

## YEAR BOOK & REPORTS & DECISIONS of CONFERENCE

## WESLEY COLLEGE, AUCKLAND

## 2016

The Methodist Church of New Zealand Te Hāhi Weteriana O Aotearoa



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# **2017 YEAR BOOK**

The Methodist Church of New Zealand Te Háhi Weteriana O Aotearoa

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#### AUGUST SYNODS

4-5 August

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 **Friday 7 July 2017**.

#### **BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION**

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23 February	11 May	6 July	21 September	7 December

#### CONFERENCE (CHRISTCHURCH) NOVEMBER 2018 (dates TBA)

#### **CONNEXIONAL BUDGET TASK GROUP**

Thursday 9 March

#### **COUNCIL OF CONFERENCE**

24-25 March	10:30am Friday to 5:30pm Saturday – Te Rahui Centre, 294 River Road,
	Claudelands, Hamilton
8-9 September	10:00am Friday to 6:00pm Saturday – 409 Great South Road, Auckland

#### **TE TAHA MAORI**

Hui Poari 19-20 February Other dates TBC

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

- 1 Feb 5 April 12 June 31 July 9 October 4 December
- The Executive meets before the meeting.
- Agenda for the meeting closes 10 days before the date of the meeting.

#### **MISSION RESOURCING**

Candidates Assessment Weekend:16-18 JuneOrdinands Assessment Event:11-13 October

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

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

8 March (Auckland)

#### PAC DISTRIBUTION GROUP

28-29 July

#### TAUIWI STRATEGY & STATIONING

25-26 Feb (Auckland) 27-29 Aug & 29-30 August (Auckland)

#### SYNOD SUPERINTENDENTS RETREAT

TBA

**PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT GRANTS COMMITTEE** (formerly Travel & Study) Deadlines for applications: 15 February, 15 May, 15 August, 15 November

#### SYNOD DATES 2017

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

Northland (15)	25 February 26 August
Auckland (65)	4 March 13 May 5 August 7 October Combined: 8 December
Manukau (30)	4 March 20 May 5 August 14 October
Waikato-Waiariki (1)	3 March (Tamahere Eventide) 9 June 5-6 August (Hamilton) 1 December (Tauranga)
Lower North Island (90)	ТВА
Nelson-Marlborough-West Coast (20)	24-26 March 4-6 August 17-19 November
Central South Island (send electronic copy)	11 March (10:30am-4:30pm at Woodlands Rd, Timaru) 4-5 August
Otago-Southland (15)	24-26 March 4-5 August 11 November
Sinoti Samoa (Exec - 16) (Sinoti AGM - 160) (Ministerial Synod - 20)	16-18 March (Executive - 409 Great South Road) 15-17 June (Executive - 409 Great South Road) 20-23 July (Sinoti AGM) 20 July (Ministerial Synod) 28-30 September (Executive)
Vahefonua Tonga 'o Aotearoa (4)	21-23 April 14-16 July
Wasewase ko Viti Kei Rotuma (2)	18 March (Executive) 21-22 July (Synod - Hamilton)

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ET:	Enabling Team.
[H]	Denotes Home in front of telephone number.
L:	Denotes local Presbyter and is followed by the Years of the current appointment.
LAY:	Denotes Stationed Lay Minister.
[M]:	Denotes Mobile Phone.
MI:	Minita-a-Iwi.
[0]	Denotes Office in front of telephone number.
S:	Includes those training in Residential (Theological College) or in the Home Setting.
SOC:	Denotes those serving with other Churches, Conferences, and Ecumenical agencies.
Supply:	Denotes Lay or Ministerial Supply.
UFS:	Denotes unavailability for Stationing by the Conference.
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1997	L20	Morunga, Christina M[H] 09 4055 8313 West Coast Road[E] cmorunga@xtra.coRD2, Kohukohu 0491[E] cmorunga@xtra.co	
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2010	8	Nathan, Rex E F         [M] 027 474 47           180 Pouto Road, RD1         [H] 09 439 65           Dargaville 0371         [E] rexnathan@xtra.co	565
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1999	2015	Nicholls, Val         [M] 021 518 786           57 Laurence Street         [H] 09 424 5758           Manly         [E] valnicholls@xtra.co.nz           Whangaparaoa 0930         [Strain Content of Content	3
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2009	9	Nuku, Hiueni         [O] 04 237 4207           83 Ayton Drive, Whitby         [M] 027 229 1387           Porirua 5024         [H] 04 234 1054           [E] hiueni@puchs.org.nz	1 7810 4 7820
2007	3	Oh, Martin         [O] 03 544 8394           2/27 Manson Avenue         [M] 027 288 1938           Stoke, Nelson 7011         [H] 03 970 6990           [E] martinandsun@gmail.com	3 )
1991	5	Olsen, Ken W         [O] 07 855 7434           84 Glen Lynn Avenue         [H] 07 853 8970           Queenwood         [E] ken@char twellchurch.org.nz           Hamilton 3210         (PO Box 12034, Chartwell Square, Hamilton 3248)	)
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1953	1986	Osborne, John H [H] 09 622 1705 Apt. 116, Sunset Retirement Village [E] <u>nidnoj@surfer.co.n</u> 117-123 Boundary Road Blockhouse Bay, Auckland 0060	
2002	L17	Paea, Holakitu'akolo       [O] 09 274 1177         7 Palando Place       [H] 09 296 7969         Conifer Grove,       [E} <u>yeslord@xtra.co.nz</u> Takanini 2112       [Alternative]	9

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2009	UFS1	<b>Peddie</b> , Barbara 602A Madras Street St Albans, Christchurch 8014	[H] 03 377 0246 [E] <u>bpeddie@clear.net.nz</u>	
	MI:S3	<b>Peri,</b> Anne C/- 174 Tennessee Ave, Mangere East, Auckland 2024	[H] 09 405 3852 [E] <u>teaurereanne55@gmail.com</u> 4	
2013	5	<b>Petaia,</b> Neti 18 Chapel Street Papanui Christchurch 8053	[O] 03 352 1179 [M] 027 937 2063 [H] 03 354 9055 [E] <u>petaia.chchnorth@xtra.co.nz</u>	8140
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1968	1998	<b>Phillipps</b> , Donald J 46 Bryant Street Bradford, Dunedin 9011	[M] 021 173 6668 [H] 03 453 5625 [E] <u>donaldphillipps@gmail.com</u>	9010
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2011	7	<b>Pole</b> , Siosifa 16 Albert Street St Clair, Dunedin 9012 (PO Box 2391, Dunedin 9011	[O] 03 466 4600 [M] 027 241 2926 [H] 04 455 2923 ) [E] <u>sifapole@xtra.co.nz</u>	9010 7920 9160
2009	5	<b>Pope</b> , Ikilifi 3 Jordan Road, Mangere Auckland 2022	[M] 027 445 0205 [H] 09 636 8603 [E] <u>ikipope@outlook.com</u>	7630
2009	4	<b>Poultney</b> , David 2 Olivine Terrace, The Brook Nelson 7010	[M] 022 350 2263 [H] 03 545 7181 [E] <u>davidcpoultney@gmail.com</u>	7010 7000 7090 7110
1967	2007	<b>Pratt</b> , David C 10A Valley Road Northcote, Auckland 0626	[M] 021 0254 6980 [H] 09 419 0505 [E] <u>dcjapratt@xtra.co.nz</u>	2150
2011	6	<b>Prestidge,</b> Paul 17a Manuka Street Miramar, Wellington 6022	[O] 04 388 4247 [M] 027 575 8892 [H] 04 388 1255 [E] <u>paul@miramaruniting.org.nz</u>	6050

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2006	3	<b>Pupulu</b> , Utumau'u 68 Forrest Hill Road Henderson Waitakere 0612	[M] 021 842 883 [E] <u>u.pupulu@orcon.net.nz</u>	9520 9530
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	MI	<b>Rauwhero</b> , Hemi (Jim) <i>(Retire</i> 5-34 Miro Road, Mangere Brid Auckland 2022	, <b>.</b> .	2510
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1957	1997	<b>Russell</b> , Kenneth H 85L Victoria Road St Kilda, Dunedin 9012	[H] 03 455 3727 [E] j <u>uke.russell34@gmail.com</u>	9010
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2013	2	<b>Shackleton</b> , Tania 4 Etna Way Dinsdale Hamilton 3204	[O] 07 847 2752 [M] 022 685 7688 [H] 07 847 9348 [E H] <u>shackletont@gmail.com</u>	3360
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2009	7	<b>Sidal</b> , Bob 9 Rhodes Street, Parkside Timaru 7910	[M] 021 984 919 [H][O] 03 688 8401 [E] <u>sidalsrus@yahoo.co.nz</u>	8310 8350
2011	LAY7	<b>Sidal,</b> Morven 9 Rhodes Street, Parkside Timaru 7910	[M] 021 984 939 [H][O] 03 688 8401 [E] <u>sidalsrus@yahoo.co.nz</u>	8330
1975	2012	<b>Sinclair</b> , Paul 227 Tukere Drive Whangamata 3620	[M] 021 031 9926 [H] 07 865 8092 [E] <u>lynne.paul.sinclair@gmail.com</u>	
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2004	2007	<b>Stephens</b> , Barbara [l 156 Condell Avenue, Papanui Christchurch 8053 [E] <u>stephensbarb</u>	[H] 03 354 6121	8210
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	2008		[[O] 03 389 7843 art@clear.net.nz	8030
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1989	1999	<b>Sulzberger</b> , Elva M J <i>(retd Deacon)</i> Villa 3, 36 Sanders Avenue, Westown New Plymouth 4310	[H] 06 753 5432	4010
2015	3	Brookfield, Tauranga 3110	[O] 07 578 8493 ] 021 0283 5358 [H] 07 576 9749 und@iafrica.com	3190
2009	3	<b>Tafuna</b> , Metuisela 104 Beerescourt Road Hamilton 3200 [E] <u>metui@hamiltonm</u>	[M] 021 998 232 [H] 07 849 7630	3080
1975	17	(21 Kilmanjaro Drive	[O] 09 571 9156 M] 027 443 1340 [H] 09 537 6616 .at@clear.net.nz	
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1978	2014	Wall, Terence W (President's Supply)         [M] 021 083 01510           9 Johnson Street         [H] 09 236 912           Tuakau 2121         [E] lynne.terry.wall@gmail.com	7
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#### Panmure Samoan Parish:

20 Ireland Road, Panmure, Auckland, 1060 Business Phone: (09) 527 7010

Noa, Nomani, Rev

#### **Panmure Methodist Church**

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#### Papakura Samoan Parish:

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#### Papatoetoe Samoan Parish:

41 Cambridge Terrace, Papatoetoe, Auckland, 2025 Business Phone: (09) 278 6442 Fax: +64 (09) 278 6442

Aumua, Tovia F, Rev

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Pupulu, Utumau'u, Rev

#### **Oratia Methodist Samoan Church**

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Mann-Taito, Falaniko, Rev

# VAHEFONUA TONGA 'O AOTEAROA (SYNOD)

#### Auckland Manukau Tongan Parish:

PO Box 56435, Dominion Road, Auckland, 1446 Business Phone: (09) 638 6644 Fax: +64 (09) 638 9651

Finau, (Tevita) David M, Rev

Kilikiti, Vaikoloa, Rev

Manukia, Mosese, Rev

Tukutau, Siutaisa T, Rev

Finau, Viliami K, Rev

'E-Moala 'Aholelei, Nehilofi, Rev

Fihaki, Kalolo, Rev

Tu'ipulotu, (Foeata) Mele F, Rev

Lea'aetoa, Sione, Rev

Tu'uhoko, Makeleta L, Rev

Halaleva, Finau, Rev

Kau, Tevita, Mr

Taufa, Tisileli, Rev

Fungalei, Lopiseni, Mr

Hafoka, Falanisesi, Dn

#### **Dominion Road Church**

426 Dominion Road, Mt Eden, Auckland, 1024 Business Phone: (09) 638 6644 Church\Worship Centre eMail: kalolo@maxnet.co.nz

#### East Tamaki Tongan Congregation

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#### **Ellerslie Tongan Congregation**

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#### Panmure Tongan Congregation

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#### Papatoetoe Tongan Congregation

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

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#### **Tongan Methodist - Christian Education**

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#### Avalon Tongan Parish:

83 Ayton Drive, Whitby, Porirua, 5024 Business Phone: (04) 234 1054

#### Blenheim Tongan Parish:

Wesley Centre, 3 Henry Street, Blenheim, 7201 Business Phone: (03) 578 5796

#### Christchurch South Tongan Parish (Kosipeli):

c/o 40 Somerset Crescent, Spreydon, Christchurch, 8024 Business Phone: (2) 729 07297

Kaufononga, (Moi) Moimoi ', Rev

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

40 Somerset Crescent, Spreydon, Christchurch, 8024 Business Phone: (021) 050 4112

#### Dunedin Tongan Methodist Parish:

c/o PO Box 2391, South Dunedin, Dunedin, 9044 Business Email: parish@dmm.org.nz **Pole,** Siosifa T , Rev

#### Gisborne Tongan Parish:

8 Duncan Street, Mangapapa, Gisborne, 4010 Business Phone: (06) 868 8553

Ha'unga, Sunia, Rev

#### Levin Tongan Parish:

58 Hinemoa Street, Levin, 5510 Business Phone: (027) 304 4507

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

PO Box 43 140, Mangere Town Centre, Auckland, 2022 Business Phone: (09) 275 0268

Manukia, Goll F, Rev

#### Lotofale'ia Mangere Tongan Church

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#### Lower Hutt Tongan Parish:

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#### Mt Maunganui Tongan Parish:

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#### Oamaru Tongan Parish:

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#### **Oamaru Tongan Congregation**

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Paea, (Hola) Holakitu'akolo, Rev

#### Palmerston North Tongan Parish (Kelesi Parish):

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#### Papatoetoe Tongan Parish:

PO Box 200109, Papatoetoe Central, Auckland, 2156 Business Phone: (09) 277 6457

Pope, 'Ikilifi L, Rev

#### Pukekohe Tongan Methodist Parish:

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#### Pukekohe Tongan Congregation

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#### WASEWASE KO VITI KEI ROTUMA SYNOD

#### Auckland Fijian Parish (Tabacakacaka):

128 Whitford Road, Somerville, Auckland, 2014 Business Phone: (09) 534 3350

Ducivaki, Joeli, Rev

#### **Auckland Fijian Fellowship Church**

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# Tikoinaka, Peni, Rev

#### Wasewase ko Viti Kei Rotuma:

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Accredited Methodist Lay Preachers

Accredited Lay Preachers Register as at January 2017

This list has been drawn up from the 2016 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 <u>vjwhimster@gmail.com</u> or via the Connexional Office. The registration and update forms are available from the website: <u>http://www.methodist.org.nz/board\_of\_ministry/lay\_preachers</u>.

An asterisk (\*) denotes that the Network has been informed during 2016 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/R	Date of Issue of Certificate				
NORT	NORTHLAND							
Synoo	d Network Represent	ative: Rosalie	Gwilliam					
	Gwenifer	Aldersley	*	2016				
	John	Askew	*					
	Margaret	Bishop	*	2016				
	Julie	Calton						
	Brian	Chamberlin	*	1964				
	Beverley	Deverell		2010				
	Eric	Dodd		1986				
	Janice Ann	Gough		1971				
	Rosalie	Gwilliam	*	1994				
	Kathleen	Little		1992				
	Douglas	McKenzie	*	1978				
	Julie	Mison						
	John	Muir	R	1972				
	Shirley Ann	Pearson	*	1999				
	William	Simpkin	*	1963				
	Richard	Smith		1964				
AUCK	(LAND							
Synoo	d Network Represent	ative: Rowan	Smiley					
-	Eleanor	Ashby	-	1985				
	Karan	Balchand	*	2001				
	Elizabeth	Cornelius	*	1989				
	Cristina	Edwards		1998				
	Jerry Roebuck	Faasou						
	Uiki	Fesolai						
	Jerekiel Joseph	Foma'i	*	2016				
	Taliaoa Sialega Kamu	Fuimaono						
	Linda	Hall		2003 (UK)				
	David	Hines	*	1958				
	Brian	Jones	*	2004				
	Kaurasi Kunusi	Lagi	*	2016				
	Tiava'asu'e Seupule	Levaopolo						
	Saimone	Lolohea						

Sateki	Lolohea		
Dene	McConnochie	*	1954
laneta	Mailata	*	2011
Coral	Malcolm		
Laurie	Michie	R	1960
Greg	Morgan	*	2008
Robert	Overend	*	2007
Owen	Rao		1990
Lloyd	Riesterer	*	1953
Judy	Robinson	*	1998
Brenda	Skinner	*	1958
Rowan	Smiley	*	1965
Clive	Smith		1962
Susau	Strickland	*	1986
Bernard	Taito		
Vili Mose	Таоа		
Evangeline	William		2002

# MANUKAU

#### Synod Network Representative: TBC Michael Ackerley

Michael Kolotau	Ackerley Ahokava		
David	Balram	*	2016
John	Bennett		2004
Nancy	Carter		
Marie	Clark		
Rob	Finlay		
Kuovatisi	Fononga		2011
Susana	Galo		2010
Eddie	Hogg		
Derek	Kruger		
Tevita	Maka		
Lolita	Malafu		
Fanga Saulielia	Matamu		
Audrey	Mathews	R	1962
Raymond	Rahman	*	2016
John	Reddy	*	2016
Marina	Robati-Man		
Lynn	Smith	*	2010
Owen	Thalari	*	2016
Bill (Viliami)	Vao		2005
Sua	Vili		
Wendy	Wanhill		
Gaylyn	Wills		2015
WAIKATO-WAIARIKI			

# Synod Network Representative: Geoff Warth

Catherine	Dickie	R	1951
Elaine	Diprose	*	1998

Penny	Guy	*	2012
Lewis	Hale	*	1960, 2008 (M)
Maurice	Hight		1987
Vonnie	Keightley	R	1990
Raewyn	Luxton	*	1984
Barbara	Murray	*	1999
Joan	Myles	*	2016
Lynnette	Pinkerton	*	1994
Janice	Purdie	*	1997
Dorothy	Preece		1987
Don	Riesterer		1953
Allan	Robert	R	1948
Peter	Robertson		1997
Graham	Robertson	*	1971
Jack	Roper	*	1986
Dawne	Ross	*	2005
Nanette	Russell		2010
Wendy	Russell	*	2015
Ngaire	Southon	*	2005
Geoff	Warth	*	1999
Mary	West	*	2008
Viv	Whimster	*	1998
Bernard	Young	R	2008

# LOWER NORTH ISLAND

# Synod Network Representative: Keith Knox

Ronnie (Mrs)	Aldersley		1979
Taiana	Anderson		
Alexina	Archer		
Margaret	Bishop		2008
Fraser	Boyd	*	1979
Robyn	Bridge	*	
Maureen	Calhaem		2002
Maureen	Caswell		
Senaca	Chapelle		2013
Katherine	Chisholm		
Dennis	Coon		2005
Pam	Davis	*	2002
David	Davis		1999
Syd	Easton	*	
Lavinia	Elder	*	2014
Rod	Fleury		1959
Avis	Garner		1975
Philip	Garside	*	2012
James	Gaudin	*	2014
Joanne	Gaudin	*	2014
Jack	Gibson	*	
Graeme	Gore		
Hugh	Hill	*	2015

Barbara	Hooper	*	2008
Peggy	Jourdain	*	
Keith	Knox	*	1964
Allen	Little	*	2014
Barbara	Little	*	2007
Vic	Longley	*	2014
John	Lucas		
Mary	МасКау	*	
Ron	Malpass	*	1992
Maitland	Manning		
(Leslie) Rex	Millar		1953
Barbara	Moller	*	2013
lan	Passey		2009
Richard	Pittams		2011
Lyn	Price	*	1964
Diana	Roberts	*	2010
Jan	Robinson	*	2014
Jessica	Schnell	*	2012
Paul	Simons	*	
Glenys	Single		
Georgie	Smith		
Murray	Smith		
Helen	Starck		
Rosalie	Sugrue	*	1994
Elva	Symons		2013
Lindsay Noel	Taylor		1993
John	Thornley		1965
Hilita	Tupou		2014
Arnold Robert	Wallis		2001
Hugh	Williams	*	1961
Bryan	Yuile		
Josephine	Yuile		

# NELSON/MARLBOROUGH/WEST COAST

# Synod Network Representative: TBC

Robin	Hall *	1996	
David	Martin *	2012	
Jan	Poswillo	*	2013
Peter	Smale *	1969	
Bruce	Weston *	2014	

# CENTRAL SOUTH ISLAND

# Synod Network Representative: Garth Cant

Garth	Cant	*	1960
Elizabeth	Cant		1964
Vera	Chapman		2011
Bev	Fergus	*	2008
David	Hill	*	2009
Douglas	Hudson	R	1963

Margaret	Inglis	*	1996
Margaret	Johnson	*	2009
Valerie	Marshall	*	2015
Digby	Prosser	*	1997
Chris	Teague		2003
David	Thorns		1964
Martin	Van der Kley		before 1983
Heather	Walls		1957
Laisenia	Waqasokolala	а	
Betty (E.J.)	Watson		1987

# OTAGO-SOUTHLAND Synod Network Representative: Colin Gibson

Murray	Farley	R	1961
Joan	Farley	R	1989
Colin	Gibson	*	1991
Nicol	Macfarlane	*	1986
Rachael	Masterton	*	2013
Reo Elaine	Merrett	*	2009
Marion	Ruda	*	2015
Anne	Stoddart	*	2010
Nola	Stuart	*	2010
Dorothy	Willis	*	1981
Ernest	Willis	*	1981

# SINOTI SAMOA Synod Network Representative: Rev Faleatua Faleatua Birkenhead Samoan

	Tiliitaua	Brewster	*	1998
	Alfred	Brewster	*	
	Su'a Selau	Esekia	*	
	Saili	loapo	*	1998
	Malagaoma Elia	Kalolo	*	
	Fualau Faimoa	Meki	*	2009
	Su'efuaina	Mulitalo	*	2009
Water	view Samoan			
	Ape. Sue	Faitotoa	*	
	Seumanutafa. F	Faitotoa		2012
	Lolila	Faitotoa		2012
St Pa	ul's Otara			
	Apulu	Amituanai	*	2003
	Faiumu	Faiumu	*	1990
	Richard	Mauafua	*	2016
	Sauleoge	Sione	*	1999
	Mataafa	Tauofaga	*	2016
	Tofa	Winterstein	*	2005

# Mangere Central Samoan

wange	ere Central Samoan			
	Faumuina	Afuie	*	
	Teuila	Afuie	*	
	losua	Autagavaia	*	
	Liu	Feomaia	*	
	Fagavao	Lemoa	*	1977
	Iesili	Mareko	*	1994
	Ulumago	Mareko	*	1994
	Vaega	Niuula	*	2009
	Eteuati	Semu	*	2009
	Solinuu	Semu	*	2009
St Joh	n's Auckland Centra	I		
	Unasa Simi	Elia		before 1974
	Ieremia	Fa'amatuainu	*	before 1999
	Tuiloma Su'e	Manufalealili	*	before 1999
	Mataua'iga Inu	Tuaimalo	*	before 1984
	Lupematasila	Tuivaiti	*	before 2010
	Leaula Ben	Vaitu'utu'u	*	before 1984
New P	lymouth Samoan			
	Auuaola Fesilafai	Feaunati	*	
	Manase	Fonoti	*	
	Mulipola Peleti	Misikei	*	1998
	Itamua Mataiva Doroth	y Robertson	*	
	Taotua Namulau'ulu Jos	shua Robertson	*	
	Vele Vainu'u	Tuigaleava	*	2002
Maste	rton			
	Nimoe	Kelly		
	Tiufao	Silika Lologa		
	Таеао	Tafa		
Petone	9			
	Palolo	Tuala		2011
	Fegauia'i	Sila		2011
Wellin	gton Samoan			
	Saua Seaga	Toelupe		
	Sione Fulu	Tunufa'i		
	Tuioti Lani Tupu			

# VAHEFONUA TONGA

Auckland/Manukau Paula Taumoepeau

# WASEWASE KO VITI KEI ROTUMA No official returns

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# 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	R	Benny	Ruth	134B Broughton Street		Gore	8710
Mrs	JR	Besant	Joyce	1 Arlington Street	Burnside	Christchurch	8053
Mrs	DE	Billinghurst	Daphne	14 Hamua Place		Waitara	4320
Mrs	G B	Boyd	Gwyneth	26 Solway Drive	Witherlea	Blenheim	7201
Mrs	ΝΡ	Carter	Nancy	2/20 Woodward Avenue	Mangere Bridge	Auckland	2022
Mrs	MM	Clements	Mona	90 Francis Street	Hauraki	Auckland	0622
Mrs	LM	Clucas	Lois	Bruce McLaren Retirement Village	Apt 416/795 Chapel Road, Dannemora	Auckland	2016
Mrs	Е	Cole	Esme	23 St Johns Avenue		Tuakau	2121
Mrs	НМ	Couch	Harriet	28 Raymond Street	Fairview Downs	Hamilton	3214
Mrs	G M	Currie	Glenys	42/140 Chapel Street		Masterton	5810
Mrs	ΕM	Dawson	Enid	44 Kupe Street	Orakei	Auckland	1071
Mrs	CE	Dickie	Catherine	78 Wilfred Street	St Andrews	Hamilton	3200
Mrs	Р	Eureti	Pare	c/- 18 Montgomery Crescent	Melville	Hamilton	3206
Mrs	ΙL	Fowler	Iris	54 Buscomb Avenue	Henderson	Auckland	0610
Mrs	FΚ	Gerritsen	Frieda Kramer	Route De Beaumont 9	CH 1700, Fribourg	SWITZERLAND	
Mrs	JE	Gilbert	Joy	11/13 Nursery Place	Westown	New Plymouth	4310
Mrs	НМ	Griffith	Helen	110A Main Road		Wellington	5022
Mrs	JI	Hall	Jo	493 Pristdale Road	Rochedale, Logan City	Queensland, Australia	4123
Mrs	В	Hamlin	Beverley	9A Pinkerton Grove	Newlands	Wellington	6037
Mrs	Μ	Hammond	Margaret	14 Tamahere Retirement Village	621 State Highway 1, RD 3	Hamilton	3283
Mrs	MN	Hawkey	Margaret	58 Chalmers Avenue	Hampstead	Ashburton	7700
Mrs	W M	Hayman	Wanda	11 Hitherlands	Little Dimocks Balham	London	SW12 9JN
Mrs	L	Heimuli	Lolofi	507 Sandringham Road	Sandringham	Auckland	1025
Mrs	КМ	Horwood	Kath	Powley House, 135 Connell Street	Blockhouse Bay	Auckland	0600
Mrs	EJ	Hunt	Ena	21/498 Tweed Street	Newfield	Invercargill	9812
Mrs	DS	Kitchingman	Dorothy	64 Alamein Terrace		Oamaru	9400
Mrs	A	Latu	Ataile	38 Wise Street		Wainouimata	5014
Mrs	В	Leadley	Beryl	7 Sunnyside Street	Onerahi	Whangarei	0110
Mrs	Μ	Leadley	Muriel	14 Kenneth Place	Rototuna	Hamilton	3210
Mrs	L	Leary	Loraine	103 Office Road	Merivale	Christchurch	8014
Mrs	Μ	Lewis	May (Cis)	31 Springhill Street		Dunedin	9011
Mrs	М	Mabon	Marilyn	20 Waikare Avenue	Waiwhetu	Lower Hutt	5010
Mrs	M	Mackie	Marianne	8 Te Ara Road		Pukerua Bay	5026
Mrs	CA	Manihera	Carol	155A Gilberthorpes Rd	Hei Hei	Christchurch	8042
Mrs	SM	Моа	Savelina Maa'imoa	68 La Rosa Street	Green Bay	Auckland	0604
Mrs	J	Moore	Jean	3 Alexandra Grove	Richmond	Nelson	7081
Mrs	H	Newman	Heather	C/- Redwood Village, Villa 42	429 Te Ngae Road	Rotorua	3010
Mrs	ВJ	Olds	Barbara	1/19 Danbury Drive	Torbay	Auckland	0630
Mrs	JA	Olds	June	5/91 Harewood Road		Christchurch	8053
Mrs	PA	Olsen	Phyllis	13 Maxwell Ave	Grey Lynn	Auckland	1021
Mrs	F	Palelei	Fa'afeai	80 Mahia Road	Manurewa	Auckland	2102
Mrs	K	Palelei	Kueni	27 Romney Place	Manurewa	Auckland	2102
Mr	В	Parkes	Basil	45 Vogel Street		Cambridge	3434

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Mrs	RM	Pond	Rosemary	27 Sumner Street	Devonport	Auckland	2025
Mrs	D	Prince	Diedre	15 Tivoli Place	Bishopdale	Christchurch	8053
Mrs	L	Ratucoka	Laisa	23 Aurora Terrace	Hillcrest	Hamilton	3216
Mr	J	Richards	John	Apt. 27, 10A Summerhill Place	St Heliers	Auckland	1071
Mr	С	Telford	Colin	15B Hudson Street	Riverlea	Hamilton	3216
Mrs	F	Te Whare	Fay	10A Cumbria Way	Sherwood Vale	Hamilton East	3216
Mrs	EG	Thornley	Betty	Grace Joel Retirement Village	188 St Heliers Bay Road St Heliers	Auckland	1071
Mrs	R	Toomer	Ruth	(Address unknown)			
Mrs	ME	Trebilco	Mavis	75/60 Maranui Street		Mount Maunganui	3116
Mrs	Р	Tu`itupou	Paea	15 Catherine Street	Onehunga	Auckland	1061
Mrs	М	Tuimaseve	Matilda	(Address unknown)		SYDNEY	2200
Mr	А	Watkin	Alan	313 Karaitiana Street	Frimley	Hastings	4120
Mrs	SF	Watson	Stella	241A Port Hills Road	Heathcote Valley	Christchurch	8022
Mrs	НМ	Widdup	Hilda	Studio 9, Wesleycare Retirement Village	91 Harewood Road	Christchurch	8053
Mrs	NJ	Woodfield	Nelma	14 Bellbird Crescent		Waikanae	5036

# 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

#### A. Presbyters:

1947	Campbell, Michael J (S)	1962	Bilverstone, John (S) Jones, Barry E (S)	1972	Dye, Michael (S) MacLeod, D Ian
1950	Schroeder, Leonard P(S)		Wakeling W J Douglas (S) Woodley, Alan K (S)		West, Peter J L (S)
1951	Stead, Peter A (S)	1963	Ansell, David H (S)	1973	Grant, Stuart C (S)
1952	Gibson, Loyal J (S)		Browne, Wallis F (S) Clarke, Ian L (S)	1974	Roberts, John H (S)
1953	Baker, Frederick J K (S) Osborne, John H (S) Stubbs, David G (S)		Laws, Derek G (S) Miller-Taylor, Barbara I (S) Tucker, W Geoffrey (S)	1975	Bell, Anthony N (S) Dye, Michael (S) Jacobson, Patricia M (S) Sinclair, Paul F (S)
1954	Heppelthwaite, Ernest (S) Rakena, Ruawai D (S)	1964	Neal, Barry W (S) Slinn, Stuart G (S)		Tana, Diana A
	Rushton, Percy P (S)		Ungemuth, Shirley V (S)	1976	Greer, Michael W (S) White, Graeme R (S)
1955	Abbott, William K (S) Bennett, Trevor L (S) Cable, Wilfred J (S) Goreham, Norman J (S)	1965	Barnes, Stanley J (S) Chessum, William A (S) Clarke, Edwin B (S) Herbert, C Brice (S) West, Norman J (S)	1978	Wall, Lynne J (S) Wall, Terence W (S) Upson, Alan R (S)
1956	Andrews, Robert S (S)	1966	Alexander, Roy M (S)	1979	Bush, David J Ferguson, Robert A (S)
1957	Bell, G Basil W (S) Guthardt, Phyllis M (S) Kitchingman, Henry W (S)		Taylor, Keith J (S) West, Stanley J (S)		Greenwood, I Marie (S) Short, Robert D (S) Stroobant, Anthony D (S)
	Pullar, Beverley (S) Russell, Kenneth H (S)	1967	Jamieson, Colin G (S) Pratt, David C (S)	1980	Biggs, Donald F (S)
	Taylor, Philip F (S)	1968	Allan, Robert A (S) Hay, J Cedric (S)		Cooper, K Desmond (S) Cumberpatch, Lindsay E
1958	Dickinson, J Mervyn (S) Gilbert, Wilfred S (S)		Hey, Roger J E (S) McIver, Graeme M (S)		Egli, Bruno W (S) Elderton, William E (S) Murray, John S (S)
1959	Bowen, Lewis A (S) Dine, Mervyn L (S) Goudge, Stanley R (S)		Meredith, John D (S) Phillipps, Donald J (S)	1981	Bell, David S (S) Frith, Lynne O
1000		1969	Brookes, Norman E (S) Corlett, Ashley I (S)		Hoggard, Trevor
1960	Hanson, E Francis I (S) Hornblow, Maxwell A (S) Horrill, C Seton (S) Mullan, David S (S)		Eagle, Brian R J (S) Harkness, Barry G (S) Rigby, Russell G (S)		Noa, Nomani (S) Tugia, A Fa'aoso (S) Whaley, Graham H (S)
	Wedding, P Joan (S)		Turner, Brian H (S)	1982	Clarke, Lois R H (S) McNicol, Derek V (S)
1961	James, Russell E (S) Marshall, C Russell (S)	1970	Smith, G Clive (S)		Ferguson, I W Leslie (S) Samoa Saleupolu, Aso T (S)
	Taylor, A Kerry (S) Wallace, William L (S)	1971	Blundell, Warren H (S) Salmon, John B (S)		

- 1983 Burnett, Margaret E (S) Kane, Graham A (S) Rosewell, Wendie (S) Sedon, Ashley J (S)
- 1984 Abbott, Bryant S L (S) Elphick, Doris J (S) Keesing, Neil R (S) Springett, Margaret (S) Taylor, Peter
- 1985 Caygill, Mary E Harding, David Rogers, Douglas I (S) Smith, Kenneth R (S) Wicks, Raymond G (S)
- 1986 Chandler, Clive H (S) Allen-Goudge, Robyn D
- 1987 Ambler, Mavis (S) Baker, Marcia J (S) Clover, Gary A M (S) Kilikiti, Vaikoloa
- 1988 Hughson, Gregory A Sundberg, Leigh Trebilco, Paul R Westaway, Robyn E (S)
- 1989 Bruce, G Jean (S) Millar, M Anne (S) Manu'atu, Lisiate F T (S) Nesbit, John B (S)
- 1990 George, Norma J (S) Rolinson, David T H Doubleday, Andrew
- 1991 Ancrum, Audrey P (S) Manukia, Mosese Olsen, Kenneth W Taungapeau, 'Epeli Yasa, Mike (S)
- 1992 Fa'afuata, lakopo Peterson, Brian C (S) Peterson, Marion J (S)
- 1993 Te'o, Suiva'aia Thompson, Susan J Zanders, Gloria J (S)
- 1994 Alaelua, Faiva (S) Siulangapo, 'Inoke Tregurtha, Paul (S)
- 1995 Ahn, David Kerr, Jessie (S) Osborn, Beverley (S)

- Stephenson, P Anne (S) Unasa, Uesifili Vickers, Ralph (S)
- 1996 Taufa, Samiuela (S) Tufuga, Fatuatia
- 1997 Abernethy, Gordon (S) 'Akauola-Tongotongo, Sylvia Dargaville, Anne (S) Manu, Tavake Morunga, Christina Subhan, Augusten Tikoinaka, Peni
- 1998 Anderson, Bruce Gibson, Mark Mudavanhu, Jannet
- 1999 Aumua, Tovia Hopner, Elizabeth (S) Nicholls, Val (S) Taufui, Hausia Walters, Kathryn van de Geer, Jill
- 2000 Faleatua, Faleatua Hall, Margaret (S) Loader, Vilma (S) Marsh, Janet
- 2001 Cable, Alison Dymond, Michael (S) Fogg, Jan Mann-Taito, Falaniko Molineux, Alison Muzondiwa, Amos Williamson, Peter
- 2002 Paea, Holaktiu'akolo Pole, Siosifa Tupou, Tamata'ane
- 2003 Donald, Margaret (S) Fakatou, Motekiai Finau, Viliami Kinahoi-Veikune, Setaita
- 2004 Ieli, Paulo Preston, Anne Sandiford Phelan, Ruth Stephens, Barbara (S)
- 2005 Devanandan, Prince Durrant, Jo (S) Gibbons, Sandra (S) Grant, Cornelia Isaia, Limu Lasi, Tau Webster, Alan K Woodward, Gillian

- 2006 Ngahe, 'Alifeleti Vaitu'ulala Pupulu, Utumau'u Taufa, Saikolone
- 2007 Griffiths, Anne (S) Kinera, Philomeno Oh, Martin Taufalele, Tevita
- 2008 Franklin-Ross, Tony Norman, Peter 'Uhila, 'Alipate
- 2009 Kim, Joohong Nuku, Hiueni Pope, Ikilifi Poultney, David Tafuna, Metuisela Aoina-Salesa, Ali'itasi Sidal, Bob Vaka'uta, Nasili
- 2010 Kaisa, Kalo Manukia, Goll Fan Misilei, Misilei Peach, Dale Taunga, Simote Preston, Anne Donaldson, Andrew
- 2011 Asiata, Alofaifo Boddy, Ian Lasi, Alisa Gamman, Andrew Meyer, Bertie Prestidge, Paul
- 2012 Aholelei, Nehilofi E'Moala' Chandra, Suresh Finau, Tevita Ha'unga, Sunia Lea'aetoa, Sione Tu'uhoko, Makeleta Lute Pole
- 2013 Bale, Akuila de Alwis, Freddy Fihaki, Kalolo Fisi'iahi, Kuli Havea, Manoa Langi, Ilaisaane (Saane) Petaia, Neti Shackleton, Tania Solomon, Abhishek Tu'ipulotu, Mele Foeata
- 2014 Amituana'I, Ieremia Ducivaki, Joeli Halaleva, Finau Molitika, Melema'u Tupou, Hosea Uludole, Alivereti Welch, Marilyn

2015	Calman, Maureen (S) Gray, Richard Hotere, Keita		Kaufononga, Moimoi 'Ahau Taufa, Tisileli
	Langi, Matafonua	2017	Cawanikawai, Sikeli
	Livani, Alipate		Livingstone, Watarini T
	Tukutau, Siutaisa		(Sonny)
	Williamson, Andrea		McLaughlin, Maurice
			Gordon, Colin
2016	Han, Hui Young Ieti, Oka		

#### B. Deacons:

1979	Evans, Edna E (R)	1986	Barrow, Shirley-Joy (R) Hallam, Valma E	1996	McLeod, Malcolm C (R)
1982	Birtles, Margaret Hunt, P Anne (to '92)		Hight, Dianne C	1998	Williams, Richard (R)
	Tregurtha, Rachel A (R)	1987	Reid, Rita J (R) Unasa-Su, Piula (R)	2011	Nicholas, Mary Tui'pulotu, Mele Foeata
1983	Cubin, Raewyn (R) Higham, B June (R)	1989	Bryant, David M (R) Bryant, Margaret I (R)		Whitehouse, Megan
			Dalton, R Harvey (R)	2015	Galo, Ruta
1984	Ramsay, B Anne (to '97)		Fawkner, Brenda R N (R) Goodwin, Lorna J (R)		Hafoka, Falanisesi
1985	Gibson, June L. (R)		Sulzburger, Elva M J (R)		

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*Of Presidents, Vice-Presidents & Secretaries of Conference 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 <a href="http://www.methodist.org.nz/conference/2016">http://www.methodist.org.nz/conference/2016</a>

Note: From 1966 the General Secretary was also the Conference Secretary

Entries for 2016 are as follows:

Place	Year	President	Vice-President	Secretary of Conference
Auckland	2016	Prince Devanandan, BD (India), BTh, MTheol (Auckland), M. Phil (Hons) (Auckland)	Viv Whimster, BSc(Hon) (Pharm), MIDip, BTheol, PGDip (Theol) (Dist)	David Bush, BSc, Grad Dip MGMT



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 2017 Yearbook.

The full list can be accessed on the Methodist Website http://www.methodist.org.nz/conference/2016

Name of Minister	Birthplace	Year of Birth	Entered Ministry	Date of Death	Place of Burial / Cremation
Astley-Ford, Hilda Mary	Auckland	1928	1979	16 Aug 2016	Auckland
Balawa Delai, Rupeni	(unknown)	1956	2013	19 Aug 2016	Fiji
Garner, Edna Jean	Wellington	1929	1985	30 April 2016	Whangaparaoa
Gust, Warwick	Palmerston North	1937	1960	23 Dec 2016	Auckland
Hammond, George Mackay	Donegal, Ireland	1929	1973	3 June 2016	Hamilton
Moala, Taniela Takapautolo	Tonga	1936	1977	27 June 2016	Auckland
Ramsay, Phillip Dunstan	(unknown)	1921	1950	6 April 2016	Brisbane, Australia
Richards, Gillian (Jill) Mary	England	1934	1982	26 Oct 2016	Auckland
Tu'itupou, Siosiua Molia	Nuku'alofa, Tonga	1941	1994	11 May 2016	Auckland
Waaka, OBE, Te Napi Tutewehiwehi	(unknown)	1935		10 Nov 2016	Rotorua
Watkin, Gillian	Wellington	1946	1985	5 March 2016	Hastings
Woodfield, Frank Harvey	Canterbury	1923	1950	14 Oct 2016	Waikanae

**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
Russell, Mary	(unknown)	(unknown)	(unknown)	18 April 2016	Tawa



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 Hàhi Weteriana O Aotearoa



# CONFERENCE

# **WESLEY COLLEGE - AUCKLAND**

# October 2016

# PRESIDENT

VICE-PRESIDENT

SECRETARY

- Prince Devanandan
- Viv Whimster
- David Bush

Methodist Conference 2016

Conference Staff

# Wesley College, Auckland

President	:	Prince Devanandan
Vice-President	:	Viv Whimster
Ex-President	:	Tovia Aumua
Ex-Vice-President	:	Arapera (Bella) Ngaha
Secretary	:	David Bush
Associate Secretary	:	Susan Thompson
Office Staff	:	Wendy Keir Greg Wright Wendy Anderson
Daily Record	: : :	Mele Molitika Neti Petaia Tania Shackleton
Journal Secretary	:	Dale Peach
Business Sheet Updates	:	Nehu Freeman Te Rito Peyroux
Legal Adviser	:	Ruby Manukia-Schaumkel
Chaplains	:	Peter Norman Kalo Kaisa
Hosts	:	Jackie McGeorge Misilei Misilei

# Conference Day to Day

Venue Locations	
	tate Highway 22, Paerata
Friday 30 Septemb	<b>ver ~ Wesley College</b> : State Highway 22, Paerata
11:00am – 5:30pm	Registration open in foyer of Recreation Centre
10:00am	Stationing Committee (Maia Lounge)
1:00pm	Lunch
2:00pm – 5:00pm	Tauiwi Strategy <i>(Maia Lounge)</i>
2:00pm – 5:00pm	Te Taha Maori (Day Centre)
5:30pm	Wesley Historical Society AGM/Dinner (\$32.20 incl. GST) registration required (Dinner in Dining Room, AGM and Lecture in Chapel)
Saturday 1 October	- Wesley College: State Highway 22, Paerata
	Registration open 9:00am to 10:45am & 1:00pm to 4:15pm in Recreation Centre
6:45am	Karakia for new Subdivision 'Wesley New Town'
9:30am	Ground Breaking Ceremony for new Subdivision 'Wesley New Town'
9:00am	Introduction to Conference (Room 5)
10:15am	Families of the Deceased meet with Tumuaki (Lounge – Recreation Centre)
10:30am	Powhiri / Welcome – Please wait in the car park to be called in. (Recreation Centre)
11:30am	Service to Honour Those Who Have Died (Whole Conference)
12:30pm	Lunch for all attendees (Dining Room)
12:30pm	Presidential Lunch with Families of the Deceased (Day Centre)
2-00pm	Induction Service for President and Vice President (Recreation Centre)
3:30pm	Afternoon Tea
•	(Official guests in Lounge, Recreation Centre)
4:15pm	Recognition of Retirees / End of Ministries (Recreation Centre)
5-30pm	Ordination Service Practice (Recreation Centre)
6:30pm – 10:00pm	Evening Meal - with guest speaker (Dining Room) (\$32.20 for those not registered for Conference)
Sunday 2 October -	- Wesley College: State Highway 22, Paerata
8:30am – 9:30am	Evangelical Network Breakfast (Dining Room and Chapel)
9:30am	Conference Worship (Recreation Centre)
10:00am	Te Taha Maori (Day Centre) & Tauiwi Meetings (Recreation Centre)
1:00pm	<i>Lunch</i> (for Conference Representatives only – Dining Room)
1:00pm	Lay Preachers meeting and meal (Day Centre) (registration required – no cost)
2:30pm	Ordination Service (Recreation Centre)
4:30pm	Afternoon Tea
	Free time and own arrangements for Dinner
6:00pm	Dinner at Wesley College (Dining Room) (Registration essential)
6:00pm	Liberal Society/Evangelical Network Meeting/Dinner (registration required, Petals & Pots Café, 25 Paerata Road, Pukekohe - \$39 incl. GST)
6:30pm	Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual & Transgender Network & Friends Dinner (GLAM) (all are welcome), Paasha Tûrkish Cafe, Pukekohe <u>http://www.paashaturkishcafe.co.nz</u> RSVP Nan Russell <u>nan@ohug.com</u> or (027) 239 2185

Monday 3 October - Wesley College: State Highway 22, Paerata (Recreation Centre)				
8:30am	Opening Worship: Trinity College			
9:00am	<ul> <li>Introduction to Conference Staff, Observers, Visitors, Council of Elders</li> <li>Consensus Decision Making – reminder of Conference Process - Questions 1-24</li> </ul>			
9:30am	Business Committees – choose one committee			
10:30am	Morning Tea			
11:00am	Partnership Reporting, Council of Conference, Te Taha Maori, Tauiwi			
12:30pm	Lunch			
1:30pm	Board of Administration			
3:30pm	Afternoon Tea			
4:00pm	Methodist Mission Aotearoa / Social Services			
5:00pm	Trinity College			
6:00pm	Evening Meal			
7:00pm	Anglican Methodist Covenant – The Irish Model. President of Irish Conference Rev Bill Mullally followed by a Panel Discussion			
8:45pm	Close of Day: Chaplains			

Tuesday 4 October - Wesley College: State Highway 22, Paerata (Recreation Centre)				
8:30am	Opening Worship: Trinity College			
9:00am	Business Committees			
10:00am	Communications			
10:30am	Morning Tea			
11:00am	Mission Resourcing			
12:00pm	Ex-President and Ex-Vice President's Reflections			
12:30pm	Lunch			
1:00pm	Lunch-time Communion			
1:45pm	Mission Resourcing continued			
2:30pm	Mission and Ecumenical			
3:30pm	Afternoon Tea			
4:00pm	Social Issues (Public Issues Network)			
5:00pm	Faith and Order			
6:00pm	Evening Meal			
7:00pm	Overseas Guests			
8:45pm	Close of Day: Chaplains			

Wednesday 5 October - Wesley College: State Highway 22, Paerata (Recreation Centre)				
8:30am	Opening Worship:			
9:00am	Law Revision			
9:30am	Unfinished Business			
10:00am	Morning Tea			
10:30am	Unfinished Business			
1:00pm	Lunch			
2:00pm	Covenant Service			
3:00pm	Close of Conference			



Wesley College, Auckland

### A. COUNCIL OF CONFERENCE

Convenors: Gillian Laird and Opeta Amani Council of Conference PAC Distribution Group Budget Task Group

### B(i) TE TAHA MAORI

*Convenors: Keita Hotere and Shirley Rivers* Te Taha Maori Wellington Charitable & Educational Trust

### B(ii) TAUIWI

Convenors: TBA Tauiwi Strategy & Stationing Evangelical Network New Zealand Methodist Women's Fellowship

#### C. LAW REVISION

Convenor: Ruby Manukia-Schaumkel

#### D. ADMINISTRATION/CONNEXIONAL PROPERTIES & FUNDS:

Convenor: Don Biggs Administration Division Connexional Trusts Investment Advisory Board Methodist Trust Association Robert Gibson Trust Wesley Historical Society Travel & Study

#### E MINISTRY:

Convenor Trinity College: David McGeorge Convenor Mission Resourcing: Marilyn Welch Ministry Education (Trinity College) Mission Resourcing Tauiwi Children, Young People & Families Ministries Diaconate Task Group Methodist Lay Preachers Network Churches Education Commission Chaplaincies Trounson Trust Wesley College Grafton Downs Limited Uniting Congregations of Aotearoa NZ

### F. FAITH & ORDER

Convenor: David Poultney

### G. SOCIAL SERVICES

Convenor: Peter Glensor Methodist Alliance Establishment Working Group Methodist Mission Aotearoa Social Services

- Methodist Mission Northern
- The Lifewise Trust
- Airedale Property Trust
- Employment Generation Fund
- Ministry with Deaf Trust
- > Tamahere Eventide Home & Retirement Village
- Methodist City Action
- > Vahefonua Tonga Methodist Mission Charitable Trust
- Sinoti Samoa Methodist Mission
- Wesley Community Action
- > Palmerston North Methodist Social Services
- Christchurch Methodist Mission
- Methodist Mission Southern

### H. MISSION & ECUMENICAL

*Convenor: Terry Wall* Methodist Mission & Ecumenical Ecumenical - National Ecumenical - International Christian World Service

### I. COMMUNICATIONS

*Convenor: Paul Titus* Methodist Publishing Board Media & Communications Endowment Fund

### J. SOCIAL ISSUES

*Convenor: TBA* Public Questions Network Interchurch Bioethics Council

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 tauiwi 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) Tauiwi 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 Tauiwi Strategy Committee each nominate five members for the Conference panel from the membership of their respective Council of Conference members.
- 2. The Panel is <u>not</u> 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 Tauiwi 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.



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 Tauiwi (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 Tauiwi 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 Tauiwi.

- 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 Tauiwi can state that they can agree with the suggested decision.
- Taha Maori/Tauiwi 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. (Tauiwi 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/Tauiwi 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 Tauiwi can call for their group to caucus, <u>but only if doing so</u> seems likely to assist the full group to reach a decision.

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

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

Conference then divides into Taha Maori and Tauiwi 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.

- (a) They may work in one group
- or (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 Tauiwi 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-Tauiwi partnership agreement and enables full participation from all member groups.
- Consensus agreement using caucus groups, and other methods of assisting decisionmaking 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.

TREATY PARTNERSHIP 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 Tauiwi caucuses. However, interest groups can meet within the Tauiwi 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:

- Tauiwi: Jan Tasker and Opeta Amani
- 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.

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Wesley College, Auckland 2016

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# The Methodist Church of New Zealand

# Te Hàhi Weteriana O Aotearoa



# REPORTS FROM CONNEXIONAL COMMITTEES AND BOARDS 2016

Council of Conference

- Council of Conference
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## COUNCIL OF CONFERENCE Te Kaunihera o te Hui Toopu

#### IMPLEMENTING A TWO YEARLY CONFERENCE (He Hui Toopu Taurua)

Council of Conference consulted widely with Synods Hui Poari and Parishes in 2013 on moving to a two yearly Conference. Since then the Council has continued to discuss the responses and the issues raised. The Council brought a proposal to Conference 2015 that for a trial period of 3 Conferences the Methodist Church of New Zealand holds its Conference two yearly, recognising that only in using this new way of working will the Church experience the value of the opportunities and discover any unintended consequences.

Conference 2015 determined that moving to a Conference every second year was a two year process, as it affected the rights of the clergy and the Laity.

Conference then agreed to Conference meeting every two years, for a trial period 2016, 2018, 2020. This will need to be reaffirmed in 2016 to take effect.

Conference also asked that the draft implementation plan be circulated to Synods, Hui Poari and Boards, along with a report from Law Revision detailing any changes required to the Laws and Regulations.

This paper sets out how a two year Conference would be implemented if Conference 2016 confirms the decision of Conference 2015 to move to a Conference every two years. The Council of Conference and the Law Revision Committee would appreciate the comments and feedback of the Church.

#### Implementing the Two Year Conference

#### President and Vice President (Te Perehitini me te Perehitini Tuarua)

At Conference 2016 the new President and Vice President would be inducted to serve a two year term.

#### Selection of President and Vice President Elect (Te whakaingoatia o te Tīma Perehitini whakamua)

Conference 2016 would also receive the names of the President and Vice President Elect who would take office in 2018. The nominees would serve on the Pastoral Committee and Committee of Advice from the time of their selection. Nominees would have two years to plan for their term

of office. To facilitate the possibility of moving to a two year Conference, nominations for and selection of President and Vice President elect will take place at Conference 2016 regardless of the

### Timing – Clash with Presbyterian Assembly / UCANZ Forum

#### (Te whakanehenehe o ngā Haahi kē)

decision concerning the two year Conference.

Assembly meets in 'even' years. UCANZ meets in 'odd' years. As with an annual Conference in whichever year the two yearly conference was held there would be two possible commitments for Union Parishes, whether it be UCANZ or Assembly.

If it proved problematic having Conference and Assembly in the same year and the church agreed to continue with a two yearly Conference at the end of the trial period, then a three year Presidential term or a 1 year presidential term and Conferences in two consecutive years could move the two yearly Conference to 'odd' years.

#### Budget Processes (Ngā pūtea o te Haahi whānui)

The Connexional Budget and any adjustment in stipend already takes place 'between Conferences'. Council of Conference would continue to approve the budget and the President any adjustment to stipends.

#### Stationing (Ngā tūranga ā Minita)

Stationing would continue to be on an annual basis. In the year that Conference was not meeting, the President would approve the list of stations for the following year on the advice of the Conference Stationing Committee. (This includes Te Taha Maori Members).

#### Appeals to Conference (Ngā Inoi ki te Hui Toopu)

This is a very rarely used provision which must be maintained.

The Law Book section 2.3.14.2 makes provision for an Appeals Committee in the context of an appeal by an Ordinand.

A similar process would be used in the event of an appeal to Conference. The General Secretary in consultation with the President would establish an Appeals Committee of three people plus the legal advisor who would hear the appeal. The General Secretary or President would not be eligible to be members. The Appeals Committee would report to the President.

#### Appointment of Boards and Committees (Ngā whakatūranga ki ngā Pōari me ngā Komiti)

Currently members of boards and committees are reappointed annually, with the President approving additional members who are added to replace vacancies.

As there tends to be little movement in Board membership in any two year period, it is proposed that board and committee members be appointed for two year terms, with the President continuing to appoint members to fill vacancies which arise.

Council of Conference and PAC Distribution Group who have members who retire by rotation each year, would have new members appointed by the President on the nomination of Tauiwi Strategy and Hui Poari.

It is suggested that if Conferences every two years is adopted by Conference after the trial that the terms of service be adjusted to enable appointment at Conference.

### Honouring those Who Have Died and Those Retiring

#### (Ngā mihi aroha ki ngā mate, me ngā Tangata kia Tāoki)

This is important to the church and very significant to the families most closely affected. Synods and Hui Poari would be asked to continue to honour those associated with them who have died or who are retiring as a matter of course. This would be in addition to, and not replacing what would take place at Conference when it meets. Tributes would be read at synod.

The tributes and records of service and families would be received when Conference meets.

The significance is being honoured at Conference rather than the time between a person's death or retirement and when Conference meets.

#### Ordination and Full Connexion (Te whakaminitatanga o te Haahi Weteriana)

Ordinations would take place at Conference. Ordination assessment would take place annually.

A formal acknowledgement of completion of requirements for ordination would be held each year at Synod or Hui Poari to acknowledge those who are deemed ready for Ordination. The President would normally officiate. Such persons would be designated as Ordinands and be received into Full Connexion. [See Appendix at end of the report]

Reception into Full Connexion would also be prior to Ordination in the year when Conference meets, at the end of the Induction Service.

#### When a Decision Needs to be Made

#### A. The President (Te Perehitini)

The President acts as the Conference when the Conference is not in session.

The President currently is asked to make rulings or decisions between Conferences.

The President seeks advice from and consults with the General Secretary, Legal Advisor, Committee of Advice, Te Taha Maori and Synods [see lawbook section 7.5.2.3]

Council of Conference as a key partnership conversation could also be consulted by the President.

The President already makes 'routine' decisions between Conferences such as approving supply appointments, continuous stationing and members of committees. These processes would continue.

27(d) Presidential decisions will be recorded in the Law Revision report to Conference.

#### B. Council of Conference (Te Kaunihera o te Hui Toopu)

Council of Conference continues to approve the Connexional Budget and when a 4+4 appointment process is under way, monitors that the proper process is being followed.

#### C. Boards and Committees (Ngā Pōari me ngā Komiti)

Boards and committees are already entrusted to make key decisions on behalf of the church as they enact policy decisions of the Conference.

#### The Work of Conference (Te mahi a te Hui Toopu)

Conference resolutions usually say '... and report to Conference (next year) ...' This leaves very limited time to prepare a report, consult and then prepare an updated report. A two year process of work, consultation and reflection will provide time and space for reports to be prepared and work to be done.

It is also likely to reduce pressure on Synods, allowing more time for local focus.

It is expected that greater consultation will be possible over a two year period.

#### Legal Matters (Ngā tikanga ture)

There is no impediment in Church Law to move to a two yearly Conference. The Model Deed refers to 'The Methodist Conference from time to time held."

The Conference is unable to change the doctrines in the Standard sermons, revoke the General Rules of the Societies, to do away with the itinerancy of the Ministry, or do away with the right of trial and appeal of ministers. None of these mentions Conference.

Financial Reports would still be required annually to meet constitutional and regulatory requirements and would be received by the Financial Review/Audit Committee on behalf of Conference. This is the current process.

The decision to have a two year Conference would change the requirement from 'Report annually to Conference' to 'report to each meeting of Conference'.

As the intention is for a trial period of 3 Conferences, any changes to the Laws and Regulations would be for the trial period only. While such changes would replace existing Law for the trial period, the changes would only become 'permanent' if Conference 2020 agreed to continue with Conference every two years.

#### Review Process (Te tikanga arotakenga)

In 2020 Council of Conference will be responsible for reviewing the two yearly Conference and reporting to Conference 2020. Synods, Hui Poari, Parishes, Rohe, and Boards and Committees will be invited to participate in the review. Such a review to be commenced in September 2019.

#### Addendum:

#### Reception into Full Connexion (Ka whakaurua ki roto i te Haahi Weteriana)

Reception into Full Connexion is the means of establishing the formal accountability between a Presbyter and Deacon and the Conference. It appears to be linked with Ordination, however that is more a matter of timing than intent. Until relatively recently Deacons were not received into Full Connexion at all, even though they were Ordained.

The traditional order is reception into Full Connexion first and then Ordination. The Methodist Church in Britain still does this. In fact Mr. Wesley did this with his preachers who were received into Full Connexion, without any thought of Ordination.

Law Revision is saying that it is essential that those who complete their probationary studies in a year that Conference does not meet are designated as Ordinands and received into Full Connexion.

To not do so would leave such people in the unfortunate position of no longer being accountable to the Principal (as students) and not yet being accountable to the Conference (through reception into Full Connexion). It confirms a legal status and accountability to the Conference.

In the year Conference does meet reception into Full Connexion would take place prior to the Ordination Service which was the practice of the MCNZ until recently.

#### TREATMENT OF ENDOWMENTS RECEIVED IN PAST YEARS (Ngā pūtea o mua)

The report to Conference in 2015 signalled that consultation would take place to help guide the decision of how PAC endowments received in past years could be treated.

A consultation paper was sent to Parishes, Boards, Synods, Rohe and Hui Poari in January. Four responses were received. The view was that PAC endowments should remain as 'capital sums' and not treated as cash in the accounts of those entities who held them.

The argument was that spending down endowments had the potential to create a future funding crisis when the funds had been spent.

Council of Conference received the report at its August meeting and has referred the matter back for specific consultation with the entities who hold endowments. It was felt that the level of response was too low from the earlier paper and the stakeholder had not expressed a view.

Council of Conference has asked that groups who have received an endowment be canvassed on two questions.

- 1. What is the impact of maintaining the status quo with respect to endowments?
- 2. What is your strategy if the capital is released?

A report will be made to Synods, and Hui Poari.

#### FULL CONNEXION STUDY (He akomanga mo te mematanga ki te Haahi)

Council of Conference invites Faith and Order to consider the place, nature and role of "being in Full Connexion" and how its rights and responsibilities will be exercised by both the individuals concerned and the connexion. This study will also include the criteria for integration of people from overseas and how individuals will be appropriately received into Full Connexion.

#### LET THE CHILDREN LIVE – MIDWAY (Tukuna ngā Mokopuna kia puawai)

With us being halfway through our 10 year vision of "Let the Children Live", now is a good time to review how we are going.



This continues to be a focus for Council of Conference and a wide range of initiatives, events and activities are reported from the Connexion.

Poster for:

- 101 Ideas for "Let the Children Live" is in progress.
- We encourage any Church Group to apply to the "Let the Children Live" grant fund.
- We commend the Church for their participation and engagement with our vision and look forward to hearing your stories in the next five years and beyond.

#### Thanks (Ngā Manaakitanga)

Council of Conference thanks the Presidential Team for their inspiring visionary sessions, guidance and presence as we work through the tasks of Council.

#### COUNCIL OF ELDERS (Te Kaunihera o ngā Kaiarotutuki)

- Council of Conference have affirmed the role of Council Elders in monitoring the Bi-Cultural processes of Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa.
- Council of Conference have agreed for the return of Council of Elders to monitor the Bi-Cultural partnership within Council of Conference meetings.

#### VISIONING AND THEOLOGY (Ngā anga whakamua me ngā Atuatanga)

Tovia and Bella led our Visioning and Theology sessions at the August meeting.

In our visioning we began by stepping back and reviewing a point of our Bi-Cultural history. This helped us then to focus on looking ahead. The story of Moses and the Burning Bush led us into what the burning issues are that confront us today.

- Inequities in our society homelessness, unemployed.
- Making our Church relevant for today.
- Step out of Church to meet community in their spaces.
- "Church" mean different things to different people.
- Being "neighbour" to those around us.

Recalling our own history is an ongoing discussion and moves to welcome Council of Elders back to this meeting is a mark of valuing these roles.

We also shared some creative ways of using the "Gap" year to further the mission of our Church should the 2 Yearly Conference be accepted e.g. travelling theology road show (School of Theology).

#### CONNEXIONAL REVIEWS (Ngā arotakenga o ngā Kaiwhakahaere)

There were two Connexional Reviews conducted this year. The review of Rev Diana Tana (Tumuaki of Te Taha Maori) and the review of Laura Black (Director of Methodist Mission Southern).

Council of Conference affirms that the process for both reviews have been followed according to the Church Laws and Regulations regarding Connexional appointments.

#### GAP YEAR REPORT (He ripoata mo te tau tuatahi)

Council of Conference recommends that during the intervening year between Conferences, that the Church supplies resources and questions for consideration by Methodist and Co-operative Venture congregations, communities and rohe.

These questions could be supplied by a variety of liturgical and preaching resources.

Responses to the questions would be fed back to Council of Conference.

We recommend that this be done in November.

Other suggestions for resourcing communities in the non-conference year might include:

- Travelling roadshows
- Visiting speakers

# PRESBYTERS AND DEACONS CRITERIA FOR ORDINATION (Ngā paearutanga mo te whakaminitatanga)

Council of Conference has received the request to review the criteria for Ordination of both Presbyters and Deacons.

Council of Conference has appointed Tony Franklin Ross and Keita Hotere to convene a Task Group to undertake this review. The Task Group will include appropriate membership to represent a cross section of the Connexion.

## PAC DISTRIBUTION GROUP

The Distribution Group of Te Aroha Rountree, Leu Pupulu, Alison Ranui, Dorothy Willis, Dick Clayton and David Bush (General Secretary) met in July to consider 70 applications for funding. Ex-Vice President Jan Tasker and Paula Taumoepeau were absent due to illness.

Funds available for Distribution were:

'Endowment'	60%	\$499,124
Main Fund (within the Church)	25%	\$207, 976
Main Fund (outside the Church)	15%	\$124,785

While endowments were discontinued by Conference 2015 a significant portion of funds are set aside for the type of projects that previously were eligible for endowments.

The Distribution Group notes with some concern that many Church groups continue to be unrealistic in the amount of funding they are seeking. The Group would like applicants to consider 'what would be the effect on others seeking funding assistance if our request was granted in full'.

The reality is that almost all the stories which are told and the projects which are seeking funding are worthwhile and valuable contributions to Church and community. This year we only declined two applications and sought to be able to give support and encouragement to the other 68.

Community Groups are much more realistic in their requests. For example the Save the Otago Peninsular Inc. Society had organised a discounted price for the materials they required and asked for \$2,237.50, no embellishments or add-ons. It was transparent and clear. After discussion it was agreed to give \$2,500.

The PAC Fund is an amazing resource for the Church. Please think carefully when making an application. Don't be greedy. Ask if our application is a 'need' or a 'want'.

#### Endowment Funding

As noted above, this category is for those who would previously have qualified for an endowment, or other major funding.

Mission Resourcing (Children, Young Persons and Families) \$150,000 (over 3 years).

#### Significant Grants

Connexional Budget	\$98,000
Superannuation Benevolent Fund	\$40,000
Employment Generation Fund	\$50,000
Separated Superintendency	\$65,000

This allowed \$96,142 to be added to funds available for distribution within the Church.

#### We Highlight Stories

#### Advocacy Services

These are both within and outside the Church. Benefits Advisory Service in Mt Albert, Accident Injury Support in Wairarapa and Christchurch Methodist Mission for housing.

#### Environment

Save the Otago Peninsula Inc. Society, the Environmental and Conservation Organisation, River of Life Project and Public Issues Green Churches.

#### New Zealand Born Children

Both Sinoti and Vahefonua sought funding for programmes to assist with working with NZ born young people.

#### Small Grants

As noted earlier some ask for small amounts. Brockville Community Church in Dunedin asked for \$800 to help with a Church camp. Papakura a similar amount to partner with two projects. Grants do not need to be large, in fact a smaller amount carefully targeted makes for a good application.

#### **Conference Youth Internships**

The Distribution Group were excited to see this development and were pleased to grant funding.

#### Midway in Northland Day Services Trust (MINDS Trust)

This trust is based in Moerewa in the North delivering services to adults with disabilities. This is one of a number of groups from rural communities which have sought funding help. This is a good news story of communities working together.

#### **Committee Membership**

Te Aroha Rountree and Leu Pupulu conclude their three year term on the Committee. We thank them for their contribution.

#### The successful applicants were:

MAIN FUND		
Organisation	Description Request	Grant \$
Midway in Northland Day Services Trust	Replacement van for 'Lets Learn to Swim'	5,000
Onehunga Co-operating Parish	Six church and community projects	8,000
Christian Social Services Wanganui (The City Mission)	Operation of the food bank in Wanganui	7,500

Hutt City Uniting Congregations for Pacific Theological College, Fiji	Support for the Pacific Theological College in Fiji for purchase of library resources	5,000
Mercury Bay Co-operating Parish	Community meals ministry	3,000
The Boys Brigade in NZ Inc.	Volunteer leaders mentoring/resources and training plus salary/expenses for Development Manager	5,000
Brockville Community Church	Enable congregation members to attend family camp	800
The Southland Tertiary Chaplaincy Charitable Trust	Chaplain's professional development and vehicle expenses	5,000
Hamilton Combined Christian Foodbank Trust	Centralise and provide emergency food parcels	2,000
ChatBus Trust	Provide counselling for children	6,000
Sinoti Samoa Youth Ministry	Funding for Sinoti Samoa Youth Retreat 2017	10,000
Vaimoana Pasifika Charitable Trust	Taranaki Pasifika community events and initiatives	8,000
SIAOLA Mission: Vahefonua Tonga Methodist Mission Charitable Trust	SIAOLA EXPO 2017 and Workshops	15,000
The Parenting Place	To run 55 Toolbox parenting groups in Canterbury over the next 12 months	4,000
Spiritual Growth Ministries	BEHOLD project	5,000
Petersgate Trust	Petersgate Counselling Centre	8,000
Girls' Brigade NZ	National camp for Girls Brigade	3,000
Christchurch South Tongan Parish (Kosipeli)	Fit-out of new hall building	15,000
New Plymouth Samoan Methodist Women's Fellowship	Sewing and cooking classes, Civil Defence Emergency preparation training	3,500
Hastings Methodist Samoan Parish	Learning about Samoan Culture in Aotearoa	4,000
Alzheimers Wairarapa Inc	Admin/operating expenses, volunteers and support group	2,000
Life Matters Suicide Prevention Trust	Hospitality and other costs for World Suicide Prevention Day 2017 and HOPEWALK event	8,500
Methodist Social Services	Continued employment of Foodbank Social Worker, costs for Level Two Tikanga Based Programme	7,500
Te Aroha Springs Community Trust	Springs Trust activities	5,000
Home & Family Society Christchurch	Residential Parenting Programme	5,000
Save the Otago Peninsula (STOP) Inc. Society	Smiths Creek Catchment revegetation	2,500
GraceWay Church Trust - operating as Promoting Mental Wellness	Purchase or hire van or people mover for transport to/from group events	5,000
One Double Five Community House/St Johns Cooperating Parish	Whanau support to vulnerable families and elders	2,000
The Student Christian Movement Aotearoa	National Conference 2016	3,000
Mission Resourcing - Tauiwi Children, Young People and Families Ministry	Conference Youth Internship Programme	4,500
Wesley Community Action	Supporting a fruit and vegetable co-operative	15,000

Sinoti Samoa	Sinoti Samoa Missions	30,000
Wesley College	1st XV Rugby trip - Jonah Lomu Memorial Tournament, Argentina	8,000
Laulotaha Mentoring Programme	Mentoring programme	20,000
The Lifewise Trust	Recruitment of Foster Parents	9,000
1st Kamo Girls' Brigade	Purchase of data projector and laptop	500
Wesley Gisborne Tongan Methodist Parish	Supply a full new string band to replace existing	2,500
Methodist Mission Southern	Independent Advocacy Service	8,000
Auckland Deaf Christian Fellowship	Set up of Seasons for Growth programme in the Deaf Community	3,550
Environment and Conservation Organisations of NZ Inc	Producing ECOLink and Tieke communication tools	4,000
Northland Urban Rural Mission (NURM)	Supporting community responses to housing needs and mining	4,000
Crossroads Methodist Church, Papakura Parish	"Yet another pair of slippers"	800
Methodist Mission Northern	Splice: creating capacity for 'mission in the city'	20,000
Parentline Manawatu	'Triple P for Parents of Teens' programme	3,000
SAINTZUP Performing Arts Trust	End of year productions for 300+ performing arts students	6,000
Vainemo'onia Tongan Methodist Church	'Ofa Tu'utai'a Kalaisi new brass band	8,000
Beneficiaries Advice Mt Albert (BAMA)	Support to beneficiaries, superannuitants and low income families in Mt Albert/West Auckland	5,000
Saione Tongan Parish, Papatoetoe	Brass band - youth development	6,000
The River of Life Project	Walk for the Planet 2017 - Canterbury faith-based pilgrimage	2,000
Vahefonua Tonga Sunday School Teachers	Review Sunday School curriculum	5,000
St Albans Uniting Church	Community outreach	8,000
Mangapapa Union Parish	Food bank and Christians against Poverty (CAP) Missions	2,000
Wesley Papatoetoe Samoan Parish	Technology to assist ministry	1,400
Sinoti Samoa Lay Preachers Association	Educational Retreat	10,000
Dunedin Methodist Parish	Church vehicle (Dunedin Parish)	8,000
Public Issues/Green Church Aotearoa NZ	Climate Stewardship Parish Feasibility Studies	10,000
The Religious Diversity Centre in Aotearoa NZ Trust	Establish Religious Diversity Centre	7,000
Scripture Union in NZ Inc	WAY2GO - Training ministry for children's workers	5,000
Christchurch Methodist Mission	Housing and supporting our most vulnerable	23,000
St John Moraia Fijian Parish	Support for stipend payments and travel costs	10,000

Accident Injury Support Trust	Assist accident victims in NZ to obtain ACC entitlements when entitlements have been wrongly declined	4,000
Trinity Methodist Parish	Emergency Housing in Whanganui	9,000
	TOTAL ALLOCATED	\$425,550

ARCHIVES FUND		
Organisation	Description Request	Grant \$
Methodist Church of NZ	MCNZ Archives	
	TOTAL ALLOCATED	\$13,091

EDUCATION FUND		
Organisation	Description Request	Grant \$
Trinity Methodist Theological College	Christian Education Lectureship	10,000
	TOTAL ALLOCATED	\$10,000

ENDOWMENT FUND			
Organisation	Description Request	Grant \$	
Mission Resourcing Board	National Coordinator, Tauiwi Children, Young people and Families Ministry. (\$150,000 funding for 3 years - \$50,000 per year)	150,000	
Connexional Budget Task Group	Fund Connexional Budget allocations 2016/17	98,000	
Superannuation Benevolent Fund	Increase Christmas gift to Supernumerary Presbyters	40,000	
Methodist Employment Generation Fund	Development website, social media programme plus social enterprises and small ventures in Waikato and Bay of Plenty.	50,000	
Methodist Church of NZ	Separated Superintendency funding	65,000	
	TOTAL ALLOCATED	\$403,000	

# **CONNEXIONAL BUDGET**

#### **SECTION A**

#### 2015-2016 Connexional Budget

For the Year to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2016, contributions from parishes toward the wider work of the Church through the Connexional Budget totalled \$656,963– an increase of \$7,019 from the previous year. Additional income of \$57,956 came from the Connexional Banking arrangement with the BNZ. This continues to be a very 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.

The report of the Special Account in the Board of Administration report note that since 1998, \$1,023,044 has been contributed to the Connexional Budget through the Connexional Banking arrangement.

During the year the Budget Task Group granted \$894,806 to various Connexional groups. Despite some parishes responding positively to the call for increased contributions to the Connexional Budget, the asking's still exceed the giving. Therefore, some new initiatives are not being funded.

#### Budget Requests 2015-2016

		Amount	Net Amount Allocated
		Requested	
Recipients of guaranteed funding		23,000	41,652
Recipients of non-guaranteed funding	_	998,517	853,154
		1,021,517	894,806
Fund administration			
	Totals	\$1,021,517	\$894,806

#### Funded from:

	Net Amount Allocated	Actually Received
Connexional Budget from Parishes & Entities	479,123	467,775
Uniting Congregations in Aotearoa	150,000	135,363
Grants - special account	51,562	57,956
Grant - Te Taha Maori	25,000	25,000
Other Income	49,000	75,535
Totals	\$754,685	\$761,629

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

	Allocations \$	Contribution \$	Percentage %
2015-16	\$687,123	\$628,138	91.4%
2014-15	\$679,028	\$625,950	92.2%
2013-14	\$641,658	\$611,288	95.3%
2012-13	\$665,035	\$622,890	93.7%
2011-12	\$594,197	\$603,372	101.5%
2010-11	\$585,725	\$617,602	105.4%

(ii) Results from Methodist Parishes

(a)

	Fully Paid	Not Fully Paid
2015-16	75	2
2014-15	73	4
2013-14	77	4
2012-13	79	3
2011-12	79	8
2010-11	76	1

(b) Percentage of Budget Allocation reached from Parishes

		Methodist	
Year	Allocations	Contribution	
2015-16	537,123	492,775	91.74%
2014-15	559,028	500,249	89.49%
2013-14	516,300	496,026	96.07%
2012-13	507,035	471,612	93.01%
2011-12	422,197	447,590	106.01%
2010-11	405,725	456,169	112.43%

		Union	
Year	Allocations	Contribution	
2015-16	150,000	135,363	90.24%
2014-15	145,000	150,701	103.93%
2013-14	155,000	140,262	90%
2012-13	158,000	151,278	95.75%
2011-12	145,000	155,782	107.44%
2010-11	155,000	161,433	104.15%

(iii) Payments to Divisions and Committees

	Allocation	Payment
Guaranteed		
World Council of Churches	3,352	5,250
World Methodist Council (incl Member		
Expenses)	2,000	3,022
Christian Conference of Asia	13,300	5,725
Bio Ethics Committee	3,000	3,000
Travel & Study	20,000	20,000
	41,652	36,997
Non Guaranteed		
Partnership & Mission Expenses		
Connexional Expenses	336,186	336,186
Board of Administration	46,346	46,346
Ministry Education	150,000	150,000
Methodist Mission and Ecumenical	20,000	20,000
Touchstone	46,000	46,000
Uniting Congregations of Aotearoa New		
Zealand	21,134	21,134
Wasewase	9,996	9,996
Budget Administration	3,925	3,925
Christian World Service Overseas Aid-	-,	-,
2% of parish contributions	12,563	12,563
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Tauiwi Mission & Expenses		
Mission Resourcing	205,000	205,000
Evangelical Network	2,004	2,004
	853,154	853,154
Grand Total	\$894,806	\$890,151

(iv)

## Payments to Divisions and Committees:

			% Paid to
		Non	Non
	Guaranteed	Guaranteed	Guaranteed
2015-16	\$36,997	\$853,154	100.00%
2014-15	\$16,810	\$789,862	100.00%
2013-14	\$33,123	\$766,228	100.00%
2012-13	\$30,995	\$835,759	100.00%
2011-12	\$41,185	\$830,580	100.00%
2010-11	\$29,243	\$847,595	100.00%

## SECTION B

#### 2015-16 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, as

part of the budget setting process.

The Budget which was adopted by the Council of Conference for the year for the year to 30 June 2017 was:

Contributions from Parishes		
Northland	4,565	
Auckland	125,091	
Manukau	42,419	
Waikato – Bay of Plenty	59,370	
Lower North Island Synod	71,458	
Nelson	9,200	
Central South Island	52,808	
Otago – Southland	11,172	
Vahefonua Tonga	70,000	
Wasewase ko Viti Kei Rotuma e Niu Siladi	3,438	
Te Taha Maori	25,000	
Sinoti Samoa & Parishes	27,414	
Uniting Congregations in Aotearoa New Zealand	140,000	641,935
Special Account Grant		54,000
Connexional Legacies and Other		33,000
PAC distribution group (requested)		95,000
Total Income	_	\$823,935

#### Allocations to Divisions & Committees

	Amount	Amount
Guaranteed	requested	allocated
	\$	\$
World Council of Churches	3,800	3,800
World Methodist Council	5,125	5,125
Christian Conference of Asia	5,525	5,525
	\$14,450	\$14,450

Non-Guaranteed	<u>Amount</u> <u>requested</u> <u>\$</u>	Amount allocated <u>\$</u>
Partnership & Mission Expenses		
Connexional Expenses	287,745	255,673
Board of Administration	47,806	0
Archives	47,806	47,806
Ministry Education	150,000	150,000
Methodist Mission and Ecumenical	20,000	20,000
Touchstone	46,000	46,000
Wasewase ko Viti Kei Rotuma e Niu Siladi	9,996	9,996
Uniting Congregations of Aotearoa New	21,134	21,134
Zealand		
Budget Administration	0	0
Christian World Service Overseas Aid-	10,010	10,039
2% of parish contributions		
Tauiwi Mission & Expenses		
Mission Resourcing	205,000	205,000
Evangelical Network	2,004	2,004
Hospital Chaplaincy	20,000	20,000
Travel & Study	20,000	20,000
Bio Ethics	3,000	3,000
-	890,501	810,652
Grand Total	\$904,951	\$825,102

## Connexional Budget Task Group

The Budget Task Group for 2017 will consist of; President, Vice-President (Chair), General Secretary, the Tumuaki of Te Taha Maori, David McGeorge, Paula Taumoepeau, Saunoa Tulou, Rex Nathan and 1 other appointed by Te Taha Maori along with Connexional Staff in attendance.

## Suggested decisions:

- 1. That the report be received.
- That Conference confirm the decision of Conference 2015 "That for a trial period between 2016 and 2020 the Methodist Church meets for Conference every second year. (Conference would meet in 2016, 2018, 2020) [In 2015 it was determined that the matter affected the rights and privileges of the clergy and the Laity and therefore needs to be affirmed by two Conferences]
- 3. That Conference agrees that in all instances during the trial period the following references in the Laws and regulations will be changed as follows.
  - a. 'Report annually to Conference' to 'Report to each meeting of Conference'.
- 4. That the process of implementation as detailed in this report be adopted.
- 5. Conference encourages Synods, Hui Poari, Boards and Parishes to continue the focus on "Let the Children Live' as we reach the mid-point of our 10 year goa.
- 6. Conference asks Faith and Order to consider the place, nature and role of "being in Full Connexion" and to report to the next Conference.

## PAC Distribution Group

- 1. That the report be received.
- 2. That the PAC Distribution Group for 2017 be: Alison Ranui, Dorothy Willis, Dick Clayton, Paula Taumoepeau, Tara Tautari, Saunoa Tulou Richard Biddle, the ex-President (Tovia Aumua), the General Secretary.

## Connexional Budget

- 1. The report is received.
- 2. The membership of the Budget Task Group for 2017 is: Viv Whimster (Vice President), Prince Devanandan (President) (Chair), Diana Tana (Tumuaki), Rex Nathan, David McGeorge, Paula Taumoepeau, Saunoa Tulou with Connexional staff in attendance.



