closely with Neil McLeod to create beautiful sanctuary furniture and furnishings.

Ed loved his family and took great pride in their achievements. He is greatly missed by Gwyneth, David, Pippa and Felicity, Brianna, Taylor, Cooper, Fritha and Allegra. The Church gives thanks for the rich and diverse ministry offered by Edward Petrie Boyd and for the many lives he touched in both Church and community.

## *Hughan Morris Craig*

1927 - 2013

Hughan Morris Craig O.St.J. 12.10.1927 - 28.5.2013

Hughan was born in Auckland and was brought up in a Christian home, his parents being closely linked with the Methodist Church. It was from them he gained his deep concern and love for people

Hughan was accepted as a candidate for ministry at the Napier Conference in 1949 and entered Trinity College in 1950 Here he earned the love and respect of his fellow students. At the end of his college training he married Marjorie Crooks of Parnell, Auckland. Who faithfully supported him for 26 years in Circuit ministry. Their appointments were Wellington South (2yrs) Taumaranui (4yrs) North Hokianga (5 yrs.) Otorohanga (4 yrs) New Plymouth - Fitzroy (7yrs) and Gore (4 yrs).

Hughan was a faithful pastor known for his generosity, and his love for others was quickly recognised. His concern for the "outsider" found expression in his contacts on the cricket field, which he saw as a mission field, and in his work in St. John Ambulance. This concern was further evidenced when he spent part of his long service leave at Hanmer studying the treatment of alcoholics.

In 1979 he was left without appointment and moved to Tauranga where he worked as an orderly at Tauranga Hospital for over 12 years. In retirement he continued active involvement in St. John, Habitat Homes, Church and community. He continued to lead worship in St. Stephen's Methodist Church, Melrose Village and for Leprosy Mission until 1999.

Hughan was a man of deep convictions and a gentle spirit, yet he was not afraid to express his opposition when he felt things were not going in the right direction. He always greeted lay-preachers before worship and they appreciated that he listened well and made perceptive comments. He continued a caring interest in young people and a commitment to being a Methodist faithful to his calling, always ready to join in and help in Church groups and activities. A keen gardener, he and Marjorie grew a surprising amount of produce on a small section, much of it given away in Church and in their neighbourhood.

For his lifetime involvement Hughan received the Order of St John. He felt very honoured to receive it, one of only six in Tauranga.

Due to failing health Hughan and Marjorie moved into rest home care, initially at Aspen, Tauranga, then at Carter House Te Puke where Hughan endeared himself to all and was described as courteous, uncomplaining and co-operative.

Hughan and Marjorie had known sadness, the death of an infant son and times of difficulty such as when Hughan had major heart surgery, but during these times, their faith remained firm. Hughan is survived by his wife Marjorie, son Stephen, daughter Lynn and their families. We remember him as a humble man of integrity. May he rest in peace, good and faithful servant.

## *Barrie Crichton*

*Died February 2013  
Supplementary paper*

## *Arthur Dickie*

1927 - 2013

Arthur William Dickie was born in Dunedin on January 6<sup>th</sup> 1927. He grew up at St Clair, Dunedin and attended the little St Clair Methodist Church.

He showed an intense interest in mechanical things from a very early age and won numerous awards for his Meccano constructions.

He left school at 16 and was apprenticed to A&T Burt in Dunedin as a draughtsman but felt the call to Ministry in the church. By this time he had already met Catherine and they were married in 1955.

His first parish was Ohura in the King Country then they moved on to Whakatane. While there, an old back injury flared and he opted to retire from full time ministry to the growing town of Kawerau.

Although very practical, he was also a visionary person, - he could see what was possible and as a mechanical engineer was able to design improvements to a number of boilers, machines and even re-design and improve the geothermal pipeline at Tasman Pulp and Paper Mill, to increase efficiency. This innovation was taken up and put to good use by the government at the Wairaki Geothermal site near Taupo.

Arthur took pride in his work and made very sure that everything he did was as perfect as it could possibly be. His practical, logical, common-sense approach to problems was well known; if there was a problem a solution could always be found.

He was interested in all things engineering and especially trains a hobby in which the whole family joined. He did his best to ensure that his children were well equipped with practical knowledge: How to change a tyre and check the oil and water, wood chopping, lighting fires, using a hammer, saw and screwdriver and wielding a paintbrush. Elizabeth's 21's birthday present was a DIY toolkit and Alice remembers being instructed in the proper use of a chainsaw!

In 1974 he left Tasman Pulp and Paper Company to take up the role of Senior Technical Advisor, Mechanical Engineering at the Standards Association of New Zealand. He was a member of the Export and Shipping Council and a member of the Metric Advisory Board.

Arthur continued to be involved in the work of the church, filling in at parishes where there were vacancies and in 1977 he felt called back into full time ministry. He was appointed to Waihi and Paeroa parishes where he served for eight years. This included an exchange year in White Salmon, Washington State in the USA. In 1985 Bethel Congregational Church in White Salmon asked him to return for as many years as possible. So for the seven years prior to his retirement age he served in USA.

Arthur was deeply committed to preaching the Word of God and making it relevant to the daily living of his hearers. His advice to Lay Preachers was, to preach a good three point sermon; tell the people what you are going to say, say it and then tell the people what you have said! Sermons should never exceed more than 1500 words and if you have not struck oil in ten minutes, stop boring. Above everything else, Arthur was a pastor to the people under his care.

Even after his retirement he continued to serve the church working for two years in Hamilton East Parish, serving also at Whangamata and Ngaruawahia. He finally retired in Hamilton and he and Catherine have attended Hamilton East Parish where they worshipped and supported the ministry of succeeding presbyters.

Arthur died in Waikato Hospital after a short illness on July 27<sup>th</sup> 2013. He is survived by his wife Catherine and children, Mark, Andrew, Elizabeth, Anne and Alice and ten grandchildren plus four great grandchildren.

He was a servant of God and the community. He will be deeply missed by those who knew and loved him.

## *Graham Harris*

1928 - 2012

Graham: accredited lay preacher of 50 year's standing, lay minister, hospital chaplain, parish steward, geography teacher, family man, keen rock hound and gardener, a gentleman in every sense of the word. Graham was a man of many parts and talents.

Graham Augustin Harris was born on 15 December 1928 in Napier.

He became an accredited lay preacher in what was then the Wellington West circuit in October 1955. When Graham and Jenni married in 1958 he was teaching at Matamata, shifting to Waimea College in 1959. Then followed one year of high school teaching and lay preaching in both Sydney and rural Australia before returning to his teaching post at Waimea College, in Richmond, Nelson, in 1962.

He continued his lay preaching, was parish steward in the Waimea parish and regularly provided supply for ministers in the area while they were on leave. It was during the later years in Richmond that Graham took on the unpaid task of lay ministry in Murchison – driving icy roads each week though the winter for a hundred or so kilometers to stay in a caravan on site at the church. Not only did Graham preach, but he baptised and married as well as officiating at over 40 funerals during his 6 years of ministry there. Graham is remembered by the Murchison folk for his pastoral visiting not just of the congregation but also in the wider community.

Then came the years at St John's in the city Methodist church in Nelson. Once again Graham did a stint as parish steward. Once again Jenni played the organ. Not only did Graham continue his lay preaching - it was recorded at the celebration of his 50 years of lay preaching that he had preached at over 70 different preaching places always with the knack of offering a relevant message for the particular community - he also served on the hospital chaplaincy team at Nelson hospital for eight years of night time call outs and regular chapel services.

His ministry was ably supported by his wife Jenni, an accomplished organist who remembered the busyness of the earlier years with four small children to care for.

Graham is also remembered as a practical man able and willing to offer advice and help on anything from vegetable gardening to concrete mixing.

Sadly in 2005 Graham's health declined and after suffering a stroke Graham retired from active ministry. That said, pastoral visits to Graham were always of a reciprocal nature - he remained a witty raconteur and caring colleague almost until the end when dementia required he move into a continuing care home.

Graham died the day after his wife Jenni's funeral - a further tribute to their close partnership. He leaves two sons and two daughters along with a lasting legacy and deep debt of gratitude for the church to a modest, quiet man who never once said no to anything the church asked of him.

# *Tevita Kilifi Heimuli*

1942 - 2013

B.Theo, QSM, MNZM, 1990 Medal, Queen Salote Medal 2008 (Tonga), JP.

Born on 26 April 1942 in the family home in Kolomotu'a, Nuku'alofa, and Tonga. He was the eldest of 5 children of Tomasi Tomaka Heimuli mo 'Akosita Tae Palu-Heimuli. His father was a magistrate in Tonga and his mother looked after the children.

Kilifi married Ane Lolofi Rounds in 1966 and they have seven children and seven grandchildren.

## **Church and Ministry**

Kilifi grew up in a Christian family and in the Free Wesleyan Church (FWC) of Tonga. Both his paternal and maternal grandfathers were ministers in the church. He started school in a Wesleyan primary school where he was brought up and disciplined in Wesleyan doctrine and Christian way of life.

At 21, he had qualified to practice law in Tonga and was respected figure in the family, church and local community. Kilifi was also a lay-preacher in the local Tongata'eapa FWC near the family home. The current Tongata'eapa church and hall is built on land gifted by Kilifi and his late brother Robert Raikes.

Arriving in NZ in 1969, Kilifi was part of a group of Tongans that met to worship at St John's Methodist Church in Ponsonby. In 1974, this group became a fellowship. In the 1970s and 1980s other fellowships sprouted in Otahuhu, Epsom, Mangere, Kingsland and Onehunga and formed the basis of Auckland-Manukau Tongan Parish. While attending Police College in 1974, Kilifi helped start a Tongan Methodist fellowship in Petone.

He was a father figure and leader to many Tongans and pacific island families who arrived in Auckland looking for life opportunities' in NZ. Kilifi helped many of them to settle in Auckland, find homes, schools, churches and work.

He sought to provide for their spiritual, social and practical needs in his personal ministry and professional careers. He was renowned in his police career and later a development officer with the Ministry of Pacific Island Affairs. In 1985, he was awarded the QSM for services to the community as a police officer. In 1990, he received the 1990 Medal for services to the community. In 1995, he was made a Justice of the Peace. In the 2006 Queen Birthday, he was made a Member of the NZ Order of Merit for services to the community. He was proud of his ability to speak Maori fluently and also spoke Samoan, Cook Island Maori and Niuen. At the 2008 Coronation of King George V in Tonga, he was awarded the Queen Salote Medal for services to people, church, and country.

From 1974 to 2009 Kilifi served as youth leader, steward, secretary, treasurer and later as non-stipend presbyter for his beloved Ponsonby Tongan Methodist fellowship. In the 1970s Kilifi and Lolofi were the leaders and parental figures for the fledging Tongan Methodist Fellowship. They would often pick up people in the family station wagon, take them to church and then return them home.

In 1975, he advocated for the purchase of a house in O'Neill Street, Ponsonby as a hostel residence for many young single Tongans in the church. The house is still in use today. In the 1980s, the Tongan fellowship moved from St Johns to Pitt Street for Sunday services. The vision was for the fellowship to have its own building for its worship and community activities and Kilifi led this quest and fundraising activities. In 1987, the fellowship was gifted the St Jude's Church property at Sackville Rd, Grey Lynn. The fellowship then bought two adjoining properties for the land for the church building.

In 1993, consents were granted and construction began on the building on Richmond Road. His Majesty, the late King Tupou IV of Tonga laid the foundation stone. In October 1994, His Majesty King Tupou IV officially opened the building and delivered the inaugural service on John Chapter

15. His Majesty also gave the church its name of “Vaine Mo’onia” (The True Vine). The vision for the fellowship to have its own church building had come to fruition.

As bank interest costs began to rise, Kilifi negotiated interest-free loans from the other Tongan fellowships. Through the annual giving and fundraising activities the loan were repaid. By 2000, all loans were repaid and the \$3.2m church building was mortgage and loan free.

Since 1977, Kilifi has served as chief steward, secretary, treasurer and other key roles on the Auckland-Manukau Tongan parish, synod, church councils and on committees in the Methodist Church and conference. These included Convenor of the Tongan Advisory Committee, Development Board Division, Ecumenical and Connexional committees, Five + Five Committee. Kilifi thus laid a pathway for other Tongans and Pacific Islanders to follow into NZ Methodist Church and conference committees.

Kilifi was involved in setting up ministries now established in the Auckland Manukau Tongan Parish. These include youth ministry, home-work centres, camp events, prison visitation services to Paremoremo and Mt Eden, pre-school centres, health initiatives, radio programmes. He worked with many people in the formative years for a growing Tongan fellowship and evolving NZ Methodist Church membership - Rev Vili Vailea, Rev Langi’ila Uasi, Rev Taniela Moala, Rev Ted and Audrey Grounds, Rev Dr Alifeleti Mone, Rev Barry Jones, Rev Sione Ha’angana and many others.

Kilifi often attended the Free Wesleyan Church conference in Tonga on behalf of the Auckland-Manukau Parish. He was often involved on Tongan conference committees and was a popular and humorous speaker in the evening sessions of conference.

At the 1988, NZ Methodist Church conference, Kilifi was chosen as vice-president elect of the New Zealand Methodist Church, the first Tongan elected to this position. The Rev Barry Jones was the President elect and together they served from 1989 to 1990. His ordination in November 1989 in Wellington was a joyous occasion for Kilifi, his family, the Tongan Methodist membership and the Tongan community. The late Rev Dr Amanaki Havea came from Tonga and took part in the ordination.

In 2000, he was a non-stipend presbyter. In 2002, Kilifi graduated Bachelor of Theology from the University of Auckland. In late 2003 to early 2004, he was the interim minister for the Auckland-Manukau Parish. From 2006 to January 2009, Kilifi was the superintendent minister of the Tongan Vahefonua.

In 2007, Kilifi retired from the civil service but not ministry. Since early 2010, Kilifi has been the minister for the Tongan Methodist Parish in Papatoetoe. He enjoyed his work with this small parish immensely. However illness meant he took sick leave in July 2012.

Kilifi was a confident and forthright speaker. With his legal background, he enjoyed robust debate and discussion and sought truth and light on subjects and issues. He did not hesitate to correct people or make them accountable. He spoke his mind and stood his ground no matter the opposition to him or his views. He believed in the importance of foundational principles and doctrines and stood strongly for those.

Throughout his time Kilifi always emphasised to the Tongan and Pacific communities the importance of making the most of the education and vocational opportunities available in NZ. He always looked to the future and new pathways to help a growing and changing Tongan Methodist membership. He was a people person and he knew his people well.

Kilifi scripture for his life ministry is Romans 14:12 “Each of us will give a personal account to God”. He always sought to use his time, talent and abilities to live a full and fruitful life in helping and serving the Lord, his family, the Tongan people, community, church and country.

# *Ruth Le Couteur*

1941 - 2013

Ruth was born Christchurch on 20th February 1941. She was the eldest child of Rita and Doug McHarg and had two younger brothers. She attended Mt Pleasant and Redcliffs Schools and then when she was 10 years old, moved to St Albans attending Edgeware Road Methodist Church and becoming involved in Girls' Brigade. The family later moved to Tai Tapu and Ruth attended Christchurch Technical College excelling in Maths. A move to Memorial Avenue in Christchurch saw her attending St John's Bryndwr.

For 3 years Ruth attended University part time studying Accountancy while maintaining three part-time jobs – Lincoln College (University) Wilding Perry & Acland and Sargood Son & Ewen. She then attended university full time and was one of 5 women in a class of 105 men in the first year Accounting class. She graduated and became a member of the New Zealand Society of Accountants. An interest in teaching led to Ruth training at Teachers' College in Auckland as a Commercial Teacher. After experiencing health problems Ruth returned to Christchurch and took up a position with Suckling Brothers as an Accountant.

In 1971 Ruth married Rev Ray Le Couteur and helped care for the younger two of Ray's four children. In 1973 Janine joined the family as a beloved daughter and "younger sister".

Ruth strongly believed that what she did as a minister's wife, as a parish member, or as an accountant were God's call to her to offer ministry.

Ruth believed that administration was sacramental. A qualified accountant she brought always to this seemingly dry and bookish role a sense of the sacramental or sacred. She understood that if she did her work well, people's lives could be transformed for the better. Her ministry as Accountant in the Administration Division began in September 1984 and she served for 21 years working with three General Secretaries and as a member of the staff alumnae continued with a fourth, the current General secretary David Bush.

Ruth brought to the Accountant's role an amazing network of New Zealand life in parsonages that were not always up to standard. This knowledge and practical understanding meant that Ruth was instrumental in championing the rights of Presbyters and their spouses to ensure that the regulations enabled them to have good living standards and user friendly processes for achieving this.

She managed the Church Building and Loan Fund property deposits and loans, again always engaging people with her pastoral heart to get the best possible outcomes. The Provident Society was her other major work task. This was a place where people were the central focus and she delighted in being able to provide assistance for people in need and seeing projects begun because of money made available through this account.

Ruth was reluctantly forced to retire early because of ill health in 2005.

Ruth did not always find being a "boss" easy and many were aware of how difficult she sometimes found one to one relationships in all the settings she worked. This was largely because of her lack of self esteem and therefore debate or questions felt threatening to her. She felt more comfortable in a team where she was able to contribute her particular gifts for the good of the whole.

Ruth saw involvement in Women's Fellowship at all levels beneficial. Her desire was to see the Fellowship being active in Social Concerns but equally as a channel for bringing members into a living relationship with Jesus Christ as the empowering force in their life. In 2006 Ruth successfully offered herself for service on the MWF National Executive based in Christchurch.

Ruth was propelled onto the World Church stage when in 1986 she was nominated for the position of Treasurer of the World Federation of Methodist and Uniting Church Women.



She served as Treasurer of the World Federation of Methodist and Uniting Church Women (1996-2001) and gained a depth of understanding of the aims of this world-wide organisation to which the Methodist Church is affiliated.

Ruth's ministry on the International scene was the pinnacle of all she had strived for and offered to the God who she had loved and served for her whole life.

Ruth is survived by daughter Janine and grandchildren Jesse and Samantha.

## *Evan Rhys Lewis*

1929 - 2013

Evan was born at Dannevirke on March 4<sup>th</sup> 1929, the fifth of seven children of Percy Goldsmith Lewis and Ruby Rebecca Stallworthy. Evan's father was a school-teacher, a Senior School Inspector, and a life-long scholar. As the son of a teacher, the family moved regularly – the first such occurring when Evan was a few days old, when they moved to Cambridge. Eighteen months later they moved to Napier, and that was where he received his schooling, until he went to Wellington in 1946 to begin his university studies. He was a member of the Taranaki St congregation, and graduated M.Sc.

He worked initially for DSIR, and then as a biometrician with the Forest Research Institute in Rotorua. He married Ciss Henderson of Moteuka, and a school-teacher, in December 1950. While in Rotorua he began to feel he had a vocation for ministry, and was received as a Candidate in 1954. He spent three years at Trinity College, and completed a B.A. in philosophy at the same time. During that time Ciss was the bread-winner, though for a period Evan had a student pastorate at Te Atatu.

His first appointment as a probationer was at Taita Union Parish. As it happened the World Council of Churches was seeking ministers with superior graduate qualifications to work at the struggling new Satya Watjana Christian University at Salatiga on the island of Java. Evan, and his family - Ciss, Jonathan and Jenny - went there in 1962, he as a Fraternal Worker. During his three years there he was responsible for establishing both the mathematics and physics faculties, and because of his language skills he also assisted in the English department. When he finished the Rector of the University called him a "good man, a cultured man" who fulfilled the Javanese ideals – kindness of heart, faithfulness to duty, and a balanced personality.

The family returned to New Zealand in 1964, particularly for the sake of the children's education. Their first appointment was at Glen Eden where they stayed two years. Then across the Tasman to be the Chaplain at Queen's College, part of the University of Melbourne, for four years. They returned again to New Zealand in 1971, to Mornington, where he spent nine years, before a final appointment to Invercargill, from which place he retired in 1987. In more than 25 years of retirement Evan continued to offer, almost to the end, a teaching ministry of the most significant and, even, life-changing character and quality.

Evan, the philosopher saw deeply into the ordering of God's world. He was a gifted teacher, and the most gentle of disciplinarians, for he was, himself, a supremely disciplined man. Evan the pastor gave you all the time you needed. He listened, he helped find a way, but did not direct that way. Evan the scholar, whose books were to be given away, always. Books were to be thoroughly absorbed, used for preaching and enlightening, and then handed on. He lived in today's world, where he found new ways of looking at old truths.

Evan, the administrator, was a very well organised person. He didn't waste time – time was a precious commodity for more important things. His affairs were always in order. Evan, the games-player – designing ways for others to relax. Computerization meant he could turn his mathematical skills into ways of making complex games accessible on screen. Evan, the family-man - protective, caring, always there, but not immortal. To Ciss and Jonathan and Jenny the Church offers its loving sympathy.

Evan, the very private person, chose for his funeral service just the first verse of Colin Gibson's 'He came singing love' – for, as Evan said, "Love says it all."

## *Veronica Madeleine Lowe [nee Roughhan]*

1940 - 2012

Veronica began her life's journey in Lyttleton on the 10<sup>th</sup> of August 1940, the only child of Ethel and Thomas Roughan. Her Methodist journey began when the family moved to North Avon Road Christchurch, where attendance at and involvement in the youth activities at the Richmond Methodist Church became part of Veronica's developing years.

Veronica attended North Avon Girls High School, then Canterbury University, gaining her BA, as well as attending Teachers Training College to gain her teaching certification. She taught first in Christchurch and then moved to Melbourne to study education at Monash University, continuing to teach primary school in Melbourne after she graduated. Veronica returned to New Zealand to marry Russell Lowe whom she had met while at Canterbury University; and following their wedding in January 1972 they had a brief period in Nelson before settling in Te Puke. Here Russell took up a position as head of the new DSIR research station set up to carry out research on citrus, subtropicals and kiwifruit. Veronica acted as unpaid receptionist for the station for the first few years, fully supporting Russell in his research work which included regular trips to China to work with research groups in Sichuan.

Blessed with three children, Tanya, Camille, and Rohan, Veronica was a committed and devoted mother, ensuring her family were well educated and were able to achieve their potential in life. She embraced the community and church life in Te Puke with a similar active commitment.

If Veronica had been around in the time of Christ or in the years following Christ's death we would have numbered her among the women disciples; women all touched by the hand of God, full of faith, determination and courage that helped them overcome adversity. The qualities that marked these women of history – knowledge, commitment, loyalty, determination, tenacity, and passion for a cause – were qualities Veronica brought into her life with Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa. She held many positions in the local church, was actively involved in children's ministry and worship and was a Parish Steward at the time of her death in December 2012. A regular participant in the life of the Waikato – Waiariki Synod, Veronica was a parish delegate at a number of national Church Conferences sharing her skills with the Connexion in her role as Tauwiwi Co-convenor of the Council of Conference, and as long standing and active member of the Council for Mission and Ecumenical Co-operation [COMEC].

An active and passionate member of the Methodist Women's Fellowship, Veronica offered leadership at District level [Bay of Plenty], and participated in National Council meetings and Conventions. She was able to experience South Pacific Area Seminars, as well as attending the World Federation of Methodist and Uniting Church Women Assembly in Loughborough UK. Veronica also served a term as convener of the Smethurst Trust and facilitated the last Programme Planning Group. Through her involvement with MWF Veronica was an enthusiastic supporter of the annual MWF/APW Special Project Appeal, the work of the Methodist Mission and Ecumenical Committee, and Christian World Service. Veronica wore with pride her Tree of Life Emblem.

Veronica's interests and involvement in life extended beyond the church to include a love of travel and membership of the NZ-China Friendship Society with Russell, an interest in philately and card making, and especially the work of the Rose Society. Veronica was a Gold Medal judge, an active grower and exhibitor and secretary of the Bay of Plenty and Districts Rose Society from 1981 until the time of her death. She also became involved in the setting up of Growing Through Grief in Te Puke using her organisational skills as a fundraiser.

Veronica suffered a serious blood infection in 2003 and spent several months in hospital recovering. After discharge, despite being permanently confined to a wheelchair, Veronica accepted the challenge to explore new ways to live life and participate as fully as she could in all the activities including church ones that energised and stimulated her. Veronica greatly appreciated the family and friends who supported and encouraged her during this time.

The Methodist Church of New Zealand Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa, gives thanks for the contribution made to its life by Veronica Lowe's gifts, and thanks Russell, Tanya, Camille and Rohan for sharing a wife and Mother with them. Well done good and faithful servant.

## *Noeline Nuttall*

*Died June 2013  
Supplementary paper*

## *Henry Heremia Pate*

*1930 - 2013*

A descendent of Raukawa and Koroki hapu, Waikato iwi and the Tainui area stretching from Mokau to Tamaki-makau-rau, Heremia was born on the 30<sup>th</sup> April 1930 at Tirau, and later attended the primary school there.

He began work on a dairy farm and at 19 years old, joined the Public Works Department as a cadet. Eventually he progressed to become first a Maori foreman with oversight for the condition of the State Highway linking Karapiro, Atiamuri, Tiaru and the Kaimai ranges.

