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&
REPORTS & DECISIONS
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2018

The Methodist Church of New Zealand
Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa



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ANNUAL SYNODS

2-3 August or 9-10 August 2019

Please Note:

- Material from Committees and Boards to be considered by the Annual Synods must be in the hands of the Synod Secretaries for effective distribution at least 14 days before the Annual Synod meeting date.
- If you wish the Administration Division to print and distribute your Report to Synods we will need to receive it by **Monday 15 July 2019**.

BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION

21 February 9 May 8 August 24 October 5 December

CONFERENCE 2020 – LOWER NORTH ISLAND

Venue and dates to be confirmed.

CONNEXIONAL BUDGET TASK GROUP

Wednesday 20 March

COUNCIL OF CONFERENCE

5-6 April - 10:30am Friday to 5:30pm Saturday – 409 Great South Road, Auckland
27-28 September - 10:00am Friday to 6:00pm Saturday – 409 Great South Road, Auckland

TE TAHA MAORI

Hui Poari

15-16 Feb 10-11 May 26-27 July 6-7 Sep 29-30 Nov

METHODIST TRUST ASSOCIATION / INVESTMENT ADVISORY BOARD / PACT 2086 TRUST

11 Feb 29 April 29 July 25 November

MISSION RESOURCING

Candidates Assessment Weekend: 16-19 May

Probationers Assessment Event: 21-24 August

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

Wednesday: 27 February 27 March 17 April 22 May
 26 June 24 July 28 August 25 September
 23 October 27 November

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

7 March (Auckland)

PAC DISTRIBUTION GROUP

26-27 July (Auckland)

TAUIWI STRATEGY & STATIONING

16-17 March (Auckland)

8-11 September (Auckland)

SYNOD SUPERINTENDENTS RETREAT

TBA

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT GRANTS COMMITTEE (formerly Travel & Study)

Deadlines for applications: 15 February, 15 May, 15 August, 15 November

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Northland (15)	TBA
Auckland (65)	1-2 March (combined Ministerial & Synod meetings) 8 June (Auckland Synod) 2-3 August (combined Ministerial & Annual Synod) 12 October (Auckland Synod)
Manukau (30)	8 March (Ministerial Synod) 9 March – (Synod) 8 June (Synod) 9 August (Ministerial Synod) 10 August (Synod) 12 October (Synod) 14 December (End of year function)
Waikato-Wairiki (1)	8 March (Tamahere Eventide) 7 June (St Clare's Church, Hamilton) 2-3 August (Annual Synod, Wesley Tauranga) 29 November (venue TBA)
Lower North Island (90)	30 March 2-3 August 16 November
Nelson-Marlborough-West Coast (20)	22-23 March (Richmond Stoke) 2-3 August – Combined Synod (Christchurch) 22-24 November (Blenheim)
Central South Island (send electronic copy)	30 March 2-3 August – Combined Synod (Christchurch) 14 November (Canterbury) 16 November (South Canterbury)
Otago-Southland (20)	22-24 February 2-3 August November - TBA
Sinoti Samoa (Exec - 16) (Sinoti AGM - 160) (Ministerial Synod - 20)	8-11 August (AGM)
Vahefonua Tonga 'o Aotearoa (50)	25-28 April 19-21 July
Wasewase ko Viti Kei Rotuma (2)	23 March – Executive Committee 19-21 July (AGM takes place on 20 July)

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Accredited Methodist Lay Preachers

Accredited Lay Preachers Register as at January 2019

This list has been drawn up from the 2018 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 vjwhimster@gmail.com or via the Connexional Office. The registration and update forms are available from the website: http://www.methodist.org.nz/board_of_ministry/lay_preachers.