- Te Taha Maori
- Wellington Charitable & Educational Trust







#### 'Kia manaakohia ngā kupu a tōku mangai me ngā whakaaro o tōku ngākau i tō aroaro, e Ihowa, e tōku kamaka, e tōku kaihoko'

(Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer) Waiata 19: 14

We acknowledge with respect the passing of our Minita-a-Iwi matua Winiata Morunga, and the many others in the life of our church who have passed away over the last year. We ask God's blessings upon their families.

E mihi tonu atu ki ngā mate, rātou kua mene ki te pō, e moe, e moe, moe mai rā.

## Ngā Atuatanga Māori (Māori Theologies)

In the context of Aotearoa we draw on our 'pūrakau me ngā kōrero o nehe' to inform our Christian theology and thus our God understandings are derived from a Māori world view of 'te orokohanga o te ao'.

Our Māori world view gives rise to our tīkanga and is expressed through te reo Māori. Our adoption of a Christian paradigm, recognises Ngā Atuatanga Māori as responses to the Gospel. Our cultural spaces, our marae, centres, churches and cyberspaces continue to be places of solace and enrichment, where our theology is lived out.

## He Atuatanga mo Te Reo (Theology of Language)

Theology is influenced by the language through which it is communicated. We offer a theology that gives volume and precedence to God's call spoken in a Māori voice.

'Ko te reo Māori, he reo tuku iho, he reo kauwhau, he reo wairua, he reo kōrero, he reo ora' (The Māori language is an inherited language, a ritual language, a spiritual language, a spoken language, a living language).

Our aspirations for te reo Māori begin with Whānau and Rohe, and resonate throughout the wider connexion including Trinity College where courses are offered for learning te reo Māori. Our greatest hope is that te reo Māori becomes normalised within our Haahi. We encourage Conference members to engage with te reo Māori in your own context, in your own communities and in your own ways.

'I roto i tēnei waka wairua ō tātou, whakamanahia te reo Māori, whangaihia ki ōu iwi' (Within our church, value and share the Māori language with our people).

## He Atuatanga mō te Tika (Theology of Social Justice)

A theology of social justice affirms our commitment to building and enhancing a just and empowered society.

'Ko te Wairua Tapu e whakakaha ana i a tātou kia tū maia ai hei tuari mā te Atua i roto i te ao' (We are empowered by the Holy Spirit to serve God in the world).

We acknowledge the complex needs of our most vulnerable communities and celebrate Māori solutions and responses. The exemplar of Te Puea marae in Mangere, who have responded to the need of many homeless families and provided emergency housing in this South Auckland community is an illustration of manaakitanga, a core value of our tikanga.

We see the spirit of God working through people; 'I hiakai hoki ahau, a whangainga ana e koutou: i matewai ahau, a whakainumia ana e koutou: he manene ahau, a whakamanuhiritia ana e koutou' (I was hungry and you fed me: I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in) Matiu 25: 35.

## He Atuatanga ā Reta (Theology of Letters)

Te Taha Māori's bi-monthly new letter, Kia Neke Ake, serves to inform members of key events in the life of Te Taha Māori and offers theological reflections that help stimulate discussion and debate in our communities.

The theology of 'Kia Neke Ake', draws from Paul's Letter to the Ephesians that addressed the spirit of God working amongst communities and into the future.

'Ko te tinana o te Karaiti kia neke ake, hei whare e hanga ana i a ia i runga i te aroha' (The church continually grows, shifts, moves, in ways that transform communities).

## Ngā Take Hononga o te Haahi (Connexional Matters)

Council of Conference serves as a marae ātea for engagement and debate of our Connexional priorities including, Visioning into the future, the Two-Yearly Conference Implementation, Connexional budget, enabling relationships with other Methodist conferences and the promotion - *101 ideas to Let the Children Live*, to name just a few.

At the July Hui Poari, Te Taha Māori received the Human Sexuality Work Group and heard how different perspectives around how human sexuality are being aired and understood. It is clear that this group have made advances, but addressing the questions around the acceptability of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender individuals in Presidential leadership continues.

## Ngā Manaakitanga (Blessings)

In April this year, Tumuaki Diana Tana and members of Taranaki Rohe gathered with the congregation of Hawera Wesley Church to celebrate the transfer of title to Te Taha Māori. The Rohe and local Parish now have a small joint committee who manage matters pertaining to the ongoing use of the property.

In December 2015 the Waima Methodist Church was re-dedicated by Vice President Arapera Bella Ngaha and in May this year, Te Kopua Methodist Mission Memorial Stone was re-dedicated and blessed by Waikato Rohe members. Events such as these help our newer members to understand our history, particularly in rural areas, and to recall our early bicultural relationships associated with these places.

Te Taha Māori acknowledges and gives thanks for the gifts and contributions towards Māori educational achievement and rangatahi aspirations, including Kurahuna Educational Grants and Scholarship Fund, Margaret and Bruce Gordon Fund, Moutoa Scholarship and Wellington Methodist Charitable Educational and Endowments Trust.

## Ngā Haahi Puta Noa i te Ao (Ecumenical Matters)

Te Taha Māori has a continued commitment to the Methodist Mission and Ecumenical Board with new membership.

Tumuaki Rev. Diana Tana and Rev. Rex Nathan as members of Te Kahui Wairua, accompanied King Tuheitia's entourage and kappa haka group to Tonga in celebration of the Queen Mother's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. It was wonderful occasion of dance, feasting, speeches and karakia. Occasions such as these help to remind us of the whanaungatanga links between the Royal Houses of the Pacific as well as cement the role and close connections the church continues to play with these Rangatira o te Moana-nui-a-Kiwa.

The Vice-Moderator of the Christian Conference of Asia, Tumuaki Rev. Diana Tana, attended the second Executive Committee Meeting held in Medan, Indonesia. This meeting followed a Conference dedicated to Climate Change and Eco – Justice. One of the key presenters here was Rev. Dr. Betsan Martin. A highlight of the programme was the reception of the Document inspired by Pope Francis 'LAUDATO SI '. Additional papers have been received by the World Council of Churches such as the report on HIV which is now in its fourth decade.

In August, Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa delegates were scheduled to attend the General Assembly for the World Methodist Conference in Houston, Texas including Vice President Arapera Bella Ngaha.

## Ngā Whakangungu Mātauranga (Education and Formation)

The Enabling Ministry Team met in February, April and July to discuss the ongoing training of our Kaikarakia, Minita ā Iwi and Minita ī Tōhia. Our training wānanga have explored Contextual Theology, Biblical Interpretation, Liturgy and Preaching. The focal point of all our wānanga has always been to provide participants with a Māori contextual learning environment and to highlight tools for leadership and ministry formation. We find that the wānanga-style delivery encourages engagement and interaction.

Te Taha Māori attended significant Hui ā motu including Ratana, Waitangi and Koroneihana. These events provide a rich source of learning for our Te Taha Māori and Connexional members who also attend. This year was especially significant, as it was the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Kingi Tuheitia's coronation at Turangawaewae marae. The Methodists (President Tovia Aumua, Pacific Ministries Director Rev Setaita Kinahoi Veikune and Tumuaki Rev Diana Tana) were in full attendance in leading the commemorative service.

Te Taha Māori has been working alongside Trinity College, collaborating and inputting into various courses and papers where appropriate. Several Te Taha Māori members have made invaluable contributions to representative panels over the past two years. The most recent Bicultural Rangatahi panel discussed the engagement of Youth in decision-making processes of church and lwi, as part of a course entitled, 'Let the Children Live'. Following the course, both the Rangatahi panellists were invited to speak at other Connexional Youth events.

Te Taha Māori members attended the Talanoa Oceania Conference 2016 held at Trinity College. The theme of the Conference was 'JustUs to Justice' and a Tangata Whenua panel explored, 'Te Tika, Te Pono Me Te Oranga'. The panel addressed Justice in relation to Iwi Maori, Rangatahi Maori and Te Tiriti o Waitangi. Other members have recently returned from the Wisdom's Feast Conference in Melbourne where they were treated to some inspiring presentations from Indigenous theologians.

## Ngā Kaimahi Hou (New Staff)

Te Taha Māori has appointed the first of our Kaiarahi Rangatahi to Tamaki Rohe, marking a new era of Rangatahi ministry. We welcome Te Wehenga Laird to the position and encourage her in this ministry role.

Te Taha Māori has also appointed a new Office Administrator who will manage the day-to-day operations of the office. We welcome Mereana Meleisea and wish her well in her new position.

## He Anga Whakamua (Future Aspirations)

A key focus for Te Taha Māori is capacity building in the areas of human resourcing and communications. We hope to soon have a Taha Maori website in place and we are currently seeking to fill a short-term appointment for an Archivist to assist in tidying up our Te Taha Māori archives. On a Rohe level, we look forward to being able to engage Kaiarahi Rangatahi appointments in the near future.

## Suggested decisions:

- 1. The report be received.
- The 2016 membership and officers of *Hui Poari* be Tumuaki Diana Tana, <u>Tai Tokerau</u>: Frances Rakena, Sonny Livingstone; <u>Tamaki</u>: Gillian Laird, Te Aroha Rountree; <u>Waikato</u>: Doreen Wilson, Shirley Rivers; <u>Taranaki</u>: Frances Kingi-Katene, Alison Ranui; <u>Poneke</u>: Alamaine MacGregor; Te Rohe Potae: Hinga Ormsby; and Otautahi-Te Waipounamu: Roz Wilkie.
- 3. The 2016 officers of *Rohe* shall be <u>Tai Tokerau</u>: Frances Rakena; <u>Tamaki</u>: Gillian Laird; <u>Waikato</u>: Doreen Wilson; <u>Taranaki</u>: Frances Kingi-Katene; <u>Poneke</u>:Alamaine MacGregor.
- 4. That Kaiarahi Rangatahi of *Rohe* shall be Tamaki: Te Wehenga Laird and others to be appointed by the President.
- 5. That the 2016 membership of *Te Runanga Whakawhanaunga I Nga Haahi O Aotearoa* shall be Tumuaki Diana Tana, Rev Rex Nathan, Te Aroha Rountree, Tara Tautari, Piripi Rakena and Sonny Livingstone.

# THE BOARD OF THE WELLINGTON METHODIST CHARITABLE AND EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENTS

The Board approved 31 grants during the financial year ended 30 June 2016. All grants are required to be targeted for the benefit of children or youth and are outlined below.

Grants to year ended 30 June 2016	\$
Te Taha Maori - Moutoa Scholarship	20,000
Rangatahi Worker	30,000
Educational Resource Worker	10,000
Masterton Family Education & Support Centre Inc.	20,000
Schools and Te Kura Kaupapa Maori (19)	43,765
Challenge 2000 Trust	2,000
Churches Education Commission – Wellington	4,500
Prison Fellowship of NZ – Wellington	4,000
Scripture Union New Zealand – Wellington	1,500
Tongan Fellowship of St Marks Wesley Uniting Church (HCUC)	5,000
The House of Grace Trust Inc.	2,500
Youth Quest Trust	5,000
Zeal Education Trust	5,000
Wesley Community Action	30,000
Methodist Social Services, Manawatu	5,000
	\$188,265

We have continued to receive applications for grants from schools, kura kaupapa, community groups – primarily these are from the greater Wellington region. Again fewer applications, especially from community groups, were received this year.

The Board's leased farm at Moutoa, near Foxton, continues to be well managed. A small increase in the farm rental was able to be negotiated by our farm advisor.

Neville Price has continued as secretary-treasurer for another year whilst a replacement has been sought. He has now completed 23 years in this role. In future the position will be split with the treasurer, John Willis, being a co-opted member by the Board.

## Suggested decisions:

- 1. The report be received.
- The membership of the Board for 2017 is: Merita Holder, Marten Hutt, Senorita Laukau, Danette Ngarewa, Diana Tana, Bunnie Willing, Leatuavao Viko Aufaga, Trevor Dine, Motekiai Fakatou, Neville Price, Matthew (Matt) Roberts (Chairperson), Myra Tautau (secretary), and any others appointed by the President.

# **Supplementary Report**

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## Te Taha Maori Property Trust

#### Background

The Te Taha Maori Property Trust was initially setup to manage the properties of the Grey Institute Trust in 2010. Since that time, its role has been expanded to include all property holdings that Te Taha Maori have so that there is one entity dealing with all properties.

The Trust's main objective is to hold, manage or administer all property of the Church held for the benefit of Te Taha Maori and arrange for or manage the development or redevelopment of any property vested in the Trust.

#### Activities During the Year

The Trust has taken much time to think about how it should be charging tenants in some of its rental units to ensure that the rentals fairly reflect the costs of providing the residential services offered and that the target group can afford to not only pay the rents but have enough funds to pay for the other things they need. This work is still ongoing.

The Trust is still committed to offer those people in New Plymouth who have a leasehold property the opportunity to purchase the underlying freehold at agreed values. Once again this is ongoing work.

The Trust has been activity investing in other properties it holds to ensure that the buildings are maintained and can be used by local groups in the community. Some of this work is more challenging as some of the properties are listed or leased by Historic Places Trust.

The Mission House and flat attached to the Mission House (which are on the site of the historic Church at 453 St Aubyn Street, New Plymouth) have been in the minds of the Trustees. The property is in need of major capital work and the trust has decided to demolish the buildings (other than the historic church which will remain). This will allow the Trust to think about providing a new facility for the community.

As reported last year, the Trust has completed discussions with the Hawera Methodist Church over the purchase of the Parish property in Hawera using funds from the sale of property held in the estate of Robert Tahupotiki Haddon. The Parish will continue to have the use of the Church and associated facilities and the social service agencies operating from the former Sunday School Building will continue. The Trust and the Parish have formed a joint management committee to give oversight to the administration of the property.

Further development work has been undertaken progress the development of 296 and 298 Massey Road in Mangere, Auckland. This will expand the number of Whanau Units available. While the Trust was hoping to be more advanced on this project, the initial plans sent to the Auckland City Council received a mixed reaction due to resource consent issues and therefore the Trust needed to revise the development. Like many things in life, goods things always take time. The Trust continues to be a keen supporter of the Grafton Downs development and receives regular updates on its progress. During the year the Trust made a significant investment into Grafton Downs to show support for the development. The Trust sees this development is important to the future of the Church.

#### **Closing Comments**

The readers of this report will note that the main focus of the Trust is with property maintenance. In the new year the Trust will further advance property management to ensure that property maintenance is kept up to date.

The Trust would like to thank Greg Wright for his continued work and support for the Trust and its development. This is greatly appreciated and he will be greatly missed. His frank and forthright

views as well as his knowledge on the processes used by the Church have greatly assisted the Trust.

# Suggested decisions:

- The report be received.
   That Conference confirm that the Board members for Te Taha Maori Property Trust for 2016/2017 to be: Bella Ngaha, Diana Tana, Rex Nathan, Tara Tautari



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

# TAUIWI STRATEGY & STATIONING

Tauiwi Strategy and Stationing committee has picked up the mood of the moment and taken a lot of time discussing major long-term issues that affect the life of the church. Within the reports of various groups, from MCPC to Council of Conference, as well as Tauiwi Strategy & Stationing, there are references to discussions that may not have reached any tangible conclusion during the course of this year, but which have the potential to question and possibly reshape how we do things in the future. It can be argued that such conversations take place every year at various levels of church life, but it has been a remarkable feature of this past year. Perhaps this is the effect of the Presidential theme: A time to sow, a time to grow. So this report will list some of the conversations initiated this year, or old conversations taken up again for another look, but many of the topics are such that it is unreasonable to expect any quick fixes or easy solutions. The challenge will be to follow up these conversations in such a focused way that they do not in future turn out to have been just hot air, but stepping stones towards reshaping our life and mission to allow us to sow the seed of the gospel more successfully, and to grow our life together more fruitfully.

In March we welcomed Jackie McGeorge and Dilys Davies (area superintendents for Manukau and Auckland) and David Poultney (synod superintendent for NMWC synod) as new members of the committee. The new framework for the re-named Professional Development Grant Fund (the former Travel & Study Committee) was presented and discussed at the March meeting and presented again at the August meeting on its way to Conference. A separate report will deal with this business. Concerns were expressed about various aspects of stationing at both the March and the August meetings. It seems that there might be a growing anxiety among both presbyters and parishes to enter the stationing process. This matter will be followed up by a short survey to investigate what, if any, those anxieties are and what might be done to alleviate them. Another matter raised in March included the revision of the disciplinary code. Advice concerning disciplinary matters should be addressed to the General Secretary as early as possible. Discussions also centred on the effect of ministerial appointments becoming increasingly part time rather than full time. The conversation ranged over presbyter recruitment and training. The General Secretary urged the whole church not to be afraid of trying something new; he advised parishes and Boards to try anything so long as it was neither illegal nor immoral. This conversation will feed into other discussions about the nature and future of our church which have emerged in various parts of our connexion this year.

The March meeting also heard about the history and work of the Evangelical Network and further considered the implications of moving to a 2 yearly Conference. The financial sustainability of synod Superintendency was again a matter of concern. Presently, we respond to each situation as the crisis arises, but further thought needs to be given to what the church expects synods to carry out and how the church gives the personnel and financial resources to fulfil those tasks. This was taken up again at our August meeting when we discussed the matter of parish and ministry reviews. Having analysed the various forms and purposes of First Year, Parish, Ministry, Special and Exit Reviews and begun to discuss how each might be conducted, it was pointed out that in reality synods have little hope of fulfilling all these complex demands on their present resources and so a further discussion will be held next year to tailor the fine intentions of these various reviews to the reality of what we can financially sustain. The viability of synods was further raised when we discussed a concern expressed by UCANZ about how regional church bodies, synod, presbytery, or diocese, vary so much in the amounts and methods of levies. This topic has been on the UCANZ agenda for some time and we urgently need to find a workable solution on which the Partner Churches can agree.

The August meeting opened its business by looking at the various logos in use by the Methodist Church of New Zealand and asked whether we should opt for one of them, or whether a multiplicity of logos serves us still, or whether we should consider designing a new logo for the connexion. The connexional office will work on this further and bring any suggestions to the church for evaluation. The meeting also considered the complex area of copyright and privacy law with regard to churches putting church services and events onto the internet. The Connexional Office will offer guidelines to raise awareness of precautions to take. Representatives of Methodist Alliance, Peter Glensor and Jill Hawkey, attended the August meeting to present and explain the Methodist Alliance report going before Conference 2016 and lead people through the recommendations of the Establishment Work Group appointed by Conference 2015 to prepare for the Methodist Alliance in place of Methodist Missions Aotearoa (MMA) and to produce an initial version of a founding document. Other topics raised at the August meeting included the remit of the Council of Conference, the role of Conference Elders and presbyters' membership of synods. This latter discussion looked at the Law Book and the interpretation of our rules regarding attendance at synod. It was agreed that all presbyters are full members of the synod to which they are stationed. However, it was noted that many presbyters do wish to attend another synod other than their own for either collegial or cultural reasons. When presbyters desire to attend another synod other than the one to which they have been stationed, they should ask that second synod for permission to attend as Observers. Observers do not speak in synod debates, or participate in any votes, but Observers are welcome to attend synod meetings and fellowship groups. Observers should be listed separately to members on synod Minutes. Presbyters choosing to attend a second synod for cultural or collegial reasons should bear the costs of attendance themselves (this could be one use of the general allowance) and not their parish. Associates of synod are a different category of presbyters who attend a synod and currently associates tend to be presbyters of the Korean Methodist Church who are required to apply for Associate status and when approved by the synod, they will be admitted as Associates by the President and their names shall appear in Conference questions each year to maintain that status.

The most significant development at the August meeting was a strongly expressed determination to make space for longer periods of reflection and discussion, rather than work efficiently through a set of papers and reports, in order to discern more clearly the matters about our mission and structures that underlie so many of the issues we talk about again and again at such gatherings. The agenda shall be more consciously in the hands of all the members of Tauiwi Strategy meeting and the issues shared in synod reports will become the focus for our debates. The members of the meeting shall decide at the time which topics are to be discussed and the priority which they deserve. It is in this way that Tauiwi Strategy & Stationing has captured the mood of the moment in seeking, like other church bodies, to create greater space for deeper reflection, to stop the constant flow of business and agenda items and to pause, in God's presence, and together seek a way to better sow and grow the gospel in our Methodist tradition in Aotearoa.

# SYNOD REPORTS

## NORTHLAND AUCKLAND MANUKAU

One of our biggest challenges as the wider Auckland Northland region is the ever growing rapid development taking place with suburbs all around us springing up in unprecedented time. How do we, the Methodist Church, have a presence and a voice in these areas? Some of us attended the COURAGE workshop sponsored by Lifewise/Splice with Jim Diers, Denise Bijoux and John McDonald. It was inspiring and used a community development model which was non-threatening and exciting and showed us a way of taking the first steps to doing. Enthusing and sharing this model with others is our next big step. Takapuna Parish took a team along and they have already implemented this concept into their community outreach programme.

We have launched a new website, Methodist North and it is engaging and interactive. Rosemary Neave has developed this with us and will continue to keep it up to date.

Three workshops were held in Northland recently, one on Conflict Management and two on Working Within Safe and Ethical Boundaries in Ministry. All three workshops were very well attended. There was also one held for those who administer the sacraments and CTN have made it mandatory for attendance before relicensing. The Safety in Ministry workshops will be held throughout the region later in the year.

Colin Gordan's ministry at Wellsford is greatly appreciated and as Auckland spreads further north Wellsford will be an important town so keeping the church there open is strategic.

Our recent synods meetings were held at Te Atatu Union Parish and this is a gentle reminder to us that Cooperating and Union Parishes are an integral part of who we are as the MCNZ.

On an ecumenical front, Abhishek has been working with the local Catholic Priest to share activities. They began with an Easter Thursday service with combined congregations, and an afternoon listening to Trevor Hoggard tell about Methodist/Catholic relationships worldwide. More shared events are planned.

We had a very successful Festive of Song which proved our best yet. This is one of the events that the Consultative Committee organise. The Consultative Committee consists of representatives from all the synods in Auckland including Te Taha Maori and it meets four times a year and we discuss matters that affect our synods and those things we can do to improve our relationships.

A newsletter goes out from the synod office quarterly and I would like to see it produced on a more regular basis.

Koinonia provides a time for Presbyters to get together once a quarter for a time of fellowship, worship and sharing a meal together.

In the north a number of Methodist, Presbyterian, and Anglican Clergy meet informally in Kaikohe every 2-3 months led by Archdeacon John Blundell. This is a very good time to share what's happening in our ministries, and learn from each other.

Our major focus for the rest of the year is to develop a vision for the next 3-5 years and look at the structure which will best serve that vision and the leadership required to make it a reality.

#### WAIKATO WAIARIKI

2016 has been a year in which the Synod has engaged in intentional strategic thinking on both sides of the Kaimais.

In May we held a visioning and goal-setting day led by John Murray for Methodists in Hamilton to reflect on their future. We shared hopes and dreams for a church that 'punches above its weight' and is connected to and engaged with the building of local community. We identified the need for further research, a city-wide communications policy and a property audit.

In August we will be holding a similar day for parishes in the Western Bay of Plenty. Led by Bonnie Hebenton, this will focus on opportunities presented by the sale of property and rapid population growth in East Papamoa and the Lakes.

While many of the Synod's European congregations are ageing and shrinking, we have noted signs of increasing diversity and rising numbers in others. A time of sharing at the July Synod revealed a revival of youth work in some parishes. Other parishes without children or youth have been inspired by the vision "Let the Children Live" and have found ways to support community initiatives focused on the well-being of children.

The Synod continues to have a full diary of opportunities for people to share and grow together in worship, professional development and fellowship.

Highlights in 2016 have included a lay preachers' training day on "Exploring the Hebrew Scriptures" with Lynne Wall, our annual Synod Refresh which focused on climate change, a Ministerial Synod workshop on "Intercultural Communication" and participation in an interfaith concert to raise money for a scholarship in memory of the late Alan Leadley. We're looking forward to the Synod Quiet Day to be held at Epworth in August with the theme "A Spacious Place".

In July Synod noted the retirement from Synod Executive of Viv Whimster who is preparing to take on the role of Vice-President. Viv's contribution as Synod Steward and member of the Executive has been highly valued and we wished her well as she sets out on this new adventure of service and faith. Synod also noted the retirement at the end of the year of Terry Kehely as Synod Property Convenor. Over recent years property matters have become increasingly complex and we have been fortunate to be guided by Terry's wisdom and expertise.

## LOWER NORTH ISLAND

How shall we sing the Methodist song in the LNIS in the year ahead? With what tone? And in what spirit? And with what configuration? How, when the LNIS has run out of money to pay for the separated superintendence, has its life been effective? Who will do the work?

In the last 12 months LNIS has ceased trying to have and achieve a strategic plan for the whole District, but focussed on becoming *a service provider* to individual parishes and its leaders. That may or may not be good, but, we've changed.

- Our synod meetings this 12 months have each incorporated 3 or 4 workshops and sometimes topical discussions groups;
- We've held a residential School focussing on "enabling small congregations to thrive"
- We've held ministerial workshops on
  - what is discipleship and how do you make disciple when you are a present day minister,
  - funerals
- LNIS Superintendents have convened and led events or consultations at their place for at least 32 of our 42 parishes.

In no small part because of the distances between parishes, the rise of congregationalism and because of the innumerable complicating partnerships that entangle nearly every one of our parishes, the previous strategic plan failed to capture the LNIS. With some exceptions, our parishes don't see being part of any denomination's regional church as significant, let alone are they keen to share its work; almost all are happy to take what is offered them by us, as well as taking those things offered by their other partner churches.

Another significant change in the last year has been our gradual recognition that for about half of our parishes, there is a changed reason for being. Such parishes have become just a "periodic gathering of caring, community minded and Christ centred persons". The church folk have ceased to see their parish as a unit that should be organised for mission to others; rather their church has become a place to which people periodically return to share stories of *how their life is out there*. In the year ahead, we owe those parishes a *'duty of care'*, to engage and support but not burden them with administrative details. We should not be surprised or disturbed if they don't accept invitations to meetings or respond to 'What do you think?' queries.

What is the Methodist song we should sing among our parishes? Who out there in all these cooperative ventures knows and claims the Methodist flavour, emphasis? How can our parishes know? Barely a quarter of our 42 parishes are served by a stationed presbyter who was trained as a Methodist; how can and how do they possibly know the commitment to the Methodist Social Principles and to the Gospel of New Beginnings. Especially in the face of calls to righteousness living (e.g. about human sexuality) from our partners.

Our July Synod adopted 'in principle' a restructuring of the LNIS work. Specialisation of roles for the Co-superintendents, rather than a division on geography. Appointment of cluster leaders for the geographical sub-districts... to ensure pastoral care, workshops and monthly networking. It also included the appointment of a workshops facilitator and a youth initiatives worker if the Synod can access the financial resources we have currently locked away in the MTA bank. 'In principle'... but implementing it is proving very difficult.

In January the term of a number of long serving Synod Exec members finish. Some new people are to join us. Conspicuous among those retiring, Jenny Olsson has for 20 years been a passionate and committed Synod Secretary first with Hawkes Bay Manawatu and then for the entire life of LNIS; Bruce Wilson as Financial Secretary has in recent years organised and made clear our financial position and obligations.

## NELSON MARLBOROUGH WEST COAST

We are currently engaged in stationing with both Motueka and Blenheim seeking new appointments and with their presbyters in the stationing process. Two might not sound a lot but we are letting go and seeking to replace half the presbyters in active ministry in our district. It is an aspect of our being in connexion that a new appointment has an impact beyond the parish where a presbyter is stationed; this is particular clear in a smaller synod.

The Synod has recently funded attendance for a member from Moana to attend the Trans-Tasman Conference on Rural Ministry held in the Wairarapa in May. We felt this to be a learning opportunity of particular significance and were pleased to help someone from a small rural community attend. We look forward to a full presentation on this at our next gathering on the West Coast.

We are grateful to the Central South Island Synod in making places available for members of our synod on a Transitional Ministry Training course they have organised; two of us are participating.

We face challenges as an area which is, almost by definition, peripheral. We are a collection of smaller parish communities spread out over a large geographical area. This in itself can be a challenge. Our Synod Executive plans to have a gathering soon where we can spend a couple of days exploring how our parish communities can help one another.

At present we are trying to find a new synod property secretary, our outgoing property secretary has served in this role for many years and can no longer drive; this led to a couple of ad hoc arrangements in terms of parsonage inspection as part of the stationing process this year but the job was done and in a timely manner.

Our Synod meetings are invariably well attended and are marked by a good spirit and sense of friendship.

## Let the Children live - The Synod and the Well Being of Children and Young People

Our Camp Snowden fund seeks to give priority to helping children and their families. It meets before each synod and considers requests for help. Requests are not directly made to the fund but are made via parishes. As interest rates are at a historic low this is impacting on the amount available for disbursement and regular applicants have been advised of this. However our funding helps in a wide range of circumstances from a very successful youth project in Greymouth to helping with a group in the Motueka parish who receive applications for help with school uniforms, school camps etc.

There is also some Methodist involvement locally both in refugee resettlement and the Living Wage campaign. These both have positive implications for the wellbeing of children, young people and their families.

## CENTRAL SOUTH ISLAND

Central South Island has once again had a year of significant change and celebration.

## Changes

A number of parishes are undergoing a period of transition – some formally and some informally. With the retirement of Rev. Neil Keesing, Port Hill's Uniting Church is working through what kind of ministry they need in light of decreasing congregational members, the Eastern Suburbs emerging strategy, and its own particular needs and strategic plan. Rev. Mark Gibson is currently engaged with the Wainoni Methodist Parish as a transitional minister for two years. Wainoni is the only church in the red zone within Christchurch and has a history of community engagement and extensively used meeting space during the past 5 years. Also part of the Eastern Suburbs relationship building between the 5 main parishes in the East is a priority for ongoing ministry.

Two of the original four Synod appointments that arose out of the post-earthquake strategic plan

also come to an end this year. Rev. Mary Petersen finishes her two year appointment of supporting parishes dealing with the rapid suburban growth. In 2013 growth projections showed Halswell facing an extremely high population growth of up to three times its current population over the next 20 years. The result is an increase from 14,680 up to 40,825 residents by the year 2030. Back in 2007 it was projected that there would be 10,000 new households within 30 years. In 2012 Rolleston's population was around 9,500. In 2016 it was approx 14,000. By 2020 it is expected to be around 20,000. The industrial area in Rolleston has more than tripled in the past 5 years with many factories and warehouses moving from Christchurch. All of this means huge change in community dynamics and significant opportunity. It is our hope that with Mary's help both of these small congregations will have a clear vision and strategy to realize the opportunity that this growth offers.

Also coming to a close is the ½ time appointment of a resource person for Lay Leadership for up to 3 years. Rev. Alan Webster has been that resource person. Over the three year period training has been offered around: Biblical Story telling, Children's Ministry, Ministry to the elderly, Youth Ministry, Messy Church, Breakfast church, Alternative Church, Connecting with your community, Parish Stewards, Lead Worship, Sharing your faith, Pastoral Care, Prayer, Evangelism on a raw edge, Music with no instruments, Journaling, Photographing Psalmically, Powerpointing, Website construction, Rural Church issues, Small Church perspectives, Ecology and the church, clonglict resolution, Boundaries, Quiet Church, Art in Church, Sugar free living.

Changes are also afoot within a number of our Cooperative Ventures. Vacancies and appointments in Oxford, Kaiapoi and Port Hills. The Synod and Alpine Presbytery have worked hard to ensure a strong working relationship and collaboration. This includes regular meetings to touch base and catch each other up on what is happening with those parishes for whom we are responsible, inviting participation in procedural matters, and establishing guidelines that ensure that our Union and Cooperating Parishes do not fall down the proverbial "hole"!

## Celebrations

The opening of two new church buildings (Christchurch North Methodist Parish and St. Albans Uniting Church) saw a great turnout of supporters, Church and community leaders. It has been 5 very long years since the earthquakes and for these two parishes the re-establishment of their spiritual home is very welcome. It is expected that Opawa Community Church will also be open before Christmas. More parishes are in various stages of progress between repairs, strengthening and building.

Another celebration is the strengthening relationship between the Christchurch Methodist Mission and local parishes. Both Synod and the Mission are committed to working in partnership where possible, to grow our community outreach. The Mission's work around social housing is one such project where parishes have got on board – Linwood Union Church has leased to the Mission, a vacant section on which the Mission has put 5 houses. Other parishes have then supported the Mission through their time, skills and gifts to help get these 5 houses landscaped and the new tenants supported through welcome packs. Other parishes have offered their unused parsonages to the Mission as rentals.

In July the inauguration of a brave new ministry took place. The new Methodist Chaplain to the City Rev. Rob Ferguson was inducted "café style" and has begun to establish this new and courageous venture by the Durham St Methodist Church and supported by the Synod, steps outside the usual ways of being and doing church. Rob's task is to reflect on the city with others, to link folk for conversation and learning, and to reflect from an open Christian viewpoint. "It's fun, shoe-bending stuff" he says.

The Synod Executive are committed to ensuring the ongoing mission and ministry at local level is encouraged and supported through the sharing of ideas, building relationships and networks, meeting together formally and informally, making processes as clear and simple as possible and resourcing where possible and practicable.

The Synod as a whole, is committed to being the best we can. To offer our gifts, skills, strengths and vision to growing our church, being engaged within our local community, establishing a strong

network of people, businesses and institutions so that together, we can make a difference and be a positive influence.

We continue to strengthen our understanding of the Methodist Church's bi-cultural partnership and our relationship with Ngāi Tahu. Through our weekly newsletter we are expanding our vocabulary in Te Reo and collectively we have learned some new waiata's which are sung at each Synod gathering. By the time Conference comes to Christchurch – we'll be ready to sing at full volume! We are richly blessed to have Roz Wilkie and Terry Ryan from Te Taha Maori as guides and mentors! Whakawhetai korua.

## OTAGO SOUTHLAND

In one of Te Haahi's smaller synods one might expect an air of despair, but far from it. We may have only nine parishes, having formally closed the Lawrence Parish during the year, but there is a lot of variety. We have two Methodist-only parishes, Dunedin and Invercargill, five that are Presbyterian/Methodist (three with Methodist as co-ordinating partner), and two Presbyterian/Methodist/Anglican (neither with Methodist as co-ordinating partner). Five of them sustain full-time ministry, two have part-time leaders, one has a lay ministry team, and one seems to work well doing its own thing (that has to be Bluff!).

We rejoice that Alexandra-Clyde-Lauder Union Parish now pays its presbyter full time and is going well; and that Otatara Community Parish is flourishing under new lay minister leadership.

We welcomed Michael Lemanu to synod last year and he returned to Dunedin to help the folk there. We have realised that the range of work involving children, youth and families in our parishes is great and varied.

At Synod meetings we had input from John Daniel, the local Presbyterian Synod Moderator, and from Trevor Hoggard during our residential meeting in February.

There have been positive reviews: 5th year parish review at Invercargill, and a more informal review of the Team Ministry structure at Riverton.

Our last synod meeting had a robust discussion about men's ministry, with participants from parishes with such work taking place at present. We realise that for some this is non-PC, but it is still a fact that many men feel church is a feminine issue and we wished to address this positively.

Finally, we are blessed with having synod input from Greg Hughson as Tertiary Chaplain at Dunedin University and Laura Black as Director of Methodist Mission Southern.

We think that small is beautiful, and Otago-Southland is the place to be.

## SINOTI SAMOA

We continue to give praise to our Heavenly Father for His never ending love and care, for through Him everything has been made possible. The past 12 months has been a reflective time for Sinoti Samoa as it progresses with new initiatives and vision.

Sinoti Samoa inducted its new office bearers in February 2016. Superintendent Rev Suivaaia Te'o, Secretary Mrs Itamua Mataiva Robertson and Treasurer Mrs Saunoa Tulou. This is the first time in Sinoti Samoa's history that its elected executive office bearers have been all women! This in itself was a notable milestone for Sinoti Samoa. The newly appointed National Youth Leaders were commissioned also, Miss Tumema Faioso and Mr Lusia Taloafulu.

Sinoti Samoa has nineteen Parishes and congregations under its care including one recent amalgamation (Waitangirua joining the Wesley Wellington Parish).

Sinoti Samoa at its 2015 AGM passed a resolution to establish a visioning committee called 'Tofa Mamao' exploring and setting strategies for Synod growth. This year, Sinoti Samoa adopted its new Vision for the next ten years: 'Ia loloto le ola faale-agaga o le Sinoti Samoa' 'That Sinoti Samoa develops a deep spiritual well-being'.

**Sinoti Samoa held its Annual General Meeting (AGM)** from the 14th – 17th July 2016 at the Willow Park Christian Campsite. On Thursday 14th the Ministerial Synod Ministerial Synod had the privilege of having the Director of Pasifika Ministries deliver a 'theological reflection' based on the 2016 Sinoti Theme: *God of Love, fill us with Your Love*'. On this day, the National Youth leaders also held Youth Leadership training for the youth representatives from throughout Sinoti who were in attendance.

On Friday 15th, the Christian Education committee, Mafutaga Tamaitai (MWF) Executive and Sinoti Youth representatives held further meetings during the day before the Sinoti AGM was officially opened in devotion, led by the Auckland Samoan region that evening. During this official opening ceremony we paid tribute to all those who had passed away since our previous AGM, as well as acknowledging those who have served the Methodist Church of New Zealand through Samoan ministry / Sinoti Samoa throughout the last 60 years.

It was a time of thanksgiving as we reflected on the 60 years of Samoan ministry within Te Hahi Weteriana o Aotearoa, with the first Samoan service having been held on the 10th June 1956 at Wesley Wellington. Sinoti also celebrated 20 years since its establishment as an official Synod within Te Hahi Weteriana o Aotearoa on the 27th of January 1996.

At this annual meeting Sinoti paid special tribute and acknowledged Rev Faiva and Luafaletele Alaelua who retire at this year's Conference. We also acknowledged President Tovia Aumua and wished him well for his remaining presidential duties as he approaches the end of his term as President of the MCNZ.

Sinoti Samoa reviewed its constitution (last review was in 2009) and present this to conference. The constitution is in line with the Law Book and outlines processes for Sinoti's internal functions.

## Invitation from Samoan Conference 10-17 July 2016

Sinoti Samoa's Superintendent had the honour to participate at the Conference of the Methodist Church of Samoa. It was a wonderful experience to be amongst the male dominant conference. Sui had the privilege to address the Samoan Conference conveying greetings from Sinoti Samoa. It was also a time to pave the way and lay the mat in order for building good relationships, resourcing and inspiration. It was a great experience and Sui was welcomed with open arms by all the Superintendents, their wives, presbyters and many lay people. It was a God moment for Sui as she embraced their love and support towards her as one of the Superintendents from Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa.

## Let the Children Live

Each congregation have ongoing programmes based on the 10 year vision. Activities ranging from swimming lessons, family fun days, homework centres, play groups to name a few.

The Sinoti Samoa Social Issues Committee continue running a number of workshops throughout all our regions in relation to Family Violence and Suicide prevention, with a particular focus on the Vulnerable Childrens Act, Youth Justice, Cultural Identity, Brain Development and the Anti Smacking Bill.

## Workshops

12th March & 9th April: Sinoti Samoa held training for all it's regions regarding the roles and functions of Parish Stewards, secretaries and treasurers within congregations, parishes, and Sinoti.

14th May: Sinoti held a training workshop facilitated by Tumuaki Diana Tana about the Bi-cultural partnership and Connexional roles.

20th August: A climate change workshop is being hosted (together with the Public Issues Network) regarding climate change and in particular its impact on the Pacific.

#### Challenges

The harvest is great but the workers are few. Sinoti Samoa have established an 'inspirational team' and a 'candidacy team' who will look at ways to develop potential leaders for ministerial vocation.

Sinoti continue to fundraise for its building project 'Tafa o ata'. We are extremely grateful to Lifewise and Airedale Properties for their guidance and assistance. We have been fortunate also to benefit from the expertise of various Sinoti Samoa members who have offered their skills (in the areas of architecture, construction and engineering) towards this project. We pray that in the very near future our dream shall become a reality.

Sinoti are optimistic about the future and the vision it has adopted for the next ten years. May God guide us as we continue His ministry.

#### VAHEFONUA TONGA

#### Relationship with other Conference, Synods and Parish/Congregations

Vahefonua will be focusing on building a closer relationship with other Synods. Parish/Congregation with Tongan members.

Close relationship with the Free Wesleyan Church of Tonga Conference.

Vahefonua has helped established the Tongan Church Leaders Inter-denomination Group.

#### Sunday School

Training of Sunday school teachers nationwide for the new curriculum.

There is a team that is scheduled to different congregation on Sunday to work with teachers and the new curriculum.

It was approved at the last Synod meeting of the National Annual Examination taking place on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> and Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> of December. This has allowed students to complete all school and tertiary exams.

The Annual Retreat for the Sunday School Teacher representing from each Congregation will take place in January 2017.

#### School of Theology

We offer two schools of theology this year at our Ministerial Synod.

We were overjoyed that Rev Dr Nāsili Vaka'uta and Rev Dr Jione Havea blessed the meeting with several sessions.

#### Evangelism

Increasing of churches offering their evangelical team to lead worship and open-air worship.

Prisons: Mt Eden and Paremoremo is attended to every Sunday by different teams. We have also got approval to visit Wiri Womens Prison.

Markets: Flea markets on Saturday at Otara, Mangere. Sunday at Avondale.

There are also teams from different congregation rostered to Flea Markets on Saturday and Sunday to lead worship and preach.

#### Labour Weekend Camps

Synod Evangelism team is having programmes fine-tuned and workshop ready to start at the beginning of September for Camp leaders of all congregations. We also have our mission and youth contributing to the programmes so it can offer varieties to all members young and old. Most Camps are held at church halls. Siaola Mission representatives are tasked to other congregation to share and present the different programs they offer, ranging from suicide, health, violence, gambling, education etc.

#### Youth

Youth Outreach Camp – Battle for the Truth Part IV:18 – 21<sup>st</sup> July.

Theme: Empowerment - To build the bridge and get over it. This was held at Ngaruawahia. There was 250 + youth members who attended. Registration was \$220 each person but that did not deter churches paying for youth representatives.

Alter call registered more than 100 commitments, weekly session are offered for them for 12 weeks.

#### Mission and Education – Siaola

1. Vahefonua Tonga o Aotearoa Methodist Mission Charitable Trust (SIAOLA) The SIAOLA Board of Trustees underwent a capacity building phase which resulted in the nomination and selection of new active members to govern the work of SIAOLA.

With the assistance of David Hanna, SIAOLA completed a draft Strategic Plan to guide its work between year 2016 and 2020. This work identified the need to build SIAOLA's capacity based on its existing strengths including establishing a national office with staff to manage, coordinate and deliver key services of need to our members and wider Tongan community. The Ministry of Social Development (MSD) has given SIAOLA some funding to support this capacity building and delivery of some primary preventative social services with the focus on family violence, domestic violence and vulnerable children. This work will continue to grow and strengthened in the next few years.

2. Education and Training Expo 2016 (Expo)

The Expo was fielded in January in Auckland with great support of 34 participated organisations that erected and display information and networking including education and training institutions, health and social providers. This year, we allocated a designated space for the Early Childhood Education (ECE) to encourage parents to consider enrolling their children in early learning. It was estimated that over 400 participants went through the stalls.

The next Expo is scheduled for the 3<sup>rd</sup> of December 2016. SIAOLA is planning to collaboratively work with church leaders of other Tongan denominations to encourage more participation and exposure of the Expo to the wider Tongan community. The reach of this work is going to expand.

#### Gisborne Roadshow

Similar to the Expo in Auckland, SIAOLA carried out a roadshow in Gisborne in November 2015 for the very first time. The purpose was to provide a one-stop-shop for parents, youth and students for the opportunity to network and discuss with service providers appropriate career pathways and subject choices as well as enrolling students into course of their choice. Parents and youth were also engaged in in-depth group talanoa/discussions about family violence and bullying, and health. The level of awareness about these social issues was raised and embraced by the participants.

The Roadshow programme is planned to continue for community in need outside of Auckland.

#### **Primary Prevention Programme – Social Sector**

SIAOLA was working in partnership with TOKO Collab on delivering suicide prevention workshops for youth and parents of Vahefonua congregations and others. Suicide is a critical issue amongst

the Tongan community and through this work we expect to raise the awareness about suicide and reduce the number of suicide cases.

Overall, Vahefonua will continue to strengthen and improve the spiritual and social services to improve the wellbeing of its followers. With the help of the Holy Spirit, we are empowered to strive to let the children live.

#### Staff

The board has made a step forward from volunteer work to having a part time staff. Advertisement for this vacancy post has been distributed nationwide.

#### Homework Centers

Homework centres started last year with the intention to increase academic achievements especially in numeracy and literacy. This is also an extension for the younger children, the chance to learn their Sunday School syllabus and to maintain using and practising their Tongan language.

#### Fanongo ki he Ui (Listen to the Call)

Listen to the call, programme for young and all families. Workshops such as budgeting, relationship and communications, family violence, parenting are among the programs that has started for the group.

#### **Building Projects**

- New Building
- Christchurch Demolition work to the hall has been completed. New build to commence.
- Saione, Papatoetoe Church / Hall / Carpark
- Dominion Church / Hall / Carpark
- Ellerslie Hall / Carpark
- East Tamaki Church / Hall / Carpark
- Ponsonby Parsonage

#### Stationing

We have made communication with interest for a new congregation in Warkworth, Dargville, Ashburton, Nelson.

#### Challenges

- Vahefona strives to maintain and increase youth awareness and support for Alcohol, drugs, suicide and education.
- The need to identify and support family violence.
- Other challenges are the increase in needs and demand for space to worship. Financing of "New Build" projects.
- The increase of awareness of earthquake reports to older church buildings currently in use.
- Finding a Barrister to be the Principal Solicitor, who can help support and work with building Professionals in preparing a Heritage Building case to the Heritage for demolition.

## WASEWASE KO VITI KEI ROTUMA

#### Acknowledgement

Our thanks and appreciation to all Synods, Parishes, Mission Resource, groups and the MCNZ for your continuous support and prayers.

#### Highlights

- 1. Wasewase produced their first parish and presbyter's profiles as required by the MCNZ.
- 2. A successful Wasewase's Women's district AGM at Rotorua in June. Several women from the group will be attending the Womens World Seminar in Texas in the month of August.
- 3. Three more new Tabacakacaka (Parish) two in the Lower North Island the third one covers the South Island. Each Parish have opted for a resident Fijian presbyter.
- 4. An increase in stipend for the Pitt St Fijian congregation presbyter from 1/4 to 1/2 stipend.

## Challenges and Future Hopes

• Sustainability plan – Encouraging our congregations to become self - supporting / independent congregation.

## Others

Our Wasewase Youth Rally will be held at Finlay Park Adventure Camp, 117 Finlay Road, RD 2, Maungatautari from the 15<sup>th</sup> to the 18th July.

#### Suggested decision:

1. That the report be received.

# EVANGELICAL NETWORK

The Evangelical Network of te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa has been asked recently to explain its history and purpose: it may be that this is because a new group of people are coming into the Methodist Church of New Zealand without the institutional memory of events and responses outlined below, or it may be that a new wind is rising: the Evangelical Network was called upon to justify its existence at the March meeting of the Tauiwi Strategy and Stationing Meeting, at which much of this material was presented.

## HISTORY

#### The Evangelical Network was set up by Conference 2000

- in response to questions about the place of evangelicals in MCNZ
- to provide a "place for evangelicals to stand"
- In response to the legal question of stationing
- Immediate cause: Rev Dr David Brommel stationing to Durham St .

After an acrimonious and angry series of conference debates, Council of Conference suggested a way forward, with the Memorandum of Understanding presented to Conference.

#### MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

At Conference in 2003 a statement was received from Council of Conference in which it was suggested that a memorandum of understanding in relation to the issue of the ordination of gay and lesbian people be prepared.

Conference resolved to receive the statement and asked the President and Vice-President, in consultation with the Tumuaki and the Executive Officer of Tauiwi Strategy and Stationing, to initiate processes to enact the direction of the statement (see F-10, Resolutions of Conference 2003).

They have negotiated with representatives of those who did not support the ordination of gay and lesbian people, Tauiwi, and Te Taha Maori who did support and endorse the ordination of gay and lesbian people.

"The purpose of this Memorandum is to put in place protocols that respect the integrity of those who oppose the ordination of gay and lesbian people and at the same time to enable the church to move forward on this issue.

"In doing so it acknowledges that there are members within Tauiwi who do not agree with the ordination of gay and lesbian people

"The following has been agreed by representatives of the Evangelical Network, Sinoti Samoa, Vahefonua Tonga 'O Aotearoa and Wasewase Ko Viti Kei Rotuma E Niu Siladi, who represent those within Tauiwi who do not support or endorse the ordination of gay and lesbian people, and Te Taha Maori, and is confirmed by the President on behalf of Conference.

This memorandum has been agreed by all parties out of a desire to remain committed to the Methodist Church Of New Zealand/Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa

- This Memorandum enables both those who agree and disagree with the ordination of gay and lesbian people to stand together with integrity within the Methodist Church of New Zealand / Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa. This Memorandum seeks to clarify the place of individuals and groups within the Laws and Regulations of the Methodist Church of New Zealand / Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa.
- 2. It is acknowledged there are criteria for ordination which all candidates must meet
- 3. The Methodist Church of New Zealand / Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa is committed to a practice of appropriate matching in its stationing process which takes account of the diversity and need within the Church.
- 4. This Memorandum affirms that the Mission Statement, Ethical Standards for Ministry and Pastoral Resolutions are the guidelines by which Ministry operates in our Church.
- 5. Any person approached for nomination to either the position of President/Vice President should take into account all the tasks they are required to undertake and make their decision accordingly.
- 6. Each individual ordinand responds to the Church's invitation to be ordained. Ordination acknowledges the unique gifts and graces brought to the Church by that individual.
- 7. Provision of appropriate leadership in the Church in local/district/regional contexts will recognise the diversity of pastoral need.

The first EN Superintendent was Rev Marion Peterson, the second Rev Nigel Hanscamp, the third Rev Marion Peterson and the fourth and current superintendent, Rev Alan K Webster, who has held this position since XXXX

**The Evangelical Network provided** an intentional structure of MCNZ, through Conference, to provide a place for an evangelical voice within NZ Methodism

For many, this was too little, too late:

- Wesleyan Methodists exited MCNZ
- several independent congregations left
- and there ensued a painful splitting and separation of congregations, buildings, heritage, families

At its inception, the following was agreed to by a gathering of supporters:

"The Evangelical Network of the Methodist Church will be a place which:

- Fosters positive relational links across the diversity of Methodism.
- Promotes and nurtures evangelical theology and identity
- Protects the theological integrity of evangelicals by involvement in the processes of selection, training, and stationing of evangelical presbyters and deacons

"The Evangelical Network of the Methodist Church will be a place which:

- Equips and resources congregations for discipleship, evangelism, mission and leadership.
- Encourages all church leaders and members to live a life of scriptural holiness.
- Fosters and celebrates Evangelical styles of worship, music and liturgy.
- Actively encourages children and youth work
- Provides a place for people of different cultures, who choose to be a part of the Network, to stand confident in their Methodist heritage.
- Provides a national framework for networking in the areas of resourcing, renewal and visioning.

## From an earlier document

## Faith essentials and values

• We are passionate about God's love bringing transformation and renewal to individuals and communities growing the kingdom of God in our world. seeing people have a personal encounter with Jesus Christ, have an experience of God's salvation and grow in active discipleship

## Mission

The mission of the Evangelical Network is

- To equip and support evangelicals in Methodist churches and Uniting congregations for mission and ministry in God's world
- To resource the wider Methodist church in the areas of evangelical theology, spirituality, leadership and worship.
- To bring evangelical Methodists together through networking to enable stronger churches and mission

#### In this mission we see our key strategic areas

- Creating vibrant networks—with evangelicals in Methodist churches and Uniting Congregations, within the wider Methodist Church and with other evangelical groups in New Zealand
- Working with the national church in stationing and strategy
- Providing opportunities for resourcing, particularly in areas where resources are currently less accessible.
- Providing links to the wider Methodist Church to have access to the rich resources of Evangelical theology leadership and spirituality

#### The Network is Evangelical - unashamedly so

It declares first and foremost the life changing, saving work of Jesus in his life, death and resurrection available for all people and for creation. It declares that this is good news. It declares that this good news is for all people—those who have heard and those who haven't, and that knowing this means an obligation to share it. It declares that the Bible is God's Word for our world, and that it has an innate authority for our lives beyond what we can give it - or take away from it. It holds to the deity and humanity of Jesus, is Trinitarian in theology, and has a passionate belief in the church as the body of Christ, and believes that God is very active in our world.

It is Methodist, though it often works in Uniting Congregations and beyond. The Network follows the tradition of John Wesley in its commitment to proclaiming God's saving grace, and the need for radical discipleship. The Network is committed to renewal of the Methodist church, through its rich tradition arising from the AFFIRM movement and its founding days of the Methodist Revival Fellowship.

## The EN and CONFERENCE

1. From time to time Conference has recognised the contributions that the Network has made to the life of te Haahi Weteriana: as in the Evangelical Covenant of 1998 and 1999:

"Conference (1998,1999) warmly affirms the place of Evangelicals within the life of the Methodist Church. It respects the values and contribution made by many evangelical people during our history.

In order for this to continue, Conference commits the Methodist Church to seek more effective ways by which evangelicals within Methodism can contribute to the ongoing life and work of the Church."

- 2. From the very beginning, the Evangelical has made a practice of inviting the presidential team to breakfast immediately preceding the taking up of their office: and has prayed personally for each team in ways that have been appreciated by all concerned.
- 3. In recent years, the Evangelical Network has sponsored Conference artworks and expressions of faith that do not rely upon words.
- 4. The Evangelical Network has made a point of meeting with the Liberal Society for dinner at Conference, in a deliberate expression of connexionalism as it is meant to be.

#### The Evangelical Network and the Law Book

Section 4.3.2 provides for representation of the Evangelical Network at TSS by the superintendent

<u>Section 7.3.4</u> provides for an additional lay representative of the Evangelical Network to represent it at Conference

Conference agenda laws provide in 26 ii (b) a place for the Evangelical Nwteork to report to Conference

<u>Section 11A, Organisations</u> provides space for the Evangelical Network in A.2, ostensibly to provide a rationale as per other church bodies: unaccountably, this space is empty.

#### In 2016

So in today's climate, what is the Evangelical Network?

First to note is that the loaded word "evangelical" needs some unpacking:

#### An evangelical is

not fundamentalist, literalist

not US-ocentric politically

not conservative, ecclesiastical

but a ragtag, catholic, diverse, eclectic group of people for whom an evangelical identity is important in a context of increasing uncertainty and relativism around many of the core beliefs of the church.

Evangelicals come in all shapes and sizes: but share an Implied high view of scripture Implied high Christology

Implied passion for mission

The Evangelical Network of the Methodist Church of New Zealand has been part of the ongoing discussions focussing on human sexuality by invitation.

However, our primary focus in recent years has been towards reminding the church of the richness of the evangelical heritage in its perspective on mission, on personal holiness, and in relationships with the wider church. To this end, in recent years we have organised and run a very successful international weekend Conference "Equipt" in Ngaruawahia with the World Methodist Evangelism Institute, the Wesleyans, and the Church of the Nazarene, a significant event in the Telstra Clear convention centre celebrating 200 year of the gospel in Aotearoa with a group of CMS young people from Kenya, as well as ongoing events at our annual conferences noted above.

Networking has been largely at presbyteral level, but the Network has been invited to make contributions to the ongoing question of faith-sharing at various synods around the country, where some field testing of new packaging of the gospel for the 21<sup>st</sup> century have been trialled.

#### Suggested decisions:

- 1. That the report be received.
- 2. That Conference 2016 reaffirms the role and purpose of the Evangelical Network as outlined above.

# NEW ZEALAND METHODIST WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Supplementary Report



(Continuation from page B(ii)-15)



# NEW ZEALAND METHODIST WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

# "We Are God's Hands, Reach Out"

#### Talofa lava, Kia Ora and Warm Greetings to our Te Haahi o Weteriana o Aotearoa Whanau.

As one of the songs that we sang at the World Assembly says, "What an awesome God have I, awesome in every way!" How true this is, as with His grace, love and strength, He has greatly influenced, guided, empowered and strengthened us as we have lead the Methodist Women's Fellowship journey in the last 10 months. It has been an eventful and inspiring year in so many ways, and it is a great sign that the New Zealand Methodist Women's Fellowship is very much alive and flourishing to serve our One God! To God be the Glory for great things He has done!

#### Tributes

Although we are saddened by the death of a loved one, a family member or friend and some members of our NZMWF family, we give praise to God for their lives and their faithful years of service to the NZMWF and the Methodist Church of New Zealand, being God's hands and feet in this world. We remember them with love and gratitude appreciating the work they have done. As one saying goes, "As we face the future with Hope, we need to acknowledge the past in order to cherish the present".

These ladies were some of the great leaders of the NZMWF who served on past National Executives.

Joyce Dey Betty Parker	Waikato/Thames Valley Nelson/Marlborough	National President National Treasurer	1976 - 1978 1980 - 1982 1986 - 1988
Barbara Gatland	Manukau District	National Secretary	1984 - 1986
Lynley Whitton	Wellington District	National President	1988 - 1990
Robin Nacagilevu	Nelson/Marlborough	National Executive	1996 - 1998
Dorothy (Yvonne) Gilbert	Waikato/Thames Valley	National Secretary	2002 - 2004
Adele Forrester	Wellington District	National Executive	2004 - 2006

## What's Up?

One of the highlights of my term in office as the President has been meeting some of our local fellowships during their annual general meetings, some of their special events and celebrations. The main issue that I often heard when I visited our Districts is that our membership numbers are declining due to age, but when I met and talked with most of the ladies in the Rest homes and in their homes, it was clear that there is no age to the spirit, and it's very encouraging. I have especially enjoyed meeting these members who are unable to physically participate in ongoing fellowships programmes due to age and ill health. They may not be physically able to participate but they are very much present in mind and soul, through their prayerful support. I believe that it is not the quantity but it's the quality that is important, keep up the faith and continue to be God's Hands in this world, reach out to your neighbour and to those who are in need of God's amazing Grace. My first presidential visit this year was Christchurch where Thelma our National secretary and I arrived half an hour earlier before the earthquake hit and we saw the traffic lights shaking madly and Rev Neti's van was shaking us about and around. I thought someone drove in to our vehicle. Apart from that episode it was a great time of fellowshipping with north and south Canterbury districts. We did a lot of home visits to our devoted members who are retired and are house bound due to ill-health. We attended the Wanganui/Manawatu district AGM as well as the Wasewase ki Rotuma district executive meeting that was held in Auckland. We were invited to the Waikato/Waiariki district annual meeting that was held in Te Awamutu after our Smethurst committee meeting in November last year where I visited some of our members at the Tamihere Retirement village in Hamilton. In March we visited the Nelson/Marlborough district AGM that was held in Nelson. It was a great time of sharing news/stories, creative ideas of fundraising to raise funds for special projects.

At present our Presbyterian Women Association are going through structural changes that is having an impact on some of our fellowships in Union parishes/congregations but it will be discussed at Convention to see how we can better support those who are affected with the new changes

In early August, I was invited to the Bay of Plenty District AGM that was held in Rotorua, where we welcomed and celebrated the birthing of the new Methodist Women Fellowship in the Bainbridge Methodist Church in Rotorua. The membership of this new fellowship is a mixture of Europeans, Fijian, Tongan, Samoans and Zimbabwe women and although they are from different cultures and background, they have come together as one to serve the ONE God, our awesome God and to make Him known to the world. There could be more fellowships starting soon, which is the sign of the Holy Spirit moving within God's daughters, calling them to be His hands to reach out to the community.

I have been invited to speak to three other groups of women in Auckland who are seriously keen in becoming members of the NZMWF; I will be meeting with them on the 24<sup>th</sup> of September. It is my prayer that God's Spirit continues to inspire and empower more women to be His hands and feet in this world and may His holy name be glorified in everything we do.

Financial accountabilities and changes in Charities service requirements have been explained to our districts and local fellowships, including the new financial year which is from the 1<sup>st</sup> of July to the 31<sup>st</sup> of June.

President's letters and newsletters have been posted on the Methodist Church of New Zealand website of the ongoing events within the surroundings of the NZMWF, for anyone who is interested to read. Please be informed that the World Assembly events and photos are also found of the World federation website and face book, happy reading.

## Mission Outreach Work

## **Special Projects:**

The total amount of money raised for 2015 – 2016 is \$30,100.00. Every year our fellowship members, with the support of our local parishes raise money for our outreach mission through Special Projects within New Zealand and overseas through our close working relationship with the Christian World Service and Methodist Mission & Ecumenical Secretary. I am so grateful for the spirit of giving through the money raised each year, especially the creative ways of raising these monies for God's outreach mission.

The two Special Project recipients for the year 2015 - 2016 are: the CWS - Post Typhoon Haiyan in the Philippines who will receive 30% of funds raised and the Young New Zealander Foundation for printing the GEMSTONE Two which is a tool for teachers who are working with high risk children, who will be receiving 70% of the money raised.

## Special Projects 2016 - 2017

The theme for the new Special Projects is "Let God's Light Shine" to those who are in need of His Grace.

- The Overseas Special Project is for Nicaragua to help prevent gender-based violence around the Pacific Rim. According to the Pan America Health Organization, about a third of women have experienced violence from their partners and more than 15% sexual violence. Women are concerned that the femicide (the deliberate killing of women because they are female) is rising.
- The National Special Project is FASD CAN, supporting parents and caregivers of the victims
  of Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD). FASD is a term that describes adverse
  development that can occur when a baby is exposed to alcohol whilst in the womb. These
  effects include mental, behavioural and learning difficulties and in small number of exposed
  children physical damage can also occur. FASD is a hidden, serious disability that is lifelong.
  Most of these children as they get older they end up in jail due to being misdiagnosed. We
  encourage our Parishes, Congregations and our Te Haahi o Weteriana whanau to be involved
  in these projects, to have more understanding so we may be able to help those in need and
  support the families/caregivers who could be a neighbour or a friend.
- New Zealand Methodist Women Fellowships also supported our sisters in the Solomon

Islands who asked for financial support to enable their Unit President to attend the recent World Assembly in Houston. It was a humbling experience to meet and witness the tears of joy and appreciation on my sister in Christ's face from the Solomon Islands.

- **Medical & Education Fund:** Total amount that was raised this year is \$2,414.75 and the Stamp fund is \$2,105.07. Both these funds will be recommended to go towards the Solomon Islands Women Fellowship Unit in response to their request for a new computer and overhead projector for their administration work. It will also assist in helping them stay connected to other sisters around the world. The NZMWF's response will be affirmed at Convention in November.
- NZMWF continues to support the Helen Kim Scholarship programme for young women through the World Federation of the Methodist Women & Uniting Church Women. We have had two young women who have been recipients of the scholarship: Mataiva Robertson and Lise Malaeimi-Wikitera.
- Since last year NZMWF started to support and sponsor other Units/Areas of the World Federation of Methodist & Uniting Church Women who are struggling to pay their annual membership fees due to the impact of war, natural disasters and other economic issues. Districts & local fellowships contributed \$2,047.50 and the NZMWF donated US\$1000.00 from its uncommitted funds from the last financial year. This was allocated to the South & East Africa areas and the Fiji Units in the South Pacific Area.
- Within our own Te Haahi o Weteriana o Aotearoa family NZMWF have much pleasure in supporting our theological students who are preparing for ministry.

It is great to know too that our local fellowships are continuing to reach out to their local communities and parishes, to the hospitals and hospices sharing God's Grace to those in need.

## Grants and Scholarships:-

Smethurst, Friendship and Kurahuna funds continue to provide financial support for young girls and women in their education and for their ongoing professional development for those in careers.

#### World Assembly 2016 in Houston, Texas 29 August – 3 September 2016:

Well what an awesome and moving experience that was, meeting so many members of the extended Methodist family from different parts of the world, with different gifts & talents, from different races, cultures, languages and backgrounds but one belief, one faith in Jesus Christ our Redeemer and Saviour. All who gathered to lift up God's holy name, sharing His grace and singing His praises. The bible studies were amazing, inspirational and fulfilling for my/our spiritual growth. It was a great learning experience and an opportunity to listen to different theologies. The assembly members were reminded that we women are ORIGINALs from God, not a "photocopy". We were also reminded that we are aliens in this world and we need to work hard to become citizens of God's kingdom!

As the leader of our NZMWF unit it is a great pleasure to officially announce that Itamua Mataiva Robertson is now the World Federation of Methodist & Uniting Church Women's Secretary for the next five years. And more great news is that Leu Pupulu has been elected again to be the Treasurer of the WFMUCW for another five years. The election of the Treasurer wasn't straight forward, due to an unusual situation, but God's peace over ruled it.

All of us who were present at the time felt very humbled and shed tears of joy and thankfulness to our God for the great things He has done for us all. As the Mayor of Houston said whatever we do at the end of the day we must lift up God's name.

Congratulations Itamua & Leu on your new roles, go well, do your very best and let God do the rest. May God abundantly equip you, encourage, enrich, empower, enable and embrace you both in His Grace as you take up your duties to serve Him. Thank you for allowing yourselves to serve God through the WFMUCW.

## The new World Federation officers for 2016 - 2021

President	Alison Judd	Britain & Ireland Area
Vice President	Matilda Johnson	West Africa Area
Secretary	Itamua Mataiva Robertson	New Zealand Unit, South Pacific Area
Treasurer	Leu Pupulu	New Zealand Unit, South Pacific Area.

Thirty-six members from the NZMWF unit attended the World Assembly this year, this included Lyne Scott who attended as the President of the South Pacific Area, Leu Pupulu as the World Treasurer and with her P.A. Sina Pupulu who is also a member of the NZMWF and Itamua Mataiva Robertson as the facilitator of the Helen Kim Programme and our nominee for the election of the World Secretary. We were very honoured to have with us our Vice President of Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa, Dr Arapera Ngaha, who joined our delegation in most of the special events that we participated in, such as the official opening, the South Pacific Area meeting, report presentation and the installation of the WFMUCW new office bearers.

On behalf of our NZMWF unit delegation I would like to acknowledge and thank all members of our MCNZ who were representing our church at other conferences under the same roof but were all supporting our delegation: Rev Dr Susan Thompson, Rev Iakopo Faafuata, Rev Neti Petaia, Tumema Faioso, and Taotua Joshua Robertson, Mataia Tanielu and our two body guards, Corie and Aoe'e Isaia. Also the General Secretary Rev David Bush, Rev Tony Franklin -Ross, Rev Trevor Hoggard and Rev Metui Tafuna. The Hilton Hotel was full of the MCNZ people supporting our unit and our South Pacific Area delegation right from the beginning of the World Assembly.

It is very fitting too to acknowledge and pay tribute to Mrs Lynne Scott from Christchurch for the job well done in leading the South Pacific Area delegation as the President at the World Assembly. And to Lise Malaeimi-Wikitera who was one of the Helen Kim Scholars for the last five years. Thank you for all that you have done to serve our Lord. God's blessing in your future endeavours.

It is a great pleasure for me to express our word of thanks to Leu Pupulu acknowledging her hard work in the last five years of a challenging time for the WFMUCW financial crisis. Thank you for your patience, perseverance and commitment to God's mission. Thank you for accepting the challenge of continuing for another five years to complete the task. "Not to us, O Lord, not to us but to your name be the glory, because of your faithfulness."

As we come to the end of our term next month, I would like to acknowledge all those who are representing our NZMWF in different committees such as Pacific Women Watch, National Council of Women of NZ, World Day of Prayer Committee and many more committees with our Methodist Connexion. Your contribution and commitment is very much appreciated.

## APPRECIATION

As we approach the end of our term in office as National Executive, I wish to say thank you to the church for your ongoing support. Thank you Wendy, Peter Van Hout and your team for your support in regards to the new changes with the financial reporting, we really appreciate your help any time we picked your brains for advice/guidance.

Thank you everyone for all your prayerful support, encouraging messages and your hospitality shown to our team during the Presidential visits, as well as the challenging emails at times that had kept the brain cells ticking.

Thank you to my Executive Committee for their commitment and dedication and service to the mission of the NZMWF.

The NZMWF biannual Convention will be held in Hastings Hawkes Bay from the  $10^{th} - 13^{th}$  of November.

We pray for God's blessings on Dianne Claughton, the Incoming President and her Executive Committee as they lead our NZMWF for the next two years.

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## Suggested decision:

1. That the report be received.







# LAW REVISION

Over several years the Law Revision Committee has asked a great deal of parishes and synods as the Law Book has been carefully revised. The task is not quite complete, but key sections of the Laws and Regulations have been revised and approved by Conference. To enable better access and knowledge of the provisions, Sections 1 to 4 and key information leaflets are being printed in hard copy so that every Parish Council can have easy access. The whole Law Book will be online in a searchable PDF.

The Law Revision Committee hopes that this will strengthen the governance of our parishes, boards and synods and make us more effective in our work as a Church.

Parishes Councils are invited to spend time at their meetings familiarising themselves with the processes and protocols agreed by Conference to govern the Church.

During the year intentional reviews have been undertaken on Section 8 - The Disciplinary Code, on the law changes required if a biannual Conference is adopted and to respond to matters brought to the Committee by Trinity College, the Board of Administration and Professional Development Grants Committee.

## Implementing a Two Yearly Conference

The detailed report on implementing a two yearly Conference is in the Council of Conference reports.

Law Revision and Council of Conference have each considered this matter. Of particular concern to Law Revision was the status and accountability of probationers who have completed the requirements for Ordination.

The implementation plan is recommending that Probationers be assessed on their readiness for Ordination on an annual basis, as is our current practice. Those who are assessed as ready for Ordination in the year Conference does not meet would be designated as 'Ordinands', and would be received into Full Connexion. This would be marked by an appropriate liturgy in the Ordinands Synod, and the President (or an Ex-President) would officiate.

Reception into Full Connexion at this point ensures that the Ordinand is responsible to the Conference. At the point the person concludes their probation they would no longer be responsible to the Theological College.

Law Revision consulted with Faith and Order who agreed that this was an acceptable practice. An Ordinand would still need to be licenced to celebrate the sacraments.

Faith and Order also noted that Ordinands would be presented to the Conference by the General Secretary rather than the Principal.

The decisions regarding a two year Conference are in the Council of Conference report.

## Suggested decisions:

- 1. That the report be received.
- 2. That Conference approves the changes to Section 8 of the Disciplinary Code.
- That Conference approves changes to the Law Book: Section 5. 7.14.1.1 and following – Professional Development Grants Committee; Section 11 (D) – Trinity Theological College; Section 10. 20.1.1 and following – Supernumerary Fund
- 4. That the Law Revision Committee for 2017 be: 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)

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

- 1. Tania Shackelton, supply appointment to St Clares Dinsdale.
- 2. Kelvin Lane licensed to administer the Sacraments at Foxton/Shannon.
- 3. Peter Blake licensed to administer the Sacraments Milson Combined.
- 4. Ross McDougall, supply appointment to Inglewood Union Parish.
- 5. David Caygill, Ngaire Dawson, Roz Wilkie appointed to Christchurch Methodist Mission Board.
- 6. Colin Gordon, appointment to Wellsford Cooperating Parish.
- 7. Rob Ferguson, appointment to City Chaplain, Christchurch Central.
- 8. Graeme McIvor, supply appointment to Port Hills Uniting Parish.
- 9. Dale Peach and Marama Hotere appointed to the Board of Administration.
- 10. Adjustment of deadline for nominations for President and Vice President to allow for Conference being in October.
- 11. Appointment of Uesifili Unasa as Chair of Mission and Ecumenical.
- 12. Approval of adjustment of Stipends.
- 13. Approval of minor amendments to Superannuation Trust Deed.
- 14. Approval of name change of Manawatu Methodist Parish to Manawatu Rangitikei Methodist Parish.
- 15. Dr Mavis Haigh appointed to be MCNZ representative on Friendship House Trust Board.
- 16. A ruling with respect to the operation of a website.

#### Suggested decisions:

1. That the report be received.

## SECTION 8 – DISCIPLINARY CODE

#### **Disciplinary Code**

Concerns had been expressed about time taken to process complaints. The review found that having very short timeframes which could not be reasonably met, in effect left no timeframes. These have now been increased to 21 days.

A clause has been added to define natural justice and clauses added to allow a person to seek leave to enter mediation, even though mediation had been initially declined. During the total life of the Code only one complaint has gone to the Tribunal. Complaints are usually resolved in mediation.

Full copies of the Code will be available for Conference members to consider from the Conference Office. The changes being recommended to Conference are listed below.

#### The following amendments are made to Section 8:

- 4. Jurisdiction
  - 4. (c) (ii) failed to adhere to the 'General standards for the Guidance of Members, and the Ethical Standards for Ministry and/or;

<u>becomes</u>: failed to adhere to the 'General Standard for the Guidance of Members and the Standards for Membership and Ministry.

4. (d) (ii) failed to adhere to the 'General Standards for the Guidance of Members, and/or;

<u>becomes</u>: failed to adhere to the 'General Standards for the Guidance of Members and the Standards for Membership and Ministry and/or;

#### 5. Interpretation

Add: Natural Justice

The rights of both parties to a formal complaint should be protected by the principles of natural justice which include freedom from bias, transparency, fairness of procedure and the right to a fair hearing.

16. (c) If the complaint is against a Minister and is one which the Pastoral Committee considers may constitute a breach of Section 4(c) of this Code, the General Secretary may be requested by the Pastoral Committee to also lay a complaint on behalf of the Church.

<u>becomes</u>: If the complaint is against a Minister the General Secretary may be requested by the Pastoral Committee to also lay a complaint on behalf of the Church.'

Rationale: to be a valid complaint Section 4(c) must be breached.

- 16. (f) Correct reference to further section of the code, S61 becomes S65.
- 17. (d) (ii) the complaint is considered to have substance, but is of a minor nature or consequence, then the matter may be referred to the appropriate Synod Superintendent or the Pastoral Committee for resolution, which shall be final;

<u>Delete</u>: Clause to be deleted. The determination that a matter is 'minor' could be arbitrary.

17. (d) (iii) if the complaint is considered to have substance and is of a significant nature then:

<u>replaced by</u>: if the complaint is considered to have substance then: Rationale: all complaints treated on their merits.

20. (c) The time given to agree to mediation is increased from 3 days to 21 days.

Rationale: a timeframe which is impossibly short in effect means there is no timeframe.

- 20. (h) <u>Add</u> Deacon to read 'Presbyter/Deacon'.
- 20. (i) <u>New Clause</u> A person who has declined mediation may with the agreement of the Complaints Officer revisit the option of mediation within 90 days of the initial offer to mediate.
- 32. (a) Timeframe for Complaints Review Committee increased from 14 to 21 days.
- 32. (d) District *becomes* 'Synod'.

#### 33. <u>New Clause</u>

A person who has declined mediation may with the agreement of the Complaints Officer revisit the option of mediation within 90 days of the initial offer to mediate.

- 43. (iii) Add: Deacon, to read 'Presbyter/Deacon'.
- 43. (iv) power to suspend a Presbyter either fully or partially;

becomes: power to suspend a Minister or member either fully or partially.

- 43. (v) power to remove a Member from the Electoral Roll... <u>Add</u>: '...or from positions of responsibility in the Parish'.
- 43. (vi) Presbyter is *replaced by* 'Minister'.
- 44. (iii) Presbyters is *replaced by* 'Ministers'.
- 54. (a) ...Tribunal Members at least two of whom shall be Presbyters and at least two who are not Presbyters.

<u>becomes</u>: ...Tribunal Members at least two of whom shall be Ordained and at least two who are Lay persons.

- 56. Presbyter *becomes* 'Minister in Full Connexion'.
- 58 (a), (b), (c): Presbyter becomes 'Presbyter/Deacon'.
  - (c) has the words 'if applicable' added after benefits.
  - (d) <u>to read</u>: 'The Minister in Full Connexion' and: District becomes 'Synod'.

## **SECTION 5 - CONNEXIONAL DIVISIONS AND STANDING COMMITTEES**

## **Professional Development Grants Committee**

Conference 2015 approved the name change and renewed focus of 'Travel and Study' to become 'Professional Development Grants Committee'.

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT GRANTS COMMITTEE

- 7. 14.1.1 There shall be Professional Development Grants *Committee*.
- 7.14.1.2 The Committee shall receive applications which may be referred to the Bradley Trust (see 116.8)

#### Functions

- 7. 14.2 To approve, on behalf of Conference, grants to those seeking:
  - (a) support for professional development to upskill themselves to better serve the Church;
  - (b) support for overseas travel in order to achieve this professional development.
  - (c) assistance for research projects, in-depth studies, and forward planning for the outreach and mission of the Church.

#### Membership

7. 14.3 The Committee shall be appointed annually by Conference.

# SECTION 11(D) - TRINITY METHODIST THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

## Section 11(D) – Trinity Methodist Theological College

The College Council is bringing initial change for approval. They are signalling that further review will be required in the remaining sections of 11(D) to meet NZQA requirements.

#### SUB-COMMITTEES OF TRINITY COLLEGE

- 6.1 Trinity College Council may set up appropriate sub-committees and shall determine their several functions.
- 7.2 STUDENT REVIEW PANEL AND CURRICULUM REVIEW PANEL ACADEMIC

## COMMITTEE

- 7.2.1 Trinity College Council delegates to the Principal the authority to convene and manage all functions and decisions of the Student Review Panel and Curriculum Review Panel, Academic Committee whose functions shall be as follows.
- 7. 2.2 Terms of Reference: Student Review Panel
- 7. 2.2.1 Membership of the Student Review Panel: Directors of Mission Resourcing, Tumuaki, Principal (chair), up to two lay members appointed by Trinity College Council and College Manager Administrator and Academic Registrar for records.
- 7.2.2.2 Meeting purposes: To determine the nature and setting of the candidate's preparation for ordination during College training and the probationers programme. Against the background of the Church's commitment to its bi- cultural journey, each student preparing for ordination shall pursue a programme of study under the direction of and to the satisfaction of the Principal and the Student Review Panel. The course of study for those preparing for:
  - (a) the presbyterate will normally include study in each of biblical studies, Christian thought and history, the history, theology and praxis of Methodism, pastoral care, the practice of ministry, homiletics, and liturgics;
  - (b) the diaconate will include biblical and theological studies, and such other studies as will prepare them for their particular serving ministry;

- (c) Special courses may be devised to meet the needs of individual students, and prior learning shall be taken into account;
- (d) no student shall enter upon any course without the consent of and approval by the Principal and the Student Review Panel of all the subjects proposed;
- (e) if the marital status of an accepted candidate is to change, the Principal shall be advised at the earliest possible date in order that any housing or financial or other implications of such a change as they may affect the Church may be considered;
- (f) receive regular reports on candidates progress from parish placements, academic progress, and other such reports as are required by the Principal;
- (g) receive regularly each year the Portfolios of candidates in College and on probation;
- (h) ensure that Trinity College expectations are met as laid out in the Ministry Education Formation Handbook and Student Diploma in Practical Theology Handbook, and Probationers Programme Handbook. The criteria for ministry suitability are the criteria for ordination approved by Conference, 1991;
- (i) the Student Review Panel may, in consultation with the Principal, require an oral or written examination of any student to determine academic progress and/or ministry suitability;
- (j) the Student Review Panel may, in consultation with the Principal, discontinue students from Trinity College and its programmes under 6.1.2 (j).

#### 7. 2.3 Terms of Reference: Curriculum Review Panel Academic Committee

- 7.2.3.1 Membership: Principal, lecturer in Biblical Studies (chair) the academic staff (tutors) of Trinity College, and the key church stakeholders Tumuaki, Tauiwi Executive Officer, General Secretary, and College Manager for records.
- 7.2.3.2 Meeting purposes:
  - (a) To review annually the overall shape of the curriculum of the Diploma of Practical Theology and all other courses offered by Trinity College.
  - (b) To arrange tutor training on an annual basis, including evaluation of performance.
  - (c) To appoint a Moderation Panel of three members, including the Chairperson of the Curriculum Review Panel and the Principal, functioning as a sub-committee for moderation of recognition of prior learning and cross-crediting and student academic achievement.
  - (d) To review each semester:
    - (i) individual course components;
    - (ii) arrange for pre-moderation of component changes;
    - (iii) ensure correct assessment and moderation procedures are in place for both NZQA courses and other programmes of Trinity College;
    - (iv) ensure that Trinity College expectations are met as laid out in the Ministry Education Handbook, Diploma in Practical Theology Handbook, and Probationers Programme Handbook;
    - (v) the Moderation Panel may, in consultation with the Principal and the Student Review Panel, require an oral or written examination of any student in relation to academic progress and if sufficient progress has not been sustained, discontinue the student from Trinity College and its programmes (see 6.1.2(j);
    - (vi) to fulfil such other functions as are required by church law.

#### 7.3 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, and College Manager for records.

#### 7.4 Bursaries Panel

There shall be a Bursaries Panel.

The membership of the Bursaries Panel shall be: Principal, two members of Trinity College Council, College Manager.

The terms of reference for the Bursaries Panel are: Arrange housing, bursary and tuition expense assistance, and such other allowances as are determined by Trinity College Council.

- 7. 2.3.1 Membership: Principal, Academic staff, and Academic Registrar.
- 7. 2.3.2 Functions of the Academic Committee:
  - (a) To review annually the overall shape of the curriculum of Trinity College programmes to ensure compliance with NZQA and MCNZ requirements.
  - (b) To review each semester:
    - Academic progress of all students.
      - Review of achievement and educational outcomes to ensure consistency of

graduate outcomes.