Heremia married Iris Makiha in 1953, and had a family of 3 daughters, 4 sons and many mokopuna. Most were to grow up and receive schooling in Tokoroa. There too, they became involved with the local Methodist Church and the South Region of the Waikato Maori Mission of the 1960's. This, of course, finally led Heremia's name being offered and supported for the ministry of Honorary Home Missionary in 1969.

As his ministry and leadership on marae and among the people of Tokoroa and the South Region grew, so the pressure to serve full-time grew also. Consequently, in 1979, Heremia was appointed full-time, and at the 1982 Conference received into Full Connexion and ordained to the Ministry of Word, Sacrament and Pastoral Care. Although benefitting from a year's education and training in the following year, his "Maori theology and ministry" expectations were unfulfilled. Nonetheless, as he was moved out of the South Region, three other Minita-a-Iwi remained as a direct result of Heremia's influence and encouragement.

Only initially intended to be for five years, Heremia and the family's appointment to the Taranaki Circuit residing at New Plymouth extended to ten! In particular, Maori speaking members welcomed him at marae and community events, and as the Kohanga Reo movement became established there, demands on Iris also grew.

Adapting to a very different vocation in mid-life proved quite a challenge and sacrifice to both Heremia and family.

Heremia retired in 1995 and lived with family members. Due to ill health he ended up on dialysis

and the family acknowledges the wonderful care provided by the staff at Rotorua Dialysis Centre and the Rotorua Community Hospice.

Heremia passed away peacefully on 20<sup>th</sup> July 2013 surrounded by his family. As a tribute to him, they remembered the words of 2 Timothy 4-7: "I have fought the good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith."

*Otira e te Rangatira Heremia, moe mai i raro i te maru o tou Kaihanga. E kore matou e wareware i a koe.*

## *Mori Pickering*

*Died March 2013  
Supplementary paper*

## *Gillian Anne Telford*

*1938 - 2013*

Gill was born in Hamilton, attending Whitiara Primary School and later Hamilton High School. On leaving school Gill joined the Inland Revenue Department where she worked for a number of years.

As a teenager Gill became deeply involved in the life of the Methodist Youth Movement which set her on a journey of service in the church. In 1962 Gill became a member of the Order of St Stephen, serving as sole charge of the office, at the Christchurch Central Mission. Gill met and married Colin while in Christchurch.

Gill and Colin set up home in Hamilton in 1970 and, with their family, attended St. Francis Co-operating Parish in Hillcrest. Gill was very involved in the life of the Parish and also served as a Lay Preacher in the Hamilton area.

In the late 1970s Gill felt the call to formal ministry and in 1982 was ordained firstly in a self-supporting role at St. Francis. She was appointed to St. David's, a three way joint venture in Dinsdale in 1986 and was then instrumental in developing St. Clare's as separate Co-operating Parish, serving as its first minister from 1990 until 1993. This was followed by two years as minister at Whangamata Co-operating Parish. Her subsequent ministry at Melville Methodist church, Hamilton was cut short after a period of six months due to the onset of ill health.

Subsequently in retirement Gill continued in community service through Reading for the Blind, Victim Support and Age Concern visiting. In 2006 Gill was diagnosed as suffering from dementia. Gill's condition deteriorated to the point where in 2010 she was placed in residential care, where she remained until her passing in May 2013.

Gill served in the wider life of the Church, at various times, involvements included: Membership of the Negotiating Churches Council, the Committee of Co-operative Ventures, The Trust Board of Wesley College, the Faith and Order Committee, Chair or Secretary Waikato –Bay of Plenty Joint Regional Committee (11 years), Convenor of the Committee on Ministry, Chair of the Waikato/Bay of Plenty Synod, Member/Co convener Methodist/Roman Catholic Dialogue (10 years).

In 1987 Gill was a representative to the World Conference of United and Uniting Churches held in Potsdam, and in 1994/95 Gill served as Vice President of the Methodist Church.

Gill strongly affirmed the Bicultural Journey of Te Haahi Weteriana, was a strong advocate of the use of inclusive language, and of the place of liturgy in services of worship.

Gill placed high priority on family life and was dedicated in her support of Nigel and Kate during their growing up years.

We are privileged to celebrate her wonderfully lived life, her love for those around her and it is a comfort to know that she will live on in the memories of all whose lives she touched.

## *Sunnah Thompson*

*Died November 2012  
Supplementary paper*

## *Langi'ila Uasi*

*1946 - 2013*

Langi'ila Uasi was born in Tonga in 1946 and from an early age his mother had "insisted" that when he grew up he was to work for the church. This year, Langi'ila comes to the end of 42 years of active ministry for the Methodist Churches of Tonga, New Zealand and Australia. Langi'ila was educated in Tonga (at a church school) and underwent Theological studies and training in Tonga, New Zealand and Australia. At the beginning of 1970, after theological training in Tonga at the Methodist Church of Tonga's Sia'atoutai Theological College, Langi'ila started teaching at various church schools in Tonga until he came to New Zealand in 1974 to continue his theological studies at the New Zealand Bible College, Henderson. It was during that time that he became one of a few Tongans, with Reverends Vili Vailea, Taniela Moala and Kilifi Heimuli, who were instrumental in setting up the beginnings of a few Tongan congregations within the Methodist Church of New Zealand to cater for the spiritual needs of the Tongans, as more and more migrated to New Zealand. Today, we see the fruit of these humble beginnings in the Vahefonua Tonga O Aotearoa, (one of only 3 national synods in the Methodist Church of New Zealand) which now has 38 congregations nationwide. It goes without saying that his retirement will create a significant gap in the Vahefonua Tonga synod.

Langi'ila was a people's man and his passion was to work with the youth and people, and he enjoyed working in the community. He was largely responsible for setting up the Sunday Schools and the Youth Groups for the Tongan fledgling congregations in the 1970s. Amongst his many community pastoral and counselling roles were Assistant Chaplain Mt Eden Prison, member of the Otahuhu Police Patrol, member of the Otahuhu Police Advisory committee, member of the Board of Trustees for the Southern Cross Campus and of the Mangere College and he enjoyed visiting the sick at their homes and hospitals.

In the "classroom" Langi'ila had his Dip. Min (1985), Th. Dip (1986) and L. Th (1989) from the Australian College of Theology, and his Dip. Ed (1988) from the Australian College for Advanced Education. He then was admitted to Trinity Theological College and he completed his CPE in Auckland in 1992, the same year that he was ordained as a Presbyterian by the Methodist Church of New Zealand. He then has worked as a non-stipend presbyter for the Vahefonua Tonga O Aotearoa until his retirement. In the middle of that as well as his "day" job and bringing up a young family, he got his B. Theol in 1998 from the University of Auckland.

Langi'ila was married to Linda Gail, who sadly passed away due to ill-health in 2004, and they had 3 lovely sons, Maurice, Timothy and Eliakim. The family was blessed with 5 grandchildren and Langi'ila has earned the gratitude of Vahefonua Tonga and the Connexion for his loving, talented and faithful service. The good wishes of the Church goes out to Langi'ila's family.  
Peace and Grace.

## *Wiremu Waiomio*

*Died November 2012*

Hikurangi te maunga  
Te Raparapa te awa puta atu ki te puaha o Taumarere  
Matawaia te marae  
Rangimarie te whare tupuna  
Miria te whare manaaki tangata  
Ngāti Hine te hapū  
Ngāpuhi te iwi

Wiremu Hunia Kapotai Waiomio was born in Matawaia to Nikorima Waiomio Moeanu and Merata Waiomio Kopa. He was the eldest of 3 children and attended Matawaia Native School, Bay of Islands. A sound grounding in marae and church life was foremost in his upbringing. After he completed his schooling he joined the army and served with K Force in Korea.

In 1963 he married Dolly Takutai Ngarahupai Hohepa Kopa. They raised their family of 4 children, 3 girls and 1 boy mainly in Auckland whilst maintaining the strong connections to Matawaia. Considered a 'jack of all trades' he drove buses and trams in Auckland, 'whatever was on wheels he drove it'. In 1994 he returned to his mothers' land in Kawakawa to run the farm and retire.

As Minita-a-Iwi for Te Taha Maori in the Taitokerau Rohe, Uncle Wi, as he was affectionately known, travelled the Taitokerau Rohe circuit; his ministry involved taking christenings, weddings, tending to the sick and dying, tangihanga and unveilings. He was consulted by many people for his wise counsel and guidance in affairs of Ngāti Hine and Te Taha Maori. Amongst his community involvements was support for the Te Taha Maori centre Te Atawhai based in Kawakawa. Uncle Wi was kaumatua for the Bay of Islands hospital and also a kaumatua representative on the Kaunihera Kaumatua for the Northland District Health Board.

Widely remembered as an impressive character, well versed in tribal histories and a great storyteller, he often had a good yarn to tell. There are many things that could be said about Uncle Wi that the written word alone cannot express. He had a formidable presence on the marae a gifted orator who often held considerable sway amongst Ngāti Hine and he was accorded the respect that one gets only after sustained devotion to his people. Uncle Wi was laid to rest in Otarawa wahi tapu in the Waiomio Valley.

The church expresses their thanks to his whanau for the ministry of a humble servant and we share with you cherished and rich memories of a man dedicated to his people and his calling.

## *Alexander (Alex) Crushington Watson*

*1925- 2013*

*Brother, sister, let me serve you let me be as Christ to you.*

Alex Watson was born into a strong, devout Methodist family who came from Crushington near Reefton on the West Coast. His parents, grandparents and great-grandparents were people of faith who served their community tirelessly. They had a deep love of the land, valued education highly and enjoyed sharing their considerable musical talents.

Alex grew up on his parents' farm at Wiri with his four sisters and two brothers. The farm was bought after his father, the Rev William Watson, retired early from Methodist ministry because of ill health caused by the effects of mustard gas in World War 1. There was little extra money on the farm in the depression years and the family quickly learned to work hard, make do, repair and recycle.

Alex started school at Papatoetoe grateful for the help and support of his older sister Pearl especially after he contracted polio when he was eight years old. Farm work helped redevelop his physical fitness and stood him in good stead at Otahuhu Technical high school.

He achieved University Entrance and after trying different jobs decided to train as a teacher. Following Teachers' College and a probationary year at Papakura he worked in two Northland schools where he enjoyed organising school sport, playing local rugby and swimming.

While attending the 1950-1 Methodist Youth Conference at Paerata he received a strong call to ministry but found he was too late for the 1951 intake. The only way he could enter was as a paying private student. When The Rev'd Dr.D.O.Williams suggested he could work for his tuition he paid his way by washing dishes and later looking after the College furnaces and laundry. He was accepted as a ministry candidate in 1951.

He met his future wife Sheena Waddell at the Williams' house and kept contact with her while she was nursing in Australia and he was a probationer at Taihape. They were married in 1955 and he was ordained at Lower Hutt before he took up his appointment to the Solomon Island District.

The Watsons served for 11 years in the Solomon Islands at Kokegalo, Vella Lavella and Honiara. Alex learnt the Roviana language and found his practical skills and fitness along with Sheena's nursing skills invaluable as they ministered to the people. They returned to New Zealand in 1966 to further educational opportunities for their five children.

Alex then served in Paeroa for 4 years, Kaikohe – Bay of Islands for 3years, Christchurch South (St James & Lincoln Rd) for 1 year, St Johns Addington for 3 years and Christchurch East (Shirley) for 7 years. At the end of that time he retired in 1985 exhausted from years of service and unable to take another appointment.

Retirement years gave Alex the opportunity to enjoy time with Sheena and the family; fun at picnics, outings and holidays, encouraging grandchildren in games, outdoor activities and music. The ultimate tribute from the family – “Thank you for your teaching, but most of all thank you for your love.”

However, Alex's ministry of service did not stop with retirement. The Watsons joined the St Lukes Union congregation at Halswell and supported the church wholeheartedly. Alex was always ready to help with practical tasks around the church as well as supplying food, preserves, plants, garden produce and yes even compost to anyone in need. He was the ultimate gardener, recycler and conservationist; skills learnt from his farming childhood. His transport his trusty motorbike and later his bicycle.

Theology remained a lifelong interest and in many ways he was a man ahead of his time. He enjoyed a good discussion and debate on theological topics and was widely read with a good memory for content. He was a wise and thoughtful man thinking deeply about many different topics and issues.

Alex was a passionate activist against injustice and a committed supporter of Amnesty International. He gave generously of his time, his expertise and his money. Ten years ago Amnesty New Zealand awarded him their highest New Zealand honour – the Dove Award. He also served at the Hornby Community Centre and in recent years taught conversational English to Korean women to help them cope in the community.

As a minister Alex took seriously work among children and young people and enjoyed taking Religious Instruction in schools, leading Intermediate age camps, Chaplaincy with Brigade groups and Easter Camp leadership. In retirement he continued this interest by supporting the Mainly Music programme for preschoolers at St Lukes.

Alex died on August 15<sup>th</sup> 2013 after a short illness. We give thanks for a man whose faith remained strong and whose work worn hands told a story of life long Christian service.

# *Alan Charles Webster*

1929 - 2013

Alan was born in 1929, at Cheviot in North Canterbury, the fifth child of Harry and Marjorie Webster. In the words of one of Alan's colleagues, given in an address at his retirement, Alan's life was a story of tensions, beginning with his birth. His mother was from a family that included artists, actors, musicians, ministers, writers and teachers. Before an accident caused the move to Cheviot, the family had been part of the Christchurch Baptist Church in Oxford Tce. His father was one of 14 children from an Irish potato farmer, who valued athletic prowess, rugby, drinking and one or two other things!

When he was two, Alan's family moved from Cheviot to Ashburton and his mother ensured a strict family involvement in the Baptist church there. This was a family living in the days of the depression and struggling often to choose between having coal for the fire or food for rumbling stomachs, with a father who was often without employment. When Alan was 14 the family made a major move to be with other members of the family in Whangarei. In Alan's own words:

"I was a Salvation Army lad, my Gran was an Army preacher, eventually rising to the highest non-commissioned rank. My mother dedicated me to be a teacher or a preacher."

So at 16 in Whangarei, he became an active member of the church youth group in the Baptist church, then at 18 a member of the youth preacher's team, going out regularly, loving to preach in several smaller outlying congregations.

Leaving school at 16 he took up a carpenters apprentice position, whilst figuring out his direction in life. This led into four years at the Baptist college in Auckland, ordination, then pastorates in Tokoroa (using his carpentry skills to lead the building of the church) and then in Pukekohe. But his strong intellect was calling, and he then left for seven years in the U.S.A. pursuing studies which led to advanced degrees in psychology, Divinity and Education. Returning to New Zealand, having been exposed to all the tensions of USA in the sixties he began an appointment with the Education Department at Massey University which lasted 30 years. As Alan said himself, 'how likely was it that a young lad growing up in poverty in Ashburton, would eventually become an associate professor of Education?'

When he returned from the United States, he found he was no longer a 'fit' in the Baptist church. He had been exposed to new theologies, psychology and politics as he experienced America in the sixties. This opened another tension for Alan, that between the traditional conservative theology he had left New Zealand with, and the 'humanistic' thought he experienced whilst away. Back in New Zealand, he was eventually drawn by the Methodist Church's emphasis on social justice and its determination to include 'difference', which included accepting challenging theological thought. He was received into full Connexion in 1976. Controversially, he was a leader in the anti-springbok tour marches in Palmerston North in 1981.

In these later years, Alan served the Church through his passions for preaching and teaching. He believed that theological education for adults should be a central part of the church's education programmes. He was a supervisor for several ministers completing theses, part of on-going research programmes in the life of the Church across several denominations, and was a constant reader and writer in theology and values. Among his many published writings are: "New Zealand Values Today", "The Religious Factor in New Zealand Society", and "What Difference Does It Make? Values and Faith in a Shifting Culture".

Alan had an inspiring intellect and skill with words that he used in service to his God and the people around him, whom he continually hoped would be open to exploring new ideas; he had an enormous energy and a sense of mission and belief that the key question is 'how do we help each other?' In addition to his contributions to students and staff of the education Department at Massey, he used his skills and training to contribute to the active organization of the church and to work with individuals within, and outside of, the church. He challenged and inspired many. Alan leaves three talented daughters and is sadly missed by his loving wife Jan.



# *Francis Henry George Westaway*

1942 - 2012

The second of three children of Reg and Jessie Westaway, Francis was brought up on the family farm at Courtenay, and was educated at both Kirwee and Courtenay Schools. His schooling finished at age 14, when his mother died and he helped his father on the farm. While employed in this way he extended his experience by working in local shearing sheds, and spent his savings on a header so he could engage in contract harvesting. Francis had always had an interest in music, and played with a group at dances and family celebrations.

He married Robyn, a school-teacher in 1966, and his experience of managing farms at Kirwee and Greendale gave him the confidence to look for one of his own. In 1974, with their four children, Francis and Robyn moved to Lawrence – where in addition to his farm he managed three rural mail runs and a motel.

In 1988 when Robyn entered the ministry he added to his employment the busy life of a pastoral worker, supporting his wife. In 1993 he candidated for the diaconate and was ordained at the Auckland Conference in 1996. When he had first considered becoming a candidate he was well aware of his lack of formal education, so at age 50 he studied for two university level theological papers. Part of his training included a CPE course through Knox College, with its added burden of travel and the writing of visit reports. On completion of this course one of his tutors called him “a mystic in gumboots.”

In 1999 Francis and Robyn purchased a hobby ceramic business. This also led him to additional study, and he completed two ceramic teaching certificates. To cope with these demands he made major additions to his home, while still working regular hours on his mail runs. Francis had been a Mason since his Kirwee days, and he retained this involvement at Lawrence, being the secretary and treasurer of his Lodge, and eventually its master. Francis found time, in addition, to work as a trained volunteer with St Johns, and with Budget Advice, and Victim Support – all of these activities fitting in so appropriately with his work as a deacon.

Overseas travel on two occasions gave him the opportunity of following the Wesley historical trail in the UK, and of making contact with Methodist relatives there. His Methodist roots ran deep, being connected with some of the notable Methodist extended families in the area south of Christchurch. The Church had become a more important part in his life while he was at Greendale, during the time of Robert Allan's ministry.

That comment made by his CE tutor could not be more apt. Though, in the company of his ministerial colleagues he was a quiet man, his thinking about his faith went to the heart of the matter. To follow Christ is to do as Christ did, and he followed Christ's great command to ‘love his neighbour as himself’, always, and to the very end.

The Church honours Francis Westway for his active, and practical, and faithful diaconal ministry

*Maurice Wilson*

*Supplementary paper*

## Supplementary Tributes

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### *Barrie Donald Crichton*

1939 – 2013

Barrie Crichton has been a member of Trinity Methodist Church, Howick – Pakuranga for over 30 years. He served as Trinity representative at Conference for many years. Barrie rendered an enormous contribution to the life and ministry of the congregation of Trinity Methodist Church and the Howick Pakuranga parish. In addition Barrie was involved in the Manukau Synod as Trinity's lay representative.

Barrie's contribution in leading the choir at Trinity Methodist Church has been an outstanding piece of ministry. The commitment he had for the church and choir is immeasurable. Every Wednesday evening whether it was rain or sun, Barrie was there at Trinity Church to lead the choir practice. On Sunday's while leading the choir if the organist was not present, Barrie played the organ for the service. In addition Barrie was also the parish steward for many years. His participation and contribution to the meetings were valued so much by the congregation. At times he acted as the secretary of the Leaders Meeting and the Parish Council.

Barrie's life with the Methodist Church goes back to his time at Wesley Church Taranaki Street where he was involved with Drama Christi. He had great joy in talking about his time in Wellington, particularly his work with Wesley Taranaki Street.

In particular Howick Pakuranga parish and Trinity Methodist Church will remember Barrie for his outstanding leadership in reorganising the congregation in the year 2000. When the congregation was split over the issue of ordination of gay and lesbian in the Methodist Church, part of the congregation walked out of Trinity Church to form another church. Barrie was able to give leadership to the remnant of the congregation at Trinity and helped to resurrect the life and witness of Trinity Methodist Church congregation.

Barrie has been a devoted husband to Annette for over 50 years and father to two daughters and a son. Barrie is missed by many in church as well as in the community outside as his voice in choirs other than church impressed many. May he rest in peace with the hope of resurrection.

### *Noeline Nuttall*

1925 – 2013

Noeline was born in Christchurch on 11 August 1925. Her early schooling was in Auckland and then at Nelson Girls' College and Avonside Girls' High School, Christchurch.

As a young person Noeline was involved in Sunday School, Bible Class, Easter camps and Girls' Brigade, in the early days with Shirley Methodist Church. She entered Deaconess House in 1946 to train as a deaconess. The friendships she made here with women like Rona Collins, Grace Clement and Heeni Wharemaru lasted a lifetime. She became an accredited lay preacher in 1947.

Noeline worked at Taranaki St Methodist Church in Wellington and St John's in Ponsonby. She met Roger who was training for the Methodist ministry and they married (after the long engagement required of a probationary minister) in 1950. As a married woman Noeline was required to resign as a deaconess.

Roger's appointments took the couple and their growing family (six daughters and one son) to Kawakawa-Kaikohe, Gonville, Pahiatua and Fairfield. In 1961 Roger lost his status as an ordained minister, something that was restored to him in later life. The family was involved with Melville Methodist Church as the children grew up with Noeline supporting church life in the usual ways

including church cleaning and providing “plates”, women’s fellowship groups, Girls’ Brigade and occasionally preaching as a lay preacher.

In the 1960s Noeline returned to study on a part-time basis and completed a Bachelor of Arts in 1976 (and a Diploma in Women’s Studies a decade later). Her academic work on the status of women in the church as well as the upheaval of the earlier personal experience of the loss of Roger’s ministry contributed to lessen her involvement with the church. She taught at Melville High School from 1976 to 1985 and became increasingly active in the wider community.

Noeline had huge energy and was well-known for her support and advocacy of a range of social service and arts organisations including the Hamilton YWCA, the YWCA meals on wheels, the Hamilton Volunteer Centre and the Hamilton museum and library.

She was a strong advocate for women’s issues and was actively involved in the Women’s Electoral Lobby and as a member of the New Zealand Labour Women’s Council. She had an on-going interest in higher education and served as President of the Waikato University Alumni Association and was a member of Waikato Branch of the Federation of Graduate Women.

From 1989 Noeline served as a Justice of the Peace. She was elected as a Hamilton City councillor from 1986 to 1992. In 1992 she received the Hamilton City Council Award for services as a councillor and in 1992 was made a Member of the British Empire (MBE).

Noeline made a huge contribution to the life of the Hamilton community. She loved people and worked hard to make the world a better place. She maintained contact with many people she had known from the days of her church involvement. She was a woman of great character, compassion and commitment. Those who knew her and loved her give thanks for Noeline’s life.

## *Mori Pickering*

1909 – 2013

‘Aunty Mori’ as she was known to whanau and friends “packed much into her 103 years travelling the world, singing to kings, queens and future queens, yet never once forgetting her tribal roots in Otakau” (Otago Daily Times). She was a direct descendant of prominent chiefs Tairaroa and Karetai on her mother’s side, Raniera Ellison of Taranaki and Edward Weller a European whaler, who built the first European house in Otago. She grew up on the Tairaroa Head and at age 11 went to Te Waipounamu College, Christchurch. At age 18 she joined the Methodist Maori Waiata Choir and it was through the choir that she was able to travel and see the world. In 1935 the choir toured Australia and more than a year later travelled to England and performed at various stops along the way. The journey to the UK took 6 months, but the highlight for her was singing for an 11 year old princess (our present Queen Elizabeth) and her parents.

The choir travelled the country extensively giving concerts and raising funds for the church’s Home and Maori missions. Mori was blessed with a beautiful soprano voice and she was fortunate to sing with many of the greats including leading baritone Inia Te Wiata. But despite a gruelling schedule of travel her faith led her to train as a deaconess. She began her training in Hamilton, worked in New Plymouth and Thames but after her mother died she returned to Otakau to support her whanau.

Aunty Mori was greatly involved in her community and especially the marae at Otakau and was acknowledged by the Upoko of the Otakau runanga for her staunch advocacy for cultural propriety and kaumatua support of her people and in 1990 she received the New Zealand Commemorative Medal for ‘services to her community’. With the whanau we mourn the loss of a grand old lady, a great singer, historian, humanitarian, and woman of faith.

E te whaea, noho ake ra koe i te taha matau o te Matua nui i te rangi, mana ano koe e tiaki, e manaaki, moe mai ra e te whaea, moe mai ra i to moengaroa.

# *Maurice Te Pouri Wilson*

*Died January 2013*

*Te Kaahu Pokere o Tamaki Makaurau  
E kore e ngaro i roto i te hina pouri*

Ko Waikato rāua ko Te Wai o Hua ōna iwi, ko Ngāti Māhanga, Te Akitai, Te Ahiwaru ōna hapū.

In January our revered kaumātua, much loved husband of Moana Ngawaiata, father, nana, uncle and friend was laid to rest in Pukaki Urupa, Mangere. Uncle Maurice as he was affectionately known had a lifelong interest in education as a teacher and mentor to students and colleagues alike. He was passionate about helping Māori, and Māori youth in particular, strive to find their rightful place in the world. Uncle Maurice is remembered fondly by the whānau of Aorere College where he served as teacher and in later years as kaumātua and also by Te Kura Māori o Ngā Tapuwae, a school that he supported strongly in their push for autonomy within the Southern Cross Composite School Campus.