An asterisk (*) denotes that the Network has been informed during 2018 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
NORTHLAND		
Synod Network Representative: Rosalie Gwilliam		
Gwenifer Aldersley	*	2016
John Askew		
Margaret Bishop	*	2016
Brian Chamberlin	*	1964
Beverley Deverell	*	2010
Eric Dodd	*	1986
Janice Ann Gough		1971
Rosalie Gwilliam	*	1994
Kathleen Little	*	1992
Douglas McKenzie	*	1978
Heather McNeill	*	
John Muir	R	1972
Shirley Ann Pearson	*	1999
William Simpkin	*	1963
Eleanor Smith	*	1986
Richard Smith	*	1964
AUCKLAND		
Synod Network Representative: Rowan Smiley		
Eleanor Ashby		1985
Elizabeth Cornelius	*	1989
Cristina Edwards	*	1998
David Erasmus	*	2017
Jerry Roebuck Faasou		
Uiki Fesolai		
Graeme Finlay	*	2017
Jerekiel Joseph Foma'i	*	2016
Taliaoa Sialega Kamu Fuimaono		
Linda Hall	*	2003 (UK)
David Hines	*	1958
Brian Jones		2004
Balchand Karan	*	2001
Kaurasi Kunusi Lagi		2016
Tiava'asu'e Seupule Levaopolo		
Saimone Lolohea		
Sateki Lolohea		

Dene	McConnochie		1954
Judy	McFall-McCaffery	*	2016
Ianeta	Mailata	*	2011
Kautonga	Mailei	*	2016
Coral	Malcolm		2006
Laurie	Michie	R	1960
Greg	Morgan	*	2008
Robert	Overend		2007
Owen	Rao		1990
Judy	Robinson	*	1998
Brenda	Skinner	*	1958
Richard	Small	*	2017
Rowan	Smiley	*	1965
Clive	Smith		1962
Susau	Strickland	*	1986
Bernard	Taito		
Vili Mose	Taoa		
Evangeline	Williams		2017

MANUKAU

Synod Network Representative: TBC

Michael	Ackerley		
Kolotau	Ahokava		
David	Balram		2016
John	Bennett		2004
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	R	1960, 2008 (M)
Maurice	Hight		1987
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
Mary	Rose	*	1992
Dawne	Ross		2005
Nanette	Russell	*	2010
Wendy	Russell	*	2015
Ngairé	Southon	*	2005
Dianne	Sundberg	*	2018
Michael	Templer	*	1964
Geoff	Warth	*	1999
John	Watson		1992
Mary	West	*	2008
Viv	Whimster	*	1998
Mary Lee	Wright	*	2018
Bernard	Young	R	2008

LOWER NORTH ISLAND

Synod Network Representative: Keith Knox, Rosalie Sugrue

Ronnie (Mrs)	Aldersley		1979
Taiana	Anderson		
Alexina	Archer		
Ray	Bowden	*	1947
Fraser	Boyd		1979
Robyn	Bridge	*	2015
Susan (Sue)	Brown	*	2018
Maureen	Calhaem		2002
Maureen	Caswell		
Senaca	Chapelle		2013
Katherine	Chisholm		
Dennis	Coon		2005
David	Davis	*	1999
Pam	Davis	*	2002
Syd	Easton	*	1991
Lavinia	Elder	*	2014
Joan	Ellicott	*	
Rod	Fleury		1959
Avis	Garner		1975
Philip	Garside		2012
James	Gaudin		2014
Joanne	Gaudin		2014
Jack	Gibson		2005
Graeme	Gore		
Hugh	Hill	*	2015
Barbara	Hooper	*	2008
Peggy	Jourdain	R	
Keith	Knox	*	1964

Allen	Little		2014
Barbara	Little	*	2007
Vic	Longley	*	2014
John	Lucas		
Mary	MacKay		1978
Ron	Malpass		1992
Maitland	Manning		
(Leslie) Rex	Millar		1953
Barbara	Moller		2013
Siela	Nau		2007
Ian	Passey		2009
Richard	Pittams		2011
Lyn	Price	*	1964
Diana	Roberts	*	2010
Jan	Robinson	*	2014
Jessica	Schnell	*	2012
Paul	Simons		
Glenys	Single		
Ann	Smith		2014
Georgie	Smith		
Murray	Smith		
Helen	Starck		
Rosalie	Sugrue	*	1994
Elva	Symons		2013
Lindsay Noel	Taylor	*	1963
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
Maureen	Joyce	*	2011
David	Martin	*	2012
Jan	Poswillo	*	2013
Peter	Smale		1969
Bruce	Weston	*	2014