- Ensure correct assessment and moderation procedures are in place and standards met for all programmes offered.
- Ensure that Trinity College expectations are met as laid out in the Trinity College student handbooks.
- Ensure consideration of cross crediting, credit transfer and recognition of prior learning procedures are in place and standards met.
- Awarding of student bursaries.

#### **SECTION 10 - CONNEXIONAL FUNDS AND FINANCIAL ENTITIES**

#### Section 10 - Supernumerary Fund

As noted in the Board of Administration report the Supernumerary Fund has transitioned to the Financial Markets Authority Conduct Regulations 2014. The revision records these required changes.

In addition the Constitution of 'Methodist Church of New Zealand – Te Haahi Weteriana Superannuation Trustee Limited' will be printed in the Law Book in the appendices. This does not require Conference approval.

#### SECTION 10 CONNEXIONAL FUNDS AND FINANCIAL ENTITIES

#### SUPERNUMERARY FUND

- 20. 1.1 There shall be a Supernumerary Fund of the Methodist Church of New Zealand.
- 20. 1.2 The Supernumerary Fund is registered on the register of managed investment schemes under the Financial Markets Conduct Regulations 2014 as a restricted legacy superannuation scheme.
- 20. 1.3 The Trustee of the Supernumerary Fund shall be Methodist Church of New Zealand Te Haahi Weteriana Superannuation Trustee Limited.

#### Administration

- 20. 2.1 The Supernumerary Fund shall be managed by Methodist Church of New Zealand Te Haahi Weteriana Superannuation Trustee Limited.
- 20. 2.2 The Board of Administration as the shareholder of be Methodist Church of New Zealand Te Haahi Weteriana Superannuation Trustee Limited will ensure that appropriate Directors are appointed. [see appendix ????]
- 20. 2.3 The reporting entity shall be the Board of Administration.

#### **Functions and Purpose**

20.3 The Fund is a Defined Benefit Scheme to provide retirement and other benefits to Presbyters and Deacons of the Methodist Church of New Zealand and their nominated beneficiaries.

## APPENDIX

Significant concern has been expressed by the Legal Advisors at the length of the limitation period, currently 6 years. Most legislation has significant shorter limitation periods. Some criminal offences have 6 months or 1 year limitation, the Fair Trading Act has 3 years. 6 years is the standard for claims in contract and tort.

Currently under the Code any complaint can be brought for up to 6 years. The Church is committed to engaging in the Complaints process, which can be expensive and time consuming for those involved. However when dealing with issues that are up to 6 years old. it can be difficult to accord a respondent a fair process and natural justice because of the fact any evidence may have been lost and memories will have dimmed.

Using a shorter limitation is one way of preventing abuse in accord with the principles of natural justice. By adding a reasonable discovery rider complaints would not excluded because the complainant has only just

discovered something after expiry of the limitation period. If someone has a complaint there is some onus on that person to bring it promptly when it is fresh, when time has not dimmed memories. The current 6 years is a long time to sit on a 'grievance'. The suggestion is that it becomes 18 months which is the same as the existing provision when a complaint arises from a conviction in the criminal and secular courts.

#### Suggested Amendment to 8.4.2(e)

Except in the case of sexual harassment/abuse, no complaint may be laid after the expiry of (6 years) **18 months** from the time of the basis of the complaint arose or could have reasonably been discovered subject to the following:

(i) Where the basis of a complaint arose over a period of time, the 18 month period runs from the end of that period of time.

# Administration

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

## **BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION**

If you think there are many new legislative requirements to try and understand you are correct.

2016 brought Health and Safety Legislation. The response is detailed later in the report.

It became compulsory this year to comply with the new Accounting Standards, a task made easier because of the decision to early adopt.

As much as possible the Connexional Staff want to make understanding and compliance as easy as possible.

#### Connexional Office Staffing

After five years of relative stability there have been, or will be a number of changes this year.

Gayle Timperley left in March and Debbie Sykes is our new Fund Administrator. Jeaninne Stevenson also left in March and Wendy Anderson is our new Property and Insurance Manager. Rhiannon Batcup left to train as a nurse at the beginning of July and Greer McIntosh was promoted to Administration and Insurance Assistant. Jade Barlow has been appointed as our new Office Junior.

At the end of December Greg Wright will retire from the position of Executive Director MTA/IAB after 38 years. An acknowledgement of Greg's service can be found later in this report. Mr Stephen Walker has been appointed as Executive Officer MTA/IAB and will commence in the office in mid-November.

The Connexional Office staff are a wonderful team dedicated and hardworking. Our role is to serve Parishes, Rohe, Committees and Boards, to ensure that external requirements are met and administrative processes are accurate and hopefully easy to navigate.

In recent years the office has taken over accounting work which had been with accounting firms. This benefits both the office who can pay for staff and Parishes and Boards who pay less in fees. The provision of insurance also provided cover at very competitive rates and pays for staff time. Some accountancy services are charged, but payroll is provided as a free service and Xero is provided for Methodist Parishes without charge. As at 30 June the Connexional Office was paying 401 people and 89 Methodist entities were using Xero.

#### Replacement Connexional Office

The office will, if all has gone well, be complete by the time Conference meets. It will be November before we move in. Space to allow time for over-runs and any matters which need remedy.

Our base at 1 Maydell Street has served exceptionally well. It will be fantastic to have more space, but there is no question we will also miss our suburban home of five and a half years.

Visitors to the Connexional Office are always welcome. The new office is at 50 Langdons Road, Papanui. It is a few minutes' walk from Christchurch North Methodist Church and Christchurch Methodist Mission, and is close to Northlands Mall.

The Board has decided to name the building 'Weteriana House'. The Board has also commissioned Neil Dawson to produce a feature sculpture. Neil is the son of Rev John and Floss Dawson and nephew to Rev Selwyn Dawson.

The Board is currently finalising plans for the Archive Building which will sit alongside, but be separate from the new office.

#### SUPERNUMERARY FUND

The Trustee has undertaken very significant work during 2016 to enable the fund to comply with new Financial Market Authority Regulations. The fund will be registered from 30 September 2016, well before the final compliance date of 1 December 2016.

The main changes required were:

- Appointment of an Independent Trustee. Mr Charles Cahn, previously the Fund's actuary has been appointed to this role.
- Christine Ormond of Price Waterhouse Coopers has been appointed as the new Actuary of the Fund.
- The Trustee will now be a company, Methodist Church of New Zealand Te Hāhi Weteriana Superannuation Fund Ltd. The Directors will be appointed by the Board of Administration. The Board of Administration will no longer have the additional role of Trustee. Not all Board of Administration members will be Trustees.
- Legal agreements have been prepared and signed to define all roles.
- The Superannuation Fund Trust Deed was updated by Conference 2015. Further minor amendments to comply with the FMA Act were approved by the President.

The scheme was formally registered as a Restricted Legacy Superannuation Scheme on 30 September 2016. This reflects that the fund is closed to new members, a decision made in 2010.

#### Funding Concerns

The scheme has not recovered from a significant loss of funds in 2003 when the external investment manager recorded a loss of approximately 25% of the value of the Fund. The decision was made at that time not to decrease pensions, however it has not been possible to increase pensions over the last 8 years. At this time more than \$3 million would be required to recapitalise the Fund to allow the possibility of increasing the annuity. It is not possible to fund such a short-fall.

The Trustee is very aware that the inability to increase the pension causes hardship. To seek to respond, an application was made to the PAC Distribution Group for funds to provide a more substantial Christmas gift.

#### STIPENDS COMMITTEE

The Stipends Committee of Tania Shackleton, Jan Tasker, David McGeorge, Nicola Grundy and David Bush met on April 28<sup>th</sup> to consider adjustments to stipends and allowances for 2016-2017.

The Committee is required by Conference decision to consider movement in the Consumer Price Index (CPI), adjustments made by partner churches and movement in the Labour Market Index.

The CPI for the 12 months ending 31 March 2016 increased by 0.4%.

The Labour Market Index by 1.5% (to 31 December 2015).

Information from partner churches was not available.

The Committee carefully considered:

- Pressure on parishes to meet budgets.
- Impact on income for members and parishes in a low interest environment.
- The consequence of a nil increase.
- That major cost increases have been in housing which is supplied and not part of the 'costs' for the presbyter, but part of the costs for the parish.
- The consequence of needing larger 'catch-up' adjustments if a nil increase in 2016.
- Importance of signalling the value of presbyters and their work.

The Committee recommended to the President and the President approved that stipend and allowances be adjusted by 0.4% to take effect from 1 July 2016.

Existing		New
Stipend	\$46,386	\$46,511
Allowances	\$3,176	\$3,188
Book allowance	\$1,053	\$1,057

#### **Comparison with Labour Market Index**

At 31 December 2015 the average wage was \$58,054. The stipend and allowances provided for a full-time presbyter compares favourably.

Stipend	46,511
Allowances	3,188
Book allowance	1,057
Medical Insurance (2015-2016 amount)	1,401
	\$52,157

The value of housing provision is in addition to this amount.

#### Leave

There continue to be issues with the approval and recording of minister's leave. Reports suggest that Parish Stewards are not always being consulted or are fully aware of leave taken or leave due.

The Leave Booklet and Information Leaflet will be updated to make the process clear.

The Committee suggests that there be work towards an online system to request and record annual leave and sessions at synods to inform ministers and parishes of the process and how to use the leave record booklets.

#### Supervision

To add clarification to show that supervision requirements apply to part-time as well as full-time ministers.

#### DISCIPLINARY CODE

There have been no new complaints referred to the Complaints Officer in the past year. One complaint lodged in a previous year was resolved at mediation.

A review of the Disciplinary Code has been carried out during 2016 following the highlighting of some issues in processing a complaint.

An approach has been made to a potential new Complaints Officer.

#### **METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND – SPECIAL ACCOUNT**

#### A MILLION DOLLARS ACHIEVED

For over 30 years the Methodist Church of New Zealand (the Church) has directed all of its current accounts to be held through the Bank of New Zealand (the BNZ).

This has meant that on any given day, the Church normally has over \$3.5M held by the BNZ and the Connexional Office has been able to negotiate a set off arrangement whereby the Church has been able to borrow back a significant portion of this money subject to the Church paying the NPO interest which is credited to charitable accounts and the payment of a commitment fee to the BNZ.

The Connexion has been able to use the money available to fund short term advances required for various transactions throughout the Connexion and to hold the balance of the funds on deposit at interest.

The only requirement on the parishes and Church organisations other than the placement of the account through the BNZ is that the accounts are operated in credit. If parishes need temporary overdraft funding this is provided through the Connexional Office.

For the year to 30 June 2016 the operations of the Special Account have provided for a grant towards the Connexional Budget of \$57,956 which equates to almost 8% of the Connexional budget allocation for the year. In the 18 years from 1998 to 2016 the operations of the special account have credited \$1,023,044 to the Connexional budget.

This has been achieved at virtually no financial cost to the Church and clearly the benefit of a concerted and unified action is shown in the support provided to the Connexional budget.

#### REMOVAL FUND

There were 12 removals (13 in 2015) to and from Parishes which are members of the removal fund. With a similar number of moves the cost was \$55,019 (\$58,787 in 2015).

The removal levy will remain at \$10 per member for 2017, after being reduced from \$14 in 2012.

#### Suggested decisions:

- 1. That the report be received.
- 2. That the decision to hold all Methodist Church of New Zealand current accounts with the Bank of New Zealand be confirmed.

#### **CONNEXIONAL FINANCIAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**

This Committee acts as an 'Audit Committee' for Connexional and Parish accounts. The role is to have an overview of the Church's finances with a particular role of looking for any funding issues or problems.

As Conference is meeting earlier this year it has not been possible for the Committee to meet prior to Conference.

Any issues or concerns will be discussed with the Parish or Board and Synod Superintendents.

#### ARCHIVES

Highlights and achievements of the Methodist Church of New Zealand Archives Christchurch

Period covered: 1 July 2015-30 June 2016

#### Archives staff and volunteers

We are sad to record the death of two people who gave much of their time and expertise to the Methodist Archives. Verna Mossong, QSM, was involved with the setting up of the Auckland Methodist Archives and died on 14 January 2016.

Much loved long-time Christchurch Methodist Archives volunteer, Frank Paine, died on 28 January 2016 aged 91.

#### Post-earthquake consequences

Despite the Archives Collection being housed in a storage warehouse in Wairakei Road some progress continues to be made in cataloguing the historic backlog of records in response to requests for access by researchers. The positive attitude of the volunteers when working under less than ideal conditions is appreciated.

#### Digitisation

Digitisation of *Open Door* was completed in June 2016 and this should be available soon on the digitised Church Papers Online site hosted by the John Kinder Theological Library. See <u>http://kinderlibrary.outofprint.co.nz/</u> We work in partnership with the Library to provide a central source of denominational publications in digital format. NZ Methodist newspapers 1870-1948 have already been digitised and are available on this site.

#### Volunteer team

The assistance of our volunteers is acknowledged with gratitude. Some of the projects volunteers have been working on include: inputting names into the New Zealand Methodists Name Index from historic Wesleyan missionary registers, cataloguing architectural plans and documents, data entry of handwritten lists and indexes. Total volunteer hours worked is approximately 900 hours.

The Archives volunteer team is: Marlene Borgfeldt, Joyce Challies, Enid Ellis, Katherine Gillard, Jan Kotlowski.

#### User statistics July 2015-June 2016

	Christchurch	Auckland
Written enquiries (including email)	459	50
Telephone enquiries	40	12
Researchers in person	25	16

#### Auckland Methodist Archives

Work continues on the project to catalogue and re-box parish records. Unfortunately there have been many frustrations due to computer and server problems, leading to a decreased output.

On 31 May 2016 David Hoggard has been employed 5½ hours per week to audit the Auckland Photographs Collection and re-house it in acid-free containers and apply catalogue numbers to images.

#### METHODIST CONNEXIONAL PROPERTY COMMITTEE

The Methodist Connexional Property Committee (MCPC) has had another full year dealing with a wide number of Church property matters and the ongoing development of the Church's insurance arrangements.

In 2005 Greg Wright was asked to take up the executive oversight of the Church Building and Loan Fund, now the Methodist Church Connexional Property Committee. As part of the task he was asked to review the work and brief of the committee and recommend changes. The Board of Administration affirmed Greg's recommendation that the MCPC be responsible for both property and insurance and this has proved to be an excellent move as the two parts work well together. The Church has been exceptionally well served by Greg in this particular role. During the trauma and destruction of the Christchurch earthquakes, Greg's wisdom, patience, skill and expertise enabled Christchurch churches to make wise and strategic decisions for the future while the national church has been given outstanding leadership in regards to insurance negotiations and the development of standards for strengthening buildings to a standard which would enable people to safely evacuate buildings in the case of an earthquake or serious emergency. Greg's retirement at the end of 2016 will leave a large gap for the committee and we wish Greg well as he moves into retirement.

During the year, the Committee received resignations from two long serving members Duncan Mangels and Don Eade. Both these men brought expertise in the engineering and construction fields and their contributions have been greatly valued. Duncan served for over thirty years and Don over twenty five. We wish them well in retirement.

Andrew Doubleday (Christchurch) and Carol Dale (Wellington) joined the committee in February and the committee is grateful for their contributions in the areas of building, management, administration and finance.

The Committee lost the services of Jeaninne Stephenson and Rhiannon Batcup when they resigned from the Connexional Office to pursue other career opportunities. Jeaninne was recruited at the time of the September 2010 earthquakes and was actively involved in the development of the Church's claims from the earthquakes and the repair and redevelopment work that has followed. Rhiannon was principally involved in managing the insurance records, the physical completion of board agendas together with other work within the Connexional Office. The Committee wishes them every success in their future careers.

Wendy Anderson has been recruited as Insurance and Property Manager and Greer McIntosh has been promoted to Administrator overseeing the insurance records as well as Methodist Trust Association investment records.

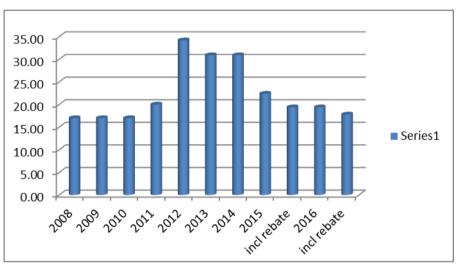
#### INSURANCE

The Methodist Church of New Zealand's (the Church) involvement with the AllChurches Insurance Bureau (ACIB) has deepened over the past two renewals and the Church provides one of the two directors of AllChurches Insurance Bureau Ltd.

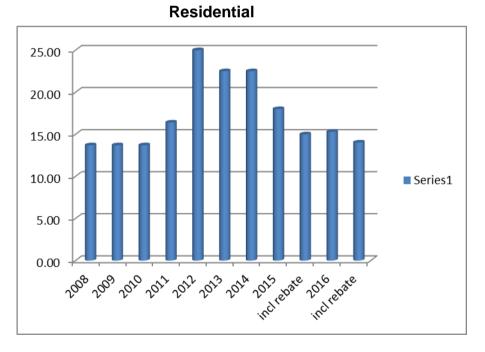
In 2015 AllChurches Insurance Bureau Ltd was instrumental in the formation of an insurance underwriting agency, Concordia Underwriting Agency, to place the insurance requirements of the Church, Anglican Insurance Board, Baptist Union, Christian Churches New Zealand and a number of other denominations in a placement which involves both New Zealand and Lloyds insurance markets. Concordia has received registration with Lloyds which enables it to deal directly with Lloyds' syndicates.

The ACIB is determined to ensure that the Christian churches that place their insurance through the Bureau always have access to leading world markets, modern and comprehensive policy conditions and competitive insurance premiums.

The insurance premium for the 2016 calendar year was 15% less, on a cents per \$100 of cover basis, than the 2015 year.







Premiums to the Church for 2015 were further reduced by the Insurance Fund rebating premiums for the months of August and September 2015 which was made possible by the excellent insurance result achieved by the Church in the previous year. The Fund intends to continue to rebate premiums each year if the results of the preceding year enable it to do so. In 2016 the Fund experienced a number of losses but is able to provide a rebate of one month's premium equivalent to a further 8.33% reduction in premiums.

Insurance premiums including natural disaster premiums in 2016 are, effectively, back at the same level that applied in 2011.

One of the benefits of the new underwriting agency is that Concordia can offer cover to other groups, denominations or individual churches so that they can also get the benefit of the improved policy conditions and take advantage of the premium rates.

The premiums charged to individual Methodist churches continue to be set at a Connexional rate (adjusted for EQC premium for residential property) which is consistent throughout the country regardless of building construction, occupation, seismic rating or region.

The Church is also able to offer full replacement cover against all perils without reference to the age or seismic strength of any individual buildings.

#### Liability Insurance

In addition to the property insurance arrangements, the Insurance Fund also arranges for a comprehensive suite of liability covers to protect the Church's position should a claim be made against it.

Liability insurance covers are subject to a number of requirements or conditions precedent and the process that needs to be followed once it becomes likely that a claim may be made is very important. The Insurance Fund regularly publishes information on process and procedures that need to be followed. Any Church group that believes it may be involved in circumstances that could lead to a claim is encouraged to contact the Connexional Office without delay.

#### CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND Building (Earthquake-Prone Buildings) Amendment Act

The Building (Earthquake-Prone Buildings) Amendment Act was signed into Law on 13 May 2016.

As discussed at Conference 2015 the Methodist Connexional Property Committee (the Committee) prepared a report on the provisions contained within the Act and reported to July Church Synods.

The Committee has also met with representatives of the Ministry of Business Innovation and Employment who have been involved in informing the building engineers and designers and local authorities on the ramifications of the new legislation. MBIE notes that further impact on building compliance particularly with regard to smaller wooden framed buildings and buildings which are used infrequently may be expected under regulations to be developed over the next several months.

#### The Committee's report to synods was:

"The Building (Earthquake-prone Buildings) Amendment Bill had its third reading in April/May and was given Royal Assent on 16 May 2016. The Act comes into effect on the earlier of a date appointed by Order in Council or 16 May 2018.

The Methodist Connexional Property Committee undertook to prepare a discussion paper for the Methodist Church of New Zealand (the Church) to consider its position on earthquake-prone buildings once the new law was enacted.

#### Principal Effects

An earthquake prone building (or part of a building) is defined as one that will have its ultimate capacity exceeded in a moderate earthquake and if the building were to fail it is likely to cause injury or death to people in or near the building, or damage adjacent buildings (Section 133 AB)

The local authority has the power to determine if a building is earthquake prone.

A building's 'ultimate capacity' is to be defined in regulations. A 'moderate earthquake' has been defined as one that would 'generate shaking at the site of the building that is of the same duration as, but that is one-third as strong as, the earthquake shaking (determined by normal measures of acceleration, velocity and displacement) that would be used to design a new building at that site...."

This definition continues the practice of accepting that buildings below 34% of the New Building Seismic Code for any given area are earthquake prone.

The Act does not provide a higher or lower threshold for different areas of New Zealand. It is noted however that the seismic code varies throughout New Zealand so that a building in Auckland has a lower seismic design capacity than one in Christchurch.

Certain structures are exempted from having to comply with the legislation. These include (most) 'family' residential buildings, farm buildings and various utility structures.

The Act contemplates further exemptions but they have not been identified at this time.

Some buildings are defined as priority buildings and include hospitals, emergency centres, ECE and child care centres, schools and training centres for 20 or more students, children or staff, and buildings with un-reinforced structures that could fall on to thoroughfares. (Section 133AC)

The new Act provides that if a building is below code for seismic strength, together with means for escape from fire and/or disabled access and the owner wishes to remedy the seismic strength issue, the local authority may agree not to require the other deficiencies to be remedied at the same time. (Section 133AX)

An application to alter a building for other purposes (eg an extension or addition) is likely however to trigger the need to remedy all code deficiencies.

Timelines are allowed for strengthening work depending on the assessed seismic risk of different areas. (Section 133ABB)

Low - a Z factor below 0.15

Medium - a Z factor from 0.15 to below 0.3

High - a Z factor from 0.30 upwards (a geographic list and zone map are attached)

The Act provides certain timeframes for identifying and strengthening buildings in the three areas.

	Identify	Identify	Time to complete after assessment		
					Possible
	Ordinary	Priority	Ordinary	Priority	Extension - Heritage
Low	15 years	15 years	35 years	35 years	Up to 10 years
Medium	10 years	5 years	25 years	12.5 years	Up to 10 years
High	5 years	2.5 years	15 years	7.5 years	Up to 10 years

Notices already issued by local authorities with earlier deadlines remain in force.

A heritage building is one that is included as a Category 1 historic place on the New Zealand Heritage List.

#### Discussion

The new legislation therefore continues the definition of earthquake prone as a building with a seismic rating of less than 34% of NBS.

The Act does set quite lengthy timeframes for strengthening. Owners continue to have an obligation for strengthening. Owners continue to have an obligation to ensure their buildings are safe and do not endanger the wellbeing of occupants or the public.

Over several Conferences the Methodist Church of New Zealand has developed its own response to the risk to members and the public occasioned by earthquake prone buildings.

The Conference report in 2012 noted the position adopted by the Church '.....that where any Church property was found to have a seismic strength of below 33% and therefore to be earthquake prone as defined in the building code, that property was to be closed and not used until it had been brought up to 67% of NBS. For those properties that were found to have a seismic strength of between 34% and 67% parishes were to look to getting those buildings up to a minimum of 67% over a reasonable period of time, which still requires definition."

This remains the Church's position following further discussion in 2013/14 and is similar to the stated views of other partner churches.

It was agreed that the Church would revisit the position once the government clarified any changes to the Law.

Accordingly it is now timely for the Church to consider its response to earthquake prone buildings.

Is it the position of Conference that:

- Buildings rated below 34% NBS be closed unless an engineer confirms the buildings are safe to use?
- When buildings are being strengthened they be brought up to 67% NBS?
- That sub-34% NBS buildings that are being used are strengthened to 67% within a short time frame?
- That buildings over 34% but below 67% shall be upgraded over time?

or does the Church only require that its buildings meet current legal requirements?

As time passes from the 2010 and 2011 Christchurch earthquakes, the raw emotion of the losses suffered by the Church both in lives lost as well as buildings lost or damaged may be lessening. However we continue to live in a country subject to seismic and volcanic activity and with a building stock that includes many buildings demonstrably deficient in seismic strength.

The Church is challenged to determine its response to the questions of risk, cost, and the safety and wellbeing of its people.

Synods are asked to consider their views on an appropriate response by the Methodist Church of New Zealand to the new Building (Earthquake-prone Buildings) Amendment Act."

A copy of the Seismic Zone Map for New Zealand is attached as an appendix to this report

Responses to the paper were received from six synods and the following table shows an analysis of their responses.

								June/Jul	y 2016
	Central South Island	Lower North Island	MASPAC & Northland	Nelson Marlboroug h West Coast	Otago Southlan d	Sinoti Samo a	Vahefonu a Tonga	Waikato Waiariki	Wasewas e ko Viti Kei Rotuma
Response received from Synod	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes			Yes	
Meeting only legal requirements			Yes					Yes (some members)	
High-use buildings strengthened to 100% NBS								Yes (some members)	
High Cost prohibiting some parishes	Yes		Yes					Yes	
Asked individual Parishes to provide responses to MCPC report	Yes				Yes				
Separate category for small rural churches		Yes						Yes	
Treat on a case by case basis			Yes						
Set a 10 year timeframe to complete strengthening work			Yes						
Parish decision whether to close or strengthen			Yes						
Historic buildings have additional requirements		Yes							

Following the submissions from synods the Committee has revisited its report and advises Conference as follows:

The Methodist Connexional Property Committee notes that the Church has a pastoral care and concern for its members and the public which is expressed, in part, in ensuring that its buildings are maintained to a standard that protects people from harm whilst in and around those buildings.

The Church is not legally required to maintain its property to a higher standard than any other property owner or landlord.

The Committee is aware that New Zealand is generally a country exposed to significant natural hazards including seismic and volcanic events and that these events (while thankfully spasmodic) occur without warning and can range from insignificant to severe in their impact. Scientists tell us that in many areas a major event is a matter of 'when' not 'if'. It is not possible to revisit ones preparedness following an event and questions of responsibility and liability may be expected to be viewed with the benefit of hindsight.

Many property owners have looked to achieve a higher seismic rating for their properties than the base legal minimum. A popular target has been 67% NBS which protects against 'code creep' and provides a higher likelihood of prevention of injury and a continuation of usable building following a moderate but significant earthquake.

The Methodist Connexional Property Committee supports a target rating of 67% for Church property but acknowledges that level is aspirational and any final rating achieved will be determined by what is economically and practicably reasonable in each case.

Accordingly the Committee recommends to Conference that the Conference's current policies largely be continued and specifically (for property held in the name of the Methodist Church of New Zealand in any parish) that:

- 1. unless an engineer confirms that, in their professional opinion, a building rated below 34% NBS is safe to be occupied for the normal use and occupant loading, that building be closed and not used until strengthened;
- 2. when buildings are being strengthened they be brought up to 67% NBS or as near to that rating as is economically and practicably reasonable;
- 3. buildings below 34% NBS that are confirmed safe to continue to be used be strengthened to 67% NBS (or as near to that rating as may be economically and practicably reasonable) within the time allowed under the Building (Earthquake Prone Buildings) Amendment Act for Priority Buildings in the building's location or when the buildings are altered or remodelled so as to require a building consent;
- 4. buildings between 34% NBS and 67% NBS be strengthened, to 67% or as near to that rating as is economically and practicably reasonable, over time or when the buildings are being altered or remodelled so as to require a building consent.

The full responses received from the Synods may be viewed on the Church's website at <u>www.methodist.org.nz</u>.

#### BULK POWER PURCHASES

During the first half of 2016 the Committee was able to offer the Church the opportunity of taking part in a bulk power purchasing arrangement through ACIB utilising the services of Nice1 Ltd, electricity procurement advisors.

The outcome of the survey of individual Church electricity contracts and negotiations able to be undertaken by Nice1 showed a significant disparity in the arrangements that were available to the Church on a connection by connection basis. It also highlighted considerable confusion within the industry as to supposedly comparable figures on a GST inclusive or exclusive basis and whether or not discounts for prompt payment are included.

When these variances were removed Nice1 Ltd was able to offer new contracts to Methodist Church Connections at an expected annualised gross saving (GST and prompt payment discount exclusive) of \$56,066.74. This represented an average saving of 29% within a range over the

Church of 1% to 78%.

Nice1 Ltd undertook a similar review on behalf of a number of the churches through AllChurches Bureau and nationally the annualised average savings were similar to the Methodist Church of New Zealand experience.

## USE OF PROCEEDS OF SALE OF CHURCH PROPERTY AND CONTRIBUTIONS TO SECTOR MINISTRIES FUND

At Conference 2008 the Church agreed to a significant review of the way in which the proceeds of sale of Church property, particularly sales where it was not expected that a replacement property would be purchased.

The changes anticipated a significant analysis or review of the funds already held within the Church Building and Loan Fund but unfortunately the earthquakes from 2010 onwards and the disruption within the Connexional Office prevented that work from being undertaken.

MCPC intends to review the application of those decisions during the next 12 months and expect to bring a report to the Church in 2017.

#### **METHAMPHETAMINE CONTAMINATION**

There has been considerable publicity recently on the issue of methamphetamine particularly in residential buildings.

The issue was highlighted for the Church by the Christchurch Central Mission needing to spend \$80,000 on decontaminating a property including replacing wall linings, carpets and cabinets. A further example was in the 3 July 2016 episode of Fair Go. <u>http://tvnz.co.nz/fair-go/july-3</u>

The Church is most likely to be exposed when buying a property but could also be exposed when selling a previously tenanted building or on change of tenants.

It is not possible to get insurance cover for the cost of decontaminating a building.

The Committee sought the advice of the President's Legal Advisor who has provided clauses to be included in sale and purchase and tenancy agreements that will help protect the Church's position when buying, selling or leasing.

The Committee recommends that these clauses become standard additional clauses to be inserted in all future sale and purchase and tenancy/leasing agreements.

#### When Selling a Property

12: Sale of Property by the Church

In respect of methamphetamine (or P) contamination to the property, the Purchaser acknowledges that the Vendor does not;

- (a) hold itself out as having expertise nor any knowledge as to methamphetamine contamination to the property;
- (b) make any representation in relation to methamphetamine contamination to the property.

The Purchaser acknowledges that in entering into the Agreement the Purchaser has:

- (c) made all due enquiry about the property including obtaining expert advice; and
- (d) made direct enquiries of the vendor and accepts that the Vendor has answered such enquiries to such extent as the Vendor is able to in its best belief but that such answers cannot in any way be construed as warranties or representations by the Vendor, and accordingly the Purchaser shall acquire the property on an "as is where is" basis having conducted its own full due diligence enquiry on all aspects of the property, and has based its decision to purchase the property in reliance solely on its judgement and enquiry, and the Purchaser waives all rights of claim against the Vendor."

#### When Buying a Property

#### 14: Purchase of Property by the Church

"In respect of methamphetamine (or P) contamination to the property, the vendor represents and warrants to the Purchaser that the Vendor has no knowledge as to or to suspect methamphetamine contamination to the property and the Vendor acknowledges that the Purchaser relies on the Vendors representation and warranty in entering into the Agreement."

#### When Leasing/Renting a Property as Landlord

Lease of property by the Church

(In adding further clauses to leases, these will expressively prohibit tenants from bringing onto or manufacturing methamphetamine at the premises. However, where the Church becomes aware of or has reason to suspect that a rental property may have become methamphetamine contaminated between tenants, the Church will owe statutory duties to any new tenants to remedy the contamination.)

15: The Tenant expressly acknowledges and agrees it is an essential term of the lease that the Tenants invitees at the property will not bring onto or manufacture at the property methamphetamine (P)

If damage to the property occurs as a result of the tenants breach of this clause, the Tenant will be responsible for all costs required to return the property to the condition the property was in at commencement of the lease and to the satisfaction of the Landlord. The Tenant expressly acknowledges that the Landlord has not insured the property against damage caused by methamphetamine contamination and the Tenant will meet the cost of making good any such damage.

#### HEALTH AND SAFETY

The Health and Safety at Work Act (2015) came into effect 1 April 2016. The new legislation has highlighted the need for accountability within the church, and the need for each Parish to have its own specific Health and Safety Plan and flexibility in implementing changes to this living document. The act also emphasises the significance of providing a safe workplace for all workers, officers, members, facility users, tenants, visitors and volunteers.

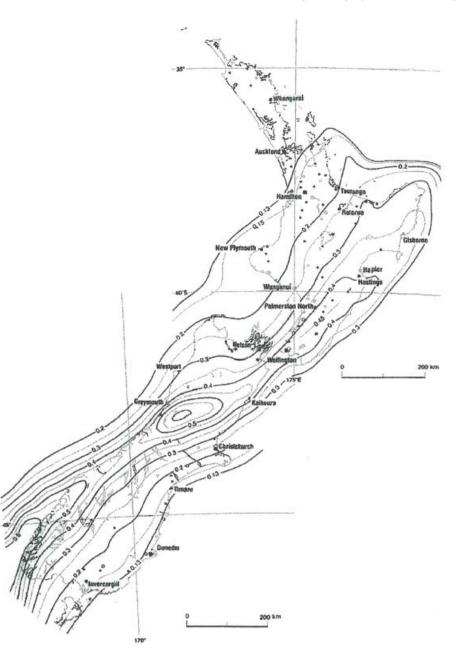
As a member of the InterChurch Bureau, the Connexional Office was part of the organising committee for a series of national workshops on the new Health and Safety legislation. These workshops, delivered by Paul Diver and Associates, were held for members of the ICB and other churches.

Thirty workshops were organised with over two thousand registrations throughout the country. The workshops were well received and a work book was handed out to registrants at each meeting. The presentation, work book, sample policies and templates are now available on the ICB website – <u>www.icbnz.org.</u>

In addition to the workshops, a four page Health and Safety lift out was published in the Touchstone. The main points of the new act were published in Samoan, Tongan and Fijian languages and included in the article. Information included an introduction, contractor safety, health and safety statements, definition of terms, common misconceptions and a list of resources available online. There has been positive feedback from the article. Copies will be available at Conference.

An evening seminar was presented in Christchurch by Site Safe New Zealand focusing on construction projects and maintenance.

6/8/2016



#### Suggested decisions:

- 1 That the report be received
- 2 Conference acknowledges the outstanding service offered by Greg Wright to the Methodist Connexional Property Committee and wishes him and Annette a healthy and happy retirement.
- 3 Conference acknowledges the committed service of Duncan Mangles (30+ years) and Don Eade (20+) years to both the Church Building and Loan Fund and Methodist Connexional Property Committee and wishes them well in retirement.
- 4 That in respect of New Building Standards (NBS) Conference agrees that:
  - (1) unless an engineer confirms that, in their professional opinion, a building rated below 34% NBS is
  - (2) safe to be occupied for the normal use and occupant loading, that building be closed and not used until strengthened;
  - (3) when buildings are being strengthened they be brought up to 67% NBS or as near to that rating as is economically and practicably reasonable;
  - (4) buildings below 34% NBS that are confirmed safe to continue to be used be strengthened to 67% NBS (or as near to that rating as may be economically and practicably reasonable) within the time allowed under the Building (Earthquake Prone Buildings) Amendment Act for Priority Buildings in the building's location or when the

buildings are altered or remodelled so as to require a building consent;

- (5) buildings between 34% NBS and 67% NBS be strengthened, to 67% or as near to that rating as is economically and practicably reasonable, over time or when the buildings are being altered or remodelled so as to require a building consent.
- That in respect of potential methamphetamine contamination, Conference requests the appropriate standard provisions:

#### 12: Sale of Property by the Church

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The Purchaser acknowledges that in entering into the Agreement the Purchaser has:

- (c) made all due enquiry about the property including obtaining expert advice; and
- (d) made direct enquiries of the vendor and accepts that the Vendor has answered such enquiries to such extent as the Vendor is able to in its best belief but that such answers cannot in any way be construed as warranties or representations by the Vendor, and accordingly the Purchaser shall acquire the property on an "as is where is" basis having conducted its own full due diligence enquiry on all aspects of the property, and has based its decision to purchase the property in reliance solely on its judgement and enquiry, and the Purchaser waives all rights of claim against the Vendor."

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be included in future sale and purchase and leasing agreement entered into by the Church.6 Conference draws the obligations of the new Health and Safety legislation to the attention of the Church.

## CONNEXIONAL TRUSTS

## PACT 2086 TRUST

2016 marks the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the signing of the 100 year ground lease for the Trust property in Queen Street, Auckland. To mark the occasion the Trust asked Rev Donald Phillipps to update the history of the PACT 2086 Trust and the work of the Prince Albert College Endowment Funds which arose from the payment of the rental for the ground lease in one lump sum at its commencement. The booklet 'title to come' has been published under the auspices of the Wesley Historical Society and the PACT 2086 Trust is grateful for the Society's assistance in this.

Given the very long term nature of the ground lease and the importance of the Prince Albert College Endowments within the life of the Church, the PACT 2086 Trust board believes that it is imperative that the history of the Trust and Funds be revisited by the Church from time to time.

#### **GRAFTON DOWNS LTD**

During the year the Trust has been closely involved in the work of Grafton Downs Ltd as it has investigated the opportunities available (together with the risks and potential pitfalls) in the subdivision of the properties surrounding Wesley College.

Grafton Downs Ltd has approval, through the government's special housing accord legislation, for the development of the first one thousand sections in what will be a new town.

At the time of completion of this report it is expect that Grafton Downs will be proceeding, in 2017, with the first stage of the subdivision of approximately 100 residential sections. The commencement of the initial earthworks will be celebrated at Conference on Saturday 1 October which is Wesley College's Students Association Worldwide Catch-up Day.

Whilst PACT 2086 Trust believes there are significant and long term benefits from the subdivision it is aware that a successful subdivision will take many years to achieve and involve considerable financial investment and risk. The Trust believes however that the potential rewards more than justify the risks and that it is an opportunity for the Church to be involved in a development that can assist many home buyers in their search for a quality subdivision at what will be, in Auckland terms at least, achievable prices.

#### **KAWEKA FOREST**

The Trust's investment in its forest at Kaweka, Hawkes Bay, was revalued in 2016. At the time of planting the forest the board agreed that it would revalue the forest on a five yearly cycle. The value of the forest crop has effectively doubled in the past five years and now stands at \$9.3M plus the value of the land.

As at 2016 the trees are 22 years of age and it is likely that harvesting will commence in the next four to six years. The forest has achieved excellent growth rates and has been managed using a progressive silviculture regime. The financial yield from the forest will be dependent upon stumpage rates and harvesting costs applicable at the time of harvest.

The Trust has not traded its carbon credits. It has retained the full allocation received against its obligation.

#### BOARD

The Board of PACT 2086 Trust is made up of those persons appointed to the Board of the Methodist Trust Association. The Board of PACT 2086 Trust endorses the comments and suggested decisions in the Methodist Trust Association report to Conference in respect of the retirements of the Greg Wright, Jude Anderson and (as Chairman) Hugh Garlick, together with the appointment of Stephen Walker.

#### Suggested decision:

1 That the report be received.

## **INVESTMENT ADVISORY BOARD**

The work of the Investment Advisory Board this year has largely centred on the planning for the retirement of the Boards' Executive Director, the identification of the appropriate roles within the Boards and the recruitment of the new Executive Officer for the Investment Advisory Board, the Methodist Trust Association and PACT 2086 Trust. The Board has also worked closely with the Board of Administration.

The Boards have been assisted in this work by Dr John Peebles, a leading recruitment consultant, who reported to a selection panel representing the Investment Advisory Board, the Methodist Trust Association, PACT 2086 Trust and the Board of Administration.

Stephen Walker has been appointed to the position of Executive Officer and will commence his employment in November. Stephen will be introduced to Conference.

The Investment Advisory Board endorses the comments and suggested decisions relating to the service of retiring Executive Director, Greg Wright, Jude Anderson and Hugh Garlick contained in the Methodist Trust Association Report to Conference together with the welcome to Stephen Walker.

During the year the Board also continued to review the application of the Guidelines for Socially Responsible Investment and the Methodist Church of New Zealand's ongoing relationship with Responsible Investment Association Australasia (RIAA) and the UK based Church Investors Group.

The Investment Advisory Board notes the decision of Hugh Garlick to retire as Chairman of the Board at the end of 2016. The Board acknowledges Hugh's leadership since his appointment in 2002 and welcomes his ongoing membership of the Board.

#### Suggested decisions:

- 1 That the report be received
- 2 That the 2017 Board of the Investment Advisory Board be: Chris Gregory, David Cleal, David Johnston, Michael Greer, Hugh Garlick, David Hunt, Meleane Nacagilevu, Jill van de Geer, David Bush (General Secretary)

## **NEW ZEALAND METHODIST TRUST ASSOCIATION**

The New Zealand Methodist Trust Association (the Association) was established by Conference in 1978 for the cooperative accumulation and commercial investment of the available 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 restricted to groups, organisations and bodies responsible wholly or in part to the Conference of the Methodist Church of New Zealand and the Fund does not accept any 'outside' funds. The Association is a fund of the Conference of the Methodist Church of New Zealand.

The year to 30 June 2016 saw consistent returns to depositors against a backdrop of continued very low interest rates and world equity markets that continued to be buffeted by economic and political headwinds.

#### RETIREMENT

This 2016 Report to Conference of the Methodist Trust Association is the last to be presented under the stewardship of the Association's current Executive Director, Greg Wright. Greg retires 31 December 2016, having completed more than 38 years distinguished service to the Methodist Church of New Zealand.

A substantive record of Greg's service and acknowledgement of the appreciation of the Methodist Trust Association, PACT 2086 and Investment Advisory Boards (and Board of Administration, Methodist Insurance Fund and Methodist Connexional Property Committee) is printed in full in the Administration Section D: pg.28 of the Conference Agenda.

#### FINANCIAL RESULTS

Total funds contributed to the Methodist Trust Association for investment was largely unchanged over the year standing at \$281,166,057 compared to \$281,698,245 in June 2015.

The income deposits reduced slightly from \$164,311,771 to \$160,674,562 while deposits with the Growth and Income Fund grew from \$117,386,473 in 2015 to \$120,491,495 in June 2016.

Income attributable to the Income Fund for the year was \$8,113,873 compared to \$9,020,000 the previous year.

Income attributable to the Growth and Income Fund for the year was slightly up at \$4,853,414 compared to \$4,747,442 the previous year.

The major difference for the Growth and Income Fund was the amount of capital accretion distributed in the June 2016 year totalling just \$271,863 compared to \$6,494,424 the previous year.

The Association continues to play a major part in the financial life of the Methodist Church of New Zealand. The Board of the Association and the Executive staff are mindful of the trust of the Church evidenced in the support given to the Association and the very significant responsibility this places on the Association to ensure both adequate rates of return for depositors (commensurate with market conditions) and security of capital.

The Association does not charge a break rate or other penalty for the early repayment of depositors' funds. In the Growth and Income Fund however it may be necessary to retain part of the capital deposit until the end of the financial year to guard against any capital decrease in funds assessed at the annual revaluation of the equity investments.

#### MARKETS

The Association's Report to Depositors (distributed to the Church and Conference registrants and available online at <u>www.methodist.org.nz</u>) contains commentary on world markets.

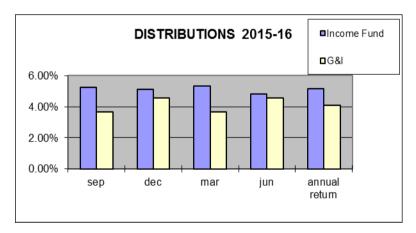
The report notes that the world is in a time of unprecedented low interest rates and appreciating asset prices. The world economics continue to be fragile and there is significant uncertainty.

#### INVESTMENT FUNDS

Income distributions for the Income Fund and the Growth and Income Fund have continued at a satisfactory rate particularly given the movements in interest rates and the Funds have continued to provide returns in excess of their benchmarks.

As has been commented previously, the Association has been very careful not to sacrifice security in pursuit of yield and has maintained a wide diversity of New Zealand fixed interest investments.

The income distributions throughout the year have been reasonably consistent, with annual returns for the Income Fund at 5.14% and for the Growth and Income Fund 4.10%.



#### Growth and Income Fund

The Growth and Income Fund is made up of a mix of fixed interest, listed and unlisted equities and New Zealand property.

All of the equity assets are revalued at the end of each financial year and as at 30 June 2016 the Association posted a capital accretion of \$271,863 which increased the return for the year by 0.23% to a total of 4.33%.

The Association believes that the level of capital accretion at the end of the year to be disappointing and was largely occasioned by a significant dip in equity values in New Zealand dollar terms as at 30 June 2016 following the surprise decision by the United Kingdom to vote in favour of Brexit.

The end of June 2016 saw equity values for the ASX200 and the Dow Jones around 7% lower

than at the beginning of June and for the FTSE UK index nearly 20% lower.

As with all reactive surges, the Australian and US indexes had regained all lost ground by the later part of July 2016 with the UK market having trimmed its losses by around 50%.

However, for the Methodist Trust Association which measures its values as at 30 June, the decrease in listed equity values had a significant impact.

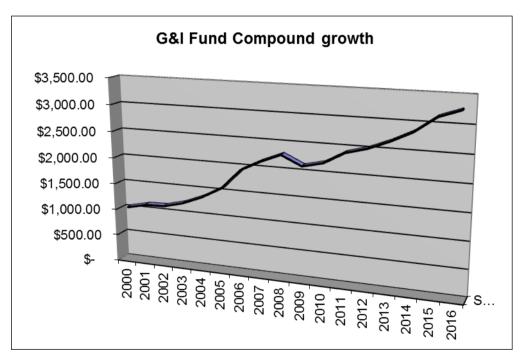
The John Andrew Ford property was revalued to \$29M (an increase of \$3,100,000) but this increase in value was almost completely negated by write-downs in the share portfolio and the Association's currency accounts.

Whilst the small capital accretion is disappointing, it does mean that the Association's listed share fund assets are starting the new financial year at a discount to their current market value in the middle of August which bodes well for the 2017 revaluation.

The Association continues its long history of providing positive returns.

Over the 16 years from 2000 until June 2016, the Association has managed to provide annual average returns of 12.75% and over the past five years, annual average returns of 7.03%.

Over the 16 years, the total growth in the Association for Growth and Income Fund deposits has been just over 191%.



#### SOCIALLY RESPONSIBLE INVESTMENT

During the year the Association has been in discussion with the Responsible Investment Association of Australasia with regard to completing certification of the Association's Growth and Income Fund.

These discussions are well advanced and it is anticipated that certification will be confirmed during the 2016 calendar year.

The Association's equity investments are listed in Appendix II and the Association believes that its holdings do represent a proper application of the Church's guidelines and expectations.

At the beginning of each of past two calendar years, the Association has had its equity portfolio reviewed by CAER (Corporate Analysis. Enhanced Responsibility) and measured against the Church's Guidelines for Socially Responsible Investment.

In 2015 the only issue CAER had with the Association's portfolio was an investment in Spotless Ltd in Australia noting that the company carried out cleaning services in offices and barracks for the Armed Services. The Association and CAER had a useful discussion over the application of what the Association understood by armaments and associated industries and the investment in Spotlight Industries has been maintained. As at the beginning of 2016 CAER did not raise any issues around the compliance of the Association's listed share portfolio with the Church's guidelines.

#### BOARD MEMBERSHIP

As noted in the 2015 report the Association has moved to reduce its total Board membership to nine including three Presbyters. A number of moves have been made to recruit suitable new board members and this remains an ongoing task for the Board.

The completion of 2016 marks the conclusion of Greg Wright's role as Executive Director of the Association. The Board is pleased to advise that Stephen Walker, B.Com, BSc, has been appointed as Executive Officer of the New Zealand Methodist Trust Association and will take over that role from 1 January 2017. The Board will take the opportunity of introducing Stephen Walker to Conference.

Hugh Garlick has also indicated his intention to retire as Board Chairman at the end of 2016 and pending Board appointments and elections in 2017, Chris Gregory has agreed to act as Board Chair in the early part of 2017. Hugh Garlick has served as Chair from 2002 and has helped guide the Association over a period of extreme growth and consistent performance. The Board wishes to express its gratitude to Hugh for his leadership and welcomes his ongoing membership of the Board.

#### METHODIST TRUST ASSOCIATION HISTORY

The Board has asked Rev Donald Phillipps to complete a history of the first 38 years of the Investment Advisory Board and the New Zealand Methodist Trust Association. The publication "Held in Trust" will be published under the auspices of Wesley Historical Society and the Board thanks both Donald and the Society for their help in producing a booklet that the Board hopes the Church at large will fund useful and informative.

The history of the New Zealand Methodist Trust Association is a testament to the Connexional strength of the Church and the foresight of the Conference leaders in the 1970s that gave rise to the formation of the Association.

#### APPRECIATION

The Association thanks the Church for its continued support during 2016.

The Association also acknowledges the work of the staff of the Connexional Office seconded to the work of the Association. The Board has been advised that the Executive Director's PA and secretary Jude Anderson is looking to retire early in 2017. The Board records its very great appreciation of the work Jude has done over the past eight years and the major part she has played in the work of the Association and related Boards.

#### Suggested decisions:

- 1 That the report be received
- 2 Upon his retirement, Conference records its sincere appreciation for the long service Greg Wright has given as Executive Director Methodist Trust Association. For more than 38 years, in various roles and with many different major responsibilities, Greg has served the Conference, Connexion and wider Methodist Church with great distinction. The Conference extends to Greg and Annette its heartfelt thanks and wishes them both a refreshing and fulfilling retirement.
- 3 Conference acknowledges with thanks the services of Jude Anderson, who has been Personal Assistant to the Executive Director since 2008, and wishes her a long and healthy retirement.
- 4 Conference thanks Hugh Garlick for his contribution over the past 14 years as Chairman of the Methodist Trust Association.
- 5 Conference notes the appointment of Stephen Walker to the position of Executive Officer, Methodist Trust Association, and warmly welcomes him to that role. The Conference and

wider Church looks forward to a continuing good and mutually beneficial relationship.

6 That the 2017 Board of the Methodist Trust Association be: Chris Gregory, David Cleal, David Johnston, Michael Greer, Hugh Garlick, David Hunt, Meleane Nacagilevu, Jill van de Geer, David Bush (General Secretary)

## THE ROBERT GIBSON METHODIST TRUST

The Robert Gibson Trust Board season of 2216/2017 has been one of the most difficult and frustrating seasons the farmers in Taranaki have had to deal with for many years. The 2015 winter was very wet followed by a cold and wet spring. The summer arrived bringing some humid conditions which raised the spore counts for eczema and the province was badly affected. The Trust farms took rapid precautions but still suffered a significant loss.

The new 40 a-side herring- bone cowshed built on the Totara Farm last year has performed up to expectations with the milking time for the two herds being reduced from seven hours to three hours per day. Both farms have new improved effluent disposal systems installed. Riparian planting has been completed on the Totara Farm and over 80% completion on the Maire Farm.

Total production for the 2015-2016 season was 276092 Kg/M S, a loss of 30486 Kg/MS from the previous season, but production wise it is still the third best season on record.

Last year's final pay-out was \$8-30 per Kg/MS. This season the pay-out from Fonterra is set at \$4-25 per Kg/MS a very significant drop.

The cost of the new cow-shed coupled with the drop in production and pay-out the R.G.M.T. has a debt of \$1.4 million. Our debt to asset ratio is 10% compared to the national average for dairy of 42%. Assets of the Trust on current values are around \$14 million. Over-all the Trust is still in a very strong financial position and the Board has decided to maintain the distribution level the same as 2015

We recommend disbursements be approved by Conference as follows:

	Recommended
Youth Ministry	\$23,630.00
Tertiary Students	\$61,000.00
Wesley College	\$55,000.00
Mission Resourcing	\$ 8,300.00
Manaia Hall	\$ 0.00
Total	\$147,930-00

I believe the R.G.M.T. Board is a very capable and committed group of people who willingly give of their skills, knowledge, experience and time. I therefore recommend that the Board of the R.G.M.T. Board for 2016-2017 be: Preston Bulfin , John Chittenden, Tony Bell, John Lefleming, Susan Malthus, Steven Nicholas, Mataiva Robertson, Rev. David Bush, (General Secretary), Synod Representative (to be appointed by conference) and Bill Yateman.

#### Suggested decisions:

- 1. That the report be received.
- That the Board of the R.G.M.T. Board for 2016-2017 be: Preston Bulfin, John Chittenden, Tony Bell, John Lefleming, Susan Malthus, Steven Nicholas, Mataiva Robertson, Rev. David Bush, (General Secretary), Synod Representative (to be appointed by conference) and Bill Yateman.

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

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

Since its founding in 1930, the Wesley Historical Society has encouraged research into the story of Methodism in Aotearoa/New Zealand and the South Pacific. In last year's report the Society drew the Connexion's attention to the bicentennial of Rev. Samuel Leigh's journeys to Aotearoa/New Zealand in 1819 and 1822. As a result, Conference 2015 requested Council of Conference to institute planning and recommendations for the commemoration of Leigh's visits and his establishing of a Wesleyan Missionary presence here. We look forward to hearing of commemorative plans that will allow sufficient time for their implementation.

In a related decision, Conference also requested Council of Conference to re-visit the role of the Connexion in establishing the 1922 Kaeo Memorial Church project, including Connexional responsibilities in the continuing maintenance and support of the Kaeo historic site. Again, the WHS looks forward to hearing of progress in this area.

In the year from mid-2015 to July 2016, we recorded with sadness the deaths of Honoured Member Verna Mossong (née Ching), Secretary Margaret Ziegler (née Gilmore), and faithful members Joyce Dey (née Rosser), Aileen George (née Neal), Rev. Alan Leadley, Frank Paine and Mary Russell (née Addison).

Verna Mossong served on the Executive of the WHS from 1978, as Chairperson from 1990, and from 1993-2000, as its first woman President and the first layperson to hold that office. She had great enthusiasm, energy and knowledge, especially in genealogy. Leading the team at Auckland Methodist Archives for some years, she provided helpful advice and research skills.

The Society's Secretary from 2009 until 2015, and ably supported by her husband Robin, Margaret Zeigler was the eldest daughter of the Rev. Les Gilmore, a long-time Secretary of the WHS. A primary school teacher, Margaret was also a lay preacher and held many roles as a member of the Manurewa Methodist Church.

Joyce Rosser and Mary Addison gave service to the Church's overseas mission. Sister Mary was a nurse in Papua, New Guinea whilst Joyce was secretary to the Chairman of the District before her marriage to Gordon Dey.

Rev. Alan Leadley whose father, grandfather and great grandfather were all ministers of the Methodist Church, served as a missionary, editing the 2002 WHS publication *Ever Widening Circles: Stories of some influential Methodist Leaders in Solomon Island and Bouganville/ Buka.* Aileen George, widow of Rev. Les George and sister of former WHS Secretary Rev. Barry Neal, was active in local church and community affairs for many years. Frank Paine gave valued service in the Christchurch Archives and contributed articles on Methodist history to *Touchstone* on behalf of the WHS.

During the past year:

- The Society has been pleased to welcome Rev. Ian Faulkner as Secretary. In 1982. The WHS Proceeding #37, *The Decisive Decade: some aspects of the development and character of the Methodist Central Mission, Auckland 1927-1937,* was adapted from his University of Auckland research essay for an MA in History.
- The 85<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of the Society was held at the Blenheim Methodist Centre on Friday 1 November 2015. In a period of devotional reflection, Rev. Ian Boddy, suggested that Christians are invited to respond to and embrace the 'His Story' of Jesus of Nazareth as constructed by the Gospel writers.

Dr Garth Cant, a former President of Conference, presented the Annual Lecture on 'The Methodist and Ratana Connections: Arthur Seamer and Wiremu and Urumanao Ratana'. Fuller coverage of Garth's extensive and most interesting research will be published by the Society.

- The 2015 WHS Journal was published under the editorship of Rev. Dr Terry Wall.
- An August 2016 launch of Rev. Dr Allan Davidson's New Zealand Methodist Chaplains and Ministers at War: The First World War Through their Eyes is planned. This book is WHS

Proceeding #101 and publication has been supported by a generous contribution from the Margaret and Bruce Gordon Trust for which we are most grateful.

- The Gilmore Smith Memorial Scholarship has been awarded to Samuel Anderson, PhD candidate at Canterbury University. His topic: 'The Methodist Times: Changes in New Zealand Methodist Media 1884-1970s'.
- A small group from the Wesley Historical Society Executive have continued to meet together with a group from the Committee of the Anglican Historical Society to consider further ways in which the two societies might work together
- The Society has 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.
- The WHS has contributed articles on Methodist history to *Touchstone*..

In presenting this Annual Report I express my warmest appreciation to all the members of the Executive, especially to Secretary Ian Faulkner as he takes up this new role with enthusiasm.

Special thanks to the Publications and Scholarship Committee under the convenorship of Rev. Dr Susan Thompson, and to Editor Terry Wall, who ably continues that role in his retirement. The Society records its gratitude to Minute Secretary Shona Michie and for all that Treasurer Peter Lane has accomplished.

Honoured Members and Rev. Donald Phillipps in particular, have continued to make important contributions to the work of the Society, and I thank them and all those who have supported the WHS during this year. We express our grateful thanks to Alec Utting for maintaining our web-site and for completing the major task of digitizing all Society publications up to the last ten years. His generous contribution of time and skill has made the resources of the Wesley Historical Society available to a much wider research community.

#### SECTION B – Strategic Planning

- The Society will produce its 2016 Journal; Dr Garth Cant's Annual Lecture 2015 will be published as a Proceeding and Connexional histories researched and written by Donald Phillipps will also be published under the WHS imprimatur as a series of Occasional Papers.
- 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.
- The Society will continue discussion with individuals and groups in ongoing research projects that relate to the Society's objectives, keep its web-site up-to-date and engage in continuing dialogue with Methodist Archives

#### Suggested Decisions:

- 1. That the Report be received.
- 2. That Conference reaffirms its 2015 decision regarding planning for the commemoration of Rev. Samuel Leigh's involvement in the establishment of a Wesleyan mission in this country
- 3. That Conference reaffirms its 2015 decision to revisit the Connexion's role in the 1922 Kaeo Memorial Church project and current questions of maintenance of this historic site.

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT GRANTS COMMITTEE (Formerly Travel and Study Committee)

#### Policy and Practice

The then Travel and Study committee only began reporting to conference in the past ten to fifteen years. In that time the operational policy and practice has been reviewed regularly, at least every three years.

In recent years there have been several conference decisions relating to Travel & Study, including the decision in 2016 to change the name of the committee to Professional Development Grants Committee.

During this year the committee has reviewed the policy document in the light of those changes, and taking account of comments made by individuals within the church. It is worth noting that over the many years of the existence of the committee, the application processes have worked well.

The composition of the committee has been adjusted to more appropriately reflect the powersharing commitment and practice of the church.

#### **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT GRANTS COMMITTEE POLICY AND PRACTICE 2016**

#### 1. TERMS OF REFERENCE

1.1 The Professional Development Grants Committee is a Connexional Committee established by the Conference of the Methodist Church of New Zealand – Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa.

The Committee administers a fund to provide financial resource for any member of the Methodist Church of New Zealand – Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa; who seeks to build their strength in lay or ordained ministry, through continuing professional development appropriate to their ongoing ministry within the Methodist Church of New Zealand. This includes those in Full Connexion with the Methodist Conference appointed within Cooperating Ventures with a Methodist Component.

1.2 The relevant sections of the Laws and Regulations of the Methodist Church of New Zealand – Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa are:

#### Professional Development Grants Committee

- 7.14.1.1 There shall be a Professional Development Grants Committee.
- 7.14.1.2 The Committee shall receive applications, which may be referred to the Bradley Trust.

#### Bradley Trust

#### Section 11 (B) 2.2.17(8)

"The purpose of the Trust is to enable research projects, in-depth studies and forward planning for the outreach and mission of the church."

#### 1.3 Functions

To approve, on behalf of Conference, grants to those seeking:

- 1.3.1 support for professional development to up-skill themselves to better serve the Church
- 1.3.2 support for overseas travel in order to achieve this professional development
- 1.3.3 assistance for research projects, in-depth studies, and forward planning for the outreach and mission of the Church.

#### 1.4 Membership

- 1.4.1 The committee shall be appointed annually by Conference.
- 1.4.2 The Committee shall work in partnership with Te Taha Maori enabling the use of an equal share initially of available resources with any subsequent variation to this negotiated between the partners.

#### 2. OPERATIONAL POLICY AND PRACTICE

#### 2.1 PRINCIPLES

In implementing the expectations of the Law as in 1.2 above, the processes and decision-making of the committee are founded on two key principles. These are:

- Credibility ensuring all grants can be justified against the intent of the funding.
- Transparency reporting to Conference on the successful applicants.

#### 2.2 COMPOSITION AND MEETINGS

- 2.2.1 Composition
- 2.2.1.1 The members of the committee are drawn from Te Taha Maori and Tauiwi and include:
  - Principal of Trinity Theological College

- Tumuaki
- A Director of Mission Resourcing
- 2.2.1.2 The Conference approves the membership and appoints the Convenor. The Committee appoints the Secretary and a Deputy Convenor. The total number of committee members will not exceed 10.
- 2.2.2 Meetings
- 2.2.2.1 The Committee will meet at least four (4) times per calendar year and may seek appropriate advice from connexional appointees.
- 2.2.2.2 The quorum for a meeting is six (6) members.
- 2.2.2.3 Where there is notification by apology that there will be insufficient attendance to achieve a quorum the Chairperson is responsible for determining an alternative date, time, place and /or method for the meeting.

#### 2.3 OPERATIONAL PRACTICES

- 2.3.1 Completed applications must be received by the Secretary on or before the set dates
  - 15 February, 15 May, 15 August and 15 November
- 2.3.2 Incomplete and late applications will be returned to the applicant.
- 2.3.3 The Secretary will advise successful and unsuccessful applicants of the Committee decision.
- 2.3.4 The decision of the Committee is final and there will be no further correspondence.
- 2.3.5 The Committee requires a report from each applicant at the completion of the programme.
- 2.3.6 Prior consultation with, and endorsement from, the Principal, Trinity College is required for those applicants who seek support for post-graduate studies.
- 2.3.7 Where an application is received from a member of the Professional Development Grants Committee, the applicant must withdraw from all deliberations of the Committee for that round of grants.
- 2.3.8 The Committee will review the Operational Policy and Practice document three yearly.
- 2.3.9 The Committee will not consider applications:
  - for travel within New Zealand
  - for laptops and other equipment
  - for study or travel already undertaken
  - from accepted candidates for ordained ministry training within the Methodist Church of New Zealand
  - from ordained personnel within two years of ordination or of being received into Full Connexion.
- 2.3.10 The Committee will not normally consider applications from those who have received grants within the previous three (3) years.

#### 2.4 DOCUMENTATION

- 2.4.1 Advise the Connexion via e-messenger and other means of the availability of financial support for continued professional development.
- 2.4.2 Application Form available from the Methodist website or from the Secretary of this Committee.
- 2.4.3 Criteria and guidelines published annually with the application form.
- 2.4.4 Report to Conference.
- 2.4.5 Current policy to be found in the Information Leaflet No. 9.

#### 3. FUNDING MANAGEMENT

- 3.1 The use of the Bradley Trust is restricted to research activity that benefits the Methodist Church of New Zealand – Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa. The Committee reviews applications and, after matching both the overall aim of Professional Development and demonstrated academic ability, recommends disbursements to the General Secretary and the Board of Administration.
- 3.2 Currently the Committee receives funding annually from the Connexional Budget and is reliant on this to be able to allocate funding to applicants for continuing professional

development, as distinct from research.

- 3.3 Grants from the PAC Distribution Group are held in an endowment fund. The interest from these endowments is added to the funds available for distribution in any year.
- 3.4 Return of Grants

Because the funds are distributed for the benefit of the Methodist Church of New Zealand – Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa, grants must be returned in full or in part in the following circumstances:

- 3.4.1 If the applicant does not engage in the study or activity for which the grant was made.
- 3.4.2 If the recipient of a grant leaves the Church within five (5) years of completion of the course or experience.
- 3.4.3 In exceptional circumstances a written application for dispensation must be made to the Secretary of the Committee.

#### **Disbursement of Grants**

The Committee's work is funded from the Connexional Budget (\$20,000 in 2015-16) and the income from PAC Endowment Funding. The amount available for distribution in any year is not huge, and it is not always possible to provide full funding.

In the past year, 24 grants totalling\$44,975.00 were made to support a range of study programmes or attendance at local and international conferences and events. One of those was referred to the Bradley Trust.

The table below shows who have been recipients of grants and the nature of the study.

Name	Synod	Торіс
Rev. Dr Lynne Frith	Auckland	WCC Training event, Geneva
Rev Kuli Fisi'iahi	Northland	Oceania conf. Samoa
Rev. Siosifa Pole	Otago Southland	Oceania. Conf. Samoa
Rev. Fatuatia Tufuga	Sinoti Samoa	Conf. in Australia
Rhonda Swensen	LNI	Disabilities conf.
Rev Bob Franklyn	LNI	Fresh Expressions UK
Casey Fa'aui	Vahefonua Tonga	CCA Internship
Tumuaki Diana	TTM	CATS
Rev. Rex Nathan	TTM	CATS
Viv Whimster	Waikato Waiariki	CATS
Tumema Faioso	Sinoti Samoa	Inter. Nat. Youth Conf.
Siniva Isaia	Sinoti Samoa	WFM&UCW Assembly USA
Aimee Bush	CSI	Inter.Nat. Youth Conf.
Joshua Robertson	Sinoti Samoa	WMC
Beverly Deverall	Northland	Rural Ministry Conf.
Mohu Lolohea	Waikato Waiariki	Trinity College papers
Rev. Metui Tafuna	Waikato Waiariki	Attend WMC
Rev. Augusten Subhan	Waikato Waiariki	Attend WMC
Tumuaki Diana Tana	Te Taha Maori	AMCU
Rev. Prince Devanandan	Supported by TTM	AMCU
Rev. Tau Lasi	Auckland	Otago papers
Rev. Alipate Livani	Wasewase	Trinity papers
Rev. Sui Te'o	Sinoti Samoa	Samoan Conference
Ms Ruby Manukia Schaumkel	MCNZ Legal advisor	PhD (referred to Bradley
		Trust)

Recipients of grants are required to share the outcomes of their study or conference attendance with the wider church. Synods are encouraged to invite that participation.

#### Suggested decisions:

- 1. That the report is received
- 2. That Conference approves the revised policy.
- 3. That the members for 2017 shall be Roger Biddle, Sonia Faulkner, Lynne Frith (Convenor), Jackie McGeorge, Suiva'aia Te'o, Mary West(Secretary), Diana Tana(Tumuaki), Nasili Vaka'uta (Principal,Trinity College), a Mission Resourcing Director and one further member to be approved by the President.

## SUGGESTED DECISIONS

1. The reports be received.

#### **Board of Administration**

- 1. That the report be received.
- 2. That the decision to hold all Methodist Church of New Zealand current accounts with the Bank of New Zealand be confirmed.

#### **Connexional Financial Review Committee**

No report due to the Committee not meeting until after Conference in 2016.

#### Methodist Connexional Property Committee

- 1 That the report be received
- 2 Conference acknowledges the outstanding service offered by Greg Wright to the Methodist Connexional Property Committee and wishes him and Annette a healthy and happy retirement.
- 3 Conference acknowledges the committed service of Duncan Mangles (30+ years) and Don Eade (20+) years to both the Church Building and Loan Fund and Methodist Connexional Property Committee and wishes them well in retirement.
- 4 That in respect of New Building Standards (NBS) Conference agrees that:
  - unless an engineer confirms that, in their professional opinion, a building rated below 34% NBS is safe to be occupied for the normal use and occupant loading, that building be closed and not used until strengthened;
  - (2) when buildings are being strengthened they be brought up to 67% NBS or as near to that rating as is economically and practicably reasonable;
  - (3) buildings below 34% NBS that are confirmed safe to continue to be used be strengthened to 67% NBS (or as near to that rating as may be economically and practicably reasonable) within the time allowed under the Building (Earthquake Prone Buildings) Amendment Act for Priority Buildings in the building's location or when the buildings are altered or remodelled so as to require a building consent;
  - (4) buildings between 34% NBS and 67% NBS be strengthened, to 67% or as near to that rating as is economically and practicably reasonable, over time or when the buildings are being altered or remodelled so as to require a building consent.
- 5 That in respect of potential methamphetamine contamination, Conference requests the appropriate standard provisions:

#### 12: Sale of Property by the Church

In respect of methamphetamine (or P) contamination to the property, the Purchaser acknowledges that the Vendor does not;

- (a) hold itself out as having expertise nor any knowledge as to methamphetamine contamination to the property;
- (b) make any representation in relation to methamphetamine contamination to the property.

The Purchaser acknowledges that in entering into the Agreement the Purchaser has:

- (c) made all due enquiry about the property including obtaining expert advice; and
- (d) made direct enquiries of the vendor and accepts that the Vendor has answered such enquiries to such extent as the Vendor is able to in its best belief but that such answers cannot in any way be construed as warranties or representations by the Vendor, and accordingly the Purchaser shall acquire the property on an "as is where is" basis having conducted its own full due diligence enquiry on all aspects of the property, and has based its decision to purchase the property in reliance solely on its judgement and enquiry, and the Purchaser waives all rights of claim against the Vendor."

#### Lease of property by the Church

15: The Tenant expressly acknowledges and agrees it is an essential term of the lease that the Tenants invitees at the property will not bring onto or manufacture at the property methamphetamine (*P*)

If damage to the property occurs as a result of the tenant's breach of this clause, the Tenant will be responsible for all costs required to return the property to the condition the property was in at commencement of the lease and to the satisfaction of the Landlord. The Tenant expressly acknowledges that the Landlord has not insured the property against damage caused by methamphetamine contamination and the Tenant will meet the cost of making good any such damage.

be included in future sale and purchase and leasing agreement entered into by the Church.6 Conference draws the obligations of the new Health and Safety legislation to the attention of the Church.

#### Investment Advisory Board

- 1 That the report be received
- 2 That the 2017 Board of the Investment Advisory Board be: Chris Gregory, David Cleal, David Johnston, Michael Greer, Hugh Garlick, David Hunt, Meleane Nacagilevu, Jill van de Geer, David Bush (General Secretary)

#### New Zealand Methodist Trust Association

- 1 That the report be received
- 2 Upon his retirement, Conference records its sincere appreciation for the long service Greg Wright has given as Executive Director Methodist Trust Association. For more than 38 years, in various roles and with many different major responsibilities, Greg has served the Conference, Connexion and wider Methodist Church with great distinction. The Conference extends to Greg and Annette its heartfelt thanks and wishes them both a refreshing and fulfilling retirement.
- 3 Conference acknowledges with thanks the services of Jude Anderson, who has been Personal Assistant to the Executive Director since 2008, and wishes her a long and healthy retirement.
- 4 Conference thanks Hugh Garlick for his contribution over the past 14 years as Chairman of the Methodist Trust Association.
- 5 Conference notes the appointment of Stephen Walker to the position of Executive Officer, Methodist Trust Association, and warmly welcomes him to that role. The Conference and wider Church looks forward to a continuing good and mutually beneficial relationship.
- 6 That the 2017 Board of the Methodist Trust Association be: Chris Gregory, David Cleal, David Johnston, Michael Greer, Hugh Garlick, David Hunt, Meleane Nacagilevu, Jill van de Geer, David Bush (General Secretary)

#### The Robert Gibson Methodist Trust

- 1. That the report be received.
- 2. That the Board of the R.G.M.T. Board for 2016-2017 be: Preston Bulfin, John Chittenden, Tony Bell, John Lefleming, Susan Malthus, Steven Nicholas, Mataiva Robertson, Rev. David Bush, (General Secretary), Synod Representative (to be appointed by conference) and Bill Yateman.

#### Wesley Historical Society (NZ): Te Roopu Hitori o Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa

- 1. That the Report be received.
- 2. That Conference reaffirms its 2015 decision regarding planning for the commemoration of Rev. Samuel Leigh's involvement in the establishment of a Wesleyan mission in this country
- 3. That Conference reaffirms its 2015 decision to revisit the Connexion's role in the 1922 Kaeo Memorial Church project and current questions of maintenance of this historic site.

#### Professional Development Grants Committee (formerly Travel and Study Committee)

- 1. That the report is received
- 2. That Conference approves the revised policy.
- That the members for 2017 shall be Roger Biddle, Sonia Faulkner, Lynne Frith (Convenor), Jackie McGeorge, Suiva'aia Te'o, Mary West(Secretary), Diana Tana(Tumuaki), Nasili Vaka'uta (Principal, Trinity College), a Mission Resourcing Director and one further member to be approved by the President.

## **GREGORY (GREG) DAVID WRIGHT**

#### ~ AN APPRECIATION AND RECORD OF SERVICE ~

The Conference only rarely formally records and acclaims the service of its executive lay employees. But Greg Wright retires on 31 December 2016, having completed a remarkable, more than 38 years' service, to the Methodist Church of New Zealand. Perhaps the longest single period of service of any senior lay employee.

Greg joined the staff of the Christchurch Connexional Office in 1978. He was appointed to the role of Assistant to the Finance Manager. It was at a time of far reaching change, as the Church and the Conference grappled with the urgent necessity of refining its administration, financial and property management and Connexional structures. The Connexion was already benefiting from the far-reaching insights Dr Denis Janus was bringing in his role as Finance Manager and new ways and means were quickly emerging from those changes.

Greg's appointment greatly facilitated those developments. His keen understanding of property matters, his astute grasp of good financial management, his boundless energy and enthusiasm to commit to whatever task or new responsibility was emerging, gave confidence to the far reaching changes that were taking place.

A significant item among those changes and emerging entities was the establishment of the Methodist Trust Association. On the retirement of Dr Janus, Greg was appointed Executive Officer. Over the years since, his management of the fund has created a period of distinguished record.

The Global Financial Crisis of 2008 is one period of note. New Zealand markets lost significant value with the NZSX50 index losing nearly 25% in 12 months to June 2008. During this time the Methodist Trust Association distribution rates were on average between 6% & 7%pa. Greg's foresight to invest funds into long-term investments ensured Parishes who invested with the Methodist Trust Association did not have to invest money on far lower deposit interest rates that the banks were offering at the time.

The other, is the Methodist Church Special Account and initially the creation of Dr Denis Janus. However, Greg has brought the same measure of determination and astute management to this far-reaching and insightful initiative. Consequently, In the 18 years from 1998 to 2016 operation of the special account has contributed a remarkable \$1,023,044 to the Connexional budget.

Greg has brought to every matter addressed, a boundless energy, carefully considered professional expertise, sound advice and good relationships both within the Church and wider professional networks.

In 1986, the large capital sum acquired from the 99 year lease of Methodist Church owned land in Queen Street Auckland (previously held by the Prince Albert College Trust Board) to commercial interests, required the establishment of the PACT 2086 Trust. Although not part of the Methodist Trust Association's portfolio, the negotiations which established that long-term lease and the long term investment portfolio it created, are also a distinguished mark in Greg's long career. The Connexion acknowledges its deep gratitude to Greg for the care he gave to the establishment of PACT 2086 and the continued beneficial management he has given to these investments.

In later years, Greg's responsibilities grew exponentially. It included the Church's insurance portfolio, the far-reaching consequences of the 2010-11 Canterbury earthquakes, and most recently the rebuild of the Christchurch Connexional Office.

In 2005 Greg was asked to take up the executive oversight of the Church Building and Loan Fund, now the Methodist Church Connexional Property Committee. As part of the task he was asked to review the work and brief of the committee and recommend changes. Consequently MCPC became responsible for both property and insurance, and the Connexion has been exceptionally well served by Greg in this particular role.

During the trauma and destruction of the Christchurch earthquakes, Greg's wisdom, patience, skill and expertise enabled Christchurch churches to make wise and strategic decisions for the future;

and the national church has been given outstanding leadership in regards to insurance negotiations and the development of standards for strengthening buildings.

All of these things and more, fell on the shoulders of an already fully committed member of the executive staff. Yet in all of these things and more, Greg continued to represent the interests of the Church with great distinction and integrity.

The Conference honours Greg. He has served the wider Connexion with considerable distinction over a long period of years. We recognise the personal cost in time, energy and family life that will have often accompanied Greg's responsibilities. We extend to Greg and Annette our sincere appreciation and wish them both a refreshing and fulfilling retirement.

## **Supplementary Report**

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#### **RESIDENTIAL HOUSING**

During 2016 new provisions came into effect under the Residential Tenancies Act. The provision of a house by the Church is described in the Act as a "service tenancy" and the Church is required to fully comply.

The Act requires that for service tenancies a written tenancy agreement must be provided. The Connexional Property Committee has been working on a suitable agreement during 2016. This will be made available to parishes and presbyters as early as possible in 2017 to ensure that the Church meets its requirements.

The Act also brought in minimum requirements with respect to smoke alarms and insulation.

#### Smoke Alarms

The Act requires a minimum of one working smoke alarm within 3 metres of each bedroom door or every room where a person sleeps. In multi-level or multi-story homes there must be a smoke alarm on each level.

Where there are currently no smoke alarms long-life photoelectric smoke alarms will need to be installed. Existing smoke alarms will need to be replaced by long-life alarms when they need replacing. The expiry date of all existing alarms must be adhered to.

Residents have a responsibility to ensure smoke alarms are working and to replace batteries as required.

#### Insulation

All tenanted residential homes will be required to have insulation; social housing by 1 July 2016, and all other housing by 1 July 2019.

Failure to comply is an unlawful act with a possible financial penalty of up to \$4,000.

The level of insulation required is dependent on where the house is located. The South Island and Volcanic Plateau of the North Island require a greater level of insulation.

Requirements are detailed at <u>https://tenancy.govt.nz/maintenance-and-inspections/insulation</u>.

#### Suggested decisions:

- 1. That the report be received.
- 2. That Conference requires all Parishes and Boards providing housing to ensure, as a matter or urgency, that complying smoke alarms are fitted.
- 3. That Conference requires all Parishes and Boards providing housing to comply with the requirements for insulation prior to 1 July 2019.
- 4. That Conference asks MCPC to provide the appropriate tenancy agreement for 'Service Tenancy' no later than 1 March 2017.





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## TRINITY METHODIST THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

Trinity College ("the College") has gone from strength to strength. This year the College continues its operation with the theme: "Excellence through collaboration." Without the collaborative efforts of the College Council ("Council"), Student Review Panel ("SRP"), members of staff, friends and partners of the College, we would not have been able to achieve our goals, and to fulfil our responsibilities. This report highlights some significant developments in the life of the College since the 2015 Conference.



#### 1. Programme Approval and Accreditation

At the 2015 Conference in Blenheim, we presented our proposed new study programmes as we responded to the New Zealand Qualification Authority's (NZQA) Targeted Review of Qualifications (TRoQ). We are thrilled to report to the 2016 Conference that our 2016 academic year opens on a high note with the approval and accreditation of our study programmes by NZQA. That puts the College amongst the first (if not the first) theological education providers in New Zealand to have completed this process. In a separate email to the Principal, dated 19<sup>th</sup> February 2016, Tony Boyce (Team Leader – NZQA Approvals and Accreditations, Quality Assurance Division) noted: "Your team did a wonderful job...it was a great application for such a big programme."

Our main programme is the New Zealand Diploma in Christian Studies (NZDipCS) Level 6, which serves as the benchmark for training of candidates for ministry. That replaces the previous Diploma in Practical Theology (DipPTh), which has now expired. The other programmes are the Diploma in Methodist Studies (DipMS) Level 5 and the Advanced Diploma in Religious Studies (DipRS) Level 7. The former prepares students for different types of Methodist ministries, while the latter aims at giving participants a better understanding of New Zealand's pluralistic religious landscape and its challenges. There is also the Ministry Formation programme which has been designed exclusively for accepted ministry candidates. All programmes are up and running with courses delivered (on-site & on-line) weekly in evenings, monthly as block intensives, and in some weekends.

The College recommits itself to provide programmes that are credible, accessible, inclusive and transformative. The 2017 Enrolment will begin from 1 September 2016 (For more information, please visit the College's website: <u>www.trinitycollege.ac.nz</u>).

#### 2. Engagements & Study Opportunities

#### 2.1. Conferences and Publications

Staff of the College engaged in various church and academic activities during the year, apart from the College's regular academic programmes. In May, Rev Dr Mary Caygill attended the Progressive Spirituality NZ's conference in Napier, where the keynote speaker, Robin Meyers, spoke on the theme: "Saving Jesus from the Church." Likewise, the College Principal was invited by the Council for World Mission (CWM) to deliver the keynote address at their Pre-Assembly Orientation in the Pacific Region at Lautoka, Fiji. The CWM General Secretary, Rev Dr Collin Gowan, and delegates from around the region were amongst the participants. The focus of the meeting was the 2016 CWM Assembly theme: "Healing: Hope in Action."

In June 10-11, the College hosted the sixth gathering of Talanoa Oceania Conference with the theme: "justUs to justIce." The focus on justice was driven by a need to reconsider questions such as the following: *What does justice mean? What does justice look like? Who decides? How might we enable justice? For whom? How might we shift from just-us (in our own interests) to justice (for and with others)? How might this shift work at the personal, social, communal, national and/or other levels?* Presentations dealt with the issue of climate justice, gender justice and many other justice issues. Participants included our staff and students, members of the connexion with a number of Te Taha Maori delegates, academics, community leaders, and Professor Tat-siong Benny Liew from the College of the Holy Cross in Boston. The keynote address was delivered by Dr Karlo Mila Schaaf from Le Vā.