Most importantly Uncle Maurice worked tirelessly for his people. He was a Trustee of Makaurau Marae, he served in various capacities on Makaurau and Pukaki maraes. He was one of those who guided the research for the claim to the Waitangi Tribunal for the Manukau Harbour (WAI 22) and was tireless in his efforts to assist the local iwi pursue justice through both the Crown and the local Council. He worked alongside two former Mayors of Manukau City, Sir Barry Curtis and Len Brown, as kaumātua advisor on many aspects within the Council's domain. He had a presence that commanded respect no matter what the gathering or who his audience were. The crowds from all walks of life who attended his 4 day funeral were a testament to the respect and high regard that marked this man's life journey.

We were privileged to have Uncle Maurice serve the church as Minita-a-Iwi in the South Auckland region, mainly on the Marae of Te Puea, Makaurau and Pukaki as well as administering to the Ngāti Whatua whānau of Orakei, amongst his wife's people. He retired from his church office in the late 1990s due to ill health, but he continued his pastoral work as his health permitted and could often be found working alongside the people that he loved. His tireless devotion to the people was acknowledged in 2002 when he was awarded the Queen's Service Medal (QSM) in the Queen's Birthday Honours List for his contribution to his community.

Nā reira e te rangatira, kua oti tāu mahi i te mata o te whenua. E moe, e moe, Pononga o te Atua e moe!

## Supplementary Tribute

(Continuation from page L-20)

### *Sunnah Rakopurihi Hapi Thompson*

*Died November 2012*

*I lift my eyes to the hills  
But where shall I look for help?  
My help comes from the Lord  
Who has made heaven and earth.*

These first two verses from Psalm 121 were central to Sunnah's life and in everything he attempted and achieved.

Sunnah, a son of Ngati Mahanga Hapu and of Tainui descent lived with his beloved partner of many years, Hine Waitere also of Tainui descent, at Aramiro. There they raised their two respective families along with many mokopuna.

Many people often referred to Sunnah as a 'man of the land'. He was in many respects a 'conservationist' long before the word became popular and was very much aware of ecological issues. He may not have used those same words but would seek the Maori equivalent, 'kaitiaki'.

Throughout his professional working life as a Shearer, Drainlayer, Fencer, Arborist, Machine Operator for Porter Construction, Pig Hunter and Manager of the Aramiro Sheep and Cattle Station, Sunnah was the ultimate professional particularly in his dealings and interactions with people. He was very much a 'man of his time' and encapsulated what being 'rural' meant.

Alongside his professional working life Sunnah served on the following Boards and Committees,

- Kaumatua for Nga Tai Atea School based in Hamilton.
- Board representative for Nga Uri O Mahanga
- Highly respected in the Regional and National Kohanga Reo.
- Kaumatua and Committee member for his Marae, Te Kaharoa, Aramiro.

The Methodist Church of Aotearoa – New Zealand pays tribute to Sunnah for his work as a Minita-a-lwi of Te Taha Maori. He served in this role in the Waikato Rohe. He represented Te Taha Maori o Te Haahi Weteriana on numerous occasions at the Koroneihana Celebrations for the late Queen Te Atairangikaahu and now for her son the current Kingi Tuheitia.

Sunnah was much loved as a Father, Grandfather, Great Grandfather, Uncle, Brother, Nephew and Friend. He will be missed by those who knew and loved him.

E te Rangatira e Sunnah, e kore matou e warewaretia kia koe. E moe i te taha o nga Matua me nga Tipuna.

Haere, haere, haere. Oti atu.

Pai Marie.



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*Record of Service for Retirees*







## *Wallis Franklin Browne*

Wallis Browne, born 19 March 1940

His journey in Christ. He was the third child and only son of Ebenezer Wallis Browne and Jessie Jean Browne (nee MacPhee). Raised in Waiwhetu, Lower Hutt, Wallis has memories of his serving naval officer father from when he himself was about two year of age. The family was closely associated with the local Methodist church, and his father served as Circuit Steward and treasurer for some years, and also as the Boys Brigade Captain attached to Waiwhetu church, which had a thriving Sunday School and Bible class. Wallis remembers also Easter camps held on a farm property on the Wainuimata coast road, and giving his heart to Jesus as a teenager in the 50's. The Lord has never lost his hold on him since then.

A voracious reader, Wallis found school fascinating and coped with learning confidently. His initial plan for a career was directed towards architecture until he became conscious that God was calling him to study for the ministry. He became a member of what was called a Mission Band made of teenagers which conducted services of worship in various churches around the Circuit, and successfully completed the required study to qualify as a local preacher. Enrolled at Victoria University for study towards a Bachelor's degree in Arts which he completed within four years, and included a credit in classical Greek stage 1.

He applied as a candidate for the ministry, and was approved at Circuit and District level, but in the meantime his former fiancée re-joined him and he appeared at Conference as a married man. The shattering truth of the Conference's rejection of his application for training hit him very hard. However shortly thereafter he was contacted by the President Rev. Bob Thornley, who invited him to accept a position as a Home Missionary in Eketahuna because the church had insufficient ministers to fill all the vacancies.

Two years of service there, the second as a pre-college probationer, saw Wallis accepted for Trinity College study. He worked as a school caretaker in Papatoetoe to support his wife and their small daughter for the first year, and then was asked to be a student pastor in Otara while he continued his studies at Trinity. Two more children were brought into the world, and Wallis was ordained at Dunedin conference in 1967, and served briefly on the Faith and Order Committee. The experience of ministry in a new housing area, and including many Samoan worshippers, was richly rewarding.

Sadly, Wallis's marriage broke up and his wife and daughter moved to Australia, leaving Wallis a solo father of two little boys, one of whom was severely deaf from birth. Blessings flow from all manner of circumstances, but a major one was teaming up with his deaf son's teacher. Wallis and Jane remain seriously in love after forty three years, and the arrival of two further offspring. Jane is his rock, and his most useful critic.

There followed 27 years of service in Justice as a probation officer and manager, and he found this challenging and productive, leading to a keen interest in the rehabilitation of the socially outcast. Restructuring of the Public Service saw his job disestablished, and the call came to return to ministry in 2002. Wallis has served since then in Levin, Blenheim and Rotorua and still believes in the farewell comment of the Trinity College Principal, Dr. D O Williams who intoned, " The best is yet to be!"

## *Brian R J Eagle*

Brian candidated for the ministry from the Levin Methodist Church in 1965. He trained at Trinity College 1966-1968 and was ordained in 1971 at the Methodist Church Conference held in Wesley Church, Taranaki Street, Wellington. Brian greatly valued the training he received at Trinity College from Rev Dr D A Williams (Pastoral Studies), Rev Dr J J Lewis (Old Testament Studies), Rev Dr J A Zeisler (New Testament Studies) and Rev J Silvester (Systematic Theology). In 1969 Brian embarked on what was to become forty-four years of ministry serving in ten appointments.

**Te Kuiti 1969-70** Brian was the last resident minister of the Te Kuiti Circuit before it merged with

Otorohanga to become the Te Kuiti-Otorohanga Circuit. In these years he worked alongside Rev Wati Tahere and Sr Betty Yearbury of the Methodist Maori Mission. Besides regular services at Te Kuiti Brian led monthly services at Piopio and Benneydale.

**Tokoroa 1971-73** At this time Tokoroa was a vibrant growing town heading for city status. Brian led services in Whakamaru as well as Tokoroa. A Samoan congregation was part of the circuit. Again Brian worked alongside a Maori Mission appointment, that of John Pihama.

**Christchurch Central Mission and Durham Street Methodist Church 1974-76** The induction service for Brian also marked the amalgamation of the central Mission and Durham Street Church. Brian worked alongside Rev Wilf Falkingham and Ivor Bailey In these years. Brian gained much from workshops led by Drs Howard and Charlotte Clinebell on "Growth Groups" and Prof Glasse on "Stages of Faith" Besides covering a good portion of the pastoral work of the mission and church, Brian also assisted the Life Line director, shared in the alternative worship group at Durham Street's Aldersgate centre, the Central Mission's Young Adults group, and a Durham Street Young Parents group.

**Balmoral-Roskill 1977-83** The first two years of this appointment were with the Dominion Road church at a time when Tongan services were beginning. From 1979 Brian's focus was with the Wesley Mt Roskill Church, where there were young families and an opportunity to work on children's and youth activities. At this time Brian was a member of the Faith and Order Committee of the Methodist Church of New Zealand and convened a task group that produced a resource on the use of inclusive language in the life of the church.

**Wellington South-Lyall Bay Union Parish** This was a particularly community facing-ministry. Brian was chaplain to Methodist and Associated Churches of Christ patients in Wellington Hospital and the Mary Potter Hospital and Hospice in Newtown. Good relationships also developed with the Newtown Union Health Service and the Wellington South Stroke Group. Brian worked alongside Duncan Moore the parish's community worker who spearheaded initiatives such as a local tenants' union. During these years Brian was chairperson to the first Board of Trustees at Wellington High School, the first secondary school to establish a Bicultural Unit.

**CCANZ Field Worker 1990-94** In these years Brian was Wellington based field worker for the Conference of Churches in Aotearoa New Zealand. It was a part-time position with the opportunity to also work alongside Christian World Service in Wellington. This involved visits to congregations of CCANZ member churches as far north as Taranaki and Gisborne, as well as maintaining contact with church leaders in the region. It was a significant ecumenical ministry.

**1992-99 Enabling Ministry Team Te Taha Maori** This involved working alongside other members of the ministry enabling team in assisting with the training of Kaikarakia and Minita-a-iwi. Developing the life of the rohe was also part of the work. This was done through hui and wananga. Team members engaged in the study of theological and practical issues, ably facilitated by Tumuaki Rev Rua Rakena who repeatedly raised the question: "Who is Jesus of Nazareth to us in Te Taha Maori in this age in Aotearoa." Brian's personal response was: "For me Jesus is my prime mentor". This was a part-time position and from 1995-99 Brian was also part-time community worker for the Mokoia Community Association. He moved from Wellington to Rotorua in these years.

#### **2001-09 Rotorua Parish**

Brian assisted in the transition of the Tongan fellowship to form a congregation, and the development of a Fijian Congregation. Tokoroa joined the Rotorua Parish and Brian had responsibilities there. He also supervised the Kawerau Congregation. Brian also conducted services in two of Rotorua's rest homes.

#### **Mid Norfolk Circuit UK 2009-11**

In 2009 Brian took up a position in the British Methodist Church. The Mid Norfolk circuit comprised 14 churches with 3 full-time clergy. Contact with communities was maintained through regular coffee mornings, also lunches in Swaffham. Brian used his leave to visit various places in Britain and Europe. History came alive through these visits.

### **Te Puke-Mt Maunganui Parish 2011-13**

This parish with two elderly congregations meant recognising and developing what it means to be congregations of elderly people. Brian was also involved in services in rest homes and taking communion to elderly shut-in church members. In these years there was a Tongan congregation at the Mount, and another began sharing with the Te Puke congregation.

From 1999-2000 Brian was on extended sick leave following a liver transplant. He is very appreciative of the Superannuation Fund assistance with stipend at this time.

Brian has valued the support of his family throughout his years of ministry. His wife Judith has given great support and encouragement, and their children, Tania, Paul, Aaron and Rua have made a substantial contribution to Brian's ministry.

In his years of ministry Brian has had significant ecumenical involvement. He has given priority to pastoral ministry, especially in local hospitals. Theologically Brian has developed a focus on faith being lived out in a particular context, be that biblical, or in Aotearoa New Zealand, or both at the same time. Relating to community and justice issues has been integral to Brian's understanding of what it is to be Christian. Of recent times he has focused on producing meditations for use in worship and hopes to publish these in some form.

### *Thelma Efford*

Thelma Efford was born and brought up in and around Greymouth, firstly out at Paroa and then later in Blaketown. She went to Paroa School and then to Greymouth High School. Thelma was married to Ken with whom she had three children Carol, Nigel, and Jason. Nigel and Jason continue to live locally with their partners and children, Thelma's four grandsons, Christopher, Ryan, Alexander and Liam. Thelma was widowed in 1998.

Thelma was a prime mover and shaker in the local and regional Playcentre movement of the 1970s and 80s. Her positions of leadership within this time saw the establishment of many centres and oversaw the on-going education and training of the parents involved. Thelma was for a long time the administrator for Marriage Guidance, which was based in Greymouth and covered the whole of the West Coast. She held positions of leadership in primary and secondary schools, Girl Guides, St Johns and other community groups.

Local church positions she has held are Parish Administrator, Parish Treasurer, Parish Council Chairperson, Parish Development Team convenor, Worship Team leader and Women's Fellowship Executive. Since 2000 Thelma has been one of the two paid lay ministers that has been the Greymouth Uniting Parish ministry model. She has had, and continues to have, secretary and treasurer roles with Nelson, Marlborough, West Coast Synod, West Coast JRC, Mawhera Ministers Association and West Coast Uniting Church Council.

Thelma was a member of Tauwi Strategy and Stationing committee for four years and English Speaking Stationing Task Group for two years. She has attended Conferences and Presbyterian Assemblies for several years and has participated in TELM, LAOS and enabler training courses.

Thelma's administration skills are held in awe by those of us who don't have them and can't imagine paying as much attention to detail as she does. Thelma is also held in high regard for her pastoral care of people within the parish. When a need is known, Thelma responds pastorally and helpfully. And even at this time when she is having to withdraw from things because of her health issues it is often with concern expressed for the effect it is having on others rather than for herself. A practical and relational person who will continue to find roles that see her acting out her faith in various ways within the church and community.

## *Robyn Emilie Westaway*

After 26 years as an ordained Methodist Minister and many more as a church member, Robyn has decided it is time to retire from "Official Ministry".

But if you know Robyn like we do you will realise it will only be a formality and it will not mean her life will change at all. She will carry on caring and tending to all those who she comes in contact with.

I suppose you could say Robyn became a Minister by default, Francis didn't feel that he could take on the role when asked, so Robyn was pushed into the role or else the church would have closed (Divine blackmail you could call it!!)

As the church is located in Lawrence a small farming community about 1½ hour's drive South from Dunedin, Robyn was basically on her own (but always had the loving support from Francis)

There are many stories we could tell you about the up's and downs of Ministry but a lot of you will know them already, Robyn carried on through all sorts of trying times but many happy times.

Not everyone can say that they got to officiate at their Daughter's wedding or have the special honour baptising their Grandchildren. The amount of social work that Robyn achieved during her ministry is simply astounding as it was a small community.

Robyn didn't have the resources or congregation to help her out like a lot of big city churches have, so she had to take it all on herself working tirelessly doing everything from victim support to picking up the elderly congregation to take them to church. (It even meant giving the Minister from the Cooperating Parish dinner every second Sunday in the days before her Ministry started officially)

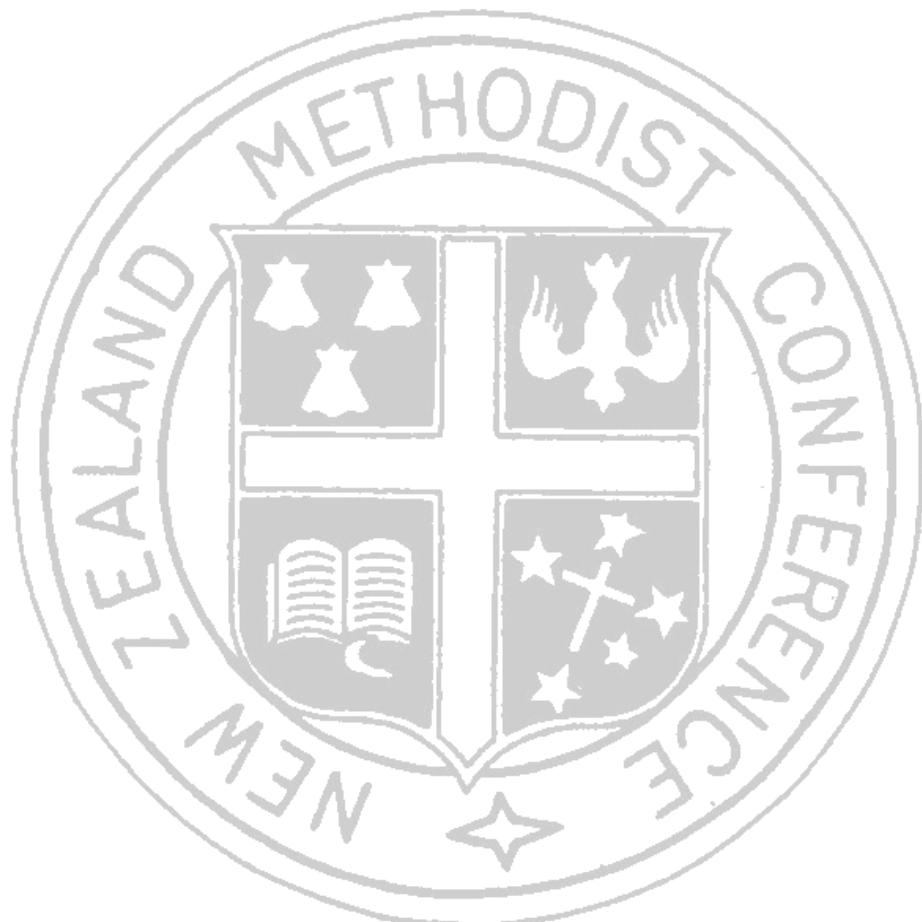
Those of you that know Robyn personally will know that she is a very humble lady who probably doesn't even realise how many lives she has touched and how many people are deeply blessed that she has been part of their lives when they needed her most.

Robyn was there to help when people were at their lowest but was also there right beside them in the good times too, sharing it all right alongside them.

Robyn always said that her calling in ministry was for Lawrence alone, and now that her beloved soul mate has gone she has moved to Christchurch to be closer to her family, so it is now time for her to retire officially "From Ministry". We wish her all the best in whatever she decides to do with her future. We can confidently say that the people in Otago and Southland are a lot better for having her in Ministry and she will be missed but never forgotten.

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Levin Uniting Parish	Presbyterian	2013	0	2	14	45	61	2	2	7	26	37	2	4	21	71	84	15	5	0	19	11	1	27	3	5	0	3	0	1	0	75	0	4	0	75	0	0									
Milson Combined Church	Presbyterian	2013	3	5	9	23	40	6	3	5	12	26	9	8	14	35	66	1	0	0	3	90	0	1	0	1	6	0	2	0	30	0	1	0	30	10	30										
Presbyterian Methodist Parish of Waioa	Presbyterian	2013	0	4	6	26	36	0	2	1	12	15	0	6	7	38	51	0	0	1	1	16	17	4	0	4	8	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	20									
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Waipawa Co-operating Parish	Presbyterian	2013	15	3	19	21	58	15	3	16	13	47	30	6	35	34	105	0	0	1	0	105	0	13	47	60	5	13	0	0	8	1	0	3	2	0	3	1	1	40	3	16	18				
Greytown, Saint Andrews Union Church	Presbyterian	2013	1	1	2	18	22	1	1	0	6	8	2	2	2	24	30	0	0	0	0	200	0	0	18	18	7	0	0	0	8	0	1	0	0	0	0	16	0	1	0	16	14	25			
St Andrews Union Church Featherston	Presbyterian	2013	3	1	5	11	20	1	0	5	3	9	4	1	10	14	29	0	0	0	0	45	0	2	18	20	5	2	0	18	2	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	20	0	12	30		
St James Union Parish Masterton	Presbyterian	2013	0	1	8	48	57	0	2	8	28	38	0	3	16	76	95	0	0	0	0	95	0	0	61	61	5	0	0	28	12	0	0	6	0	2	0	1	0	31	0	3	31	31	72		
Johnsonville Uniting Church	Methodist	2013	6	3	21	41	71	0	2	9	19	30	6	5	30	60	101	9	0	0	4	119	0	56	4	60	6	4	0	56	9	0	2	0	2	0	1	29	1	2	40	29	10	20			
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Tawa Union Parish	Presbyterian	2013	1	7	23	60	91	0	6	17	32	55	1	13	40	92	146	2	0	0	11	252	0	12	88	100	11	35	18	32	11	0	7	4	8	4	5	0	1	20	1	1	48	20	61	146	
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Miramar Uniting Church	Methodist	2013	0	3	13	8	24	2	2	5	4	13	2	5	18	12	37	0	0	0	0	34	0	9	29	38	5	8	6	6	0	6	3	3	1	1	0	1	25	1	3	32	25	20	61		
Upper Hutt Uniting Parish	Methodist	2013	0	0	0	133	133	0	0	0	50	50	0	0	0	183	183	2	0	1	0	68	0	4	94	98	7	13	23	57	14	0	2	6	7	5	14	0	3	1	56	1	5	40	56	100	225
Kapiti Uniting Parish	Methodist	2013	17	4	27	142	190	5	1	13	61	80	22	5	40	203	270	2	1	0	0	113	0	7	145	152	17	14	0	48	10	0	8	7	1	1	1	0	1	30	1	4	40	30	80	130	
Hataitai Kilbirnie Co-operating Parish	Anglican	2013	36	32	28	23	119	25	25	30	10	90	61	57	58	33	209	3	1	2	0	264	0	10	45	55	10	23	15	43	9	1	9	2	6	9	9	0	2	1	54	1	4	48	54	53	126
St Matthew's Brooklyn Joint Parish Anglican Methodist Presbyterian	Anglican	2013	3	8	3	13	27	1	3	4	4	12	4	11	7	17	39	2	0	0	0	141	0	4	25	29	8	2	0	5	3	1	0	0	0	2	0	1	8	1	1	40	8	7	14		
Union Parish of Pictou	Methodist	2013	0	0	3	22	25	0	1	1	10	12	0	1	4	32	37	0	0	0	75	0	0	23	23	5	0	0	1	10	1	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	12	0	1	0	12	17	24	
Buller Union Parish	Methodist	2013	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Greymouth District Uniting	Methodist	2013	0	1	10	27	38	0	1	3	12	16	0	2	13	39	54	0	0	0	125	0	0	37	37	6	0	0	14	2	0	0	4	0	0	0	1	0	40	0	2	0	40	35	75		
New Brighton Union	Methodist	2013	0	0	3	9	12	0	1	0	4	5	0	1	3	13	17	0	0	0	50	0	0	14	14	7	0	0	0	7	1	3	1	1	0	0	1	0	41	0	3	0	41	18	70		
Oxford District Union Parish	Methodist	2013	3	2	7	29	41	1	1	2	17	21	4	3	9	46	62	3	0	0	80	0	9	27	36	9	9	0	6	14	0	7	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	0	2	0	20	20	20	
Linwood Avenue Union Church	Methodist	2013	2	8	4	27	41	4	8	2	7	21	6	16	6	34	62	1	0	0	100	0	8	50	58	7	46	71	14	7	0	5	16	6	3	0	6	1	8	1	2	40	8	50	100		
Port Hills Uniting Parish	Presbyterian	2013	0	0	6	50	56	0	0	4	26	30	0	0	10	76	86	0	0	0	143	0	0	40	40	5	0	0	12	17	0	2	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	40	0	1	0	40	12	0	
St Albans Uniting Parish	Presbyterian	2013	0	0	5	30	35	0	0	0	15	15	0	0	5	45	50	2	0	0	99	0	10	42	52	10	10	0	42	9	0	17	0	0	0	1	0	1	20	1	1	40	20	6	90		
Kaipoi Co-op Parish Methodist - Presbyterian	Presbyterian	2013	1	1	5	28	35	2	1	4	8	15	3	2	9	36	50	0	0	0	126	0	0	50	50	6	0	0	15	9	0	10	1	0	0	1	1	14	1	2	48	14	40	100			
Eilemere Cooperating Parish - Methodist/Presbyterian	Methodist	2013	3	10	32	24	69	1	8	22	10	41	4	18	54	34	110	1	2	5	0	12	0	20	90	110	10	20	12	80	12	1	5	3	3	8	0	1	0	1	0	40	0	24	80		
Malvern Co-operating Parish	Methodist	2013	0	0	6	32	38	0	0	9	16	25	0	0	15	48	63	2	0	0	150	0	0	43	43	8	0	10	8	0	8	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	38	0	30	36			
St Davids Union Church Marchiel	Methodist	2013	0	0	9	25	34	0	0	2	16	18	0	0	11	41	52	0	0	0	11	0	2	29	31	5	0	0	10	0	2	8	1	0	2	0	0	20	0	1	0	20	10	20			
Brockville Co-operating Parish	Presbyterian	2013	11	4	8	7	30	6	4	2	2	14	17	8	10	9	44	0	0	0	1	300	0	9	20	29	5	9	20	8	0	0	8	2	0	1	9	1	2	40	9	20	40				
Tokomairiro Co-operating Parish	Methodist	2013	0	1	8	30	39	0	1	6	12	19	0	2	14	42	58	0	0	0	80	0	6	40	46	10	4	0	8	5	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	24	0	2	0	24	25	50			
Alexandra Clyde Lauder Union Parish	Methodist	2013	0	1	16	72	89	0	0	17	36	53	0	1	33	108	142	0	0	0	229	0	0	68	68	5	4	0	5	18	0	20	1	6	0	0	2	1	0	1	0	48	0	20	36		
Teviot Union	Methodist	2013	2	1	12	20	35	0	0	7	5	12	2	1	19	25	47	5	0	0	47	0	0	22	22	6	42	12	0	10	1	0	1	0	0	3	0	2	0	10	0	1	0	10	6	6	
Riverton Union Parish	Methodist	2013	0	2	20	39	61	0	1	8	22	31	0	3	28	61	92	0	0	0	220	0	1	29	30	5	7	21	10	7	0	10	3	7	3	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	30	100			