CENTRAL SOUTH ISLAND

Synod Network Representative: Garth Cant, Margaret Woodcock

Garth	Cant	*	1960
Elizabeth	Cant		1964
Vera	Chapman		2011
Julia	de Groot		2015
Bev	Fergus		2008
Douglas	Hudson		1963
Margaret	Inglis		1996
Margaret	Johnson		2009
Valerie	Marshall	*	2015
Digby	Prosser		1997

Brett	Ridley		
Chris	Teague		2003
David	Thorns		1964
Martin	Van der Kley		before 1983
Heather	Walls		1957
Betty (E.J.)	Watson		1987
Margaret	Woodcock		2016

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND

Synod Network Representative: Rachael Masterton, Dorothy Willis

Joan	Farley	R	1989
Colin	Gibson	*	1991
Nicol	Macfarlane		1986
Rachael	Masterton	*	2013
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	Ioapo	*	1998
Malagaoma Elia	Kalolo	*	
Fualau Faimoa	Meki	*	2009
Su'efuaina	Mulitalo	*	2009

Waterview Samoan

Ape. Sue	Faitotoa	*	
Seumanutafa. F	Faitotoa		2012
Lolila	Faitotoa		2012

St Paul's Otago

Apulu	Amituanai	*	2003
Faiumu	Faiumu	*	1990
Richard	Mauafua	*	2016
Sauleoge	Sione	*	1999
Mataafa	Tauofaga	*	2016
Tofa	Winterstein	*	2005

Mangere Central Samoan

Faumuina	Afuie	*	
Teuila	Afuie	*	
Iosua	Autagavaia	*	
Liu	Feomaia	*	
Fagavao	Lemoa	*	1977
Iesili	Mareko	*	1994

Ulumago	Mareko	*	1994
Vaega	Niuula	*	2009
Eteuati	Semu	*	2009
Solinuu	Semu	*	2009

St John's Auckland Central

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

Hastings Samoan

Rosa	Fa'afuata	*	2015
Leaula Sililo	Pio	*	
Seuava	Posala	R	2009
Olive Amani	Tanielu	*	2015
Sa'ofetalai Fanene	Te'o	*	2003
Tupa'i Lolo	Williams	*	1987

New Plymouth Samoan

Auaola Fesilafai	Feaunati	*	
Manase	Fonoti	*	
Mulipola Peleti	Misikei	*	1998
Itamua Mataiva Dorothy	Robertson	*	
Taotua Namulau'ulu	Joshua Robertson	*	
Vele Vainu'u	Tuigaleava	*	2002

Masterton

Nimoe	Kelly		
Tiufao	Silika Lologa		
Taeao	Tafa		

Petone

Palolo	Tuala		2011
Fegaui'a	Sila		2011

Wellington Samoan

Saua Seaga	Toelupe		
Sione Fulu	Tunufa'i		
Tuioti Lani	Tupu		

VAHEFONUA TONGA

Auckland/Manukau

Palmerston North Tongan

Malia	Fia	*	
Saia	Fia	*	
Paulesia	Fonongaiua	*	
Ikani	Fonua	*	
Siutiti	Fonua	*	
Lili	Kato	*	

Tahi	Kato	*
Isileli	Kau	*
Sateki Havea	Langoia	*
Sulieti	Poloniati	*
Folau	Sinamoni	*
Nafe	Sinamoni	*
Pauline	Taufa	*
Faiva	Tongatua	*
Tilisi	Tongatua	*
Tevita	TongoTongo	*
Penisimani	Toumohuni	*
Soane	Vaipulu	*

WASEWASE KO VITI KEI ROTUMA

Synod Network Representative: Sireli Kini

Wellington

Niko	Bower	*	2018
Maikali	Bulicakau	*	2018
Sikeli	Cawanikawai	*	2018
Savenaca	Daugunu	*	2018
Isaia	Vakamoce	*	2018