Three members of staff, Dr Caygill, Te Aroha Rountree, and Rev Keita Hotere, also attended a

three-day conference in July at Pilgrim Theological College, Melbourne University of Divinity. The conference theme was "Wisdom's Feast," and it was led by Dr Musa Dube, a renowned postcolonial biblical scholar from Botswana, Africa.

In addition to these conference engagements, the College staff has managed to build the College's international profile through research and publication, and these are great resources for the church. Here are some of the publications:

- Caygill, Mary, "The Trouble with Normal: What Difference Does a Theology of Disability Make?" in *Theology and the Experience of Disability: Interdisciplinary Perspectives from Down Under* (London: Routledge, 2016).
- Colgan, Emily, "Come Upon Her: Land as Raped in Jeremiah 6.1-8" in Robert J. Myles and Caroline Blyth (eds.), *Sexuality, Ideology and the Bible: Antipodean Engagements* (Sheffield: Sheffield Phoenix Press, 2015).
- Vaka'uta, Nāsili and Caroline Blyth (eds.), *Bible and Art: Perspectives from Oceania* (London: Bloomsbury, 2016), *forthcoming*
- Vaka'uta, Nāsili, "Island-marking Texts: Engaging the Bible in Oceania" in Jione Havea *et al* (eds.), *Islands, Islanders and Bible: RumInations* (Atlanta: Society of Biblical Literature, 2015).
- Vaka'uta, Nāsili, "Voices of the Whenua: Reading 1 Kings 21 though a Māori Lens" in R. S. Sugirtharajah (ed.), *Voices from the Margin: Interpreting the Bible in the Third World*. 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Edition (Maryknoll: Orbis, 2016), *forthcoming*

#### 2.2. Study Opportunities

At the beginning of the year, the Rev Tony Franklin Ross was selected by the US Department of State for its Study of US Institutes (SUSI) on Religious Pluralism and Public Presence programme. Tony applied to the programme under the name of Trinity College, and was chosen as the New Zealand representative with 17 participants from other parts of the world. This is a very prestigious programme because it sits alongside the Fulbright programme and are both managed and fully-funded by the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs of the US State Department. The programme runs for 6 weeks with a four-week intensive based at the University of California, Santa Barbara (UCSB), and a two-week study tour to Los Angeles, Salt Lake City, Atlanta and Washington DC. Tony is the second from the College and the Methodist Church to be selected for this SUSI on Religious Pluralism. Nāsili was selected as the NZ Rep for the 2014 cohort.

The second study opportunity is from the Council for World Mission. CWM funds different programmes that are related to its mission, two of which are Training in Mission (TIM) and Face-to-Face (F2F) programmes. The TIM programme is only for young people between the ages of 18 and 30, and it runs for seven months. Its aims are to:

- Provide training for life. It is intended to be a stage in Christian formation which helps each participant in a life–long involvement with the mission of the church.
- Offer training which provides wider vision; deepened commitment; and a strengthened sense of fellowship and partnership with other Christians around the world, particularly through CWM member-churches.

In October, the College will host the 2016 TIM cohort, which includes ten participants from different parts of the world. The staff have designed a 3-week training programme for the group, and they will come after spending time in Taiwan, Kiribati and Fiji. The 2016 TIM programme will conclude in Wellington in November.

The Face-to-Face programme runs for seven weeks, and it aims to immerse successful applicants in the realities of life in different contexts in order for them to understand how the fullness of life is being denied to the large majority of the world's population. The 2016 cohort will be based in two theological colleges in India, and the programme will run from 2<sup>nd</sup> September to 15<sup>th</sup> October. One of our young students, Felicia Muliaina, has been picked by CWM for this programme. The participants will come face to face with the issues on poverty and pluralism, specifically within the Asian context of many religions and many poor. This will also provide them opportunities to engage in a global dialogue on theology, spirituality and mission through intercultural exchange

and theological reflection by facilitating Immersion Programmes, Bible Studies and Seminars that would enable them to reflect on doing mission in the context of Empire. The College wishes Felicia all the best as she is preparing to go on our behalf.

#### 3. Cooperative Links

The College continues to value its partnership with the College of St John the Evangelist. Both colleges involve in an ongoing conversation to renegotiate and strengthen their partnership after several years of separation without consultation. The Trinity College Principal initiates the talk at the beginning of the year. This talk will continue but we are glad to report that the Board and Management of St John's College have again offered office spaces for Trinity College staff in the main office building, Wesley Centre, and they will be become available from 1<sup>st</sup> August 2016. This involves a renewed Memorandum of Agreement and Financial Arrangements. Trinity College will also continue to have access to teaching spaces and facilities, and also the Kinder Library. In addition, both colleges are considering sharing study programmes and co-teaching courses. We welcome this development and we are looking forward to the future with hope.

The other significant development came about in the first semester of 2016 when representatives from theological providers like Trinity, Laidlaw, Carey, St Johns and Knox met to consider the possibility of forming a new partnership in indigenous theologies. The vision is to promote solidarity in theological education by creating a network where colleges can share resources, programmes, and teaching. It should be noted that most of these colleges were part of the former Auckland Consortium for Theological Education (ACTE), and collaboration is not new to them. Trinity and St Johns will host the next meeting in August 8. This is indeed an important move for theological training in New Zealand going forward.

#### 4. Governance

Trinity College Council has been the rock for the College this year. Under the chairmanship of David McGeorge and its members, the College has managed to overcome challenges and embrace opportunities along the way. David McGeorge has indicated that his term as Chair will come to an end this year. I would like to thank David for all the contributions he has made to the College and its development throughout the many years he's served in its governing body. The Council is now looking for a new chair and two more members.

I would like to conclude this report by expressing our heartfelt gratitude to all who have gone the extra mile to support the College and its operation. Mālō 'aupito to the Presidential Team and General Secretary for their wise advice. Faafetai tele lava to the Student Review Panel for their guidance. Meitaki maata to Tumuaki Diana Tana and Te Taha Maori for their unfailing support. Vinaka vakalevu to Vahefonua for the annual donation and close partnership with the College. To all the synods, parishes, and everyone in the connexion, we thank you for your prayers and friendship.

Last though not the least, I thank the Trinity College staff for their exceptional service and collegiality, and to all our families for their ongoing moral support, love and understanding. 'Ofa atu mo e lotu

#### Suggested Decisions:

- 1. That the report is received.
- 2. That Conference acknowledges and thanks David McGeorge for his contribution and service to Trinity College and wishes him well.
- 3. That Trinity College Council members for 2017 are: Nāsili Vaka'uta (Principal), Richard Biddle, Arapera Ngaha, Lynne Frith, Shirley Rivers (with two more to be added) and Nicola Grundy (Secretary).

# **MISSION RESOURCING**

After a year of staff comings and goings which we reported to Conference 2015, we have had a much more settled time this year. The only major change has been the Director Pasifika Ministries taking up her appointment on a full time basis.

Mission Resourcing is a very busy office with wide-ranging responsibilities. Whilst some of those can be mentioned in this report to Conference, the Board is aware that much of the work done over the year will not feature in this report because Mission Resourcing works in partnership with many agencies around the connexion and much of the Directors' input will be subsumed within the reports from various bodies which report to Conference each year. Bearing that in mind, what follows is an overview of activities undertaken by Mission Resourcing since Conference met last.

#### Lay Ministry Support

Whilst the number of invitations has not been as high as we initially anticipated following the enthusiasm shown at Conference 2014 to this initiative, several members of the group have engaged in various seminars, workshops and schools of theology around the connexion. However, members of the team are busy people and so perhaps it is as well that we have not been overwhelmed by requests. It is also sometimes difficult to know when members of the team have been invited as part of our Lay Ministry Support programme, or whether they are present in some other capacity, whilst leading a training programme that could be classified as LMS work. Members of the team have visited events in Whangaparaoa, Northland, NMWS synod, LNI synod, Otago-Southland, Taumarunui to name but some. The ball is in your court, parishes and synods – if you have a training need we will do our best to find someone to help: Contact Rev Val Nicholls or the Directors for further information.

#### Korean Dialogue

The dialogue with representatives of the Methodist Church of Korea resident in New Zealand continues well. Meetings are held four times a year and this year sees the significant new initiative to invite two representatives of the Korean Methodist Church resident in New Zealand to become full participating members of Conference.

#### Chaplaincy Forum

This event was smaller than last year, but was well received and the Board urges all those, lay or ordained, full time or part time, who are engaged in any type of chaplaincy work to consider attending this gathering. It is a time of fellowship, affirmation and structured learning. Chaplaincy Forum meets every year during June. Please look out for advertisements in e-messenger or contact the MR office.

#### Candidates

We processed five candidates for ordination this year to appear before the Assessment Panel of whom three were accepted. At the time of writing the number coming forward for ordination at this Conference has not yet been determined by the Ordination Assessment Panel, but Mission Resourcing would wish to take this opportunity of recording its gratitude to those members willing to take on the onerous responsibility of serving on these assessment panels. We are particularly grateful to the two convenors – Rev David Poultney and Rev Lynne Frith and all Synod Candidates' Convenors.

#### Orientation

The biennial Methodist Orientation Day was held this year with a record number of participants. Whilst we hope the event was a useful meeting, and we have received several expressions of appreciation, we are concerned that the participants were so diverse that it made the event difficult to run. In future we will hold a biennial Methodist Orientation Day which involves senior Connexional leaders and is aimed at ministers who are new to MCNZ, being from another denomination or an overseas Methodist Church, and also hold a separate Leaders' Orientation Day for people who are newly appointed to Connexional positions who already have years of experience within our connexion, but may benefit from looking at areas of Connexional life they have not previously encountered. The CV Orientation Day for those newly appointed to a CV parish will continue to be held after Conference each year. Mission Resourcing endeavours to

identify those people who might wish to attend an Orientation event, but please feel free to take the initiative and register with us in advance.

#### Tauiwi Sexuality Work Group

A report was presented to Conference 2015 which endorsed the continuation of this Work Group under the wing of Mission Resourcing. Conference 2015 resolved that the Work Group should meet with Te Taha Maori as a regular part of its programme.

Various members of the group have been invited to address the topic of human sexuality and tell the story of the theological and spiritual encounter members of this Work Group have experienced through their dialogue. Again, these events are sometimes subsumed within LMS or other training events, but Conference needs to be assured that the work has continued and the conversation has been promoted. The Work Group met with Hui Poari on 30 July 2016.

#### 101 Ideas for 'Let the Children Live'

Mission Resourcing has continued to process \$500 grants to parishes undertaking 'Let the Children Live' initiatives. There are 10 grants available, 4 times a year. Repeat awards are possible if there are no new applications received. Please do publicise the existence of these grants to all Methodist parishes and CV parishes with a Methodist component.

Mission Resourcing is also producing a large poster with '101 Ideas to Let the Children Live'. This poster is to help boost the initiative at this half way point of this 10 year campaign. Ideas have come from the ideas submitted to Mission Resourcing for grants and from other sources, including, at the time of writing, several contributions from the Shadow Minister for Pacific Island Affairs and Inter-faith dialogue, Mr Su'a William Sio and the Hon Anne Tolley, minister for Social Development.

#### **ICHC** developments

A separate report will be presented to Conference from the Methodist representative on the ICHC Board of Trustees to update Conference on some of the changes that have taken place over the last year or so. This has been a time of some radical changes in procedures and representatives of ICHC management have met with the General Secretary and Director of English-speaking Ministries in the company of Presbyterian and Anglican national officers to further clarify the situation. Rev David Poultney, Methodist representative to ICHC Board, will present a report under Mission Resourcing business.

#### CEC

Conference 2015 resolved to affirm the Methodist Church's continuing membership of and support for Churches Education Council (CEC) and Michael Lemanu has made contact again with CEC on behalf of our connexion.

#### Review of National Children, Youth & Young Families Coordinator

This post was created for a trial period of three years due to expire in 2017. In anticipation of moving to a two-yearly Conference, we have initiated an early review of the position to seek the mind of the Church on whether this post is considered to be of significant benefit to the connexion and should be retained beyond the initial three year trial period. A questionnaire has been sent to synods and we thank all those synods which have responded to our enquiry. We take heart from what we have heard, and whilst there is still some work to do in some areas of the country to link the work of the parishes, synod and Connexional Children and Youth Ministry Teams and the National Coordinator, we feel encouraged to bring before Conference a proposal that the position of National Coordinator be continued.

#### Other areas of work

As indicated above, it is not easy to trace all the various contributions made by Mission Resourcing over the course of a whole year because the Directors work in partnership with so many other agencies within the Methodist Church and beyond, but any list for 2015/2016 must include – Methodist Alliance establishment committee, ECB, Manurewa, Mount Maunganui and Durham Street parish strategies, MCPC property strategy, UCANZ Standing Committee, NZDF chaplains, ICHC developments, review of UCANZ procedures, review of parish and ministry

reviews, Council of Conference, Ministry Covenants, Partnership Committee, advising synods on stationing procedures, grants to cover Long Service Leave, Sick Leave, facilitating Tauiwi Strategy and Stationing and countless other small contributions via telephone or email.

Perhaps it is understandable that Mission Resourcing has its fingers in so many pies because understanding, defining, and promoting the Mission of the Church lies at the heart of everything we seek to achieve together for Jesus Christ. We make what contribution we can with a staff of three full time people – the two Directors and their PA and with the support of the members of the Mission Resourcing Board.

#### Suggested decisions:

- 1. That the report be received.
- 2. Conference affirms the commitment of the Mission Resourcing Board to continue with the post of National Children's, Young People and Families Coordinator beyond the initial three year trial period and their pursuit of funding to allow this to happen.
- 3. Members of the Board for 2016-2018 shall be: Marilyn Welch (chairperson), Freddy de Alwis, Graeme White, Sireli Kini, Chris Johnston, Tovia Aumua.
- 4. Members of the Tauiwi Human Sexuality Work Group shall be: Jill van de Geer, Susan Thompson, Opeta Amani, Barbara Peddie, Mary Caygill, Melanaite Taumoefolau, Michael Lemanu, David Poultney, Mataiva Robertson, Ikilifi Pope, Nasili Vaku'ata, Andrew Donaldson, Paulo Ieli, Eseta Penaia, Martin Oh, the Directors of Mission Resourcing who shall act as convenors.

### TAUIWI CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE AND FAMILIES MINISTRIES

TYTANZ – Tauiwi Youth Together Aotearoa New Zealand Kids Loving Church – Kids who love Church AND Churches who love kids



It was with gratitude and thanksgiving that I present the report for *Tauiwi Children, Young people and Families Ministries (TCYFM)*. This report marks two years for this ministry, and I give thanks to God for His guidance through every season, challenge and blessing that has been experienced thus far. I also acknowledge the hard work, commitment and passion of every children and youth worker/volunteer across the Connexion. Thank you for continuing to champion the voice of young people locally, regionally and nationally, through your service.

#### This is our House

In the last 12 months, I have come to understand our church as a *house with many rooms*. Each room is characterised culturally or geographically. Each room has things that make it distinctively unique, and more things that represent a common thread. Each room should be respected and celebrated always, but with the understanding that it also belongs to a grander, living, breathing house. As the Aristotle saying goes "The whole is greater than the sum of its parts".

I sense that across our Haahi, our young people have an increasing desire for their local churches to more often look beyond the room when possible, and engage more with the *house*. It's my hope that in a connexional ministry such as this, that we never lose sight of this, and always in seek in our work to have a heart for the house.

#### Connect

The first year of work was predominantly focussed on connecting with parishes, as well as children and youth ministries across the Connexion. Although I have done an extensive amount of travelling, visiting and workshopping around the country in that time, I acknowledge there is still much more to be done, particularly when it comes to the cultural rooms of our house. This is something though that I'm confident in strengthening in the coming months with grace and support! Connecting with children and youth ministries on a local level is always a great reminder of my belief in the local church being the hope of the world.

#### MYLN – Methodist Youth Leadership Network

Also in relation to *Connect*, <u>www.missionresourcing.org.nz/myln-sign-up</u> is the place to go to add your children and/or youth ministry leaders to our database. This database is our primary source of contact, where any updates, events and important information are communicated via. Please ensure that anyone in your parish who works with children or youth is on this database!

#### **CEC – Churches Education Commission**

A memorial was brought to Conference 2015 suggesting the MCNZ moves to end it membership and association with the CEC. This memorial was not affirmed by Conference. Since then, we have made endeavours to connect with CEC and take steps towards establishing a stronger relationship.

We believe that there has been a great deal of misinformation about the work of the CEC, leading to parishes being misinformed about what the CEC is, its mission, vision and ethos. In response to this, we will be giving opportunities for parishes and synods to invite CEC to present on these things, in the hope of creating a better understanding of their work.

We aim in the next 12 months to accomplish some work toward producing a statement of support for our membership to CEC, similar to that of other member denominations. Be on the look-out in March synods 2017 for more information on this.

#### Resource

By the time of this report being presented at Conference, we will have our online database of resources, *The METHOD*, up and running, and ready to use. The aim of *The METHOD* is to have a hub of resources and support for effective, engaging and faith-strengthening children and youth ministry. The resources on offer are a culmination of home-grown and tried-and-true material which we believe will assist our children and youth workers in a ground breaking way.

I acknowledge those who have contributed an array of resources to *The METHOD* thus far and also invite anyone who may be interested in contributing their own material to be used across the Connexion to head to <u>www.missionresourcing.org.nz/the-method</u> for more information.

#### **Conference Youth Internship**

Conference 2016 sees the very first *Conference Youth Internship Programme*. This is an exciting initiative, born from the Presidential teams' experience at the Christian Conference of Asia meeting earlier in the year.

Our interns have been carefully selected from all across the Connexion and are an excited group of *present* leaders who we hope will continue to grow and journey in the life of the church for many years to come! The heart behind this programme is to simply give young people a greater sense of worth at Conference, beyond what is normally a tokenistic performance on stage. We intend to give interns a taste of what Methodist Conference is, as well learn from their experiences what we can do better in years to come.

Thanks in advance to our interns, for their dedication, servant hearts and willingness to be our very first team of young Conference interns.

#### MYC 2017

After prayer, reflection and patience, I'm pleased to announce our national youth leadership conference is booked for February 3-6, 2017 at Ngaruawahia Christian Camp. At this time of writing, I can't confirm too much detail, but I can say we as a team are extremely excited and believing that God is knocking on the door of this generation of young believers and leaders. For information and registration, go to <u>www.missionresourcing.org.nz/myc-2017</u>. Spaces are limited!

#### **Overall Thoughts and Thanks**

I continue to feel extremely blessed and fortunate to experience our church in its many different shapes and forms. There is no doubt in my mind that we continue to have an incomparable amount of passionate and committed people who are dedicated to walking with children and youth

in our church. So as long as we have these people, lets continue as leaders and a Conference to prayer for, support and empower these leaders.

I wish to acknowledge all members of our Tauiwi Youth and Tauiwi Children's ministry teams. For the work they do, both seen and unseen, within their own contexts and also for the wider Connexion. The work is plenty, but I believe with your continued leadership and dedication, we are heading in the right direction. Thank you!

I'd also like to thank both directors Setaita and Trevor, along with the MRU board for their support in the first year of TCYFM. I am grateful for the patience and unwavering support, as well the boards backing of the vision and mission of TCYFM.

Lastly many thanks to all leaders, presbyters, and members who have walked alongside our young people in all areas of church life. For your love, guidance, patience and willingness to hear the voice of our young people be heard and received, we say thank you. We continue to be at the front end of journey for TCYFM, so your continued prayer and support is always much appreciated.

#### Suggested decision:

1. That the report be received.

# **DIACONATE TASK GROUP**

Some years ago, while in the position of Deacon of Diaconal Development, Shirley Joy-Barrow was very involved with World Diakonia Federation. Since then NZ Methodist Diaconate had become somewhat isolated. We are pleased to now be reconnected to the Federation, as well as to Diakonia Asia Pacific, and are thrilled to have Rev Deacon Sandy Boyce offering to visit NZ, make connections and visit Conference. We thank the Connexion for their support. We are hoping that one or



two deacons will be able to attend the International conference to be held in Chicago in July 2017.

While this year there are no deacons for ordination, we have been pleased to be able to support those active, throughout the connexion. Megan Alley in Whangarei, Ruta Galo and Sesi Hafoka in Auckland, Margaret Birtles & Valma Hallam in Tauranga, Dianne Hight in Te Aroha. We were delighted that Valma Hallam received a QSM for her 30yrs of service to Tauranga Alzheimers' Society which has been the focus of her covenant.

In April we gathered in Whangarei for our bi-annual Convocation. As usual it was great to spend time together, and to get to know Megan's community at Kaurihohore/Kamo church. "Catching the thermals of God's spirit", was the theme of our times of Study. Thanks to Rev. Andrea Williamson & Joane Garton who produced this resource. We enjoyed a bus trip around Whangarei which concluded at Whangarei Heads Pioneer Church – established 1858- where the members put on a lovely afternoon tea and then inside their church we were told the history, of how a community worked together to restore this as their centre point. This Historic building is shared by 3 denominations (Independent, Catholic & Anglican), for worship. On the Sunday we gathered at the Kauihohore/Kamo historic church where Megan led worship, and we celebrated Holy Communion then joined the congregation for lunch. Rev Val Nicholls brought Convocation to a close, and we farewelled each other, until next time.

Occasional newsletters are sent to all retired and active deacons. We continue to receive funding from the interest from the historical sale of Deaconess House.

I share with you part of Sandy's report from the latest Diakonia newsletter:

"In every generation, God raises up people who orient their lives towards service, who are sustained by communities of faith for their ministry, who stand alongside those who suffer, and work for peace & justice. And it is a privilege to meet such people, for whom service is an inescapable response to the Gospel of Jesus Christ, who work among people who are hurting, vulnerable, marginalized, oppressed, suffering, overlooked and even the 'unlovely <sup>4</sup>. Diaconal ministry is a tangible sign of the presence of God in the everyday world. And we need no reminders about the considerable challenges in our world that call for a response guided by compassion and care, reconciliation and forgiveness and understanding."

#### Suggested decisions:

- 1. That this report be received.
- 2. That Conference extends a welcome to Rev Dcn Sandy Boyce and gives her opportunity to share with conference her role as President World Diakionia Federation .
- 3. That Conference encourages all Parishes to engage with prospective deacons; further information is available from the Diaconate Task group, and Trinity College.
- That members of the Diaconate Task group for 2016/17 be:- Co-convenors Edna Evans/ Margaret Birtles, with Rachel Tregurtha, Brenda Fawkner, Megan Alley, Ruta Galo & Sesi Hafoka.

# METHODIST LAY PREACHER'S NETWORK

The Methodist Lay Preachers Network exists to support and link Lay Preachers who exercise their ministry in Methodist parishes as well as co-operating and union congregations with a Methodist component.

We acknowledge the faithful service of those Lay Preachers who have died during the year: Gordon Green, Harvey Hoskin, Robert (Bob) Old. We give thanks for their years of ministry and extend our sympathy to their families.

This year, a couple of newsletters and the Update Form have been sent out electronically to all those on our database: they are also available from the Methodist website <a href="http://www.methodist.org.nz/board\_of\_ministry/lay\_preachers">http://www.methodist.org.nz/board\_of\_ministry/lay\_preachers</a>. The Network webpages have recently been updated, thanks to Alec Utting and John Bennett. At the time of writing this report, nearly half the Lay Preachers on our database have returned their update forms. We rely on these annual returns to compile the list of Lay Preachers for the Yearbook as well as to ensure that contact details (especially email addresses) are up-to-date. These also indicate just how actively Lay Preachers are involved in leading worship across the country and within each of the cultural Synods. On average, they take 10 services a year; a few regularly take services at least fortnightly. This reflects a significant commitment from a large number of lay people, especially in areas where there are few presbyters and where congregations are particularly dependent on lay ministry for support.

We celebrate the achievement of all those who have worked towards accreditation and congratulate the following for completing this process during the past year (July 2015 – July 2016):

Mali Senapathi	Ioane Vatau
Valerie Marshall	Taupau Muaau
Julia de Groot	Fetu Tufuga
Hilita Tupou	Pieter Jacobs
Suresa Tufiga	Marion Ruda
Fugia Ioane	Gaylyn Wills

Fiona McDougal Jerekiel Foma'i, Kaurasi Lagi Joan Myles

The ecumenical New Zealand Lay Preachers' Association (NZLPA) issues certificates to those who have completed their respective denominational process for Lay Preacher accreditation or certification, on application by their parish. They also issue *Word and Worship* and this year have created a website for accessing and sharing resources <a href="http://nzlpa.wordpress.com">http://nzlpa.wordpress.com</a>. We encourage all Lay Preachers to belong to the NZLPA by paying the annual subscription. The Methodist Lay Preachers Network and NZLPA work together in complementary roles and we all, as Network Convenors or NZLPA Executive, are happy to clarify any of the confusion that still seems to exist between them.

The Network Synod Representatives communicate between the Network and Lay Preachers at

parish level and we are grateful for their assistance in offering local support and in encouraging the return of the annual update forms. While accessibility of training opportunities varies between Synods and geographical areas, there are many ways through which Lay Preachers can remain "upskilled": regional schools of theology, on-line resources, libraries and more formal courses are on offer in many locations, and funding is available from a variety of sources. Thank you to all the presbyters and parishes who value the ministry of Lay Preachers by including them regularly in preaching plans and using their skills in leading worship, by reimbursing them for travel outside their own parish and by supporting them to become accredited and to take on-going education.

Viv Whimster (Convenor), Syd Easton and Ngaire Southon (Co-convenors)

#### Suggested decisions:

- 1. That the report be received.
- 2. That the Methodist Lay Preachers Network Team be: Viv Whimster (Convenor), Syd Easton and Ngaire Southon (Co-convenors).

# THE CHURCHES EDUCATION COMMISSION

We appreciate the ongoing support from the Methodist Church towards the work of the Churches Education Commission (CEC) in New Zealand. We also appreciated the opportunity to meet with Michael Lemanu, the Young People and Families Ministry National Coordinator for the Methodist Church, earlier this year. We value the commitment and endorsement of the Methodist Church towards CEC and our work in schools throughout New Zealand, and appreciate the partnership we have with you.

#### High Court Case

Religious Instruction (RI) in state schools is the subject of a High Court case which was scheduled for 26 April 2016. The case centres around interpretation of the Education Act and how this could possibly affect Religious Instruction in the future. The case was struck out by the judge due to the Plaintiff failing to meet the court deadlines for making his submissions. The case was then reconsidered before the Court of Appeal, who overturned the High Court decision. This means the case can now proceed, however *only if* the Plaintiff complies with certain conditions the court has imposed. We now await the Plaintiff's decision and the next steps. We appreciate the many people within the Methodist Church who have been praying into this situation, thank you so much.

#### Curriculum

Here at CEC we are committed to the continual development of our curriculum so that we have confidence in what we provide our teachers for use in their CRE programmes. Since 2008 CEC has been involved in writing our own Kiwi CRE curriculum called 'Life Choices', and this year we have just launched our new-look 'Life Choices 2016 Blue edition'. This has been written to specifically meet the needs of 21<sup>st</sup> Century New Zealand schools, and it continues to foster strong support amongst our schools. We are currently in a transition phase, and by the end of 2016 the only curriculum that CEC will be endorsing is Life Choices (including Street Stories). The content and language in other curriculum materials currently being used is more suited to church-based programmes rather than a state school classroom, and hence we have decided to no longer endorse them for use in our CRE programmes.

#### Champions

Our large-group style CRE programme, Champions, continues to grow in a number of schools throughout the country. Champions provides an alternative to the typical Classroom style lesson. A Large Group Presenter or team of teachers combine together to present the programme in a suitable large space, such as a school hall. We present a high-energy style lesson incorporating songs, games, stories and often digital media. Champions now also has its own unique version of the Life Choices curriculum which has more multi-media resources plus a different set of games/activities, all tailored to the large group environment.

#### **Conferences/regional events**

Our National Conference for 2016 (called 'Invig') is going to be held in Auckland on Friday 14<sup>th</sup>/Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> October. The Friday will be for CEC staff and volunteers, with children's workers

and Pastors from churches and the wider community joining us for the Saturday. From January to July 2016 staff from the National CEC office have made a total of 31 separate visits to the regions for support and to run events of various forms. This has strengthened our internal relationships hugely and we are seeing benefits at both a national and regional level.

#### CEC National Staff Team

In October 2015 we welcomed our new CEO, Stephanie Sewell, to the National CEC team. Stephanie is doing a fantastic job leading our organisation and there is a great morale amongst our staff. Since Stephanie came on board the National team has grown to 9 people, with each staff member now able to focus and work in a role which matches their unique skillset.

We are excited about the new developments and initiatives taking place within CEC and we're looking forward to a bright future. Thank you for the opportunity to present our report to the Methodist Church, and thank you for your ongoing dedication to CEC.

#### CEC Statistics] NZ CEC Statistics – as at 31 July 2016

Regional events/training days attended by CEC National team since Jan 2016	31	
Percentage of new CRE teachers under the age of 40	44%	
Total number of teachers signed up to online training via CEC iLearn	734	
Large group programmes operating	134	
Lunchtime programmes operating	32	
Total CRE programmes operating	654	
CRE teachers	2700	
Staff – National office	9 (6.5 FTE)	
Regional Trusts	14	
Regional Staff	18	

#### Suggested decisions:

1. That the report be received.

# THE INTERCHURCH TERTIARY CHAPLAINCY COUNCIL (ITCC) & AOTEAROA NEW ZEALAND CHAPLAINCY ASSOCIATION (ANZTCA)

The Inter-Tertiary Chaplaincy Council (ITCC) continues to coordinate the various ecumenical 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 national church funding has meant that the funding of chaplaincy depends now on local fundraising (which often includes church support) and support from the secular institutions, many of which welcome the presence of chaplains.

Last year our chair made application to the Prince Albert College Trust for funding. We are grateful the contribution received, which has enabled the ITCC to make some funds available to ecumenical chaplaincy trust boards around the country to support volunteer chaplains engage in professional development. This was mostly used to enable these volunteer Chaplains to attend the annual Conference of the ANZTCA in November and the funds not requested have been used to enable some 14 chaplains from around New Zealand to attend the 5<sup>th</sup> 4 yearly Global Conference for Chaplains in Higher Education at Bendigo (Australia) from July 11- 15 2016. This Inter-faith Conference will help our chaplains better prepare for this change to chaplaincy on our own campuses over the next few years.

The Rev Dr Terry Wall continues as chair of ITCC, and Professor Peter Lineham as secretary. The 2015 annual meeting was held at the Central Baptist Church in Wellington in early December. This AGM was attended by representatives from the ecumenical chaplaincy trusts from Auckland,

Manawatu, Taranaki, Hawkes Bay, Wellington, Canterbury, Southland, and Otago, and church representatives from the Methodist, Presbyterian and Anglican churches. The meeting decided to offer a partial scholarship to enable a member chaplain of ANZTCA to enrol in the new Masters in Chaplaincy degree offered through Otago University and to also engage with the developing Association of Professional Chaplaincies in Aotearoa New Zealand (APCANZ) which seeks to bring together hospital, prison, police, St John ambulance, tertiary, workplace, defence force chaplaincies.

There continue to be some very strong chaplaincies in the universities, and they are now often given some funding from the institutions – especially where they are aligned with the Student Support Services of the institution. The weakening of student associations has seen chaplaincies take up a number of the 'hardship' support roles on behalf of the institutions.. The Polytechnic situation is more varied, with some strong chaplaincy work in those institutions where chaplaincy is assimilated into the Student Support structures, while in other places it is weak or does not exist – eg. Nelson, Bay of Plenty, Whangarei, CPIT – Christchurch, and in none of the Wellington based institutes of technology. There is virtually no chaplaincy presence in private training establishments. It remains a goal of ITCC to encourage local churches to work together to establish ecumenical tertiary chaplaincy trust boards and to develop a chaplaincy in conjunction with these tertiary institutions. Work among international students is often particularly strong on both university and institutes of technology campuses, often with help from International Student Ministries, which is a member of the ITCC.

There is a constant struggle to raise funds, and individual chaplaincies seek support from individuals and congregations. 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 some 53 members, most of whom serve part-time in our universities and institutes of technology. Currently only Methodist Presbyter is employed full time as University Chaplain, Rev Greg Hughson (University of Otago). The ANZTCA Annual Conference was held last November at Ramsay House, home of the Anglican chaplaincy to Victoria University in Wellington. Ricky Waters (Co-ordinating Chaplain at Massey University (Albany), Unitec Institute of Technology, and Manukau Institute of Technology - MIT) continues as chairperson and the Executive includes Peter Woodham (MIT) – secretary; Bill Mancer – treasurer; Jill Shaw (Massey, Albany) – northern regional co-ordinator; Paul Stock (Massey, PN) – central region co-ordinator; Glenda Hicks (Lincoln University) – southern regional co-ordinator. Greg Hughson (Otago University) – International Rep (IACHE) steps down at the 2016 Global Conference and Jill Shaw will serve in this role for the next four years. The ANZTCA 2016 Conference will be jointly hosted by the ecumenical and catholic chaplaincies to Canterbury and Lincoln.

Tertiary Chaplains continue to 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 <u>www.anztca.net.nz</u>.

The ITCC thanks the Methodist Church of New Zealand for its support through administering its funds.

#### Suggested decisions:

- 1. That the report be received
- 2. That Conference affirm the importance of ongoing support for tertiary chaplaincy in Aotearoa-NZ by
  - encouraging synods to seek to have representatives on each of the ecumenical chaplaincy trust boards in their area
  - encouraging congregations in the cities where there is not yet a tertiary chaplaincy presence on a tertiary campus to host a gathering of local church leaders to facilitate the establishment of an ecumenical chaplaincy trust

GAD ICHC

# THE INTERCHURCH COUNCIL FOR HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY

#### Report from Patrick Butterworth, Chief Executive

ICHC is very grateful for the generous support of the

Methodist Church of New Zealand that has helped to sustain the hospital chaplaincy ministry. The contribution from the Methodist Church provides a substantial part of the funding necessary to sustain our stipendiary and volunteer chaplain positions and allows us to support the on-going professional development of our chaplain community.

ICHC successfully negotiated with the Ministry of Health for an extension of our contract to delivery chaplaincy services for the next three years. This was an excellent result, in a time of funding cuts and contract terminations to many social service and healthcare providers.

As part of our contract renewal, ICHC must develop a Results-Based Accountability framework which provides statistical evidence of the impact and benefit that our services provide. We have viewed this requirement as an opportunity that can lead to the hospital chaplaincy ministry having higher visibility, greater acceptance and integration within the healthcare setting. We will be consulting and engaging with our community once we have prepared some groundwork for this project.

ICHC has also committed to developing our cultural awareness as an organisation and in particular embedding the principles of the Treaty of Waitangi. Our chaplain community is well placed to help us establish protocols and guidelines as they are already experienced in this area.

We welcomed the opportunity to meet David Bush and other ecumenical church partners on 8 July. We hope this will lead to greater clarity around the churches' expectations of future collaboration.

#### Emerging issues and challenges:

- ICHC has undertaken a large amalgamation project with 25 local service providers. To date 80% of the groups have passed resolutions to amalgamate with ICHC, with more coming on board shortly. The amalgamation will ensure transparency and accountability in all funding streams and provision for sustainable support of chaplaincy services across the country.
- The Ministry of Health funding remains at the 2011/12 level, however ICHC has been particularly successful at increasing supporter gifting through national donation campaigns. We are piloting a grant applications capacity to our national fundraising strategy.
- We are working with leaders in our chaplaincy community to investigate how we can solve the problems of succession planning for chaplaincy positions. We continue to review and improve our recruitment and professional development opportunities and raise the visibility of chaplaincy in order to find those who are called to the profession.

Looking ahead to 2017 - areas for which we seek funding and missional objectives:

• We are committed to enhancing the chaplain ministry and ensuring a sustainable service delivery.

- We want to increase our investment in training and development opportunities.
- We want to support our chaplain community to raise visibility of chaplaincy by undertaking training and information events for clinical staff.
- Sustainable, continuous development of specialist mental health chaplaincy services, through investment in those with this unique talent.
- Funding is required to maintain paid Chaplaincy positions in order to enable the co-ordination of a suitably trained volunteer chaplaincy workforce. Some, but not all, volunteers would ideally be suitably licensed lay or ordained persons, able to provide the reserved sacrament, anointing of the sick, prayer for healing and the commendation of the dying when the need arises. This would allow the Chaplains to attend to the higher level needs of Critical Care Units and the Accident and Emergency Department.

On behalf of the Chaplains, Volunteer 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. I welcome all opportunities to engage in dialogue with the Church over the contents of my Report.

#### Report from David Poultney, ICHC Methodist Trustee

This year has been a year of change for ICHC, hospital chaplains and what were the LSPs but are now LSGs – or local support groups. ICHC has sought to respond to the changing conditions required of those organisations and groups which seek government funding.

The government demands that organisations seeking public funds must show that there is a central control of funds. The necessity of meeting this requirement has led to LSPs passing on control of their funds to ICHC at a national level. The LSPs have become LSGs which have a smaller scope of responsibility. There have been mixed reactions to this, for some LSPs, particularly in the smaller centres, who struggle to recruit and retain members with sufficient experience and expertise the smaller and less specialised scope of a LSG has come as something of a relief. Other LSPs have experienced this as disempowering and have shown some reluctance.

There is some concern that "our " money, funds from LSPs often based on locally raised and granted money was disappearing in to a less accountable whole. It needs to be noted that while funds are centrally managed they funds raised for specific local groups or granted to them remain for them and for them alone.

Some of these changes are not easy or comfortable, though the history of the organisation shows change has often come about in response to a change in what is required by the government of the day.

We should also note a key role taken on by a Methodist Presbyter, the Rev Anne Griffiths, in the last year as "chaplain for the chaplains." She has a role in the pastoral support of hospital chaplains, Anne came into ministry with a passion for the well being of carers expressed in the question; "who cared for the carers?" It is satisfying to see this still drives her even in her apparent retirement.

#### Suggested decisions:

- 1. That the report be received.
- 2. That funding be maintained at current levels.

# PRISON CHAPLAINCY SERVICE

No report received

# **DEFENCE FORCE CHAPLAINCY**

Last year it was necessary to report to Conference that the chaplaincy support group, ChADAC, had not met during the year and that there was a rising sense of disquiet about this across the denominations. It is good news to hear this year that the meeting has convened twice and regular contact has been maintained by email. Chaplain Anthony Hawes has been appointed the new Principal Chaplain and he has quickly established a good working relationship with the members of ChADAC and the team of Defence Force chaplains, those on active service, serving in the Reserve or Officiating. A review of chaplaincy services has been carried out and members of the review team met with ChADAC in February to discuss the work of the chaplaincy service. This proved to be a helpful exchange of ideas.

Members of the NZ Defence Force are currently stationed in various locations around the world offering service and support alongside friends and allies. We ask members of the Church to keep such personnel and their families back home in their prayers. Presbyters considering offering as a chaplain should be physically fit, willing to be deployed outside of New Zealand, and prepared to face the rigours of service life. Any interested individuals should initially make contact with the Director of Mission Resourcing English-speaking Ministries.

#### Suggested decisions:

1. That the report be received.

# **TROUNSON TRUST**

The Trustees of the James and Martha Trounson Benevolent Fund continue to carefully consider each request for assistance, ensuring that the intent of the benefactors is maintained.

Although18 applications have been received; this is 14 less than the previous year. Why is this? The media constantly reports about people in our communities who are struggling with poverty and there are often references to the 'working poor'. This makes the Trustees wonder if there are people in your congregation who are struggling. We realise that many people across all ages are diffident to speak about their financial difficulties. Please be mindful of this Benevolent Fund as you become aware of members who could benefit from a love gift/grant.

We are uncomfortable that we have a fund with money that could help, and yet in the past 12 months applications have reduced by more than a third. Applications were received from the following Synods: Auckland, Waikato Waiariki, Lower North Island, Central South Island and Sinoti Samoa.

This fund is available throughout the country at any time of the year. As the majority of applications are received by email, it is possible to have grants processed within 48 hours through to the accounts department of the MCNZ. We look forward to your applications as a result of this report. The Trustees ask Conference to agree that the maximum grant in any twelve month period be raised to \$650.00 from the current \$500.00. There have been occasions when we wished to grant more, but were restricted by the criteria. The Trustees have been based in Hamilton since 2009. Gwen Kentish has been a Trustee throughout this time, but is retiring at the end of 2016. In her place we welcome Judy Pope from January 2017.

The membership of the Trustees for 2017 will be: Mary West Convener, Judy Pope, Rev. Metui Tafuna, Colin Telford and Rev. Dr Trevor Hoggard ex officio.

#### Decisions:

- 1. That this report be received.
- 2. That the maximum grant in any twelve month period be increased from \$500.00 to \$650.00.

# WESLEY COLLEGE TRUST BOARD

The Wesley College Special character continues to provide the basis for all that we do at Wesley College.

Wesley College is a multi-ethnic school that has a direct affiliation with the Methodist Church of New Zealand - Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa. The Methodist Church of New Zealand - Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa is a Treaty-based Church that expresses its governance in a bicultural, power- sharing partnership between Te Taha Maori and Tauiwi. This has historical and contemporary relevance that is expressed within the College as:

- Treasuring our Christian and Methodist heritage and learning to express it relevantly. This includes religious observances.
- Openness to the future and to new insights, experiences and people.
- Support for values that respect the integrity of persons and communities.
- Consideration of the needs of others, especially the economically marginalized.
- Use of language and images that are inclusive and which express equality.
- Provision of safe environments in which students can learn to live and work together in harmony.
- Opposition to cultures of violence and to systems of domination and exclusion.
- Processes for dealing with conflict, harassment, abuse and violation.

Wesley College seeks to provide a broad-based education with special attentions to numeracy, literacy and other key competencies. This emphasis on a broad-based education is expressed in the College motto: Fide, Litteris, Labore - Faith, Letters (learning) and Labour (hard work). Wesley College has a special obligation to provide education for students of Maori and Pacific Islands descent and students whose family and personal circumstances require special care. Wesley College caters primarily for students boarding at the Trust Board's hostel with which it has a close association. The Board's hostel provides for residential accommodation with a special character that is an essential component of the special character of the school.

#### Introduction

The development of the Wesley College Farm has become a reality and this has allowed the College to look to the future. The Board has engaged a firm of architects to work with the Wesley College Trust Board, College Management, College staff and students in order to understand what building design will best suit the College now and into the future.

This journey should take a couple of years though will provide the basis of a school design that fits the pedagogy of the school and the hostels.

The Trust Board is proud to again host the Methodist Church Conference within our facilities

The Wesley College Chapel has been granted a heritage status within the plan variation for the College and Farm Development. The Chapel has been closed due to its seismic risk, though the Wesley College Trust Board are keen to restore it with funds generated from the Grafton Downs development.

#### Chaplaincy Team Ministry

In the absence of the superintending Chaplain, Rev Aliitasi Salesa who is currently overseas studying I write this report to Conference on behalf of the Chaplaincy team.

At the beginning of the year we welcomed President Tovia Aumua and Vice President Dr. Ihipera Bella Ngaha to the Service of Beginnings, the official opening of the school year. The Service was well attended by families, staff and students. A joyful occasion enjoyed by all.

The Chaplaincy team continues its work to support the induction of Presbyter's in the Manukau and greater Auckland district. Students are often in attendance during these occasions.

The Wesley Community has had a number of bereavements which has been supported pastorally. Staff, students, friends and families have suffered loses.

Within the Wesley Community staff and students have stepped in to fulfil the role of the Chaplain by taking Chapel Service each morning. During te wiki o te reo Māori Chapel was led by the HOD Māori and his classes. Students and staff are now confident in their knowledge of the Lord's prayer and benediction in te reo Māori. It is hoped that this will continue in future Chapel.

#### **Education Matters**

The 2016 Charter for Wesley College states that we aim for our student leavers to be 'people of faith and integrity, ready to make a contribution to their community.' With this in mind, we are striving to produce well-rounded young people however; academic achievement remains a top priority. This will provide our student leavers with choices as to which training, career or tertiary study pathway they pursue.

The school is very pleased to report that NCEA achievement levels have risen from those reported to conference in 2015. The Level 1 NCEA pass rate was up by 13%, the Level 2 pass rate was up by 9% and the University Entrance rate was up by 3%. The Level 3 pass rate took a small dip. Pass rates at Level 3 and UE remain an area of focus. The table below shows the NCEA achievement data for 2015.

		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	UE
	Wesley College	72	59	33	13
Overall achievement	New Zealand	73	76	62	47
	Decile 1 to 3	62	69	51	27
	Wesley College	72	55	35	12
Male	New Zealand	69	72	55	40
	Decile 1 to 3	59	66	44	21
	Wesley College	80	79	27	18
Female	New Zealand	78	80	68	54
	Decile 1 to 3	66	73	58	33
	Wesley College	50	77	100	50
Maori	New Zealand	61	69	51	30
	Decile 1 to 3	55	65	45	19
	Wesley College	75	58	32	12
Pasifika	New Zealand	69	75	57	28
	Decile 1 to 3	63	69	52	22

In light of these pleasing results the Minister of Education, Hon Hekia Parata, wrote to the school in June to acknowledge the increase in achievement, particularly for our Maori and Pasifika students.

The addition of girls at Year 9 and 10 has seen the number of girls on the roll grow to 60, up from 32 in 2015. The girls' boarding house, Te Paea, is now full. Planning is taking place to increase the accommodation available to girls in 2017. A block of five new classrooms was opened at the start of term two. These modern spaces with new furniture, technology and air conditioning have been warmly welcomed by the staff and students that get to use them.

At the end of this year we will farewell long serving Deputy Principal Warrick Sanson. Warrick has been involved in every aspect of life at Wesley from the classroom to the hostels, sports and administration over his 37 years at school.

#### **Property and Investment Council**

#### Financial report

The Wesley College Trust's commercial properties continue to provide the Trust significant returns. The Councils Ameti (Auckland Manukau Eastern Transport Initiative) has revamped Morrin road and this has been reflected in significant rent increases.

The change to the charities act inserted on 1 April 2015 has forced Wesley College to revalue all investment properties annually. Though this is a significant annual cost the financial accounts will now reflect fair value. Ie within the 2015 Financial Accounts investment properties has a value of \$11,759,583 the fair value of the Boards investment property as per our valuation is \$35,195,000

#### **GRAFTON DOWNS LIMITED**

Following the rezoning from Future Urban to Mixed Use live zone for the 300 hectares of land owned in Paerata the Grafton Downs board, The Wesley College Trust Board and the PACT2086 Trust Board agreed to continue forward and develop this site. This included Framework plan consent, earthworks consent and subdivision consent. The project is on track to start earthworks at the beginning of October 2016 with the first sections being created in 2017

The Board has agreed that 2% of sales will put directed to a Social Housing Fund

The ground breaking ceremony for the development will occur on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> October 2016

#### Suggested decisions:

- 1. The report is received.
- 2. The 2016/2017 membership of the Wesley College Trust Board is: Diana Tana, Colin Telford, Norman Johnston, Gillian Laird, Wesley Mansell, Meleane Nacagilevu, Harvey O'Loughlin, Utumau'u Pupulu, Barry Shuker, Patisepa Tala'imanu, David McGeorge, Andrew Caughey, and Rangi Whakaruru.

# UNITING CONGREGATIONS OF AOTEAROA NEW ZEALAND

Uniting Congregations of Aotearoa New Zealand (UCANZ) is a meeting place for our five partner churches and the local churches throughout New Zealand who are Cooperative Ventures (CVs). The Standing Committee has representatives from the Anglican Church, Presbyterian Church, Methodist Church, Christian Churches and the Congregational Union, who sit alongside people elected by local churches through the biennial Forum.

#### The UCANZ Office

The Executive officer Rev Peter MacKenzie tendered his resignation to Standing Committee at the 2015 Biennial Forum "Big ideas for smaller churches". He finished his duties on

31 March 2016 to spend some time ministering to a congregation in the north of Scotland.

Rev Adrian Skelton has been appointed as the new Executive Officer and will take up the role as of the first of October this year. Adrian comes from an extensive ministry background both here and in the United Kingdom involving uniting and ecumenical ventures. He has been working in New Zealand for the last seven years as the minister at St Andrews in Hastings plus alongside the Anglicans at Maraekakaho Church. He has recently been involved with organising a conference with Methodist and Anglican representatives. Adrian brings with him experience and passion for teaching and drama, administration and Choral music and theatre. The Executive Officer provides advice to partner churches, regional courts and local churches on any manner of issues that are raised with him. He is available to lead services on a Sunday morning and lead workshops throughout the country if asked to do so. The Executive Officer is also a point of call for issues that, if not addressed early and properly, can turn into a more significant dispute.

Robyn Daniels is the Administrative Assistant and she administers the Partner Support Fund (the

payments made for the work of the national churches), Removal Fund (a voluntary scheme to fund ministry movements) and collates statistics and the directory.

#### Funding Review Group

Forum 2015 approved the following motion:

'That a working party of all partner churches be established to review policies and processes for local parishes to financially support their partner churches.'

The review will consider how both national and regional church courts are funded by UCANZ parishes and whether this can be done in a more equitable and simple manner.

The terms of reference for this review have been agreed. A work group of Partner financial representatives and members of Standing Committee has been set up and will have its first meeting on 9 August 2016.

David Hall is the convenor of this meeting

#### The future

Standing committee is currently working on updating some of our Procedures for Cooperative Ventures to allow for more ease of working together in the areas of forming new partnerships including different ethnic congregations.

The vision is one of working together across the traditional boundaries that still divide the partner churches and prevents their original vision of developing in the local churches they established: a vision that will meet the needs of New Zealanders today

UCANZ is committed to witness to the ecumenical dream – that the churches can work together as the one body of Christ. We are committed to the ministry of churches in smaller communities – offering alternative possibilities for ways to be church. We are committed to affirming the work of our five partner churches – and will keep urging them to continue to talk and work with each other.

#### Suggested decision:

1. The report is received.





# FAITH & ORDER COMMITTEE

#### Introduction – What has been our main business this year?

As with the other committees and boards involved in the life of our church, Faith and Order has had a fairly 'short' year as Conference falls early. We have given priority both to unfinished business from Conference last year and beginning work on a task we have been charged to complete by the time we meet again.

The "unfinished business" is the question of whether or not we should introduce episcopal ministry personally expressed as a supplement to the corporate episcope of Conference through a particular rite of setting aside and laying hands on the incoming presbyter in the presidential team. This step would be in accord with the Irish model for moving towards a fuller mutual recognition of presbyteral / priestly and episcopal / presidential ministry. It was clear at Conference last year that this proposal both needed to be discussed at synodal level and touches upon some deeply felt issues pertaining to the ethos and identity of New Zealand Methodism. A discussion paper *The Irish Model Downunder*, was sent out begin that conversation. Its content and how it has been received will be discussed in this report; the document is Appendix One.

The second task was mandated to us by Conference last year;

Conference asks Faith & Order to produce a paper on Leadership in the Church and report to Conference 2017.

To begin that process we sent out a discussion document, *On Leadership*, to the July synods. This document was a scoping exercise, a checking for understandings, perspectives and concerns to enable us to begin the task in earnest. *On Leadership* is Appendix Two to this report.

#### Three Other Issues

These two issues have taken the bulk of our time, but before we give them further consideration we would like to raise with you three other issues we have been engaged in.

Firstly the continuing debate in the nation and the churches about physician assisted dying, secondly some input we have made into planning for a possible future in which we meet every other year for Conference and lastly the question of the adequate preparation and resourcing of lay people licensed to celebrate the sacraments.

We spent some time around how the debate in the church and nation over assisted dying has developed. Last year, following a high profile case, we prepared and issued a discussion paper which was generally well received. While it seems attempts to introduce legislation to permit physician assisted dying have been unsuccessful it is highly likely there will be attempts again in the future. Though traditionally a "conscience issue" (meaning MPs are free to vote on it as their conscience leads them) it is not beyond the boundaries of possibility that it may become an issue in next year's General Election campaign. It is not going to go away.

We have been pleased to hear our paper has led to reflection and discussion around the church. We note and affirm the participation of Methodists in the process of making submissions to Parliament, both for and against change.

How we prepared the paper shows a need for watchfulness and awareness on the part of Faith and Order. When we met for Conference 2014 we could not have anticipated the highly publicised case of Lecretia Seales, a young woman who unable to face what the terminal stage of her cancer might bring sought legal assurance her physician would not face prosecution for helping her to die. Part of our brief must be to keep watch over the issues of the day and, if necessary, to help the church engage in theological reflection about them.

Earlier this year we were asked to advise the Law Committee on how to manage a longer gap between entering into probation and ordination. This is to address a change which a Conference every second year would usher in if unintentionally. Generally probation is two years with a fairly short period between being assesses as ready for ordination and ordination itself. In the event of Conference moving to every second year some people will face a period of time of over a year between passing the requirements of probation and being ordained. We concurred we had no objection to a people in this position being known as ordinands (to distinguish them from probationers) and to receiving them into full connexion. However we were clear there should be no confusion between the ordained and lay states and that ordinands would still need to be licensed for sacramental ministry in the way that probationers are.

We have had some questions and concerns expressed to us recently about the preparation people other than ordained presbyters undertake when they are licensed to celebrate the sacraments. Concern has been primarily around Holy Communion and has noted a wide range of resources of varying quality used and sometimes clearly inadequate in terms of some of the aspects that are generally held to be a necessary part of an authentic celebration of Holy Communion by the broad stream of Christian churches. We note and affirm that some synods offer very effective education and wish to explore what best practice is and how people authorised to celebrate the sacraments can receive appropriate educational support.

#### The Methodist Anglican Dialogue

There has not been a full meeting of the dialogue as of the time of writing though there may be a meeting prior to Conference. A small working party of dialogue members met earlier in the year to discuss furthering the case for mutual recognition of ministry based on the so called Irish model. This involves necessary reports and appropriate discussion to an in General Synod and Methodist Conference.

As preparation for that a paper was circulated to July synods, its reception, the insights it generated and their implications are discussed elsewhere in this report. Due to procedural issues the report on the Methodist Anglican dialogue, with a recommendation that the Anglican Church in New Zealand affirm any move to a personally expressed episcopal ministry in the Methodist Church of New Zealand, was not received.

#### The Methodist Catholic Dialogue

The dialogue team has met twice during the year to further relations and mutual appreciation. Whilst the dialogue team is disappointed there have not been more joint services to mark the "exchange of gifts" of our hymns, we do believe there may still be some parishes that will join that initiative. Material for an exchange of hymns service is still to be found on the Mission Resourcing website. Our next project will consider an exchange of prayers from our two traditions.

We have noted that ministers' associations are struggling in some parts and occasionally Anglican, Methodist and Catholic clergy are setting up their own smaller fellowship group. This development parallels the establishment of the National Dialogue for Christian Unity which has been established recently between these denominations.

One other focus for our future discussions will be the respective roles of deacons in our traditions. There are both similarities and questions we could usefully share. This might be a conversation the Anglican Church would wish to join.

We have also started to consider the papal encyclical *Laudate Si* on environmental issues and the role of contemplative prayer in reconnecting with the natural world and with the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Reformation approaching next year, we will consider the Catholic response today to the events of the Reformation years.

# The Irish Model Downunder – Considering introducing an Episcopal ministry Personally Expressed

Faith and Order had to take into account the clear sense of frustration expressed at Conference last year that this issue had not been referred to the synods for discussion and the sensibilities that it touches on. We have attempted to do this by preparing a discussion document in what we hope is fairly accessible language for consideration.

We acknowledge that this proposed move emerges out of our dialogue with the Anglican Church and is rooted in the experience of the equivalent dialogue in Ireland. It has the goal of introducing a form of Episcopal ministry through a rite of prayer and the laying on of hands in the induction of the presbyter in the incoming presidential team. In Ireland this has helped move the churches towards a mutual recognition of the offices of presbyter / priest and bishop / president. We had hoped to follow the Irish formula and come up with an equivalent result. However the document acknowledges there are significant difference in contexts between Ireland and New Zealand both in terms of society and culture and in the Methodist and Anglican traditions.

We also said that no step we might take can of itself compel the Anglicans to accept mutual recognition. This will come, or not, through their own processes and deliberations. The Irish model assumes though that the step of adopting an episcopal ministry is, before it is anything else, an expression of Methodist self-understanding. An expression of being church, an expression of continuity and the transmission of the Faith, an expression of the nature of the pastoral, sacramental and leadership role of the presidential office.

Do we find this to be true of ourselves and of our life as church?

In terms of the feedback generated by the paper there were a range of view expressed from this being completely in harmony with what John Wesley would have wished for to a rejection of "an imposed hierarchy." Several replies mentioned that it touched on a point of difference between the Wesleyan and Primitive Methodist streams of our heritage.

There was significant concern that it may effectively preclude lay people and deacons from the presidency or that they would have their authority undermined – if unintentionally – by a presbyter vice president who is an Episcopal Minister.

Though some support, or willingness to engage further was expressed, there was a wider sense that this proposed move was somewhat at odds with New Zealand Methodism and its ethos. There was little sense, in the feedback, of this possible step being about us having any internal logic in the life of our church. For some of our Pacific communities it is clear the word bishop does not invoke comparison and likeness with our Anglican and Catholic friends but reminds them of Mormon bishops; Mormonism is growing rapidly in the Pacific islands and is perceived to be a threat by Methodist and other orthodox Christian churches. Some wariness was expressed about the use of the laying on of hands in presidential inductions.

A need was expressed for us to first give some consideration to what is Methodism and the hallmarks of our identity. Questions were asked in feedback about the nature and authority of the presidential team and of Conference.

For some respondents there was a measure of scepticism expressed about the seriousness of the Anglican Church about mutual recognition of ministry and a sense that too much was being asked of us. In the words of one respondent "*why can't they recognise us as we are?*"

It is clear that, at this Conference, there would be a lack of consensus should we proceed to asking again to introduce an "Episcopal ministry personally expressed." We propose that the next step, rather than proposing something we know will not be passed, is to ask Conference for an instruction to begin a conversation within the Church about the nature of Methodism and Methodist identity. This is a worthwhile enquiry in its own right and is clearly necessary before we might introduce significant changes which will define our church in some way. Asking ourselves just what is Methodism here and now will be a helpful learning experience for us and may bring some clarity about the specific witness and gifts of Methodism to our ecumenical dialogues.

#### On Leadership

We were instructed by Conference last year to produce a report on Leadership in the Church for Conference 2017. To begin this task we have sought engagement and feedback from the synods and have been encouraged by the level of engagement. It is clear that a key aspect of our reflection needs to be on leadership in a multicultural context and when there are competing discourses around what leadership is.

#### What has been left undone?

Out timetable has not enabled us to undertake a review of the "pink booklet" of resources for celebrating Holy Communion. Nor have we taken further action on the "Calendar of Saints," (we appreciate the sentiment expressed last year about the discomfort of some Methodists with this title and acknowledge any such resource will need a different name.) We plan to address these issues next year.

#### Suggested decisions:

- 1. That this report be received.
- 2. Members of Faith and Order for 2017 shall be: David Poultney (convenor), Robyn Allen Goudge, Norman Brookes, Jan Fogg, Andrew Gamman, Cathie Hoggard, Trevor Hoggard, Paulo Ieli, Goll Manukia, Val Nicholls, Ikilifi Pope, Utumau'u Pupulu, Rowan Smiley, Paula Taumoepeau, Aliverati Uludole.

*Corresponding Members:* Margaret Birtles (for the Deacons), Gary Clover, Hugh Garlick (for the Orakei Parish Explorers Group), David Kitchingman (for the Dunedin Parish Explorers Group), Diana Tana (for Taha Maori), Terry Wall, Alan Webster (for the Evangelical Network).

- 3. Members of the Methodist team in the Methodist Anglican Dialogue for 2017 shall be: Tony Franklin Ross (co-convenor), Prince Devanandan, Setaita Kinahoi –Veikune, David Poultney, Abishek Solomon Corresponding member: John Roberts, Diana Tana, Terry Wall.
- Members of the Methodist team in the Methodist Catholic Dialogue for 2017 shall be: Trevor Hoggard (co- convenor), Tovia Aumua, Keita Hotere, Setaita Kinahoi – Veikune, Tony Franklin Ross, David Poultney, Terry Wall
- 5. Conference notes the resignation of Ruby Manukia Schaumkel from Faith and Order and thanks her for her involvement and insight during the time she has been part of the committee's life.
- 6. Conference notes the resignation of Anne Griffiths from the Methodist team in the Methodist Catholic dialogue and thanks her for her engagement, insight and participation.
- 7. Conference instructs Faith and Order to begin a process of consultation and conversation about Methodism and Methodist identity both as a learning process for Methodists and as a contribution and insight to bring to ecumenical dialogue.
- 8. Conference instructs Faith and Order to begin a process of consultation and evaluation in order to provide appropriate guidelines for persons other than presbyters who are licensed to celebrate the sacraments.
- 9. Conference affirms and encourages the work being done on leadership in the Church which will be presented at the next Conference.
- 10. Conference warmly affirms and encourages our ecumenical dialogues with the Anglican and Roman Catholic churches.

# **APPENDIX ONE**

#### The Irish Model Down Under

A discussion document on Episcopal ministry personally expressed in Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa / The Methodist Church of New Zealand.

**Executive summary:** Last year an addendum to the Faith and Order report asked Conference to approve a change in the Presidential induction service so that through an act of prayer and the laying on of hands the incoming ordained presbyter in the presidential team would take upon her or himself the position of Episcopal Minister. This move was suggested both in response to changes in Methodist practice around the world and in accordance with the direction of the dialogue between Te Haahi Weteriana - The Methodist Church of New Zealand and the Anglican Church in New Zealand.

This dialogue, which Conference has warmly affirmed for a number of years, is based on the experience of our sister churches in Ireland. It is our conviction that this step does not create something new but affirms something about ourselves as a church and the trust we invest and authority we discern in the presidential office.

The paper dealing with this issue last year had not been discussed by our synods and clearly a topic such as this needs to be discussed widely. This paper recognizes that we already have a form of episcopal ministry but seeks to spell that out more clearly. We understand that this topic touches on a range of sensibilities and even memories of plans for church unity which did not come to fruition. We would note that no step we might take of itself determines how another denomination might look upon us, yet whatever the ultimate outcome of our dialogue with the Anglican Church we believe this step would be beneficial to our own life and witness as a church.

#### At this stage it might be helpful to clarify the meaning of some words.

**Episcopal** – refers to the ministry of oversight, superintendency or episcope. In our church this is expressed in a corporate (or shared) episcope where Conference exercises the ministry of oversight. However when Conference is not meeting this ministry is held by the President. Our word superintendent is also rooted in episcope; after all to superintend is to oversee.

**Bishop** – in some churches, particularly in New Zealand the Anglican and Roman Catholic Churches the ministry of oversight is exercised by people who have been ordained as bishops, here episcope is personal and not corporate though a bishop leads with the context of his or her synod. The ministry of a bishop is around leadership, symbolising the unity of the church and teaching the faith. He or she also exercises a role as leader of the sacramental life of the church. In some churches senior leaders have the title of bishop and exercise some of the functions of Catholic or Anglican bishops but have not been ordained to a separate order of ministry.

**Episcopal Minister** – This term has emerged out of the Irish context where in his or her induction service through prayer and the laying on of hands the incoming President is acknowledged to have a ministry of leadership and oversight. It is analogous to the title Bishop and the Irish Anglican Church affirms that the Irish Methodist President exercises an episcopal ministry in the particular context of the Methodist Church. At this stage in time Anglican Bishops are involved in the laying on of hands of the incoming Methodist President and the Methodist President participated with Anglican Bishops in ordaining new bishops.

If we take this step then we do not see the term Episcopal Minister replacing President or Vice President; it names an aspect of their ministry of leadership. We would still use our terms President or Vice President.

The Methodist Church in Ireland and the Church of Ireland have been engaged in a journey towards mutual recognition of their presbyteral / priestly ministries and their ministries of *episcope* or oversight. While these are moves towards the completion of a process, the process itself assumes that in each church, through its ministry, its preaching and sacraments, in its ordering and ordained ministry the Church itself is fully present.

In our following this path in New Zealand both churches agree that this is so. We are each within our own tradition truly and authentically Church. The journey in Ireland first and now here is about overcoming the circumstances of history which have inhibited a fuller sharing and witness.

In Ireland the journey has come to the point where at the installation of the president of the Church, a service which is marked in Irish practice by the laying on of hands, bishops of the Church of Ireland now join former Methodist presidents in this act. Likewise the Irish Methodist president will now be involved in the ordination of a bishop of the Church of Ireland by laying hands on the candidate along with Anglican bishops.

We cannot state this too carefully or emphatically, Anglican involvement in the installation of the Methodist president does not make the installation valid. Anglican involvement is rather an acknowledgement that the Anglican sees here a true passing on of an episcopal ministry and that the Anglican Church now stands alongside us to witness to this.

In Ireland, under a "grandfather clause" previous presidents are seen also as episcopal ministers and as a consequence the door is opened to enable Methodist presbyters to preside at the Eucharist in Anglican churches. This is something which would be of real positive benefit to the churches in this country, particularly in our rural areas where all the churches struggle to provide an adequate level of ordained ministry and arrangements whereby churches of different denominations might share in the ministry of a particular presbyter or priest would be beneficial.

We hope to follow the same journey as the Irish churches have though clearly in a different context.

Some points of difference between Irish and New Zealand contexts you need to be aware of.

- 1. There is a longstanding practice of laying hands when a president of the Irish Church is installed. This used to be our practice, we believe it could be reinstated in a way that does not cause offence.
- 2. The president of the Irish church is always a presbyter. The Irish Church does not have a Vice President but has a Lay Leader appointed by Conference for a three year term.
- 3. Former presidents are accorded a degree of recognition which gives them a visible and distinctive role in Conference and the life of the Church.
- 4. Though Ireland has enjoyed a period of immigration which has added to the diversity of Irish Methodism, particularly in Dublin, to New Zealand visitors the Irish Methodist Church would feel relatively monocultural. Here there are bi-cultural and cross cultural conversations that would need to happen.
- 5. The two churches in Ireland are minority churches, smaller than either the Roman Catholic or Presbyterian churches and are more balanced in size than ourselves and the Anglican Church in New Zealand.
- 6. Though we are drawing on the Irish experience in some ways our situation is closer to that of England. While the Anglican Church in New Zealand has never been our "state church" it has *de facto* occupied that position. An equitable agreement may be easier between denominations with a similar "place" in society.
- 7. Also the two churches in Ireland are generally speaking evangelical. In particular in the Church of Ireland the Anglo Catholic or "high church" tradition is largely absent. It is this wing of Anglicanism which has been generally most resistant to plans for union or mutual recognition between Anglicans and other Protestant churches. While the Anglo Catholic tradition is fairly marginal in New Zealand Anglicanism we should note both denominations here are more theologically diverse than in Ireland and this is a potential complexity.
- 8. In our denomination a lay person or deacon may serve as president with a presbyter vice president. Though we are used to seeing the members of our presidential team work well together and in a cooperative and mutual way, in point of fact it is the president who technically carries the authority of Conference when Conference is not meeting. The New Zealand proposal calls for the presbyter in the presidential team to be an episcopal minister. Some have pointed to a tension implicit to this in that a presbyter vice president vested with episcope might be seen as sidelining a lay or deacon president. However we already expect the presbyter in our Presidential team to carry the sacramental role and in terms of Anglican Methodist relations this could be simply an extension of this.
- 9. In taking the step of clarifying and making apparent a distinctively New Zealand Methodist understanding of episcopal ministry we need to be mindful of the sensibilities of New Zealand Methodists, in particular in not diminishing or undermining the role of a lay person or deacon in the presidential team. At the same time we need to be faithful to the tradition of Christian ministry that the very embracing of episcopal ministry affirms. We see it as our tradition too; to some this feels like squaring a circle.

Should we complete this process successfully some things need to be born in mind;

- 1. We are not becoming Anglican. We would maintain our own distinctive life as a denomination. We would simply create a new situation in which there is a mutual recognition of presbyteral and episcopal ministry with the possibilities that might create for shared work and witness.
- 2. We are not seeking to distance ourselves from those partner churches which do not have an episcopate or such form of episcopal ministry. Taking this step for ourselves is not to imply a deficit in the life of other churches.

3. It would not impede our relationships or diminish our sense of being family with those parts of Methodism which have not taken this step; think of such churches as the Free Wesleyan Church of Tonga or the Methodist Church of Great Britain.

Why bother? To some this may seem like a big change and certainly one with its own complexities. We offer two reasons; first: it is an opportunity to clarify our own understanding of episcope or oversight in our church and, secondly, it will breathe new possibility into our relationship with New Zealand Anglicanism.

In terms of our relationship with the Anglicans we need to be aware that both our churches see in each other a true church. In each other the Gospel is preached, the sacraments are celebrated and people are nurtured in faith and holiness. This is important to remember and celebrate. We do not believe, as some Methodists assume, that any plan for a closer relationship with Anglicanism implies a deficit on our part which needs to be corrected by Anglicans.

Yet at this point in time a Methodist presbyter cannot serve in an Anglican context without being ordained by an Anglican bishop (re-ordained in our terms!) A core part of an Anglican sense of church is that it is united around an "episcopal ministry personally expressed." Anglicans in Ireland however, supported by the wider communion, have seen this in the ministry of the Methodist president. In turn Irish Methodists have found ways to talk about and honour this.

We see it in the leadership of our Church too and think that embracing a Methodist understanding of episcopal ministry is entirely in keeping with this. Here are some questions for you to think about and discuss:

- 1. What are your thoughts about the President as Episcopal Minister? Is it making clear something which is already there or is it introducing a new form of hierarchy that you might be uncomfortable with?
- 2. What do you think we might gain and / or lose by taking this step?
- 3. How significant should the experience of other Methodist and Uniting denominations be to us in considering this step?
- 4. In terms of understanding and honouring leadership how might we recognise the contribution of former members of the presidential team in the life of our Church?
- 5. Would full mutuality of ministry between Methodist and Anglican presbyters / priests make a significant difference to the life and witness of the Church in your area?

# APPENDIX TWO

#### On Leadership

Conference 2015 asked F&O from its Tauiwi Report:

Conference asks Faith & Order to produce a paper on Leadership in the Church and report to Conference 2017.

In beginning this task Faith and Order has given some thought to these questions.

What is this question seeking to elucidate?

Is it about structures? Is the report asking for a reflection on the structures that give leadership at parish, synod and connexional levels?

Is it about people? Is the report asking for reflections on how certain individuals have roles which entail exercising leadership such as parish and synod superintendents, parish stewards, lay preachers, connexional officers and the presidential team and asking whether the roles have the right amount of power to give the leadership the Church is expecting of them?

Is it about style? Is the report asking for a reflection about the attitudes, assumptions and exercise

of leadership roles within the Church, comparing various cultural assumptions, considering the personal qualities we require in those who exercise leadership in the Church?

Is it about models of leadership that underpin style and the exercise of leadership? What images or models do we turn to as Methodists to describe our concept of leadership within the Church? Do we talk of servant –leaders or shepherding images? How do we differentiate between leadership and authoritarianism?

We recognise that leadership is part of any human organisation of any complexity, within New Zealand Methodism leadership is embodied differently according to culture and theology. While much of our conversation about leadership has been around the Presidency or ordained ministry these are but two forms of leadership offered in the life of the Church.

We acknowledge two particular issues pertaining to presidential leadership which give some impetus to thinking about leadership at this time.

- 1. A possible move, initially for a four year period, to a two year Conference cycle and what that means for the presidency.
- 2. The conversation in *Tauiwi* about leadership at the presidential team level and Gay or Lesbian persons.

Beyond that, and very few of us ever serve on the presidential team, we have a need to nurture leadership in a range of contexts from parish sub-committees to synod executives.

We would like to consult with the Church about how leadership is thought about and expressed in our different and diverse communities.

This is an early scoping exercise; no doubt we will get back to you as time progresses and we do further work. In the meantime we would like to flag with you the difference between power and authority. Power is intrinsic, it is something you or I have, authority is given to an individual or leadership body, it implies a relationship with those for whom leadership is provided. Christian leadership is a matter of authority rather than power.

We would like to ask you some questions and welcome your feedback; these questions are not exhaustive and if you have any other observations about leadership please feel free to include then in your feedback.

- 1. What does it take to be a leader in your community? Is it about technical skill? People management? Maybe your leaders tend to come from families with long traditions of leadership in the Church? How is it in your community?
- 2. What biblical sources and traditional church practices does your community draw on in talking about leadership? (e.g. the biblical model of servant leader.)
- 3. How do you think leadership in your church is influenced by the wider values of New Zealand society?
- 4. How do you identify possible future leaders and how do you nurture them?
- 5. Does leadership in the Church demand an ethical standard over and above what we would expect of any sincere, committed Christian?
- 6. How does leadership in your context embody the relationship between lay and ordained?

# Social Services

- Methodist Alliance Establishment Working Group
- Methodist Mission Aotearoa
- Social Services
  - Methodist Mission Northern
  - ➤ The Lifewise Trust
  - Airedale Property Trust
  - Employment Generation Fund
  - Ministry with the Deaf Trust
  - Tamahere Eventide Home & Retirement Village
  - Methodist City Action
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- Sinoti Samoa Methodist Mission
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- Christchurch Methodist Mission
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# **METHODIST ALLIANCE ESTABLISHMENT WORKING GROUP**

#### INTRODUCTION TO THE METHODIST ALLIANCE

In 2015, Methodist Conference moved the following resolution:

Conference supports the establishment of a formal alliance between all Methodist Missions, parish and community based social services and Trusts, so that the Alliance is open to all social services that run in conjunction with all parts of the Methodist Church of New Zealand – Te Hāhi Weteriana o Aotearoa, and notes that:

- (a) The Alliance replaces Methodist Missions Aotearoa (MMA), but not any individual Mission;
- (b) No change is proposed to the current direct accountability of Missions to Conference; and
- (c) Use of the name of the Alliance by social service groups is subject to their committing to the agreed Code of Conduct/Operating Protocols.

This decision followed a year long consultation process which invited all parts of Te Hāhi o Weteriana to give input into the possible formation of such an alliance. A report, *Part of a Whole: Towards an Alliance of Methodist Missions, Parish and Community-based Social Services,* presented to Conference 2015, highlighted that the Methodist Church, through its Missions, Synods and Parishes has a disproportionate role in delivering high quality social services and an impressive history of social service innovation and effectiveness. But our 'national brand' is almost invisible and the general public and Government are not aware that the work of Lifewise, Wesley Community Action, other Missions and individual parishes are all part of the wider Methodist Church. The report noted the need to leverage the collective skills, experience, imagination and resources across the Church to work towards building a just and inclusive society.

#### Progress During 2016

Conference 2015 appointed a small Establishment Working Group to further develop the Methodist Alliance. The Working Group, with membership from the Missions, parishes, Te Taha Maori, Vahefonua and Sinoti Samoa, has met three times and has developed the Founding Document for the Alliance. The Working Group has worked hard to prepare material to very tight time frames, and Conference can be confident in the thorough consideration given by the Group.

As part of the process of developing the Founding Document, we sought the input from a number of Methodist lay and ordained people about the Theological Principles that are the foundation of the Alliance. We thank those who took part in that process, and see this model – inviting a panel from around the Connexion – as one that the Alliance can continue to use.

The draft Founding Document was circulated to all Synods for their comment and feedback and the Establishment Working Group made changes to the Founding Document in the light of that feedback. We have noted later in this report the main areas where changes were made. The Working Group presented its work to the Tauiwi Strategy Group in early August. We have the revised Founding Document as an Appendix to this report.

We believe that the Methodist Connexion is ready to take the step of establishing the Methodist Alliance – as a new means of expressing our Church's commitment to living out our mission here in Aotearoa in 2016 and onwards.

We are heartened by the energy and enthusiasm being shown by the existing Methodist Missions to work together more closely, to explore how they can support one another, and to express more clearly that we are all METHODIST agencies, even though we have our distinctive local expressions of social service. We are asking Missions to bring to Conference some practical examples of what the Alliance could be doing – to expand our Church's engagement in building a more just and caring community.

We are encouraged by the emergence of new responses to social need within various parts of the Church – Te Taha Maori, Sinoti Samoa, Vahefonua Tonga, and many individual parishes. These initiatives are essential parts of our whole Church's community engagement, and the Alliance can be a forum where all this work is supported and nurtured.

We are in a time of significant social change – the challenge of affordable housing for example is one that is new to our times. And this is a classic example where our Church has the skills, the resources, and the motivation to take action on a collective basis.

We have looked at the likely cost of this new Connexional body, and believe it is both realistic, and represents good value for money. MMA runs with almost no administrative infrastructure at all because it has a very limited role of liaising among only the 8 or 9 main participating groups. We are proposing a very basic secretariat for the Alliance – to get the work done that people agree the Alliance should be doing. We believe that the membership of the Alliance will be much larger than that of MMA, and that the presence of the Alliance in the Church and in the public domain will be much larger. The costs of the Alliance will be greater than that of MMA but still very modest. The cost for most parish participants will be either \$100 or \$150 a year, and larger groups will share the remaining agreed budget on a pro-rata basis, according to their own size.

We are sure that the Methodist Alliance will prove to be an important new agency to support all groups in our Church, and to make the social service work of Te Hāhi Weteriana more visible and appreciated by the wider community.

We invite parishes, Trusts, Missions and other groups to take the opportunity to become founding members of the Alliance. If the Conference agrees, we will convene the Steering Group before the end of this calendar year, and get the Alliance secretariat up and running by the beginning of 2017. The Alliance members will help firm up the Code of Conduct, and will commit to doing your social service work within the framework of the Alliance. We believe that a first Methodist Alliance Annual Forum can be planned for the second half of 2017.

With confidence, we bring the following recommendations to Conference:

#### Suggested decisions:

- 1. Receive the Working Group report and note the changes that have been made to the Founding Document in response to feedback from the Synods.
- 2. Approve the establishment of the Methodist Alliance as a Connexional body under the discipline of the Conference.
- 3. Approve the Founding Document as the initial basis for the formation of the Methodist Alliance (see the APPENDIX to this report)
- 4. Encourage all Methodist-linked groups engaged in social service and social justice work, including Methodist, Union and Cooperating parishes, to join the Alliance
- 5. Formally disestablish MMA and thank its members for their valuable work over many years
- 6. Approve membership of the Methodist Alliance Steering Committee

In our June report to Synods, we asked the following questions:

- 1. Do you support the overall "direction of travel" the Establishment Working Group is taking?
- 2. Do you think the proposed theological principles/ values/ goals are right for our Church in NZ in 2016 and onwards?
- 3. Do you support the proposed mix of practical support/ professional linkage/ theological work/ Connexional connectedness which the Working Group outlines?
- 4. Do you think the proposed size and location of a small secretariat for the Alliance is right?
- 5. Do you believe the proposed funding levels and membership costs are appropriate?
- 6. Are there any elements in the draft Code of Conduct that need major revision, addition or deletion?
- 7. What are the parishes or Church-based groups in your synod area that you will encourage to become engaged in the Alliance?

As a result of responses from Synods, as well as other groups around the Connexion, the Establishment Working Group made a number of changes to the Founding Document. These included:

- An explicit reference to Union and Cooperating Parishes we believe that cooperating ventures would benefit from a link to the Alliance, and that this would enhance, not clash with, any links they had with other denominational social service networks.
- Regarding the location of the Alliance secretariat, we agree there should be flexibility in terms of location and dependant on where the right person for the job is situated. We amended the Founding Document accordingly.
- We have included an explicit acknowledgement of the importance of both ordained and lay people being part of the Alliance leadership. (We have already made use of the idea of "theological panel" as part of the work of setting up the Alliance.)
- We added a specific reference to the Social Principles of the Church, which were adopted by Conference in 2015.
- We have added references which make it clear that the Alliance is a Connexional body accountable to and under the ultimate governance of the Methodist Conference. We also have added a Goal "to undertake any tasks given to it by the Methodist Conference"
- We have confirmed the likely level of annual cost to parishes \$100 or \$150 for most and have begun preparing a budget which we believe is both adequate to do the work and realistically priced for Alliance members
- We agreed that any more detailed changes to the Code of Conduct should be done by the members themselves.

# APPENDIX

#### Founding Document of the Methodist Alliance

#### The Methodist Alliance

The Methodist Alliance is a formal alliance of all Methodist Missions, parish and community based social services and Trusts.

#### Vision

A just and inclusive society in which all people flourish

#### Mission

The Methodist Alliance is grounded in the Methodist Church of New Zealand/ Te Hāhi Weteriana o Aotearoa's commitment to Te Tiriti o Waitangi and the bi-cultural journey. The Treaty of Waitangi is the covenant establishing our nation on the basis of a power-sharing relationship, and will guide how the Methodist Alliance undertakes its mission.

The Mission of the Methodist Alliance is to commend and affirm the journey from ka mate (death in the midst of life) to ka ora (life in the midst of death) and will be nourished by our Methodist theological understandings.