**COOPERATING AND UNION PARISHES**  
**Supplementary Report**  
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Year	Church of Oversight	Female to 25	Female 26 to 45	Female 46 to 65	Total female	Male to 25	Male 26 to 45	Male 46 to 65	Total male	Total to 25	Total 26 to 45	Total 46 to 65	Total over 65	Grand total	Children under 13	Dedications	Adult	Confirmations	Persons Under Pastoral Care	Households in Mission	Children under 13	Adults	Totals	Number of Worship Events	Under 13	13 to 17	Adults	Parish Councilors	Lay Pastors	Other Pastoral Workers	Lay Preachers	Worship Leaders	Youth Leaders	Sunday School Teachers	LSM Team Members	Administrative Staff	Paid Full Time	Paid Part Time	Paid Full Time	Paid Part Time	Weekly Volunteers	Weekly Volunteer Hours				
2013	Presbyterian	2	1	6	19	28	2	1	6	7	16	4	2	12	26	44	1	2	1	25	0	10	48	58	11	15	15	29	14	4	7	7	7	4	3	0	4	1	0	1	0	40	0	9	18	
2013	Methodist	1	1	3	17	22	2	0	4	14	20	3	1	7	31	42	2	0	5	44	0	1	25	26	12	14	0	0	8	0	0	3	0	1	5	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	12		
2013	Presbyterian	3	6	13	20	42	0	6	7	10	23	3	12	20	30	65	2	2	3	100	0	13	68	81	10	4	16	12	0	1	6	2	4	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	48	207		
2013	Presbyterian	8	8	11	11	38	2	5	4	9	20	10	13	15	20	58	1	0	0	5	0	16	54	70	5	16	2	52	8	0	3	3	0	3	0	0	1	4	1	2	48	4	19	74		
2013	Methodist	4	7	24	49	84	2	5	17	21	45	6	12	41	70	129	1	0	0	526	0	9	69	78	11	111	21	38	10	0	28	3	3	5	4	0	4	2	34	2	96	34	135	536		
2013	Presbyterian	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
2013	Methodists	0	0	7	22	29	0	7	10	17	0	0	14	32	46	0	0	0	0	40	0	10	10	4	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2013	Presbyterian	0	1	3	26	30	0	1	18	19	0	1	4	44	49	0	1	0	129	0	1	33	34	4	0	0	0	0	8	0	4	0	0	0	1	0	10	0	2	5	10	15	36			
2013	Presbyterian	1	2	9	17	29	0	6	9	15	1	2	15	26	44	0	0	0	60	0	3	24	27	6	3	0	22	7	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	40	0	12	20		
2013	Presbyterian	2	2	14	14	32	2	1	7	12	22	4	3	21	26	54	0	0	150	0	2	26	28	6	0	25	16	10	0	0	0	0	0	5	4	0	4	0	3	0	4	10	30			
2013	Anglican	5	5	4	10	24	5	2	7	19	10	10	6	17	43	0	0	0	3	0	12	18	30	5	10	0	12	0	12	0	2	0	2	0	2	0	0	1	0	2	0	1	8	10		
2013	Anglican	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	46	46	0	0	46	46	2	0	0	10	0	1	21	22	6	0	0	0	6	1	0	0	4	0	2	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	6	10			
2013	Presbyterian	0	1	14	20	35	1	5	11	18	1	2	19	31	53	0	0	0	139	0	0	32	32	4	0	0	35	11	0	3	2	0	0	0	0	20	0	1	0	20	25	45				
2013	Mangapapa Union Parish	8	40	20	40	108	12	25	23	20	80	20	65	43	60	188	0	3	5	200	0	40	169	209	12	40	30	90	11	1	0	8	5	4	7	0	1	1	30	1	3	50	30	180	1700	
2013	St Lukes Union Parish Masterton	0	1	19	96	116	1	14	51	67	1	2	33	147	183	0	0	0	299	0	4	108	112	5	3	0	0	20	0	39	5	4	0	1	0	1	4	1	1	40	4	90	185			
2013	Hutt City Uniting Congregations	52	39	70	199	360	44	31	51	87	213	96	70	121	286	573	12	2	1	665	0	51	319	370	49	87	39	145	75	4	53	34	53	9	35	3	1	2	28	2	3	68	28	166	384	
2013	Kapiti Uniting Parish	17	4	27	142	190	5	13	61	80	22	5	40	203	270	2	1	0	113	0	7	145	152	17	14	0	48	10	0	8	7	1	1	1	0	1	1	30	1	4	40	30	80	130		
2013	St Matthews Brooklyn Joint Parish Anglican Methodist Presbyterian	3	8	3	13	27	1	3	4	12	4	11	7	17	39	2	0	0	141	0	4	25	29	8	2	0	5	3	1	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	1	8	1	1	40	8	7	14		
2013	Motueka Uniting Parish	0	0	5	50	55	0	1	23	24	0	0	6	73	79	0	0	0	127	0	2	46	48	5	2	0	55	10	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	40	0	45	260			
2013	Tokomairiro Co-operating Parish	0	1	8	30	39	0	1	6	12	19	0	2	14	42	58	0	0	80	0	6	40	46	10	4	0	8	5	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	24	0	2	0	24	25	50				
2013	Teviot Union	2	1	12	20	35	0	7	5	12	2	1	19	25	47	5	0	0	47	0	0	22	22	6	42	12	0	10	1	0	1	0	3	0	2	0	10	0	1	0	10	6	6			
2013	Otairara Community Church	0	14	10	8	32	0	13	10	4	27	0	27	20	12	59	0	0	81	0	9	44	53	5	9	5	21	10	1	5	6	4	1	4	0	1	0	48	0	2	0	48	45	74		



## **DECISIONS**

### **2013 CONFERENCE**

### **WESELY COLLEGE MANUKAU**

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The Methodist Church of New Zealand  
Te Hāhi Weteriana O Aotearoa

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**QUESTION 1: Who Are Members of this Conference?**

**(a & b)** Presbyters and Deacons in Full Connexion with the Conference, Probationers and Ministers of other denominations who are appointed to Union and Co-operating Parishes or other Co-operative Ventures serving with the Conference and whose names are printed in the Reports on pages 15.

Representatives: As printed in the Reports, pages 17, together with such substitutes and additional Representatives as shall be advised by the Synod Superintendent of each Synod and are recorded in the Journal.

**QUESTION 2: What members from other Conferences and Churches are associated with this Conference?**

Those listed in the Reports on pages 16 and 20 together with any additions or deletions as recorded in the Journal.

**QUESTION 3: What candidates are now received for training?**

**(a) Deacons:**

**(b) Presbyters:**

**QUESTION 4: Who continues in training for ordained ministry?**

**(a) Deacons:**

**(b) Presbyters:**

Hui Young Han First year (English Speaking Ministry)

**QUESTION 5: Who are stationed by Conference as Probationers?**

**(a) Deacons:**

Ruta Galo First year (Diaconal Training)

**(b) Presbyters:**

Melema'u Molitika	First year (English Speaking Ministry)
Ieremia Amituana'i	First year (English Speaking Ministry)
Joeli Ducivaki	First year (Fijian Ministry)
Finau Halaleva	First year (Tongan Ministry)
Alivereti Uludole	First year (Fijian Ministry)
Hosea Tupou	Second year (English Speaking Ministry)
'Ilaisaane (Saane) Langi,	Second year (English Speaking Ministry)
Kalolo Fihaki	Second year (Tongan Ministry)
Kuli Fisi'iahi	Second year (English Speaking Ministry)
Manoa Havea	Second year (English Speaking Ministry)
Neti Petaia	Second year (English Speaking Ministry)
Tania Shackleton	Second year (English Speaking Ministry)
Abhishek Solomon	Second year (English Speaking Ministry)
Rupeni Balawa	Second year (Fijian Ministry)
Mele Foata Tu'ipulotu	Second year (Tongan Speaking)
Nehilofi 'E Moala 'Aholelei	Third year (Tongan Speaking)
Sione Lea'aetoa	Third year (Tongan Speaking)

**QUESTION 6: Who are now admitted as Presbyters or Deacons in Full Connexion with the Conference?**

**Those who have completed their training?**

**(a) Deacon(s):**

**(b) Presbyter(s):**

Suresh Chandra  
Tevita Finau  
Sunia Ha'unga  
David Palelei  
Makeleta Tu'uhoko

**(c) from another Church?**

Freddy De Alwis  
Marilyn Welch

**QUESTION 7: Who are now ordained Deacon or Presbyter?**

**(a) Deacon(s):**

**(b) Presbyter(s):**

Suresh Chandra  
Tevita Finau  
Sunia Ha'unga  
David Palelei  
Makeleta Tu'uhoko

**QUESTION 8: What Minita-a-iwi:**

**(a) are received as candidates?**

**(b) continue in training?**

Gillian Laird  
Joanne Flay  
Piripi Rakena  
Tamati Rakena  
Terry Ryan  
Thomas Waaka

**(c) have completed their training?**

**(d) have been removed?**

**QUESTION 9:**

**(a) What Deacon(s) is reinstated into Full Connexion?**

None

**(b) What Presbyter(s) is reinstated into Full Connexion?**

None

**QUESTION 10:**

**(a) What Deacon(s) now cease to be recognised as in Full Connexion with the Conference?**

None

**(b) What Presbyter(s) now cease to be recognised as in Full Connexion with the Conference?**

Ian Hanley (term of service from Anglican Church concluded)  
Alan Judge (term of service under Mutuality of Ministry from Presbyterian Church NZ concluded)  
Rachael Judge (term of service under Mutuality of Ministry from Presbyterian Church NZ concluded)  
Marilyn Welch (term of service from Anglican Church concluded 31 January 2013)  
Tom Waight (term of service under Mutuality of Ministry from Presbyterian Church of NZ has concluded)

**(c) What Presbyter(s) now cease to be recognised as a Probationer with the Conference?**

None

**(d) What Deacon(s) now cease to be recognised as a Probationer with the Conference?**

None

**(e) What students have discontinued their training?**

**(f) What Presbyter(s) have been received as Associate of Synod?**

Stephen Tema (Manukau Synod) (from PCANZ)  
David Ahn (Auckland Synod) (from Methodist Church of Korea)  
Mike Ashburner (Auckland Synod) ( from Methodist Church of Southern Africa)  
Jan Calvert (Waikato-Waiariki Synod) (from PCANZ)  
Julius Davis (Nelson-Marlborough-West Coast Synod) from United Methodist USA )



Jeong Whan Lee (Auckland Synod) (from Methodist Church of Korea)  
Marilyn Loken (Nelson-Marlborough-West Coast Synod) (from United Methodist USA)  
Eunshin Park (Auckland Synod) (from Methodist Church of Korea)  
Don Pilgrim (Central South Island Synod) ( from Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia)  
Gordon Watson (Otago-Southland Synod) (From Uniting Church of Australia)  
Dong Jin Park (Auckland Synod) (from Methodist Church of Korea)

**QUESTION 11: What appointments are authorised to provide remuneration at a rate less than Standard Stipend?**

**A.** For full-time or part-time Local Ministries (with no remuneration) with Ministry Covenant (*all part time unless otherwise stated*)

**(a) Deacon(s):**

Dianne C Hight

**(b) Presbyter(s):**

Mosese Manukia  
Hiueni Nuku  
Holakitu'akolo Paea  
Barbara Peddie  
'Inoke Siulangapo  
Molia Tu'ipulotu  
Nehilofi E'Moala' Aholelei  
Kalolo Fihaki  
Sunia Ha'unga  
Sione Lea'aetoa  
Makeleta Lute Pole  
Tevita Finau  
Limu Isaia  
Mele Foata Tu'ipulotu  
Alivereti Uludole  
Joeli Ducivaki

**B.** For part-time ministries (remuneration pro rata) with a Ministry Covenant:

**(a) Lay Ministers:**

Lyn Heine (Greymouth)  
Lyndon Weggery (Teviot)  
Steve Harrix (Otatara)  
Morvan Sidal (Marchwiell)

**(b) Deacon(s):**

Margaret Birtles  
Valma E Hallam  
Megan Alley

**(c) Presbyter(s):**

Ian Boddy  
Maureen Calman  
Andrew Donaldson  
Joanne Durrant  
Mark Gibson  
Setaita Kinahoi Veikune  
John Meredith  
Rod Mitchell  
Kepu Moa  
David Palelei  
Simote Taunga  
Susan Thompson  
Paul Tregurtha  
Jill van de Geer

Gillian Woodward  
Tony Bell  
Jan Fogg  
Marilyn Welch  
Kathryn Walters  
Andrew Gamman  
Margaret Hall  
Alisa Lasi  
Tau Lasi  
Paul Prestidge  
Ilaitia Sevati Tuwere  
Suiva'aia Teo

**QUESTION 12: What Deacon(s) or Presbyter(s) is transferred to, or is now exercising ministry in, another Conference or Church, whether overseas or in New Zealand, and has the right to return to the Conference on the completion of service with that Conference or Church?**

**(a) Deacon(s):**

None

**(b) Presbyter(s):**

Andrew R Ferguson (Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand)

Neil Keesing (Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand)

Nigel Hanscamp (Uniting Church of Australia)

Jan Fogg (Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand)

**QUESTION 13: What Deacon(s) or Presbyter(s) has been received from another Conference or Church this year?**

**(a) Deacon(s):**

None

**(b) Presbyter(s):**

None

**QUESTION 14: What are the decisions of Conference on Disciplinary matters?**

**(a) Which are required to be reported to the Conference?**

None

**(b) Which have been processed during the preceding year, under the Disciplinary Code?**

None

**QUESTION 15: For what Deacon(s) or Presbyter(s) is there no appointment available?**

**(a) Deacon(s):**

**(b) Presbyter(s):**

Alan Webster

Suiva'aia Teo (1/2 time from 1 July 2014)

**QUESTION 16: What Deacon(s) or Presbyter(s) are not available for stationing this year? (all ministries recorded under this question shall have prepared a Ministry Covenant)**

**(a) Deacon(s):**

**(i) Chaplaincies and other ministries**

Shirley-Joy Barrow, Assoc Member NZAC

**(ii) Other**

**(b) Presbyter(s):**

**(i) Chaplaincies and other Ministries**

Sandra Gibbons, Auckland Deaf Ministry  
Anne Griffiths, BTheol (Auck), Dip Counselling (BCNZ) Hospital Chaplain, Whakatane  
Greg Hughson, MSc, BD, Ecumenical Tertiary Chaplain, Otago University  
Tavake Manu, Ecumenical Chaplain, Burnham Military Camp  
Ali'itasi Aoina Salesa, Head of Life and Faith, Wesley College  
Paul R Trebilco, BSc(Hons), BD, PhD, Professor of Theology, Department of Theology and Religion, Otago University  
Uesifili Unasa, MA (Auck), BD (Otago), McLaurin Chaplain, University of Auckland  
Lynne Wall, BA, BD, PhD (Police Chaplain – Counties-Manukau District)  
'Eveli Taungapeau MNZM, LTh(Aotearoa) BTheol (Melbourne) D.Min (San Francisco) Hospital Chaplain, Waitemata  
Ian Faulkner, Principal Wesley College  
Mark Gibson (Central South Island Synod)  
Mary Caygill (Central South Island Synod)  
Alan Webster (Central South Island Synod)

**(ii) Other**

Lindsay E Cumberpatch, BA, LTh, Chief Executive, Bryant Trust (Hamilton)  
Ruth Sandiford-Phelan  
Siosaia Tamata'ane Tupou  
Ian MacLeod  
David Rollinson  
Alison Cable, BTheol (Auck)  
Hausia 'i Moana Taufu'i

**QUESTION 17: What Deacon(s), Presbyter(s) and Stationed Lay Ministers retire at this Conference?**

**(a) Stationed Lay Ministers:**

Thelma Efford

**(b) Deacons**

**(c) Presbyters:**

Paul Sinclair (1 February 2013)  
Robyn Westaway  
Brian Eagle  
Wallis Browne

**QUESTION 18: What Deacons and Presbyters continue in retirement?**

**(a) Deacons (Deaconesses):**

David Bryant	Stan Hunt
Margaret Bryant	Jean I McInnes, MBE
Raewyn Cubin	Malcolm McLeod
R Harvey Dalton	Rita Reid
Edna E Evans	Rachel Tregurtha
Brenda Fawkner	Piula A Unasa-Su, QSM, JP
June Fuller	Richard Williams
June L Gibson	
Lorna Goodwin	
B June Higham	

**(b) Presbyters:**

Abbott, Bryant S L	Ansell, David H	Bowen, Lewis A, DipRE
Abbott, William K	Astley, H Mary	Brookes, Norman, MA (Hons)
Abernethy, Gordon, Dip Tchg, Dip Soc Sci	Baker, Frederick J K	Bruce, Jean, LTh, B Theol
Alexander, Roy	Baker, Marcia J	Burnett, Margaret E, BSc, Dip Appl, Soc Sc
Allan, Robert	Barnes, Stanley, BA (Rhodes)	Cable, Wilfred J
Ambler, Mavis	Bell, G Basil W	Chandler, Clive
Ancrum, Audrey P	Bennett, Trevor L	Chessum, William A, Mus B
Andrews, Robert S	Bilverstone, John	Clarke, Edwin B., BD Hns (Melb),
	Blundell, Warren	

MA, Dip Mgmt  
 Clarke, Ian L, ACA  
 Clarke, Lois R H, BA, LTCL  
 Cooper, Desmond, BA  
 Corlett, Ashley, LTh  
 Dargaville, B Anne  
 Dickinson, Mervyn, BA, BD, PhD  
 Dine, Mervyn L  
 Donald, Margaret, Dip PTheol  
 Dye, Michael  
 Dymond, Michael  
 Egli, Bruno  
 Elderton, William, LTh, MA,  
 DipNZLS, ANZIA  
 Elphick, Doris, DipTheol (Otago)  
 Ferguson, I W Les, LTh, STh  
 Garner, Edna J, Cert Ed  
 George, Norma  
 Gibson, Loyal J  
 Gilbert, Wilfred S  
 Goreham, Norman J, BA(B'ham),  
 BD(Lond)  
 Goudge, Stanley R, BA  
 Grant, Stuart B.A.,LL.B. (Akl), L.Th.  
 (Hons.)  
 Greer, Michael, LTh  
 Gust, Warwick, BA, BD (Melb)  
 Guthardt, Dame Phyllis M, DBE,  
 MA, PhD(Camb), HonD(Waik),  
 Hon.LL.D (Cant)  
 Hall, Margaret, BA, DipTheol, ACM  
 Hammond, George M  
 Hanson, E Francis I, BA, BD.  
 TheolM, DTheol (Fellow of Trinity  
 College)  
 Harkness, Barry, BA, BD  
 Hawkey, Graham  
 Heppelthwaite, Ernest  
 Herbert, C Brice  
 Hey, Roger J E  
 Hopner, Elizabeth, SRN, BTheol  
 Hornblow, Maxwell A  
 Horrill, C Seton  
 Jackson-Campbell, Michael  
 Jacobson, Patricia M, BA, LTh  
 James, Russell E  
 Jamieson, Colin G, Dip RE (Melb)

Jones, Barry E, BA  
 Kane, Graham  
 Kerr, Jessie, Cert Theol  
 Kitchingman, Henry W  
 Laws, Derek G, FCA, ACIS  
 Leadley, Alan, MA BD  
 Loader, Vilma, MA (Hons), LTh, Cert  
 Comm Psych Care (Otago)  
 McIver, Graeme MA  
 McNicol, Derek  
 Manu'atu, Lisiate  
 Marshall, C Russell  
 Meredith, John  
 Miller, Barbara I  
 Millar, Anne, LTh  
 Moala, Taniela, LTh, DipRE  
 Mullan, David S, MA, Dip Ed  
 Neal, Barry W MA, DipEd  
 Nesbit, John B  
 Newman, Alan, MA (Hons)  
 Noa, Nomani  
 Osborn, Beverley, MA, DipTheol,  
 Cert Soc Wk  
 Osborne, John H, MA  
 Peterson, Brian, LTh, DipMin  
 Peterson, Marion BTheol (Melb)  
 Phillippis, Donald J, BA, BD (Fellow  
 Trinity College)  
 Pratt, David  
 Prince, Don  
 Pullar, Beverley  
 Rakena, Ruawai D, BA  
 Richards, Gillian  
 Rigby, Russell  
 Roberts, John, BA, LTh, DipCrim  
 (Hons)  
 Rogers, Douglas I LLB(Hons),  
 BD(Hons), MTh  
 Rosewell, Wendie  
 Rushton, Percy P, BA, BD  
 Russell, Kenneth H  
 Salmon, John MA(Hons),  
 ThM(Princeton), PhD, LTh(Hons),  
 STh(Hons), CA, ACIS, Fellow of Trinity  
 College  
 Schroeder, Leonard P BA, BD(Melb)

Sedon, Ashley, LTh (Hons), BTP  
 Short, Robert D  
 Sinclair, Paul  
 Slinn, Stuart G  
 Smith, G Clive, LTh  
 Smith, Kenneth, LTh  
 Springett, Margaret, LTh  
 Stead, Peter A, BA  
 Stephens, Barbara, BSociol  
 Stephenson, Anne, LTh, Cert  
 Christian Min, SRN  
 Stroobant, Tony, LTh, MA(Hons),  
 PhD  
 Stubbs, David G  
 Taufa, Samiuela  
 Tauroa, Lane M, BA  
 Taylor, Keith, BA  
 Taylor, Kerry, BA, Dip Ed  
 Taylor, Philip F  
 Thornicroft, Neville  
 Tucker, Geoffrey  
 Tugia, A Fa'aoso  
 Turner, Brian, MA (Hons), Dip RE  
 (Melb)  
 Ungemuth, Shirley  
 Upson, Alan, LTh  
 Vickers, Ralph, LTh, ACM  
 Wakeling, Douglas  
 Waaka, Napi, OBE  
 Wallace, William L, BA, DipEd  
 Watkin, Gillian  
 Wedding, P Joan  
 West, Norman  
 West, Peter  
 West, Stan  
 Whaley, Graham H BA, BD, Cert  
 Tchg  
 White, Graeme R, LTh  
 Wicks, Raymond G  
 Woodfield, Frank H  
 Woodley, Alan K, BA  
 Wright, Jack  
 Yasa, Mikaele  
 Zanders, Gloria BTheol (Melb)

**QUESTION 19: What Deacons, Minita-a-iwi and Presbyters have died since last Conference?**

**(a) Deacons / Deaconess:**

Francis Westaway  
 Mori Pickering  
 Noeline Nuttall

**(b) Minita-a-iwi:**

Wiremu Waiomio  
 Sunnah Thompson  
 Maurice Wilson

**(c) Presbyters:**

Kilifi Heimuli  
 Edward Boyd  
 Evan Lewis  
 Alan C Webster  
 Edward (Ted) Baker

Langi'ila Uasi  
 Gillian Telford  
 Hughan Craig  
 Heremia (Henry) Pate  
 Arthur Dickie  
 Alexander (Alex) Watson  
 Trevor Shepherd (Tribute at Conference 2014)

**QUESTION 20: What Laypersons who have given leadership in the Conference have died since last Conference?**

**(a) Taha Maori:**

**(b) Taiwi:**

Graeme Harris  
 Veronica Lowe  
 Freeman Raine (Tribute at Conference 2014)  
 Barrie Crichton  
 Ruth Le Couteur  
 Alison Beeston  
 Malvern (Mal) Lloyd (Tribute at Conference 2014)

**QUESTION 21: (a) Are there any congregations where, for imperative pastoral considerations, others than Presbyters should have authority to administer the Sacraments?**

**(b) Who are now given special authority to administer the Sacraments?**

**(a) Congregations**

**(b) Those Licensed**

**Taiwi**

The Connexion

Jan Tasker

Northland Synod

Rowan Smiley

Northland Synod

Rosalie Gwilliam (CTN Chairperson)

Bay of Islands

Ann Pearson

Bay of Islands

Beverley Mullan

Dargaville

Bill Simpkin

Dargaville

Kuli Fisi'iahi (Probationer)

Kerikeri

Jan Gough

North Hokianga

Peter Hick

South Hokianga

John Askew (additional to Local Presbyter)

St John's, Whangarei

Marion Green

Mahurangi

Abhishek Solomon (Probationer)

East Coast Bays

Win (Winston) Davies (Waiake)

East Coast Bays

Margaret Smith (Waiake)

East Coast Bays

Don Wigglesworth (All Hallows)

Auckland Central Parish

Ilaisaane (Saane) Langi (Probationer)

Auckland Central Parish

Rupeni Balawa (Probationer)

Fiji Indian Fellowship

Balchand Karan

Rotuman Fellowship

Susau Strickland

Great Barrier Island

Maurice Handisides

Manukau Synod

Andrea Williamson (Police Chaplaincy)

Avondale

Hosea Tupou (Probationer)