Widows & Widowers

of Presbyters & Home Missionaries

Title	Initials	Last Name	First Name	Postal 1	Postal 2	Postal City	Postcode
Mrs	S	Alley	Sandra	11 Alison Road	Surfdale	Waiheke Island	1081
Mrs	L	Balawa	Litiana	53 Glendene Avenue	Glendene	Auckland	0602
Mrs	R	Benny	Ruth	134B Broughton Street		Gore	8710
Mrs	D E	Billinghurst	Daphne	14 Hamua Place		Waitara	4320
Mrs	R	Bilverstone	Ruth	23 Tarbottons Road	Tinwald	Ashburton	7700
Mrs	N	Bowen	Nanette	Reevedon Home	37 Salisbury Street	Levin	5510
Mrs	G B	Boyd	Gwyneth	448 Prestons Road	Parklands	Christchurch	8083
Mrs	E R	Cable	Betty	25B Thornycroft Avenue	Epuni	Lower Hutt	5011
Mrs	M M	Clements	Mona	90 Francis Street	Hauraki	Auckland	0622
Mrs	L M	Clucas	Lois	Bruce McLaren Retirement Village	Apt 416/795 Chapel Road, Dannemora	Auckland	2016
Mrs	E	Cole	Esme	23 St Johns Avenue		Tuakau	2121
Mrs	H M	Couch	Harriet	C/- 8 Eleanor Place		Whakatane	3120
Mrs	G M	Currie	Glenys	Apt. 106 Wairarapa Village	140 Chapel Street	Masterton	5810
Mrs	E M	Dawson	Enid	44 Kupe Street	Orakei	Auckland	1071
Mrs	C E	Dickie	Catherine	7B Wilfred Street	St Andrews	Hamilton	3200
Mrs	P	Erueti	Pare	C/- 18 Montgomery Crescent	Melville	Hamilton	3206
Mrs	I L	Fowler	Iris	54 Buscomb Avenue	Henderson	Auckland	0610
Mrs	F K	Gerritsen	Frieda Kramer	Route De Beaumont 9	CH 1700, Fribourg	SWITZERLAND	
Mrs	J E	Gilbert	Joy	11/13 Nursery Place	Westown	New Plymouth	4310
Mrs	H M	Griffith	Helen	110A Main Road		Wellington	5022
Mrs	J I	Hall	Jo	493 Prisdale Road	Rochedale, Logan City	Queensland, AUSTRALIA	4123
Mrs	B	Hamlin	Beverley	9A Pinkerton Grove	Newlands	Wellington	6037
Mrs	M	Hammond	Margaret	14 Tamahere Retirement Village	621 State Highway 1, RD 3	Hamilton	3283
Mrs	M N	Hawkey	Margaret	44 Sealy Street		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	J	Heppelthwaite	Janet	C/- 48 Shackleton Street	New Brighton	Christchurch	8061
Mrs	K M	Horwood	Kath	Powley House, 135 Connell Street	Blockhouse Bay	Auckland	0600
Mrs	E J	Hunt	Ena	21/498 Tweed Street	Newfield	Invercargill	9812
Mrs	D S	Kitchingman	Dorothy	64 Alamein Terrace		Oamaru	9400
Mrs	A	Latu	Ataile	38 Wise Street		Wainouimata	5014
Mrs	B	Leadley	Beryl	15 Mercer Street	Kensington	Whangarei	0112
Mrs	M	Leadley	Muriel	14 Kenneth Place	Rototuna	Hamilton	3210
Mrs	M	Lewis	May (Cis)	31 Springhill Street		Dunedin	9011
Mrs	T	Livingstone	Te Ao	1655 Matawaia Road	RD 1, Kawakawa	Bay of Islands	0281
Mrs	M	Mabon	Marilyn	20 Waikare Avenue	Waiwhetu	Lower Hutt	5010
Mrs	M	Mackie	Marianne	8 Te Ara Road		Pukerua Bay	5026
Mrs	C A	Manihera	Carol	155A Gilberthorpes Rd	Hei Hei	Christchurch	8042
Mrs	S M	Moa	Savelina Maa'imoa	68 La Rosa Street	Green Bay	Auckland	0604
Mrs	V	Moala	Viena	40 Kensington Avenue	Mt Eden	Auckland	1024
Mrs	J	Moore	Jean	3 Alexandra Grove	Richmond	Nelson	7081
Mrs	H	Newman	Heather	4 Wadier Place	Tasman Village, Henderson	Auckland	0610
Mrs	M	Noa	Manino	3 Zelda Avenue	Clover Park	Auckland	2023