#### Goals

The Methodist Alliance will

- Work towards a bi-cultural future for Aotearoa New Zealand
- Support the work of members, through the promotion of best practice and high ethical and professional standards
- Leverage the collective skills, experience, imagination and resources to work towards building a just and inclusive society
- Increase the visibility of the work being undertaken by the Methodist Church of New Zealand/ Te Hāhi Weteriana o Aotearoa, and the capacity to influence public policy
- Ensure that the voice of those without power is heard and that the conditions that perpetuate injustice are confronted

- Adhere to, and action, the Social Principles of the Methodist Church of New Zealand/ Te Hāhi Weteriana o Aotearoa
- Enable members to work openly and collectively
- Celebrate the diversity of its members
- Undertake any other tasks as given to it by Methodist Conference

#### Membership

Membership is open to all social services that run in conjunction with all parts of the Methodist Church of New Zealand - Te Hāhi Weteriana o Aotearoa. It includes:

- All Methodist Missions
- All Methodist and Cooperating Venture/ Union parishes who are engaged in social service or community work
- All Trusts and Community based social services associated with a Methodist or Cooperating Venture/ Union Church (with a Methodist component).

Membership is voluntary and all members must meet the rights and obligations of membership.

#### **Theological Principles**

As part of the Methodist Church of New Zealand/ Te Hāhi Weteriana o Aotearoa, the following theological principles underpin our work:

We believe:

- God has called us to stewardship of all of creation and we recognise God's loving presence among all people at all times. It is the love of God that empowers us in our struggles towards justice and unity and calls us to stand in solidarity with those who are struggling
- that Christ leads us to affirm the dignity and worth of every human being
- that we are bound in covenant relationship with tangata whenua and we seek to live as people of the Treaty
- that for us the Good News of Jesus Christ contains the message that will promote effectively the regeneration and reconstruction of society
- in the words of John Wesley,
  - that our faith in God means loving God with all our heart, soul and strength and loving every soul that God has made
  - there is no holiness but social holiness; personal holiness is for changing the world, not just the individual
- in the integrity and the inter-dependence of all creation and therefore we are required to live as stewards of life and work in connected ways
- that all of life is infused with an inherent dignity and worth in the sight of God and we seek engagement in activities which transform dehumanising and depersonalising social behaviour
- that together with others, we are called to bring hope, work for equity and justice and challenge unjust systems and structures

Values are derived from these principles and include:

Respect for people – and every person's unique value Inclusive of all - ensuring that appropriate services recognise the diversity of peoples Social justice – inequality, unfairness and exclusion will be challenged Integrity - actions speak louder than words Partnership – strength is found in cooperation Empowerment– every person deserves the chance for choice and change Sustainability – we are here for the long haul

#### Code of Conduct<sup>1</sup>

As part of being a member of the Alliance, all members agree to the Alliance's Code of Conduct, and commit themselves to adhere to it.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Code of Conduct will be further developed by the founding members of the Alliance.

#### 1. How we work as organisations

As members of the Methodist Alliance, we commit ourselves in the following ways:

- uphold the vision, mission and values of the Alliance
- commit to best practice in all of their work
- to be a learning organisation; reflecting and growing
- aspire always that our work is community and client-led
- meet any professional requirements of appropriate professional bodies
- follow all legal requirements for their work
- ensure that staff and volunteers are treated fairly and with dignity and that the requirements of employment legislation are met
- adhere to Health and Safety requirements
- be transparent in all financial matters and adhere to required accounting practice
- act with the highest integrity in all of their work
- co-brand with the Methodist Alliance logo according to the co-branding policy

#### 2. How we work together

In working together as members of the Methodist Alliance, we commit ourselves to:

- respect the mandate of each organisation and associated governance and management structure
- support each other to provide the best quality service within available resources
- look for opportunities to collaborate, strengthen and profile each other's work
- be transparent with each other, including making available strategic plans, appropriate reports and financial documents
- contribute to the Alliance as appropriate through participation in forums, sharing analyses, learnings and resources.
- raise any concerns about the work of a member organisation directly with the member if possible. If not, follow the Alliance's disputes resolution mechanism to address the concern or conflict.

#### **Rights of Membership**

Members of the Alliance have the right to:

- participate in the annual forum of the Alliance
- participate in other meetings/ forums of the Alliance
- co-brand with the name and logo of the Methodist Alliance (according to the co-branding policy)
- access the resources and programmes of the Alliance.

#### **Obligations of Membership**

Every member organisation (Parish or Mission) will continue to have their own governance body which sets and oversees their organisation's strategic direction.

Members of the Alliance must:

- adhere to the Alliance Code of Conduct
- participate in the Alliance as appropriate
- co-brand with the name and logo of the Methodist Alliance (according to the co-branding policy)
- make a financial contribution to the work of the Alliance (according to a sliding scale of fees that will not preclude any organisation from participating).

#### **Decision making**

Decision making will be by consensus in accordance with the practice of The Methodist Church of New Zealand/ Te Hāhi Weteriana o Aotearoa. Processes will be developed to ensure that decisions are able to be made in a timely manner.

#### Governance

The Methodist Alliance is accountable to the Conference of the Methodist Church of New Zealand/ Te Hāhi Weteriana o Aotearoa. It will be governed by:

#### 1. Alliance Forum

This forum provides an opportunity for all members to participate. It will be held annually with the following purposes:

- An opportunity to celebrate the work that is being done by individual members and collectively as the Methodist Alliance
- An opportunity to network, learn from each other and explore possible new joint initiatives together
- Evaluating key and emerging work and organisational issues for different Alliance members
- Provide space to reflect theologically on the work of the Alliance members and the issues being addressed by them
- Review Aotearoa/NZ context, including changes in Government policy
- Recommend to the Conference any changes to the founding documents of the Alliance
- Approve the overall strategic direction of the Alliance

The Alliance Forum will usually be held annually and will rotate to different parts of the country to enable maximum participation from members.

#### 2. Steering Group/Committee

The Steering Group will be appointed by the Methodist Conference. Ideally it will include an appointed number of Chairs and Executive Directors (or equivalent) from the Missions, people from cultural and geographical Synods, Parish Community Workers, representation from Te Taha Maori (as they determine) and others with appropriate skills. Members of this group will be both lay and ordained and come from different geographical regions and would reflect the diversity of the Alliance membership. They would be responsible for bringing concerns/ issues from the regions or groupings, but are not delegates or bound representatives; rather they are there for the good of the whole Alliance. Functions of the Steering Group would include:

- Ensuring implementation of the Strategic Plan
- Acting as employer for any Alliance staff
- Receiving reports from Alliance working groups
- Identifying new pieces of work to be undertaken
- Setting annual budget; receiving financial reports and monitoring finances
- Brand management
- Establishing Alliance policy and protocols
- Accepting new members
- Setting the annual financial contributions from members
- Reporting to Conference
- Appointing a Convenor

#### 3. Secretariat

A small Secretariat will support the coordination and administration of the Alliance. Functions would include:

- Building relationships with, and networking of, Alliance members
- Coordination of the Alliance work programme
- Ensuring that the Alliance is continuously engaged in theological reflection and discourse
- Providing pastoral care to Alliance members as required
- Being a link between the Alliance and the Connexion
- Providing administrative support for Alliance meetings
- Facilitating support for groups in the Church who wish to begin, review or change their social services work
- Supporting/co-ordinating bids for national contracts
- Providing support to any Alliance workgroups
- Facilitating information sharing

- Handling and directing external enquiries and relationships
- Overseeing brand management, communications and marketing
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The location of the Secretariat can be flexible. However, the Coordinator will need to have a strong and visible presence amongst other Connexional leaders (Auckland and Christchurch) as well as a regular presence in Wellington to meet with other Sector leaders and with Government.

#### Funding the Alliance

The Alliance's costs will be set out in an annual budget prepared by the Steering Group and discussed with members each year. The budget will be funded by the Alliance members according to a sliding scale fee structure. Initially, this will be:

- 1. Organisations with an income under \$100 000 per annum will contribute \$100 per year
- 2. Organisations with an income between \$100 000 and \$250 000 will contribute \$150 per year
- Organisations with an income greater than \$250 000 per year will contribute a percentage of the Alliance's costs based on the size of their own income (as currently happens with Methodist Mission Aotearoa (MMA).

#### **This Document**

This Founding Document is a 'living document', meaning that it will be further refined as the Methodist Alliance grows and develops. Changes will be discussed at an Annual Forum, and recommended to the Methodist Conference.

# **METHODIST MISSION AOTEAROA**

This is the last report of the social services agencies that comprise of Methodist Mission Aotearoa. The new 'Alliance' entity will umbrella and guide the wide spectrum of this aspect of the Church's mission in the future.



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#### METHODIST MISSION NORTHERN

2016 is a transition year for Methodist Mission Northern, but

nurtured in the on-going work of Airedale Property Trust and Lifewise. Our family of three Trusts has enjoyed a year of 'default finding', looking at who we are, what we each do, what we each contribute to the wellbeing of this family as it engages with a city, region, nation and world of radical diversity, great gaps in social and economic equity and as a result 'boils of dispeace' are having their way with us globally and so close to home.

Our family of Trusts has been engaging in community life at many levels, on the street and in 'car boots', in parishes wanting to rediscover mission in their own back yard, in civic authorities and high levels of government policy making. Each in our own way, using the connections that we have forged, have been challenging communities and leaders of influence, to become open and aware of the pathways to disaster that many in Aotearoa are on, through no fault of their own. We have become used to 'beneficiary blaming', we have become immune to privilege and celebrity advantage as we have hidden in our piety and behind processes and procedures of Church polity.

Learning the language, learning the science of community led development is crucial in the ongoing mission of the Gospel in our cities, towns and villages. And then learning to tell the stories, talking about changed lives and communities as a result of our engagement becomes the task.

Relationship building with our values of love making, forgiveness, reconciliation, inclusiveness in diversity, the invitation to enjoy radical and generous hospitality is crucial, but even more important is our willingness to respond to invitations from our communities to engage, meet, partner, collaborate. These invitations will come quickly as it is noticed that we thrive on relationship building, loving and developing the soul of community life. It is exciting that we have leaders in Parishes and Synods working in collaboration with Methodist Mission Northern and its family of Trust on our missional journey.

Consideration of the northern region, in particular Auckland, not only as a super city, but one of super diversity, super disparity in social and economic reality is before us every day. The Mission faces choices of application of finite resources that need to be used to address complex social issues in a context not known in other Aotearoa New Zealand communities, but also recognizing the infinite resources of 'people goodness' within our Connexion.

Sustainability in mission is crucial. Stewardship of resources entrusted to us by the historic connexion needs to be honoured moving forward. New opportunities should not be avoided because of unsustainable ventures that tempt us to 'hang in there', when new ways of achieving a just and equitable society is possible.

We are fortunate that we have so many amazing staff who thrive on the values and ethos of our Mission, and share their skills in our communities. Our staff appointments reflect a spectrum of community backgrounds. In the Gospel tradition of discovering truth, neighbourliness, caregivers and so on, beyond the confines of our own tradition, continues to be an important reality of our practice. Folk who have 'lived experience' of injustice and social exclusion, 'live' specialist skills in showing us how to address the ills manifest in our communities.

The growing presence of Splice in the Auckland City Centre bears witness to innovative mission that harvests goodwill for social infrastructure development that will make our City Centre a great place for residents, business and those who play in our back yard. When hospitality, invitation, gracious inclusiveness have their way, we experience a willingness to build a soulful community.

Methodist Mission Northern is a family, a growing healthy family, Splicing compassionate mission, courageous and tempered by integrity and respect, turning lives around, building strong communities in the way of the Nazarene, in whose way of life we discover justice, freedom and peace.

#### Lifewise

Lifewise has had a busy and productive year with growth in a number of areas. This overview is provided under the goals of the organisation.

We are known for:

#### Our Methodist Ethos and Values

- Dr Julia Ioane joined our Board in early 2016. Julia is a psychologist specializing in vulnerable children and families and a lecturer at the Auckland University of Technology.
- We successfully campaigned with Youthline, the Dingwall Trust and others to have the age of support for children in care lifted from 17 to 18.
- The Chief Executive is on the Board of Community Housing Aotearoa and we work with Airedale Property Trust to support social and community housing projects across the region.
- We promote neighborliness through Neighbours Day Aotearoa which continues to grow across New Zealand with record numbers participating in the March Neighbours Day weekend.

#### Advancing Social and Economic Exclusion

• We provide a residential mental health and addictions service in Rotorua. Our Karangahape Rd services include Merge Café, where we provide housing and other support for people experiencing homelessness.

- We have launched Auckland's first Housing First project a new approach to housing long term homeless people.
- We have led the development of the Rotorua Homelessness Action Plan and are working with Te Arawa on its implementation.
- We continue to house young people (16-25) year olds in our youth transition service and support them into education, employment and other pathways.
- We have initiated a research project with Auckland University of Auckland on the cost of homelessness.
- We have received Data Futures funding from government to develop a framework for identifying the cost benefit of housing people who are homeless.

#### Supporting Family Resilience and Community Connection

- We provide Family Services in New Lynn including parenting support, counselling and housing support. We work with children and families in foster care. We provide early childhood education in low income communities where early childhood education enrolments are low. This includes partnering with parishes to run a Samoan language and Tongan language ECE. We provide homecare support and support to people with disabilities to enable them to live independently at home.
- We have developed a service that keeps sibling groups together and with their parents while under a CYFS notification. We hope this service will demonstrate more positive ways of working with families.
- Our new Early Childhood Centre in Massey continues to grow and we have built a specialist centre in Glen Eden. This centre will work with children who have experienced trauma in their lives. Our Early Childhood Centres are built in partnership with local parishes.

#### Sustainability in Terms of finance, workforce, and environmental impact

- Our Homecare service continues to be an employer of choice in the industry due to our staff engagement, our terms and conditions and our investment in work force development.
- We are rolling out a new workplace wellbeing programme Te Ara Ora designed by staff.
- We are implementing new software projects in our Health and Disability Services to ensure service decisions are made with the best possible information.
- On Thursday 7 July, the 7th annual Lifewise Big Sleepout saw 135 of Auckland's most influential movers and shakers brave one cold, wet wintry night to sleep out and raise funds to help Lifewise end homelessness. There was thunder and lightning as the weather put on a display that only highlighted how vulnerable the city's homeless are to the elements and how difficult it can be to remain warm and dry without a home.
- With a grand total of \$ 333,489.87 raised, this has been an incredibly successful event and will contribute greatly to Lifewise's Housing First initiatives to end homelessness.
- The next big event in Lifewise's 2016 calendar is the Lifewise Big Community Sleepout Rotorua in October. This year the event has been separated from the Auckland Lifewise Big Sleepout and given a new name that better represents the community-based spirit of the event. Our goal is to ensure Lifewise Rotorua gets more focus, more media coverage and, as a result, hopefully more donations.

#### **Airedale Property**

In 2016, at a time when there is a severe housing shortage in Auckland, Airedale Property Trust (Airedale) is making progress in housing people in retirement, social and community housing.

The redevelopment of the Everil Orr Retirement Village in Mt Albert, Auckland will revitalize a village that no longer meets the needs of an ageing population. The initial stage of the development will provide 22 apartments. The completed re- development will provide:

- 127 independent living retirement apartments with associated common amenities, parking and landscaping
- 91 bed aged care facility.

The masterplan has sought to retain and enhance the desirable qualities of the existing street frontage character, while allowing for staged redevelopment of the site to provide for a modern day

retirement village and care facility with high quality communal facilities and useable open spaces expected of such a development. In May 2016 the New Zealand Green Building Council confirmed 5 Homestar Design rating certification on Stage 1 of the development.

Airedale is an Accredited Community Housing Organisation under the Community Housing Aotearoa's Best Practice Guide (4th Edition-April 2011) and provides property development consulting services to the wider Church and in particular:

- Te Taha Maori Property Trust
- Lotofale'ia Tongan Methodist Church of Mangere
- Sinoti Samoa and St John's Ponsonby
- Manukau Auckland Synod Property Committee
- Birkenhead Parish

Airedale recognises that people in New Zealand need:

- Access to good-quality, affordable and stable rental housing;
- A strong and long-lasting partnership that enhances their housing outcome

Support and wrap around services also need to be considered as people moving into new housing bring with them a range of personal and family needs.

Back in 2011 Airedale and Lifewise made a submission to Auckland Council responding to the Auckland Unleashed – Auckland Plan Discussion Document. In our submission we pointed out that Lifewise/Airedale is concerned at the natural population 'churn' through Auckland as a result of migration. It is estimated that this equates to 70,000 people moving in or out of Auckland each year. This is compounded by the short-term nature of rental arrangements in the City creating social instability in our neighbourhoods.

Unfortunately this hasn't changed.

There are parts of the church already actively involved Social / Community Housing, however given the substantial areas of under-utilised land owned by the Church a more intentional approach is required. This would not be new, it is being led by Te Taha Moari, Vahefonua Tonga and one or two parishes.

Members of Conference have identified the need for the Church to be more involved in the provision of housing, or at least the land for housing.

#### THE EMPLOYMENT GENERATION FUND

Now entering its 25<sup>th</sup> year the trust has continued its core business of helping financially disadvantaged people develop small enterprises and create employment. Some points to note during the year to 30 June 2016:

- Started in 2015, the fund completed an extensive appraisal of its targeted area of employment creation and support, and the need for this type of funding has been re-validated. At the same time, the review has been exploring new models of financial support to help it achieve its own sustainability.
- During the year the change of the fund working name to Microwise was completed and trade mark for the name confirmed. After its very successful first year of operation the website of the fund www.microwise.nz is undergoing an update.
- Together with other organisations and government agencies the fund has been very active in fostering the growth of social enterprise as a business model for the future.
- The level of funding activity this year has been encouraging: six advances were made totalling \$61,000, involving ten Full Time Equivalent (FTE) jobs; a small grant of \$945 was made to assist the restart of the business of a Microwise client who is disabled and confined to a wheelchair.

- If the drive to attract more financial support is successful then the opportunity to extend the services of the fund to the Waikato and Bay of Plenty regions will be re-activated, having been on hold for several years.
- Recoveries from the Auckland Mortgage Trust have made slow progress and \$5493 was received. AMT are confident that the one remaining property will be sold during the current year and business of the trust finally concluded.

LOOKING AHEAD.....

Efforts to substantially improve financial sustainability will continue, and at the same time efforts will continue to seek out individuals and ventures needing financial support.

The Trustees acknowledge and are extremely grateful for the ongoing support received from Methodist Mission Northern, both financially and in kind, without which the operation of the fund would be very difficult.

#### MINISTRY WITH THE DEAF TRUST

**Capital Growth** – We had a big boost this year when the Ecumenical Trust for Deaf People closed and transferred the balance of their funds to our account. We give thanks for the work of their Trustees and will ensure the funds continue to work for Ministry with Deaf People.

Auckland Deaf Christian Fellowship – We have progressively increased our annual grants. As the capital in our Endowment Fund grew, they moved up from \$600 in 2011 to \$3,000 in the year just completed. Our annual meeting further increased our grant to \$2,000 for the first half of this vear.

Rev Sandra Gibbons retires in January on completion of 16 years of valuable service and there is uncertainty about the future. A review of the Fellowship is planned as part of the process to consider the nature of any new appointment.

Future Financial Assistance- As a funding group we will do as much as we can to support future Ministry. Our Annual Meeting agreed tghat the substantial increase in capital enables us to offer at least \$7,500 annually and we will approach others to match this. Any donations received this year add to the possibilities, as do offerings made through the Fellowship.

#### A Special thank you to all our donors, you helped our Capital Funds grow.

Special Gift transfer of funds from Ecumenical Trust

\$83,819
\$3,000
\$1,200
\$2,950
\$2,922

Chair's Comments – This has been an encouraging year for the Trust especially because of the substantial increase in capital. We offer a tribute to the Trustees of The Ecumenical Trust for Deaf People for their many years of service and our thanks for making us heirs to their remaining funds. We can now continue their ministry and enlarge ours.

Thanks also to all who have contributed either by donation or through hours of practical work. Your efforts inspire us to greater endeavor.

#### **TAMAHERE EVENTIDE HOME TRUST**

The past 12 months again showed that the demand for our services is much higher than what we have available with all services having to manage waiting lists. The



quality of service, through dedicated staff, in a Christian environment, continues to drive our success.

#### Chaplaincy

Our Chaplaincy service continues to grow and we now employ two chaplains in a 1.2 FTE position. The chaplaincy add considerable value in the creation of a supportive Christian community at Tamahere Eventide. The provision of pastoral care as well as church service to the residents is a key component of our service.

#### Staffing

We employ 88 staff members at present. This includes registered nurses, enrolled nurses, caregivers, chefs, gardeners, maintenance, quality and training, drivers, accountants and management support staff. A considerable focus is placed on training staff and the majority of staff, including management has completed dementia unit standards.

We offer the following New Zealand Certificates courses through Careerforce, our industry training organisation:

- Health & Wellbeing Advanced Support (Level 2,3 and 4)
- Diversional Therapy (Level 4)
- Cleaning (Level 2 and 3)
- Foundation Skills (Level 2)
- Residential Limited Credit Programme (Dementia) (Level 4)

Staff participate very well and improve service levels through completion of the above. Service quality is underpinned by good training. For many of the staff this is a first qualification gained after limited schooling.

#### Site Development

The retirement village of 108 villas and a community centre is now fully developed. An adjoining site was acquired during the year and will provide for an expansion of 20 villas.

Architectural design was completed for the construction of a hospital service of 48 beds and 34 apartments. The application for a resource consent was logged with the Waikato District Council.

Conversion of a rest home care wing to a dementia care service of 21 beds was completed in October 2015 and is now fully occupied.

The total number of residents on site at present is 239 with a further 48 day programme clients living in the community.

#### Services provided

- Rest Home Care
- Dementia Care
- Retirement Village Day Programme
- Café
- Rental apartments

#### **New Initiatives**

- Nursing Students: During the past year we started a Dedicated Education Unit in conjunction with WINTEC and the Waikato DHB, which focus on nursing student placements of four weeks in our service, to develop an interest in Aged Care as a nursing career. Tamahere Eventide received an award from WINTEC for this project.
- New Graduate Nurses (NETP): We also provide placements for new graduate nurses into practice which further expands our contact into the community to improve the experience in Aged Care as a possible long term career.

#### General

Our ability to continue our developments are considerably hampered by NZTA and Waikato District Council in obtaining resource and building consents. The development of the Hamilton section of State Highway 1 of 21.8km limits us in developing the Hospital and expansion of our Village. The highway is expected to open in mid-2020, after which our road frontage will be no longer on SH1 but a district council road. We will continue our efforts to be allowed to build earlier than 2020.

Website: <u>www.tamahere.co.nz</u> Please have a look at our website for additional information.

#### METHODIST CITY ACTION

For the Calendar Year to end of June 2016:

- 774 contacts through our Cookery programmes
- 889 meals served in the Community Meal.
- 315 Showers provided
- 118 food parcels given out to feed 177 people
- 301 volunteer hours contributed

It has been a very busy 2016.

The illness of a much loved and busy team member, who was running a number of programmes for us has been a big blow to the team and to the organisation. Recruitment is compounded by the challenge to find highly skilled people, able to work with the very vulnerable in the community, who are willing to work very part time hours. It has taken some time to find the right people, with the right skills, who fit the team.

We have been blessed to attract Gaylene Pluck, an OT who is now the tutor for the Art and Craft Class and the Brain Gym+ group. Both of these classes cater to our disability client groups. Gaylene also (in her spare time) runs Joy Ministries on a Sunday out of Central Baptist Church. We have also been joined by John Lockley, who has been an education lecturer at Waikato University and is the Chairperson of Te Whanau Potahi in Oxford St (one of our sister faith based social service organisations). John is an experienced Aerobics Instructor and was happy to share his gifts with us as our Fitness and Fun Instructor.

Jenny Hobson, our Cookery Tutor / Chef has stepped into the role of Kitchen Facilitator for the Community Meal, and has supported one of our cookery class students Robbie Karikari to step up to volunteering in the Meal Prep.

Wendy Nickalls continues in her role as the Coordinator, and John Berry is approaching 21 years of service to MCA as the Indoor Team Sports Tutor.

We have also created a new role this year for a Community Development Worker and employed Joel Gilmore. Joel has been active in a number of roles in the Community, he coordinates the Community Garden at Waimarie and is a Local Assistant with People First, promoting self-advocacy for people with Learning Disability.

Cookery continues to be our most popular programme and we have had 5 groups running this year. Participants come from a range of organisations, including, Community Living Ltd, ConnexU, Life Unlimited, as well as private individuals. This year we have had Tindall funding to cover the costs of clients from PARS (Prisoners Aid and Rehabilitation Society) and we have completed our first 6 week module with an intake group. They have commented that they felt welcomed and accepted by all our staff, and that not only did they learn cookery skills, but the class had also helped one lady to bond with her young son, as they now sit down and discuss what they are eating, how to make it, and are doing more food preparation together in the kitchen.

#### SOCIAL JUSTICE

We have reaffirmed in our status as an Accredited Living Wage Employer, through Living Wage Aotearoa.

Wages and the lack thereof indirectly remains a significant social issue, in Hamilton and across the country. Low income makes it challenging to gain appropriate housing, and even more challenging when there is serious lack of affordable housing. This in turn makes it more challenging to pay the bills and to buy nourishing food. The stress of housing insecurity and keeping up with the bills in turn can create a whole swag of other social issues; health, mental health, domestic violence...

The challenge for MCA, and for other social service agencies in Hamilton and across the nation is how to best address the issues, how to best support those who are experiencing hardship without creating dependence, and how to ensure that the government doesn't just delegate the whole mess into the laps of the Community sector.

We continue to work with a broad range of agencies across the city, and all services are stretched and staff are struggling.

Housing in Hamilton continues to be an issue. We are now part of the 'golden triangle' of Auckland, Hamilton, Tauranga where housing prices continue to escalate, and there is a need for more affordable and appropriate rental accommodation. We are hearing about tenants who have to vacate as their house has been sold, and more often we hear this is to Auckland buyers who will then commute to work. Any savings they may have made towards a deposit are then sucked up in moving costs.

As an agency we have not seen a marked increase in people seeking accommodation as they can't rent in Auckland, though we have seen more people living in cars temporarily. Unfortunately there are no easy solutions, and we are not in a position to be able to provide housing or associated services ourselves.

In my position as Director I also continue to be involved with the Board of the Hamilton Christian Nightshelter Trust, and as a Trustee on the Hamilton Combined Christian Foodbank Trust.

We run a Community Meal every Monday and are significantly supported by the Korean and Taiwanese communities through their volunteerism to prepare the meal. Our numbers fluctuate, and we are currently host 50-60 guests each week. They have given us feedback recently about the reasons they come to the meal. Acceptance, to meet their friends, to help stretch the budget, they don't know how to cook for themselves, its healthier than they can eat at home, they feel welcome.

We are currently negotiating with a Health Provider to have a free GP on site for two hours on a Monday. This would be a great addition to our service provision around the Community Meal.

Our most recent highlight has been the joint preparation of all the Cookery classes to create a Family Open Day event. Staff were overwhelmed by the attendance of around 70 parents and family members of our cookery students. We had expected about half that number. Students got to show off their skills and staff were able to meet parents and discuss students progress. It was a delightful day, and I was super impressed by how well organised the students were in the kitchen, assuming leadership roles and working together as a team, and with such pride in their presentation.

Our ongoing challenge is to find the funding keep our classes low cost for participants.

We rely on and appreciate funding from the Hamilton Methodist Trust and the Tidd Foundation, and from Hamilton and Hamilton East Methodist Parishes to cover our general operational costs and then apply for community and philanthropic funding to help us with all other areas of our services. We compete with many other social services and community agencies.

#### Suggested decisions for MMN:

- 1. The report is received
- 2. The 2017 Methodist Mission Northern Board membership be: Marion Hines (Chair), Rev Prince Devanandan, Keith Hopner, David Hunt, Rev Rex Nathan, Aarif Rasheed, Tara Solomon, Rev Uesifili Unasa, Rev Marilyn Welch, Greg Wright and further members to be appointed by the President
- 3. Conference notes that Rev Prince Devanandan has taken leave of absence from the Methodist Mission Northern Board during his term as President.
- 4. The Lifewise Trust Board membership for 2017 be: Marion Hines (Chair), Peter Glensor, Mark Gosche, Dr Katherine Ravenswood, Dr Julia Ioane, Tayyaba Khan, Rohan MacMahon and further members to be appointed by the President.
- 5. The 2017 Airedale Property Trust Board membership be: Warren Chapman, Mel Easton, Hedy Huang, David Hunt, Prof Keith Hooper, John Murray, Sue McKinnon, Christina van Bohemen, Greg Wright, and further members to be appointed by the President.
- 6. The 2017 Microwise Trust Board membership be: Angus Fletcher, Warren Dalzell, John Fraser, Terry Hoskins, Bryce Nicholls.
- 7. The 2017 Ministry to the Deaf Board membership be: Barry Neal, Peter Grundy, Kathy Hohepa, Jean Masters and Glenn Schischka
- 8. The 2017 Methodist City Action Board (Hamilton) membership be: Anne Preston (Chair), Rachel Caldwell, John Murray, Metui Tafuna
- 9. The 2017 membership of the Tamahere Eventide Home be: Beverley Attrill, George Diprose, Emma Falconer, Neville Jack, Ken Olsen, Peter Schaare, Shane Vanin, John Walsh and Leeanne Wilson.

#### VAHEFONUA TONGA METHODIST MISSION CHARITABLE TRUST

The Vahefonua Tonga O Aotearoa continues to strive forward with the Holy Spirit in its collective journey with the 36 congregations under its governing wing.

Over the last inter-conference period 2015-2016, Vahefonua Tonga Mission has achieved a number of milestones including:

(Secretary)

#### 1. Appointment of new Trustees.

The SIAOLA Board of Trustees underwent a capacity building phase which resulted in the nomination and selection of new active members to govern the work of SIAOLA. The new Board of Trustees are:

- i. Rev Tevita Makovina Finau (Chairperson)
- ii Viliami Liava'a
- iii. Rev Moimoi 'Ahau Kaufononga
- iv. Dr Melenaite Taumoefolau
- v. Kathleen Tuai Ta'ufo'ou

vi. Senorita Laukau vii. 'Etuini Talakai viii. Paula Taumoepeau

#### 2. Strategic Planning

With the assistance of David Hanna, SIAOLA also completed a draft Strategic Plan (which is being refined) to guide its work between year 2016 and 2020. This work identified the need to build SIAOLA's capacity based on its existing strengths including establishing a national office with staff to manage, coordinate and deliver key services of need to our members and wider Tongan community. The Ministry of Social Development (MSD) has given SIAOLA some funding to support this capacity building and delivery of some primary preventative social services with the focus on family violence, domestic violence and vulnerable children. This work will continue to grow and strengthened in the next few years.

#### 3. Education and Training Expo 2016 (Expo)

The Expo was fielded in January in Auckland with great support of 34 participated organisations displaying their information and networking, including education and training institutions, health and social services providers. This year, we allocated a designated space



for the Early Childhood Education (ECE) to encourage parents to consider enrolling their children in early learning. It was estimated that over 500 participants went through the stalls. The next Expo is scheduled for the 3<sup>rd</sup> of December 2016. SIAOLA is planning to collaboratively work with church leaders of other Tongan denominations, to encourage more participation and exposure of the Expo to the wider Tongan community. The reach of this work is going to expand.

#### 4. Gisborne Roadshow

Similar to the Expo in Auckland, SIAOLA carried out a roadshow in Gisborne in November 2015 for the very first time. The purpose was to provide a one-stop-shop for parents, youth and students for the opportunity to network and discuss with service providers appropriate career pathways and subject choices as well as enrolling students into course of their choice. Parents and youth were also engaged in in-depth group talanoa/discussions about family violence and bullying, and health. The level of awareness about these social issues was raised and embraced by the participants.

The Roadshow programme is planned to continue for communities in need outside of Auckland.

#### 5. Primary Prevention Programme – Social Sector

SIAOLA was working in partnership with TOKO Collab on delivering suicide prevention workshops for youth and parents of Vahefonua congregations and others. Suicide is a critical issue amongst the Tongan community and through this work we expect to raise the awareness about suicide and reduce the number of suicide cases.

Vahefonua Mission, through SIAOLA, will continue to strengthen and improve the spiritual and social services in its endeavour to make a difference in the wellbeing of its sphere of influence. With the help of the Holy Spirit, we are empowered to strive to *Let the Children Live*, and support the *It's Not OK Campaign*.

#### Suggested decisions:

- 1. That the report be received
- 2. That the Board of Trustees for the Vahefonua Tonga Methodist Mission Charitable Trust are: Reverend Tevita Makovina Finau (*Chairperson*), Viliami Liava'a (*Secretary*), Reverend Moimoi 'Ahau Kaufononga, Dr Melenaite Taumoefolau, Kathleen Tuai Ta'ufo'ou, Senorita Laukau, 'Etuini Talakai, and Paula Taumoepeau

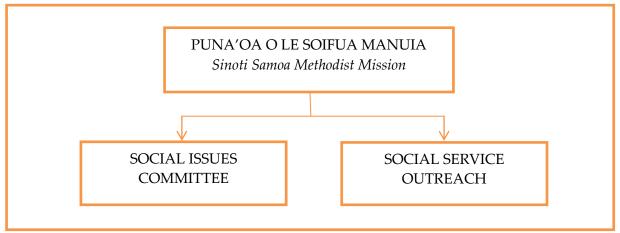
#### SINOTI SAMOA METHODIST MISSION

#### 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 2016 is: "Le Atua o le Alofa, fa'atutumuina i matou i lou alofa – God of love, fill us with your love". 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



The past year has seen the continued growth of the *Sinoti Samoa Methodist Mission (SSMM)*. This has seen the continued operation of ministry and mission of the synod to its local Parishes and the surrounding communities.

The roles and responsibilities under this structure have continued the Regional Workshops focusing on *Family Violence, Anger Management & Suicide Prevention*; furthermore, these now include branching out into Anti-Smacking Bill, Brain Development, Vulnerable Children's Act, Youth Courts and Cultural Identity and Foetal Alcohol Disorder Syndrome.

Together with the outreach focus on issues surrounding: Housing, Social Justice, Food Bank, New Zealand Immigration, Pacific Education and more.

#### Waka Hourua Community Fund

Puna'oa has been fortunate enough to receive financial assistance through the *Waka Hourua Community Fund* which contributed a total of \$20,000 to provide Workshops around *suicide prevention* throughout the Sinoti Samoa context. This has assisted in the workshops being implemented through Congregations and Parishes. There is still some work with the Funding Contractors on the appropriate use of the funds for our programmes as outlined in our grant application, however, our final report has been presented outlining the work and efforts in attaining these funds.

#### New Zealand Housing Summit

At its Board Meeting in March it was approved that Rev. Faleatua Faleatua and Alaelua Malesala attend this event on behalf of Puna'oa and Sinoti Samoa in April this year. They reported back on how amazing this event was and the many learnings that could be taken from it that would be of great benefit to Sinoti Samoa. However, in hindsight, there is a lot of work that needs to be to both understand and educate in relation to Housing and the complexities that affect many people as recently seen on television. The Board is committed to share as much information as possible in order for Sinoti to be better equipped.

#### GPS Conference – Le Va



At its Board Meeting in March it was agreed that the Board would fund the attendance of the Convenor and the Secretary to this Conference in April this year. The intent was to provide an opportunity for professional development as the Ofisa as they undertake the helm at this time. In addition, the intention was to also add to the strategies of the Board to network and foster relationships with various organisations that might assist in work that we implement.

The programme was very vibrant, right from the Opening Ceremony to the Closing Ceremony. There was a wide range of workshops and plenary sessions

together with a variety of entertainment. The Ofisa engaged in many opportunities to see what various other organisations did and their approach, but more importantly how this would be of benefit to both Puna'oa and Sinoti Samoa. Although the programme was heavy with information, it was exciting to listen to the number Doctors and students educating the masses about their field of work including Suicide Prevention, Mental Health and Public Health. What was more exciting was seeing a number of young people lead, share and inspire the young people within New Zealand.

#### Strategy 2016 - 2018

After its meeting in March, the board have outlined its strategy and focus for the next three years including but not limited to: Health, Education and Social Development. In implementing this work, the Board, together with the work and programmes of KSI and SSO will utilise the following resources: Leo o le Malamalama, Quarterly E-Newsletter and Government submissions, whilst also building networks and relationships and sustaining its finances long-term.

#### MAFUTAGA A TAMA'ITA'I

Our National Women's Fellowship is in consistent 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 biannual 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.

#### Survival Kits

The current list is a guideline to all Congregations and Parishes in times of hardship especially during natural disasters and hazards. We do not know when these will occur or where we will be, however, being prepared could be the difference between survival and death. That is why the Mafutaga Tama'ita'i will be using their annual showcase of crafts to instead provide for Congregations and Parishes, survival kits that will be continuously monitored in light of any tragedies that might occur up and down the country.

#### TUPULAGA TALAVOU

The Tupulaga Talavou (or Youth) of Sinoti Samoa have completed its seventh *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. The programme was held during the month of February in South Auckland.

The theme for this event was: "Step up; Step in; Step out" with the intention to equip young people with the knowledge of what leadership is and how it can be better understood; the importance of having a vision and mission, and how these allow for engagement to be defined and developed; and the importance of strategy after being equipped, knowing that it begins and starts with us.

#### Vision, Mission & Strategy 2016 - 2019 VISION: "GROW: God Renews Our Walk"

So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him, <sup>7</sup> rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness. (Colossians 2 6:7)



**MISSION:** <u>Return</u> to your first love. <u>Revive</u> our spiritual journey. <u>Reuse</u> the tools that have been implemented in the work of Tupulaga and to build on the legacy for future generations.

#### STRATEGY:

To have a deeper understanding of our Methodist Heritage To build, maintain and sustain our faith in Gods purpose To explore the role and place of our aganu'u (culture) in our daily spiritual journey. To encourage proactive service in our Ministry to ensure a God-centered heart.

#### Suggested decisions:

- 1. That the report is received.
- 2. That the Board Members are: Filo Tu (Convenor), Malavai P-Misikei, Olive Amani Tanielu, Malesala Malesala and Faleatua Faleatua.

#### WESLEY COMMUNITY ACTION

Mission - Just and Caring Communities.

#### Looking back on last year we learned

#### • More people are on the margins - our mission is growing

The impact of on-going tightening of criteria and more punitive approaches are forcing more people into desperate situations. The housing crisis is just one visible expression of this very concerning trend.

- We need to be more innovative and this involves risks New approaches and solutions to the growing problems are needed – more 'old' thinking is of limited value. These solutions need to be shaped by the people experiencing the hardship and will require all parts of the system to be open to change. Wesley is committed to this innovative approach.
- Wesley is an organisation working in the service of 'the people' This is very different to being a social service delivery organisation.
- It is hard to engage the Church in Mission Despite the nice intentional words on addressing poverty it is hard to generate support from Parishes and the Church for our work.

#### Looking to the future – the challenges and opportunities

• Financial deficit

Wesley had a large deficit (\$437k) for the 2015/16 financial year. This is not sustainable. We understand what is driving the deficit and have strategies to address this situation – though note it will take a few years. Key to addressing this debt is investing in Wesleyhaven Village to lift the occupancy levels.

• Working as a part of the 'Alliance' of Methodist Agencies WCA looks forward to working as a part of the Methodist Alliance to build on strengths and increase our effectiveness.

• Creatively responding to Government policy and proactively modeling innovation Wesley will respond to changes in govt policy and continue to develop new approaches informed by feedback from the people we work with and research findings.

• Leadership by the Church in re-distributing Wealth How can the Church exercise leadership in re-distributing wealth? The growing inequality is a significant blot on our social landscape. The Churches significant wealth in its land provides a creative opportunity to lead by example.

More details found at <u>www.wesleyca.org.nz</u>

#### Suggested decisions:

The Board of Wesley Community recommends that Conference:

 Membership of the Board be for 2017 be: Peter Glensor (Chair), Rev Hiueni Nuku, Senorita Laukau, Trish Hall, Fuailelagi Saleupolu, Colin Hamlin, Kena Duignan, Murray Wu, Dr Jeremy Robertson, Rev Motekiai Fakatou



#### PALMERSTON NORTH METHODIST SOCIAL SERVICES

This year has been a year of transition and challenges. The challenges are in the increasing needs of our community and in ensuring we can survive through the year ahead to continue to play our part in meeting some of those needs. Funding is very tight and the year has ended with a significant deficit, demanding resolution and energy.

Transition has been in the management structure which has been changed from one 40 hour per week position to two 25 hour a week positions, being general manager and practice manager. There is a smaller number of staff (paid, volunteer and intern) in the counselling team but they are dedicated and the MSD contract has been successfully fulfilled and an offer made for a similar contract for the year ahead.

Transition is also occurring with a change from an Auckland-based accountant to a company in Palmerston North. An intention is that our staff will gain further skills in the Xero system and do more financial accounting in-house.

Foodbank remains an important area, both for assisting with provision of food to hard-pressed families, and for interaction with our social worker to give assistance in wider areas of need and distress. There is scope here for the social work role to further integrate our services and to enhance the 'wrap around' effect for the people we serve.

We are committed to sustaining our education role, including in the family/whanau education programmes for children together with parent or care-giver. These are carried out in collaboration with other social service agencies. Funding for these extremely important programmes is not easy to come by and we are appreciative of the cooperation of other local agencies. We also take part in the Ministry of Justice funded *Parenting Through Separation* and have partnered with Rob Hewitt to run Water Safe NZ's *Kia Maanu Kia Ora* programme. This latter programme works with young men (particularly Maori) with respect to life skills, having an emphasis on water safety and VHF radio training.

An updated strategic plan is work in progress. Our philosophy comes from the foundations of the Methodist ethos, with concern for the poor and marginalised and involvement in the social issues of the times. This is expressed in a fundamental value as, "We work with people as a driving force for positive, transformative change that enhances the wellbeing of the community". We don't separate helping individuals from working towards wider social, political and economic transformation. Believing in all people's capacity to contribute to their wellbeing, we tend to work with those with least voice and power. We believe the Treaty of Waitangi is important to positively shape the lives of all New Zealanders.

In the light of the amalgamation of Wesley Broadway Church into the Manawatu-Rangitikei Parish we have commenced work on a new Trust Deed to reflect the changed realities. There have been changes in the Board composition with Jill White as Rev Bob Franklyn's replacement, the retirement of Gillian Hunt and the co-option onto the Board of Jane Julian. The Board therefore comprises Russell Bell, Jane Julian, Cathy McCartney, John Ross, Helen Simmons and Jill White (Chair).

#### Suggested decisions:

- 1. That the report be received.
- 2. Members of the PNMSS Board for 2017 are: Russell Bell, Jane Julian, Cathy McCartney, John Ross, Helen Simmons and Jill White (Chair).

#### **CHRISTCHURCH METHODIST MISSION**



Our Vision: A just and inclusive society in which all people flourish Our Mission: To promote and enhance the dignity of all people through:

- providing compassionate care, support and empowerment of those most vulnerable in our community
- building communities, neighbourhoods and a wider society that are fair and inclusive
- challenging injustice and promoting hope

#### Dignity for Older People at WesleyCare

Stage 1 of the new WesleyCare hospital has now been open for one year with strong demand for its rooms. Residents and nurses are both looking forward to Stage 2 opening in early 2017, particularly having access to a dining room and lounge which they have managed admirably without during this year. WesleyCare continues to make a small number of rooms available for palliative care and have cared for a number of younger people who are dying.

#### A Warm, Secure and Affordable Home

Christchurch Methodist Mission (CMM) has continued to advocate that all people have the right to a warm, secure and affordable home. Post-earthquake, rental increases in Canterbury resulted in many people accruing significant debt and becoming homeless. CMM is committed to increasing its own housing stock to meet the needs of low income families and older people. This year, we have partnered with Linwood Ave Union parish and purchased 5 relocatable houses from the Government which were previously used by people having their earthquake repairs done. These houses have been moved to a section belonging to the Parish and will be made available to families who are either homeless or at risk of becoming homeless.

During the year, CMM with support from the Christchurch City Council leased 6 houses from private landlords to house families and young people who were homeless. CMM also continues to provide independent housing for 40 older individuals and couples at Wesley Village. A Residents Committee was established this year and has led to the creation of a community garden, regular trips to the supermarkets and a range of events aimed at building community.

#### Supporting Whānau to Thrive

The Mission's social workers, psychologists and budget advisor have supported approximately 1 000 children and their families/ whānau in the last year. This includes children who have been taken into care of Child, Youth and Family, their parents and foster parents. Red Cross funding for the Schools Team came to an end in June 2016. However, schools have valued this service so much that many of them asked CMM to continue providing a worker for one day per week and are contracting with CMM directly. CMM continues to offer the Wise-Up programme for children struggling with anxiety, confidence and low self-esteem and also runs parenting groups in different settings.

Aratupu, the Mission's early childhood education centre continues to provide high quality, affordable education and significant support to low income families.

#### Building Neighbourhoods Where All Can Participate and Contribute

The Wellbeing New Brighton Project, a joint venture between CMM and the New Brighton Union parish is progressing well. A team of local parents have interviewed other parents and come up with some great ideas for enabling New Brighton to be a place where all children can thrive.

#### Parishes and the Mission Working Collaboratively to Create a Just and Inclusive Society

The relationship between parishes and CMM continues to strengthen through joint neighbourhood building and housing initiatives. Parishes continue to provide strong support to the Mission's work, financially and through prayer. A group from Greymouth Parish continue to knit beautiful baby and children's garments that social workers take to the families they work with.

CMM and the Nelson/ Malborough/West Coast Synod have allocated funds from the Green Gables Trust Fund to support the work of the Victory Community Centre in Nelson and a Chaplain to support people transitioning into care.

#### Strategic Plan 2015-2018

CMM is now in the second year of its Strategic Plan. Over this four year period, CMM aims to complete WesleyCare hospital, continue to grow community housing, have a stronger emphasis on neighbourhood development and work collaboratively with parishes to create a just and inclusive society. During this period, the Mission will relocate its Social Services and Community Settings Team so that they are visible and accessible.

#### Suggested decisions:

- 1. The CMM Board for 2017 be: Garth Nowland-Foreman, Martin Hadlee, Pam Sharpe, Andrew Donaldson, Roz Wilkie, David Caygill, Ngaere Dawson and one further member to be appointed.
- 2. Conference thanks Indira Sirisena and Mary Caygill for their faithful service as members of the Christchurch Methodist Mission Board.

#### **METHODIST MISSION SOUTHERN**

E ngā iwi, e ngā karangatanga te iti me te rahi, tēnā koutou, tēnā tātou.



#### SECTION A - INFORMATION AND REPORTING BACK

In the last year the Mission has expanded our services into Invercargill, Gore, Alexandra, Queenstown, Wanaka, Balclutha, Oamaru and Timaru (the last two with the generous consent of Christchurch Methodist Mission).

We have expanded our relationships with Kaupapa Maori providers and now count A3Kaitiaki in Dunedin and Nga Kete Pounamu in Invercargill as partners. We are extremely pleased that Te Pūtahitanga o Te Waipounamu have taken over funding our Early Years Hub and look forward to working in the Whanau Ora framework.

We have fully funded 2 new programmes for at risk and low-decile youth, helping them build stronger educational outcomes (Science Kids, Science Works), and we have fully funded 2 new research projects (uptake of Early Childhood Education in the Clutha District) and Social Services' awareness of the Privacy Act.

We have fully funded work on Virtual Reality technology for teaching literacy and numeracy skills to people in prison or living in remote locations (getting age appropriate material is extremely hard). And we are one of three providers nationwide to have trial access to the government's new Integrated Data Infrastructure.

Funding is tight - we are spread too widely for our income - but we are as ready as we can be for the change coming to the sector.

#### SECTION B - OUR 2017-20 STRATEGIC PLAN: WHERE ARE WE GOING?

To be read in conjunction with the documents: *Identity – Who are We?, Behaviours – What is "Our Way"?,* and *Model of Engagement – What's Our Process?* For the period 2017-20, the Mission has 5 strategic objectives:

#### Strengthen our Partnership with Communities throughout Otago and Southland

The Mission is charged by the Methodist Church of New Zealand Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa with responsibility for the Church's social service presence throughout Otago Southland.

The Mission expects that there will be significant change throughout the sector driven by Government starting in 2016. This will present both challenges and opportunities. The Mission has a distinct and leading edge quality assurance and productivity management system – QualityWorks – and a strong model for collaboration with other providers and in communities where we can help. It is expected that the government's changes will impact heavily on the provinces and that QualityWorks may provide some protection from this.

#### Develop and Maintain Strategic Partnerships with Central Government

Social services logic models and practice tools are in their infancy with almost unlimited scope for improvement to their design, implementation, and impact; and the client voice – the single most valid measurement of need and value – is largely absent from policy.

The fruits of previous strategic plans have resulted in the Mission having, in 2016, a testbed for evolving the design, implementation and impact of social services. The Mission expects that creative collaboration with Government, as the major social services stakeholder, will contribute better services for those that we work with, our staff, and for Government over the period of this plan.

The Mission expects that the development of better services will mean we and our partners will have to face and deal with some uncomfortable truths. The Mission seeks to do this in a spirit of collaboration.

#### Take up the Opportunities of the Methodist Alliance

The Mission shares in the Alliance's goals of:

- Supporting the work of members, through the promotion of best practice and professional standards;
- Leveraging the collective skills, experience, imagination and resources to work towards building a just and inclusive society;
- Increasing the visibility of the work being undertaken by the Methodist Church of NZ;
- Ensuring that the voice of those without power is heard;
- Enabling members to work collectively.

#### Diversify our Business Model

The Mission's ambitions for the work are not well supported by a business model of a high number of relatively low-earning programme lines spread across a significant geographic area, largely funded by government during a time of high politicisation within social services.

The Mission will seek to diversify our funding base, beyond contracting and tenders, to include philanthropic and entrepreneurial partnerships. The Mission will also seek to simplify our cost structures for any given volume of work.

### Secure Recognition for our Achievement-Oriented Staff's Contribution to Meaningful Outcomes

The Mission will work to have staff recognised through substantially improved terms and conditions, knowing that our ability to do this is wholly dependent on funders seeing and acknowledging our strong contribution to meaningful outcomes amongst those we work with.

#### Change that Works: Enough Support & Challenge for You to Risk a Better Future.

#### Suggested decisions:

- 1. That the report be accepted.
- 2. That the Board for Methodist Mission Southern for 2017 be: Julie Pearse (Chairwoman), Austen Banks, Keith McKenzie, Natalie Karaitiana, Rachael Masterton, Nigel Pitts, Richard Devereux, Siosifa Pole, and Laura Black (Director).

## Mission & Ecumenical

- Methodist Mission & Ecumenical
- Ecumenical National
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- Christian World Service

#### METHODIST MISSION AND ECUMENICAL

Methodist Mission and Ecumenical is mandated with *Diakonia* and *Koinonia* of the Methodist Church of New Zealand Te Hahi Weteriana O Aotearoa. Our Diakonia is towards ensuring life in its fullness with our partnership in mission in Solomon Islands, Papua New Guinea and beyond. Our koinonia is to work towards embodying Jesus' high priestly prayer "they may all be one so the world may believe." As Merton states, unity is Christ given gift. How dare one can pray for unity, while it is already given to the church to live it?" These being our ministry, we bring this report to conference 2016.

#### 1. OVERSEAS MISSION ENGAGEMENT

#### UNITED CHURCH SOLOMON ISLANDS

United Church Solomon Islands has gone through changes to staff during the year with Rev. Burabeti Tabe being elected as assembly secretary and Eddie Pratt as treasurer. Moderator Rev. Wilfred Kurepitu continues in his office. We wish them God's blessings as they engage in ministry with higher calling.

The church is growing in strength. Ministry among children and youth show a significant increase. The director M&E was able to facilitate a special youth minister from Hope Methodist Church Incheon, South Korea to be stationed in Munda to assist with the children and youth ministry. Rev. Jae Jang Uk, his wife and two daughters 4 and 1 year olds relocated in Munda from June 2016. Jae Jang visited Solomon Islands in 2014 with Prince. After the visit he was determined to go to Solomon Islands as he considered it his call. The UCSI received him and has opened the way for this special ministry. We wish him and his family God's providence and guidance as they engage in the new ministry.

#### 1.1 Helena Goldie Hospital– Munda

Our work with Helena Goldie Hospital continues with significant increase in assistance. The hospital accountant John Sasabule wrote in appreciation:

Dear Rev Prince, we acknowledge receipt of two remittances from the NZ Methodist Mission and Ecumenical Board; first for fees for your sponsored College of Nursing students in the sum of SBD 56,190 and secondly for Director of Nursing Andrew Telokana's salary in the sum of SBD 64,926 which had gone into the College bank account and the Hospital main bank account on 10 September and 30 September 2015 respectively. On behalf of the United Church, I would like to thank you for your continuing generous support toward the health and medical services carried out by HGH. Please convey our gratitude to your Board for the great help.

M&E board has committed to pay the salary for the director of nursing till the end of 2017. A financial review will be done in 2017 to see whether it is possible to carry out this commitment for another 3 years from 2018.

#### SEA AMBULANCE PROJECT

M&E raised NZ \$ 49,224.00 towards replacing the sea ambulance for HGH in 2014. The entire amount was sent to the HGH. It turned out to be a double blessing for the people of Munda. The strength of NZ Dollar enabled HGH to buy two boats and motors. They are named 'Marama Helena' and 'Marama Davinia', in memory of the two women who served the hospital for many years. Marama Helena is operating as the sea ambulance to transport patients. Marama Davinia is operating as the transport for health education programme around the villages with a team engaging in community health. During the visit to Solomon Islands in May 2016, Prince was taken by Marama Davinia to Sasamuqa. The new 60 HP motor reduced the travel time from five and a half hours to three and a half hours. The response from the hospital staff and community leaders is, "we thank the Methodist Church of New Zealand from the bottom of our hearts for the sea ambulances."

In addition, the doctor at HGH made a request that they need assistance to build a

separate ward for the tuberculosis patients so that they could isolate them from other patients. M&E is exploring the possibilities to fund this request. Methodist Church UK also has come forward to meet part of the cost.

#### Doctors

A locum doctor is stationed by the ministry of health at HGH till end of 2016. A couple from Switzerland is due to come in January 2017 for a period of 3 years.

#### 1.2 Sasamuqa Hospital

The secretary of the hospital wrote: The solar power is providing for lighting and for ceiling fan. The system works very well. Nurses and patients are happy working and sleeping in the new and friendly environment.

However, the incubator and the resuscitator for which the solar power unit was installed cannot be run due to the technicalities of the machines. After consultation with the hospitals Prince has suggested that the two machines be sent to Helena Goldie Hospital. The power supply in Munda will be sufficient to connect and use these two machines. M&E is exploring the possibilities of purchasing the portable incubators that were designed by Sir Ray Avery to send them to Sasamuqa hospital.

#### Sea Ambulance for Sasamuqa Hospital

The hospital secretary wrote to the director of M&E on 30 September 2015 saying: "Since the canoe and engine for referral cases to Taro and Gizo are both old and unfit to travel on rough seas. Hence, we have decided to sell both of them and still looking for funds to buy new boat and engine. We thank God that today we have received money that enable us to buy a new boat and continue to pray that God will provide funds for the engine."

As soon as the director received this message, he looked into the possibilities of funding the motor. The Board was able to pay for a new motor for the sea ambulance at Sasamuqa. It is now fulfilling the purpose of the sea ambulance.

The secretary wrote in October 2015: "Thank you so much for buying the OBM [out board motor] engine for Sasamuqa Hospital. The staff and patients are very happy indeed to hear the good news that the health services continue on because of your love with great support. Please convey our greetings and appreciation to your Board members as well as members of the Methodist Church in New Zealand."

#### New Developments in Sasamuqa

The hospital has been developed with services of x-ray and ultra sound scanning. The only hospital in Choiseul that has these facilities. Patients from other hospitals are now sent to Sasamuqa for scan and x-ray needs.

The hospital staff and community leaders who hosted a dinner for Prince in May thanked the Methodist Church of New Zealand for the generous support given to the hospital. They were happily acknowledging the availability of hot water in the shower with the help of the Solar Power.

#### 1.3 Helena Goldie College of Nursing

The students sponsored by M&E have progressed well so far, with the exception of Grace Bea who has left the course due to developing tuberculosis. It is not clear whether she will return to the course later. M&E has paid the fees for the two students for 2016 and will cover their cost of in service training in 2017. Sasamuqa hospital has requested that we sponsor another student from 2017 onwards for 4 years. We will be able to assist with this request due to the ongoing support from East Coast Bays parish for Sasamuqa hospital. Any donations towards the scholarship of Nurses Training will be of great help to sponsor more students. It costs NZ \$ 5,500 per year for each student. Over 4 years M&E will invest about NZ \$ 20,000 per nurse. The sponsorship is with signing a memorandum to ensure that the student after completing the training will serve the church hospital for minimum of 5 years.

#### 1.4 Tabaka Rural Training Institute

Since the launching of the Annual Appeal 2015, the amount collected to date stands around \$ 37,000. Our target was \$ 40,000. A contract was signed with Superfly Solar Power Limited in Honiara to install the solar power unit for Tabaka Rural Training Institute. The work must begin as soon as the material from Australia arrives in Tabaka Bay.

A solar power unit at Tabaka Rural Training Institute will enhance the life in the campus for the students and the teachers. They will be able to make use of computers for teaching and communication.

The Board informs the Conference 2016 that the fund raising in 2015 has been quite slow compared to the past. It has slowed down further in 2016. The question is, whether it is a reflection of the state of the economy that the people do not have enough to support the mission after meeting the essentials. The board has to think about a strategy for the future.

#### 2. UNITED CHURCH – PAPUA NEW GUINEA

**2.1** Political situation and the demonstrations by the students in Papua New Guinea is a growing concern for the United Church. The church officials continued to ask the people to be calm and respect law and order. The church asks for the continued prayers of their partners overseas.

#### 2.2 The Director's Reflection

The visit to Papua New Guinea gives a different experience each time I visit. This time I was asked to visit two places where I have never connected before – the New Ireland Region and the Papuan Gulf Region.

New Ireland region has connections with New Zealand Methodist Church with teachers going to teach in the primary and secondary schools. The bishop and the secretary of the regional synod were very happy to receive me from the Methodist Church of New Zealand Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa. The region is growing rapidly due to the two gold mines already in operation and the third one to be opened shortly which will be an undersea operation. The United Church in the region is estimating a membership of 80,000 within its 34 circuits. The way ministry is planned and organised shows the commitment of the people and their stronger belief in the Triune God. Having seen the life of the church in this part of the world it is hard to agree that faith is irrelevant in the contemporary world. The church is still in need of not financial assistance but human resources particularly in teaching ministry.

Most of the information could be shared by way of emails or reports being forwarded electronically. But the problem of communication continues to be a barrier. Moreover, the visit gives an opportunity to experience church life in these remote places and to share knowledge and experience in mission. What I value very much is the human relations and the experience of God's love in practice in these places. The growth of the church is a sign of hard work of the people in the church. All of the above I can say as someone who has been in the context and experienced the church life.

Our partnership in mission with the United Church Papua New Guinea is valued at every level. The leaders look forward for this partnership to continue. The hospitality and local support for mission partnership is outstanding. The United Church covered most of the accommodation cost for me during this visit for which I am thankful to the church.

#### 2.3 West Papua

A campaign to create awareness about the human rights situation and the land occupation of West Papua was carried out by a committee that came together for the issue. Mission and Ecumenical contributed financially to support the visit of Rev. Socratez Yeoman, President of the Baptist Church of West Papua.

Meetings with Socratez were held in various parts of New Zealand. Also a meeting in Parliament. The meetings were well attended. Socratez was in New Zealand from 2 to 22 of May 2016.

The director Mission and Ecumenical was not able to attend the meeting in Auckland. Mission and Ecumenical Board member TeRito together with Fale Pacifika was involved in organising the meeting in Auckland on 20 May 2016.

Mission and Ecumenical will continue to be in contact with the church in West Papua. The ultimate objective is for West Papua to become an independent nation and reconnect to Pacific. It is a land of Wonsolwara – one salt water as the people in the Pacific call it.

#### **3. DISASTER RELIEF**

M&E receives requests to support displaced people due to situations of disaster due to war and natural calamities. The Board during the year made donations to relief for Syrian refugees, assisted Wasewase ko Viti kei Rotuma with the transport of relief to Fiji for the victims of cyclone and assisted the Baptist Church of Sri Lanka for the people displaced due to landslides.

We wish to record that the need to address the issues of people being displaced and to provide immediate relief is rising rapidly. We call the people in our church to think of these situations and to assist the Mission and Ecumenical with its ministry to such situations.

#### 4. MISSION AND ECUMENICAL IN THE METHODIST CHURCH

#### 4.1 Engaging with Parishes

The director upon invitation by parishes preached and conducted services. The focus of these services have been mission and the ongoing work of M&E in Solomon Islands and Papua New Guinea.

#### 4.2 Methodist Women's Fellowships

The director was also invited by the women's group of the Methodist and cooperating parishes to speak on mission matters. The NZMWF and the Women's Fellowships around the country continue to assist the fund raising programmes.

NZMWF sponsored one of the women from United Church Solomon Islands Assembly Women's Fellowship to attend the World Methodist Council in Houston by covering the cost of airfare for her.

#### 5. ECUMENICAL ENGAGEMENT – NATIONAL

#### 5.1 National Dialogue for Christian Unity

The inaugural annual meeting was held on Thursday 25 February 2016 in Wellington.

The meeting was with full participation of the member churches and observers. The constitution of the NDCU was adopted and it was resolved to register the new ecumenical entity as an incorporated society and also to register with the Charities Commission. An executive committee was elected to continue the work of the NDCU in between the annual forums. Prince is elected secretary with an understanding that when he commences his role as President, the supply director will fill in as secretary.

The service of celebration was well attended with over 100 people gathering in the Sacred heart Cathedral in Wellington. World Council of Churches general secretary's message was read by Rev. Dr. Mele'ana Puloka of the Free Wesleyan Church of Tonga, who is also the Presidium member of the Pacific in World Council of Churches.

The general secretary of NCC Australia Sr. Elizabeth Delaney was present at the meeting and she brought the greetings of NCC, Australia. The Archbishops of Catholic and Anglican Churches together with John Roberts as ex-president of the Methodist

Church led the service. President Tovia was unable to attend the events due to his health concerns.

Since then the members of the Forum Executive have met once to further the work of NDCU.

#### 5.2 Interfaith Initiatives

A Religious Diversity Centre was established on 31 March 2016 with the participation of 7 major religious beliefs in New Zealand. Hon. Helen Clark was present as the patron of the centre and inaugurated it. M&E Board will continue to support this work on behalf of the Methodist Church of New Zealand Te Hahi Weteriana o Aotearoa.

#### 6. ECUMENICAL ENGAGEMENTS - INTERNATIONAL

#### 6.1 Christian Conference of Asia

The director attended the programme committee and the executive committee meetings of CCA. Rev. Diana Tana chaired the executive committee and the subcommittee meetings in Medan Indonesia due to the Moderator Willem Simartama unable to be present at the meetings.

#### Internship in CCA

Casey Lita Fa'aui is with CCA office in Chiang Mai serving as an Intern since January 2016. She will complete her year of internship in December 2016 and will return to Methodist Church. Casey is a member of the Dominion Road Methodist Church. Her contribution to CCA's work is well received. Casey's learning through the internship is enriching. She considers it a rare opportunity to get to work and learn in a context that is away from home. Casey with three other interns from different parts of Asia are an asset to the work of CCA.

#### Congress of Asian Theologians – Seminar 17 to 22 April 2016

Vice president elect Viv Whimster attended the 8<sup>th</sup> seminar of Congress of Asian Theologians in Cochin India. Professional Development Grants funds covered the cost for Viv. She is very happy to have participated in the seminar and the pre seminar women's forum. It has been enriching and helped Viv with a deeper Asian theological perspective to further develop her ministry.

#### 6.2 World Council of Churches

#### Workshop for Capacity Building and Leadership Development

WCC Member Churches in the Pacific and Pacific Conference of Churches was held from 13 to 17 September 2015 at the Franciscan Retreat Centre, Hillsborough. Director Mission and Ecumenical Board coordinated the local arrangements together with Ray Coster of PCNZ and Michael Hughes of Anglican Church. Rachel Masterton was nominated to attend the programme from Methodist Church of New Zealand.

#### **YATRA 2016**

Young Asians Training for Religious Amity for youth under the WCC's pilgrimage of justice and peace was held for the third time from 28 May to 11 June in Jakarta, Indonesia. Lesieli Samiu and Janine Tuiva'iti attended the programme. They both had an enriching learning experience with extensive exposure to inter religious peace perspectives. The programme included visits to different religious worship places and also to community service programmes conducted by the different religions. A full report from Lesieli was published in the M&E Newsletter in its July 2016 issue.

#### Visit of the General Secretary

The dates have now been confirmed as from 6 to 11 October 2016. A local committee comprising Anglican, Methodist and Presbyterian representatives is looking into the arrangements. The director and Terry Wall will represent the Methodist Church.

#### 6.3 Ecumenical Service to commemorate Korean Independence

With WCC's programme on Pilgrimage of Justice and Peace, an ecumenical service was organised by the director M&E on Sunday 16 August 2015 at 5.00 pm at Takapuna Methodist Church. The service was attended by over 75 people of all ethnic backgrounds. The Auckland Korean Methodist Choir and St. George's Korean Presbyterian choir enriched the service with their singing. Very Rev. Ray Coster, member of the WCC Central Committee representing New Zealand preached in the service. A sum of \$ 713.00 was received in offering to send to the Noodles factory in North Korea. This money will be donated to the NZ Democratic People's Republic of Korea Society.

Another feature in the service was the paper cranes made according to origami hand work by Sunday School children. Paper cranes were distributed to all who attended the service with the greeting of peace by children.

#### 6.4 Director – Mission and Ecumenical

Since Prince has been elected to take up the role of President, the Board approached Rev. Dr. Terry Wall and requested him to provide a supply ministry as acting director of the M&E. Terry has accepted the role and offered to work two third time a week. This would mean that Terry will work Tuesday to Thursday each week in the M&E office. Connexional staff will assist with the administrative work of the office including acknowledging the donations and recording them for the work of M&E.

#### Suggested decisions:

1. The report be received.

#### United Churches in the Solomon Islands and in Papua New Guinea

- 2. Conference affirms ongoing relationships as partners in mission with the United Church in the Solomon Islands, and the United Church in Papua New Guinea.
- 3. Conference calls the people of the Methodist Church of New Zealand Te Hahi Weteriana o Aotearoa to continue to support its overseas mission through Methodist Mission and Ecumenical Board.

#### Ecumenical

- 4. Conference welcomes the formation of National Dialogue for Christian Unity in Aotearoa New Zealand.
- 5. Conference affirms that the President, Director Mission and Ecumenical and Cornelia Grant be the representatives of Methodist Church of New Zealand in the National Dialogue for Christian Unity.
- 6. Conference affirms the ecumenical education through School of Ecumenism with Centre for Ecumenical Studies of Charles Sturt University, Canberra and Trinity Theological College.

#### M&E Board 2017

7. The Mission and Ecumenical Board membership for 2017 be Rev. Uesifili Unasa, (Chairperson), Linda Hall, Poulima Salima, TeRito Peyroux, Lesieli Samiu, Jackie McGeorge, Te Aroha Rountree, Maungorongo Tito, Rev. Abhishek Solomon, Rev. Dr. Terry Wall (Acting Director) and one other to be named by the President.

#### **CHRISTIAN WORLD SERVICE**

Christian World Service global vision is a world free of poverty and injustice and its mission is to provide a means for New Zealanders to partner with global communities to transform lives. To bring about this transformation CWS has identified five strategic areas of work:



- 1. Partners: Our engagement with worldwide partners fulfils our vision
- 2. **Maintaining the Organisation:** Sufficient capacity, skilled capability, good practice and integrity depicts our organisation
- 3. **Income and Finance:** Resource and support programmes that realise our vision of a world free of poverty and injustice
- 4. Advocacy and Education: Advocacy and education for justice and peace sustain our purpose
- 5. **Telling our stories:** By sharing our stories and our mission we inspire and engage New Zealanders

In this report I would like to show how over the past twelve months we have implemented each of these goals.

#### 1. Partners

CWS supports the community development work and provides humanitarian assistance to 19 partners in 16 countries. Income generation and food security have been high priorities for many of our partners but preparing in case of disaster is of growing importance.

This work is helped through contributions from the Williams Walters Trust, the Prince Albert Trust, the Special Project of the Methodist Women's Fellowship and Presbyterian Women of Aotearoa, the World Day of Prayer and the Connexional contribution.

Two government grants for partner Ama Takiloa are enabling Tongan women to repair rainwater tanks, improve livelihoods and better prepare for disaster. After discussions with CWS about strengthening community links with the large Tongan population in Oamaru, the Rev. Jill MacDonald of the Waitaki Presbyterian Church set up North Otago Tonga Engagement (NOTE) which raised funds for the installation of water tanks in the Hihifo district in Tongatapu, Tonga.

In February this year Cyclone Winston caused widespread destruction in Fiji and CWS supported local partner, SEEP (Social Empowerment Education Programme) to deliver food, hygiene, building and other supplies to remote inland communities in Viti Levu and Vanua Levu, and fishing communities on Vanua.

In late 2015 we received \$70,000 from a special government funding round for Syrian refugees and have applied for a second round. The Government will match funds raised dollar to dollar. On both occasions Methodist Mission and Ecumenical have contributed funds to help us maximise funding.

#### 2. Maintaining the Organisation

All partner churches are now represented on our restructured Board. New Board members are David Fielding for the Anglican Church and Graham French from the Society of Friends (Quakers). Prince Devanandan is the Methodist appointee. The new governance structure incorporates an annual Supporters' Council to provide greater accountability and an opportunity for supporters to respond to the work of the organisation. The first two meetings were well attended and the next will be held in Auckland on Friday 16 September.

On July 1<sup>st</sup> CWS became an accredited Living Wage employer. We are applying for associate membership of the Dialogue on Christian Unity after attending the inaugural meeting in February this year.

We were very grateful for the assistance of the Interchurch Bureau in helping us to update our Health and Safety Policies and Practices in line with the new Act

#### 3. Income and Finance

In June we piloted a new fundraising programme Operation Refugee modelled on the successful campaign run by our Australian counterparts Act for Peace. From 16 to 20 June 73 people lived on the same rations as a Syrian refugee, raising \$39,000 well over the budget. The money will fund the Department Service to Palestinian Refugees (DSPR) working with Syrian Refugees in Jordan and Lebanon.

Operation Refugee is an example of more diversified income streams. The Christmas Appeal remains the major fundraiser, but to increase the reach of our partner groups we now have five more significant sources of income.

The theme of this year's Christmas Appeal is Give us Hope. The resource pack will be sent to Churches in mid-September and from then on additional resources will be posted on the Christmas Appeal website. We depend on your support to raise as much money as we can to help people out of poverty.

#### 4. Advocacy and Education

The plight of refugees continues to be a significant focus of our advocacy and education work. According to the UNHCR in 2015 an unprecedented 65.3 million people had fled their homes. Over half of nearly 21.3 million refugees are under the age of 18. CWS is grateful to the parishes who are involved in resettling refugees in Aotearoa New Zealand and who support the campaign to Double the Quota. More parishes are using the worship resources we prepare for Refugee Sunday.

In September 2015 the United Nations endorsed a fifteen-year global agenda for sustainable development aimed at developed and developing countries. The seventeen Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) build on the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) that expired in 2015 and address the structural divers of poverty. This year I have met with representatives from all political parties except ACT to discuss the SDGs and how New Zealand should respond to them.

The Government was reluctant to acknowledge the SDG agenda in New Zealand however Treasury are now coordinating cross agency meetings. David Shearer the Labour Foreign Affairs Spokesperson is keen to reinstate poverty elimination as the main aim of the government's aid programme in line with the SDGs. The current objective is sustainable economic development. CWS and ACT Alliance will continue focusing on the agenda.

The Council for International Development of which CWS is a member is coordinating an election campaign on SDG13: Climate Change. It will develop a 'call to action' for an in-coming government that is practical, achievable and focused on the Pacific. We will keep you informed about it through Touchstone and E-messenger.

We are also active in our support for West Papua Action Canterbury as part of national activities. Self-determination for West Papua is an agenda of our partner the Pacific Conference of Churches and the World Council of Churches.

#### 5. Telling our Stories

We are most grateful to Paul Titus for the regular space in Touchstone and Wendy Keir in Emessenger. CWS gets very good coverage in the church media and it is read by our supporters. A story on Operation Refugee appeared in the NZ Herald and it was promoted on Life FM (Auckland).

The 2015 Christmas Appeal was the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the first Christmas Appeal launched by Archbishop West Watson of Christchurch in 1945. Celebrations were held in Christchurch and Auckland. To mark the anniversary CWS organised two public addresses by prominent Anglican and business journalist Rod Oram "How small change makes big change". At last year's

conference I shared with you the messages and video clips sent from Partners and supporters including Helen Clark. A video of the Christchurch address and the messages are available through the CWS website.

#### 6. Thanks

I would like to acknowledge the contribution of Rev Prince Devanandan, as the Methodist appointee on the CWS Board, President Tovia and Vice-president Ngaha for their endorsement, and to the Methodist Women's Fellowship who with Presbyterian Women Aotearoa raised funds through the Special Project. I would also like to express my thanks to Rev David Bush and the staff at the Connexional Office, in particular Elaine Knegt who is responsible for our finances.

Finally as always a thanks to members of the Methodist Church for their Connexional contribution to the budget and their generous support of the Christmas and other appeals. I look forward to meeting you at Conference and discussing this report.

#### Suggested decisions:

- 1. The report is received
- 2. The Methodist Church encourages parishes to support the Council for International Development election campaign on SDG13: Climate Change
- 3. The Methodist Church encourages all parishes to promote this year's Christmas Appeal, Give us Hope.

# Communications

- Methodist Publishing Board
- Media & Communications Endowment Fund



#### **METHODIST PUBLISHING BOARD (TOUCHSTONE)**

As a church we face challenging times in an ever-changing world and this is no different for the Methodist Publishing Board.

The board continues to maintain publication of Touchstone to a high standard, thanks to the efforts of our editor Paul Titus and his regular contributors.

Touchstone is embracing the technological age with each edition available on the Methodist church website and has a growing presence in social media, namely Facebook.

At last count our Touchstone Facebook page had 146 "likes" and, while this number fluctuates, our articles and other posts regularly engage with people in cyberspace, meaning our reach is now global.

While the option of publishing electronic reduces costs, we realise many of our readers prefer the printed version. The Board has not gone down the path of charging parishes for Touchstone as it is our endeavour to make Touchstone available to everybody in our Connexional and increasingly diverse church.

We note that some parishes may still not be fully aware that this is a Connexional publication, committed to reflecting the diverse range of opinions in Te Hahi. For this reason we believe it is essential that Touchstone continues to be made freely available to all Methodist congregations and co-operative ventures to provide a forum for these views to be openly and honestly debated.

To this end, Touchstone plays a valuable role not only in informing the happenings within Te Hahi, but also in challenging assumptions and standing up to injustice.

The fact the board is in a healthy financial situation, in spite of making a small loss this year is thanks to foresight of others in establishing an Endowment Fund and our annual grant of the equivalent of a stipend (\$46,000) from the Connexional Budget.

We also wish to acknowledge our other generous donors who continue to contribute.

Feedback from readers indicates Touchstone continues to engage readers and helps to give the church a sense of connexion and the ethnic Synods make good use of the publication for their own stories.

I wish to take this opportunity of thanking the editor Paul Titus, the members of the board, our advertising convenor Pieter van den Berg and also to Jane O'Neill who produces our financial reports and takes the extra time to attend the meetings and explain the details.

I regret that I am not able to be in attendance to present this report in person, due to work commitments, but I trust that Paul will be able to answer any questions.

#### TOUCHSTONE EDITOR'S REPORT

This year Touchstone celebrates its 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary. The first issue was published in May 2001.

When Touchstone was established it was given the motto: E whaia ana te putaketanga o nga whakapono mo tenei ao hurihuri – Exploring faith issues for today. In my mind, faith issues include the theological, political and personal concerns – big and small – that people in Methodist and Uniting Congregations have. As a national newspaper, Touchstone provides an accessible public forum where people throughout the Connexion can share their thoughts and stories and where we can tell stories of the Church that other media do not tell.

Among them were big issue stories such as physician assisted dying, the TPPA, and West Papua; ecumenical and inter-faith stories such as the launch of the National Dialogue for Christian Unity and the Religious Diversity Centre; and parish stories such as the rebuild of Christchurch North and St Albans Uniting churches after the earthquakes.

This is made possible by a team of volunteers and professional writers, artists and designers. Some contribute on a monthly basis, others from time to time, and some just once off when they send us a story about an activity in their parish or write a letter to the editor. Over the past 15 years a number of journalists and columnists have contributed to Touchstone. Some of them have gone on to other things, others have retired.

Now, however, we are now blessed with a dynamic group of writers who chase up feature stories or delve into themselves to share their thoughts month-in and month-out. They include Hilaire Campbell, Jan Fogg, Ian Harris, David Hill, Cory Miller, Sophie Parish, Jim Stuart, Rosalie Sugrue, and Filo Tu.

David Hill deserves special mention. David has served on the Methodist Publishing Board for several years, and this year he became Board chair. David is able to provide valuable input into the Board's oversight of Touchstone since he is both a professional journalist for a community newspaper and a lay preacher who is active in Methodist and Uniting Church circles.

Once again President Tovia and Vice President Bella have been tireless correspondents sharing their experiences as they have visited parishes around New Zealand as well as Methodist and Uniting Churches overseas. Public Issues Network coordinator Betsan Martin too has written regularly to keep Touchstone readers up-to-date on the social and environmental issues that we face as a church and global community.

Like all New Zealand churches, the Methodist Church is facing a demographic shift as Englishspeaking congregations age and decline in numbers, and Pacific and Asian congregations make up a larger proportion of the church. Touchstone is both affected by this shift and has sought to reflect it in the type of stories we cover.

To reflect it we have made an effort to provide more stories on events in the Pacific synods of the church.

In addition to our Pasifika language stories, we have covered stories in Te Hahi Weteriana's Pacific language synods and events such as Cyclone Winston that have affected Churches around the Pacific. This year we also published several features on Korean Methodists in relation to the Methodist Church of NZ – one on Korean Methodist ministers serving MCNZ congregations, one on Korean Methodist Churches in NZ, and one on President Tovia and General Secretary David Bush visiting the annual Conference of the South Seoul Methodist Church.

Touchstone's circulation figures reveal the extent of this demographic shift. In 2006 13,500 issues of Touchstone were printed. Today that number is 10,700. This is a drop of about 3000 (or 22%) in 10 years.

This decline has an economic impact given that with fewer people in the pews, especially in a period of low interest rates, there is pressure on the Connexional budget. We recognise our responsibility to keep the costs of producing Touchstone down and to continue to pursue advertising to help offset the costs of producing newspaper. Again, this is not easy given that the entire church sector, not only the Methodist Church, is in decline. Indeed we note with sadness the demise of Epworth Books and we thank the Sarah Laurenson and Philip Garside for their many years of advertising support. We also thank our regular advertisers for their continuing support.

Despite these difficult economic times, we are pleased that Touchstone has virtually broken even over the past year.

We will continue to tell the Church's good news stories and explore the issues we face as Church, society and global community. Suggestions are always welcome on topics that we can address.

#### Suggested decision:

1. The report be received

#### MEDIA & COMMUNICATIONS ENDOWMENT FUND

This year there was difficulty in considering some of the projects. While they are worthwhile and innovated we addressed their priority within the Media & Communications funding. We are also very aware a number of applications have other areas of funding to apply to.

Parish / Organisation	Amount \$	Details
Waiwhetu Uniting Church Lower Hutt	1,000	Data projector and screen
Rangiora Methodist Parish	1,000	Projector & Retractable screen
Mangere Central Samoan Parish, Auckland	1,000	Keyboard, amplifier, stand
Brockville Community Church Dunedin	100	DVD player and speaker
Mafutaga Tam'ita Mangere East Manukau MFW	1,000	Extending their Women's Parish project into the community to assist low income families
Chartwell Co-Operating Parish, Hamilton	1,000	DVD player and microphones
St John's Avalon Uniting Church, Lower Hutt	1,000	Mixing desk, speakers
Trinity Methodist Theological College	1,200	Printing of promotional items for 2017
Kaeo-Kerikeri Union Parish	1,000	Website, brochures
Wesley Parish, Hastings	630	New audio system
St James Parish, Greerton	1,000	Data projector
Mt Albert Methodist Parish Auckland	2,500	150th Billboard, & Brochure for Restoration Project
Richmond-Stoke Parish Nelson	1,500	Editing, publishing of book on bi-centennial of 200 years Wesleyan Mission in NZ
Linwood Ave Union Parish Christchurch	1,000	Upgrading audio system in the chapel
Mafutaga Tamaitai Itumalo Manukau MFW (Sinoti Samoa)	1,000	Laptop and software
Kaiopoi Co-Operating Parish Canterbury	1,000	Upgrading sound/recording system
St Paul's Co-Operating Taumaranui	1,000	Data projector
Miramar Uniting Parish Wellington	1,000	Microphones
Kapiti Uniting Parish	1,000	Laptop and software
Levin Uniting Parish	600	Replace microphone
Matamata Union Parish	1,000	Short throw data projector
Methodist Mission Northern(Splice)	1,500	Create album audio recordings of poets, spoken word artists from Inner City Auckland
Beckenham Methodist Church Christchurch	1,000	Video projection project feed for hall and church
Te Taha Maori Taitokerau Rohe, Whangarei	1,500	Data projector, multimedia equipment
Auckland-Manukau Tongan Parish	1,000	Data projector, laptop
Whangaparaoa Methodist Parish	1,500	Ceiling mounted projector and screen
Christchurch South Parish	900	Microphones
Wesley Roskill Methodist Parish, Auckland	1,000	Laptop and software
Waterview Methodist Parish, Auckland	1,000	Data projector
Crossroads Methodist Parish Papakura	1,000	LED screen
Hamilton Methodist Parish	1,000	Audio visual upgrade
Christian Broadcasting Association	2,000	Media scholarship for Christian Tertiary Students studying Media & Communications
Tauranga Methodist Parish	400	Lamp for projector
St John's Parish, Ponsonby	1,000	Microphones, mixer for Youth band
Epworth Retreat & Recreation Centre, Hamilton	1,500	Upgrade internet connections access on wireless
Lifewise Trust, Auckland	1,000	Design/printing of regular newsletters
Waiuku & District Churches, Auckland	500	Advertising resources of promotional speaker for families, and community

- Suggested decisions:
  2. The report be received.
  3. The committee for 2017: Gillian Laird, Robyn Allen Goudge, Te Rito Peyroux, Graeme White,



- Public Issues Network
- Interchurch Bioethics Council



#### **PUBLIC ISSUES NETWORK**

Public Issues holds wellbeing of children and families through the Living Wage and key policy issues in Aotearoa NZ, alongside the big picture issues of climate, trade agreements, refugees, economy, jobs and housing.