Papakura

Derek Kruger

Mangere Otahuhu

Sua Vili

Auckland Manukau Tongan

Moi Kaufononga

Auckland Manukau Tongan

Mafua Lolohea

Auckland Manukau Tongan

'Uha'one Metuisela

Auckland Manukau Tongan

Sione Lea'aetoa (Probationer)

Auckland Manukau Tongan

Nehilofi 'E Moala 'Aholelei (Probationer)

Auckland Manukau Tongan

Kalolo Fihaki (Probationer)

Auckland Manukau Tongan

Mele Foeata Tu'ipulotu (Probationer)

Auckland Manukau Tongan

Finau Halaleva (Probationer)

Devonport	Tania Shackelton (Probationer)
Trinity United Parish	John Watson
Mt Maunganui Tongan	Siale Fotu
St Paul's Tongan, Hamilton	Sekope Moli
St John's Tongan, Hamilton	Sione Molitika
Ohura Methodist	Hazel Wilson
Rotorua	Ieremia Amituana'i (Probationer)
Tokoroa Samoan	Mailata Etuale Maua'i
Lower North Island Synod	Tom Thompson
Lower North Island Synod	Margie Bishop
Lower North Island Synod	Brenda Fawkner
Lower North Island Synod	Shirley-Joy Barrow
Ngaio Uniting Parish	Russell Pitt
Upper Hutt Uniting Congregations	Ronnie Aldersley
Kapiti Uniting Congregations	Murray Hill
Manawatu Regional Church	Helen Starck
Manawatu Regional Church	Sydney Easton
Manawatu Regional Church	Barbara Little
Manawatu Regional Church	Lindsay Taylor
Napier-Hastings Tongan	Fatongia 'Ofa
North Taranaki Methodist Parish	Manoa Havea (Probationer)
Palmerston North Tongan	Saia Fia
Patea Co-operating	John Hill
Gisborne Samoan	Oka leti
Mangapapa Union	Stewart Patrick
Mangapapa Union	Andrew Russell
Mangapapa Union	Marty Watson
Mangapapa Union	Rodney Judd
Levin Tongan	Siela Fakavale Nau
Upper Hutt Tongan	Sione Na'a Sina
Blenheim	Maureen Joyce
Blenheim Tongan	Piutau Moli
Nelson, Marl, West Coast Synod	David Martin
Greymouth Uniting	Thelma Efford
Greymouth Uniting	Lyn Heine
Reefton Union	Frances Hunter
Reefton Union	Anne Gillespie
Beckenham	Melema'u Molitika (Probationer)
Christchurch North	Neti Petaia (Probationer)
Rangiora (Rest Homes)	Rachel Tregurtha
St David's Marchweil	Morven Sidal
Oamaru Union	Frances Oakes
Waimate	Christine Bailey
Dunedin Tongan	Palanite Taungapeau
Teviot Union	Lyndon Weggery
Riverton Union	Nola Stuart
Riverton Union	Ernest Willis
Otatara Community Church	Steve Harrex
Alexandra-Clyde-Lauder Union	Alan Graves

**Te Taha Maori**

Tai Tokerau	Sonny Livingstone
Tai Tokerau	Winiata Morunga
Tai Tokerau	Keita Hotere
Tamaki	Kiri Haretuku
Tamaki	Lana Lazarus
Tamaki	Arapera (Bella ) Ngaha
Tamaki	Jim Rauwhero
Waikato	John Kopa
Waikato	Marangai Tupaea
Te Rohe Potae	Solomon Nelson
Te Rohe Potae	Barney Winikerei

Taranaki  
Taranaki  
Taranaki  
Taranaki  
South Island

Jim George  
Syd Kershaw  
Jim Ngarewa  
Barry Whakaruru

**QUESTION 22:**

- (a) Does the Conference sanction the amalgamation, division or naming of any Synod, Parish.**

8050 Sumner Redcliffs Lyttelton Union Parish and Mt Pleasant Presbyterian Parish to form the Port Hills Uniting Parish.

7530 Lotofale'ia Mangere Tongan Congregation from the Auckland Manukau Tongan Parish to form the Lotofale'ia Mangere Tongan Methodist Parish.

- (b) What other Agreements affecting Parishes and/or Use of Buildings are approved by Conference?**

- (c) What covenant relationships has the Methodist Church entered into?**  
Signing of the Methodist-Lutheran Co-operation agreement at Kawerau

**QUESTION 23:**

- (a) To what Parishes/Rohe are additional deacons, Minita-a-lwi, or Presbyters appointed?:**

South Taranaki LEP - 1/5 time

- (b) From what Parishes/Rohe are Deacons, Minita-a-lwi or Presbyters withdrawn?:**

8040 New Brighton Parish to reduce the appointment from a 3/4 time to a 1/2 time position from February 2014





**QUESTION 24: - How are the Presbyters, Presbyters in training, Deacons, Deacons in training and Minita-a-iwi stationed for the ensuing year?**

**LIST OF STATIONS  
of the  
METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND**

President – Rex Nathan  
Vice-President – Jan Tasker J.P.Adv.Dip.Tchg  
Secretary – David Bush  
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**PRESBYTERS, DEACONS AND  
MINITA-A-IWI 2014**

**INTRODUCTION**

This List contains the List of Stations for 2014.

**The List of Stations is divided into two sections:**

- A. Te Taha Maori:** Records the appointments for Liaison People, Minita-a-iwi and Ministry Team.  
**B. Tauwiwi:** Records each Station and the Presbyter/Deacons appointed to them. Unless otherwise stated the person first named in each sub-section is the Parish Superintendent or equivalent.

**Note: Without Appointment**

*Presbyters/Deacons without Appointment and Supernumeraries are recorded under the appropriate Conference Question and not on the Station Sheet.*

**A. TE TAHA MAORI**

**1510 TAI TOKERAU**

Rex Nathan

**Liaison Person**

Frances Rakena

**Minita-A-Iwi**

Keita Hotere

Sonny Livingstone

Winiata Morunga (Retired)

**2510 TAMAKI**

**Liaison Person**

Gillian Laird

**Minita-A-Iwi**

Lana Lazarus

Arapera (Bella) Ngaha

Kiri Haretuku (Retired)

Jim Rauwhero (Retired)

**3510 WAIKATO**

**Liaison Person**

Doreen Wilson

**Minita-A-Iwi**

John Kopa

Marangai Tupaea

**3520 TE ROHE POTAE**

**Liaison Person**

Hinga Ormsby

**Minita-A-Iwi**

Solomon Nelson

Barney Winikerei

**4510 TARANAKI**

**Liaison Person**

Frances Kingi-Katene

**Minita-A-Iwi**

Syd Kershaw

Jim Ngarewa

Jim George (Retired)

Barry Whakaruru (Retired)

**6510 PONEKE**

**Liaison Person**

Alamaine McGregor

**8510 OTAUTAHI-TE WAIPOUNAMU**

**Liaison Person**

**Minita-a-Iwi**

**ENABLING MINISTRY TEAM**

**Tumuaki**

Diana A Tana LTh (Aotearoa), A.C.M, C.A.T (Advanced) VOC. SPK (Certificate)

**B. TAUWI**

**1000 NORTHLAND SYNOD**

**1010 KAITAIA UNION PARISH**

Presbyterian appt:

**1020 KAIKOHE UNION PARISH**

Presbyterian oversight

**1030 BAY OF ISLANDS CO-OPERATING PARISH**

Presbyterian oversight

Enabler: Rosalie Gwilliam

Local Shared Ministry

**1040 KAEO-KERIKERI UNION PARISH**

Presbyterian appt:

**1050 NORTH HOKIANGA COMMUNITY CHURCH**

Christina Morunga (Local Presbyterian) (part-time)

Local Shared Ministry

**1060 SOUTH HOKIANGA CO-OPERATING PARISH**

Awaiting clarification

**1070 HIKURANGI UNION PARISH**

Presbyterian oversight

**1090 WESLEY DARGAVILLE**

(Parish Superintendent: Mary Nicholas, DipTheol (Trinity College))

Kuli Fisi'iahi BD (Tonga) (Probationer)

**1100 RUAWAI CO-OPERATING PARISH**

Presbyterian oversight

**1120 WELLSFORD CO-OPERATING PARISH**

Awaiting clarification

**1130 ST JOHN'S/RAUMANGA CO-OPERATING PARISH**

Mary Nicholas DipTheol (Trinity College) (who shall Superintend 1090)

- 1140 ST PAUL'S CO-OPERATING (KAMO)  
(Parish Superintendent: Mary Nicholas, DipTheol (Trinity College))  
Megan Alley ½ time (Deacon)
- 1150 OTAMATEA CO-OPERATING PARISH  
Presbyterian oversight
- 1160 TUTUKAKA COAST COMMUNITY CHURCH LEP  
Joint Anglican/Methodist supervision  
Enabler: Rosalie Gwilliam  
Local Shared Ministry

#### **SYNOD SUPERINTENDENT**

**Marilyn Welch, M.Min (Melb) (Regional Superintendent)**  
**Rowan Smiley (Area Superintendent)**

#### **2000 AUCKLAND SYNOD**

- 2008 THE MISSION & ECUMENICAL COMMITTEE  
Prince Devanandan, BTh, BD (India), MTheol (Auckland) M Phil (Hons) (Auckland)
- 2600 MISSION RESOURCING  
Aso T Samoa Saleupolu, DipTropAgr, LTh; Director Pasifika Ministries  
Trevor Hoggard BA (Leicester). Cert.Theol (Cambridge), M. Phil (Leicester), Ph.b (Lancaster): Director  
English Speaking Ministries  
Andrew Gamman, DipTheol (MCD), MMn (MCD), M Th (LCGS) (1/2 time Refresh Project)
- 2820 MINISTRY EDUCATION (Trinity College)  
David S Bell, BA, BD, MTh (Dist), PhD; Principal  
Nasili Vaka'uta BD (Dist) (Sia'atoutai) MTh (PTC) PGDip Dev St, MA, (Univ South Pac) PhD  
Val Nicholls B.A, B.Theol. ACM
- 2010 AUCKLAND CENTRAL PARISH  
Lynne O Frith, BTheol, DipTheol. (Otago), DMin  
Ilaisaane Langi BMin, DipPTh (Probationer)
- 2020 METHODIST MISSION NORTHERN  
John Murray (Superintendent)
- AOTEA / ST JAMES  
Presbyterian appt
- 2030 WESLEY ROSKILL PARISH  
Tau Lasi (2/3 time) (see 2310 Waterview)
- 2060 ORAKEI  
Terence W. Wall, MA (Hons), BSc, LTh, STM, DMinStuds (Melb)
- 2070 GLEN INNES CO-OPERATING PARISH – ST MARY'S  
Anglican oversight
- 2080 MT ALBERT PARISH  
Mike Gast
- 2090 AVONDALE UNION PARISH  
'Alisa Lasi (2/5) time
- 2100 WAITAKERE  
Saikolone Taufua DipTheol (Melb), Dip Practical Study  
Hosea Tupou (part-time, self-supporting) see 11B
- 2120 TE ATATU UNION PARISH  
Presbyterian oversight

- 2130 DEVONPORT  
Parish Superintendent: John Murray  
Tania Shackleton BTheol, DipPTh (Trinity College) (Probationer)
- 2140 NORTHCOTE - TAKAPUNA  
Peter Norman: DipPTh (Trinity College), MTheol (BCNZ), BMin (BCNZ) from 1<sup>st</sup> July 2014  
Suiva'aia Teo (half-time) till 30 June 2014
- 2150 BIRKENHEAD  
(Parish Superintendent: awaiting clarification)  
Lay Ministry Team
- 2270 HELENSVILLE CO-OPERATING PARISH  
Local Shared Ministry – Anglican oversight
- 2275 ST CHADS CO-OPERATING PARISH (HUAPAI)  
Local Shared Ministry – Anglican oversight
- 2280 WHANGAPARAOA  
Robyn Allen Goudge, BSc, BD
- 2290 MAHURANGI  
(Parish Superintendent: Elizabeth Hopner)  
Abhishek Solomon DipPTh (Probationer)
- 2300 ST AUSTELL'S CO-OPERATING PARISH - New Lynn  
Presbyterian oversight
- 2310 WATERVIEW  
Tau Lasi (1/3 time) (see 2030 Mt Roskill)
- 2320 EAST COAST BAYS  
(Parish Superintendent: awaiting clarification)  
Jan Fogg: Local Shared Ministry Enabler (1/4-time)
- 2330 LYNFIELD COMMUNITY CHURCH  
Anglican appt:
- 2380 ONEHUNGA CO-OPERATING  
Presbyterian appt:

#### **SYNOD SUPERINTENDENT**

**Marilyn Welch, M.Min (Melb) (Regional Superintendent) (1/2 time stipended)**  
**Christine Peak QSM, LTCL, LRAM (Lond) (Area Superintendent)**

#### **2400 MANUKAU SYNOD**

- 2410 HOWICK PAKURANGA  
Freddy de Alwis
- 2420 MANUREWA  
'Alifeleti Vaitu'ulala Ngahe
- 2430 PAPAKURA  
Peter Williamson
- 2440 PUKEKOHE  
Bertie Meyer
- 2450 TUAKAU UNION PARISH  
Presbyterian Oversight
- 2460 WAIUKU AND DISTRICTS COMBINED CHURCHES  
Dale Peach

- 2470 BUCKLANDS BEACH CO-OPERATING  
Presbyterian appt:
- 2480 PAPATOETOE  
Misilei Misilei
- 2490 MANGERE OTAHUHU  
Kalo Falanga Kaisa
- 2830 WESLEY COLLEGE  
Sylvia 'Akauola-Tongotongo, BTheol, MTheol (Auck)

**SYNOD SUPERINTENDENT**

**Marilyn Welch, M.Min (Melb) (Regional Superintendent) (1/4 time – stipended)**  
**Esme Cole (Area Superintendent)**

**3000 WAIKATO-WAIARIKI SYNOD**

- 3010 THAMES UNION PARISH  
Presbyterian oversight
- 3020 HAURAKI PLAINS CO-OPERATING PARISH  
Alofaifo Asiata
- 3030 PAEROA CO-OPERATING PARISH  
Presbyterian oversight
- 3040 WAIHI BEACH CONGREGATION LEP  
Presbyterian appt:
- 3050 TE AROHA CO-OPERATING PARISH  
Presbyterian Oversight:  
Dianne Hight, (Deacon) (See Q11B(a))
- 3060 MORRINSVILLE  
Gillian Woodward (3/5 time)
- 3070 CAMBRIDGE UNION PARISH  
Presbyterian appt:
- 3080 HAMILTON  
Lois Clarke (Acting Supply) (1/4 time)  
Edwin Clarke (Acting Supply) (1/4 time)
- 3090 RAGLAN UNION PARISH  
Congregational Union appt:
- 3100 HAMILTON EAST  
Anne Preston
- 3110 CHARTWELL CO-OPERATING PARISH  
Ken Olsen  
Anglican appt:
- 3120 NGARUAWAHIA UNION PARISH  
Presbyterian appt:
- 3130 HUNTLY CO-OPERATING PARISH  
Presbyterian appt:
- 3140 MATAMATA UNION PARISH  
Metuisela Tafuna, Dip PTh (Trinity College), post grad Dip Social Services (Otago), BD (PTC)
- 3150 PUTARURU CO-OPERATING PARISH  
Anglican appt:

- 3170 ROTORUA (INCORPORATING TOKOROA)  
(Parish Superintendent: Alison Molineux 3130)  
Ieremia Amituana'i (probationer)  
Ma'ilata E Mauai (Tokoroa Samoan Lay Ministry part-time)
- 3180 TAUPO UNION PARISH  
Alison Molineux, BD, BA (Hons) (who shall Superintend 3170, 3230)
- 3190 TAURANGA  
Motekiai Fakatou, BTheol (who shall Superintend 3350)  
Valma E Hallam (Deacon) (See Q11C(a))
- ST STEPHENS  
Margaret Birtles (Deacon) (1/2 time)
- 3200 ST JAMES UNION PARISH, GREERTON  
Presbyterian appt:
- 3210 TE PUKE / MT MAUNGANUI PARISH  
Augusten Subhan
- 3220 WHAKATANE CO-OPERATING PARISH  
Anglican appt:
- 3230 KAWERAU  
(Parish Superintendent: Alison Molineux)
- 3240 OPOTIKI UNION PARISH  
Presbyterian oversight
- 3250 TE AWAMUTU (Including Otorohanga and Te Kuiti)  
Maureen Calman (3/4 time)
- 3280 ST PAUL'S CO-OPERATING PARISH (TAUMARUNUI)  
(Parish Superintendent: Susan Thompson 3000)
- 3290 TURANGI CO-OPERATING PARISH  
Anglican oversight
- 3300 OHURA  
(Parish Superintendent: Susan Thompson 3000)
- 3320 MERCURY BAY  
Presbyterian appt:
- 3330 ST FRANCIS CO-OPERATING PARISH (HILLCREST)  
Anglican appt:
- 3340 PIO PIO-ARIA MOKAU CO-OPERATING PARISH  
Anglican appt:
- 3350 OMOKOROA CO-OPERATING PARISH  
(Parish Superintendent: Motekiai Fakatou 3190)  
Methodist oversight  
Local Ordained Ministry – Presbyterian appt:
- 3360 CO-OPERATING PARISH OF ST CLARE, DINSDALE  
Presbyterian oversight
- 3370 PAPAMOA COOPERATING PARISH  
Presbyterian appt:
- 3390 ALL SAINTS (BRYANT PARK) CO-OPERATING PARISH  
Ian Croft

3400 TRINITY UNITED: (WHANGAMATA-TAIRUA-PAUANUI)  
Presbyterian oversight  
Local Shared Ministry

**SYNOD SUPERINTENDENT**

**Susan Thompson BTheol, MA (Hons), PhD (3/4 time stipended) (who shall Superintend 3280, 3300)**

**4000 LOWER NORTH ISLAND**

4000 YOUTH ENABLER (South Taranaki)  
One Wanted

4010 NORTH TARANAKI  
(Parish Superintendent: Tony Bell 4000)  
Manoa Havea (Probationer)

4030 STRATFORD  
(Parish Superintendent: Tony Bell 4000)  
LEP Methodist/Anglican, Anglican oversight

4040 ELTHAM-KAPONGA CO-OPERATING PARISH  
(Parish Superintendent: Tony Bell 4000)  
LEP

4050 HAWERA  
(Parish Superintendent: Tony Bell 4000)  
LEP Methodist/Anglican, Methodist oversight

4060 MANAIA UNION PARISH  
(Parish Superintendent: Tony Bell 4000)

4070 OPUNAKE CO-OPERATING PARISH  
Presbyterian oversight  
Local Shared Ministry

4080 OKATO / OAKURA CO-OPERATING PARISH  
Anglican appt:

4090 WANGANUI  
Donald Biggs, NZTCC (1/2 time) Supply

4110 INGLEWOOD UNION PARISH  
Presbyterian appt:

4120 PATEA CO-OPERATING PARISH  
(Parish Superintendent: Tony Bell 4000)  
Methodist oversight  
Anglican appt: LEP

4130 BELL BLOCK LEPPERTON CO-OPERATING PARISH  
Anglican appt:

5010 NAPIER  
Anthony G (Tony) Franklin-Ross, BCom (Auck) BTheol (Auck) BTheol (Hons) (Auck) CA

5020 HASTINGS  
(Parish Superintendent: Iakopo Fa'afuata 9580)  
Margaret Hall (Supply) (1/4 time)

5050 MANGAPAPA UNION PARISH  
(Parish Superintendent: Anthony G (Tony) Franklin-Ross 5010)  
Stewart Patrick: Lay ministry

- 5060 PRESBYTERIAN-METHODIST PARISH OF WAIROA  
Presbyterian appt:
- 5080 WOODVILLE ST JAMES UNION PARISH  
Presbyterian oversight
- 5090 PAHIATUA UNION PARISH  
Presbyterian oversight
- 5100 MANAWATU REGIONAL CHURCH  
(5100, 5110, 5120, 5130)  
Tony Bell (Supply) 1/4 time  
Bob Franklyn  
Lay Ministry Team  
*Palmerston North*  
*Ashhurst-Bunnythorpe-Pohangina*  
*Feilding-Oroua*  
*Marton*
- 5140 RONGOTEA UNITING PARISH  
Presbyterian oversight
- 5150 FOXTON/SHANNON CO-OPERATING PARISH  
(Parish Superintendent: Michael Greer)  
LSM Team
- 5160 TAMATEA COMMUNITY CHURCH  
Presbyterian oversight
- 5170 WAIPAWA CO-OPERATING PARISH  
Presbyterian oversight
- 5180 MILSON COMBINED CHURCH  
Presbyterian oversight
- 6010 WELLINGTON METHODIST PARISH  
Graeme McIver (Supply) (3/4 time)
- 6020 WESLEY WELLINGTON MISSION  
(Director David Hanna)
- 6030 WELLINGTON SOUTH-LYALL BAY UNION  
John Roberts (Supply) (1/2 time)
- 6050 MIRAMAR UNITING PARISH  
Paul Prestidge (3/5 time)
- 6060 NGAIO UNION PARISH  
Presbyterian appt:
- 6070 JOHNSONVILLE UNITING CHURCH  
Anna Gilkison
- 6110 TAWA UNION PARISH  
Presbyterian appt:  
Hiueni Nuku (Local Tongan Ministry) Bachelor of Commerce of Administration (Victoria University)
- 6120 HUTT CITY UNITING CONGREGATIONS  
'Alipate 'Uhila  
Presbyterian appt:  
Presbyterian appt:  
One wanted (Petone multicultural) (part-time)
- 6140 UPPER HUTT UNITING PARISH  
Suresh Chandra



- 6160 GREYTOWN ST ANDREW'S UNION PARISH  
Methodist oversight: Robert Allan (Supply) (1/3 time)
- 6170 FEATHERSTON UNION PARISH  
Awaiting clarification
- 6180 CARTERTON UNION PARISH  
Presbyterian oversight
- 6190 MASTERTON ST LUKES UNION PARISH  
Presbyterian oversight
- 6200 ST JAMES, MASTERTON UNION PARISH  
Presbyterian oversight
- 6220 LEVIN UNITING PARISH  
Presbyterian appt:
- 6230 OTAKI  
Anglican appt:
- 6240 KAPITI UNITING PARISH  
Cornelia Grant
- 6250 HATAITAI-KILBIRNIE CO-OPERATING PARISH  
Anglican appt:
- 6270 ST MATTHEWS JOINT PARISH BROOKLYN  
Awaiting clarification
- 6280 ST NINIAN'S UNITING PARISH  
Presbyterian oversight

**SYNOD SUPERINTENDENT**

**Tony Bell, LTh (who shall superintend, 4010 4030, 4040, 4050, 4060, 4120) (3/4 time stipended)**

**7000 NELSON / MARLBOROUGH / WEST COAST SYNOD**

- 7010 ST JOHNS IN THE CITY  
David Poultney, Dip PTh (Trinity College), BTheol (Southampton), Dip Nursing (Coventry), P.G. Cert  
Mental Health Nursing (Victoria)
- 7015 STOKE  
Gary A. M. Clover, BD, MA (First Class Hons), DipNZLS
- 7020 NELSON, ST LUKE'S UNION PARISH  
Presbyterian oversight
- 7030 WAIMEA  
Paul Tregurtha, BA, BTheol (2/3 time)
- 7040 MOTUEKA UNITING  
Peter Norman, DipPTh (Trinity College), MTheol (BCNZ), BMin (BCNZ) till June 30<sup>th</sup> 2014
- 7070 BLENHEIM  
Ian Boddy (3/4 time see 7080 Picton Union)
- 7080 UNION PARISH OF PICTON  
Ian Boddy (1/4 time see 7070 Blenheim)
- 7090 REEFTON DISTRICT UNION PARISH  
(Parish Superintendent: Jill van de Geer 7000)  
Methodist oversight

- 7100 BULLER UNION PARISH  
(Parish Superintendent: Jill van de Geer 7000)
- 7110 GREYMOUTH DISTRICT UNITING PARISH  
(Parish Superintendent: Jill van de Geer 7000)  
Lay ministry: Lyn Heine (2/3 time)
- 7120 HOKITIKA UNION PARISH  
Presbyterian appt:

**SYNOD SUPERINTENDENT**

**Jill van de Geer, BTheol Melb, LTh (Aotearoa), LTCL, TTC (1/3 time stipended) who will Superintend 7090, 7100, 7110**

**7500 VAHEFONUVA TONGA 'O AOTEAROA**

- 7510 AUCKLAND-MANUKAU TONGAN PARISH  
Parish Superintendent: Setaita Kinahoi Veikune, B Theol (Auck)
- VAINE MO'ONIA, PONSONBY (7560)  
Setaita Kinahoi Veikune, B Theol (Auck)
- NORTHCOTE (7561)  
Tevita Finau (see Q5(b) and 11B(b))
- HENDERSON (7620)  
Finau Halaleva (probationer) (part-time, non-stipended))
- NEW LYNN (7530)  
Moses Manukia (Local Presbyter), (see Q11A(b)) (part-time non-stipended)
- ONEHUNGA (7541)  
Molia Tu'itupou (Local Presbyter) (see Q11A(b)) (part-time non-stipended)
- EPSOM (7542)  
Nehilofi 'E Moala –'Aholelei (Probationer) (part-time non-stipended)
- DOMINION ROAD / ELLERSLIE (7570)  
Setaita Kinahoi Veikune, B Theol (Auck)
- OTAHUHU TONGAN CONGREGATION (7550)  
Kalolo Fihaki (part-time non-stipended) (see Q11A(b)) (Probationer)
- PAPATOETOE TONGAN CONGREGATION (7630)  
Moi Kaufononga (Lay ministry) (part-time)
- PANMURE (7611)  
Makeleta Lute Pole Tu'uhoko (see Q11A(b)) (part-time non-stipended)
- GLEN INNES (7612)  
Sione Lea'aetoa (Probationer) (see Q11A(b)) (part-time non-stipended)
- EAST TAMAKI (7521)  
Mele Foata Tui'pulu (Probationer) (part-time, non-stipended) (see Q11A(b))
- MANUREWA (7590)  
Setaita Kinahoi Veikune
- PUKEKOHE / WAIUKU (7600)  
Sunia Hu'unga (part-time, non-stipended)
- 7520 OTARA TONGAN PARISH (including Papakura Tongan)  
Vaikoloa Kilikiti  
Holakitu'akolo Paea

- 7530 MANGERE  
Goll Fan Manukia  
Moi Kaufononga (Lay ministry) (part-time)
- 7630 PAPATOETOE TONGAN PARISH  
Ikilifi Pope (1/2 time, non-stipended)
- 7750 GISBORNE TONGAN PARISH  
Simote Taunga (1/2 time stipended)
- 7760 PALMERSTON NORTH TONGAN CONGREGATION  
(Parish Superintendent: awaiting clarification)
- 7800 WESLEY WELLINGTON TONGAN CONGREGATION  
Viliami Finau
- 7810 LOWER HUTT TONGAN  
(Superintendent: Hiueuni Nuku)
- 7900 CHRISTCHURCH SOUTH TONGAN PARISH  
Kepu Moa (1/2 time stipended (see Q11B(b)))
- 7700 HAMILTON – ST PAULS TONGAN  
(Parish Superintendent: Setaita Kinahoi Veikune)
- 7710 HAMILTON – ST JOHNS TONGAN  
(Parish Superintendent: Setaita Kinahoi Veikune)
- 7740 MT MAUNGANUI TONGAN  
(Parish Superintendent: Setaita Kinahoi Veikune)
- 7780 LEVIN TONGAN  
(Parish Superintendent: Setaita Kinahoi Veikune)
- 7770 NAPIER-HASTINGS TONGAN  
(Parish Superintendent: Simote Taunga)
- 7840 AVALON TONGAN
- 7890 BLENHEIM TONGAN  
(Parish Superintendent: Ian Boddy)
- 7910 OAMARU TONGAN  
Inoke Siulangapo (1/3 time)
- 7820 UPPER HUTT TONGAN  
(Parish Superintendent: Hieuni Nuku)
- 7830 TAWA TONGAN  
Hieuni Nuku

#### **SYNOD SUPERINTENDENT**

**Setaita Kinahoi Veikune (see 7510)**

#### **8000 CENTRAL SOUTH ISLAND**

Barbara Peddie (part-time) Covenanted ministry with Synod (see Q11A(b)) (who shall Superintend 8090)  
BSc Hons, PhD, BTheol, PGDipTheol  
Mark Gibson, B.A., B.Th (Covenanted Ministry with Synod) (1/4 time) (see 8040) until 31 March

8900 CONNEXIONAL OFFICE and ADMINISTRATION DIVISION  
David J Bush, BSc, Grad Dip MGMT. General Secretary and Authorised Representative

8011 CHRISTCHURCH METHODIST MISSION  
Executive Director: Mary Richardson

- 8010 CHRISTCHURCH CENTRAL PARISH  
Mary E Caygill, DipSocWk, LTh, DMin (San Francisco)
- 8020 CHRISTCHURCH SOUTH  
Andrew Donaldson (3/4 time) (who shall Superintend 8330)
- 8040 NEW BRIGHTON UNION PARISH  
Mark Gibson, B.A., B.Th (1/2 time) (see 8000)
- 8050 PORT HILLS UNITING PARISH  
Presbyterian oversight
- 8060 LINWOOD AVENUE UNION PARISH  
Christian Churches of NZ appt:
- 8080 OPAWA COMMUNITY CHURCH  
Andrew Doubleday
- 8090 BECKENHAM-SYDENHAM  
Parish Superintendent: Barbara Peddie (see 8000)  
Melema'u Molitika (Probationer)
- 8110 HALSWELL UNION PARISH  
Kathryn Walters (3/4 time)
- 8120 CHRISTCHURCH WEST  
Marcia Hardy, M.A. (Hons), B. Theol (Auck) (Upper Riccarton) - Parish Superintendent:  
Joanne (Jo) A. Durrant, LTh, (half-time)  
Peni Tikoinaka, BD (PTC Fiji), DipTh (Daivulevu College) Fijian Ministry (See also 4010, 4090 & 6010)  
(part-time)
- 8140 CHRISTCHURCH NORTH  
(Parish Superintendent: Mary Caygill 8015)  
Neti Petaia (Probationer)
- 8160 LINCOLN UNION PARISH  
Presbyterian appt:
- 8170 ELLESMERE CO-OPERATING PARISH  
Paul Eden
- 8180 KAIAPOI CO-OPERATING PARISH  
Presbyterian appt: (Shared ministry agreement with 8190 & 8210)
- 8190 RANGIORA  
Philomeno Kinera, DipPTh (Trinity College)  
(Shared ministry agreement with 8210 & 8180)
- 8200 MALVERN CO-OPERATING PARISH  
Presbyterian appt:
- 8210 OXFORD DISTRICT UNION PARISH  
(Shared ministry agreement with 8190 & 8180)
- 8230 ROLLESTON COMBINED CHURCH  
Shared oversight: Lincoln Anglican and Lincoln Union Parish
- 8250 ST ALBANS UNITING PARISH  
Presbyterian appt:
- 8260 WAINONI  
John Meredith (Supply for a 7<sup>th</sup> year) (half-time)
- 8270 RICHMOND – SHIRLEY  
Joohong Kim (shared ministry with North Avon Presbyterian), Dip PTh (Trinity College), BMin (BCNZ),  
MSc (Colorado), BSc (National Open University)

8310 TIMARU -TEMUKA  
Bob Sidal (who shall Superintend 8350 Waimate)

8330 ST DAVID'S MARCHWIEL UNION PARISH  
(Parish Superintendent: Andrew Donaldson 8020)  
Lay Ministry: Morven Sidal (1/2 time)

8350 WAIMATE  
(Parish Superintendent: Bob Sidal 8310)

8380 ASHBURTON  
Tevita Taufalele, Dip PTh (Trinity College), BTheol (Otago)

8390 ST DAVID'S UNION ASHBURTON  
Presbyterian Appointment

8400 OAMARU UNION PARISH  
(Parish Superintendent: awaiting clarification)

#### **SYNOD SUPERINTENDENT**

**Andrew Donaldson (Co-Superintendent) who shall Superintend 8330**  
**Norman West (Co-Superintendent)**  
**Cherryl Brown (Co-Superintendent)**

#### **8500 WASEWASE KO VITI KEI ROTUMA E NIU SILADI**

8510 AUCKLAND TABACAKAKAKA  
Ilaitia Sevati Tuwere, LTh (Melbourne), BD (PTC), ThM (Melbourne), DTh (Melbourne) *(1/2 time-stipendiary)*  
Alivereti Uludole (Probationer) (self-supporting) see Q11A(b)

8520 PUKEKOHE FIJIAN CONGREGATION  
Joeli Ducivaki (Probationer) (self-supporting) see Q11A(b)

8530 PITT STREET FIJIAN CONGREGATION  
Parish Superintendent: Lynne Frith  
Rupeni Balawa LIMS (Trinity College) (Probationer)

8540 HAMILTON EAST FIJIAN  
Fijian Ministry: Akuila Bale (Under Ministry Covenant see also 3170, 3190 )

8550 ROTORUA FIJIAN  
Akuila Bale (Under Ministry Covenant see also 3100, 3190)

8560 TAURANGA FIJIAN  
Akuila Bale (Under Ministry Covenant see also 3100, 3170)

8570 NORTH TARANAKI FIJIAN  
Peni Tikoinaka, Fijian Ministry (see 4090, 6010 and 8120)

8580 WANGANUI FIJIAN  
Peni Tikoinaka, BD (PTC Fiji), DipTh (Daivulevu College) Fijian ministry (see also 4010, 6010 & 8120)(part-time)

(6010) WESLEY WELLINGTON FIJIAN  
Peni Tikoinaka, BD (PTC Fiji), DipTh (Daivulevu College) Fijian ministry (See 4010, 4090 & 8120) (part-time)

(8120) CHRISTCHURCH WEST  
Peni Tikoinaka, BD (PTC Fiji), DipTh (Daivulevu College) Fijian Ministry (See also 4010, 4090 & 6010) (part-time)

#### **SYNOD SUPERINTENDENT**

**Peni Tikoinaka**

**9000 OTAGO-SOUTHLAND SYNOD**

- 9020 DUNEDIN MISSION  
(Director: Laura Black BA Bus St, (Massey) JP)
- 9010 DUNEDIN PARISH  
Siosifa Pole  
Rod Mitchell (1/4 time)
- 9080 TOKOMAIRIRO CO-OPERATING PARISH  
Presbyterian oversight
- 9110 INVERCARGILL  
M. Peter Taylor, BMet (Sheffield), BD (Manchester) (who shall Superintend 9120, 9260)
- 9120 RIVERTON UNION PARISH  
(Parish Superintendent: Peter Taylor 9110)  
Local shared ministry
- 9150 BLUFF CO-OPERATING PARISH  
Presbyterian oversight:
- 9160 TEVIOT UNION PARISH  
(Parish Superintendent: Martin Oh 9170)  
Lyndon Weggery (for a 7<sup>th</sup> year) Lay Ministry (one-third time)
- 9170 ALEXANDRA-CLYDE-LAUDER UNION PARISH  
Martin Oh, MTheol (Methodist Theological Seminary Korea), DipPTh (Trinity College) who will Superintend 9160)
- 9230 LAWRENCE  
Awaiting clarification
- 9250 BROCKVILLE UNION  
Presbyterian oversight
- 9260 OTATARA  
(Parish Superintendent: Peter Taylor 9110)  
Steve Harrex: (Part-time Lay Ministry)

**SYNOD SUPERINTENDENT**

**Rachael Masterton, Dip Mgmt (Otago) (Co-Superintendent)**  
**Peter Taylor (Co Superintendent)**

**9500 SINOTI SAMOA**

- 9510 PANMURE SAMOAN  
Tovia Aumua, BTheol (who shall Superintend 9520)
- 9520 WAITAKERE (SAMOAN)  
Parish Superintendent: Tovia Aumua 9510  
Lay Ministry Motuopua'a Lauaki (Henderson)  
Lay Ministry Faletagoa'i Auva'a (Oratia)
- 9530 BIRKENHEAD SAMOAN  
Suiva'aia Te'o ½ time
- 9540 AUCKLAND SAMOAN PARISH  
Faleatua Faleatua BTheol
- 9550 MANUREWA  
Fatuatia Tufuga BTheol (Melb), Cert Sup (NZIM), CertSmBus, CertTropAgr (Fiji)
- 9560 PAPAKURA  
(Parish Superintendent: Peter Williamson 2430)  
David Palelei (see Q11B(c))

- 9570 PAPATOETOE  
Paulo Ieli, DipPTh
- 9575 OTAHUHU/MANGERE EAST  
(Parish Superintendent: Faiva Alaelua 9615)  
Lay Ministry Fenunuti Fiai'i
- 9580 HASTINGS SAMOAN  
Iakopo Fa'afuata LTh, Min Dip (who shall Superintend 5020, 9590)
- 9585 NEW PLYMOUTH SAMOAN  
Limu Isaia (Local Presbyter) (see Q11A(b))
- 9590 GISBORNE SAMOAN  
(Parish Superintendent: Iakopo Fa'afuata 9580)  
Lay Ministry Oka Ieti
- 9600 WESLEY WELLINGTON SAMOAN PARISH  
Falaniko Mann-Taito
- (6103) PORIRUA  
Lay Ministry
- 9610 MANGERE CENTRAL SAMOAN  
Utumau'u Pupulu
- 9615 OTARA SAMOAN  
Faiva Alaelua LTh, Dip Min (ACTE) (who shall Superintend 9575)

**SYNOD SUPERINTENDENT**  
**Tovia Aumua**





**CONFERENCE WELCOMES** the following Observers and gladly associates them with all the sessions of Conference.

**OBSERVERS & GUESTS:**

**Anglican Church of Aotearoa NZ and Polynesia**  
**Catholic Archdiocese of Auckland**  
**Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand**

Archdeacon Sue McCafferty  
Adriana Janus  
Rev Roy Christian  
Rev Lorraine Francis  
Rev Dr. Finau P. 'Aho  
Rev Bishop Jun Taek Lim  
Rev Sang Hun Lee

**Free Wesleyan Church of Tonga**  
**Seoul South Annual Conference, Korean Methodist Church**

**CONFERENCE STAFF 2013**

President	:	Rex Nathan
Vice-President	:	Jan Tasker
Ex-President	:	John Roberts
Ex-Vice-President	:	Olive Tanielu
Secretary	:	David Bush
Office Staff	:	Greg Wright Peter van Hout Wendy Keir
Journal	:	Martin Oh
Daily Record	:	Alison Molineux & Peter Norman
Media Officer	:	Alan Webster
Legal Adviser	:	Ruby Manukia-Schaumkel

**CONVENERS OF BUSINESS:**

A: Council of Conference	:	Lana Lazarus & Barbara Peddie
B(i): Te Taha Maori	:	Lana Lazarus & Te Aroha Rountree
B(ii): Tauwiwi	:	Alison Molinuex & Lani Tupu
C: Law Revision	:	Ruby Manukia-Schaumkel
D: Administration / Connexional	:	Ruth Silverstone
E: Ministry	:	Trinity College: Max Thomson Mission Resourcing: Tovia Aumua
F: Faith & Order	:	David Poultney
G: Social Services	:	Michael Greer
H: Mission & Ecumenical	:	Keith Hopner
I: Communications/Organisations	:	Barbara Peddie
J: Social Issues	:	John Roberts

**SCRUTINEERS:**

Alan K. Webster, and three others to be advised.

**LEGAL COMMITTEE:**

Ruby Manukia-Schaumkel, General Secretary and Bruce Anderson.

**DECISIONS OVERVIEW:**

Ruby Manukia-Schaumkel & Lynne Frith

**GREETINGS:**

A. That greetings and good wishes of Conference be extended to the following:

- Supernumerary Ministers and Widows
- To those Ministers/Deacons who attain their Ministerial Jubilees:  
***50 Years since first appointment***

David H Ansell  
Wallis F Browne  
Ian L Clarke  
Derek G Laws  
Barbara Miller-Taylor  
Geoffrey W Tucker

***50 Years since ordination***

Russell E James  
Russell C Marshall  
Kerry A Taylor  
William L Wallace

**JOURNAL:**

The checking of the Journal and Daily Record shall be the responsibility of the Secretarial Staff.

**HOURS OF SESSION AND AGENDA:**

Are as printed in the Reports pages 2 to 4 or as may be decided from time to time.

## REPORT OF THE GENERAL SECRETARY TO CONFERENCE 2013

- 1 (a) I report that I have received all audited Annual Accounts for the Financial Year ended since last Conference of the Boards and Funds under the Conference.

All other audited Accounts have been placed in the Conference Journal.

- (b) Audit Certificates have not been received from the following Parishes:

2007	Auckland Fijian Fellowship Parish
2010	Auckland Central
2130	Devonport
2420	Manurewa
2490	Mangere-Otahuhu
3230	Kawerau
3300	Ohura Methodist Parish
4020	Waitara
5100	Palmerston North
7630	Papatoetoe Tongan
7900	Christchurch South Tongan
9540	Auckland Samoan

**QUESTION 37(a) Who is elected President of the Church for induction at the next Conference?**

Tovia Aumua

**QUESTION 37(b) What arrangements are made for the President's supply?**

Arrangements in place

**QUESTION 38(a) Who is elected Vice-President for induction at the next Conference?**

Arapera (Bella) Ngaha

**QUESTION 38(b) What arrangements are made for the Vice President's supply?**

Arrangements in place

**QUESTION 39 Who is elected the President's Legal Adviser?**

Ruby Manukia-Schaumkel and Richard Cunliffe  
(Acting while Howard Lawry is on leave of absence)

**QUESTION 40 Who are elected to the following Synod and Regional positions for the ensuing year?**

**(a) Superintendents**

Northland

- Marilyn Welch (*Regional*)  
- Rowan Smiley (*Area Superintendent*)

Auckland

- Marilyn Welch (*Regional*)  
- Christine Peak (*Area Superintendent*)

Manukau

- Marilyn Welch (*Regional*)  
- Esme Cole

Waikato-Wairiki

- Susan Thompson

Lower North Island Synod	- Tony Bell
Nelson/Marlborough/West Coast	- Jill van de Geer
Central South Island	- Andrew Donaldson ( <i>Co-Superintendent</i> )
	- Norman West ( <i>Co-Superintendent</i> )
	- Cheryl Brown ( <i>Co-Superintendent</i> )
Otago-Southland	- Rachael Masterton ( <i>Co-Superintendent</i> )
	- Peter Taylor ( <i>Co-Superintendent</i> )
Sinoti Samoa	- Tovia Aumua
Vahefonua Tonga 'o Aotearoa	- Setaita Kinahoi Veikune
Wasewase ko Viti Kei	- Peni Tikoinaka
Rotuma e Niu Siladi	

**(b) Secretaries**

Northland	- Robyn McPhail
Auckland	- Cheryl Banks ( <i>Regional</i> )
Manukau	- Cheryl Banks ( <i>Regional</i> )
Waikato-Waiariki	- Mary West
Lower North Island	- Jenny Olsson
Nelson/Marlborough/West Coast	- Jean Faithful
Central South Island	- Sheroma Mendis
Otago-Southland	- Jenny Winter
Sinoti Samoa	- Mataiva Robertson
Vahefonua Tonga	- Edwin Talakai
Wasewase ko Viti Kei	- Kula Bower
Rotuma e Niu Siladi	

**(c) Financial Secretaries**

Northland	- Rosalie Gwilliam
Auckland	- Ranjit Sinaduray
Manukau	- TBA (contact Sarah Andrews <i>Connexional Office</i> )
Waikato-Waiariki	- Margaret Giles
Lower North Island	- Akanesi Havea
Nelson/Marlborough/West Coast	- Don Horne
Central South Island	- Sue Spindler
Otago-Southland	- Rachael Masterton
Sinoti Samoa	- Tuioti Lani Tupu
Vahefonua Tonga	- Paula Taumoepeau
Wasewase ko Viti Kei	- Unaisi Tikoinaka
Rotuma e Niu Siladi	

**(d) Property Secretaries**

Northland	- John McGregor
Auckland	- Keith Taylor
Manukau	- Keith Taylor
Waikato-Waiariki	- Terry Kehely
Lower North Island	- Lindsay Taylor
Nelson/Marlborough/West Coast	- Don Shirley
Central South Island	- Andrew Doubleday
Otago-Southland	- Nigel Pitts
Sinoti Samoa	- Tuioti Lani Tupu
Vahefonua Tonga	- Mafua Lolohea

**QUESTION 41      Who are appointed as members of the following Standing Committees and their Conveners?**

- (a) Pastoral Committee  
President, President Elect, Vice-President, Vice-President Elect, General Secretary, Directors Mission Resourcing, Tumuaki.
- (b) President's Committee of Advice  
President, Vice-President, President Elect, Vice-President Elect, General Secretary, Directors Mission Resourcing, Tumuaki and Legal Advisor.
- (c) Council of Elders  
*Te Taha Maori:* Sharon Tito & Frances Rakena  
*Tauwi:* Vaikoloa Kilikiti, Ron Malpass
- (d) Budget Task Group  
The Budget Task Group for 2014 will consist of: President, Vice-President, General Secretary, the Tumuaki of Te Taha Maori, two persons appointed by Taha Maori and Tony Dale, David McGeorge, Paula Taumoepeau and with Connexional Staff in attendance.

**QUESTION 42      When and where shall the next Conference be held?**  
Hamilton, 8 -12 November 2014

**QUESTION 43      When shall the Annual Synod and other Synod Meetings be held?**  
1 - 2 August 2014

**DATES FOR 2014:**

Budget Task Group  
- 24 February

Pastoral Committee:  
- 25 February

Council of Conference:  
- 21 - 22 March  
- 12 - 13 September

Tauwi Strategy & Stationing:  
- 23 - 24 March  
- 24 - 26 & 26 - 27 August

Vahefonua Tonga:  
- 28 - 31 March  
- 25 - 28 July

Sinoti Samoa:  
- 18 - 20 July

Wasewase ko Viti Kei Rotuma e Niu Siladi:  
- Dates TBC

Hui Poari:  
- Dates TBC

## **COUNCIL OF CONFERENCE:**

### **Membership for 2014 shall be:**

**Te Taha Maori:** Gillian Laird (Co-Convenor), Julie Anne Barney-Katere, Keita Hotere, Marama Hotere, Arapera (Bella) Ngaha, Lana Lazarus, Diana Tana, Te Aroha Rountree, Alamaine McGregor, Alison Ranui. **Substitutes:** Frances, Sonny, Kathy, Shirley

**Tauwiwi:** Susan Thompson (Co-Convenor), Aso Samoa Saleupolu, Mark Gibson, Viv Whimster, Opeta Amani. Peni Tikoinata, Susanne Spindler, Christine Peak, Olive Tanielu, Thelma Efford

**Trainees:** Marcia Hardy, Andrew Doubleday, Mataiava Robertson, Setaita Kinahoi Veikune.

**Resource People:** President, Vice President, General Secretary, Principal Trinity College, Directors of Mission Resourcing, Tumaki

## **TAUIWI STRATEGY COMMITTEE:**

Tauwiwi Strategy Committee for 2014 will be: President Rex Nathan, Vice President Jan Tasker, General Secretary David Bush, Tauwiwi Executive Officer Aso Samoa Saleupolu, Director English Speaking Ministries Trevor Hoggard, Tauwiwi Facilitators Opeta Amani and Alison Molineux, Principal Trinity College David Bell, Marilyn Welch, Rowan Smiley (Northland), Christine Peak (Auckland), Esme Cole (Manukau), Setaita Kinahoi Veikune and Edwin Talakai (Vahefonua Tonga), Tovia Aumua and Edna Te'o (Sinoti Samoa), Ngaire Southon and Susan Thompson (Waikato - Waiariki), Jenny Olsson and Tony Bell (Lower North Island), Jean Faithful and Jill van de Geer (Nelson – Marlborough – West Coast), Andrew Donaldson and Cherryl Brown (Central South Island), Rachael Masterton and Peter Taylor (Otago – Southland), Peni Tikoinaka and Niko Bower (Wasewase ko Viti kei Rotuma), Alan K Webster (Evangelical Network), one to be named (MCYPF National Co-ordinator), and the current Tauwiwi members of Council of Conference already named in the Council of Conference Membership 2014.

## **TAUIWI STATIONING COMMITTEE:**

Tauwiwi Stationing Committee for 2014 will be: President Rex Nathan, Vice President Jan Tasker, General Secretary David Bush, Tauwiwi Executive Officer Aso Samoa Saleupolu, Director English Speaking Ministries Trevor Hoggard, Principal Trinity College David Bell, Marilyn Welch, Rowan Smiley (Northland), Christine Peak (Auckland), Esme Cole (Manukau), Setaita Kinahoi Veikune and Edwin Talakai (Vahefonua Tonga), Tovia Aumua and Edna Te'o (Sinoti Samoa), Ngaire Southon and Susan Thompson (Waikato - Waiariki), Jenny Olsson and Tony Bell (Lower North Island), Jean Faithful and Jill van de Geer (Nelson – Marlborough – West Coast), Andrew Donaldson and Cherryl Brown (Central South Island), Rachael Masterton and Peter Taylor (Otago – Southland), Peni Tikoinaka and Niko Bower (Wasewase ko Viti kei Rotuma), Alan K Webster (Evangelical Network).