We seek to resource the church to respond to public issues in parishes, as a Connexion, and in partnership with other churches and organizations.

#### **CHURCH NETWORKS**

#### Te Taha Māori

PIN reports to Hui Poari and meets with Tumuaki Diana and members of Te Taha Māori regularly. The year began together in Whanganui with the Ratana celebrations and opportunity to focus on priorities for Nga Iwi Māori. Te Taha Māori are consulted on matters for Public Issues, and guidance on activities, policy, events, and submissions is much appreciated. Nga mihi hohonu ki te Taha Māori. Nga mihi aroha ki a koutou.

#### Tauiwi

Public Issues is active in working with Sinoti Samoa and Vahefonua. Sinoti Samoa Social Issues, includes a sustained focus on family violence, as well as Living Wage, education and housing, Vahefonua Social Issues, SIAOLA continues to address education, family violence, housing and social-economic issues. Working with Vahefonua and Sinoti is enhanced by attending Talanoa Oceania in July, and with working together on the 'Climate for Churches' Workshop. We maintain communications with Wasewase Ko Viti Kei Rotuma. We share in cultural events as opportunity arises.

#### Parishes

New Parish initiatives as well as ongoing parish groups bring a slightly new profile in 2016. It is likely there are parish activities that we are not in touch with and would like to hear about. The Living Wage is well supported by parishes in Wellington, Lower Hutt, Porirua and Auckland.

We thank all parishes and parishioners who contribute to Public Issues, and who bring attention to local issues as well as to the scope of national issues.

Preparations for the Climate for Churches Workshop, 20<sup>th</sup> August is a feature for parish discussions and for synod and Connexional connections.

Refreshed connections include with Takapuna Parish, especially through Dale Kelly, and the East Coast Bays Men's Group, Max Thomson.

Further active parish links:

- The Palmerston North Public Issues and Let the Children Live groups, Kapiti Social Issues, Trinity Newtown meet regularly to discuss topics such as child wellbeing, refugees, economic transitions, local government elections at hand and to put issues on the agenda.
- Wesley, Taranaki St is involved with the Living Wage and contributes to local Public Issues, as well as submissions.
- Sinoti Samoa had a leadership role in the climate for churches workshop, with sustained support from Mataiva Robertson who is on the Public Issues Oversight Group and prepares Samoan language articles on Public Issues for Sinoti.
- For Vahefonua Soana Muimuiheata and Superintendent Tevita Finau represent Vahefonua Social Issues Committee, Siola, and newly appointed to the Public Issues Oversight Group Elisapesi Havea.
- Clive Smith of the Pakuranga parish supports the Public Issues website.
- Peter Lane, Manurewa Parish, and Mark Gibson, New Brighton are key supporters of Green Church activities

• Parishes in Hamilton: Chartwell and St John's in the City parish are involved with Public Issues and often with local government. Chartwell engages on environmental and social issues.

Public Issues prepares regular communications for parish bulletins. This year these communications included child wellbeing, Living Wage, Pope's Encyclical Laudato Si, Climate Change and the Climate for Churches Workshop.

Parish people have drafted material for the Local Government elections with questions for candidates on wellbeing and compassion, and on climate. This will be circulated to parishes to as resources for election meetings

#### Methodist Mission and Ecumenical

Appreciation is expressed to Prince for his ongoing support and encouragement for Public Issues and participation on key events.

*Christian Conference of Asia, July 2016* in Medan Indonesia included Betsan giving a presentation on climate change with theological reference to Laudato Si and ethics of *responsibility*. The edited paper will be on the Public issues website

Many reflections come from a meeting with theological expertise. There is a new ecumenism of churches joining with organizations which are working on climate: science, social responses, policy, and organizations with a special focus such as 350.Org (disinvestment from fossil fuels), Pacific Climate warriors for responding from cultural values and prayer, and Generation Zero (energy transitions). Most environmental Civil Society organizations are engaged in climate responsibility. The CCA Conference discussed both science and theology – with special attention to climate justice. Fr. Zachariah drew from Laudato Si and the idea of earth as our common home, to pay attention of those who are marginalized and dislocated by climate change. The story of Hagar and Ishmael prompted his paper on 'Colonization of the Commons as a challenge to churches on how the misuse of land is central to the disruption of the climate.

*Christianity and Development Conference, Wellington.* Prince attended this and Betsan joined for a few sessions. Prince initiated follow up with Rev Ellie Sanderson and others in Wellington. Ellie will make her paper on 'Development and Diversity of Faiths' available.

#### PUBLIC ISSUES COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

#### Refugees

A Public Issues response to New Zealand calls to increase our refugee quota has been parallel with parishes preparing to host Syrian refugees coming to Wellington and Christchurch – the two designated centres for settlement in 2016.

Betsan met with the formal and community organizations involved with refugees - Red Cross, The Refugee and Resettlement, Public Health, and visited the Refugee Resettlement Centre in Auckland to find out the best ways for parishes to support refugees. Community groups have many years of experience of supporting the settlement process – with enduring programmes such as support for learning English and to manage contacts with government agencies and entré into work.

Support for refugees to participate in local activities (such as swimming) and get to appointments is highly valued in the process towards the goal of achieving independence. Public Issues prepared a resource for parishes, '<u>Refugees in Our Communities</u>'

#### The Living Wage

With Wellington City and Porirua strongly established, the Living Wage was launched in Lower Hutt in May 2016 in celebratory style. Hutt Valley Union Health have a leadership role with representation from Waiwhetu and St Marks of Hutt City Uniting parish.

The Living Wage for 2016 is \$19.80 an hour. Wellington, Palmerston North, Hamilton, Christchurch and Auckland are dynamic centres for Living Wage action.

The Living Wage AGM was 19<sup>th</sup> August. The movement continues to grow and hold an important place in addressing the increasing wealth gap in our country. It pointed to the importance of raising incomes for the lowest paid to a level for living with modest dignity within their communities.

For the Local Government elections the Living Wage is hosting People's Assemblies' around the country calling on candidates in council elections to vote for a Living Wage as an important step towards reducing poverty and inequality in NZ cities.

#### Trans Pacific Partnership

The main focus for Trade agreements in 2016 has been submissions on the Korea Free Trade Agreement and the Trans Pacific Partnership. The Korea FTA served as a precursor to the TPP – this was an agreed strategy with Unions and churches and 'It's Our Future' to raise the main issues protections against Investor States Disputes and safeguards for health and pharmaceutical regulations, intellectual property and Treaty of Waitangi interests.

#### Inequality

(In)Equality Network held a national meeting in March 2016, at Manurewa Methodist Church. The special theme was on how to communicate messages on inequality effectively and constructively.

Inequality addresses both poverty and wealth, with an imperative to maintain a focus on systems that allow for the concentration of wealth in disproportionately few people. Although government policy stresses that work is the way out of poverty, in reality low paid work is a pathway off welfare which does not mean the end of poverty if wages are low. Poverty is to a large extent a function of mal-distribution of wealth.

#### LET THE CHILDREN LIVE

#### Coalition for Children

Public Issues is part of the coalition for children, *Tick4Kids*. Activity is oriented to the local government elections with the proposal to generate hubs in local areas to centre on child wellbeing. This group meets on pertinent topics as they arise, such as on the Review of Social Security legislation and of the Children and Young Persons and their Families Act. It is often more active during elections, such as in 2014. Child poverty and parenting are priorities for the group as a whole. It is very valuable to work with these groups.

The purpose of the 'Rewrite' of the Social Security legislation includes commissioning services to the private sector, and social investment 'to help people to support themselves and their dependents while not in paid employment (S.1A(a) (i). Income support is part of the heritage of welfare provision in NZ. One quarter of 0-4 year olds have a parent on a benefit (Children's Commission). While intergenerational dependence is undesirable, often Benefits are for support during adverse life events, such as illness. A key point of advocacy for changes is 'Child Centred' welfare policy to reduce the risks of an income-only focus, safeguard against deprivation, and put the needs of children first.

There is mounting concern about the punitive imposition of sanctions – and policy that is enabling for families must be included the 'ReWrite' (Children's Commission) Collaborators include UNICEF, Ora Taiao, Public Health Association. Nurses Organization, Child Poverty Action Group, Child Poverty Network, Child Wellbeing Network, Every Child Counts, NZ Education Institute, Council of Trade Unions.

#### STEWARDSHIP OF OUR COMMON HOME: ECOLOGY, ECONOMY AND WELLBEING

**Public Issues, Climate and Sustainable Development Goals.** World events converge to find their counterparts in Aotearoa New Zealand, in the spheres of economy, trade, climate, poverty and inequality.

The **Paris Agreement** on Climate Change December 2015 marked a quantum shift towards world commitments to reducing carbon emissions. The **Sustainable Development Goals** is a comprehensive suite of pathways for social and environmental wellbeing, starting with eliminating poverty, and reaching towards climate goals of becoming fossil free and carbon neutral. Health, Education, Water and Sanitation are key components – with a feature of the SDG's being that they apply to **all** countries – the eliminating the developed/developing country distinctions.

In 2016, this Public Issues report incorporates Green Church interests.

The Diocesan Anglican Climate Action Group initiated an ecumenical climate network, with Anglican, Methodist, Presbyterian, Salvation Army representation, including Betsan Martin, Rod Oram, academics Matheson Russell and Jonathan Boston who prepared a comprehensive briefing paper. Monthly skype meetings are the main link, with sharing, review and 'what's coming up'.

The **Climate for Churches Workshop** was held 20<sup>th</sup> August 2016. This was initiated in 2015 by Rev. Aso Saleupolu, championed by Sinoti Samoa and Public Issues and co-hosted with the Diocesan Climate Change Action Group (Auckland).

The venue at Nga Tapuwaea was filled – 120 participants travelled from North, South East and West – with proactive support from Josh and Mataiva Robertson to ensure young people came with parishioners from New Plymouth, Gisborne and Hawkes Bay to Mangere for the event. Soana Muimuiheata's catering team won applause with wonderful food, and along with fine, healthy food, and no plastic! This meant transporting, washing and packing china cups and plates for 120 people.

Extensive preparation involved inviting speakers, designing the programme, seeking funds, communication with Methodist, Anglican, Catholic and Presbyterian churches. Thanks for funds from PAC, Sinoti Samoa, Anglican Diocesan Climate Action, Let the Children Live.

Revd. Sui Te'o welcomed participants, Revd. Goll Manukia showed a kilo of kava, and spoke of the doubled price of kava in one year due to climate impacts on land and cultivation. He linked food cultivation to stewardship and the responsibility to save God's creation as set out in Genesis. Significant climate organizations participated including: Generation Zero, 350.Org, Christian World Service, Coal Action Network, Post Carbon by 2030, Caritas. Economist Journalist Rod Oram facilitated a discussion with these groups.

Presenters brought a wonderful range of expertise and approaches. Koreti Tiamalu, leader of the Pacific Climate Warriors inspired everyone with the prayerful, culturally based and courageous actions of venturing to sea near Newcastle Australia in vaka to protest against oil drilling, and a prayer vigil at the Vatican. Hon Su'a William Sio, after a recent visit to Kirabti and Tuvalu said 'If we save Tuvalu we save the World.' Climate Ambassador Adrian Macey advised churches to move beyond Declarations and into the hard work of engaging with business and policy. Professor James Renwick set the scene with the science of emissions setting us on a trajectory of climate destabilization – intensified floods, droughts and uncertainty.

We were introduced to the profound theology for climate and ecological integrity for 'earth our common home' in Laudato Si, the Pope's 2015 encyclical. A video of President Elect Prince Devanandan interviewing Cardinal John Dew led into round table discussions of spirituality and action on climate. Prince proposes that Ministers start preaching on climate, and Betsan and Prince emphasized the major role of re-orienting the education programmes of the church: theological education, parish adult and children's education.

Revd. Asofiafia Saleupolu and Vaotane attended, and President Tovia gave a much appreciated summary of commitments, support for the ecumenical initiative and blessing.

#### Next Steps

Public issues applied to PAC for funds for parishes to support feasibility studies to identify renewable energy options, carbon emission reductions in buildings and church land and 'plants'. Funds are to support parish planning for building, infrastructure, systems and land use (buildings, site and community).

A feasibility study allows for needs and aspirations to be assessed within context and for resources (people, assets, funds) to be taken into account. Planning for transitions for climate stewardship should not be prescriptive; the expectation is that parishes enter into a process which is feasible for them in their context, supported by appropriate.

We are delighted that PAC has awarded \$10,00 for this initiative. Management of this project will be planned with the Oversight Group.

#### Freshwater

Public Issues attends key meetings on Freshwater, including with political parties. It is an area of great importance to Iwi Māori, to farmers and commercial users of water such a power generating companies, and is central for environmental organizations and academic researchers. Due to advocacy of the Freshwater Foundation, with support from Public Issues, and other groups, 2016 has seen a change from 'wadeable' (secondary contact) to 'swimmable (primary contact) as a goal for the National Standards for freshwater. Water quality continues to be a major issue for New Zealand with the high stakes linked environmental safeguards, to tourism and to irrigation and NZ's growth Strategy to double farm exports by 2025.

Public Issues has some involvement in the Land and Water Forum through an association with Environment and Conservation organizations.

#### SUBMISSIONS

**Residential Tenancies**: smoke alarms and insulation – good, except for low, outdated standards and minimal provisions. Public Issues advocated for a 'Warrant of Fitness' for rental housing in line with this policy for State Houses.

**Resource Legislation Amendments**: This proposed legislation was initiated to solve Auckland housing crisis. Minister Nick Smith is Minister for Housing and Environment. The overarching purpose of the RLA Bill is "to create a resource management system that achieves the sustainable management of natural and physical resources in an efficient and equitable way." Proposed changes in the RLA Bill attempt to address housing shortage and accessibility. The submission included ensuring protection of the environment from harmful effects of economic development. The bill is under extended review because of unresolved issues of resource management, including collaborative processes.

Trans Pacific Partnership – to Foreign Affairs and Trade Select Committee. Main points:

- (a) Safeguard New Zealand's responsibility to legislate, regulate or otherwise protect the environment;
- (b) Negotiate specific provisions for the TPPA chapter on Investor state disputes procedures, so that New Zealand businesses, economic sectors, and environmental protections are not exposed to ISD procedures.
- (c) Refuse measures that will reduce New Zealanders' access to health care, pharmaceuticals, or medical aids, either directly or via influence on prices of such, or that will reduce the protections and safety of workers.

**Social Security Legislation Rewrite Bill.** First submissions were heard in July. A second round of submissions is expected before the end of 2016. Key points of advocacy are for child centred legislation and social investment that ensures support of family income.

#### **COMING UP**

Preparation of resources for local government elections. We are working with Parish leaders who have prepared draft resources. These will be circulated.

#### COMMUNICATIONS

- Items to parishes for bulletins
- PIN News via e-Messenger
- Touchstone
- PIN items on website
- New Facebook page

#### Suggested decisions:

- 1. That the report be received
- 2. The Mission of Public Issues Network to engage the church in matters of social, economic and environmental justice with a theological and spiritual reference, includes working within the church, engaging ecumenically with partner churches, and with relevant organizations on the following:
  - (a) Public Issues and Economic Justice
    - i. That Public Issues resources the church to engage in matters of justice and wellbeing, in accordance with current priorities and relevant policy including: Living Wage, Equality, Trade, Sustainable Development Goals.
    - ii. That all parishes develop a plan to pay the updated Living Wage to all staff (\$19.80 in 2016)
    - iii. That all parishes consider becoming members of the Living Wage

#### (b) Climate

Conference encourages Public Issues to continue involvement in Climate Justice:

- i. That the Methodist Church develops a policy on Climate Change
- ii. That the Methodist Church prepares a policy to pay for carbon offsets on all travel.
- iii. That the Methodist Church, at Connexional, parish and parishioner levels, supports work on climate transitions, including removing funds and accounts individually and connexionally from banks that invest in fossil fuels ie Westpac, ANZ, and move to banks which are not investing in fossil fuels.
- (c) Let the Children Live
  - i. That Public Issues continues with policy and issues for child wellbeing
  - ii. Public Issues resources and works with parish initiatives for the wellbeing of families

#### 3. Oversight Group membership

Membership of the PIN Oversight Group for 2017 to be: President Prince Devanandan, Vice President Viv Whimster, Tumuaki Diana Tana, Past President Tovia Aumua, Past-Vice President Arapera Ngaha, Soana Muimuiheata, Elisapesi Havea, Mataiva Robertson, Marion Hines, David Bush, Betsan Martin. Others may be appointed by the President.

#### **INTERCHURCH BIOETHICS COUNCIL**

The InterChurch Bioethics Council (ICBC) is an ecumenical cross-cultural body supported by the Anglican, Methodist and Presbyterian Churches of Aotearoa New Zealand. ICBC members have expertise and knowledge in science, ethics, theology, medicine, education and mātauranga Māori (Māori knowledge). Biotechnology 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.

In 2016 the ICBC has begun to discuss a strategic plan as we seek to clearly define our role for the future.

#### Vision

<u>Faithfully</u> exploring the spiritual, ethical and cultural dimensions of biotechnology and its consequences in Aotearoa, NZ.

#### **Mission Statement**

To increase the knowledge and understanding of church members and the wider community have of the spiritual, ethical and cultural issues relating to biotechnology, and enabling and encouraging citizens to take action on these issues.

Our key tasks are:

- To increase our own knowledge and understanding of the interface between spirituality and biotechnology:
- To engage in consultation and dialogue with church members, community groups and specialists on the ethical, spiritual and cultural issues raised by biotechnology:
- To undertake and promote education on these issues within the community:
- To make appropriate submissions to Government and other relevant organizations on important issues of ethical and spiritual concern.

For Church members the most important part of our work will be found on our website. Every congregation should include <u>www.interchurchbioethics.org.nz</u> as a resource. You can also find us on Facebook at <u>www.facebook.com/InterChurchBioethicsCouncil</u>. The website is continually updated. Among the most recent additions are reports on mitochondrial donation (3-parent babies) and perinatal ethics (where beginning and end of life issues can merge). The website has study guides, papers, and reports that can give a framework or guidelines for ethical enquiry that is separate from what appears in the mass media.

Over the past year the debates around medically assisted suicide (loosely referred to as 'euthanasia' in media reports) have frequently surfaced, and the ICBC has been actively engaged in responding to this issue. In particular the ICBC wrote a submission to the Health Select Committee as they seek to discern public opinion on legalising euthanasia/assisted suicide. Other presentations on this issue include two talks in Christchurch (Canterbury Seniors Network and Theology House in the Wesley Care Chapel), one in Nelson with the Care Alliance (hosted by the Catholic Church). An article for the Anglican Taonga magazine has also been written which will be made available to both Methodist and Presbyterian magazines.

The ICBC webpage is linked to the web pages for the three churches, and also has links to other relevant sites. You will find here a complete list of the ICBC membership if you need to know who is around in your district. The ICBC would be happy to facilitate local meetings dealing with specific issues. We are there to help you!

Then ICBC has undertaken a survey, with a total of four hundred three (403) respondents from Anglican, Methodist and Presbyterian churches expressed concern regarding Climate Change, Euthanasia/Assisted Suicide, Advance Directives and Organ/Tissue Donation in New Zealand.

The data not only provide helpful direction for the work of ICBC but may also be of use to other entities requiring New Zealand communities' engagement, debate and discernment of bioethical issues. For more information, visit <u>http://www.interchurchbioethics.org.nz</u>.

The Bioethics Roadshow, which was initiated by the ICBC continues under a separate Trust and has extended its work with young people beyond Years 11-13 to Years 9-10 and Year 7-8. A series of workshops with Primary aged students exploring *Science and the criminal* mind and *Ethics and other animals* were also conducted at the Inspire conference in Nelson in April. The *Science and the criminal mind* workshop was also presented at *The New Zealand International Science Festival* in Dunedin in July. The Roadshow has gained recognition within both state and independent schools – and there is now competition between schools wishing to host the workshop. Feedback from participants is always enthusiastic. The significance of this programme is in raising awareness among young people of the importance of ethical issues raised by advances in science and technology. Student evaluations completed at the end of each Roadshow indicate that these issues are not generally addressed in their regular classes. Participants in the Roadshows are, therefore, being enabled to think seriously about contemporary ethical issues, while enjoying lively debate and discussion.

The Roadshow reaches several thousand students each year. In addition to the workshops at *Inspire* and *The New Zealand International Science Festival*, day long Roadshow seminars have been presented in Albany, Auckland Central, Wellington, Masterton, Horowhenua, Lower Hutt and Dunedin. Averaging 120 students per seminar, topics in the 2016 series include: *The way we move, Social media and social responsibility,* in addition to the aforementioned *Science and the criminal* mind and *Ethics and other animals.* A further round of Roadshows are scheduled for September to November, where in addition to revisiting the main centres, will include a first visit to Queenstown.

Having stated this, it also seems that the membership of the Methodist Connexion also regards bioethics as irrelevant. In spite of frequent encouragement to Synods, Rohe and congregations to engage in dialogue with ICBC members, we are rarely invited to share in discussions. And yet, all of us are faced with making bioethical decisions for ourselves or our families at some point in our lives, whether these are decisions about new medical treatments being offered, engaging in public debates about the cost of new developments or, indeed, the ethics of new developments. And all of us will die – and there are increasingly complex issues around what happens at the end of life.

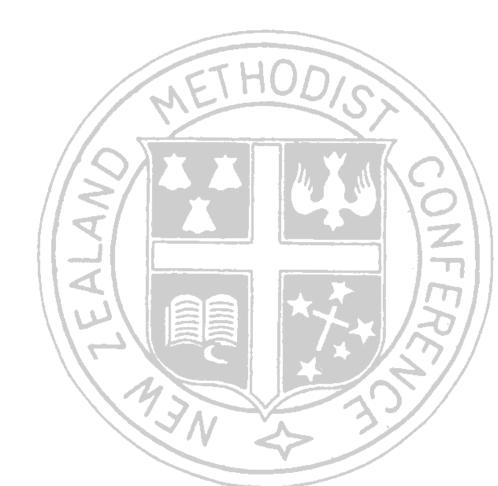
So – contact us!

#### Suggested decisions:

- 1. The Report is received.
- 2. The Methodist members of the InterChurch Bioethics Council for the next year will be: Barbara Peddie (Co-chair), Shirley Rivers, and Filo Tu

# Nominations for . . .

- President
- Vice-President



#### NOMINATIONS FOR PRESIDENT & VICE-PRESIDENT 2016

PRESIDENT	NOMINATED BY
Tevita Finau	Vahefonua Tonga
Nicola Grundy	Northland Te Taha Maori
Trevor Hoggard	Auckland Manukau Central South Island Waikato Waiariki Nelson Marlborough West Coast Northland
Rachael Masterton	Otago Southland Auckland Manukau
Alan Webster	Sinoti Samoa
VICE PRESIDENT	NOMINATED BY
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Ian Faulkner Tevita Finau	Otago Southland Auckland Manukau Northland Te Taha Maori
lan Faulkner Tevita Finau Jan Fogg	Otago Southland Auckland Manukau Northland Te Taha Maori Lower North Island Manukau Auckland Nelson Marlborough West Coast

#### lan Faulkner

Sonia and I have been married since 1972. We have two adult children currently living In Auckland, after spending time living and working in the United Kingdom and Australia.

#### Ministry or Work Experiences

My adult work experience until recently has been in schools. Sonia and I have lived in Mangere (1972 -1986), Omapere (1986 -1990), Reporoa (1990 - 2002) and Paerata, where I held a range of teaching, guidance and administrative roles, concluding with my term as Principal of Wesley College, Paerata, from 2003 to 2014.

Each of these schools served a bicultural/multicultural community. Our lives have been enriched by these experiences.

I was ordained at the Wellington Conference in 2012; and am currently the Supply Presbyter appointed to the East Coast Bays Parish, Auckland, enjoying working with a stimulating community.

#### My Church experiences include:

- member of the Council of Elders
- Manukau Synod Secretary and Lay Representative to Tauiwi Strategy and Stationing Committees
- Convenor of the Methodist/Presbyterian Council for Mission and Ecumenical Cooperation; and subsequently a member of the Methodist Mission and Ecumenical Committee
- member of the Connexional Bi-Cultural Committee
- member of the Land Commission Coordinating Committee
- roles as member of the Leaders' Meeting, Quarterly Meeting/Parish Council and Synod Representative in the Mt. Eden Circuit, Onehunga-Mangere Methodist Circuit, the South Hokianga Cooperating Parish, and the Reporoa (Anglican-Presbyterian) Cooperating Parish
- member of the Wesley College Chaplaincy Team
- Conference attendance (with a few breaks) since the 1980's
- current Secretary of the Wesley Historical Society (NZ)
- current Patron of the Wesley College Old Students' Association.

#### **General Information**

I grew up in a single-parent home and in those formative years attended a church associated with the Primitive Methodist tradition. In my early 20s I attended the East Asian Christian Conference (now Christian Churches of Asia) Youth Conference in Kuala Lumpur in 1972. This exposure to international thinking and varied theological understandings and expressions In a multi-faith setting was a life- changing experience.

I completed an MA (Hons) degree in History at Auckland University in 1978. The focus of my study was the early years of the Methodist Central Mission (now Methodist Mission Northern, Lifewise and the Airedale Property Trust). Part of this study examined the interrelationship between the first Missioner, Rev Colin Scrimgeour, and a use of Radio, as the developing mass-communication media of the depression years, to bring the message of the gospel to hearers. This message also changed people's political and social horizons.

This interest in the Interface between faith, politics and developing social attitudes, as a means of creating a more equitable and just society, has continued. In 2008, as Principal, I wrote a paper entitled The Methodist Ethos.as one way of explaining the gift of the traditions and practice that Methodism brings to education (and thereby to society), emphasising that the transformation of the heart, leading to a new way of living, is at the core of the gospel. One outcome has been to experience the positive outcomes associated with young people and their families applying restorative practices.

#### Tevita Finau

Tevita is an Aotearoa-New Zealand born Tongan but grew up in Tonga. Tevita is married to Valeti and they have three adult sons and an adopted daughter, and they have three grandchildren.

He completed both primary and secondary schools in Tonga before migrating to Aotearoa-New Zealand. Tevita did undergraduate studies at Victoria University of Wellington, Whitireia Polytechnic and Trinity Theological College and also International Training Institute (Aust). He has completed a range of administration and management papers.

Tevita was a lay-preacher for 41 years before being ordained as a presbyter of the Te Haahi Weteriana 0 Aotearoa. His family worshipped at the Wellington Methodist Parish (Taranaki St) for almost thirty years. He was a lay-leader and held various positions such as Property Convener, Parish Steward etc. He was initially exposed to worshipping, sharing resources with other ethnicities such as Tangatwhenua, Samoan, Fijian and English Speaking congregations at this parish.

He was an active member of the then Wellington Synod and was a member of its Executive Committee. At the same time he has been a secretary, then convenor of the Tongan Advisory Committee. Likewise he has been secretary of the Tongan Synod, Vahefonua Tonga O Aotearoa, and currently its Superintendent. He is a former member of the Tauiwi Strategy and Stationing Committee and also the Council of Conference.

He has attended and actively participated at many conferences. Tevita attended Bicultural Journey workshops and training. He has participated and led in many ecumenical activities and events such as ANZAC, City Council and Commonwealth events. He is familiar with both local and central government community or public events. He was fortunate to attend many Tangatawhenua events mainly in Whanganui-a-tara and was honoured to attend a festival in honour of King Tuheitia in Ngauruawahia.

Tevita has worked as a public servant at the Ministry of Education and also the Department of Social Welfare. He has worked as a coordinator of a couple of NGOs, one Tongan and the other a pan-Pacific one. His last employment before entering the ordained ministry he was manager of a mental health support service.

Tevita is very passionate about education and plays a very active role in initiatives that will alleviate and address such issues as poverty, domestic violence, all forms and types of abuse, suicide.

He is one of many who has been trying hard to maintain stability and unity within the Vahefonua Tonga and also the Methodist Church of New Zealand. He may sometimes be seen as optimistic and jumps at opportunities to learn. He is a team worker and not afraid to ask for help when necessary.

He believes in the power of prayer and values any church which is committed to the transforming love of God through Christ and upholds the Treaty of Waitangi in its entirety.

#### Jan Fogg

Jan has two children, adults with partners and families living in Auckland, and has been widowed since 2013.

#### Ministry or Work Experience

Following completion of a degree in Veterinary Science, my first career was as a practicing veterinarian, including time in mixed animal practice, then as a lecturer at the veterinary School at Massey University, Palmerston North, and then as owner/practitioner of a small animal practice in Palmerston North. In 1992 I began three years in a part-time appointment as a lay pastoral worker with special responsibility to older members of the Wesley Broadway Parish in Palmerston North.

In 1999 I was accepted into Trinity Theological College to complete a B.Theol. On graduation I was appointed as Presbyter in Taranaki, shared between two Parishes, in Hawera and Stratford, for 6 years. From there I was appointed superintending Presbyter at Upper Riccarton Methodist Parish for 4 years, and began caring for my husband Alan who had been diagnosed with Alzheimers disease.

#### Parish Appointments

- 2014/16: part time supply minister through Presbyterian church of NZ for Thames Union Parish (3 congregations on eastern Coromandel Peninsular).
- 2013-2015: Enabler for the East Coast Bays Methodist parish, working with a lay ministry support team (part-time appointment).
- 2011/12: Worship Convenor for Thames Union Parish (voluntary);
- 2010: Presbyter at Upper Riccarton Methodist church, Christchurch. <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> time, and caring for my husband with dementia, at home.
- 2007–2009: Superintendent Presbyter at Hornby Riccarton Parish, Christchurch (3 congregations, including one Fijian)
- 2001–2006: Presbyter shared by Hawera and Stratford Methodist Parishes.
- 1998: Lay supply to St Mark's Methodist Church, Fielding.
- 1993-1995: Half-time Lay Pastoral Worker at Wesley Broadway Methodist Parish, Palmerston North, focus on ministry with older people.

#### Service to Connexion and Synod

- 2016: Contributor to regular column in Touchstone.
- 2015/16: Member of Faith & Order Committee.
- 2011/12: Superintendent of Hauraki Plains Co-operating Parish
- 2007–2012: Member of Council of Conference for Methodist Church of NZ
- 2006 (June to December) Superintendent of Eltham/Kaponga and Manaia Parishes, South Taranaki.
- 2003-2006: Secretary for Taranaki-Wanganui District Synod.
- 2002: One of three tutors for LAOS: 'Preparation for Worship': run as small group from several Parishes.

#### **Continuing Education in Ministry**

- 2015: completed on-line course for Graduate Certificate in Ageing and Pastoral Studies through Charles Sturt University and CAPS, Canberra, Australia.
- 2015 MOOC Understanding Dementia from University of Tasmania.
- 2009: Attendance at the International Conference on Spirituality and Aging, hosted by Selwyn centre for Aging and spirituality, Auckland.
- 2008: Invited to attend the 'International Ecumenical workshop on ecology, economy and accountability in Asian perspective' at the Christian conference of Asia, in South Korea.
- 2007: Paper with Otago University: "Leadership in congregations".
- 2006: Enablers Course, Auckland Anglican Diocese.
- 2005: Te Reo, Whaakahurangi Marae, Stratford.
- Local Shared Ministry Conference, Auckland Diocese
- 2004: Treaty of Waitangi forum, Puke Ariki, New Plymouth. Rural Ministry Conference, Clare, South Australia.
- 2003: Cultural workshop, Marire Resthome Board. Dealing with Death, Taranaki District Health Board.
- 2002: Rural Ministry Seminar, Fielding Funeral seminar, Wanganui

#### **Community Involvement**

- Board member for Thames Pensioner Housing Trust.(low income housing)
- Volunteer: Established "A listening Ear" for residents of Tararu Resthome in Thames, 2015.
- Established Alzheimers and memory loss group a friendship and support group in Thames. 2015
- Reading 'stories' to hospital residents of the Tararu resthome, Thames2013.

- Chairperson (previously treasurer) of Taranaki Kiwi Trust, a charitable trust with annual budget of about \$100,000; mission to save kiwi in Taranaki.
- Board member for Marire Resthome, Stratford.
- Chair of Taranaki Foodbank Co-ordinators Group.

#### Skills

- Journeying with small groups to explore their spirituality/faith
- Exploring creative liturgy for various needs.
- Listening to, and encouraging, people to share their gifts
- Pastoral care around death and dying, and dementia.
- A commitment to ongoing learning in myself and in the Church
- Reflection on what I do and learning from that
- In leadership I try to be inclusive, listening to and involving others, seeking a way of reconciliation

#### Theological Persuasion

- Inclusive of gender, culture, age, sexual preference, ecology and encouraging of the diversity of theological stance in the Church.
- the belief that God's salvation is for the whole of creation, that mission is the tangible expression of our faith and both are lived through God's inspiration of our actions.
- Belief in the ongoing growth of peoples' faith through to the end of life.
- A recognition of the importance of prayer/meditation both in our personal and Church life.

#### Vision for the Methodist Church of New Zealand

- to be a widely accepting community of faith growing from a deeply held and practiced spiritual life;
- to be a reconciling community open to new challenges in our changing society;
- to preserve the bicultural nature of our Church
- to encourage sustainable forms of ministry especially in rural parishes and smaller communities of faith;
- to encourage understandings of 'Green Church';
- to support the building up of young Pacifica members into leadership.
- To encourage greater participation in Church-life for those on the margins of the wider society, including those mentally and physically disabled, and the elderly;
- To promote values of love and justice in our society and support the many works of the Church in these areas.

#### Nicola Gundy

Ko te mihi tuatahi ki te Atua, nana nei nga mea katoa E nga mate kua wheturangitia, haere, haere, haere atu ra E mihi ano ki te hunga ora, tena koutou katoa E nga iwi o nga moutere, e nga iwi o nga hau e wha, tena koutou, tena koutou, tena koutou katoa

First I send greetings to members of Conference, and acknowledge the leadership past and present of the Methodist Church of New Zealand. I have had the privilege of growing up in the Methodist tradition and being mentored by the leaders of my home parish in Christchurch - leaders such as Sister Rona Collins, Rev Bob Widdup, Rev Albert Grundy and my own parents Pat and Basil Teague. Growing up in Papanui close to the children's home and work of the Christchurch Methodist Mission, meant that as a young person I saw what it means to put faith into action. This was not necessarily comfortable, was at times challenging and often went against social norms - but gave me a fantastic grounding in what it means to be Methodist, and how to live out my faith.

Since the 1990's, I have been involved in lay leadership roles within parishes I have been part of and the wider connexion. These include:

- Member of Parish Council's and leader's meetings
- Membership of Council of Conference, including being the first Tauiwi Co-facilitator
- Leadership in the Otago Southland Synod
- Member of Tauiwi Strategy and Stationing
- Vice President in 1999/2000
- Member of Boards and Committees such as the Community of Women and Men in church and society, Lifewise, Auckland Methodist Mission, Stipends Review Committee
- Conference Chaplain

I am currently employed as the Administrator/Academic Registrar at Trinity Theological College and before this worked in roles for the Board of Ministry, Dunedin Methodist Mission and in my 20's at the Connexional office.

All of these roles have helped widen my understanding of what it means to be Methodist in this land. I have been extremely fortunate and privileged to have been given opportunities to work alongside pacific leaders and also with Te Taha Maori and the office of the Kingiitanga. These opportunities alongside my work at Trinity College have meant that I have grown in understanding about the church's bicultural journey which has become a personal journey of discovery. To be able to work in an environment of self-discovery and continual life-long learning has impacted not only on me, but my family and my involvement in community organisations such as AFS student exchange programme.

I believe that the Methodist Church has a lot to offer and celebrate. It is important that the church offer leadership to the wider society about living and respecting diversity and putting our faith into action.

Ko te mea nui o te ao, he tangata, he tangata, he tangata.

#### Lyn Heine

Married to David for 38 years. We have two adult children, Fred and Kim. No grandchildren! Both David and I come from families with five children each so have good extended family connections. David is a professional trout fishing guide and as well does farm contract work, and can turn his hand to most things.

#### Ministry or Work Experience

As a child our family attended St Andrews Presbyterian church In Cobden, Greymouth. I also attended many St Pauls, Greymouth Methodist gatherings through my friendship with Shirley. David and I returned to live in Greymouth in 1982 and became part of the Greymouth Uniting church when Graham Hawkey was stationed here. Worship teams were established at this time and became a valuable training ground. I participated in TELM during the 90s, and have been chair of our Parish Council since 2000. Since then with the encouragement and support of others I have had the privilege of participating at all levels of church life. Locally as a lay minister with our parish; regionally within West Coast Regional Forum, Nelson, Marlborough, West Coast Synod, and Alpine Presbytery; nationally at Methodist Conference and Presbyterian Assembly; Presbyterian Nominating Committee; PAC Trust Committee; UCANZ Standing Committee; and Council of Conference trainee.

#### **General Information**

In 2015 and 2016 I was privileged to be part of the Presbyterian Women of Aotearoa New Zealand delegation to the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women in New York. This was supported with funding from a then Travel and Study grant.

My other working life has been as an Occupational Therapist. I have worked and continue to work part- time in both hospital and community settings encouraging people to overcome health difficulties and adjust to the changes this often imposes on them.

#### Trevor Hoggard

I am married with 3 adult children and two grandchildren. I studied French and German before commencing theological studies. I started training as a Lay Preacher at 16 years of age.

I have been in ministry since 1981 and my posts have included hospital, industrial, school and Armed Forces chaplaincies. I have served in small town, rural and city centre mission appointments. I have taught theology on a part time/occasional basis at the University of Durham, Parkin Wesley College Adelaide and the Pontifical University of the Angelicum, Rome.

I have been on the Faith and Order Committee since 2002 and served as Synod Superintendent, before going to Rome as the Methodist Representative to the Holy See and member of the European Methodist Council.

I am currently Director of Mission Resourcing, English-Speaking Ministries and Co-Chair of the Methodist-Catholic Dialogue Aotearoa/NZ, and a member of the International Methodist-Catholic Dialogue Commission 2011-2016.

My passion in ministry is, and always has been, a desire to bring the life and theology of John Wesley to today's generation of believers, to explain Methodism's contribution to the worldwide historic Body of Christ, and to promote an appropriate response to the challenge of today's world from the riches of our Methodist heritage in partnership with other Christian traditions.

#### Rachael Masterton

I was born 1970 and have lived in Dunedin all my life. I have 2 brothers (both married with 2 boys each) and my parents are celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary this year. I am single and assist in looking after my parents.

#### Ministry and Work Experiences

Having been brought up in a Union Parish I received a good grounding in both Methodist and Presbyterian Church processes.

I have been with Westpac Bank for 29 years and have undertaken every role in a branch setting. I am currently a Regional Support with primary responsibility for Otago, Southland and Nelson, Marlborough, West Coast (Tasman), which involves a lot of responsibility, organisation, time management and prioritisation and people skills.

Although I have been in full time employment for the past 29 years with Westpac Bank I have been active in my ministry with the church even longer. With the Flagstaff Union Parish I started Sunday School teaching at age 14, lay preaching from age 18 years and a member of Parish Councils, Settlement Boards and a representative on JRC and the Otago Southland Synod from a young age.

Latterly I have been:

- Tauiwi Strategy and Stationing Committee representative since 2006,
- Synod Co-Superintendent Otago Southland 2011-2014
- Synod Secretary 2006 -2010 and again from 2015,
- Synod Finance Secretary since 2006,
- PAC 2008 -2010
- Council of Conference first year this year
- Methodist Conference representative for Otago Southland Synod for at least 8 years
- Accredited lay preacher through Trinity Theological College 2012
- Graduated with Licentiate in Ministry Studies in 2015
- Methodist Mission Southern board member since 2014

Currently I am a member of the Dunedin Methodist Parish and regularly take services in Parishes throughout Otago and Southland.

#### Girls' Brigade

Currently I am Area Commissioner, Area Chaplain and Duke of Edinburgh Co-ordinator. I have also been Area Secretary and Training Co-ordinator.

For the past 3 years I have facilitated motivational and strategic sessions at Girls' Brigade Pacific Fellowships conferences in Auckland and Brisbane at the invitation of the International Vice President for the Pacific.

#### **General Information**

I have always been passionate about helping people and communities reach their potential. I have a strong sense of responsibility for social justice - a question I was asked in an interview last year was what would I march down the main street for? My response was "to ensure everyone is treated fairly in today's world - no matter who they are".

I have strong leadership practices in Change management and Strategic management and am very goal oriented.

I have an interest in continuing to learn and have studied part time while working full time for a number of years. One of my goals this year is to complete my Bachelor in Applied Management, which will happen in September.

My second goal this year is to run my first marathon - which will be done 10 days after Conference. My other interests are running, gardening, cooking and relaxing with a good book.

#### Mataiva Robertson

I was born and raised in Auckland but moved to New Plymouth in 2002. My parents are Rev. Limu and Ela Isaia, both of Samoan heritage. I am married to Joshua Robertson and attend the Fitzroy Methodist Church in New Plymouth.

#### Ministry

I am a committed member of the Methodist Church. I am very involved in my local church as a Lay Preacher, Sunday School Teacher, So'otaga (30 years+ ministry), Choir teacher, Youth Group advisor and a member of the Women's Fellowship.

I have served on various boards and committees within the Samoan Synod and the wider Methodist Church of New Zealand, namely:

- Council of Conference (current)
- Secretary of Sinoti Samoa (2012 current)
- Representative to the MCNZ Tauiwi Strategy and Stationing Committee (current)
- Member of the Robert Gibson Trust (current)
- Human Sexuality Group member (current)
- Sinoti Samoa Social Issues Convenor (2010 current)
- Member of the following Sinoti Samoa committees: Stationing, Property, Steering, Finance, Executive, Missions, Constitution review and the Superintendent Strategy (current).
- Helen Kim Memorial Scholarship Facilitator at the 13th World Assembly (2016)
- Member of MCNZ Ministry Candidates Assessor Panel (past 2 years)
- Public Issues Network Board member (current)
- Interfaith Seminar 2014 Geneva, Switzerland
- Served as one of the Chaplains to the MCNZ Presidential Team (2012/2013)
- Former President of the NZ Methodist Women's Fellowship (2010 2012)
- Smethurst Trust 4 years
- Missions Convenor 2010/2012
- Helen Kim Memorial Scholar (2006 2011)
- Human Rights and Dignity 2008 Geneva, Switzerland

#### **Work Experiences**

I am currently a Project Manager for Adult Community Education Taranaki. Prior to this role, I worked as an employment consultant for Workwise for 3 years in the area of Mental Health. I have also worked previously as a Quality Assurance Advisor for 10 years at a Private Tertiary Education Institute. This role largely involved policy research, writing and the establishment of operational systems.

Various roles I have held in relation to community work have included the following:

- Project Co-ordinator for Whanau Ora Taranaki Region (Current)
- Consortium Board member Maori & Pasifika Trade Training (Current)
- Vaimoana Pasifika Charitable Trust Trustee (Current)
- Samoa Foreign Aid Water Project Co-ordinator (2012)
- Chairperson for Vaimoana Pasifika Charitable Trust (2010 2013)
- Board member Ministry of Education National Pasifika Advisory Group
- Past Secretary Vaimoana Pasifika Charitable Trust (2007 2010)
- Central South Pasifika Education Reference Group Ministry of Education

#### General

I enjoy working collaboratively with both groups and individuals. My desire is to serve the Lord in whatever vocation I am called. I am committed to ensure that whatever role I am called to, that I continue to develop and grow in the Lord.

#### Etuini (Edwin) Talakai

'Etuini was born in Tonga and migrated to NZ when he was 5 years old when his father studied at NZ Bible College (Laidlaw). Started his Primary School at Pomaria, Henderson. He returned back to Tonga for 4 years before returning back to NZ. He treasured the 4 years back in Tonga as he got to learn more about his Tongan culture and language.

His high school years were at Mt Albert Grammar School and also Wesley College, His school days were one of his proud moments learning and being part of Maori culture, member of the kapahaka group, Patriotism got the best of him when was selected to represent NZ in Rugby for the Secondary School in 1989. He also represented Tonga Rugby Union for 7 years.

Edwin did undergraduate studies at Auckland University, Microsoft and other IT providers.

Whilst working in the IT industry he also completed several management qualification and Microsoft Certified Professional MCP Certification.

Edwin is married to Vaiolupe Moala Talakai with 4 children, two boys and two girls. The two eldest children have both at high school while one is at intermediate and youngest at primary school. Edwin has worked as an IT industry as a National Operation Manager for over 20 years and now currently full time for Auckland Manukau Tongan Methodist Parish as the Parish Secretary since 2014.

He has been a lay preacher for 21 years. Attends Dominion Tongan Methodist Church and has been a Youth Leader, he is still the Church Secretary and treasurer since 2005.

Edwin is the Auckland Manukau Tongan Methodist Parish Secretary since 2010.

He is also the current Vahefonua Tonga O Aotearoa Secretary since 2010.

Edwin has been to conference as a lay person consecutively since 2005. The Vahefonua Tonga lay representative for Tauiwi Strategy and Stationing since 2010.

Edwin is passionate with working and helping where possible driving Methodism to be a lively presence in the community. He enjoys discovering the new and exciting ways in which God can

work in and through individual lives and the Te Hāhi community.

"He tangata, he tangata, he tangata – working with people is the beginning of social change, built on trust, mentoring and coaching, so that everyone has the ability to reach their dreams and full potential."

#### Alan Webster

I was born in Rawene in 1954: the Waima is my river, Moehau is my mountain. I grew up in Wellsford and then Cambridge in the Waikato, and earned an MA in English and Zoology at Auckland University before marrying my wonderful wife Glenys who was a nurse at the time.

I became a secondary school teacher, and we began a family with our first daughter Nichola. We believed that God was calling us into ministry, so the family went to live in at Baptist Theological College for training for three years, and I graduated with a Bachelor of Divinity.

Our first church was Thames Baptist in 1984, where we ministered for five years, and I was given the additional responsibility as Waikato Superintendent. I went on to serve in Epsom Baptist and Green Bay Interdenominational Church respectively in Auckland, and then Opawa Baptist in Christchurch.

After concluding our five year appointment at Opawa Baptist in 2007 we believed that we should stay in Christchurch for the sake of our younger daughter Alys's education, but there were no appropriate vacancies at the time. God provided a solution when the neighbouring minister invited me to meet his regional superintendent with an eye to supply in a nearby Methodist church for the necessary two years. The neighbouring minister Rev Andrew Doubleday, and the Superintendent at the time, Rev David Bush...and so we began an eleven years ministry at Beckenham Methodist, initially on supply and ultimately into full connexion in 2009.

Ecumenical relationships have always been important to me, and over the years I have ended up convening the inter-church ministerial groups in every place we have ministered in. I have worked with other churches for community programmes in many different ways: with concerts, dramas, musicals, community galas and river clean-ups.

I have been fully involved in the life of Te Haahi Weteriana from early days. I was appointed Evangelical Network Superintendent in 2008, and have been privileged to maintain and develop this role in the meantime. Together with Rev Andrew Gamman and leaders from the Wesleyans, the Church of the Nazarene and the Korean Methodists, we organised and ran a very successful training event, Equipt 09, in Ngaruawahia with the World Methodist Evangelism Institute. I have also been able to represent New Zealand in international expressions of Methodism, including the World Methodist Institute of Evangelism in Georgia, USA in 2011 and then again in Jerusalem in 2013. In 2014 I convened the inaugural event of the Christian Missionary Society's bicentennial celebrations, bringing across young Kenyan worship leaders for a big youth rally that we called "Gospel 200" at the Vodafone centre in South Auckland. I have helped organise and run district youth camps with the young adults of Beckenham and the CSI Synod, and have helped in other synod events. I have also been able to contribute to Te Haahi Weteriana church life by lecturing at Trinity College in preaching and evangelism, and am currently running two lay preaching courses: one online in Auckland, and the other in Christchurch with a more face-to-face emphasis

I have been part of Strategy and Stationing since 2008, and have been serving the church as a member of the Candidates Assessment team for the last nine years. It has been a privilege to watch "our" candidates come into full connexion over this time!

In the meantime our two daughters have grown up and given us great sons-in-law <u>and</u> five incomparable grandchildren from ages two to ten.

After thirty years of continuous pastoral ministry I am currently working half-time for the Central South Island Synod, equipping lay people in post-earthquake Canterbury in a ministry that I have

called CLEAR (Canterbury Lay Empowering And Resourcing) for a three year term that concludes February 2016. My wife is a Pastoral Practitioner for St John of God Healthcare in Halswell.

I'm evangelical, ecumenical, enthusiastic, energetic, and enfolding. I have retained my passionate belief in the relevance of the gospel for today's world: and am keenly interested in new ways of bringing that energy to a culture that has changed enormously since I came to faith as a child. I love the breadth of Methodism, and have a growing admiration for how John and Charles Wesley read their times to ground the gospel so effectively in their context. We have great resources in our heritage and in our ethos: I look forward to continuing to play my part in journeying with te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa towards the best imaginable future that God has for us.

# Tributes to Deceased

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## **Kepu Moa** 1946–2015

The late Rev Kepu Moa was born in Tonga on 19 June 1946. He was raised in a Methodist Family/Environment. His father, Rev Suli Moa was an ordained Minister in the Methodist Church in Tonga [Free Wesleyan Church of Tonga]. His eldest brother was also a Minister in Tonga, while his youngest brother is a current Minister in the United Methodist in Salt Lake City, Utah, USA.

Kepu did his secondary school at Tupou College and Tupou High School where he achieved the Victorian Intermediate and Leaving Certificates and sat the University Entrance. He worked for some years in Tonga before migrating with his family to New Zealand in 1973.

For 16 years from 1987 to 2003, he held 3 roles within the Auckland/Manukau Tongan Methodist Parish:

- 1. Parish Secretary
- 2. Parish Treasurer
- Minister for the New Lynn Tongan Methodist congregation 3.

Kepu also held a variety of leadership roles such as, Secretary for the Tongan Advisory Committee, he was a member of the Faith and Order Committee and was Secretary of the Auckland/Manukau Tongan Property Committee. He was the first Tongan to be appointed to the Board of Administration and also appointed 'Elder'.

In 1989 Kepu began part-time training for Ordained Ministry at the Trinity Methodist Theological College for 4 years and was ordained a Minister of the NZ Methodist Church in 1993 at the Conference held in Christchurch.

In 2004 to 2010 Kepu was stationed to Gisborne Methodist Multicultural Parish as its Superintendent.

In 2010 he was stationed as Superintendent of the Tongan Methodist Kosipeli Parish in Christchurch. The 2011 earthquake caused the Church and Hall to be closed for safety reasons. Kepu and parishioners started to fundraise for rebuilding of a new hall and re-strengthening of the church. Due to serious illness Kepu graciously retired after 28 years from active ministry at the 2015 Conference on November 14.

He was instrumental in the early life of the Tongan Ministry within the Methodist Church of NZ. He was committed to preaching the Gospel and endeavoured to help people find salvation through Jesus Christ. Kepu was an utmost loyal and dedicated servant of God and continuously praised the Lord till his last breath on 30 November 2015.

Kepu was forever appreciative of the support and leadership of his wife Maa'imoa Moa and three children, daughters Soi and Kalo, son Taniela and grandchildren. Kepu was always grateful for the opportunities which the Methodist Church of New Zealand has given him to be able to serve Christ and people through his ministry.

# Alan John Leadley QSM 1943–2015

"A missionary with dirty hands and muddy boots." That's how Roy Burke of the Waikato Times described Rev. Alan Leadley in a published tribute following his death.

Alan was a remarkable mix of scholar, theologian, historian, environmentalist, social activist, tramper, chaplain (hospital and workplace), missionary, family man, friend and fellow traveller.

Born in Picton 26 November 1943 shortly after his missionary parents Clary and Amy Leadley escaped the Japanese occupied Solomon Islands, Alan was the fourth of five children in his family and the fourth generation of Leadleys to enter the Methodist ministry.

Alan graduated with a BA from Auckland University but turned down a Masters Scholarship in Geography to enter Trinity Methodist Theological College from which he graduated with a BD from Otago University. He later gained an MA in History from the University of Papua New Guinea (PNG).

Meanwhile Alan and Muriel married in 1967 and went to St Albans, Christchurch for Alan's first ministry appointment. Six years in PNG followed during which time their two sons Simon and Matthew were born. Alan was Principal of the United Church's Malmaluan Lay Christian Education Centre near Rabaul. Many past students attest to Alan and Muriel's loving care and advancement of their leadership roles within the Church.

On the family's return to New Zealand, Alan taught briefly at Westlake Girls High School Auckland, before becoming a Waikato Hospital chaplain (1977-1984) followed by Joint Secretary of the Council for Mission and Ecumenical Cooperation for the Methodist and Presbyterian churches (1984-1994). This latter appointment gave Alan the opportunity to build on his parent's commitment to the Solomon Islands which he did by encouraging wider environmental concerns as well as the core work of the Church.

From 1994-2004 Alan was appointed to the Chartwell Hamilton Cooperating Parish (Anglican, Methodist, and Presbyterian) and served also as Methodist Waikato-Waiariki District Superintendent during this time. Following this appointment he returned to chaplaincy work at the Waikato DHB for another three years. During his early retirement years he worked part time in workplace chaplaincy in Hamilton. Alan was also president of the Waikato Interfaith Council (WIFCO).

For years Alan was a trustee of the DV Bryant Trust in Hamilton which supported many church and community developments.

But allied to these formal appointments were many additional commitments, from Alan's own forestry block near Raglan to Pukemokemoke Reserve development at Tauhei, extensive tramping, anti-apartheid, anti-nuclear, bicultural, anti-gambling and peace campaigns, local history and interfaith explorations, and above all a great loyalty to and love of family, friends, parishioners, hospital patients and staff, workplaces and fellow travellers.

An adored grandfather to Liam and Sean, Alan took some time out from chaplaincy to care for his grandsons whilst their parents studied and worked to get established.

Ably accompanied by Muriel, Alan was socially and theologically progressive as his actions illustrated and the awarding of a Queen's Service Medal (QSM) in 2004 recognised.

Alan described his 45 years as a Methodist minister "as deeply satisfying and I retired (in 2008) with a sense of thanks to God and to people of many shades of faith and worldview for the enrichment they have brought to my life".

Alan advocated strongly for a progressive Church focused on core principles rather than creedal statements; on the way of life inspired by Jesus rather than dead dogma. Alan added "I am aware that old certainties have gone. While there are multiple ways to understand 'the divine spirit', my own theology has come to focus on God's unconditional love and the essential goodness within us all".

A debilitating lung disease cut short Alan's dynamic life, but as always, he displayed amazing fortitude and foresight as long as he could.

Alan lives on in the impact he has had on so many people and so many places.

The church is extremely grateful to Muriel, Matthew, Simon, Mily, Liam, Sean and the wider Leadley family for sharing Alan so generously with the church and wider community. Thanks be to God for the ministry and humanity of Alan Leadley.

### Margaret Anne Ziegler 1943 – 2015

Margaret Anne Ziegler parents were Rev Les Gilmore and Kathleen Gilmore. Rev Les Gilmore was a Methodist Presbyter in the Methodist Church of New Zealand serving for so many years stationed all around New Zealand.

Margaret Ziegler has two sisters, Alison and Barbara. Margaret was married to Robin Ziegler and they have been blessed with four children Angela, Chris, Philip and David, wives and Grandchildren.

Margaret was an active and vibrant member of the Manurewa Methodist Parish and she became Lay Preacher Accredited on the 28th August 1984. She lived a busy life and enjoyed everything she did. She was a very strong supporter of the youth and the Sunday School children and had been the Superintendent of the Sunday School for 40 years. She was very much involved in the care and activities of the Girls Brigade for a number of years.

Margaret made herself available to help and guide the youth of the church, setting goals for their future. She worked tirelessly and was able to juggle her work – as a full time school teacher – with the extra responsibilities for the church, community and family. Margaret was very well respected and much loved by both old and young of the church.

Margaret participated in the planning of the church camping activities as well as in the Girls Brigade trips. She was Wesley Historical Society Secretary for eight years, Synod rep for the Friendship House for twenty-four years, Chaplaincy Support Committee Middlemore for three years, and a member of the Manurewa Interchurch Committee approx. six years.

Margaret loved poetry and every time she preached she would share a poem she had written with the church. As the convenor of the Pastoral Care Committee she approached people with love and compassion – a task very much appreciated by the members of the local church.

Margaret's enthusiasm in everything she did was very infectious [In fɛk[əs]. She was an exceptional person, full of energy and had the heart and care for everyone. She was a valuable Minister's Steward for fifteen years and her heart was clearly in her work to make sure that the Minister and his family were well looked after. I deeply appreciated her care.

Margaret was very approachable and a popular person who knew everyone in the church.

I can think of no better verse than:

2 Timothy 4:7-8

"I have run the great race, I have finished the course, I have kept faith. And now the prize awaits me, the garland of righteousness which the Lord, the all-iust, will award me on that great day; and it is not for me alone, but for all who have set their hearts on his coming appearance."

### Verna Elaine Mossong QSM

1925 - 2016

Verna was born in Stoke, Nelson on 25 August 1925. Educated at Nelson Girls College, she was a member of the Stoke Methodist Church and came under the early influence of ministers like John Grocott and Ralph Patchett.

In 1948 Verna married Len Mossong and his work with the New Zealand Air Force sent them to live in Beach Haven, Auckland; Blenheim; Hobsonville and finally Glenfield, Auckland. Together they brought up three sons and a daughter.

In 1967 Verna joined the fledgling New Zealand Society of Genealogists. Genealogy became one of her passions. As well as exploring her own Ching family history, Verna developed expertise in the areas of shipping records, women's history and cemetery transcriptions. She was soon involved in the Society's governance, serving twice in the roles of Vice-President and President from 1972 to 1982. Although she had no formal training, Verna was a natural leader and teacher, presenting historical papers at home and abroad. She had an easy manner and shared her gifts with confidence and authority.

Based in Glenfield, Verna and Len were active members of the Northcote Methodist Church. Verna served as Parish Steward, was involved in Methodist Women's Fellowship (and became President of the Waitemata District in 1979) and was a member of the Smethurst Committee. A strong advocate for women, Verna was Branch President of the National Council of Women from 1983 to 1984 and was elected a member of its National Executive in 1983. In 1987 she became a Justice of the Peace.

Verna's involvement in the Wesley Historical Society began when she was living in Blenheim and was the result of going on a local pilgrimage. She later wrote: "By small boat and barge the party went from Picton to Ironside Landing and walked over the hill into Cloudy Bay. This was the beginning of my interest in Wesleyan missionaries".

Verna joined the WHS Executive in 1978, became Chairperson in 1990 and was elected President in 1993. She was the first woman and the first lay person to hold this role. She served the Society with energy, enthusiasm and an extensive knowledge of the church until 2000.

From 1990 Verna also led the team at the Methodist Connexional Archives in Penrose, Auckland. She had a great ability to "fossick out historical information" and provided helpful and friendly advice to researchers over many years. She was a mine of information and a wonderful encourager.

In 2000 Verna was awarded the Queen's Service Medal for her services to the community and the church. After a long illness she died on 14 January 2016.

A woman of deep faith, lively intelligence and generous spirit, Verna used her skills and love of history to bring the past alive and make its insights available for the present and the future. We acknowledge with grateful loving thanks her contribution to our understanding of Te Hāhi's past and her commitment in particular to telling the stories of women throughout its history.

**Joyce K. Dey** 1923 – 2016

Joyce Dey was born into the church to which she remained committed until her death, her parents being Ken and Dora Rosser.

In 1959 Joyce went to Papua New Guinea Highlands as secretary to the Chairperson of the Mission District, as part of the New Zealand Overseas Mission Team. Joyce continued in this capacity until she married Gordon Dey, at Pitt Street Methodist Church, in 1963. Thus began a partnership of service to the Church together. Gordon encouraged and supported Joyce in all the leadership positions she took on and was immensely proud of her achievements.

After marriage they returned to mission work, Joyce becoming involved in adult literacy and working among women in the Highlands.

They returned to New Zealand in 1970.

One of Joyce's first National responsibilities was to lead the National Methodist Women's fellowship from 1976-1978.

In 1980 Joyce spent a year in Lolowai, Vanuatu, with Gordon, who was setting up a small Manual Training Centre for the Anglican Church. While there Joyce assisted in women's meetings, hospital treatments, and the typing of the work book for the training centre.

In 1983 Joyce was elected as Vice-President Elect to take office in November 1984 along with President Elect Frank Hanson.

Ex-President Hanson reflects that "Joyce was a wise and discerning colleague who always had at heart the care and welfare of the Methodist Church and its people. She brought to the Vice Presidential role her ethnic sensitivity, further developed in her years of missionary experience in Papua New Guinea, and her immersion in Te Taha Maori relationships which was so important in coping with the very early years of the bicultural journey. Joyce was particularly helpful in assisting Tauiwi members to understand the principles of power sharing and Bi-culturalism".

In retirement Joyce supported and encouraged new leaders in the church through prayers, letters of encouragement and later phone calls.

Joyce's life was described at her funeral in March with the words of Michael Leunig: "Let us live in such a way that when we die, our love will survive and continue to grow". This is how Joyce lived her life and her gift to us as she leaves us.

Gillian Mary Watkin 1946 – 2016

Gillian was born in Wellington on 15 October 1946 and died 5 March 2016 in Hastings.

She became a probationer in February 1985 and was ordained November 1987 in Nelson. Her official retirement date was 31 January 2011

Gillian's candidating for ministry, training, and subsequent ordination as a presbyter in 1987 grew out of an interest in spirituality and the women's movement. She had active involvement in the Christian feminist movement in the late 1970's and 1980's, working to bring equality for women in the church. One of the outcomes of this was bringing a motion to the 1983 Conference that Conference should use inclusive language in its services.

It was work in local community development that led Gillian to a lifelong exploration of questions related to pakeha spirituality, and to an understanding of life as being about "loving the questions".

There were two strands to ordained ministry for Gillian, that of local community initiatives, and that of the role of ordained person. The former was exemplified in such things as establishing a food bank, in West Auckland as a stop gap response to the recession, working with Take a Break Women's Centre in K Rd, and working with the Mt Eden community on the church-community partnership.

Gillian's most significant Ministry was as Field Worker in Ministry for Ordained Ministry for Trinity College from 1990 to 1999. In this role she encouraged many, many people. She also served as an industrial Chaplain and at Mt Eden.

Latterly, Gillian was involved in the work of Spirituality and Creation, contributing a regular column for Touchstone 'From the backyard' in Touchstone. A column enjoyed by many who grew their own plants and food.

She had a wonderful way in which she could touch on a subject and here readers would be able to identify with her. These points of interest covered wide ranging subjects whether they were social issues or theological questions.

Gillian was motivated by a passion for eco-theology and she has conveyed this by focusing first on the micro ecology of her own garden. Through her writing she has made us aware of the life that is all around us. She has reminded us of the changing seasons, the plants and animals who we share our patches of earth with, and the friends and strangers who populate our lives.

#### Mavis Jean Tauroa (nee Dickje)

#### Died 2016

Mavis was part of a team with her late husband, Lane. As was said at her funeral, it was not Mavis And Lane, it was Mavis n' Lane. It might have appeared that Lane was team leader; this was not the case, a good team does not have a leader. The fact that it was usually "Mavis n' Lane" and not "Lane n' Mavis" is very telling. Behind a strong man . . .

Lane proposed to Mavis in writing: he obviously had no doubts about what he wanted and who can blame him? They were married in 1959, had three children, one of whom sadly died soon after birth, and two adopted children.

Mavis was always by Lane's side, ably giving full support to all he did with her strong Deaconness ministry.

In 1963 Lane was appointed by the National Council of Churches to work at Bandung, Indonesia, and continued his ministry there till 1966 as a Fraternal Worker. One need not ask where at least part of the strength to carry out this task came from. One of their adopted children was Indonesian.

Somehow, Mavis managed to be humble without being a martyr. Others respected those qualities and tried to follow. Gentle and tough: Mavis combined the two.

Always the lady, never flying off the handle, never getting rattled: she just got on with things in tough times. She was a constantly loving, supportive, kind mum and grandmother. You could never be angry or upset with her, she just never deserved it. She was not one to put on airs and graces; there was a class about her which was not about money or prestige.

She professed her faith not with words but with actions: her service to others. Her small stature belied a big heart. Every community she lived in saw her helping others, especially immigrant families with nothing, getting them basics and being their friend. Always ready to share all she had to those in need, she put so many smiles, on so many faces.

Abundance, luxury and wealth were not words associated with Mavis except for her green fingers: she was a gardener: fruit and vegetables to nourish the body and flowers to nourish the soul. And the fruit and vegetables had to be converted into jams, preserves and healthy meals; by Mavis, of course.

Knitting, crochet, sewing cooking, cleaning, gardening, washing, reading to her grandchildren, board games and puzzles after dinner: she was always busy but still found time for the Op shop, Sunday school, women's fellowship, church choirs, prayer groups, services (often as preacher). They say the Devil makes work for idle hands: he didn't have a chance with Mavis.

As Lane's health deteriorated, she took on the role of nurse, making sure he took his pills and supervising his diet.

Mavis was buried with Lane's ashes in her coffin. "Team Mavis n' Lane" is now reunited both on Earth and in Heaven.

### Winiata Morunga

1932 - 2016

#### Miniata-ā-lwi - Tai Tokerau Rohe

Winiata Morunga was born in1932 in Whirinaki, South Hokianga 177km north of Whangarei. Winiata was 1 of 11 children born to Pene Morunga and Te Ira Aroha Eruera, who was from a neighbouring community, Omanaia. Winiata was born on a prominent Māori Pā (settlement) site - 'Papakura' that sits amongst lush native bush on the legendary mountain Te Ramaroa. Papakura was also home to the paramount chief and navigator Kupe.

Winiata started school at 7 years old at Whirinaki Native School and continued his education at Rawene District High School, Te Reo Maori being his first language. He was a diligent and determined student and sports enthusiast. He played representative football for both his school and local senior men's rugby team.

His faith derived from the early teachings of his mother who lead him and his siblings in karakia and waiata. This established a long association with the Methodist Church and in 1972 he became a Minita-ā-Iwi in Te Tai Tokerau. His philanthropic service to whānau, hapū and iwi provided spiritual guidance and support through times of hardship, celebration and marked the start of new beginnings.

Kapa Haka was widespread in the 70s especially prevalent in the Te Tai Tokerau. Winiata helped to establish local Kapa (cultural groups) Takirau, Te Arahi, Te Tārai o Rāhiri and currently Te Pū Ao. Winiata nurtured individuals and their whanau to be confident and capable beings continuing to be leaders in their respective communities. He was a choral fanatic turning Methodist hymns into winning choral items at local and regional competitions. He is admired by current kapa haka leaders for his resolute teachings and commitment to Te Reo Māori and Māori Performing Arts in Northland.

His unwavering faith in God and in people is an exceptional attribute and legacy that will remain in his children, mokopuna, whanau and communities he moved and inspired. He was a man of humility, peace, unconditional love, devoted and faithful.

Papa, may you rest on our maunga Te Ramaroa nui a Kupe with your ancestors Tauramoko, Kamariera and Moa. Loved by Doreen Beazley and Molly Walters, your children Kay, Barbie, Adele, Mark and Recenia, your mokopuna and extended whānau whānui.

> E Papa e Te Poutokomanawa e, Mai te tihi o Te Ramaroa Anei mātou ōu uri, E mihi atu nei, E tangi atu nei E Papa e E Kara e, Moe mai ra e!

Mary Russell 1924 - 2016

Mary was born 14 July 1924 in Oamaru. My mother's name: Jean Addison, my father's name Henry Thomas (Harry) Addison. They lived on a dairy farm at Corriedale. Cream was supplied to a butter factory; the skim milk was fed to pigs on the farm, they had hens and bantams, cats and dogs. They grew vegetables and potatoes and enjoyed fruit, gooseberries, black currants, raspberries, plums and apples.

She attended Windsor North Otago – and Secondary schooling was at Waitaki Girls' high school in Oamaru doing the commercial course for 3.5 years.

When Mary was about 8 years, her aunties gave her a King James Bible with coloured pictures. She went to a Sunday School held in Ngapara, a small Presbyterian church where she learned scripture verses from small cards. She had often said she wanted to be a nurse and after enquiring and an interview, Mary was accepted for classes starting 6 Feb 1943. They had to provide 2 gray uniforms, 6 white uniforms, 3 lawn material veils, a red cape and wear black shoes and 1 stockings. They needed a pocket watch with second hand and a pair of surgical scissors.

She did her Maternity training at Holmdale hospital Blenheim in 1947 and back to Oamaru Hospital as a Junior Sister, Midwifery course training early 1949 at St Helens Hospital Christchurch. She also worked in Dunedin where she trained as a Plunket Nurse. In 1953 she went to Nelson to work in general public hospital ward, later taking work at Motueka cottage hospital – back to maternity nursing. It was whilst she was in this area that she decided to serve the Lord as Missionary Nurse overseas – "Mary, you are responsible to share the gospel of Jesus Christ. You go and share your nursing skills with people in need – other people can do the work here". It was Jean Russell, (a Nelson friend), who talked and convinced her to go through the Methodist Church that took her to the Solomon Islands and to Bougainville in 1956.

Mary established the work at Tonu following on from what Mr and Mrs Voice had done as Missionary and Missionary wife. Because Mary was there it was possible to open up the Mission station at Tonu on a permanent basis. The nurse training that she did made a big difference as young men and women could go out into the villages and give injections and supervise the taking of medicine and monitor the pregnant mothers, of which there were many. For the next 12 years Mary moved between Bougainville and the Solomons. "The nurse boys and girls helped Mary to communicate with people – people came from a large area to house sick and out patients. Sicknesses included malaria, pneumonia, abscesses, cuts, burns, eye and ear infections, tuberculosis, centipede bites and other tropical things such as leprosy, dengue fever and Malaria. Activities Mary had to do were: Lotu (morning and evening prayers), Bible classes, Girls Life Brigade, sewing classes and Women's fellowship times. There was cooking, baking, gardening, washing and supervising girls also."

After she returned to New Zealand, she continued her nursing career at Benmore hospital 1968-71 and then at Maternity Annex Oamaru until she retired in 1984 to marry Howard. From this date the next few years were very full. She attended or hosted the Mana Women's Aglow meeting later Porirua Women's Aglow; collected old folk (even though she was older than they were) 3 to take to Care and Craft meetings once a week in Linden; visited residents and served communion to them at Longview once a week before she became a resident. At the Tawa Union parish the different Church activities that she was involved with, including climbing to top of Colonial Knob in 1997; regular prayer partner for Bible Society and right up to her death also Wycliffe Bible Translators. In between times, she made and baked many Apricot slices that many people around Tawa paid tribute to, knitted little cardigans and even Bananaramas (knitted and stuffed toy), as well as peggy squares. She also loved her gardening.

Mary's giving to Christian organizations are legendary –Wycliffe Bible Translators, Scripture Union, Bible Society, Laidlaw College, Life Flight Trust, St Johns Ambulance, Riding for Disabled, Mercy Ships, Fred Hollows, African Inland Mission and many, many more..

Mary, we honour you for the wonderful life of service that you have given to your heavenly Father and the support that you have given to your community.

### Edna Garner

1929 - 2016

Edna's funeral on the 14th May 2016 said much about her ministry. Large parties came from The Deaf Communities in Auckland and Hamilton, and other groups also, came to share their appreciation of Edna with warmth and humour.

This love for deaf people began when, as a child, her father would cut some roses and have her deliver them to a neighbour who was deaf. Those visits became a life forming; a relationship that she developed on later both in NZ and overseas.

The Methodist Church owes Edna Garner a debt of gratitude for what she began, and established in ministry with the deaf. It was pursued strongly in a variety of ways, till she retired and after also.

I would like to share you some of what Edna has done for Deaf People, but there is no room to put it all in. In the mid 70's she helped another teacher at The School for Deaf in Kelston to set up teaching sign language. I cannot impress to deeply the importance of this. Without her work, sign language would not be what it is today.

But for that effort she was put out of the way in a hearing school, where she could not disturb the status quo any more. However she did go on teaching it to anyone and everyone who wanted to know.

When she was encouraged By Rev Ian McKenzie to look at becoming a chaplain for Deaf people, only the Catholic church had anyone working in this area, What does this mean ? It meant that Deaf people in NZ were marginalised ad ignored. Into this area Edna stepped and, began working tirelessly to support and help deaf people. She went into work environments, hospitals, courts, prisons, mental health institutions, and disability units; anywhere deaf people went. It was her life and passion.

In the early 90's, she and others set up Gilead Farm in Helensville as a permanent home for both Deaf and disabled folk. She also a place for the church to exercise ministry. To try and let others know of this ministry she later she started a printing press at Aotea Chapel, which also provided, for the first time, information for deaf people, especially worship material, and also a book of signs for use in worship,

Edna had a strong sense of right and wrong, which led her work tirelessly for those who were marginalised, and to be as advocate with a mission. A strong woman who loved people and God, and left the world a better place for having lived in it.

### Mervyn Wilkinson Hancock

#### Died 2016

Merv was a husband, father, social worker, historian, politician, lay preacher, friend ... he was an elder statesman for Professional Social Work

It is said of Merv that he started preaching at 15 while at Palmerston North Boy's High school when he addressed fellow pupils in the playground! His faith and ethics were the yard stick by which everything else he did was measured. He was a lifelong member and leader in the Methodist Church. His Christian discipleship and professional expertise led to the establishment of the Methodist Social Service Centre in Palmerston North. This was the first professional unit of its kind, other than the older City Missions. From 1963 to the present day, the educational programmes; counselling; community foodbank; and opportunity shops have continued.

Despite Merv's professional, civic and political achievements he was at the core a family man and held a heartfelt love for wife Alison and his – children, Michael, Mary and Brent their spouses and partners and the grandchildren, and great grandchildren.

With Professor Graeme Fraser and others he established the social work degree at Massey University. Merv never wavered in his commitment to establishing a degree that integrated learning across a four year programme with a strong practice element and that drew on social work theory, social policy, and on other disciplines (sociology, history, psychology, education). His achievements in establishing the Batchelor of Social Work and his contribution to education and to the graduates of this programme, is recognized in the Merv Hancock Award which is awarded each year to a leading social work student

Merv's social justice commitment is seen in his work in politics, including local body politics, and in initiating establishment of community agencies in P. Nth.-i.e. Birthright, Marriage Guidance, Parent's Centre, Home Budgeting, and the National Society on Alcohol and Drug Addiction. HANCOCK HOUSE in Palmerston North, is a recognition of this contribution to this community . In his work with both ANZASW as founding President and in establishing the Massey University social work programmes Merv was a leader in advocating for a bicultural social work practice and education. To this end a lot of work was done to have the degree give effect to the Treaty and tangata whenua in social work education.

Merv was very well read and had a deep love of learning. For him knowledge was powerful and to be shared. Many awards acknowledged his ability. 1989 a Queen's Service Order, the medal is inscribed with the words...MŌ NGA MAHI NUI...which translates to: FOR SERVICE. He was awarded a Palmerston North Civic honour in 2008, where he was described as a man of vision, conviction and courage. His MA was in history and post retirement he wrote a book and articles about PN history including our 17 MP'S. He got a history award in 2015 from the Manawatu history

and heritage social. Being an historian was an important part of Merv. He was awarded a Massey University medal 1999, and an honorary doctorate from Massey University 2012, plus many other national awards and recognition of his achievements.

In later years Merv ran his own relationship counselling service, and scores of people express their personal gratitude for love and insight he gave them. He will long be remembered in the City of Palmerston North.... serving as a city councillor between 1983 and 1992. Winning three elections to represent the Hokowhitu Ward. Committees as diverse as roading, gas supply, waste water housing, health and economics all saw Merv as a member or chair.

A mighty totara has fallen; we farewell you Merv. Your presence and being with you always made us feel at peace. You have taught us so much and we thank you. You have taught me personally that you don't have to be tall to make a difference! You have taught us a love of people; of aroha; of seeing the good in people; you taught us about caring for others;

## Siosiua Molia Tu'itupou 1941 - 2016

Born 1st October 1941, Passed away 11th May 2016. Was the second out seven children to Penisimani Uikelotu and Lakai Limiteti Tu'itupou of Kolomotu'a, Tonga. First married Mele'ofa Lua in 1967 whom passed away in 1993. They had 6 children. He then married Paea'ivahanoa Langi in 1996 and they had 6 children. Altogether Molia passed away after meeting his 17 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild.

In 1974 Molia became the steward and establisher of the Tongan Methodist congregation in Onehunga, Auckland. In 1989 he became a candidate for Ministry, in 1994 he was ordained at the Free Weslyan Church of Tonga conference (under the agreement of both conferences). He served in Tonga for almost 7 years and came back to New Zealand and served in the Onehunga congregation in 2003, under the Vahefonua Tonga synod. He served in Onehunga for over 10 years, then was stationed to the New Lynn Tongan Methodist congregation in 2014 and passed away in the line of service.

Siosiua a.k.a Molia, was known as a gentle giant. A peace-maker whom was experienced in resolving conflict. Molia was interested in upholding the Tongan culture and traditions that helped him carry his values. He was passionate about studying and spreading the Good News- that God came down in Human form to redeem the lost, the broken and the rejected. Christ came to restore and to give hope of eternal life for all humanity. He also was marvelled at how God displays his glory. Whether it was in the form of creation, or exalting the weak and insignificant to appear strong and very significant.

Molia's motto was to endure, persevere, accept what comes your way whether good or bad, for there is power in JESUS. His favourite prayer - "Lord shine your light and direct my feet so that our journey be blessed and our names are written in the book of life." Favourite saying "There's no one like Jehovah!" In his final days on earth, he told his beloved wife that the day he'll die is near. And 2 days after that, Molia went to be with the Lord.

Rev. Siosiua Molia Tu'itupou, you are sadly missed by your beloved wife, children, grandchildren and the many lives you've impacted. May you rest in peace and we'll meet you in eternity.

George MacKay Hammond Died 2016

George died on 3rd June 2016 at home surrounded by his loving family aged eighty-seven.

Philippians 3:10,11 encapsulates George Hammond's personal credo - "All I want is to know Christ and to experience the power of his resurrection, to share in his sufferings and become like him in his death, in the hope that I myself will be raised from death to life".

George superannuated twenty-three years ago at the 1993 Christchurch Conference and he and Margaret retired to Hamilton. They have been active members of the St. Francis (Hillcrest) Cooperating Parish and George helped with chapel services at Tamahere Eventide Home and Village. Impressed by the setting and spirit in that community they moved there in 2014.

George was born in Northern Ireland on 26 January 1929 to farming parents, who along with their four children attended the local Methodist Church. When he was seventeen he made a commitment to Christ that became the foundation of his life for the next seven decades.

George trained initially as a Lay Preacher at Cliff College, Sheffield before beginning training for stipended ministry. He served as a Lay Pastor in the Fivemiletown circuit after which he commenced missionary training at Belfast's Edgehill College in 1952.

Following graduation George married Margaret Morgan, a trained nurse and graduate of the Belfast Bible Institute and together they went as missionaries to Jamaica. For eleven years they served the people of the West Indies through the Church and public education. George provided leadership in two large Methodist circuits, was a member of the Jamaica Ministry of Education, a school's manager of five primary schools and Chaplain to the Agricultural Training College.

George and Margaret loved their time in the West Indies, but educational opportunities for daughter Cherry saw them return to Northern Ireland in 1966 and a six-year appointment to Whiteabbey Methodist Church in Belfast. Whilst there George became Chaplain to two local hospitals.

Finding the transition back to parish ministry challenging after their time in the 'Windies', George applied to the New Zealand Methodist Church (Margaret had family living here) and they arrived in 1972. Their first appointment was to Halswell Christchurch and George relished the challenge of creating a union parish with Presbyterian and Church of Christ partners. Ministry in an ecumenical context was to become the natural setting for the rest of his ministry.

Whilst at Halswell George became an industrial chaplain and part-time chaplain to three hospitals – Sunnyside Psychiatric; St John of God and Christchurch Public.

After seven years they were appointed to Central Otago's Alexandra-Clyde Union Parish. A highlight of their eight years there was bringing the Lauder Presbyterian Church into the parish. In 1987 they moved to their last appointment at St David's Union Church in Ashburton. Here George resumed industrial and hospital chaplaincy work, savouring these mission opportunities to engage with people outside the Church.