## CONFERENCE BUSINESS COMMITTEE "A" Council of Conference

**CONVENERS:** Lana Lazarus and Barbara Peddie

**QUESTION 25:** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Council of Conference?  
*Report pp A1-4*

### SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

1. The report is received.
2. Conference asks the Law Revision Committee in consultation with the Partnership Team to review the process of becoming a Synod of the MCNZ to ensure consistency.
3. Conference asks Parishes and Rohe to continue to explore ways in which they can 'Let the Children Live' locally.
4. Conference acknowledges and thanks Barbara Peddie for her excellent work as Co-Convenor (Tauwiwi) of Council of Conference.
5. Membership of Council of Conference for 2014 is:  
Te Taha Maori: Gillian Laird (Co-Convenor), Julie Anne Barney-Katene, Keita Hotere, Marama Hotere, Arapera (Bella) Ngaha, Lana Lazarus, Diana Tana, Te Aroha Rountree, Alamaine McGregor, Alison Ranui. (Substitutes: Frances Kingi-Katene, Sonny Livingstone, Kathy Priestman, Shirley Rivers)  
Tauwiwi: Susan Thompson (Co-Convenor), Aso Samoa Saleupolu, Mark Gibson, Viv Whimster, Opeta Amani, Peni Tikoinaka, Susanne Spindler, Christine Peak, Olive Tanielu, Thelma Efford  
Trainees: Marcia Hardy, Andrew Doubleday, Mataiava Robertson, Setaita Kinahoi Veikune.  
Membership of the Council of Elders: Sharon Tito, Frances Rakena, Vaikoloa Kilikiti, Ron Malpass
6. Membership of the PAC Distribution Group for 2014: Te Aroha Rountree, Leu Pupulu, Ernest Willis, Edna Te'o, Lynn Heine, Keita Hotere, Saikolone Taufua, John Roberts, David Bush.

**QUESTION 25(c):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Connexional Budget?  
*Report pp A4-7*

### SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

1. The report is received.

**QUESTION 25(a):** What is God saying to us now?

**QUESTION 25(b):** What more can be done to promote the work of God?





## CONFERENCE BUSINESS COMMITTEE "B(i)" Te Taha Maori

**CONVENOR:** Lana Lazarus and Te Aroha Rountree

**QUESTION 26(i)** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the tangata whenua, Te Taha Māori? *Report pp B(i)1-5*

### SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

1. The report is received.
2. The 2014 membership and officers of Hui Poari be: Tumuaki Diana Tana, Lana Lazarus, Rex Nathan; Rangatahi: Julie-Anne Barney-Katene, Tamati Rakena; Tai Tokerau: Frances Rakena, Susan Dunn; Tamaki: Gillian Laird, Bella Ngaha; Waikato: Doreen Wilson, Shirley Rivers; Te Rohe Potae: Hinga Ormsby; Taranaki: Frances Kingi-Katene, Alison Ranui; Poneke: Alamaine McGregor and one further representative each from Poneke, Te Rohe Potae and two representatives for Otautahi-Te Waipounamu to be appointed by the President.
3. The 2014 Liaison People-Officers of Rohe shall be: Tai Tokerau: Frances Rakena; Tamaki: Gillian Laird; Waikato: Doreen Wilson; Te Rohe Potae: Hinga Ormsby; Taranaki: Frances Kingi-Katene; Poneke: Alamaine McGregor.
4. That the 2014 membership of *Te Runanga Whakawhanaunga i Nga Haahi o Aotearoa* shall be Diana Tana, Lana Lazarus, Rex Nathan and Te Aroha Rountree.

**QUESTION 26 (i)(a)** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Grey Institute Trust? *Report pp B(i)5*

### SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

1. The report is received.
2. Conference notes the winding up of the Grey Institute Trust and sends it's thanks to all those who have served the trust over its life.
3. That the trustees remain unchanged until such time formal notice is provided that the Grey Institute Trust is wound up. The trustees are: Rev Diana Tana (Chairperson), Mrs Juanita Bishop, Mr John Honeyfield, Mrs Doreen Erueti, Ms Julie-Anne Barney-Katene, Mr Rex Nathan, Mr Greg Wright, Mr Norman Johnston, Mr Chris Gregory.

**QUESTION 26 (i)(a)** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Wellington Methodist Charitable and Educational Endowments Trust? *Report pp B(i)6*

### SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

1. The report be received.
2. The membership of the Board for 2014 is: Bruce Anderson, Merita Holder, Marten Hutt, Senorita Laukau, Heather Lumsden-Ratu, Diana Tana, Robina Wichman, Bunnie Willing, Leatuavao Viko Aufaga, Trevor Dine, Owen Prior, Matthew (Matt) Roberts (Chairperson), Neville Price (Secretary), and any others appointed by the President.



## CONFERENCE BUSINESS COMMITTEE “B(ii)” Taiuiwi

**CONVENERS:** Alison Molineux and Lani Tupu

**QUESTION 26(ii)(a):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Taiuiwi?

*Report pp B(ii)1-5*

### SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

1. The report is received.
  2. Conference expresses its gratitude to Lani Tupu and Alison Molineux for their service as facilitators of the Taiuiwi Strategy and Taiuiwi Conference meetings for the last three years; and to Norman Brookes, Barbara Peddie, Martin Oh and Andrea Williamson for their valuable contributions to work of the Taiuiwi Strategy and Stationing Meetings.
  3. Noting the report with regards to the establishment of the Wasewase ko Viti kei Rotuma Synod,
    - a. Conference expresses its thanks and appreciation for the leadership and hard work of all the Fijian and Rotuman members of Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa;
    - b. Conference notes that it will take some years to complete the transition of the Wasewase ko Viti kei Rotuma to become self-sufficient.
    - c. Conference ensures that Wasewase ko Viti kei Rotuma Synod remains on the Connexional Budget for the next three years during its establishment phase.
  4. Noting the details in the report regarding lay stand-alone Synod Superintendency,
    - a. Conference affirms the ‘no consensus’ decision by Taiuiwi on Stand-alone Lay Synod Superintendency;
    - b. Conference asks Mission Resourcing to prepare a Paper about the nature and responsibilities of Lay and Presbyter Superintendency Teams.
  5. Conference welcomes the conversation around the ‘Circuit-based Ministry’ and asks Norman Brookes and Trevor Hoggard to prepare a resource paper for Synods on the historical understanding of ‘circuit’ and the current practical implications for ‘parish’ and ‘circuit’, including properties, staff and finance.
  6. Considering the details in the report regarding the Integrated Ministry with Children, Young People and Families, Conference notes the position holder of National Co-ordinator is a member of the Taiuiwi Strategy Committee.
  7. Noting the discussion in the report regarding Family violence and abuse, Conference affirms the following initiative that from 2014, Synods will be responsible in their parishes and congregations to ensure training in:
    - a. Raising awareness of family violence and abuse;
    - b. Identifying indicators of family violence and abuse;
    - c. Appropriate responses to, and follow up to disclose of family violence and abuse;
    - d. Sharing resources across the Church, including Methodist Missions and those who have experience, knowledge and skills in responding to family violence and abuse;
    - e. That each parish develops and implement a ‘child, and other vulnerable peoples - safe polices, process and procedure’.
  8. Conference asks the Tumuaki and the Directors of Mission Resourcing to initiate the discussion among Synods, Hui Poari, Parishes and Rohe, on trans-cultural issues in the Connexion, and report to Conference 2014.
  9. At present the Women’s Fellowship and the Evangelical Network report to the Taiuiwi meeting. Taiuiwi believes that the work of both these groups is Connexional and asks Conference that after consultation with, and agreement from Te Taha Maori that these 2 groups in future report to the whole Conference.
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| 10. Taiuiwi Facilitators for 2014 are Alison Molineux and Opeta Amani   |
| 11. Taiuiwi Membership of Council of Conference for 2014 will be: Susan Thompson (Co-Convener), Aso Samoa Saleupolu (Taiuiwi Executive Officer), Mark Gibson, Peni Tikoinaka, Thelma Efford, Viv Whimster, Olive Tanielu, Sue Spindler, Opeta Amani and Christine Peak. Trainees: Marcia Hardy, Mataiva Robertson, Setaita Kinahoi Veikune & Andrew Doubleday |
| 12. Taiuiwi members of the Council of Elders will be: Vaikoloa Kilikiti and Ron Malpass   |

13. Tauivi Strategy Committee for 2014 will be: President Rex Nathan, Vice President Jan Tasker, General Secretary David Bush, Tauivi Executive Officer Aso Samoa Saleupolu, Director English Speaking Ministries Trevor Hoggard, Tauivi Facilitators Opeta Amani and Alison Molineux, Principal Trinity College David Bell, Marilyn Welch (Auckland, Manukau, Northland), Rowan Smiley (Northland), Christine Peak (Auckland), Esme Cole (Manukau), Setaita Kinahoi Veikune and Edwin Talakai (Vahefonua Tonga), Tovia Aumua and Edna Te'o (Sinoti Samoa), Ngaire Southon and Susan Thompson (Waikato - Waiariki), Jenny Olsson and Tony Bell (Lower North Island), Jean Faithful and Jill van de Geer (Nelson – Marlborough – West Coast), Andrew Donaldson and Cheryl Brown (Central South Island), Rachael Masterton and Peter Taylor (Otago – Southland), Peni Tikoinaka and Niko Bower (Wasewase ko Viti kei Rotuma), Alan K Webster (Evangelical Network), one to be named (MCYPF National Co-ordinator), and the current Tauivi members of Council of Conference already named in the Council of Conference Membership 2014.
14. Tauivi Stationing Committee for 2014 will be: President Rex Nathan, Vice President Jan Tasker, General Secretary David Bush, Tauivi Executive Officer Aso Samoa Saleupolu, Director English Speaking Ministries Trevor Hoggard, Principal Trinity College David Bell, Marilyn Welch (Auckland, Manukau, Northland), Rowan Smiley( Northland), Christine Peak (Auckland), Esme Cole (Manukau), Setaita Kinahoi Veikune and Edwin Talakai (Vahefonua Tonga), Tovia Aumua and Edna Te'o (Sinoti Samoa), Ngaire Southon and Susan Thompson (Waikato - Waiariki), Jenny Olsson and Tony Bell (Lower North Island), Jean Faithful and Jill van de Geer (Nelson – Marlborough – West Coast), Andrew Donaldson and Cheryl Brown (Central South Island), Rachael Masterton and Peter Taylor (Otago – Southland), Peni Tikoinaka and Niko Bower (Wasewase ko Viti kei Rotuma), Alan K Webster (Evangelical Network).

**QUESTION 26(ii)(b):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Evangelical Network? *Report pp B(ii)5-6*

**SUGGESTED DECISION:**

1. The report be received.

**QUESTION 26(ii)(c):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the New Zealand Methodist Women's Fellowship? *Report pp B(ii)6 & B7-9*

**SUGGESTED DECISION:**

1. The report be received.
2. Conference congratulates Methodist Women's Fellowship on their 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and thanks Methodist Women's Fellowship for their continued service to both church and community. Conference notes the significant contribution Methodist Women's Fellowship makes to leadership training, education, mission and social justice. Conference encourages parishes to mark the anniversary in appropriate ways.

## **CONFERENCE BUSINESS COMMITTEE "C" Law Revision**

**CONVENER:** Ruby Manukia-Schaumkel

**QUESTION 27(a):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Law Revision?

*Report pp C1-9*

### **SUGGESTED DECISIONS:**

1. That the report be received.
2. That Conference adopts the Law and regulations relating to Local Shared Ministry.
3. That Conference adopts sections 1, 3 and 4 for on-going use subject to the Law Revision Committee considering the comments of Conference.
4. That Conference agrees to replacing the word Supernumerary with retired in the sections noted in the report.
5. Conference thanks Gardenia Atimalala Taule'ale'ausumai and Manase Latu for their valuable contribution to the work of Law Revision.
6. Conference congratulates Richard Cunliffe and Ruby Manukia-Schaumkel on their appointment as acting legal Advisors.
7. The Law Revision Committee for 2014 is: Ruby Manukia-Schaumkel, Jill van de Geer, Peter Williamson, Jan Tasker, Stuart Grant, Lynne Frith, Rowan Smiley, Fatuatia Tufuga, Kathleen Tuai Ta'ufo'ou, The General Secretary, Donald Phillipps (corresponding member) Howard Lawry ( Leave of absence)

**QUESTION 27(b):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Presidential Rulings which have been made during the year?

### **SUGGESTED DECISIONS:**

#### **Matters related to Boards and Committees.**

1. Sao Timaloa to the Lifewise Trust Board
1. Emma Falconer to the Board of Tamahere Eventide Home
2. Ruby Manukia-Schaumkel and Richard Cunliffe as Acting Legal Advisors for the Methodist Church of New Zealand
3. Howard Lawry leave of absence
4. Kathryn Ravenswood to the Lifewise Trust Board
5. Rev Mary Nicholas to the 155 Whare Roopu Board
6. David McGeorge to Wesley College Trust Board
7. Graham White to Mission Resourcing Board
8. Richard Biddle to trinity College Council
9. The resignation of the Board of 155 Whare Roopu is accepted
10. That the Board be replaced by a Commissioner as recommended by the Superintendent
11. That Rev Mary Nicholas continue to be involved with the staff of 155 through the provision of pastoral care
12. That Mr Christopher Perry and Ms Robyn Mathews provide professional support to the staff of the community law centre



## **CONFERENCE BUSINESS COMMITTEE "D" Administration Division**

**CONVENER:** Ruth Silverstone

**QUESTION 28:** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Administration Division? *Report pp D1-18, D29-31 & D32-33*

### **SUGGESTED DECISIONS:**

1. Conference asks the Board of Administration to produce a discussion paper on Provisioning of Long Leave and Annual Leave and to report back to Conference 2014.
2. That the Synods, Parishes, Rohe and Boards when approving authorised signatories on their accounts ensure that potential conflicts of interest be avoided, in particular that signatories must not be closely related.

### **Board of Administration**

3. The Board for the 2014 Connexional Year is: Ruth Silverstone (Chair), David Bush, Alan Bettany, Don Biggs, Ruby Manukia-Schaumkel, David McGeorge, Arapera (Bella) Ngaha, Digby Prosser, Nan Russell, Diana Tana, Paula Taumoepeau.

### **Connexional Financial Review Audit Committee**

1. That the report be received.
2. Conference thanks Alan Clark for his work on the Connexional review Committee
3. Conference notes that parishes and boards will be required to comply with new reporting standards by 1<sup>st</sup> April 2015 and asks the Board of Administration to advise the requirements of the standards and encourages Synods, Parishes and Boards to start a planned programme to ensure compliance before 31 December 2014.
4. That Craig Fisher of Hayes Knight Audit is the independent external member of the committee with the Board of Administration providing administration services and input.
5. That the members of the Connexional Review Committee 2013 are David McGeorge, Paula Taumoepeau, Craig Fisher, the President and the General Secretary with one to be added.

### **Methodist Connexional Property Committee**

1. That the report be received
2. That:
  - a) the Methodist Connexional Property Committee consider and where considered appropriate in terms of the Church, synod or parish mission plan approve grants from the Development Fund Property,
  - b) the Methodist Connexional Property Committee prepares and distributes, to the Church, guidelines for the use of such grant funds
3. That the Conference decision of 2011 and notwithstanding current and proposed statutory time limits:
  - a) requiring all Church property with a seismic strength rating of less than 34% new building standard (NBS) be strengthened to at least 67% NBS and
  - b) requiring all Church property with an NBS rating of between 34% and 67% to be strengthened to over 67% over time be confirmed.
4. That Conference reaffirms its request that all remaining Model Deed Trusts transfer title to the Board of Administration or other approved incorporated board of the Church by 31 October 2014.
5. a) That any Church group or group affiliated with the Methodist Church of New Zealand and which seeks to use the name, logo or reputation of the Methodist Church of New Zealand Te Hahi Weteriana and which intends to promote and register a trust (including an incorporated charitable trust) must receive the approval of the General Secretary of the Methodist Church of New Zealand Te Hahi Weteriana to the formation and registration of such trust.

- b) When evaluating an application, the General Secretary shall be required to consider the reasons suggested for any trust, the expected operational efficiencies and legal protections sought. New trusts shall only be approved where the General Secretary is satisfied that the trust will promote the life, work and mission of the Church and that no appropriate mechanism currently exists within the life of the Church.
  - c) In considering any request the General Secretary may seek the advice of the President's Legal Advisor, Methodist Mission Aotearoa, the local or national synod or such other board or agency as the General Secretary shall consider appropriate.
  - d) Any trust that is formed or purported to have been formed without the prior approval of the General Secretary shall not be considered a trust of the Methodist Church of New Zealand and shall not be entitled to use the Church's name, logo, charitable or GST registration or to benefit from the Church's insurance arrangements.
6. That the insurance of the Methodist Church of New Zealand property for its full replacement value and for comprehensive all risks including natural disasters be confirmed. Insurances for a lesser value may only be arranged with the approval of the synod as part of an agreed Synod/Parish property strategy.
  7. That Conference notes and affirms the settlement achieved in respect of the Methodist Church of New Zealand property damaged in the Canterbury earthquakes and acknowledges the assistance provided to the Church by its consultants and advisors as detailed in the report.

**QUESTION 28(a):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Investment Advisory Board? *Report pp D18-19*

**SUGGESTED DECISIONS:**

1. The report be received.
2. That Church groups, synods and parishes use 2014 to review and consider the Methodist Church of New Zealand Te Hahi Weteriana o Aotearoa position on global warming and the benefits of a low carbon economy including practical steps that the Connexion can take.
3. The Board for 2014 be: David Bush, Hugh Garlick, David Cleal, David Johnston, Michael Greer, Chris Gregory, David Hunt, Jack Jenner, Norman Johnston, Meleane Nacagilevu, Jill van de Geer, Greg Wright (Executive Director).

**QUESTION 28(b):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Methodist Trust Association? *Report pp D19-21*

**SUGGESTED DECISIONS:**

1. That the report be received.
2. That the Board for 2014 be: David Bush, Hugh Garlick, David Cleal, David Johnston, Michael Greer, Chris Gregory, David Hunt, Jack Jenner, Norman Johnston, Meleane Nacagilevu, Jill van de Geer, Greg Wright (Executive Director).

**QUESTION 28(c):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Connexional Trusts? *Report pp D14*

**SUGGESTED DECISION:**

1. The reports be received.

**QUESTION 28(d):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the PACT 2086 Trust? *Report pp D17-18*

**SUGGESTED DECISION:**

1. The report be received.



**QUESTION 28(e):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the PAC Distribution Group? *Report pp D14-17*

**SUGGESTED DECISION:**

1. That the report be received.

**QUESTION 28(f):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Robert Gibson Trust? *Report p D21-22*

**SUGGESTED DECISIONS:**

1. The report be received.
2. The R.G.M.T. Board membership for 2014 is: Preston Bulfin, John Chittenden, Susan Clarry, John Le Fleming, Rev. Tony Bell, Rev. David Bush, Bill Yateman, Steve Nicholas, Mataiva Robertson.

**QUESTION 28(g):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Statistics? *Report pp N1-5*

**SUGGESTED DECISION:**

1. The report be received.

**QUESTION 28(h):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Wesley Historical Society? *Report pp D22-24*

**SUGGESTED DECISION:**

1. That the report be received.

**QUESTION 28(i):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Travel and Study? *Report pp D24-26*

**SUGGESTED DECISIONS:**

1. That the report be received.
2. Travel & Study recommends that parishes and congregations fund those who wish to participate in Methodist Lay Preacher training programmes.
3. Any application for post-graduate study should preferably have the endorsement of Trinity College in order for it to be considered by Travel & Study.
4. Synods are encouraged to note the annually published list of recipients of grants and invite those recipients to share their learnings or experience with the synod.
5. That the members of the Travel & Study Committee for 2014 be: Lynne Frith (Chairperson), Tovia Aumua, Dale Peach, Roger Biddle, Jackie McGeorge, Mary West (Secretary), Ex-Officio - Prince Devanandan (MM&E Secretary), Aso Samoa Saleupolu (Tuiwi Executive Officer), Trevor Hoggard (Tuiwi English Speaking Director), Diana Tana (Tumuaki), David Bell (Principal Trinity Theological College), David Bush (General Secretary) and such other members from Te Taha Maori as they determine.



## CONFERENCE BUSINESS COMMITTEE "E" Ministry

**CONVENER:** Trinity College: Max Thomson  
Mission Resourcing: Tovia Aumua

**QUESTION 29:** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Ministry?

**QUESTION 29(a):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Mission Resourcing? *Report pp E4-8*

### SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

1. Conference receives the report.
2. Conference acknowledges the work done by Esme Cole in promoting and supporting children's ministry in her role as National Children's Ministry Co-ordinator for the last 3 years, and thanks her for the gifts, passion and dedication she brought to this role.
3. Conference affirms the continuing dialogue with the Korean congregations of the Seoul South Conference.
4. The Mission Resourcing Board for 2014 will be Marilyn Welch (chair), Tovia Aumua (vice chair), Setaita Kinahoi Veikune, Chris Johnston, Graeme White and the Directors of Mission Resourcing (ex officio) and one other appointed by the President.

### Trounson Trust

*Report pp E20-21*

1. That the report be received.

**QUESTION 29(b):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Ministry Education (Trinity College)? *Report pp E1-4*

### SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

1. That the report be received.
2. Suggested law change: 7. 2.3 Terms of Reference: Curriculum Review Panel Membership of the Curriculum Review Panel: Principal (chair), lecturer in Biblical Studies, the academic staff (lead tutors and tutors) of Trinity College, a representative from the Lay Preachers Network, and College Manager for records.
3. That the membership for Trinity College Council for 2014 shall be: Max Thomson (Chair), Rev Dr Susan Thompson (Deputy Chair), Richard Biddle, Eleni Drodrolagi, David McGeorge, Arapera Ngaha, David Bell (Principal), Nicola Grundy (Secretary) plus up to two appointed by the President to facilitate the transition of changing Principal and Chairman over the next two years.

**QUESTION 29(c):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to The Churches Education Commission? *Report pp E16-17*

### SUGGESTED DECISION:

1. The report be received.

**QUESTION 29(d):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Diaconate Task Group? *Report pp E13-14*

### SUGGESTED DECISION:

1. That this report be received.
2. The Diaconate Task Group for 2013-2014: Co-Convenors: Deacons Margaret Birtles / Edna Evans, Rachel Tregurtha, Brenda Fawkner, Megan Alley, Richard Williams.

**QUESTION 29(e):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to The Methodist Lay Preacher's Network? *Report pp E14-16*

**SUGGESTED DECISION:**

1. That the report be received.
2. Conference thanks Dorothy Willis for her work and commitment to the Methodist Lay Preachers' Network.
3. The Network Convenors for 2014 are: Viv Whimster (Convenor), Syd Easton, Ngaire Southon (Co-convenors).

**QUESTION 29(f):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Taiui Youth? *Report pp E8-13*

**SUGGESTED DECISIONS:**

1. The report is received
2. The Taiui Youth Ministry Vision, Mission and Strategy be adopted.
3. Noting the Conference 2012 decision to establish a Taiui Youth Council, Conference agrees that this now is being replaced with the Taiui Youth Ministry Team as detailed in the report on the 'Integrated Ministry with Children, Young People and Families'.
4. Conference thanks the CTYM group for their work which is now complete.

**Taiui Integrated Ministry with Children, Young People and Families**

1. The report is received.
2. Conference affirms the following principles for nomination of the membership of the Youth Ministry Team and the Children's Ministry Team:
  - a. One person nominated by each of Sinoti Samoa, Vahefonua Tonga, and Wasewase ko Viti kei Rotuma, and Wesley College (only for the Youth Ministry Team); and three persons nominated by the geographical Synods.
  - b. The three nominations from the geographical Synods are processed through the Taiui Strategy nomination committee which ensures their geographical spread.
  - c. All nominations are skill based and have shown commitment to the growth and promotion of youth and children's ministries within the church and community;
  - d. Appointees to the Ministry Teams will normally serve for two years
  - e. Each Ministry will appoint its own Convener
  - f. The National Co-ordinator will be an ex-officio member of both Ministry Teams.
3. Conference confirms the appointment of the following persons to the Ministry Teams:
  - a. Children's Ministry Team:  
Suiva'aia Te'o, Morven Sidal, Esme Cole, Kula Bower, Loviana Lusaipau, Jessica Schnell.
  - b. Youth Ministry Team:  
Siu Williams-Lemi, Esme Cole, Filo Tu, Narieta Ralege, 'Osaiasi Kupu, Alilia Molitika and one from Wesley College to be confirmed.
4. Until the appointment of the National Co-ordinator, Conference notes that Mission Resourcing will give directions to and coordinate the work of the two Ministry Teams.
5. Subject to the availability of long-term funding,
  - a. Conference approves the employment of a National Co-ordinator for an initial term of three years, who will be accountable to Mission Resourcing;
  - b. Conference notes that Mission Resourcing will initiate a process for the appointment of a National Co-ordinator
6. Recognising the need to secure long-term funding for the Integrated Ministry with Children, Young People and Families, Conference:
  - a. encourages all Synods and Parishes to consider pledging financial support for these important Ministries,
  - b. affirms Mission Resourcing continuing to seek funding from other sources.

7. Conference asks Mission Resourcing to initiate reviews of the work of the:
- National Co-ordinator, Tauwi Children's Ministry Team, and the Tauwi Youth Ministry Team in the second year of the appointment of the National Co-ordinator.
  - Integrated Ministry with Children, Young People and Families in the fourth year from Conference 2013 (2017)

**QUESTION 29(g):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Uniting Congregations of Aotearoa New Zealand? *Report pp E30*

**SUGGESTED DECISIONS:**

- That the report be received

**QUESTION 29(h)(i):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Tertiary Chaplaincy? *Report pp E17-18*

**SUGGESTED DECISIONS:**

- That the report be received
- That Conference affirm the importance of ongoing support for tertiary chaplaincy in Aotearoa-NZ.