His deep and abiding love for his God and God's people, his warm endearing smile and lilting Irish accent made George a popular preacher and pastor. Countless people across the world have cause to be grateful to George Hammond for his missionary and pastoral heart.

Our love goes to Margaret, daughter Cherry and their family. The whole Church mourns the passing of this quiet, unassuming, faithful servant of Christ.

Taniela Takapautolo Moala

1936 - 2016

Taniela was born on the 6<sup>th</sup> February 1936. Taniela was the third child out of seven children of the Rev'd 'Aisea Moala from Tatakamotonga and Sisilia Vea Silatolu-Moala from Pelehake, Tongatapu. Rev'd 'Aisea Moala was an ordained Minister of the Free Wesleyan Church of Tonga.

Taniela married 'Amelia Viena Leha'uli from Tatakamotonga and Vaotu'u in 1960. They had 9 children, 6 biological and 3 adopted children whom he loved equally. Taniela leaves 27 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren who valued their annual family reunions at Camp Morley

with their granddad as he would check in on all their educational and annual achievements for the year.

Taniela was educated at the Methodist Primary School, Tupou College, Sia'atoutai Theological College, Teachers Training College before he was appointed as a Mission Teacher for 11 years, including the very remote place of Niua Toputapu, in Tonga. Returning to Sia'atoutai he served as a tutor for 2 years while at the same time undertaking Theological Studies. These included the Melbourne LTh and Dip. Religion by correspondence, then 2 years at Laidlaw, New Zealand Bible College, at Henderson, in West Auckland.

Despite facing extreme difficulties in moving from an "Education Visa" category, to a "Work Permit" and finally "Permanent Resident status," he worked with an increasing number of Tongan Methodist Leaders and members in the establishment of the Auckland Methodist Tongan Fellowship, in 1976 – 1984, in what the late Dr. Amanaki Havea described as a "Tent Making Ministry." Taniela was the first Superintendent of the Auckland Manukau Tongan Parish 1983-1988.

He was ordained by the Methodist Church of New Zealand Annual Conference on behalf of the Free Wesleyan Church of Tonga in 1976, where his father was representing the Tongan Conference, and in 1986 Taniela's membership was transferred from Tonga to the Methodist Church of New Zealand.

He was the prime mover in the establishment of the Auckland Tongan Community Trust Incooperation, and also had close liaison with Immigration Dept. Housing New Zealand, Law Courts, Health Organisation, and Schools and he travelled in an advisory role. Taniela served 3 years on the Auckland City Councils Committee, Cogs (Community Organisation Grants Scheme) and was appointed a Justice of the Peace in 1993.

Tanela's service was recognised by the awarding of a number of Certificates for example: an Official Interpreter, Hospital Visitor, ASB Bank Trust, Secondary Schools Cultural Festivals, Community Alcohol Action Project, Introduction to Small Business Workshop, Certificate of Appreciation – 1994 by the Auckland City Council, Mt. Eden Ward and Good Citizen Award from Auckland City Council and Mt. Roskill Ward in 2001.

For the wider Church involvement, he was a member of the Development Division which is currently the Mission Resourcing for 10 years,. He was a member of Committee on Ministry, Church Union Committee, Tongan Advisory, Bi-Cultural Committees. He was a member of the Council of Conference, Stationing Committee, Superintendent of Vahefonua Tonga 'O Aotearoa, Chairman of Tongan National Council in Aotearoa, Tongan Section of the Maori and Pacific Islands Cultural Festivals.

An Executive Producer of Tongan Programme on Triangle TV and Radio, Secretary and Coordinator of the Tongan Community Trust, Managing Director of South Seas Services Limited, President of Tupou College Old Boys in Auckland, and was Vice President of Sia'atoutai Old Boys in New Zealand.

Taniela had been involved in normal Tongan Community Life such as farming, fishing, sports and had spent time in Papua New Guinea, Australia and the United States.

He relates quite easily to people of all different cultures. He writes in his retirement tribute saying: "It is the kind of work I enjoy doing because of my relationships with (all kind of people). It is very similar to what I have been doing in the past and in the Parish Ministry for which I still live for ..."

Taniela was a forward thinker and very strategic as he supported the Tongan Methodist community 'through trials and tribulations. During the Dawn raids, Taniela worked with the former immigration minister Aussie Malcolm setting up an amnesty for Tongan families who were over stayers to seek refuge and support for permanent residence through the church. He set up groups to save towards purchasing their first homes.

Taniela supported and related to young and old. He established a group for the elderly and disabilities, organized driver's license testing, homework centres; to church halls, youth rally's and camps are some of the initiatives during his time as Superintendent. He was also a business owner, farm owner. He led by example and backed other's to win. He supported all Tongans to become confident citizens of Aotearoa. Taniela retired as a presbyter in the NZ annual conference in 2003 at the age of 65.

Upon his retirement from ministry in NZ, Taniela was asked to return and serve ministry in Tonga at the Free Wesleyan Church of Tonga.

He was the Superintendent for Nukunuku and was stationed to Kolomotu'a before he retired from ministry again at the age of 70 years. He was also blessed with a role of being in the Talasiti Lahi, equivalent of the Board of Administration, a life membership role, he was required to help teach at Sia'atoutai Theological College, helping the new Ordinands, and was also stationed at various places throughout Tongatapu, when needed by the President.

Having retired from two Conferences was one of his many achievements that he valued.

Taniela turned 80 years old in February 2016. A devout Christian as he believed in the power of prayer. He blessed every nurse and doctor at the hospital. He served the Lord till the very end.

He celebrated his 80<sup>th</sup> birthday with his family before becoming ill and he passed away on the 27<sup>th</sup> June 2016 at the Mercy Hospice in Ponsonby surrounded by his family.

The Tribute to Taniela would be in-completed without recognition and acknowledgement of the strong support of his soul mate and his dearest wife Viena whom he married for 56 years. He had strong support of his Children, grandchildren, great grand-children and his extended family. Viena, in particular, has been strong and steady through some difficult and challenging times during their ministry.

Taniela's favourite Psalm 139:

- <sup>1</sup> You have searched me, Lord, and you know me.
- <sup>2</sup> You know when I sit and when I rise; you perceive my thoughts from afar.
- <sup>3</sup> You discern my going out and my lying down; you are familiar with all my ways.
- <sup>4</sup> Before a word is on my tongue you, Lord, know it completely.
- <sup>13</sup> For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb.
- <sup>14</sup> I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful,
- I know that full well.
- <sup>15</sup> My frame was not hidden from you when I was made in the secret place, when I was woven together in the depths of the earth.
- <sup>16</sup> Your eyes saw my unformed body; all the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be.
- <sup>17</sup> How precious to me are your thoughts, God! How vast is the sum of them!

Tu'a Ofa 'Eiki atu, 'Amelia Viena Moala and family.

### Gordon Green

#### 1929 - 2016

Gordon was born in 1929 in Wellington, the 6<sup>th</sup> in an eventual family of 8. He moved to Lower Hutt a few years later. His father took ill and died in 1935. Only with help from Walter Nash, the local MP, were the family able to stay together. Gordon attended Eastern Hutt School for all his primary education. In later years he spent several years at the same school as a teacher. In1952, one of his pupils was Jan Tasker.

During his primary years he attended a group called "Band of Hope" which was led by the minster at the local Associated Church of Christ. The minister was so helpful to Gordon's Mother she joined the church, taking most of her family with her.

As a teenager he attended a Saturday night "Christian Endeavour" group at the church, where the young people learned to read in church and give short sermonettes, a good training ground for lay preachers! There were competitions between the district youth groups in bible reading, impromptu speeches, skits, and singing – all with the idea of building skills.

After secondary school at Hutt Valley High School, Gordon tried a variety of jobs before settling on teaching.

His first move after marriage to Lynette was to Otorohanga where they worshipped at the Presbyterian Church, there being no Church of Christ nearby. From there they went to a sole charge school in South Taranaki and again to the nearest Presbyterian Church.

A school inspector noted that Gordon was not comfortable teaching 5 and 6 year olds and suggested that he look at a position at the Boys Training Centre in Levin, an institution for wayward youth. He was duly appointed and remained there for 10 years, once again attending a Church of Christ.

From Levin they moved to Dargaville, where Gordon became Guidance Counsellor at the local High School. It was here they became involved with the Methodist Church, mainly because of family choice. Gordon became a Bible class leader, a lay preacher and a member of the parish council.

After 13 years Gordon was granted early retirement for health reasons. A Methodist Presbyter at the time, drew his attention to an advertisement for a parish administrator in Palmerston North. He applied and was appointed.

They moved to Palmerston North in 1985 and he remained in that position until a heart attack in 1991 forced him to retire. At various times over the next 10-15 years he filled in from time -to- time. In 1986 he became Synod Treasurer and for a number of years attended Church Council and General Purposes Committee. In 1991 he was appointed to a panel of 3 to carry out an audit of the Methodist Church's Connexional Divisions. A report was written but no action was ever taken on the recommendations.

#### And in his own words

"I used to enjoy going to national church meetings – Church Council, Stationing Committee and so on – but often felt I was not part of the in-group. I think it was because I had no hesitation in saying what I thought of a proposal, even though it was not welcomed by all."

His last responsibility in Palmerston North was to act as convenor of a regional executive consisting of representatives of the four parishes in Manawatu-Rangitikei. At this time he was also District Candidates Convenor. Gordon was in Palmerston North for 25 years.

Over the years, regular 'Study Groups' were a place for friendship, personal sharing, study and discussion. Gordon was a much valued participant in his searching, forward thinking, and an evolving progressive theological perspective.

Wherever Gordon has worshipped over the last 70 years he has delighted in leading Worship. Always highly organised with thorough preparation. He was an accredited Methodist Lay Preacher for 25 years. If he was asked to take a service, his answer was always 'yes'. He led his final service at Mt Albert on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of May this year where he had worshipped for the past 6 years. He was committed to worship right to the very end. Gordon embraced Methodism, with its emphasis on Social justice, ecumenism, cultural diversity and the wider community. In his lay ministry and life, he always affirmed the Grace and Goodness of God.

Gordon is survived by his loved wife Lynette and proud father of Andrew, Phillippa, Jenni, Richard and their families.

Hilda Mary Astley-Ford 1928 - 2016

Mary Ford was the second child and only daughter of Don and Winnie Astley. She had two brothers John and Doug. Her first name was Hilda after her mother's younger sister who died during the great flu epidemic following the First World War, but was always known by her second name of Mary which had passed down as a second name for several generations. She was born in Mt. Albert where many of her Astley descendants lived for years.

During the Depression of the early 30s education was one of the many areas affected with children not starting school until they were 6. She had two years at kindergarten before going to Owairaka School for two years. The small house in which the family lived became too small for their needs and the decision was made to move to St. Heliers to a very nice home in Parkside Street, which was the family home for nearly 40 years. Her secondary education was at St. Cuthberts. During those growing up years she was very active in the Girl Guides and in the Mission Bay Methodist Church. A lot of her life centered around the Church with friendships made, social activities enjoyed camps attended, stimulating discussions, values established, challenges made, and opportunities made for service in youth and children's work

She trained as a Primary school teacher and had two periods of her working life as a teacher, working in the Auckland eastern suburbs and the Waikato, doing a year's exchange in England, and later working in lower decile schools in Porirua and Mangere. At the end of her exchange year she was approached by the Methodist Christian Education Dept. to work full-time throughout New Zealand encouraging and training Sunday School teachers and other lay leaders.

This she did for 13 years, travelling from Kaitaia to Bluff and anywhere in between, being billeted in homes or on church premises. This included out of the way places like Ohura near Taumaranui where sleeping on a mattress in an unlocked church she heard footsteps in the middle of the night, finding out the next day that it would have been the nightman coming to empty the outside toilets, and Nightcaps in Western Southland where a miner ran a small Sunday School and he had a big vase of beautiful flowers and a large blackboard on an easel.

They were very enjoyable years being part of the wider Methodist family. The other directors were Wilf Ford and Cliff Couch. A strong relationship was built up especially with Wilf and his family. Mary had never married and after Wilf's wife Joan died they decided to get married and had nearly 18 years of love and companionship together'

Mary had always been very active in the church filling a variety of roles. After her second period of teaching she offered for the ministry with her first appointment being Papatoetoe for three years. After her marriage to Wilf they were appointed to Hamilton where they shared a ministry at St. Pauls for four years, and then stayed on in retirement when Mary was very involved in the work of the Bryant Trust. The move to Auckland to Browns Bay and later to Fairview Village brought different opportunities for service particularly pastorally. She enjoyed four years as Chaplain to Fairview Care Hospital.

She enjoyed overseas travel to areas very different from NZ like Jordan, China, Tonga etc., and to lesser known parts of NZ like Chatham Islands, Great Barrier where she had several holidays in

the Catlins, Milford, Routeburn, Greenstone and Hollyford, tracks and Abel Tasman National Park. She enjoyed the outdoors loved walking on the beach: and spent many happy times at Martins Bay in the family holiday home, and in the bush. She enjoyed taking up tennis with veterans, and outdoor bowls in her retirement. She enjoyed the stimulation of Probus and U3A.

She was proud of her heritage and the contribution made by her ancestors in pioneer days in NZ, like Annie Jane Schnackenberg one of the suffragettes, the Allen family pioneers of Mt. Albert, the Astley family with the tannery and involvement in the Mt. Albert Methodist Church, the Speights and Pearce family in Otago Southland.

The values in her life she was committed to could be summed up

- Life on this planet earth, caring for it.
- Life with others, to respect and care for other people.
- Promote values for living and carry on the values passed on to us by those gone before.
- Enjoy life in a responsible way.
- Trust in God's love as seen in the world of creation and in the love shown to us by others To go ahead in faith, hope and love.

#### **Supplementary Tributes**

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### Rupeni Balawakula Delai

1956 – 2016

Sa mai kacivi na i Talai ni Kalou na wekada o Rupeni Balawakula Delai e na nona gauna ga na Kalou.

Rupeni Balawakula Delai is survived by his wife Litiana, his children Iloi, Aseri, Setareki and Lusiana and three grandchildren.

Rupeni first worked as a boilermaker in both Fiji and New Zealand for a period spanning over three decades. In this field he also worked as a tutor in preparing apprentices in trades schools. As a boilermaker his duties included reading plans and fabricating heavy steel for the big construction work. Rupeni left this job because of some health issues.

Since the early nineties Rupeni had been the *Vakatawa* or the catechist of the small congregation of Fijian Methodists worshiping at Khyber Pass Anglican Church of the Holy Sepulchre. This congregation comprised of about 50 families.

With his departure from boilermaker employment Rupeni was able to gradually start allocating more time to church duties such as visiting the sick, the needy, the troubled and the joyful.

Through consultations and negotiations, under his watch, the Khyber Pass Methodists re-joined the *Wasewase* after a lapse of almost two decades of standing alone. The group was accepted into the Auckland Central Parish and they got re-located to Pitt Street in 2012.

Rupeni enrolled at the Trinity Methodist Theological College in 2011 as a private part time student. Rupeni was privileged and fortunate to be able to study as a non-paying student. Moreover, his experience as a church leader was taken into account to form the basis of his prior learning consideration. Hence, by 2013 Rupeni was stationed for Fijian ministry at the Auckland Central Parish. And the following year, 2014, Rupeni Balawakula Delai was ordained.

Rupeni celebrated his 60<sup>th</sup> birthday early this year. He loved being around people, in the community, in public: be they family, friends, parishioners, colleagues, visitors or strangers. Rupeni enjoyed connecting to people - reminiscing, advising or ministering over tea or kava whether at home, work, street corner, or from the pulpit.

Rupeni was passionate about the transformation that could come about in peoples' lives when they make a commitment to Christ. He had a pastoral concern for Fijian Methodists scattered around the country, and nurtured the growing congregation in Hauraki. He will be remembered for his big heart and his big laugh, and his desire for Fijian ministry to grow and strengthen in Te Hāhi Weteriana.

We give thanks for his ministry, and surround Litiana and the family with our prayers and our love. Sa mai kacivi na i Talai ni Kalou na wekada o Rupeni Balawakula Delai e na nona gauna ga na Kalou.

### Hewai Violet Hesse

1941 – 2016

Born in 1941 in Kawhia, the 5th eldest and 3rd daughter in a family of 12, Hewai was raised and attended school in Paeroa. Hewai had a variety of jobs mainly working as a cook, whilst working with her sister Marie, she acquired skills and knowledge in the cooking profession.

Hewai was appointed matron of Te Rahui Wahine in Bryce St, Hamilton, until such time that Te Rahui Wahine was gifted back to the Kingitanga. She was then transferred to Te Rahui Centre until her departure for Brisbane in 2004.

Hewai was affectionately known by many as "Aunty Vi" or "Matron". As Caretaker of Te Rahui Centre in River Rd, she hosted many meetings of committees across the Connexion. In particular, Te Rahui Centre was one venue for the Council of Conference meetings when they began in the mid 90's. There are many who can attest to the fun that was dished out with the food and hospitality offered at Te Rahui Centre in those days. There were many exceptional occasions that occurred at the hostel other than those concerning her students, but her favourite remained the many visits from "the Lady" and Sister Heeni.

Hospitality was her forte, serving in the missions work with the St Paul's Social Services Team and she worked with the Corrections Service in assisting with supervision with those serving Periodic Detention work (PD). Her service to the community was always about putting into action the Christian servant model.

Violet was a member of Komiti Whaiti and Hui Poari. She was also a representative of Te Taha Maori on two Conference Arrangements Committees, the Council of Elders and served on two Presidential Commissions both of which dealt with very sensitive matters. Such was the esteem in which she was considered across the Connexion.

After more than 30 years of service in Hamilton Violet moved to Brisbane to be closer to her children. Violet suffered badly with asthma and so a bonus in that move was that her health improved markedly and she was able to enjoy a much better quality of life than the cold and dampness of Hamilton had offered.

Violet passed away in Brisbane and was returned by her family back to her Hauraki people in early September. She is succeeded by her three children Hinerangi, Raymond and Gladys and her many mokopuna.

Nā reira e kui, e te whaea Aunty Vi, noho mārika koe i te Matua nui i te rangi. Kua oti tō mahi, moe mai rā e!

# Piripi David Rakena 1954 – 2016

Piripi (Pip) was the eldest son of Rev Ruawai Rakena and the late Joy Rakena and brother to Ruawai and Te Oti. Early in September Pip passed away unexpectedly in his sleep leaving Sharron his wife of forty years. His whakapapa links him to the Far North, Mangamuka in particular, Taiporohenui, Hawera in Taranaki and Rapaki, Christchurch.

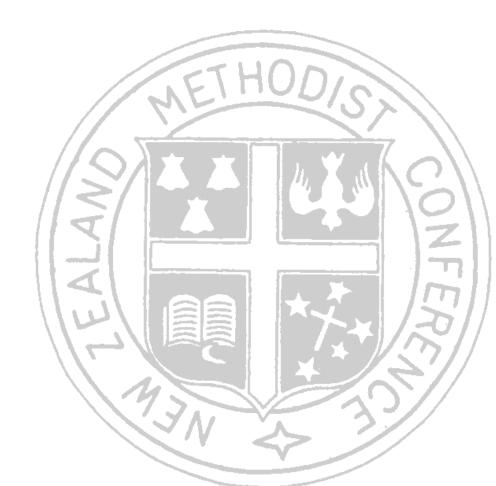
One of Pip's entrepreneurial ventures was as a car dealer. Many of our rangatahi have eved up Uncle Rua's transport with great envy. Many more can attest to having been sold a car by Piripi.

His service to the church is reflected in the many years he served on The Methodist Trust Association and in recent years he supported his father in his role as Interim Treasurer / Secretary of Te Runanga Whakawhanaunga i ngā hāhi. He was also part of the founding group who set up the Bicultural Workgroups at the beginning of the Bicultural Journey in the mid-1980s.

Fondly and lovingly remembered Pip was returned to his ūkaipo in Mangamuka and laid to rest in the whānau urupā.

Takoto ake rā e te whanaunga e Piripi. Ka tika kua whakahokia koe ki te poho o tō whānau, moe marie tonu i te Ariki.

Record of Service for Retirees



### Faiva Alaelua

Faiva was born and raised in the village of Lufilufi in Samoa. He married his wife Luafaletele in Samoa and they have eight children (five boys and three girls). Seven children were born in Samoa and one was born in New Zealand.

Faiva and his family came to New Zealand on the 31<sup>st</sup> of October 1981, and soon made Cross Roads Papakura Methodist Church their home. This was their church for many years, and the church from which Faiva candidated from.

While in New Zealand he was employed by the NZ Government Life Insurance from 1982 – 1988. He was also a part time Private Student from 1989 – 1991 at St Johns Trinity. He candidated in 1991, and entered Ministry training from 1992 to 1993.

He served his 1<sup>st</sup> Year Probationary studies at Papatoetoe Samoan Parish in 1994. Faiva was ordained at the Hamilton Conference in 1995 and his first Parish appointment was Wesley Hastings Samoan Parish 1995 – 2003. His second and final appointment was at St Pauls Otara Samoan Parish from 2004 – 2016.

#### Challenges in Ministry:

- Good & Bad news 1991 Candidate Process. During Faiva's candidature in 1991 he received good news which really lifted him and his wife up during the National Assessment weekend that he was accepted to be trained for Ordained Ministry. However later the same day, they received bad news that their daughter Akara was diagnosed with bone cancer. She died a year later at the young age of 17 years. This was an extremely challenging time for Faiva, his wife Luafaletele and their family.
- First Year Student Placement & Training/Study programmes at Orakei Parish. This was another challenge in Faiva's ministry. He realised how difficult it was at this parish because there were three congregations with only one presbyter. His time there as a probationer made it hard for him, because he assisted the presbyter with worship services on Sundays, pastoral visits, as well as having to complete his own college programme and assignments that needed to be done.
- In 1993, which was his final year of training, Faiva found out that there was no appointment available in the stationing list for him the following year in both English and Samoan languages.
- During his ministry in Hastings Samoan Parish in the year 2000, he acknowledged the parting of the Church (due to the homosexuality issue) which saw about 90% of the morning Congregation leave the parish. Faiva spoke of how difficult it was at meetings that had been held, and how people felt about the issue, but he was so grateful that he was able to bring the Samoan parish together with the assurance that nothing is impossible with God.

#### Acknowledgements:

Faiva would like to acknowledge the Methodist Church of New Zealand, Trinity Theological College, and Sinoti Samoa for accepting him and training him to be one of their presbyters in Ministry.

He would like to thank the Samoan parish of Mangere East for accepting him to do his College Field World Programme at their Parish in 1993.

Also he would like to thank the Samoan parish of Papatoetoe where he did his first Year of Probationary Study programme in 1994.

His heartfelt thanks to the Samoan Parishes of Wesley Hastings and St Pauls Otara, for accepting him and his wife and family to be their presbyter in the years they have served in ministry. Thank you so much for the good times and the not so good times we've served the Lord together in your parishes. Faiva acknowledged his time of service from 2009 to 2016 as the Manukau district regional leader, and he is so grateful to the itumalo for their patience with him and their love for God and his work.

May God bless us all as we continue to serve Him.

Ua faapopo ao ni aso ua, a'o aso folau foi e le tu'ua. Aua o lea ua a'e malo le folauga, ma ua fa'alā I fanua le inafo o tua'au, ina ua sili mea seu le seuga a le susuga I le faafeagaiga ia Faiva Alaelua ma le faletua. Paia e, o le tatou Sinoti ua le o toe po se lilo, o le tatou toe Sinoti lenei ma le susuga ia Faiva ma Luafaletele. O le nei tausaga, o le a malolo manumalo ai, pe a aulia atu I le manuia le Koneferenisi a le Ekalesia ia Oketopa.

Ao se taimi ona saunoa lea o se tasi e agatonu ai manū I le faamoemoe, ao lenei lava taimi, sei taumafai atu se saafiafiga I le susuga ia Faiva e pei ona masani ai mo e o le a malolo manumalo I le Ekalesia.

O le susuga ia Faiva Alaelua na soifua ane I le alalafaga o Lufilufi I Samoa, o le alalafaga o loo Afio ai Seutaatia ma le to'aono, o loo susu ai foi Lufilufi ma le saofaiga. O le soifua aoaoina o le susuga ia Faiva o Samoa lava, ma faigaluega ai mo ni tausaga, ao lei malaga mai I Niu Sila.

Na faaipoipo atu ia Luafaletele I Samoa, ma e toa valu o la alo. Lima tama ae tolu teine, toatasi ua maliu. E toa fitu na soifua ane I Samoa ae tasi na soifua I Niu Sila nei. Na tuua Samoa mo Niusila ia Oketopa aso 31 o le 1981, ma lolotu ai I le tatou aulotu I Papakura. O le aulotu foi lenei na tauata'iina ai le faamoemoe o le susuga ia Faiva aua le Kolisi Faafaifeau.

Na faigaluega I le New Zealand Government Life Insurance mai le 1982 seia oo I le tausaga 1988. Na ave ni ana mataupu I le Kolisi Faafaifeau o St Johns Trinity mai le 1989 seia oo I le 1991. Ao le tausaga foi lea na ia taliaina ai le valaau mo le kolisi faafaifeau, e ala I lana ofo atu. Na amata le aoga aoaoina aua le galuega faafaifeau i le 1992 ma le 1993. Ina ua maea le aoga, ona faia lea o lana tausaga muamua o le faifeau faataitai I le Matagaluega I Papatoetoe I le 1994.

Na valaauina I le Tusi Tofiga a le Sinoti Samoa mo lana galuega fou I le 1995 I le Matagaluega Samoa I Uesele Hastings, seia oo ai I le tausaga 2003. O le tausaga 1995 na faauuina ai o ia I le Koneferenisi a le Ekalesia na usuia I Hamilitone ma avea ai ma faifeau faamaonia a le Ekalesia Metotisi Niu Sila. O le tausaga 2004 na siitia ai le susuga ia Faiva ma le aiga I le Matagaluega Samoa I St Pauls Otara. Ma o iina na galulue mai ai lava seia oo mai I lenei aso. O le galuega faaiu foi lenei a le susuga ia Faiva ma le faletua ma le nofoaalo.

O luitau I le galuega e pei ona molimauina e le susuga ia Faiva. O le tausaga 1991 na auai atu ai I le assessment weekend, o iinei e filifili ai faifeau e o I le Kolisi. Na maua le tala fiafia I le taeao, ua faamanuiaina e sauni e ulufale I le tausaga o loo sosoo ai. Ao le aso foi lava lea I le afiafi, na maua ai le faaaliga faanoanoa, ua maua se tasi o le nofoaalo, le tamaitai ia Akara I le kanesa o le ponaivi ma maliu ai o ia I le tausaga e 1992, ae faatoa 17 tausaga o lona soifua. O se luitau na matua oona mo le susuga ia Faiva ma le faletua, ona ua aveesea ai se tasi o le fanau.

O se tasi luitau na la fetaiai, O le tausaga muamua o le polokalame a le au tausaga muamua I le aoga na faia lea I le Matagaluega palagi I Orakei. Na silafia e le susuga ia Faiva le faigata I le taimi lea ona o le matagaluega e tolu aulotu e aofia ai – ae tasi le faifeau e vaaia. Ma sa galulue faatasi Faiva ma le faifeau I le taitaiina o Sauniga Lotu o Aso Sa taitasi, o asiasiga faaleoleo mamoe I tagata o le matagaluega, faatasi ai ma le faia o ana lava Polokalame uma aua le Kolisi Faafaifeau.

O le tausaga e 1993 o le tausaga mulimuli lea I aoaoga, peitai ua o'o mai I le Tusi Tofiga ae leai se galuega mo ia I se Matagaluega Samoa faapea foi ma Palagi aua le tausaga 1994. Ao galulue ai I le Matagaluega Samoa I Hastings I le tausaga e 2000 o le tausaga foi lea na matua faigata lava mo I la'ua, aua na vaeluaina ai le Matagaluega. E lei faigofie fonotaga na faatalanoaina ai le matagaluega Samoa. E tusa ma le 90 pasene o le Lotu o le Taeao na o ese, peitai sa tumau pea le maopopoga o le Matagaluega Samoa, ma e lei iai foi se aiga na o ese mai ai.

Ma e faafetaia ai lava le agalelei o le Atua, ona o lana taitaiga alofa I lana galuega ma ona tagata. E ui lava ina lofia I luitau e tele ae na tumati'e lava lona matagofie ma lona faamaoni mo le susuga ia Faiva ma le faletua I le galuega. E momoli ai lo la'ua agaga faafetai tele ma le faamalo I le Ekalesia Metotisi Niu Sila, le Kolisi Faafaifeau, le Sinoti Samoa mo le a'oa'oina ma le taliaina o ia e avea ma faifeau o le Sinoti Samoa ma le Ekalesia.

Momoli foi le faafetai I le aulotu I Mangere Sasa'e mo le taliaina o ia e faia I la latou aulotu le Polokalame a le Kolisi na iai I le tausaga 1993. Faapea foi ona faaauau le agaga faafetai tele i le taliaina o ia e avea ma a latou faifeau e ala i tofiga a le Sea ma le Sinoti Samoa faapea foi le Koneferenisi mai le tausaga 2009 seia taunuu mai i le taimi nei. Faafetai I le aulotu I Papatoetoe mo le taliaina o ia I le 1994, e faia I lo latou aiga lotu ana polokalame o aoaoga I le tausaga muamua o le Faifeau faataitai. E momoli atu foi o la'ua agaga fiafia ma le faafetai tele lava I Matagaluega I Uesele Hastings ma St Pauls Otara mo le taliaina o I la'ua ma le tina e avea ma a latou faifeau.

E le faagaloina foi i le agaga faafetai tele o Faiva ma Luafaletele i le paia o le Aufaigaluega faapea le maave eseese o le Itumalo o Manukau i lo latou taliaina o I la'ua e ala i tofiga a Sea o le Sinoti e avea ma ta'ita'i o le Itumalo mai le tausaga 2009 e oo mai ile taimi nei.

Faafetai tele mo le lagolago ma le fesoasoani i taimi lelei ae maise i taimi le lelei, peitai o nisi ia o taimi taua tele na la'ua molimauina sa a'oa'oina atili ai i la'ua mo le galuega.

Aumai foi se faamaulaloga, O a ni sese ma faaletonu, ia lafoai i nuu le aina, ae ua pau o se galuega ua la mafai ona faia mo le Talalelei ma le Ekalesia ae maise o le Sinoti Samoa.

Momoli mai alofa'aga ma faamanuiaga o le susuga ia Faiva ma le faletua, ina ia aao taitaiina e le Atua le lumanai manuia o le Ekalesia ma le Sinoti Samoa.

Faiva ma Lua, faapena foi ona matou momoli atu le faafeai tele lava ona o lo oulua gapatia ma le noonooia ona o le matau I le Atua ma lana Talalelei. Na oulua galulue malosi ai aua le manuia o le tatou Sinoti. Ae o maia ina o, ua malie le pule I mana, ua malie le la'itoiva, ua malie le suavasele I lo oulua gapatia ua toto tetele, ua sapaia e le Sinoti faatuaeleele.

O mo'omo'oga molipo o le afioga I le Peresetene ia Tovia Auma ma le faletua ia Leotele, le paia o le Aufaigaluega ma faletua, ma le mamalu o le Sinoti Samoa, ia alofagia e le Atua ia faafualoa lou lua soifua. Faafetai ua seu I fanua lo oulua sa, ae o loo tumau pea lo oulua galulue ma lo oulua lagolagoina o soo se faamoemoe ma soo se polokalame a le tatou Sinoti Samoa.

Malo le tau, malo le galue, ia viia le Atua.

O matou alofa'aga ma faamanuiaga,

Ia maua se malolo manumalo fiafia. Happy retirement, Faiva and Lua – we love you! GO WELL GO WITH GOD – O MA LE MANUIA, O FAATASI MA LE ATUA!

# Shirley-Joy Jennifer Barrow

Diaconal Ministry used to be known as "ministry on the cutting edge" and more recently as "ministry shaped by the community they (Deacon's) are appointed to serve. Shirley-Joy came from within the community and expressed a call to be a Deacon.

When candidating for the Diaconate in 1985, the late Rev Wilf Ford said that he'd never come across such a fascinating and compelling candidate for ministry, which Shirley-Joy indeed proved to be!

Gently, challengingly and with regard to who she was, Rev Graham Brazendale (Deacon's Warden), Rev Dave Mullen (Fieldworker Ordained Ministry) and his wife Bev, the Wellspring Leadership and Rev Audrey Dickinson (Deacon's Warden) helped shape her ministry.

You name it, Shirley-Joy has done it!

After training as a Community Social Worked, Shirley- Joy became a Detached Youth worker

where she worked with children and youth, both within the church and the community. From 1974 until 2011, Shirley-Joy fostered some 40 children. Continuing her training in the fields of Counselling and Social Work, Shirley-Joy worked with people who were victims of emotional, physical and sexual abuse; those addicted to drugs and alcohol and those displaced and marginalised within the communities where she served. She was involved in School Chaplaincy as a Trainer and sharing responsibility for supporting Chaplaincy in Schools over the top half of the North Island with the Churches Education Commission.

She moved to work with those who sexually offend, through the Safe Program as a family worker and case manager, then through the Justice Department as a Probation Officer and a Prison Rehabilitation Therapist at Pareomaeoma.

But Shirley-Joy may be best known in the church as the Deacon for Diaconal Development and Diaconate Task Group Convener, positions that led onto regional and international diaconate leadership positions.

Always probing the depths and despairs of society with compelling analysis and gospel driven solutions; always challenging the church to back her initiatives with matching energy and resources; an uncomfortable prophet, Shirley-Joy often disturbed our complacency and fortress mentalities. She live on the edge and sometimes slipped over it in her risk adverse style, but people on the margins reacted; mostly with delight; sometimes in anger that she challenged their unwillingness to escape complacent captivities.

Shirley-Joy moved to Matamata to help set up the Matamata Union Parish Community Trust. This was where Tony and Shirley-Joy met. They worked together in a team ministry and then in 1992 married. A formidable team whose focus was on the poor whom they believed have a privileged delivery system for giving us access to the Gospel.

Tony was lifted to go to Avondale by the church who seemed to forget that there were Covenanted commitments for both of them in Matamata. However Tony moved and for 18 months Shirley-Joy remained in Matamata and took up speedway driving. Building and racing a Mini Sprint open wheeler race car for the next few years. A ministry to the speedway and known as the "racing rev", both Shirley-Joy and Tony (when able) engaged in many discussions about God, life and death. Her last act before retiring was the funeral of one of the stalwarts of racing, it was a ministry indeed. Shirley-Joy sold her race car and used the money to travel around five continents researching Diaconal ministry across a number of denominations, interviewing Deacons, Deaconesses and Diaconal Ministers as she went and bringing this research back to New Zealand.

They were then stationed to Gisborne to be transitional ministry practitioners/Presidential Commissioners. Followed two years later by Tony's stationing to Wanganui. Shirley-Joy obtained employment as City Missioner in Wanganui in 2004 and along with this full time position she was Enabler at Opunake and later with Trinity Methodist Parish in Wanganui, when Tony took up the part-time role as Lower North Island Synod Superintendent.

SeRVNT Hood was a venture gifted to the young people of the church in 2009, by Te Rito Peyroux and Shirley-Joy. This program was an organised week of life-skills and activities for youth and some 60 people over the next three years attended SeRVNT Hood. This comment comes from a participant Lute Taufalele-Vute - "With her (Shirley-Joy's) great networking, she was able to provide young people a 'real life' look at how people less fortunate live. Offering opportunities that we might otherwise not been able to experience but, most of all gaining an understanding of 'life' in general and how much we can do when returning back home in our own communities, helping us realise our potential as young people"

Shirley-Joy displayed an unswerving loyalty to the Jesus of the poor and powerless.

Inevitably she was a courageous critic of misused power and privilege, including within the church.

Shirley-Joy was a passionate advocate for the Diaconate and very critical when the church

diverted candidates for the order, into the safer and more secure Presbyterate!

Within the Diaconate, Shirley-Joy was probably more recognised internationally than nationally and more appreciated in the wider community than the national church.

A ruffler of feathers and shaker of dust, Shirley-Joy remains a passionate disciple of the Jesus Way.

"Na tini ma mano, ka rapa te wahi – by joining together we will succeed".

David Stanley Bell

David gratefully acknowledges the huge commitment of his family, Jill and daughters Natalie and Jessica over decades of Methodist ministry. His numerous deep and abiding friendships with the people of the Circuits and Parishes and many colleagues made it all so very worthwhile for him.

David entered Trinity Theological College in 1979 and after two years was stationed to a first appointment.

He served with the North Manawatu Methodist Region 1981-83. By his own account this was where he first began to understand the art and craft of ministry.

From 1984-87 he was the minister at Bank Street, Timaru and Superintendent at Temuka. Here he learnt how to write for a wider audience than just the Sunday morning congregation. His boyhood interest in astronomy was rekindled under the brilliance of the southern skies.

He left the church to write a doctorate at the University of Otago on the history of the faith-science interaction from Darwin to Einstein. He studied full-time 1988-90.

In 1991 he returned to Full Connexion and served East Coast Bays Methodist Parish for 14 years, until 2005. It was a highly productive ministry. Various building projects and Superintendency of Auckland District for 3 years and Northland District for 2 years gave him much food for thought. He felt that the church needed to change its procedures and processes or slide further into obscurity. It needed to re-discover the freshness of Wesley's dictum 'the world is my parish'.

The year he was nominated for the role of president, the Conference became deeply divided over the outcome. Although the popular choice, it did not go his way. David subsequently re-assessed how best to serve the cause of the gospel, and soon AIM Publishing began.

AIM produced a number of books and resources including the first editions of Lead Worship. When asked what AIM stood for he always replied with a grin, "Oh, it's the Association of Independent Methodists." It also had the aim of promoting Christian thought and history, whilst stimulating the theological thirst of lay and ordained people throughout New Zealand.

In 2007 he was appointed to Wellington as a Connexional Resource Person for Trinity Theological College. There he learnt a new range of publishing techniques and re-purposed decades of earlier written and multi-media work. These skills and a long standing interest in art and design have been very useful for AIM.

From 2009-14 he served as Principal of the Trinity Methodist Theological College. The educational world was rapidly changing and he quickly established online learning as the key delivery method. This was also applicable to professional development beyond the College and David was keen to assist anyone, lay and ordained, who wanted to learn how to get recognition and publication in social media.

Since leaving College life he has built kiwiconnexion.nz and with AIM it is a serious research and publishing tool. This includes free books, resources, and micro-moocs, zines, podcasts and Live-on-Air video. Or as he puts it, "Serious and fun, with the emphasis on fun." Available to anyone

Although retiring from presbyteral ministry he intends with all the folk of kiwiconnexion.nz to keep researching, writing, teaching and publishing assisting others to climb the social media mountain for ministry.

## Donald (Don) Falkland Biggs

Born in Wellington in 1952, baptised in the Old Trinity Methodist Church in Newtown, with Free Church of Scotland (Falkland Islands) connections on his father's side, and Primitive Methodist Connections on his mother's side, it is hardly surprising that Don was destined to become an ordained member of the Connexion.

Don's parents moved to Carterton (Wairarapa) in 1954 and it was there that Don spent his formative years, being educated at Carterton Primary School, South End School Carterton (as a foundation pupil) and Kuranui College, Greytown, (where he was Head Student Librarian).

Don attended Carterton Methodist Church and Sunday School then St. David's Union Parish when it was formed, in his early teens. There he became a Sunday School Teacher and occasional local preacher.

On leaving school, Don attended Wellington Education College where he trained as a teacher. Don subsequently returned to the Wairarapa and taught Primary School until the call finally caught up with him and on his candidature for presbyteral ministry he relocated to St John's Theological College.

While in Auckland, Don met Karene Woodfield, who was at that time studying for her (first) degree in music (Canterbury University), and who also took lessons in pipe-organ and singing in addition to her degree. Karene and Don were married in 1979, and have worked closely together in ministry, with Karene enhancing parish life with her musical and teaching gifts, and Don always supportive of Karene's busyness with senior secondary school leadership. Karene is Currently Principal of Palmerston North Girls' High School.

Ordained in 1980, Don's first stationing was at Blenheim Methodist Circuit, during the time of the building of the Wesley Centre. From there the family, now including son Andrew and daughter Elizabeth, moved to the Hornby Circuit.

Don's next stationing was his "home church", St David's Union Parish, Carterton, in 1988. The success of this pairing fully justified the stationing committee's courage in making an almost unprecedented move. After his two fruitful terms at St David's Don accepted a position in the Bible Ministries Department of The Scripture Union, having been a keen supporter of this organisation for many years. In this role he enjoyed preaching and speaking in a very wide variety of denominations from House Churches to Brethren assemblies to Catholic Churches. He also provided supply ministry at St Andrews Union Parish, Greytown and St. Andrews Union Parish, Featherston for a year, in his "spare time".

Don and Karene continued to live in Carterton during this time, providing a stable educational environment for Andrew and Elizabeth, and also facilitating the acceptance of a call to Lansdowne Presbyterian Church, Masterton.

2005 saw Don and Karene on the move from the Wairarapa, to Lynfield Community Church, Auckland. This being a venture involving many denominations including Anglican, Don got much amusement out being the "Vicar of Lynfield"!

With Karene's appointment as Principal of Rangitikei College in Marton and their shift to Rangitikei, it was not long before Don was providing supply ministry at Trinity Methodist Church, Wanganui, which led to his being stationed there in time to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the church building.

Don has always promoted education, with a special emphasis on remedial education as well as Christian Education in Schools. An avid reader with a retentive memory, Don is a font of knowledge on an amazing range of topics, not the least, of course, being his grasp of Methodism. As such he has been invaluable to the Connexion in many ways – as a Synod assessor of candidates for training/ordination; as Interim Moderator/Nominator; as Secretary of Methodist AFFIRM; as Chair of the Wairarapa UDC/JRC and Moderator of the Presbytery of the Wairarapa; as Chair of the Methodist Connexional Travel and Study Committee and as Member and Chair of the Methodist Church Board of Administration.

As well as ongoing personal reading in the Christian Faith, and a continued interest in Library, accessioning and book repair, Don takes an extensive interest in subjects such as early Antarctic exploration, basic electronics, horticulture, cinema, cinematophotography and cinematic projection.

Perhaps the major "other" interests that we will always associate with Don are his involvement with the Order of St. John and with Christian Camping.

Don joined the Order of St John Youth Division at 11 years of age, with public duty. He was on Ambulance duty from 14 years of age, with over 2,500 ambulance callouts over many decades. He received the Grand Priors Award and National ambulance qualifications to the highest level for a volunteer. While Regional Director of Ambulance Services, Wellington-Wairarapa Region, Don was invested as a member of the Order by the (then) Prior, Governor General Sir Michael Hardie Boys KStJ.

Christian Camping in all forms, especially through Scripture Union and Easter camps and retreats, has been a big part of the Biggs family life. Don specialised in the organisation of such camps, and also took a particular interest in bulk camp cooking. He is a legend for his ability to provide delicious and nutritious fare for up to a 100 or so people (the record was 148!) with often very basic equipment. Early camps were often 10 to 12 days in length, and there were two or three camps a year.

Don's knowledge, wisdom, unflappable manner, quiet sense of humour and ability to recognize and encourage others in their gifting, have been ongoing blessings to the parishes in which he has served, and where the following quotes will no doubt resonate with all.

"The golden years in our church" (a number of people in a number of Parishes).

"He preached the gospel with aplomb" (from an independent Anglican assessment). "We always waited for the phrase 'Let me tell you a story'..."

We thank Don for his willing and effective ministry to many people and also his invaluable contribution to the workings of the Methodist Church of Aotearoa NZ. We wish him a long, happy and healthy retirement in which he and Karene can enjoy being the proud grandparents of two delightful granddaughters.

Don's favourite hymn, which has been sung at most of his inductions:

"My heart is full of Christ, and longs Its glorious matter to declare! . . . " (Charles Wesley).

## Sandra Gibbons

In March 2000, Sandra, who had graduated with a Bachelor of Ministries through Bible College of New Zealand in 1999, and Richard were introduced to the ADCF. When Sandra started as Chaplain for Auckland Deaf Christian Fellowship, she knew very few signs, but was keen to learn. Reverend Edna Garner mentored & taught Sandra Signed English, with encouragement from those in the Fellowship.

Services (at the Aotea Chapel) included Auckland wide Disability Sunday services, annual

blessing services for the pets, especially as many Hearing Dogs became part of the congregation. Interactive services, including some visual activities for harvest, flower festival, Christmas, Easter and many others. 'Reverend Sandra introduced us to power point services & sermons, a very visual & effective way of sharing information with Deaf & Hearing impaired people, which was very much appreciated.' Johanna Brens (Committee member). As well Sandra worked with the Hamilton Deaf Fellowship.

Des Marett, Treasurer commented, 'Fellowship is high on Sandra's heart and April 2000 saw the first BBQ at Sandra and Richard's and June was a mid-year Christmas dinner.' This type of event has continued, with the latest mid-winter Christmas being planned for this August. In that first year, she started a newsletter called Thought For the Week, which continues to be sent out to over 70 people every week. In 2001 Sandra decided to train for ministry, becoming ordained in 2006. 'A highlight for many of us was Reverend Sandra's ordination & weekend away celebrating as a fellowship in Rotorua in November 2006.' Johanna. By this time, she had also completed a Post Graduate Diploma in Education (Guidance Studies).

In 2001, Sandra with the Mission's help published a book "30 Years and Beyond". Sandra works more hours than she has been paid, showing her devotion to the ministry. Sandra has always been committed to helping Deaf people achieve their best potential and to support them where necessary.

When, in 2009, the Fellowship moved to Rosebank Community Church, with the closure of the much loved Aotea Chapel. Sandra supported people through this, and working with the then minister, Rev Vai Ngahe to ensure the ADCF were able to feel welcomed in their new home.

Over the years, Sandra has had a dream of Deaf people being very involved in leadership of services having organised & co-ordinated trainings, an ongoing work. Sandra has supported people when difficulties happened, including advocacy in legal and medical situations, and helping a couple when their car was stolen.

In 2012 she helped make a DVD "ADCF Presents" which she circulated to several denominations and set up a new Web-site, with information about and for Deaf people, with some video. In August 2013 at last an LEP was formed under UCANZ, with the help of Rev Norman Brooks and Sandra.

Glenn (the present ADCF Committee Chair-person), whom Sandra has encouraged into preaching, wrote, 'Sandra is very intelligent and loyal to ADCF. She is full of respect especially to those serving on the committee. Helpful in teaching correct pronunciation for leaders. Perhaps she should have been a teacher of Deaf students. We know that Sandra feels honoured that she will be so missed by ADCF in her retirement.

Johanna, another Committee member, has been very encouraged by Sandra into leadership and very appreciative of her generosity, her desire to lead in a visual way and to visit as much as possible. Commenting, 'At one time, Sandra lent me her automatic sports car when I was recovering from knee surgery. We appreciate all Sandra has done in & with the Fellowship & her outreach ministries including visiting home, hospital and Deaf in prison or on the periphery of Deaf community.'

# Neil R. Keesing

Born in Auckland in 1947, Neil's father was a Jew whose pioneering forebears settled in Auckland in 1843. The influence of the Judaic faith had a profound impact on Neil's life – personally, and in ministry, and this was clearly experienced in his preaching and political views.

Educated at Cornwall Park Primary, Remuera Intermediate and Auckland Grammar, Neil went on to work at the ASB Bank and Carter (timber) Merchants with some stints at other work places.

Neil's first contact with a church community was at the age of 28, and two years later he entered

the Bible College of New Zealand (now Laidlaw College), 1977 – 1979 and gained an L.Th. diploma from the Melbourne College of Divinity. He became a Methodist in 1980 and was accepted as a student for ministry, training at Trinity- St Johns Theological Colleges, 1982 – 1983. He gained Scholar in Theology through the Joint Board of Theological Studies in 1985, the same year he was ordained.

Neil's ministry was in the following parishes: St Stephens's Methodist, Otumoetai (1984 – 89); Hillcrest Co-operating Parish, Hamilton (1990 – 96); Wesley Methodist, Tauranga (1997 – 2003); St Ninian's Uniting Parish, Karori (2004 – 08) with an exchange ministry at Chandlers Ford United ßReformed Church in Hampshire, UK, in 2005; Mt Pleasant Presbyterian (2009 – 11); and, Port Hills Uniting Parish (2011 – 16). In the last parish the focus in post-earthquake Christchurch was on pastoral care, assistance and encouragement of both present and former members of two parishes who were living with the trauma of the earthquakes. Throughout Neil's ministry he enjoyed the discipline of keeping up with developing theological thought and theological reading, particularly from Marcus Borg, John Spong, and other Progressive writers.

Neil's late entry into the Methodist Church, meant he lacked a Methodist upbringing and, as a result, he often felt like a "fish out of water" within the Methodist culture, a timely reminder to the Methodist community that strangers to the Methodist ethos may have difficulty to enter into and feel comfortable in our faith community. Neil's initiative in establishing the Waikato – Waiariki based "Brewersgate Fellowship" provided a positive environment for ministers and their partners and families to socialise informally.

Neil served the Methodist Church in numerous capacities: Chaplain, Tamahere Eventide Home (1990 - 96) as well as being a Board member for part of that time; Waikato – Waiariki District Candidates Assessor and National Assessment Committee (1992 - 98); Senior Methodist representative on JRC with special responsibility for the Bay of Plenty (1997 – 2003); Tauranga Hospital Chaplaincy Committee (2000 – 2002) PAC Distribution Committee member (2002 – 04); Methodist representative on ChDAC (Defence Force Chaplaincy) (2007 – 11). Amongst his community achievements was the re-establishing of the Karori Civil Defence, and was actively involved in its administration, as well as CD education and exercises.

As a preacher Neil challenged his faith community. As a pastor he offered sensitive care in all his appointments, but most notably to those in post-earthquake Christchurch.

As Neil enters retirement he does so with a strong sense that he has served the Church to the best of his ability and his beliefs. Those who know Neil well would strongly support the accuracy of this self-assessment.

Neil has retired to Hamilton to be near his family. He moves into retirement with the appreciation of the Methodist Church, grateful for the quality of his ministry and his care.

### Ilaitia Sevatu Tuwere

"Retirement may be an ending, a closing, but it is also a new beginning." Catherine Pulsifer said in Finally Made It.

The Apostle Paul spoke about being faithful ministers of Christ 1Corinthians 4:1-2 <sup>1</sup> Let a man so consider us, as servants of Christ and stewards of the mysteries of God. <sup>2</sup> Moreover it is required in stewards that one be found faithful.

Today we are celebrating the life of a Methodist whom we shall see as being called by God to the ministry, and was faithful.

Rev. Dr Ilaitia S. Tuwere is a minister of Religion in the Methodist Church of New Zealand. He has been a minister of religion for 46 years. Fourteen of those years with the Methodist Church of New Zealand and the rest with the Methodist Church of Fiji.

To be servants of the mysteries of Christ is an undertaking to understand those mysteries – to be taught.

Education	Years	Institutions	Qualifications
Primary	1947-50	Wailevu District School	
Intermediate	1951-1954	Bucalevu Provincial School	
Secondary	1955-56	Queen Victoria School	
Theology	1057-58 1959-61 1964-66 1967-69 1976-78 1990-92	NaqelekulaMission School Davuilevu Bible School Davuilevu Theological Col Pacific Theological College Melbourne College of Divinity Melbourne College of Divinity	LTh BD MTheol DTheol

#### **Education and Training**

He is devoted to his family. His first late wife Mrs. Nina Tuwere died in mid-2000s while they were serving in Auckland New Zealand. He has two sons are Josua Tuwere, and Pita Tuwere, and daughter Lois Tuwere. He is remarried to Mrs. Jese Lewabobo Tuwere.

#### Outstanding Work Achievements

Fiji

- Lecturer and Principal of Davuilevu Theological College from 1970 1975.
- Superintendent Minister of the main Methodist Training Centre in Davuilevu, Fiji and Director of the Non-Formal Education Programme of the Methodist Church in Fiji & Rotuma from 1979 - 1981.
- Principal of the Pacific Theological College, Muanikau, Suva twice in his career from 1982 1988.
- President of the Methodist Church of Fiji and Rotuma from 1996 to 1998.
- General Secretary of the Fiji Methodist Church from 1999 July 2000. Involvement includes:
  - He assisted in reconciling the opposing political views within the Methodist Church leadership - a legacy of the 1987, and 2000 Fiji political coups.

#### New Zealand

- Lecturer of Systematic Theology in the School of Theology, University of Auckland from July 2000 to 2001.
- He was also a staff and lecturer at St John's and Trinity College during that time.
- Minister for the Auckland Fijian Methodist Circuit in 2001:
  - While at St John's, he became the Minister for the Fijian Auckland Methodist Church in New Zealand and its Founding Superintendent and Network.
  - He initiated and brought about the reconciliation of factions within the Fijian Methodist Church in Auckland.
  - He was involved in the establishment of the Fijian Synod within the Methodist Church of New Zealand. He continues to nurture members of the Auckland Fijian Methodist Circuit to grow in their spiritual life and become responsible within the community.
- Meadowlands Fijian Methodist Church:
  - He challenged and encouraged his congregation to acquire a place of worship that saw the church moving from Mt Roskill to Meadowlands, Whitford. Auckland
- Fijian Early Childhood Centre in New Zealand:
  - He is an ardent supporter of the Auckland Fijian Community. Through his support and advice, the Association was able to establish the first Fijian Early Childhood Centre in New Zealand based in Mangere, Auckland.
- Healthy Lifestyle:
  - He supports and promotes research and evaluation studies among Pacific population groups to improve the Healthy Lifestyle. He encourages members of his Church and members of the Auckland Fijian Community to participate in various activities towards healthy living.

#### International

- President of the Bible Society of the South Pacific from 1996 1998.
- Executive member of the Pacific Conference of Churches (PCC):
  - Advisor to the Pacific Conference of Churches Executive on the structure of the assembly at Rarotonga, Cook Island in 2002.
- World Council of Churches, involvement includes (a few are shown in the examples below):
  - A member of the Central Committee of the WCC representing the Pacific region.
  - Participant as a Third World interlocutor in a consultation on Theological Education in Europe sponsored by the World Council of Churches (WCC) which was held in Herrhut, German Democratic Republic from October 8 – 14, 1980.
  - Attended the sixth Assembly of the World Council of Churches in Vancouver, Canada as an Observer, representing the Fiji Council of Churches from July 24 – August 10, 1983.
  - Attended the meeting of the Programme on Theological Education (PTE) of the WCC held in Mexico June, 1984.
- Executive Committee of the World Methodist Council:
  - An Executive Committee Member of the World Methodist Church Council.

#### Conferences

- Suva Gave Keynote address on "The Gospel and Culture" at a Pacific wide conference.
- He had many engagements giving keynote addresses Internationally Re Ecumenical Association of Third World Theologians.

#### **Positions:**

- Lecturer and Later Principal of Davuilevu Methodist Theological College of Fiji 1970 1975.
- Superintendent Minister of the Davuilevu Methodist Training Centre of Fiji 1979 1981.
- Director, Non-Formal Education Programme of the Methodist Church of Fiji 1979 1981.
- Principal of the Pacific Theological College 1982 1988.
- Head of Department of Theology and Ethics, 1993 1995.
- President of the Methodist Church of Fiji and Rotuma 1996 1998.
- General Secretary of the Methodist Church of Fiji and Rotuma 1999 2000.
- Lecturer in Systematic Theology, University of Auckland (School of Theology) 2001 2010
- based at St John Trinity College, Meadowbank, Auckland, New Zealand.
- Presbyter, Auckland Fijian Methodist Circuit, Methodist Church of New Zealand 2001 2010.
- Presbyter, Auckland Fijian Methodist Circuit, Methodist Church of New Zealand 2010 Current.

#### Writings:

Dr Tuwere is a prolific writer, a number of his work have been translated into other languages globally.

Articles includes:

- He wrote the "The Fijian Response to the Gospel" in Wesley's South Seas Heritage. Wesley Historical Society (New Zealand), No. 50, Nov. 1987.
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- "Singing the Song of the Lord in a New Unfamiliar Land: In Search for a Sustainable Form of Ecumenism in Oceania." A paper presented at a Conference the "Regional Migration and the Challenges to the Churches in the Pacific" held at Auckland, New Zealand, 2010.

#### Books include:

- Globilisation "A view from Oceania" at an assembly on Globilisation in New Delhi, India. He gave a keynote address on "The Gospel and Culture" at a Pacific wide conference.
- "The Gospel and Culture" at a Pacific wide conference.
- He addressed the World Association of Christian Communication seminar in Suva, Fiji in 1993 on "The right to Communicate in the Pacific".
- "Contextual Theology from Oceania" in a Theology workshop at the Carey Baptist College, Auckland, New Zealand in 2001.
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- "Na Were-Kalou kei na Tamata." Methodist Church in Fiji and Rotuma. 1998.
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- Lako Yani ki Vunilagi (Selected speeches and Sermons between 1990-2000). Suva

#### **Conclusion:**

Rev. Dr. Tuwere was granted on 25<sup>th</sup> October, 2002 the "International Biographical Centre's 21<sup>st</sup> Century Award for Achievement" from Cambridge, England in recognition of his outstanding contribution to society. He is highly regarded by his colleagues within the Methodist Church in New Zealand as well as Ministers of Religion from other Churches.

He is a distinguished Theologian from the South Pacific; deeply religious, quietly spoken, unassuming, humble, witty with a pleasant sense of humour. He is highly respected by all who know him, and he radiates blessings and goodwill by his presence. He has been faithful in discharging his duties throughout his career as a Minister for the Kingdom of Jesus Christ.

Glory be to God.







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St Paul's Co-operating Church Papamoa	Presbyterian 20	2016	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
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# DECISIONS

# **2016 CONFERENCE**

# WESLEY COLLEGE, AUCKLAND

The Methodist Church of New Zealand Te Háhi Weteriana O Aotearoa

#### 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 page 14.

Representatives: As printed in the Reports, page 16, 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 15 and 19 together with any additions or deletions as recorded in the Journal.

#### QUESTION 3: What candidates are now received for training?

#### (a) Deacons:

#### (b) Presbyters:

Edwin Johnson(English speaking ministry)Falakesi Filiai(Tongan speaking ministry)Veitomoni Siufanga(English speaking ministry)Watarini Tekauhoa (Sonny) Livingstone(Te Taha Maori)

#### QUESTION 4: Who continues in training for ordained ministry?

#### (a) Deacons:

(b)Presbyters:<br/>Kaurasi LagiSecond year (English Speaking Ministry)Lopiseni FungaleiSecond year (Tongan Speaking Ministry)Simon WilliamsSecond year (English Speaking Ministry)Kimberley ChiwonaThird year (English Speaking Ministry)Tevita KauThird year (Tongan Speaking Ministry)

#### QUESTION 5: Who are stationed by Conference as Probationers? (a) Deacons:

(b) Presbyters: Sikeli Cawanikawai Watarini Tekauhoa (Sonny) Livingstone Tisileli Taufa

First year (Fijian Speaking Ministry) First year (Te Taha Māori) Second year (Tongan Speaking Ministry)

#### 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):

Hui Young Han Oka leti Matafonua Fotu Langi Alipate Livani Siutaisa Toutaiolepo Tukutau

#### (c) from another Church?

Maurice McLaughlin (Baptist Union Church New Zealand) Colin Gordon (Presbyterian Church New Zealand)

#### QUESTION 7: Who are now ordained Deacon or Presbyter? (a) Deacon(s):

(b) Presbyter(s): Hui Young Han Oka leti Matafonua Fotu Langi Alipate Livani Siutaisa Toutaiolepo Tukutau

#### QUESTION 8: What Minita-a-iwi:

- (a) are received as candidates? Harry Tawhai
- (b) continue in training? Gillian Laird Joanne Flay Piripi Rakena Tamati Rakena Terry Ryan Anne Peri David Wilson Frank Gray

#### (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? Janet Marsh

#### **QUESTION 10:**

- (a) What Deacon(s) now cease to be recognised as in Full Connexion with the Conference?
- (b) What Presbyter(s) now cease to be recognised as in Full Connexion with the Conference?
- (c) What Presbyter(s) now cease to be recognised as a Probationer with the Conference?
- (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? Julius Davis (Nelson-Marlborough-West Coast Synod) from United Methodist USA) Don Pilgrim (Central South Island Synod) (from Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia) Mike Ashburner (Auckland Synod) (from Methodist Church of Southern Africa) DongGuk Shin (Auckland Synod) (from Methodist Church of Korea) Eunshin Park (Auckland Synod) (from Methodist Church of Korea) Dong Jin Park (Auckland Synod) (from Methodist Church of Korea) Ji Kyum Kim (Auckland Synod) (from Methodist Church of Korea) Joog Han (Auckland Synod) (from Methodist Church of Korea) Jeong Whan Lee (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) Lay Ministers:
  - (b) Deacon(s): Dianne C Hight Ruta Galo
  - (c) Presbyter(s): Hosea Tupou Barbara Peddie Christina Morunga
- B. For part-time ministries (remuneration pro rata) with a Ministry Covenant:

#### (a) Lay Ministers:

Lyn Heine (Greymouth) Lyndon Weggery (Teviot) Morvan Sidal (St David's Marchwiel) David Elder (Otatara)

#### (b) Deacon(s):

Margaret Birtles Valma E Hallam Megan Alley Falanisesi Hafoka

#### (c) Presbyter(s):

**Tania Shackleton** Susan Thompson Andrew Donaldson Mark Gibson Jill van de Geer Graeme McIvor Rod Mitchell Colin Gordon Marilyn Welch Andrew Gamman Alisa Lasi Robyn Allen Goudge **Barry Jones** Ian Faulkner Philomena Kinera David Harding 'Ikilifi Pope Tau Lasi Paul Prestidge Tony Bell Nomani Noa Tevita Finau Moi Kaufononga Foeata Tu' ipulotu Sunia Ha'unga Mosese Manukia Hiueni Nuku Nehilofi E'Moala' Aholelei Kalolo Fihaki Sione Lea'aetoa Makeleta Lute Pole Viliami Finau

Siutaisa Tukutau Finau Halaleva Limu Isaia Mele Foeata Tu'ipulotu Tisileli Taufa Don Biggs Ian Boddy Alipate Livani Aquila Bale David Harding

- 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):** Sylvia Akauola-Tongotongo (Uniting Church of Australia)
- QUESTION 13: What Deacon(s) or Presbyter(s) has been received from another Conference or Church this year?
  - (a) Deacon(s):
  - (b) Presbyter(s): Maurice McLaughlin (Baptist Union Church New Zealand) Colin Gordon (Presbyterian Church New Zealand)
- **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 'Inoke Siulangapo Ian Boddy (1/2 time)

#### 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
  - (ii) Other
- (b) Presbyter(s):
  - (i) Chaplaincies and other Ministries

Greg Hughson, MSc, BD, Ecumenical Tertiary Chaplain, Otago University Paul R Trebilco, BSc(Hons), BD, PhD, Professor of Theology, Department of Theology and Religion, Otago University 'Epeli Taungapeau MNZM, LTh(Aotearoa) BTheol (Melbourne) D.Min (San Francisco) Hospital Chaplain, Waitemata Andrea Williamson, BA, Dip Tchg, MNZAC (Police Chaplain, Counties-Manukau District) Hausia Taufui (Ministry with Young People with Harmful Sexual Behaviour) Barbara Peddie (6 month supply at St Ninian's Presbyterian Church)

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Tavake Manu, Ecumenical Chaplain, Wairoa Military Camp Maurice McLaughlin (Prison Chaplain, Lower North Island)

# (ii) Other Bruce Anderson Lindsay E Cumberpatch, BA, LTh, Chief Executive, Bryant Trust (Hamilton) Paul Eden Ruth Sandiford-Phelan, Seasons for Growth Grief Programme, Restorative Justice Ian MacLeod Alison Cable, BTheol (Auck) Siosaia Tamata'ane Tupou (awaiting clarification) David Rollinson

#### QUESTION 17: What Deacon(s), Presbyter(s) and Stationed Lay Ministers retire at this Conference?

#### (a) Stationed Lay Ministers: None

- (b) Deacons Shirley-Joy Barrow
- (c) Presbyters:
  - llaitia Tuwere Donald Biggs Neil Keesing Sandra Gibbons David Bell Faiva Alaelua Jo Durrant [ from Oct 31<sup>st</sup> 2016 – tribute at next Conference]

#### **QUESTION 18: What Deacons and Presbyters continue in retirement?**

#### (a) Deacons (Deaconesses):

- David Bryant Raewyn Cubin R Harvey Dalton Edna E Evans Brenda Fawkner June Fuller June L Gibson Lorna Goodwin B June Higham
- Margaret Bryant Malcolm McLeod Rita Reid Rachel Tregurtha Piula A Unasa-Su, QSM, JP Richard Williams

#### (b) Presbyters:

Abbott, Bryant S L Abbott, William K Abernethy, Gordon, Dip Tchg, Dip Soc Sci Alexander, Roy Allan, Robert Ambler, Mavis Ancrum, Audrey P Andrews, Robert S Ansell, David H Baker, Frederick J K Baker, Marcia J Barnes, Stanley, BA (Rhodes) Bell, G Basil W Bell, Anthony (Tony) N, LTh Bennett, Trevor L Bilverstone, John Blundell, Warren Bowen, Lewis A, DipRE Brookes, Norman, MA (Hons)

Browne, Wallis B.A., Dip Soc Wk Bruce, Jean, LTh, B Theol Burnett, Margaret E, BSc, Dip Appl, Soc Sc Cable, Wilfred J Calman, Maureen, LTh (Auck), TTC, TCDip (distinction) Chandler, Clive Chessum, William A, Mus B Clarke, Edwin B., BD Hns (Melb), MA, Di p Mgmt Clarke, Ian L, ACA Clarke, Lois R H, BA, LTCL Clover, Gary, MA (First Class Hons) (Akl) (1973), BD (Otago) (1986), DipNZLS (1973), DipTchg (1980) 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 Eagle, Brian Egli, Bruno Elderton, William, LTh, MA, DipNZLS, ANZIA Elphick, Doris, DipTheol (Otago) Ferguson, IW Les, LTh, STh Ferguson, Robert Andrew 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 Griffiths, Jov Anne, BTheol (Akl) (2008), DipCounselling (BCNZ) Gust, Warwick, BA, BD (Melb) Guthardt, Dame Phyllis M, DBE, MA, PhD(Camb), HonD(Waik), Hon.LL.D (Cant) Hall, Margaret, BA, DipTheol, ACM Hanson, E Francis I, BA, BD. TheoIM, DTheoI (Fellow of Trinity College) Harkness, Barry, BA, BD 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 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 Mullan, David S, MA, Dip Ed Murray, John Stanley

Neal, Barry W. MA, DipEd Nesbit, John B Nicholls, Valerie Jean, BA, BTheol, ACM Noa. Nomani Osborn, Beverley, MA, DipTheol, Cert Soc Wk Osborne, John H, MA Peterson, Brian, LTh, DipMin Peterson, Marion BTheol (Melb) Phillipps, Donald J, BA, BD (Fellow Trinity College) Pratt, David 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 Samoa Saleupolu, Asofiafia Tauamiti, DipTropAgr, LTh 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 Taylor, Keith, BA Taylor, Kerry, BA, Dip Ed Taylor, Philip F Tregurtha, Paul, BA, BTheol Tucker. Geoffrev Tugia, A Fa'aoso Turner, Brian, MA (Hons), Dip RE (Melb) Ungemuth, Shirley Upson, Alan, LTh Vickers, Ralph, LTh, ACM Waaka, Napi, OBE Wakeling, Douglas Wall, Lynne, BA, BD, PhD Wall, Terry, MA (Hons), BSc, LTh, STM, DMinStuds (Melb) Wallace, William L, BA, DipEd Wedding, P Joan West, Norman West. Peter West, Stan Westaway, Robyn Whaley, Graham H BA, BD, Cert Tchg White, Graeme R, LTh Wicks, Raymond G Woodfield, Frank H Woodley, Alan K, BA Yasa, Mikaele Zanders, Gloria BTheol (Melb)

#### QUESTION 19: What Deacons, Minita-a-iwi and Presbyters have died since last Conference?

(a) Deacons / Deaconess: Mary Russell Mavis Jean Tauroa

#### (b) Minita-a-iwi:

Winiata Morunga

#### (c) Presbyters:

Alan John Leadley Edna Jean Garner George Mackay Hammond Gillian Mary Watkin Hilda Mary Astley-Ford Kepu Moa Rupeni Balawa Delai Siosiua Molia Tu'itupou Taniela Moala QUESTION 20: What Laypersons who have given leadership in the Conference have died since last Conference?

- (a) Taha Maori: Violet Hesse Piripi David Rakena
- (b) Tauiwi: Joyce K Dey Margaret Anne Ziegler Mervyn Wilkinson Hancock QSO Verna Elaine Mossong QSM
- 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 Tauiwi The Connexion Viv Whimster Northland Synod Rowan Smiley Rosalie Gwilliam Northland Synod Bay of Islands Jan Gough Birkenhead Coral Malcolm (Healing Services only) Dargaville **Bill Simpkin** Kerikeri Jan Gough North Hokianga Susie Douglas South Hokianga John Askew (additional to Local Presbyter) St Peters by the Sea Soro Ramacake St John's, Whangarei Marion Green East Coast Bavs Margaret Smith (Waiake) East Coast Bays Don Wigglesworth (All Hallows) Fiji Indian Congregation Auckland Central Balchand Karan Rotuman Auckland Central Parish Susau Strickland Great Barrier Island Maurice Handisides Mangere Otahuhu Sua Vili Bond Chapel **Jaanine Harris** Papkura Lyn Smith, Wednesday Contemplative service only Auckland Manukau Tongan Mafua Lolohea Auckland Manukau Tongan 'Uha'one Metuisela Lopiseni Fungalei (Student Supply) Auckland Manukau Tongan Auckland Manukau Tongan Tisileli Taufa (Probationer) Auckland Manukau Tongan Tevita Kau (Student Supply) **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 Tokoroa Samoan Mailata Etuale Maua'i St. Paul's Co-operating Taumarunui Lorraine Edwards Lower North Island Synod **Ron Malpass** Taranaki Tom Thompson Taranaki Brenda Fawkner Taranaki Barbara Hooper Wairarapa Rod Fleury Margie Bishop Manaia Foxton Shannon Kelvin Lane Kapiti Uniting Congregations Maureen Calham Kapiti Uniting Congregations Svd Mepham Manawatu Rangitikei Sydney Easton Barbara Little Manawatu Rangitikei Manawatu Rangitikei Lindsay Taylor

Fatongia 'Ofa Napier-Hastings Tongan Palmerston North Tongan Soane Vaipulu Patea Co-operating John Hill Jack Gibson Levin Wesley Wellington Fijian Sikeli Cawanikawai Levin Tongan Siela Fakavale Nau Upper Hutt Tongan Sione Na'a Sina Blenheim Tongan Piutau Moli Motueka Uniting Parish & At Large on the David Martin West Coast & Buller Thelma Efford **Greymouth Uniting** Greymouth Uniting Lvn Heine Reefton Union Anne Gillespie Rangiora (Rest Homes) Rachel Tregurtha Morven Sidal St David's Marchweil Dunedin Tongan Palanite Taungapeau **Teviot Union** Lyndon Weggery **Riverton Union** Nola Stuart **Ernest Willis Riverton Union** Otatara Community Church Stephen Bond Otatara Community Church David Elder Te Taha Maori Tamaki Arapera Ngaha Tai Tokerau Watarini Tekauhoa (Sonny) Livingstone Kiri Haretuku Tamaki Tamaki

Kiri Haretuku Jim Rauwhero John Kopa Marangai Tupaea Barney Winikerei Jim George Syd Kershaw Jim Ngarewa

#### **QUESTION 22:**

Waikato

Waikato Te Rohe Potae

Taranaki Taranaki

Taranaki

South Island

- (a) Does the Conference sanction the amalgamation, division or naming of any Synod, Parish.
  - Amalgamation of Waitangirua Congregation and Wesley Wellington Taranaki St Parish.
- (b) What other Agreements affecting Parishes and/or Use of Buildings are approved by Conference?
  - 1100 Ruawai Co-operating Parish: the Parish is being dissolved.
  - 7100 Buller Union: will close
  - 3230 Kawerau: will be incorporated in 3190 Tauranga
  - 4060 Manaia: will be incorporated in 4040 Eltham-Kaponga Union Parish

#### (c) What covenant relationships has the Methodist Church entered into?

#### QUESTION 23:

- (a) To what Parishes/Rohe are additional deacons, Minita-a-Iwi, or Presbyters appointed?:
- (b) From what Parishes/Rohe are Deacons, Minita-a-lwi or Presbyters withdrawn?:

QUESTION 24: - How are the Presbyters, Presbyters in training, Deacons, Deacons in training and Minitaa-iwi stationed for the ensuing year?

#### LIST OF STATIONS of the METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND

President – Prince Devanandan Vice-President – Viv Whimster Secretary – David Bush + + +

#### PRESBYTERS, DEACONS AND MINITA-Ā-IWI 2017

#### INTRODUCTION

This List contains the List of Stations for 2017.

- The List of Stations is divided into two sections:
- **A. Te Taha Maori:** Records the appointments for Liaison People, Minita-ā-Iwi and Ministry Team.
- **B. Tauiwi:** 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

Minita-i-tohia Rex Nathan, JP Keita Hotere, DipPTh, BEd Watarini Tekauhoa (Sonny) Livingstone (Probationer)

#### Liaison Person

Frances Rakena

#### Minita-ā-lwi

#### 2510 TAMAKI

Liaison Person Gillian Laird

#### Minita-ā-lwi

Arapera (Bella) Ngaha Kiri Haretuku (Retired) Jim Rauwhero (Retired)

#### 3510 WAIKATO

Liaison Person Doreen Wilson

#### Minita-ā-lwi

John Kopa Marangai Tupaea (Retired)

#### 3520 TE ROHE POTAE

Liaison Person Hinga Ormsby

#### Minita-ā-lwi

Barney Winikerei Solomon Nelson

#### 4510 TARANAKI

Liaison Person Frances Kingi-Katene

#### Minita-ā-lwi

Syd Kershaw Jim Ngarewa Jim George (Retired)

#### 6510 PONEKE

Liaison Person Alamaine McGregor

8510 OTAUTAHI-TE WAIPOUNAMU Liaison Person Roslvn Wilkie

#### Minita-ā-lwi

#### ENABLING MINISTRY TEAM

**Tumuaki** Diana A Tana LTh (Aotearoa), A.C.M, C.A.T (Advanced) VOC. SPK (Certificate)

#### Members

Rex Nathan, JP Arapera (Bella) Ngaha Keita Hotere Te Aroha Rountree Marama Hotere Gillian Laird

#### B. TAUIWI

#### 1000 NORTHLAND SYNOD

- 1010 KAITAIA UNION PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Awaiting clarification
- 1020 KAIKOHE UNION PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
- 1030 BAY OF ISLANDS CO-OPERATING PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian Enabler: Jan Gough Local Shared Ministry
- 1040 KAEO-KERIKERI UNION PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist Rev Dr Robyn McPhail
- 1050 NORTH HOKIANGA COMMUNITY CHURCH Christina Morunga (Local Presbyter) (part-time) Local Shared Ministry
- 1060 SOUTH HOKIANGA CO-OPERATING PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Anglican
- 1070 HIKURANGI UNION PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
- 1090 WESLEY DARGAVILLE Kuli Fisi'iahi, BD (Tonga), DipPTh
- 1100 RUAWAI CO-OPERATING PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian (see Q22(b))

- 1120 WELLSFORD CO-OPERATING PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist Colin Gordon (1/4 time)
- 1130 ST JOHNS CO-OPERATING PARISH WHANGAREI Mary Nicholas, DipTheol (Trinity College) (who shall Superintend 1140)
- 1140 KAURIHOHORE KAMO CO-OPERATING PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist Parish Superintendent: Mary Nicholas, DipTheol (Trinity College) Megan Alley (1/2 time) (Deacon)
- 1150 OTAMATEA CO-OPERATING PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
- 1160 TUTUKAKA COAST COMMUNITY CHURCH LEP Joint Anglican/Methodist supervision Enabler: Rosalie Gwilliam
- SYNOD SUPERINTENDENT Marilyn Welch, M.Min (Melb), Cert Adult Teaching Rowan Smiley (Area Superintendent)

#### 2000 AUCKLAND SYNOD

- 2008 MISSION & ECUMENICAL BOARD Prince Devanandan, BTh, BD (India), MTheol (Auck) M Phil (Hons) (Auck) (President) Terry Wall, MA (Hons), BSc, LTh, STM, DMinStuds (Melb) (President's Supply 3/5 time)
- 2600 MISSION RESOURCING Setaita Kinahoi Veikune, BTheol (Akl) Director Pasifika Ministries Trevor Hoggard BA (Leicester). Cert.Theol (Cambridge), M. Phil (Leicester), Ph.D (Lancaster): Director English Speaking Ministries
- 2820 MINISTRY EDUCATION (Trinity College) Nasili Vaka'uta, BD (Dist) (Sia'atoutai) MTh (PTC) PGDip Dev St, MA, (Uni South Pac) PhD (Auck); Principal Mary E Caygill, DipSocWk, LTh, DMin (San Francisco) (who will Superintend 8530)
- 2010 AUCKLAND CENTRAL PARISH Lynne O Frith, BTheol, DipTheol. (Otago), DMin (San Francisco) Ilaisaane Langi, BMin, DipPTh
- 2020 METHODIST MISSION NORTHERN One wanted

AOTEA / ST JAMES Presbyterian appt:

- 2030 WESLEY ROSKILL PARISH Tau Lasi, BTheol (Auck) (2/3 time) (see 2310 Waterview)
- 2060 ORAKEI Uesifili Unasa, MA (Auck), BD (Otago)
- 2070 GLEN INNES CO-OPERATING PARISH ST MARY'S Co-ordinating Partner: Anglican
- 2080 MT ALBERT PARISH Amos Muzondiwa, B-Tech (Hons), DipTheol UTC; Dip Religious Studies UZ; MMin
- 2090 AVONDALE UNION PARISH 'Alisa Lasi (2/5) time

2100	WAITAKERE Saikolone Taufa, DipTheol (Melb), Dip Practical Study Hosea Tupou, DipPTh, BTheol (part-time, self-supporting) see 11B
2120	TE ATATU UNION PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
2130	DEVONPORT Barry Jones (Supply)
2140	NORTHCOTE - TAKAPUNA Peter Norman: DipPTh (Trinity College), MTheol (BCNZ), BMin (BCNZ)
2150	BIRKENHEAD Parish Superintendent: Marilyn Welch, M.Min (Melb), Cert Adult Teaching (see 2000) Lay Ministry Team
2270	HELENSVILLE CO-OPERATING PARISH Local Shared Ministry – Co-ordinating Partner: Anglican
2275	ST CHADS CO-OPERATING PARISH (HUAPAI) Local Shared Ministry – Co-ordinating Partner: Anglican
2280	WHANGAPARAOA Parish Superintendent: Robyn Allen Goudge, BSc, BD (1/2 time) Team Ministry Andrew Gamman, DipTheol (MCD), MMn (MCD), MTh (LCGS) (1/2 time) Team Ministry
2290	MAHURANGI Abhishek Solomon, LiMS, DipPTh
2300	ST AUSTELL'S CO-OPERATING PARISH - New Lynn Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
2310	WATERVIEW Tau Lasi (1/3 time) (see 2030 Mt Roskill)
2320	EAST COAST BAYS Parish Superintendent: Ian Faulkner (Supply)
2330	LYNFIELD COMMUNITY CHURCH Co-ordinating Partner: Anglican
2380	ONEHUNGA CO-OPERATING Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
SYNO	D SUPERINTENDENT Marilyn Welch, M.Min (Melb), Cert Adult Teaching (1/2 time stipended) (who will Superintend 2150) Dilys Davies (Area Superintendent)
2400	MANUKAU SYNOD
2410	HOWICK PAKURANGA Freddy de Alwis, DipSocDev (Canada), Dip.Theol (Sri Lanka), B.Th. (India)
2420	MANUREWA 'Alifeleti Vaitu'ulala Ngahe, DipTh
2430	PAPAKURA Peter Williamson, ACM, LLB, BTheol (Otago), PG Dip Th (Otago)
2440	PUKEKOHE Bertie Meyer, BA, BD, Post. Grad. Dip.Theol, HDE, Dip. Data-metrics, Dip. Career Guidance

- 2450 TUAKAU UNION PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
- 2460 WAIUKU AND DISTRICTS COMBINED CHURCHES Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist Richard Gray
- 2470 BUCKLANDS BEACH CO-OPERATING Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist Lorraine Francis
- 2480 PAPATOETOE Misilei Misilei, BTheol
- 2490 MANGERE OTAHUHU 'Alipate 'Uhila, BTheol (Auck) Ruta Galo (Deacon)
- 2830 WESLEY COLLEGE Ali'itasi Aoina-Salesa, Dip Teaching, BTheol, DMin
- SYNOD SUPERINTENDENT Marilyn Welch, M.Min (Melb), Cert Adult Teaching (1/4 time – stipended) Jackie McGeorge(Area Superintendent)

#### 3000 WAIKATO-WAIARIKI SYNOD

- 3010 THAMES UNION PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
- 3020 HAURAKI PLAINS CO-OPERATING PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist David Ahn
- 3030 PAEROA CO-OPERATING PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
- 3040 WAIHI BEACH CONGREGATION LEP Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
- 3050 TE AROHA CO-OPERATING PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian Dianne Hight, (Deacon) (See Q11A(b))
- 3060 MORRINSVILLE Hui Young Han, MTheol (Laidlaw) BA Christianity (Korea)
- 3070 CAMBRIDGE UNION PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
- 3080 HAMILTON Metuisela Tafuna, Dip PTh (Trinity College), Post Grad Dip Social Services (Otago), BD (PTC)
- 3090 RAGLAN UNION PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Congregational Union
- 3100 HAMILTON EAST Anne Preston, BTheol (Uni of Zululand), MTheol (University of South Africa)
- 3110 CHARTWELL CO-OPERATING PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Anglican Ken Olsen
- 3120 NGARUAWAHIA UNION PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian

3130	HUNTLY CO-OPERATING PARISH
	Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian

- 3140 MATAMATA UNION PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist Matafonua Langi, LiMS, DipPTh
- 3150 PUTARURU CO-OPERATING PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Anglican
- 3170 ROTORUA (INCORPORATING TOKOROA) Ieremia Amituana'i, BEd, DipPTh Ma'ilata E Mauai (Tokoroa Samoan Lay Ministry)
- 3180 TAUPO UNION PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist Alison Molineux, BD, BA (Hons)
- 3190 TAURANGA (INCORPORATING KAWERAU) Leigh Sundberg, BTh, BA Valma E Hallam (Deacon) (See Q11C(a))

ST STEPHENS Margaret Birtles (Deacon) (1/2 time)

- 3200 ST JAMES UNION PARISH, GREERTON Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
- 3210 TE PUKE / MT MAUNGANUI PARISH Augusten Subhan
- 3220 WHAKATANE CO-OPERATING PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Anglican
- (3230 KAWERAU) Will be a congregation in the Tauranga Parish (see 3190)
- 3240 OPOTIKI UNION PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
- 3250 TE AWAMUTU (Including Otorohanga and Te Kuiti) One wanted (3/4 time)
- 3280 ST PAUL'S CO-OPERATING PARISH (TAUMARUNUI) Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist Parish Superintendent: Susan Thompson, MA(Hons), BTheol (Melb), PhD (see 3000)
- 3290 TURANGI CO-OPERATING PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Anglican
- OHURA
   Parish Superintendent: Susan Thompson, MA(Hons), BTheol (Melb), PhD (see 3000)
- 3320 MERCURY BAY Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
- 3330 ST FRANCIS CO-OPERATING PARISH (HILLCREST) Co-ordinating Partner: Anglican
- 3340 PIO PIO-ARIA MOKAU CO-OPERATING PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Anglican
- 3350 OMOKOROA CO-OPERATING PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Anglican

3360	CO-OPERATING PARISH OF ST CLARE, DINSDALE Tania Shackleton, DipPTh (Trinity College), BTh (Dunedin) (3/4 time) Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist
3370	PAPAMOA COOPERATING PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
3390	ALL SAINTS (BRYANT PARK) CO-OPERATING PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Anglican
3400	TRINITY UNITED: (WHANGAMATA-TAIRUA-PAUANUI) Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian Local Shared Ministry
SYNOI	D SUPERINTENDENT Susan Thompson MA(Hons), BTheol (Melb), PhD (3/4 time stipended) (who will Superintend 3280, 3300)
4000	LOWER NORTH ISLAND
4010	NORTH TARANAKI Manoa Havea, DipPTh (who will Superintend 4030, 4110, 4130)
4030	STRATFORD Parish Superintendent: Manoa Havea, DipPTh 4010 (Anglican's providing Ministry)
4040	ELTHAM-KAPONGA CO-OPERATING PARISH (INCORPORATING MANAIA) Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian LEP with Anglican Church
4050	HAWERA Parish Superintendent: Donald Biggs, NZTCC (see 4090) LEP Methodist/Anglican
4060	MANAIA Will be a congregation in Eltham-Kaponga Co-operating Parish (see 4040)
4070	OPUNAKE CO-OPERATING PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian Local Shared Ministry
4080	OKATO / OAKURA CO-OPERATING PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Anglican
4090	WANGANUI Donald Biggs, NZTCC (1/2 time supply) (who will Superintend 4050, 4120)
4110	INGLEWOOD UNION PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist Parish Superintendent: Manoa Havea, DipPTh 4010 Ross McDougal (Supply) (1/2 time)
4120	PATEA CO-OPERATING PARISH Parish Superintendent: Donald Biggs, NZTCC (see 4090) Co-ordinating Partner: Anglican: LEP
4130	BELL BLOCK LEPPERTON CO-OPERATING PARISH Parish Superintendent: Manoa Havea, DipPTh 4010 Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist
5010	NAPIER Anthony G (Tony) Franklin-Ross, BCom, BTheol, BTheol (Hons), [Auckland]; CCEcumSt [Bossey/Geneva]; C.A. (who will Superintend 5160)
5050	MANGAPAPA UNION PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian

5060	PRESBYTERIAN-METHODIST PARISH OF WAIROA Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist Parish Superintendent: David Harding, BD, LTh (Hons), BAgSc (see 6030)
5080	WOODVILLE ST JAMES UNION PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
5090	PAHIATUA UNION PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
5110	MANAWATU RANGITIKEI METHODIST PARISH Bob Franklyn Tony Bell, LTh (1/4 time) (supply) Lay Ministry Team
5140	RONGOTEA UNITING PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Awaiting clarification
5150	FOXTON/SHANNON CO-OPERATING PARISH Parish Superintendent: David Harding, BD, LTh (Hons), BAgSc (see 6030) Local Shared Ministry Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist
5160	TAMATEA COMMUNITY CHURCH Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist Parish Superintendent: Anthony G (Tony) Franklin-Ross, BCom, BTheol, BTheol (Hons), [Auckland]; CCEcumSt [Bossey/Geneva]; C.A.
5170	WAIPAWA CO-OPERATING PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
5180	MILSON COMBINED CHURCH Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
6010	WELLINGTON METHODIST PARISH Parish Superintendent: Falaniko Mann-Taito Motekiai Fakatou, BTheol
6020	WESLEY WELLINGTON MISSION (Director David Hanna)
6030	WELLINGTON SOUTH-LYALL BAY UNION David Harding, BD, LTh(Hons), BAgSc (1/2 time) (who will Superintend 5060, 5150, 6200)
6050	MIRAMAR UNITING PARISH Paul Prestidge (2/3 time) Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist Les Solomona (1/2 time) (Supply)
6060	NGAIO UNION PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
6070	JOHNSONVILLE UNITING CHURCH Co-ordinating Partner: Awaiting clarification
6110	TAWA UNION PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
6120	HUTT CITY UNITING CONGREGATIONS Kalo Falanga Kaisa, DipPTh, BMin (NZ) Jannet Mudavanhu, MATheol, PhDTheol (Birmingham University) Co-ordinating Partners: Presbyterian and Methodist
6140	UPPER HUTT UNITING PARISH Suresh Chandra, LiMS, DipPTH (Trinity College) Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist

- 6160 GREYTOWN ST ANDREW'S UNION PARISH Robert Allan (Supply) (1/3 time) Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist
- 6170 FEATHERSTON UNION PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
- 6180 CARTERTON UNION PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
- 6190 MASTERTON ST LUKES UNION PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian LEP with Lansdowne Presbyterian
- 6200 ST JAMES, MASTERTON UNION PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist Parish Superintendent: David Harding, BD, LTh(Hons), BAgSc (see 6030) Paul Rogers (Supply) (1/2 time)
- 6220 LEVIN UNITING PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist Ian Boddy, BA, DipPTh (1/2 time)
- 6230 OTAKI (under Anglican care)
- 6240 KAPITI UNITING PARISH Cornelia Grant, MTh (Magister Theologiae) (Tubingen) Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist
- 6250 HATAITAI-KILBIRNIE CO-OPERATING PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Anglican
- 6270 ST MATTHEWS JOINT PARISH BROOKLYN Co-ordinating Partner: Awaiting clarification
- 6280 ST NINIAN'S UNITING PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian

#### SYNOD SUPERINTENDENT TEAM Awaiting clarification

#### 7000 NELSON / MARLBOROUGH / WEST COAST SYNOD

- 7010 ST JOHNS IN THE CITY David Poultney, Dip PTh, BTheol, (Southampton), PGDipTheol (dist) Otago, Dip Nursing (Coventry), P.G. Cert Mental Health Nursing
- 7020 NELSON, ST LUKE'S UNION PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
- 7040 MOTUEKA UNITING Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist Janet Marsh
- 7070 BLENHEIM Alofa Asiata (who will Superintend 7080, 7890)
- 7080 UNION PARISH OF PICTON Parish Superintendent: Alofa Asiata (see 7070) Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist

- 7090 REEFTON DISTRICT UNION PARISH Parish Superintendent: David Poultney, Dip PTh, BTheol, (Southampton), PGDipTheol (dist) Otago, Dip Nursing (Coventry), P.G. Cert Mental Health Nursing (see 7010) Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist
- 7110 GREYMOUTH DISTRICT UNITING PARISH Parish Superintendent: David Poultney, Dip PTh, BTheol, (Southampton), PGDipTheol (dist) Otago, Dip Nursing (Coventry), P.G. Cert Mental Health Nursing (see 7010) Lay ministry: Lyn Heine (2/3 time) Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist
- 7120 HOKITIKA UNION PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
- 7130 RICHMOND STOKE PARISH Martin Oh, MTheol (Methodist Theological Seminary Korea); DipPTheol

#### SYNOD SUPERINTENDENT

David Poultney, Dip PTh, BTheol, (Southampton), PGDipTheol (dist) Otago, Dip Nursing (Coventry), P.G. Cert Mental Health Nursing who will Superintend 7090, 7110

#### 7500 VAHEFONUA TONGA 'O AOTEAROA

7510 AUCKLAND-MANUKAU TONGAN PARISH Parish Superintendent: Vaikoloa Kilikiti

> PONSONBY (7560) Siutaisa Tukutau, DipMiss, BPTh, DipPTh (part-time, non-stipended)

NORTHCOTE (7561) Tevita Finau (see 11B(b))

HENDERSON (7620) Finau Halaleva (part-time, non-stipended))

NEW LYNN (7530) Kalolo Fihaki, BAg, MAppSc, DipPSM, DipPTh (part-time non-stipended) (see Q11A(b))

ONEHUNGA (7541) Mosese Manukia (Local Presbyter) (see Q11A(b)) (part-time non-stipended)

EPSOM (7542) Makeleta Lute Pole Tu'uhoko, DipPTh, Cert BA, (Auck) BPA&E (Fiji) (see Q11A(b)) (part-time nonstipended)

DOMINION ROAD (7512) Vaikoloa Kilikiti

ELLERSLIE (7570) Tevita Kau (Student Supply)

OTAHUHU TONGAN CONGREGATION (7550) Sione Lea'aetoa, BTheol (see Q11A(b)) (part-time non-stipended)

PAPATOETOE TONGAN CONGREGATION (7630) Nehilofi 'E Moala--'Aholelei, DipPTh, DipBusAdmin & CPE (part-time non-stipended)

PANMURE (7611) Tisileli Taufa, DipPTh (Trinity College), DipBS (Laidlaw College), (Probationer) (part-time, non-stipended) (see Q11A(b))

GLEN INNES (7612) Mele Foeata Tui'pulotu, BTheol, DipPTh (part-time, non-stipended) (see Q11A(b)) Falanisesi Hafoka (Deacon) EAST TAMAKI (7521) Supply in mind

MANUREWA (7590) Lopiseni Fungalei (Student Supply)

PUKEKOHE / WAIUKU (7600) Viliami Finau, DipMin (Sydney) (part-time, non-stipended) (see Q11A(b))

7520 OTARA TONGAN PARISH (including Papakura Tongan) Holakitu'akolo Paea

> PAPAKURA TONGAN Holakitu'akolo Paea

- 7580 LOTOFALE'IA MANGERE TONGAN Goll Fan Manukia
- 7630 PAPATOETOE TONGAN PARISH Ikilifi Pope, Dip Missiology, DipPTh, BA, BTheol (1/2 time stipended)
- 7700 HAMILTON ST PAULS TONGAN Parish Superintendent: Tevita Finau (see 7561)
- 7710 HAMILTON ST JOHNS TONGAN Parish Superintendent: Tevita Finau (see 7561)
- 7740 MT MAUNGANUI TONGAN Parish Superintendent: Tevita Finau (see 7561)
- 7750 GISBORNE TONGAN PARISH Sunia Ha'unga, DipTheol (1/2 time stipended)
- 7760 PALMERSTON NORTH TONGAN (Parish Superintendent: Tevita Finau) Lay Minister: Soane Vaipulu
- 7770 NAPIER-HASTINGS TONGAN Parish Superintendent: Sunia Ha'unga (see 7750)
- 7780 LEVIN TONGAN Parish Superintendent: Tevita Finau (see 7561)
- 7800 WESLEY WELLINGTON TONGAN PARISH Simote Taunga, DipPTh
- 7810 LOWER HUTT TONGAN Parish Superintendent: Hiueni Nuku (see 7830)
- 7820 UPPER HUTT TONGAN Parish Superintendent: Hiueni Nuku (see 7830)
- 7830 TAWA TONGAN Hiueni Nuku, BCAdmin (Vic Uni) (who shall Superintend 7810, 7820, 7840)
- 7840 AVALON TONGAN Parish Superintendent: Hiueni Nuku (see 7830)
- 7890 BLENHEIM TONGAN Parish Superintendent: Alofa Asiata (see 7070)
- 7900 CHRISTCHURCH SOUTH TONGAN PARISH Moi Kaufononga, PG, Dip NFP M (1/2 time stipended) (see Q11B(b))
- 7910 OAMARU TONGAN Awaiting clarification

7920 DUNEDIN TONGAN Siosifa Pole, BTh (Melb), MTh (Melb), DipMin (ACTE) Awaiting clarification

## SYNOD SUPERINTENDENT

Tevita Finau (who will Superintend 7760, 7700, 7710, 7740, 7780)

#### 8000 CENTRAL SOUTH ISLAND

Barbara Peddie, BSc Hons, PhD, BTheol, PGDipTheol (part-time) Covenanted ministry with Synod (see Q11A(c))

- 8900 CONNEXIONAL OFFICE and ADMINISTRATION DIVISION David J Bush, BSc, Grad Dip MGMT. General Secretary and Authorised Representative
- 8011 CHRISTCHURCH METHODIST MISSION (Executive Director: Jill Hawkey)
- 8010 CHRISTCHURCH CENTRAL PARISH Parish Superintendent: Andrew Donaldson, M.Ed.Dist, B A, B.Theol (Melb) (1/4 time supply) Jill van de Geer, TTC, LTCL (organ performance), LTh, BTheol (Melb) (1/4 time supply) Rob Ferguson (Chaplain to the City) (Supply)
- 8020 CHRISTCHURCH SOUTH Andrew Donaldson, M.Ed.Dist, B.A, (Cant) B.Theol (Melb) (3/4 time) (who shall Superintend 8010)
- 8040 NEW BRIGHTON UNION PARISH Mark Gibson, B.A., B.Th (1/2 time)
- 8050 PORT HILLS UNITING PARISH Parish Superintendent: Graeme McIvor (Supply) (1/2 time) Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist
- 8060 LINWOOD AVENUE UNION PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Christian Churches of NZ
- 8080 OPAWA COMMUNITY CHURCH Andrew Doubleday, BTheol (Melb)
- 8090 BECKENHAM-SYDENHAM Melema'u Molitika, DipPTh
- 8110 HALSWELL UNION PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
- 8120 CHRISTCHURCH WEST Dale Peach, DipPTh, BTheol (Otago), CAT (Cant)
- 8140 CHRISTCHURCH NORTH Neti Petaia, DipPTh
- 8160 LINCOLN UNION PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
- 8170 ELLESMERE CO-OPERATING PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Awaiting Clarification
- 8180 KAIAPOI CO-OPERATING PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
- 8190 RANGIORA Philomeno Kinera, DipPTh
- 8200 MALVERN CO-OPERATING PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian

8210	OXFORD DISTRICT UNION PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian (Ministry provided by 8190)			
8230	ROLLESTON COMBINED CHURCH Shared oversight: Lincoln Anglican and Lincoln Union Parish			
8250	ST ALBANS UNITING PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian			
8260	WAINONI Mark Gibson, B.A., B.Th (1/2 time)			
8270	RICHMOND – SHIRLEY Joohong Kim, DipPTh, BMin, MSc (Colorado), BSc (National Open University) (LEP with North Avon Presbyterian)			
8310	TIMARU -TEMUKA Bob Sidal, BDiv, (PTC), DipTheol (who shall Superintend 8350)			
8330	ST DAVID'S MARCHWIEL UNION PARISH Parish Superintendent: Ian MacLeod Lay Ministry: Morven Sidal (1/2 time) Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist			
8350	WAIMATE Parish Superintendent: Bob Sidal 8310			
8380	ASHBURTON Tevita Taufalele, DipPTh, BTheol (Otago)			
8390	ST DAVID'S UNION ASHBURTON Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian			
(8400	OAMARU UNION PARISH) Parish to close			
SYNOD SUPERINTENDENT Kathryn Walters, BMin, BTheol, Dip Mgmt (who will Superintend 8170)				
8500 WASEWASE KO VITI KEI ROTUMA				
8510	AUCKLAND TABACAKACAKA Parish Superintendent: Alivereti Uludole, LiMS (non-stipended) see Q11A(b)			

MEADOWLANDS FIJIAN Joeli Ducivaki, LiMS, Grad Cert Mgmt (Monash Mt Eliza BS) (non-stipended) see Q11A(b)

- 8520 PUKEKOHE FIJIAN CONGREGATION Alivereti Uludole, LiMS (non-stipended) see Q11A(b)
- 8530 PITT STREET FIJIAN CONGREGATION Parish Superintendent: Lynne Frith (see 2010) One wanted (1/2 time)
- 8540 HAMILTON EAST FIJIAN Alipate Livani, DipPTh, DipBS, BA.Bus (1/2 time) (see also 8550, 8560)
- 8550 ROTORUA FIJIAN Alipate Livani, DipPTh, DipBS, BA.Bus (see also 8540, 8560)
- 8560 TAURANGA FIJIAN Alipate Livani, DipPTh, DipBS, BA.Bus (see also 8540, 8550)

- 8570 NORTH TARANAKI FIJIAN Peni Tikoinaka, BD (PTC Fiji), DipTh (Daivulevu College) Fijian ministry (see also 6010 & 8620) (parttime)
- 8580 WANGANUI FIJIAN Akuila Bale (1/2 time)
- (6010) WESLEY WELLINGTON FIJIAN Parish Superintendent: Peni Tikoinaka, BD (PTC Fiji), DipTh (Daivulevu College) Fijian Sikeli Cawanikawai (Probationer) (non-stipended)
- 8620 MORAIA FIJIAN CHRISTCHURCH Peni Tikoinaka, BD (PTC Fiji), DipTh (Daivulevu College) Fijian Ministry (See also 6010)
- SYNOD SUPERINTENDENT Peni Tikoinaka, BD (PTC Fiji), DipTh (Dailevu College) (who Superintends 6010, 8620)

#### 9000 OTAGO-SOUTHLAND SYNOD

- 9020 METHODIST MISSION SOUTHERN (Director: Laura Black, BA Bus St, (Massey) JP)
- 9010 DUNEDIN PARISH Siosifa Pole, BTh (Melb), MTh (Melb), DipMin (ACTE) (who Superintends 9160) Rod Mitchell (1/4 time) (supply)
- 9080 TOKOMAIRIRO CO-OPERATING PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
- 9110 INVERCARGILL M. Peter Taylor, BMet (Sheffield), BD (Manchester) (who shall Superintend 9120, 9260)
- 9120 RIVERTON UNION PARISH Parish Superintendent: Peter Taylor, BMet (Sheffield), BD (Manchester) (see 9110) Local Shared Ministry Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist
- 9150 BLUFF CO-OPERATING PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Anglican
- 9160 TEVIOT UNION PARISH Parish Superintendent: Siosifa Pole, BTh (Melb), MTh (Melb), DipMin (ACTE) 9010 Lyndon Weggery (for a 10<sup>th</sup> year) Lay Ministry (one-third time) Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist
- 9170 ALEXANDRA-CLYDE-LAUDER UNION PARISH Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
- 9250 BROCKVILLE UNION Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
- 9260 OTATARA Parish Superintendent: Peter Taylor, BMet (Sheffield), BD (Manchester) (see 9110) David Elder (1/2 time) Lay Ministry Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist

#### SYNOD SUPERINTENDENT Peter Taylor BMet(Sheffield) BD (Manchest

Peter Taylor, BMet(Sheffield), BD (Manchester) (who will Superintend 9120, 9260)

#### 9500 SINOTI SAMOA

9510 PANMURE SAMOAN Nomani Noa (Supply) (1/4 time)

9520	WAITAKERE (SAMOAN) Utumau'u Pupulu (who shall Superintend 9530) Lay Ministry Faletagoa'i Auva'a (Oratia)
9530	BIRKENHEAD SAMOAN Parish Superintendent: Utumau'u Pupulu Suefuaiana Mulitalo Lay Ministry Team
9540	AUCKLAND SAMOAN PARISH Paulo Ieli, DipPTh (Trinity College)
9550	MANUREWA Fatuatia Tufuga, BTheol (Melb), Cert Sup (NZIM), CertSmBus, CertTropAgr (Fiji)
9560	PAPAKURA Parish Superintendent: Peter Williamson, PG Dip PH (Otago) 2430 Lay Ministry Team
9570	PAPATOETOE Tovia Aumua, BTheol (who shall Superintend 9575)
9575	OTAHUHU/MANGERE EAST Parish Superintendent: Tovia Aumua, BTheol (see 9570) Lay Ministry: Tiatia Falemoe
9580	HASTINGS SAMOAN lakopo Fa'afuata, LTh, Min Dip (who shall Superintend 5020) Margaret Hall, BA, DipTheol, ACM (Supply) (1/4 time) (non-stipended)
9585	NEW PLYMOUTH SAMOAN Limu Isaia (1/4 time)
9590	GISBORNE SAMOAN Oka leti
9600	WESLEY WELLINGTON SAMOAN PARISH Falaniko Mann-Taito
9610	MANGERE CENTRAL SAMOAN Suiva'aia Te'o, LTH, MinDip
9615	OTARA SAMOAN Faleatua Faleatua, BTheol

SYNOD SUPERINTENDENT Suiva'aia Te'o, LTH, MinDip **CONFERENCE WELCOMES** the following Observers and gladly associates them with all the sessions of Conference.

## **OBSERVERS & GUESTS:**

Uniting Church in Australia	Rev Prof. Robert Gribben
	Rev Colleen Geyer
	Rev Sandy Boyce (Deacon)
Methodist Church in Ireland	Rev Bill Mullally
Free Wesleyan Church of Tonga	Rev Dr 'Ahio
Methodist Church in Fiji	Rev Tevita Banivanua
Methodist Church in Solomon Islands	Rev Wilfred Kurepitu
Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand	Rt. Rev Andrew Norton
	Rev Wayne Matheson
	Rev Wayne Toleafoa
	Rev Fakaofo Kaio
The Catholic Church in Aotearoa New Zealand	Sr. Sian Owen
	Carlo David
The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and	Archbishop Winston Halapua
Polynesia	Archdeacon Carole Hughes
	Rev Anne Mills
Uniting Congregations of Aotearoa New Zealand	Rev Adrian Skelton
Mayor of Auckland	Len Brown
Leader of the New Zealand Labour Party	Andrew Little

## **CONFERENCE STAFF 2016**

President	:	Prince Devanandan
Vice-President	:	Viv Whimster
Ex-President	:	Tovia Aumua
Ex-Vice-President	:	Arapera (Bella) Ngaha
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		Wendy Anderson
		Wendy Keir
Journal	:	Dale Peach
Daily Record	:	Mele Molitika, Neti Petaia, Tania Shackleton
Legal Adviser	:	Ruby Manukia-Schaumkel

#### CONVENERS OF BUSINESS:

A: C	Council of	Conference	:	Gillian Laird & Opeta Amani
B(i): T	re Taha N	Maori	:	Keita Hotere & Shirley Rivers
B(ii): T	Fauiwi		:	Trevor Hoggard
C: L	aw Revis	sion	:	Ruby Manukia-Schaumkel
D: A	Administra	ation/Connexional	:	Don Biggs
E: N	Ministry:	Trinity College	:	David McGeorge
		Mission Resourcing	:	Marilyn Welch
F: F	aith & O	rder	:	David Poultney
G: S	Social Se	rvices	:	Peter Glensor
H: N	Mission &	Ecumenical	:	Terry Wall
I: C	Communi	cations/Organisations	:	Paul Titus
J: S	Social Iss	ues	:	Mataiva Robertson and Peter Lane

#### SCRUTINEERS:

#### LEGAL COMMITTEE:

Ruby Manukia-Schaumkel, General Secretary & Susan Thompson

#### **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

Wallis F. Browne Ian L. Clarke Collin G. Jamieson David C. Pratt

#### 50 Years since ordination

Edwin B. Clarke Barry W. Neal Stuart G. Slinn Norman J. West

#### 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 3 or as may be decided from time to time.

## **REPORT OF THE GENERAL SECRETARY TO CONFERENCE 2016**

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:

**NOTE:** Audited and reviewed accounts are due by 14 October 2016. The President will be asked to confirm the answer to the questions above subsequent to that date.

All parishes who have not submitted the required accounts by the due date will receive a letter from the Financial Services Manager.

- QUESTION 37(a) Who is elected President of the Church for induction at the next Conference? TBA
- QUESTION 37(b) What arrangements are made for the President's supply? Arrangements to be advised
- QUESTION 38(a) Who is elected Vice-President for induction at the next Conference? TBA
- QUESTION 38(b) What arrangements are made for the Vice President's supply? Arrangements to be advised
- QUESTION 39 Who is elected the President's Legal Adviser? Ruby Manukia-Schaumkel and Richard Cunliffe

 QUESTION 40
 Who are elected to the following Synod and Regional positions for the ensuing year?

 (a)
 Superintendents

 Northland
 - Marilyn Welch

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	- Rowan Smiley (Area Superintendent)
Auckland	- Marilyn Welch
	- Dilys Davies (Area Superintendent)
Manukau	- Marilyn Welch
	- Jackie McGeorge (Area Superintendent)
Waikato-Waiariki	- Susan Thompson
Lower North Island Synod	- Tony Franklin-Ross
2	- Ian Harris
Nelson/Marlborough/West Coast	- David Poultney
Central South Island	- Kathryn Walters
Otago-Southland	- Peter Taylor
Sinoti Samoa	- Suiva'aia Te'o
Vahefonua Tonga 'o Aotearoa	- Tevita Finau
Wasewase ko Viti Kei Rotuma	- Peni Tikoinaka
(b) Secretaries	
Northland	- Margaret Bishop
Auckland	- Cheryl Banks
Manukau	- Misilei Misilei
Waikato-Waiariki	- Mary West

Lower North Island Nelson/Marlborough/West Coast Central South Island Otago-Southland Sinoti Samoa Vahefonua Tonga Wasewase ko Viti Kei Rotuma	- TBA - Jean Faithful - Beverley Fergus - Rachael Masterton - Mataiva Robertson - Edwin Talakai - Anaseini Osborne
(c) Financial Secretaries	
Northland Auckland Manukau Waikato-Waiariki Lower North Island Nelson/Marlborough/West Coast Central South Island Otago-Southland Sinoti Samoa Vahefonua Tonga Wasewase ko Viti Kei Rotuma	<ul> <li>Debbie Templeton</li> <li>Ranjit Sinaduray</li> <li>Sarah Andrews (Connexional Office)</li> <li>Margaret Giles</li> <li>TBA</li> <li>Don Horne</li> <li>Sue Spindler</li> <li>Rachael Masterton</li> <li>Saunoa Tulou</li> <li>Paula Taumoepeau</li> <li>Waqa Rubuni</li> </ul>
(d) Property Secretaries	
Northland	- John McGregor
Auckland	- Keith Taylor
Manukau	- Keith Taylor
Waikato-Waiariki	- Terry Kehely
Lower North Island	- TRΔ

Waikato-Waiariki- Terry KehelyLower North Island- TBANelson/Marlborough/West Coast- TBACentral South Island- Janet ChambersOtago-Southland- Nigel PittsSinoti Samoa- Iakopo Fa'afuataVahefonua Tonga- Mafua Lolohea

# QUESTION 41 Who are appointed as members of the following Standing Committees and their Conveners?

- Pastoral Committee President, Ex-President, Vice-President, Ex-Vice-President, President Elect, Vice President Elect, General Secretary, Directors Mission Resourcing, Tumuaki.
- (b) President's Committee of Advice President, Vice-President, Ex-President, Ex-Vice-President, President Elect, Vice President Elect, General Secretary, Directors Mission Resourcing, Tumuaki and Legal Advisor.
- (c) Council of Elders *Te Taha Maori:* Anne Peri, Julie-Anne Barney-Katene Substitute: Roz Wilkie *Tauiwi:* Jan Fogg and Barbara Peddie
- (d) Budget Task Group The Budget Task Group for 2017 will consist of: President, Vice-President, General Secretary, the Tumuaki of Te Taha Maori, Rex Nathan, David McGeorge, Paula Taumoepeau, Saunoa Tulou with Connexional staff in attendance.

#### **QUESTION 42** When and where shall the next Conference be held? Christchurch, November 2018 (dates TBA)

#### QUESTION 43 When shall the Annual Synod and other Synod Meetings be held? 4-5 August 2017

#### DATES FOR 2017:

Budget Task Group:

• 9 March

Pastoral Committee:

- 8 March

Council of Conference:

- 24-25 March
- 8-9 September

#### Tauiwi Strategy & Stationing:

- 25-26 February
- 27-30 August

Northland:

- 26 August

Auckland:

- 5 August

Manukau:

- 5 August

Waikato-Waiariki:

- 3 March (Tamahere Eventide)
- 9 June
- 5-6 August (Hamilton)
- 1 December (Tauranga)

Lower North Island:

- ТВА

Nelson/Marlborough/West Coast:

- March date TBA
- November date TBA

Central South Island:

- 11 March (10:30-4:30 at Woodlands Rd, Timaru)
- 4-5 August

Otago-Southland:

- 24-26 March
- 4-5 August
- 11 November

Vahefonua Tonga:

21 – 23 April

- 14 – 16 July

#### Sinoti Samoa:

- 23-25 March (Executive)
- 8-10 June (Executive)
- 28-30 September (Executive)
- 20-23 July (Sinoti AGM)
- 20 July (Ministerial Synod)

Wasewase ko Viti kei Rotuma

- 18 March (Executive) (Auckland)
- 21-22 July (Synod) (Hamilton)

Hui Poari:

19 – 20 February

#### **COUNCIL OF CONFERENCE:**

#### Membership for 2017 shall be:

<u>Te Taha Maori</u>: Gillian Laird (Co-Convenor), Tumuaki Diana Tana, Keita Hotere, Marama Hotere, Rex Nathan, Shirley Rivers, Alison Ranui, Te Aroha Rountree, Harry Tawhai and Sharon Tito.

Substitutes: Arapera Ngaha, Sonny Livingstone, Alamaine McGregor and Tamati Rakena.

**Tauiwi:** Opeta Amani (Co-Convenor), Tevita Finau, Tony Franklin-Ross, Andrew Doubleday, Christine Peak, Mataiva Robertson, Ngaire Southon, Setaita Kinahoi Veikune, Marilyn Welch and Rachael Masterton.

**Substitutes:** Lyn Heine, Ruta Fa'afuata and Metui Tafuna **Trainee:** Ruta Fa'afuata

**<u>Resource People</u>**: President, Vice President, General Secretary, Principal Trinity College, Directors of Mission Resourcing, Tumaki.

#### TAUIWI STRATEGY COMMITTEE:

Tauiwi Strategy Committee for 2017 will be: Prince Devanandan (President), Viv Whimster (Vice President), Opeta Amani (Tauiwi Facilitator), Trevor Hoggard and Setaita Kinahoi Veikune (Mission Resourcing Directors), David Bush (General Secretary), Nasili Vaka'uta (Trinity College Principal), Marilyn Welch (Northland Auckland Manukau), Rowan Smiley (Northland), Dilys Davies (Auckland), Jackie McGeorge (Manukau), Ngaire Southon and Susan Thompson (Waikato Waiariki), Tony Franklin-Ross and Ian Harris (Lower North Island Synod), Jean Faithful and David Poultney (Nelson Marlborough West Coast), Kathryn Walters and Beverley Fergus (Central South Island Synod), Rachael Masterton and Peter Taylor (Otago Southland Synod), Tevita Finau and Edwin Talakai (Vahefonua Tonga), Mataiva Robertson and Suiva'aia Te'o (Sinoti Samoa), Peni Tikoinaka and Asaeli Tulagi (Wasewase ko Viti kei Rotuma), Andrew Doubleday (Evangelical Network) and the current Tauiwi members of Council of Conference already named in the Council of Conference membership 2017.

#### TAUIWI STATIONING COMMITTEE:

Tauiwi Stationing Committee for 2017 will be: Prince Devanandan (President), Viv Whimster (Vice President), Trevor Hoggard and Setaita Kinahoi Veikune (Mission Resourcing Directors), David Bush (General Secretary), Nasili Vaka'uta (Trinity College Principal), Marilyn Welch (Northland Auckland Manukau), Rowan Smiley (Northland), Dilys Davies (Auckland), Jackie McGeorge (Manukau), Ngaire Southon and Susan Thompson (Waikato Waiariki), Tony Franklin-Ross and Ian Harris (Lower North Island Synod), Jean Faithful and David Poultney (Nelson Marlborough West Coast), Kathryn Walters and Beverley Fergus (Central South Island Synod), Rachael Masterton and Peter Taylor (Otago Southland Synod), Tevita Finau and Edwin Talakai (Vahefonua Tonga), Mataiva Robertson and Suiva'aia Te'o (Sinoti Samoa), Peni Tikoinaka and Asaeli Tulagi (Wasewase ko Viti kei Rotuma), Andrew Doubleday (Evangelical Network).

## Supplementary Report

(Continuation from Sheet 15)

The 5+5 Panel meeting to consider the selection of President and Vice President has reported to the General Secretary and Legal Advisor that they have been unable to reach a consensus for the positions of President and Vice President.

The General Secretary and Legal Advisor have consulted with the 5+5 and explored possible options.

The position of no consensus remains.

The Laws and Regulations currently specify that the existing President and Vice President continue for another term in the event that no new President or Vice President is selected.

However with the decision to hold the next Conference in November 2018 there is an opportunity to call nominations and select a President and Vice President during 2017.

I therefore bring the following suggested resolution:

In the light of the 5+5 Panel not being able to reach a consensus for President and Vice President to take office in 2018, Conference approves the following process to be used in 2017.

- 1. Nominations for President and Vice President are called for, through Synods and Hui Poari in the usual way with a closing date of 3 July 2017.
- 2. Te Taha Maori and Tauiwi using their own processes would select names which would be forwarded to the General Secretary.
- 3. For Tauiwi the process is: At August Synod meetings Tauiwi using their agreed Conference process would consider all nominations to select their preferred names of those nominated for President and Vice President. Formally appointed members of the Synod would participate.
- 4. Te Taha Maori would use their own agreed process.
- 5. The 5+5 Panel would be convened to consider the names in September 2017 and report the result of their deliberations to the President who would advise the Church.
- 6. The immediate Past President and Vice President Rex Nathan and Jan Tasker would continue on the Pastoral Committee and Committee of Advice until there is a nominated President and Vice President Elect.
- 7. A pastoral statement to be prepared by the Pastoral Committee for release to the Church.

## CONFERENCE BUSINESS COMMITTEE "A" Council of Conference

**CONVENERS:** Gillian Laird and Opeta Amani

QUESTION 25: What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Council of Conference? Report pp A1-6

#### SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

- 1. That the report be received.
- 2. That Conference confirm the decision of Conference 2015 "That for a trial period between 2016 and 2020 the Methodist Church meets for Conference every second year. (Conference would meet in 2016, 2018, 2020) [In 2015 it was determined that the matter affected the rights and privileges of the clergy and the Laity and therefore needs to be affirmed by two Conferences]
- 3. That Conference agrees that in all instances during the trial period the following references in the Laws and regulations will be changed as follows.
  - a. 'Report annually to Conference' to 'Report to each meeting of Conference'.
- 4. That the process of implementation as detailed in this report be adopted.
- 5. Conference encourages Synods, Hui Poari, Boards and Parishes to continue the focus on "Let the Children Live' as we reach the mid-point of our 10 year goal.
- 6. Conference asks Faith and Order to consider the place, nature and role of "being in Full Connexion" and to report to the next Conference.
- 7. Council of Conference members for 2017 are: <u>Tauiwi</u> Opeta Amani (Co-Convenor), Tevita Finau, Tony Franklin-Ross, Andrew Doubleday, Christine Peak, Mataiva Robertson, Ngaire Southon, Setaita Kinahoi Veikune, Marilyn Welch and Rachael Masterton. Substitutes: Lyn Heine, Ruta Fa'afuata and Metui Tafuna. <u>Te Taha Maori:</u> Gillian Laird (Co-Convenor), Tumuaki Diana Tana, Keita Hotere, Marama Hotere, Rex Nathan, Shirley Rivers, Alison Ranui, Te Aroha Rountree, Harry Tawhai and Sharon Tito. Substitutes: Arapera Ngaha, Sonny Livingstone, Piripi Rakena, Alamaine McGregor and Tamati Rakena.
- 8. The members of Council of Elders for 2017 are: <u>Te Taha Maori</u>: Anne Peri, Julie-anne Barney-Katene and Substitute-Roz Wilkie. <u>Tauiwi</u>: Jan Fogg and Barbara Peddie.

**QUESTION 25(c):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Connexional Budget? Report pp A10-14

#### SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

- 1. The report is received.
- 2. The membership of the Budget Task Group for 2017 is: Viv Whimster (Vice President), Prince Devanandan (President) (Chair), Diana Tana (Tumuaki), Rex Nathan, David McGeorge, Paula Taumoepeau, Saunoa Tulou with Connexional staff in attendance.

**QUESTION 25(a):** What is God saying to us now?

**QUESTION 25(b):** What more can be done to promote the work of God?

 QUESTION 28(e):
 What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the PAC

 Distribution Group?
 Report pp A6-10

- 1. That the report be received.
- 2. That the PAC Distribution Group for 2017 be: Alison Ranui, Dorothy Willis, Dick Clayton, Paula Taumoepeau, Tara Tautari, Saunoa Tulou, Richard Biddle, the ex-President (Tovia Aumua), the General Secretary.

## CONFERENCE BUSINESS COMMITTEE "B(i)" Te Taha Maori

**CONVENOR:** Keita Hotere 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)1-3

## SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

1. The report be received.

- The 2017 membership of *Hui Poari* shall be Tumuaki Diana Tana <u>Enabling Ministry Team:</u> Rex Nathan, Arapera Ngaha, Keita Hotere, Marama Hotere, Gillian Laird, Te Aroha Rountree <u>Tai Tokerau</u>: Frances Rakena, Sonny Livingstone, Anne Peri (Board rep substitute); <u>Tamaki</u>: Gillian Laird, Te Aroha Rountree, Te Wehenga Laird (Kaiarahi Rangatahi); <u>Waikato</u>: Doreen Wilson, Shirley Rivers, Jess Marcum (Board rep substitute); <u>Taranaki</u>: Frances Kingi-Katene, Alison Ranui, Julie-anne Barney-Katene (Board rep substitute); <u>Poneke</u>: Alamaine McGregor; <u>Te Rohe Potae</u>: Hinga Ormsby; and <u>Otautahi-Te Waipounamu</u>: Roz Wilkie.
- 3. The 2017 *Rohe Liaison Persons* shall be <u>Tai Tokerau</u>: Frances Rakena; <u>Tamaki</u>: Gillian Laird; <u>Waikato</u>: Doreen Wilson; <u>Taranaki</u>: Frances Kingi-Katene; <u>Poneke</u>: Alamaine McGregor, <u>Te Rohe Potae</u>: Hinga Ormsby; and <u>Otautahi-Te Waipounamu</u>: Roz Wilkie.
- 4. The 2017 *Rohe Kaiarahi Rangatahi* shall be Tamaki: Te Wehenga Laird and others to be appointed by the President.
- 5. The 2017 membership of *Te Runanga Whakawhanaunga I Nga Haahi O Aotearoa* shall be Tumuaki Diana Tana, Rex Nathan, Te Aroha Rountree, Tara Tautari, and Sonny Livingstone.

QUESTION 26 (i) (a) What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Te Taha Maori Property Trust? Report pp B(i)5-6

#### SUGGESTED DECISION:

- 1. The report be received.
- 2. The 2017 membership of Te Taha Maori Property Trust shall be: Tumuaki Diana Tana, Rex Nathan, Arapera Bella Ngaha, Tara Tautari. <u>Resource person:</u> Peter van Hout.

**QUESTION 26 (i) (b)** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Wellington Methodist Charitable and Educational Endowments Trust?

Report pp B(i)4

- 1. The report be received.
- The 2017 membership of the Board shall be: Merita Holder, Marten Hutt, Senorita Laukau, Danette Ngarewa, Tumuaki Diana Tana, Bunnie Willing, Leatuavao Viko Aufaga, Trevor Dine, Motekiai Fakatou, Neville Price, Matthew (Matt) Roberts (Chairperson), Myra Tautau (secretary), and any others appointed by the President.

## CONFERENCE BUSINESS COMMITTEE "B(ii)" Tauiwi

CONVENERS: Trevor Hoggard

**QUESTION 26(ii)(a):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Tauiwi? Report pp B(ii)1-12

#### SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

1. That the report be received.

QUESTION 26(ii)(b): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Evangelical Network? Report pp B(ii)12-15

#### SUGGESTED DECISION:

1. That 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)15 & 16 -20

#### SUGGESTED DECISION:

1. That the report be received.

## 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 C1-6* 

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

- 1. That the report be received.
- 2. That Conference approves the changes to Section 8 of the Disciplinary Code.
- That Conference approves changes to the Law Book: Section 5. 7.14.1.1 and following – Professional Development Grants Committee; Section 11 (D) – Trinity Theological College; Section 10. 20.1.1 and following – Supernumerary Fund
- 4. That the Law Revision Committee for 2017 be: Ruby Manukia-Schaumkel, Jill van de Geer, Peter Williamson, Jan Tasker, Stuart Grant, Lynne Frith, Rowan Smiley, Kathleen Tuai Ta'ufo'ou, The General Secretary, Donald Phillipps (corresponding member)

**QUESTION 27(b):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to residential Rulings which have been made during the year? Report pp C7

#### SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

1. That the report be received.

## CONFERENCE BUSINESS COMMITTEE "D" Administration Division

## CONVENER: Don Biggs

**QUESTION 28:** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Administration Division? Report pp D1-5

### SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

- 1. That the report be received.
- 2. That the decision to hold all Methodist Church of New Zealand current accounts with the Bank of New Zealand be confirmed.
- 3. Conference thanks Tumuaki Diana Tana for her 16 years' service on the Board of Administration.
- 4. That the members of the BOA for 2017 be: Don Biggs (Chair), Ruby Manukia-Schaumkel, Digby Prosser, Rex Nathan, Paula Taumoepeau, Nan Russell, Dale Peach, David McGeorge, Marama Hotere, Alan Bettany and David Bush (General Secretary).
- 5. That Conference requires all Parishes and Boards providing housing to ensure, as a matter of urgency, that complying smoke alarms are fitted.
- 6. That Conference requires all Parishes and Boards providing housing to comply with the requirements for insulation prior to 1 July 2019.
- 7. That Conference asks MCPC to provide the appropriate tenancy agreement for 'Service Tenancy' no later than 1 March 2017.

## **Connexional Financial Review Committee**

No report due to the Committee not meeting until after Conference in 2016. Report pp D4

## Methodist Connexional Property Committee

Report pp D5-14

- 1 That the report be received
- 2 Conference acknowledges the outstanding service offered by Greg Wright to the Methodist Connexional Property Committee and wishes him and Annette a healthy and happy retirement.
- 3 Conference acknowledges the committed service of Duncan Mangles (30+ years) and Don Eade (20+) years to both the Church Building and Loan Fund and Methodist Connexional Property Committee and wishes them well in retirement.
- 4 That in respect of New Building Standards (NBS) Conference agrees that:
  - unless an engineer confirms that, in their professional opinion, a building rated below 34% NBS is safe to be occupied for the normal use and occupant loading, that building be closed and not used until strengthened;
  - (2) when buildings are being strengthened they be brought up to 67% NBS or as near to that rating as is economically and practicably reasonable;
  - (3) buildings below 34% NBS that are confirmed safe to continue to be used be strengthened to 67% NBS (or as near to that rating as may be economically and practicably reasonable) within the time allowed under the Building (Earthquake Prone Buildings) Amendment Act or when the buildings are altered or remodeled so as to require a building consent;
  - (4) buildings between 34% NBS and 67% NBS be strengthened, to 67% or a s near to that rating as is economically and practicably reasonable, over time or when the buildings are being altered or remodeled so as to require a building consent.
- 5 That in respect of potential methamphetamine contamination, Conference requests the appropriate standard provisions:

#### 12: Sale of Property by the Church

In respect of methamphetamine (or P) contamination to the property, the Purchaser acknowledges that the Vendor does not;

- (a) hold itself out as having expertise nor any knowledge as to methamphetamine contamination to the property;
- (b) make any representation in relation to methamphetamine contamination to the property.

The Purchaser acknowledges that in entering into the Agreement the Purchaser has:

- (c) made all due enquiry about the property including obtaining expert advice; and
- (d) made direct enquiries of the vendor and accepts that the Vendor has answered such enquiries to such extent as the Vendor is able to in its best belief but that such answers cannot in any way be construed as warranties or representations by the Vendor, and accordingly the Purchaser shall acquire the property on an "as is where is" basis having conducted its own full due diligence enquiry on all aspects of the property, and has based its decision to purchase the property in reliance solely on its judgement and enquiry, and the Purchaser waives all rights of claim against the Vendor."

#### Lease of property by the Church

15: The Tenant expressly acknowledges and agrees it is an essential term of the lease that the Tenants invitees at the property will not bring onto or manufacture at the property methamphetamine (*P*)

If damage to the property occurs as a result of the tenant's breach of this clause, the Tenant will be responsible for all costs required to return the property to the condition the property was in at commencement of the lease and to the satisfaction of the Landlord. The Tenant expressly acknowledges that the Landlord has not insured the property against damage caused by methamphetamine contamination and the Tenant will meet the cost of making good any such damage.

be included in future sale and purchase and leasing agreement entered into by the Church.

6 Conference draws the obligations of the new Health and Safety legislation to the attention of the Church.

QUESTION 28(a):What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Investment<br/>Advisory Board?Report pp D15-16

#### SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

- 1 That the report be received
- 2 That the 2017 Board of the Investment Advisory Board be: Chris Gregory, David Cleal, David Johnston, Michael Greer, Hugh Garlick, David Hunt, Meleane Nacagilevu, Jill van de Geer, David Bush (General Secretary), Stephen Walker (in attendance).

**QUESTION 28(b):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Methodist Trust Association? Report pp D16-20

- 1 That the report be received
- 2 Upon his retirement, Conference records its sincere appreciation for the long service Greg Wright has given as Executive Director Methodist Trust Association. For more than 38 years, in various roles and with many different major responsibilities, Greg has served the Conference, Connexion and wider Methodist Church with great distinction. The Conference extends to Greg and Annette its heartfelt thanks and wishes them both a refreshing and fulfilling retirement.
- 3 Conference acknowledges with thanks the services of Jude Anderson, who has been Personal Assistant to the Executive Director since 2008, and wishes her a long and healthy retirement.
- 4 Conference thanks Hugh Garlick for his contribution over the past 14 years as Chairman of the Methodist Trust Association.
- 5 Conference notes the appointment of Stephen Walker to the position of Executive Officer, Methodist Trust Association, and warmly welcomes him to that role. The Conference and wider Church looks forward to a continuing good and mutually beneficial relationship.
- 6 That the 2017 Board of the Methodist Trust Association be: Chris Gregory, David Cleal, David Johnston, Michael Greer, Hugh Garlick, David Hunt, Meleane Nacagilevu, Jill van de Geer, David Bush (General Secretary), Stephen Walker (in attendance).

**QUESTION 28(c):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Connexional Trusts? Report pp D14

## SUGGESTED DECISION:

1. That the report be received.

QUESTION 28(d): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the PACT 2086 Trust? Report pp D14-15

## SUGGESTED DECISION:

1. That the report be received.

QUESTION 28(e) – refer Section A

QUESTION 28(f):What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Robert<br/>Gibson Trust?Conference on matters relating to the Robert<br/>Report p D20

## SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

- 1. That the report be received.
- That the Board of the R.G.M.T. Board for 2016-2017 be: Preston Bulfin, John Chittenden, Tony Bell, John Lefleming, Susan Malthus, Steven Nicholas, Mataiva Robertson, Rev. David Bush, (General Secretary), Synod Representative (to be appointed by conference) and Bill Yateman.

QUESTION 28(g): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Statistics?

Report pp N1-3

#### SUGGESTED DECISION:

1. That the Report be received.

QUESTION 28(h): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Wesley Historical Society? Report pp D21-22

## SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

- 1. That the Report be received.
- 2. That Conference reaffirms its 2015 decision regarding planning for the commemoration of Rev. Samuel Leigh's involvement in the establishment of a Wesleyan mission in this country
- 3. That Conference reaffirms its 2015 decision to revisit the Connexion's role in the 1922 Kaeo Memorial Church project and current questions of maintenance of this historic site.

QUESTION 28(i):What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Professional<br/>Development Grants Committee?Report pp D22-25

- 1. That the report is received
- 2. That Conference approves the revised policy.
- 3. Conference thanks Rev Prince Devanandan for his contribution over the past 11 years as a member of the committee.
- 4. That the members for 2017 shall be Roger Biddle, Sonia Faulkner, Lynne Frith (Convenor), Jackie McGeorge, Suiva'aia Te'o, Mary West (Secretary), Diana Tana (Tumuaki), Nasili Vaka'uta (Principal, Trinity College), a Mission Resourcing Director and one further member to be approved by the President.

## CONFERENCE BUSINESS COMMITTEE "E" Ministry

CONVENER: <u>Trinity College:</u> David McGeorge <u>Mission Resourcing:</u> Marilyn Welch

**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 E4-6

## SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

- 1. That the report be received.
- 2. Conference affirms the commitment of the Mission Resourcing Board to continue with the post of National Children's, Young People and Families Ministry Coordinator beyond the initial three year trial period and their pursuit of funding to allow this to happen.
- 3. Members of the Board for 2016-2018 shall be: Marilyn Welch (chairperson), Freddy de Alwis, Graeme White, Sireli Kini, Chris Johnston and Tovia Aumua.
- 4. Members of the Tauiwi Human Sexuality Work Group shall be: Jill van de Geer, Susan Thompson, Opeta Amani, Barbara Peddie, Mary Caygill, Melanaite Taumoefolau, Michael Lemanu, David Poultney, Mataiva Robertson, Ikilifi Pope, Nasili Vaku'ata, Andrew Donaldson, Paulo Ieli, Eseta Penaia, Martin Oh and the Directors of Mission Resourcing who shall act as convenors.

## Trounson Trust

Report pp E15

- 1. That this report be received.
- 2. That the maximum grant in any twelve month period be increased from \$500.00 to \$650.00.

QUESTION 29(b):	What are the decisions of Conference on n	natters relating to Ministry
	Education (Trinity College)?	Report pp E1-3

## SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

- 1. That the report is received.
- 2. That Conference acknowledges and thanks David McGeorge for his contribution and service to Trinity College and wishes him well.
- 3. That Trinity College Council members for 2017 are: Arapera Ngaha (Chairperson), Nāsili Vaka'uta (Principal), Tovia Aumua, Richard Biddle, Lynne Frith, Steven Hargreaves, Rex Nathan and Shirley Rivers.
- QUESTION 29(c):What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to The Churches<br/>Education Commission?Report pp E10-11

#### SUGGESTED DECISION:

- 1. That the report be received.
- QUESTION 29(d):What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Diaconate<br/>Task Group?Task Group?Report pp E8-9

- 1. That this report be received.
- 2. That Conference extends a welcome to Rev Dcn Sandy Boyce and gives her opportunity to share with conference her role as President World Diakonia Federation.
- 3. That Conference encourages all Parishes to engage with prospective deacons; further information is available from the Diaconate Task group, and Trinity College.

- 4. That members of the Diaconate Task group for 2016/17 be: Co-convenors Edna Evans and Margaret Birtles, with Rachel Tregurtha, Brenda Fawkner, Megan Alley, Ruta Galo & Sesi Hafoka.
- QUESTION 29(e):What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to The Methodist<br/>Lay Preacher's Network?Report pp E9-10

#### SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

- 1. That the report be received.
- 2. That the Methodist Lay Preachers Network Team be: Viv Whimster (Convenor), Syd Easton and Ngaire Southon (Co-convenors).

QUESTION 29(f): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Tauiwi Youth? Report pp E6-8

#### SUGGESTED DECISION:

1. The report is received

QUESTION 29(g):What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Uniting<br/>Congregations of Aotearoa New Zealand?Report pp E18-19

#### SUGGESTED DECISION:

1. That the report be received

 QUESTION 29(h)(i):
 What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Tertiary

 Chaplaincy?
 Report pp E11-13

#### SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

- 1. That the report be received
- 2. That Conference affirm the importance of ongoing support for tertiary chaplaincy in Aotearoa-NZ by
  - encouraging synods to seek to have representatives on each of the ecumenical chaplaincy trust boards in their area
  - encouraging congregations in the cities where there is not yet a tertiary chaplaincy presence on a tertiary campus to host a gathering of local church leaders to facilitate the establishment of an ecumenical chaplaincy trust

**QUESTION 29(h)(ii):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Hospital Chaplaincy? Report pp E13-14

#### SUGGESTED DECISION:

- 1. The report be received.
- 2. That Conference commends the funding needs of Hospital Chaplaincy to Synods and Parishes and expresses the desire for the Connexional budget contribution to remain at the current level.

QUESTION 29(h)(iii): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Defence Force Chaplaincy? Report pp E15

#### SUGGESTED DECISION:

1. That the report be received.

QUESTION 29(h)(iv): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Prison Chaplaincy? Report p E14

#### SUGGESTED DECISION:

No report received.

QUESTION 29(i): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Wesley College Trust Board? Report pp E16-18

#### SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

- 1. The report is received.
- 2. The 2016/2017 membership of the Wesley College Trust Board is: Diana Tana, Colin Telford, Norman Johnston, Gillian Laird, Wesley Mansell, Meleane Nacagilevu, Harvey O'Loughlin, Utumau'u Pupulu, Barry Shuker, Patisepa Tala'imanu, David McGeorge, Andrew Caughey and Rangi Whakaruru.
- 3. Conference acknowledges the 37 years of service of the Deputy Principal Warwick Sanson and thanks him for his valued contribution to the School.

#### Grafton Downs Limited

Report pp E18

#### SUGGESTED DECISION:

1. The report is received.

## 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* 

- 1. That this report be received.
- 2. Members of Faith and Order for 2017 shall be: David Poultney (convenor), Robyn Allen Goudge, Norman Brookes, Jan Fogg, Andrew Gamman, Cathie Hoggard, Trevor Hoggard, Paulo Ieli, Goll Manukia, Val Nicholls, Ikilifi Pope, Utumau'u Pupulu, Rowan Smiley, Paula Taumoepeau, Aliverati Uludole. <u>Corresponding Members:</u> Margaret Birtles (for the Deacons), Gary Clover, Hugh Garlick (for the Orakei Parish Explorers Group), David Kitchingman (for the Dunedin Parish Explorers Group), Diana Tana (for Taha Maori), Terry Wall, Alan Webster (for the Evangelical Network).
- 3. Members of the Methodist team in the Methodist Anglican Dialogue for 2017 shall be: Tony Franklin Ross (Co-convenor), Prince Devanandan, Setaita Kinahoi Veikune, David Poultney, Abhishek Solomon Corresponding member: John Roberts, Diana Tana, Terry Wall.
- 4. Members of the Methodist team in the Methodist Catholic Dialogue for 2017 shall be: Trevor Hoggard (Co-convenor), Tovia Aumua, Keita Hotere, Setaita Kinahoi Veikune, Tony Franklin Ross, David Poultney and Terry Wall.
- 5. Conference notes the resignation of Ruby Manukia Schaumkel from Faith and Order and thanks her for her involvement and insight during the time she has been part of the committee's life.
- 6. Conference notes the resignation of Anne Griffiths from the Methodist team in the Methodist Catholic dialogue and thanks her for her engagement, insight and participation.
- 7. Conference instructs Faith and Order to begin a process of consultation and conversation about Methodism and Methodist identity both as a learning process for Methodists and as a contribution and insight to bring to ecumenical dialogue.
- 8. Conference affirms and encourages Conference instructs Faith and Order to begin a process of consultation and evaluation in order to provide appropriate guidelines for persons other than presbyters who are licensed to celebrate the sacraments.
- 9. The work being done on leadership in the Church which will be presented at the next Conference.
- 10. Conference warmly affirms and encourages our ecumenical dialogues with the Anglican and Roman Catholic churches.

# **CONFERENCE BUSINESS COMMITTEE "G"** Social Services

#### CONVENER: Peter Glensor

QUESTION 31: What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Methodist Social Services:

- a. Methodist Alliance Establishment Working Group
- b. Methodist Mission Aotearoa
- c. Methodist Mission Northern
- d. Palmerston North Methodist Social Services
- e. Wesley Community Action
- f. Christchurch Methodist Mission
- g. Methodist Mission Southern
- h. Vahefonua Tonga Methodist Mission Charitable Trust
- i. Sinoti Samoa Punaoa ole Manuia Methodist Mission

## SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

## Methodist Alliance Establishment Working Group

- 1. Receive the Working Group report and note the changes that have been made to the Founding Document in response to feedback from the Synods.
- 2. Approve the establishment of the Methodist Alliance as a Connexional body under the discipline of the Conference.
- 3. Approve the Founding Document as the initial basis for the formation of the Methodist Alliance (see the APPENDIX to this report)
- Encourage all Methodist-linked groups engaged in social service and social justice work. 4. including Methodist, Union and Cooperating parishes, to join the Alliance
- Formally disestablish MMA and thank its members for their valuable work over many years 5.
- Approve membership of the Methodist Alliance Steering Committee: Anne Preston, Arapera 6. Ngaha, Bruce Stone, Catherine Hodges, David Hanna, Jill Hawkey, Kathleen Tuai-Ta'ufo'ou, Marion Hines, Olive Tanielu, one of the Mission Resourcing Directors, Rachael Masterton, Rex Nathan, Una Tikoinaka, and up to two members to be appointed by the President.

## Methodist Mission Aotearoa

1. The report of Methodist Mission Aotearoa is received.

## SOCIAL SERVICES

## Methodist Mission Northern

- The report is received 1.
- 2. The 2017 Methodist Mission Northern Board membership be: Marion Hines (Chair), Rev Prince Devanandan, Keith Hopner, David Hunt, Rev Rex Nathan, Aarif Rasheed, Tara Solomon, Rev Uesifili Unasa, Rev Marilyn Welch, Greg Wright and further members to be appointed by the President
- 3. Conference notes that Rev Prince Devanandan has taken leave of absence from the Methodist Mission Northern Board during his term as President.
- 4. The Lifewise Trust Board membership for 2017 be: Marion Hines (Chair), Peter Glensor, Mark Gosche, Dr Katherine Ravenswood, Dr Julia Ioane, Tayyaba Khan, Rohan MacMahon, Rev Rex Nathan and further members to be appointed by the President.
- 5. The 2017 Airedale Property Trust Board membership be: Warren Chapman, Mel Easton, Hedy Huang, David Hunt, Prof Keith Hooper, John Murray, Sue McKinnon, Christina van Bohemen, Greg Wright, and further members to be appointed by the President.
- The 2017 Microwise Trust Board membership be: Angus Fletcher, Warren Dalzell, John 6. Fraser, Terry Hoskins, Bryce Nicholls.
- 7. The 2017 Ministry to the Deaf Board membership be: Barry Neal, Peter Grundy, Kathy Hohepa, Jean Masters, Glenn Schischka and Rev Norman Brookes.

Report pp G1-7

Report pp G7-23

Report pp G7

- 8. The 2017 Methodist City Action Board (Hamilton) membership be: Anne Preston (Chair), Rachel Caldwell, John Murray, Metui Tafuna
- 9. Conference notes that a 4+4 process for the Methodist Mission Northern Superintendent position is to commence.

## Tamahere Eventide Home and Retirement Village Trust Board

10. The 2017 membership of the Tamahere Eventide Home be: Beverley Attrill, George Diprose, Emma Falconer, Neville Jack, Ken Olsen, Peter Schaare, Shane Vanin, John Walsh and Leeanne Wilson.

## Palmerston North Methodist Social Services

- 1. That the report be received.
- 2. Members of the PNMSS Board for 2017 are: Russell Bell, Jane Julian, Cathy McCartney, John Ross, Helen Simmons and Jill White (Chair).

## Wesley Community Action

1. Membership of the Board be for 2017 be: Peter Glensor (Chair), Rev Hiueni Nuku, Senorita Laukau, Trish Hall, Fuailelagi Saleupolu, Colin Hamlin, Kena Duignan, Murray Wu, Dr Jeremy Robertson, Rev Motekiai Fakatou, David Hanna

## **Christchurch Methodist Mission**

- 1. The CMM Board for 2017 be: Garth Nowland-Foreman, Martin Hadlee, Pam Sharpe, Andrew Donaldson, Roz Wilkie, David Caygill, Ngaere Dawson, Jill Hawkey and one further member to be appointed.
- 2. Conference thanks Indira Sirisena and Mary Caygill for their faithful service as members of the Christchurch Methodist Mission Board.

## Methodist Mission Southern

- 1. That the report be accepted.
- 2. That the Board for Methodist Mission Southern for 2017 be: Julie Pearse (Chairperson), Austen Banks, Keith McKenzie, Natalie Karaitiana, Rachael Masterton, Nigel Pitts, Richard Devereux, Siosifa Pole, and Laura Black (Director).

#### Vahefonua Tonga Methodist Mission Charitable Trust

- 1. That the report be received
- 2. That the Board of Trustees for the Vahefonua Tonga Methodist Mission Charitable Trust are: Reverend Tevita Makovina Finau (*Chairperson*), Viliami Liava'a (*Secretary*), Reverend Moimoi 'Ahau Kaufononga, Dr Melenaite Taumoefolau, Kathleen Tuai Ta'ufo'ou, Senorita Laukau, 'Etuini Talakai, and Paula Taumoepeau

#### Sinoti Samoa Punaoa ole Manuia Methodist Mission

- 1. That the report is received.
- 2. That the Board Members are: Filo Tu (Convenor), Malavai P-Misikei, Olive Amani Tanielu, Malesala Malesala and Faleatua Faleatua.

## CONFERENCE BUSINESS COMMITTEE "H" Mission & Ecumenical

**CONVENER:** Uesifili Unasa

**QUESTION 32(a):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Mission and Ecumenical Affairs? *Report pp H1-6* 

## SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

1. The report be received.

#### United Churches in the Solomon Islands and in Papua New Guinea

- 2. Conference affirms ongoing relationships as partners in mission with the United Church in the Solomon Islands, and the United Church in Papua New Guinea.
- 3. Conference calls the people of the Methodist Church of New Zealand Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa to continue to support its overseas mission through Methodist Mission and Ecumenical Board.
- 4. That Conference continues to support the campaign to create awareness about the human rights atrocities in West Papua.

#### Ecumenical

- 5. Conference welcomes the formation of National Dialogue for Christian Unity in Aotearoa New Zealand.
- 6. Conference affirms that the President, Director Mission and Ecumenical and Cornelia Grant be the representatives of Methodist Church of New Zealand in the National Dialogue for Christian Unity.
- 7. Conference affirms the ecumenical education through School of Ecumenism with Centre for Ecumenical Studies of Charles Sturt University, Canberra and Trinity Theological College.

#### M&E Board 2017

 The Mission and Ecumenical Board membership for 2017 be Rev. Uesifili Unasa, (Chairperson), Linda Hall, Poulima Salima, TeRito Peyroux, Lesieli Samiu, Jackie McGeorge, Te Aroha Rountree, Maungarongo Tito, Rev. Abhishek Solomon, Rev. Dr. Terry Wall (Acting Director) and one other to be named by the President.

**QUESTION 32(b):** What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Christian World Service? *Report pp H7-9* 

- 1. The report is received
- 2. The Methodist Church encourages parishes to support the Council for International Development election campaign on SDG13: Climate Change
- 3. The Methodist Church encourages all parishes to promote this year's Christmas Appeal, Give us Hope.

## CONFERENCE BUSINESS COMMITTEE "I" Communications and Organisations

**CONVENER:** Paul Titus

QUESTION 33(a): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Methodist Publishing Board? Report pp 11-2

### SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

- 1. That the report be received.
- 2. The Methodist Publishing Board for 2017 is: David Bush, Barbara Peddie, Jim Stuart, Pieter van den Berg, John Wilson, Neti Petaia, Paul Titus (Editor) and David Hill (Chair).

QUESTION 33(b): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Media & Communications Endowment Fund? Report pp 13-4

- 1. The report be received
- 2. The committee for 2017: Trish Moseley-Taylor (Convenor), Gillian Laird, Robyn Allen Goudge, Te Rito Peyroux and Graeme White.

## CONFERENCE BUSINESS COMMITTEE "J" Social Issues

## **CONVENER:** Mataiva Robertson and Peter Lane

 QUESTION 34(a):
 What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Public Issues

 Network?
 Report pp J1-6

### SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

- 1. That the report be received
- 2. The Mission of Public Issues Network to engage the church in matters of social, economic and environmental justice with a theological and spiritual reference, includes working within the church, engaging ecumenically with partner churches, and with relevant organizations on the following:
  - (a) Public Issues and Economic Justice
    - i. That Public Issues resources the church to engage in matters of justice and wellbeing, in accordance with current priorities and relevant policy including: Living Wage, Equality, Trade, Sustainable Development Goals.
    - ii. That all parishes develop a plan to pay the updated Living Wage to all staff (\$19.80 in 2016)
    - iii. That all parishes consider becoming members of the Living Wage
  - (b) Climate Conference encourages Public Issues to continue involvement in Climate Justice:
    - i. That the Methodist Church develops a policy on Climate Change which includes consideration of carbon offsets, climate transitions and banking and investment relationships.
  - (c) Let the Children Live
    - i. That Public Issues continues with policy and issues for child wellbeing
    - ii. Public Issues resources and works with parish initiatives for the wellbeing of families
    - iii. That Conference requests the President to make a clear and public statement on our behalf
      - a. calls for the establishment of an official measure of poverty and child poverty;
      - b. calls for urgent measures to be taken to achieve a minimum reduction of 10% in child poverty by end of 2017.
      - c. calls for further measures to be taken to achieve a minimum reduction of 50% in child poverty by end of 2020.
      - d. Calls for government to adopt **all** the recommendations of the Children's Commissioners Expert Advisory Group report into child poverty.
- 3. Oversight Group membership Membership of the PIN Oversight Group for 2017 to be: President Prince Devanandan, Vice President Viv Whimster, Tumuaki Diana Tana, Past President Tovia Aumua, Past-Vice President Arapera Ngaha, Soana Muimuiheata, Elisapesi Havea, Mataiva Robertson, Marion Hines, David Bush, Betsan Martin and Mr Niu Fakakovikaetau. 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

- 1. The Report is received.
- 2. The Methodist members of the InterChurch Bioethics Council for the next year will be: Barbara Peddie (Co-chair), Filo Tu and one to be appointed by the President.

## 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.

## 1. Memorial: Te Taha Maori

'Ko te reo Māori, he reo tuku iho, he reo kauwhau, he reo wairua, he reo kōrero, he reo ora'

The Māori language is an inherited language, a ritual language, a spiritual language, a spoken language, a living language.

## Te Reo Māori 2016

In the diversity that is the make-up of the Methodist Church of New Zealand, members bring their own unique perspectives, cultures and languages to this meeting place. Te Reo Māori like all indigenous languages is protected under international law by the United Nations. Indigenous people's rights with regard to their languages are given recognition by the United Nations General Assembly. Article 13 of the Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (September 2007) states that,

*"Indigenous peoples have the right to revitalize, use, develop and transmit to future generations their histories, languages, oral traditions, philosophies, writing systems and literatures, and to designate and retain their own names for communities, places and persons . . . ."* 

Te Reo Māori is protected, preserved and guaranteed under article two of Te Tiriti o Waitangi 1840.

Te Ture mo Te Reo Māori 2016 (Māori Language Act 2016) affirms the status of te reo Māori as:

- the indigenous language of New Zealand
- > a taonga of Iwi and Māori
- a language valued by the nation
- > an official language of New Zealand.

Te Reo Māori was also recognized by the Human Rights Commission and declared to have *"special status under the law . . . ."*<sup>1</sup> giving Māori the rights to speak in Māori in various spaces including, courts and parliament, although with varying limitations.

#### Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa

Te Reo Māori features sporadically in the laws and regulations of the church, in Conference services and is spoken by a rare few throughout the wider connexion. How can we seek to model the visible unity of this Bicultural imperative throughout the whole Church?

In the 1983 Report to Conference regarding the Power-Sharing Seminar, under the Pākehā Goals for Power-Sharing and priorities for action towards a bi-cultural church it was suggested that a *"Specific Maori Language Learning Programme"*<sup>2</sup> be developed and further that in response to the Spirit, among the aspirations was listed *"Learning Maori Language"*<sup>3</sup>. The time has come for the church to 'Walk the Talk', to put words to action, to be accountable, to proclaim; 'Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer' (Waiata 19: 14).

Importantly those aspirations were once again reiterated in the Bicultural Committee Report 1991, in exploring a Theology for the Bicultural Journey the Committee concluded that,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> https://www.hrc.co.nz/enquiries-and-complaints/faqs/new-zealands-official-languages/

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Reports and Resolutions of the Annual Conference 1983, p.301.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> ibid, p.303.

"As we seek to honour the Treaty, to empower others through power-sharing, to travel a bicultural journey, to point to te tino rangatiratanga, we who are members of this Committee understand ourselves to be responding to God's justice-love as seen in Jesus and proclaimed in the scriptures." <sup>4</sup>

This theological rationale is a validation of the Bicultural imperative, it gives rise to the recognition of te reo Māori as an expression of our 'tino rangatiratanga', a right to determine the inclusion of Māori language as a response that is equal and just, a response that lies at the heart of our Christian convictions.

Within our Te Taha Māori report we acknowledged the necessity for a 'Theology of Language'. We recognised that Theology is influenced by the language through which it is communicated. We offered a theology that gives volume and precedence to God's call spoken in a Māori voice.

The church has from time to time given recognition to the use of 'inclusive language'. In the 1983 Report to Conference, Resolution 9 of the Faith and Order Committee stated that, *"The Faith and Order Committee liaise with the President-Elect in the preparation of Conference services noting such issues as inclusive language."* <sup>5</sup> In a church that proclaims the 'Fullness of Life' for all its members; What does inclusive language **really** mean in 2016?

The Methodist Church of New Zealand Lawbook also makes several references to te reo Māori particularly under Sections 2 and 7, Ministry and the Conference. In the 2013 Lawbook, Section 2 – Ministry under Candidates for Ministry 3.7 (f) reads; *"Competency in English, in the language in which they will minister and, if necessary in Te Reo"*. In 2016 amendments are underway to rephrase the reference to read; *Competency in English, in the language in which they will minister and, a knowledge of Te Reo*.

The references are both significantly ambiguous about the level of competency in te reo Māori required for Ministry Candidates and there is no indication of a rubric or standards by which competency may be measured. There is also no clear indication as to who will assess both the necessity for and competency in te reo Māori and therefore raises the question as to the capability of the Candidates Assessment Panel to do so.

This is equally ambiguous and inconsistent when we look at the Criteria for Ordination of both Presbyters' and Deacons' respectively. In Information Leaflet No. 10 – Presbyters' Criteria for Ordination, under the heading of Bicultural Journey there is an indication that Ordinands must, "Be familiar with key concepts of tikanga Māori and some basic knowledge of te reo Māori, especially pronunciation". The criteria implies that every Presbyter in the church, having met the criteria for ordination, must therefore have at the very least some knowledge of te reo Māori and good pronunciation. How many Presbyters can say with confidence that they are familiar with tikanga and have a basic knowledge and good pronunciation of te reo Māori?

In Information Leaflet No. 12 – Deacons' Criteria for Ordination under the heading, Bicultural Journey the expectations are more definitive and prescriptive as Ordinands are required to, *"Demonstrate a working knowledge of te reo Māori and tikanga Māori"*. The criteria clearly indicates that Ordinands must demonstrate competency in te reo me ngā tikanga Māori and once again there is no indication of how that working knowledge is to be measured and assessed. In examining both the Presbyters' and Deacons' Criteria for Ordination once again the question is raised as to the capability of the Ordinands Assessment Panel to appropriately assess competency in te reo me ngā tikanga Māori.

In Section 7 – 1.4 of the Lawbook it states that, "*Conference shall act in a manner consistent with and in regard to the principles of Te Tiriti o Waitangi/the Treaty of Waitangi*". According to the principles of Te Tiriti o Waitangi, Māori interests must be actively protected, including te reo Māori.

In contrast, Section 7 - 1.6 reads, "The Laws and Regulations of the Methodist Church of New Zealand/Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa shall be those contained in these Laws and Regulations,"

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Reports and Resolutions of the Annual Conference 1983, pp. 121-122.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> ibid, p. 637.

as from time to time amended by the Conference. If there shall be any translation into another language, **the English version shall always be paramount and definitive, and will therefore** *always prevail over any translation*".

This record shows that our church has a history of colonising te reo Māori. Our tendency to abdicate personal responsibility for te reo Māori, by leaving it all to a few or in broader terms to 'God', just doesn't cut it anymore! Colonial dominance is a mindset that undermines Māori interests and does not reflect a 'justice seeking' church, the church that ought to be.

Our aspirations for te reo Māori begin with Whānau and Rohe, and resonate throughout the wider connexion. Our greatest hope is that te reo Māori becomes normalised within our Haahi. We encourage Conference members to engage with te reo Māori in your own context, in your own communities and in your own ways.

'I roto i tēnei waka wairua ō tātou, whakamanahia te reo Māori, whāngaihia ki ōu iwi' (Within our church, value and share the Māori language with our people).

#### Suggested decisions:

- 1. That a work group comprised of members from Faith and Order and Te Taha Māori, in consultation with the President-Elect, develop a process to integrate te reo Māori into Conference services to better reflect the Bi-Cultural Church.
- 2. That the Council of Conference review of the Criteria for Ordination of Presbyters and Deacons, address the assessment of competency in te reo and tikanga Māori.
- 3. That the selection of Candidates and Ordinands Assessment Panels by Mission Resourcing include membership capable of assessing competency in te reo and tikanga Māori.
- 4. That Conference asks Law Revision, in consultation with Te Taha Māori, to review the following sections of the Laws and Regulations of the Methodist Church of New Zealand: Section 2 3.7 and Section 7 1.6.

### Decision: Conference referred this Memorial to Council of Conference

#### 2. <u>Memorial: Wesley Historical Society</u>

The Wesley Historical Society (NZ), draws the attention of Conference to the 2022 anniversary of Samuel Leigh 's establishment of a Methodist mission in Aotearoa/New Zealand in 1822.

This bicentennial date has important associations for both Māori and Tauiwi in this country and also for the wider world of Methodism.

An appropriate marking of this event would give expression to the partnership enshrined in the Treaty of Waitangi and also honour the bicultural journey on which our church has been engaged. Furthermore, such a celebration would mark the links going back to the time of John and Charles Wesley and the growth of the Methodist missionary movement.

We suggest the following motion for Conference:

That Conference invites the Wesley Historical Society, in consultation with te Taha Maori and Mission Resourcing, to take responsibility for preparing a plan for the celebration of the 200th anniversary of the establishment of the Wesleyan Mission in Aotearoa/New Zealand, and that this plan be presented to Conference 2018 for approval.

#### Decision: Conference agreed to the Memorial.

#### 3. <u>Memorial: Rev Tovia Aumua and Dr Arapera Ngaha</u>

In the course of our Presidential term we have explored the manifestation of our theme "a time to sow, a time to grow" in relation to the life of the Bicultural Journey within the context of the whole Connexion. We have found that engaging with the Bicultural Journey varies across the Connexion

with many members having no more than a minimal, cursory or perfunctory understanding of the rationale or the theological basis for the Bicultural Journey and therefore little commitment to it. That has been disappointing for us, and it is an area that we believe needs to be addressed.

Our Bicultural Journey is unique and in our engagements with international forums, our stories about our Bicultural Journey offer hope and support particularly for other indigenous peoples. It also operates in ways that enables inclusiveness so that people can value who they are ethnically and still be a valued part of a greater church family that demonstrates respect for the culture and the first nations people, Maori and Te Tiriti o Waitangi. We cannot in a church that holds justice as a core value allow this bicultural theological imperative slip away.

In the year 2000 the Bicultural Committee whose role it was to manage all matters supporting and promoting the bicultural imperative was disbanded.

• The Bicultural Committee Report to Conference 2000 notes:

"the Bicultural Committee is disbanded, and ... any matters referred to the Bicultural Committee ... go in future to the Council of Conference."

The Council of Conference Report to Conference 2000 notes "that responsibility for all Bicultural matters is transferred to Mission Resourcing" (Mission Resourcing's predecessor was the Development Division who in 1983 had this responsibility).

We have come a long way since 1983 and despite the apparent confusion noted in the reports above, we believe that it is the role of Council of Conference to have oversight of this matter and that Mission Resourcing has a role in ensuring appropriate training and resources are made available. It is important for our church's future that we seek ways forward now to re-engage our synods, parishes/rohe with our Bicultural Journey and plan for next steps on our Bicultural Journey.

#### NOTICE OF MOTION

That Council of Conference be tasked with addressing the question "where to on the Bicultural Journey now, and how do we engage our church members so that they too can make their own commitment to that journey?"

## Decision: This Memorial was agreed by Conference.

## 4. Memorial: Ex President Rev. Tovia Aumua and ex Vice President Dr. Arapera Ngaha

#### Preamble

On 19 August we met with six Supernumerary Presbyters, plus Rev. Prince Devanandan, who is a contributing member of the Supernumerary Fund and the President-elect. The group wanted to draw our attention to their concerns about the performance of the Supernumerary Fund and its future. Their specific concerns were:

- i) For the ninth year running the Supernumerary Fund's Actuary recommended no increase in the retirement benefit paid to Supernumeraries. This means that the value of pension paid to Supernumeraries has significantly decreased in value since 2007.
- ii) The value of the Fund decreased during the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> January 2016. The Fund's net investment revenue for the year was \$431,975.
- iii) The Fund's lack of sufficient investment capital to ensure the long-term viability of the Fund.
- iv) That members of the Fund have not been regularly informed about the performance of the Fund, and the critical issues facing the Fund.

Subsequently, the Supernumerary group brought to our attention two details from the full Actuarial report dated 31<sup>st</sup> January 2016. They were:

- i) Past Actuarial recommendations that appeared not to have been promptly acted upon.
- ii) That if the Fund were to be wound up, the the guaranteed status of the Fund would require the Church to meet costs which could be in excess of \$7m.

The current status of the Fund and the absence of meaningful communication and consultation has created among Supernumeraries a concern for justice that the church needs to urgently address. Except in rare circumstances, to be in Full Connexion membership of the Supernumerary Fund was an obligation upon Presbyters. We believe that the Church is therefore obliged to ensure a just resolution of the Supernumeraries concerns.

It is for all these reasons that we bring the following notice of motion to Conference:

- 1. That Conference appoint Rev. Dr John Salmon and Rev. Michael Greer to undertake a review of the Supernumerary Fund in conjunction with the Trustee.
- 2. That the review process be facilitated by the ex-Vice President, Bella Ngaha.
- 3. That the review urgently focusses on finding ways and means of increasing the retirement benefit payments to a fair and just level, including increasing the capital of the Fund and exploring other alternatives.
- 4. That the review team is to keep Supernumeraries and contributing members of the Fund informed of the steps being taken to address the problems facing the Fund.
- 5. That as part of the review, discussions be held with representatives of the Anglican Church's Pension Board.
- 6. That the President be authorised to co-opt other members to the Review Team to ensure that it has the necessary input from professionals in the area of the management and governance of Superannuation schemes in not-for-profit organisations.
- 7. That within six months of the commencement of the review, the Trustee and the Review team make a joint report to the President identifying the next steps required.
- 8. That the President, acting on appropriate advice, be authorised to approve the proposals submitted to him by the Review Team and Trustee.
- 9. That costs associated with the review be underwritten by the Board of Administration.

## Decision: Conference agreed to the Memorial.

## 5. <u>Memorial: Don Biggs – Exemption from New Legislation</u>

That Conference calls on Parliament to allow churches and charities which operate soup kitchens, food supply and the like on a subsidized or not for profit basis for the needy:

• To be exempted from recent law and regulatory changes (where for example if they operate more than 20 times per 12 month period they are caught up in the new legislation).

## Decision: Conference refers this Memorial to Council of Conference.

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