**QUESTION 29(h)(ii):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Hospital Chaplaincy? *Report pp E18-19*

**SUGGESTED DECISIONS:**

- The report be received.
- That the conference notes the Rev David Poultney is the Methodist Trustee on the Interchurch Council for Hospital Chaplaincy Trust Board.
- Conference, noting the retirement of Ron Malpass, National Executive Officer ICHC, expresses appreciation for the significant contribution he has made to hospital chaplaincy services, and wishes him well in his retirement.

**QUESTION 29(h)(iii):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Defence Force Chaplaincy?

*No report received*

**QUESTION 29(h)(iv):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Prison Chaplaincy? *Report p E19-20*

**SUGGESTED DECISIONS:**

- That the report be received.

**QUESTION 29(i):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Wesley College Trust Board? *Report pp E22-29*

**SUGGESTED DECISIONS:**

- The report is received.
- Conference recognises the appointment of Rev. Ali'itasi Aoina-Salesa as Chaplain Designate and wishes her well for her year of preparation.
- The 2013 membership of the Wesley College Trust Board is: Diana Tana, Colin Telford, Norman Johnston, Gillian Laird, Lana Lazarus, Jack McCoskrie, Wesley Mansell, Meleane Nacagilevu, Harvey O'Loughlin, Utumau'u Pupulu, Barry Shuker, Patisepa Tala'imanu, Mara Tupaea, and David McGeorge.



## CONFERENCE BUSINESS COMMITTEE "F" Faith & Order

**CONVENER:** David Poultney

**QUESTION 30:** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Faith & Order?  
*Report pp F1-8*

### SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

1. That the report be received.
2. Conference welcomes the issuing of a study paper on Wesleyan Economics and commends it to our parishes for study and conversation and asks that it be translated wherever possible.
3. Conference receives the new resource for celebrating Holy Communion for a trial period of two year, it encourages parishes to find ways of discussing the experience of using these new services and to provide feedback to Faith & Order".
4. Conference expresses its continuing support for the Methodist – Catholic dialogue and appoints Rev Dr Trevor Hoggard (Co-convenor), Rev Tovia Aumua, Rev Anne Griffiths, Rev David Poultney and Rev Dr Terry Wall to represent our church in the dialogue.
5. Conference endorse the present direction of the Methodist – Anglican dialogue towards the future reconciliation of ministries rooted in a mutual appreciation of the apostolic ministry exercised by both our churches and appoints Rev Tony Franklin-Ross (Co-convenor), Rev Prince Devanandan, Rev Paulo Ieli and Rev Dr Terry Wall to represent our church in the dialogue with Rev John Roberts as a corresponding member.
6. Conference thanks the Rev Dr Tony Stroobant for his faithful and capable work as Methodist editor of the Common Lectionary.
7. Membership of the Committee 2014: David Poultney (Convenor), Robyn Allen Goudge, Paulo Ieli and Utumau'u Pupulu (Sinoti Samoa), Rohan Bandara, Norman Brookes, Michael Dye, Tony Franklin-Ross, Cathie Hoggard, Trevor Hoggard, Goll Manukia, Ruby Manukia-Schaumkel, Valerie Nichols, Ikilifi Pope, Rowan Smiley, Paula Taumoepeau, Terry Wall, Asaeli Tulagi (Wasewase ko Viti Rotuma e Nui Siladi). Trinity College may appoint a student to the committee, a representative of the Evangelical Network and two lay people to be appointed by the President.  
Corresponding members: Margaret Birtles (for the Deacons' Task Group) David Kitchingman (for a study group at Mornington, Dunedin), Jan Robinson (Lower North Island) and any others as may wish to participate as corresponding members.
8. Conference thanks Tovia Aumua for his work on the Faith and Order Committee.





## CONFERENCE BUSINESS COMMITTEE "G" Social Services

**CONVENER:** Michael Greer

**QUESTION 31:** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Methodist Social Services:

- a. Methodist Mission Aotearoa
- b. Methodist Mission Northern
- c. Sinoti Samoa Mission
- d. Christchurch Methodist Mission
- e. Methodist Mission Southern (Dunedin Methodist Mission)

*Report pp G1-15*

### **SUGGESTED DECISIONS:**

#### **Methodist Mission Aotearoa**

1. The report is received.
2. The 2014 Methodist Mission Aotearoa membership includes Catherine Hodges, David Hanna, Jenny Keightley, Laura Black, Mary Richardson, Michael Greer (Chair), Nici Scott Savage, Paula Taumoepeau, Taina Tupou, Desmond Cooper, Filo Tu, Marion Hines, John Murray, Julie Pearse.

#### **Methodist Mission Northern**

3. The 2014 Methodist Mission Northern Board membership be: Prince Devanadan, Nicola Grundy, Marion Hines, Keith Hopner, David Hunt, John Murray (superintendent), Greg Wright and further members to be appointed by the President.
4. Conference thanks Ms Gardenia Atimalala-Taulealeausumai for her contribution to the Methodist Mission Northern Board and to The Lifewise Trust Board.
5. The 2014 Lifewise Trust Board membership be: Prince Devanandan, Nicola Grundy, Marion Hines, Keith Hopner, Ross Taylor, John Murray (Superintendent), Dr Katherine Ravenswood, Sao Timaloa.
6. The 2014 Airedale Property Trust Board membership be: Warren Chapman, Mel Easton, David Hunt, Prof. Keith Hooper, John Murray (Superintendent), John Wilson, Greg Wright.
7. The 2014 Board of 155 Whare Roopu Community House Trust be appointed by the President on the advice of Methodist Mission Northern Board once the work of Commissioner is completed.
8. The 2014 Board members of the Employment Generation Fund are: Warren Dalzell, Angus Fletcher, John Fraser, Brian Gauld and Bryce Nicholls
9. The 2014 Board members of the Ministry to the Deaf are: Peter Grundy, Kathy Hohepa, Jean Masters, John Murray, Barry Neal and Glenn Schischka.

#### **Methodist Community Action (Hamilton)**

10. The 2014 Board members of Methodist Community Action (Hamilton) are: Louis Fick, Alan Grant, Margaret Henshaw, Muriel Leadley and John Murray
11. The 2014 Board members of Tamahere Eventide Home are: Beverley Attrill, Chad Chibnall, Catherine Dickie, George Diprose, Emma Falconer, Neville Jack, Ken Olsen, Peter Schaare, Shane Vanin and John Walsh and further members to be appointed by the President.
12. Conference thanks David McGeorge for his contribution to the Board of Tamahere Eventide Home.
13. The HMCA Board members are: the Superintendent of the Hamilton Methodist Parish, Louis Fick, Alan Grant, John Murray and Muriel Leadley, and one other to be appointed on nomination to the President.

#### **Wesley Community Action Board**

14. Peter Glensor (Chair), David Hanna (Director), Colin Hamlin, Fuailalagi Saleupolu, Trish Hall, Kena Duignan, Paul Eagle, Hiueni Nuku, Desmond Cooper, Seniorita Laukau.

#### **Sinoti Samoa Mission**

15. That the report is received.
16. That the Board Members are: Filo Tu (Convener), Malavai P-Misikei, Mataiva Robertson, Olive Amani Tanielu, Faleatua Faleatua.

**Vahefonua Tonga Social Services Trust Board**

17. The report is received
18. Vahefonua wishes to record its heartfelt thanks and gratitude to Life wise and Airedale Property for the help in the development of the Matanikolo Housing Project.
19. Rev Setaita Kinahoi Veikune (Chairperson), Edwin Talakai (Secretary), Kaliopasi 'Akolo (Treasurer), Rev 'Alipate 'Uhila, Rev 'Ikilifi Pope, Dr Maika Kinahoi Veikune, Dr Melenaite Taumoefolau, Moimoi Ahau Kaufononga, Kathleen Tuai-Ta'ufo'ou, Palanite Taungapeau, Senorita Laukau and Moses 'Alatini.

**Christchurch Methodist Mission**

20. Jenny Keightley, Garth Nowland-Foreman, Pam Sharpe, Mary Caygill, Martin Hadlee, Andrew Donaldson, Indira Sirisena and Lucy D'Aeth with additional members appointed by the President upon recommendation of the Board.

**Methodist Mission Southern**

21. That the report be accepted.
22. That the Board for Methodist Mission Southern for 2013 be: Joy Clark, Julie Pearse (Chairwoman), Austen Banks, Keith McKenzie, Natalie Karaitiana, Nigel Pitts, Richard Devereux, Siosifa Pole, and Laura Black (Director).

**General**

23. Conference records its appreciation of the contribution Mary Caygill has made as its representative to the New Zealand Council of Christian Social Services.
24. New Zealand Council of Christian Social Services membership is John Murray and one other appointed by the President on recommendation of Methodist Mission Aotearoa

## CONFERENCE BUSINESS COMMITTEE "H" Mission & Ecumenical

**CONVENER:** Keith Hopner

**QUESTION 32(a):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Mission and Ecumenical Affairs? *Report pp H1-13*

### **SUGGESTED DECISIONS (amended):**

#### **Report**

1. The report is received.

#### **United Churches in the Solomon Islands and in Papua New Guinea**

2. Conference affirms the significant relationships with the United Church in the Solomon Islands, and the United Church in Papua New Guinea, and the assistance being provided to them through Methodist Mission and Ecumenical.

#### **Ecumenical**

3. Conference affirms the discussion and work to date and the ongoing dialogue toward the formation of a Churches Forum for Christian Unity in Aotearoa New Zealand.
4. Conference affirms that Rev. John Roberts and Rev. Prince Devanandan be the Methodist Church representatives in the National Dialogue for Christian Unity.
5. Conference affirms the positive outcome of the ecumenical studies winter school held in July 2013 with assistance from Ray Williamson, James Haire and Robert Gribben of the Centre for Ecumenical Studies of Charles Sturt University, Canberra. Conference acknowledges the colossal contribution made by the Centre for Ecumenical Studies of Charles Sturt University financially and in teaching; requests the President to express appreciation in writing to Ray Williamson, Robert Gribben and James Haire.
6. Conference thanks the members of the organising committee of the ecumenical studies winter school: Derek Tovey (Anglican), Pat Lythe (Roman Catholic) Terry Wall and Prince Devanandan (Methodist).
7. Conference affirms Diana Tana as the representative and Prince Devanandan as the ecumenical officer of the Methodist Church of New Zealand Te Hahi Weteriana O Aotearoa at the 10<sup>th</sup> Assembly of the World Council of Churches in October 2013 in Busan.
8. Conference affirms the participation of the following from the Methodist Church of New Zealand at the 10<sup>th</sup> Assembly of the World Council of Churches in October 2013 in Busan: Lana Lazarus, Tony Franklin-Ross, Arapera (Bella) Ngaha, Jill Hawkey, Soana Muimuiheata and Filo Tu.
9. That the Methodist Church of New Zealand supports the World Methodist Council Achieving the Vision Endowment, by contributing US\$ 50c per member to the endowment fund by 2016.
10. Conference challenges each parish to raise the equivalent of US\$50c per member to contribute to the Achieving the Vision Endowment.

#### **Committee membership**

11. The Mission and Ecumenical Committee membership for 2014 be: Keith Hopner (convener), Terry Wall, Sylvia 'Akau'ola-Tongotongo, Linda Hall, Hugh Dyson, Keita Hotere, Barry Jones, Lana Lazarus, TeRito Peyroux, Uesifili Unasa and Poulima Salima.

**QUESTION 32(b):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Christian World Service? *Report pp H14-15*

### **SUGGESTED DECISIONS:**

1. The Report is received.
2. That the Methodist Church of New Zealand encourages its parishes and members to continue to support the ministry of Christian World Service and in particular its annual Christmas Appeal.



## **CONFERENCE BUSINESS COMMITTEE "I" Communications and Organisations**

**CONVENER:** Barbara Peddie

**QUESTION 33(a):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Methodist Publishing Board?  
*Report pp 11-2*

### **SUGGESTED DECISIONS:**

1. The report is received.
2. The membership of the Methodist Publishing Board (Touchstone) for 2014 be: Barbara Peddie (Chair), David Bush (General Secretary), JooHong Kim (Christchurch), Jill Meredith, Jim Stuart, Paul Titus (Editor), Brian Turner, Pieter van den Berg (Advertising), Siu Williams Lemi, John Wilson.

**QUESTION 33(b):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the PAC Communications Endowment?  
*Report pp 12-3*

### **SUGGESTED DECISIONS:**

1. The report be accepted.
2. Conference affirms:
  - a) The change of name from PAC Media & Communications to Media & Communications Endowment Fund.
  - b) PAC Media & Communications having a separate page to the PAC Distribution Group on the Methodist Website.
  - c) PAC Media & Communications leaflet to be updated with a checklist.
3. Committee for 2014 – Graeme White, TeRito Peyroux, Lana Lazarus, Robyn Allen-Goudge, Trish Moseley-Taylor (Convenor)



## CONFERENCE BUSINESS COMMITTEE "J" Social Issues

**CONVENER:** John Roberts

**QUESTION 34(a):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Public Issues Network? *Report pp J1 -7*

### **SUGGESTED DECISIONS:**

1. That the report be received
2. Thanks and appreciation: Conference thanks John Roberts for his oversight role with the Public Issues Network. In particular recognition is given to his role in the restructuring with the Oversight Group in Auckland and the Wellington Reference Group, and in attending to church reporting, Connexional matters and communications.
3. Let the Children Live: Conference supports ongoing initiatives to reduce poverty *and* the risks of vulnerability by investing in child wellbeing through the Let the Children Live ten year initiative, and encourages PIN to contribute to this initiative. Conference commends the PIN resources on child poverty for use in rohe, parishes and the wider Connexion.
4. Care for creation: Conference affirms ongoing support for stewardship, mana and kaitiakitanga responsibilities for ecosystems based on the Care for Creation mission of the Church and the Treaty of Waitangi.
5. The Common Good project: Conference expresses its support for the Common Good project and supports PIN involvement in it. This to be reviewed in 2014.
6. Living Wage: Following on from decisions made at Conference 2012 Conference expresses ongoing support for the Living Wage movement and encourages wider participation by the church in the campaign. Conference affirms and encourages discussion of the Living Wage campaign's resource "A Living Wage: A Gospel Imperative".
7. Trans Pacific Partnership Agreement and other matters of Trade and Overseas interests: Conference supports the ongoing involvement of PIN in a network of organizations expressing deep concern about the TPPA and its implications us in Aotearoa New Zealand; and that PIN continues to raise issues regarding TPPA for Conference. Conference also asks PIN to consider the advantages that could arise from the T.P.P settlement for New Zealand, and especially for poorer countries in the region.
8. Inequality: Conference encourages PIN involvement in the Inequality Network, and supports development of resources for Parishes in 2014.
9. Membership of the PIN Oversight Group to be: John Roberts (Convenor); Rex Nathan (President); Jan Tasker (Vice-President); Diana Tana (Tumuaki); David Bush (General Secretary); Soana Muimuiheata (Vahefonua Tonga); Mataiva Robertson and Wesley Tala'imanu (Sinoti Samoa); Prince Devanandan, Marion Hines, Lynne Frith, Freddy De Alwis, John Murray, Uesifili Unasa, Betsan Martin. Others may be appointed by the President.

**QUESTION 34(b):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Interchurch Bioethics Council? *Report pp J7-8*

### **SUGGESTED DECISIONS:**

1. The Report is received.
2. The Methodist members of the InterChurch Bioethics Council for the next year will be: Rev Dr Barbara Peddie (Christchurch) (Co-chair), Shirley Rivers (Hamilton), and Filo Tu (Wellington)





## CONFERENCE MEMORIALS/ NOTICES OF MOTION

*Memorials and Notices of Motion are considered after the business brought to Conference by the Boards and Committees. Memorials are considered before Notices of Motion.*

*The Memorial / Notice of Motion in each case has been referred to the Board /Committee which normally considers the matters raised in the Memorial /Notice of motion.*

### 1. **Notice of Motion: Central South Island District Synod**

The Central South Island Synod requests that Conference establish a small task group to identify capital and other funds within the Connexion that can be released to enable national ministries with children and young people and new Connexional mission initiatives to be resourced in a sustainable way.

**Decision: Referred to Administration Division and Mission Resourcing**

### 2. **Memorial: Lower North Island Synod – Hutt City Uniting Churches**

#### **Introduction**

The Hutt City Uniting Congregations (HCUC) Parish, have been faced with a number of concerns over the years that it has worked together with the Methodist Church of New Zealand (MCNZ). It has come to a period of which these concerns have become a barrier of misunderstanding

1. In which the current Law Book of the MCNZ reads in a way which breaches the Human Rights of the individual in regards to choices/decision-making.
2. The Guide to Procedures for Cooperating Ventures in regards to membership.

#### **Aim & Purpose**

- To give freedom of choice for individual members, Congregations and Parishes, in particular Cooperating Ventures, to choose who they affiliate and associate themselves with in particular a freedom to worship in their Mother tongue.
- To allow individual members, Congregations and Parishes to exercise their basic Human Right
- To re-affirm the Methodist Church of New Zealand's publicly stated position in regard to the Human Rights Act in regard to discrimination and equal rights, noting that its current Laws and Regulations, Policies and Conference Decisions do not reflect this
- To allow the Spirit that speaks through 1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 14 accommodating many languages within one worship context, be the basis to practise Connexional legalities

#### **BACKGROUND**

##### **Human Rights Act of New Zealand – Article 2**

*Everyone is entitled to all the rights and freedoms set forth in this Declaration, without distinction of any kind, such as race, colour, sex, language, religion, political or other opinion, national or social origin, property, birth or other status.*

*Furthermore, no distinction shall be made on the basis of the political, jurisdictional or international status of the country or territory to which a person belongs, whether it be independent, trust, non-self-governing or under any other limitation of sovereignty.*

#### **Procedures for Cooperative Ventures**

##### **221 Membership**

###### **221.1 Definitions**

*All who have been baptised with water in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit are members of Christ's body the church. Those members who have expressed their intention to live their discipleship as part of the fellowship of the Cooperative Venture are called to exercise the full responsibilities and privileges of membership. This membership may*

be affirmed and recognised by the parish council (church meeting in case of churches in the Congregational Union) on

- membership at the time of inauguration of one of the local churches forming the Cooperative Venture or
- a public commitment known variously as **Profession of Faith, Confirmation, Admission to the Lord's Table** or the production of a letter from another parish certifying membership or
- the parish council (or church meeting) in special pastoral circumstances and with the concurrence of the ordained minister(s), being satisfied that a person might be considered eligible.

### **221.2 Authority**

All members recognise and accept the authority of the parish council and other courts of the Partners.

### **221.3 Rolls**

a) **Parish Roll.** Membership in the parish shall be recorded in a single roll; denominational affiliations may be noted if desired by the members concerned

b) **Pastoral Roll.** A pastoral roll shall be maintained of all persons under pastoral care, including those known in some Partners as adherents.

### **221.4 Denominations**

On **all** rolls kept the denomination of members and families **may** be indicated in one of the following ways

- as members of one of the Partners if so desired
- as members under reciprocal agreements between the Methodist, Presbyterian Churches, the Associated Churches of Christ and the Congregational Union.
- As an isolated member where a Church of Christ is not a participant, the General Secretary of the Churches of Christ being informed.

### **Suggested way forward:**

1. That the Methodist Church of New Zealand (MCNZ) re-affirms its position regarding the Human Rights Acts of New Zealand, with particular reference to Article 2.
2. That the MCNZ Conference re-affirms its position regarding the Procedures for Cooperative Ventures, with particular reference to Membership.
3. That the MCNZ relax its strict requirements in cultural affiliation in accordance with the Human Rights Act and the Procedures for Cooperative Ventures on the use of language in worship services.
4. That the section of *National Synod – Vahefonua Tonga 'o Aotearoa* (and any future Cultural Synods of the MCNZ) includes the same clause as the section relating to the *National Synod – Sinoti Samoa Ekalesia Metotisi i Niu Sila*:

14.2.1 The functions of Vahefonua shall be:

- (a) to provide a forum where information and concerns relating to Tongans in New Zealand can be shared;
- (b) to provide Tongan people with a structure through which they can relate directly to the Conference;
- (c) to provide a Body to which Conference can direct issues relating to the care and oversight of Tongan Methodists in New Zealand.

14.2.2 Vahefonua Tonga 'o Aotearoa shall maintain, and improve where appropriate, the interaction between the Tongan and English-speaking congregations, and other cultures, at both District and Parish level. It shall do this by:

- (a) each Tongan fellowship/congregation within a multi-racial Parish continuing under the primary direction of that Parish, but indirectly having a relationship with Vahefonua Tonga 'o Aotearoa;

(b) negotiating with the District Synod and the Connexion when it is in the best interests of ministry and mission that a Tongan Parish should be established, while maintaining appropriate interactions with the Palagi Parish;

(c) establishing a Joint Committee to deal with relationship and property matters when a new Tongan Parish comes into being.

**Referred to Taiwi Meeting at Conference.  
See Decision 8 on Sheet No. 6 - Taiwi**

### **3. Memorial: Methodist Church of Palmerston North through the Lower North Island Synod**

#### **Introduction**

Our grave concern is the denial of the right for Tongan members, who have chosen to relate to the Palmerston North Methodist Parish, to conduct worship in the language of their choice. This is consequent on the interpretation of the 2007 Conference ruling Section 4, 14.1.1: *Vahefonua Tonga o Aotearoa shall have a nationwide responsibility for all Tongan members of the Methodist Church of New Zealand.....* The current interpretation is that any Tongan group leading worship in the Tongan language must affiliate to Vahefonua.

The interpretation of this ruling is a breach of the Bill of Rights of New Zealand. The 1990 Act Clause 20, Rights of Minorities: *A person who belongs to an ethnic, religious or linguistic minority in New Zealand shall not be denied the right, in community with other members of that minority, to enjoy the culture, to profess and practise the religion, or use the language of that minority.*

#### **Background**

The Palmerston North Methodist Parish has had a Tongan presence in its congregation for over three decades. Their membership enriches a significant multicultural congregation, something celebrated as one of the Parish's distinctive features. Regrettably, there has developed a division within the Tongan members over recent years, exacerbated by the interpretation of the above ruling. We now have two conflicting groups. There are those Tongan members who come under Vahefonua, accept the governance of its Superintendent and continue weekly services of worship in the Tongan language. The other Tongan families are re-establishing or strengthening links to the Parish, the Presbyter and the Lower North Island Synod, while at the same time maintaining their Tongan cultural identity. They are told they are not permitted to hold worship in their own language.

While accepting the intent of the MCNZ ruling in its setting up of Vahefonua – namely, to show cultural sensitivity and support cultural diversity – it has erected a barrier against the growth of a New Zealand multicultural Methodist Church which embraces not only the Tongan and Palagi cultures, but also the myriad of ethnically diverse groups currently living in Aotearoa.

#### **Memorial to 2013 Conference of MCNZ**

That Pasifika church members, as individuals and/or members of groups, are free to choose to affiliate and associate with the Synod (or Synods) of their choice while being free to worship in the language (or languages) of their choice.

We believe this memorial opens the way for the growth of a more dynamic and progressive national church, accepting of and celebrating a diversity of cultural and religious traditions.

**Referred to Taiwi.  
See Decision 8 on Sheet No. 6 – Taiwi.**

#### **4. Memorial from Sinoti Samoa**

Since the inception of Sinoti Samoa in 1996, the Superintendent role has been complex and demanding, requiring an ordained minister to carry out superintendent duties in addition to his/her own church/parish ministry. This current arrangement is testing and challenging for both the Superintendent (*as his/her workload is extra heavy*) and his/her parish (*who effectively end up with only a part-time presbyter due to superintendent commitments*). Sinoti Samoa believes that a stand-alone Superintendent would be ideal for the Sinoti Samoa, however the unfortunate reality is that Sinoti Samoa is not financially placed to be able to fund this role. Hence Sinoti Samoa formally requests the Conference to consider the following:

1. That Conference seriously considers funding Stand-alone superintendency.
2. Reaffirm the joint Memorial submitted by the Auckland and Manukau Synod Executives (2012): Suggested Decision "Noting that the 2005 Conference in establishing the endowment provisions as part of the PAC guidelines indicated that "separated Superintendency" could be one of the items funded or partially funded in the future..."

**Referred to Board of Administration, Mission Resourcing and Council of Conference.**

#### **5. Notice of Motion: Releasing Funds for Ministry – moved by Norman Brookes**

When a parish sells a redundant property and invests the funds in the MTA (?) but then doesn't draw on those funds for renovations or a new development within five years, then 10% of the investment will be removed from the property development portfolio of MCNZ and transferred into a fund for the support of ministry initiatives.

**Referred to Board of Administration.**

#### **6. Notice of Motion: Funding for Connexional Growth Ministries - moved by Sue Spindler, seconded by Barbara Peddie**

That Conference approves in principle the allocation of 5% of interest on funds held in the CB&L Fund to a Connexional Ministries Fund to support national ministries for the growth and renewal of the church. Noting that these funds are held in the names of individual parishes and church entities, this proposal to be taken to Parishes, Synods, Rohe and Hui Poari for discussion and approval, and brought back to Conference 2014 for final approval and implementation.

That the 5% would be part of the 20% of interest normally retained in CB&L Funds.

That Earthquake Insurance settlement funds be exempt from this proposal.

**Referred to Board of Administration.**

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