Title	Initials	Last Name	First Name	Postal 1	Postal 2	Postal City	Postcode
Mrs	P A	Olsen	Phyllis	13 Maxwell Ave	Grey Lynn	Auckland	1021
Mrs	E O R	Osborne	Enid	Apt. 116, Sunset Retirement Village	117-123 Boundary Road, Blockhouse Bay	Auckland	0060
Mrs	F	Palelei	Fa'afeai	<i>(address unknown)</i>			
Mrs	K	Palelei	Kueni	27 Romney Place	Manurewa	Auckland	2102
Mrs	R M	Pond	Rosemary	27 Sumner Street	Devonport	Auckland	2025
Mrs	D	Prince	Diedre	15 Tivoli Place	Bishopdale	Christchurch	8053
Mrs	L	Ratucoka	Laisa	7 Wesley Court, Bettina Street	Fairfield	Hamilton	3214
Mr	J	Richards	John	Apt. 27, 10A Summerhill Place	St Heliers	Auckland	1071
Mrs	A	Taufa	'Api	5 Awarua Street	Elsdon	Porirua	5022
Mrs	F	Te Whare	Fay	10A Cumbria Way	Sherwood Vale	Hamilton East	3216
Mrs	M E	Trebilco	Mavis	75/60 Maranui Street		Mount Maunganui	3116
Mrs	P	Tu'itupou	Paea	15 Catherine Street	Onehunga	Auckland	1061
Mrs	M	Tuimaseve	Matilda	<i>(address unknown)</i>		AUSTRALIA	
Mrs	E	Waaka	Evelyn	<i>(address unknown)</i>			
Mr	A	Watkin	Alan	313 Karaitiana Street	Frimley	Hastings	4120
Mrs	H M	Widdup	Hilda	Studio 20, Wesleycare Retirement Village	91 Harewood Road	Christchurch	8053

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)	Laws, Derek G (S)	Jacobson, Patricia M (S)
		Miller-Taylor, Barbara I (S)	Sinclair, Paul F (S)
1950	Schroeder, Leonard P(S)	Tucker, W Geoffrey (S)	Tana, Diana A
1951	Stead, Peter A (S)	1964	Neal, Barry W (S)
			Slinn, Stuart G (S)
1952	Gibson, Loyal J (S)		Ungemuth, Shirley V (S)
1954	Rakena, Ruawai D (S)	1965	Barnes, Stanley J (S)
	Rushton, Percy P (S)		Chessum, William A (S)
1955	Abbott, William K (S)		Clarke, Edwin B (S)
	Bennett, Trevor L (S)		Herbert, C Brice (S)
	Goreham, Norman J (S)		West, Norman J (S)
1956	Andrews, Robert S (S)	1966	Alexander, Roy M (S)
			Taylor, Keith J (S)
1957	Bell, G Basil W (S)		West, Stanley J (S)
	Guthardt, Phyllis M (S)	1967	Jamieson, Colin G (S)
	Kitchingman, Henry W (S)		Pratt, David C (S)
	Pullar, Beverley (S)	1968	Allan, Robert A (S)
	Russell, Kenneth H (S)		Hay, J Cedric (S)
1958	Dickinson, J Mervyn (S)		Hey, Roger J E (S)
	Gilbert, Wilfred S (S)		Mclver, Graeme M (S)
1959	Dine, Mervyn L (S)		Meredith, John D (S)
	Goudge, Stanley R (S)		Phillipps, Donald J (S)
1960	Hanson, E Francis I (S)	1969	Brookes, Norman E (S)
	Hornblow, Maxwell A (S)		Corlett, Ashley I (S)
	Horrill, C Seton (S)		Eagle, Brian R J (S)
	Mullan, David S (S)		Harkness, Barry G (S)
	Wedding, P Joan (S)		Rigby, Russell G (S)
1961	James, Russell E (S)		Turner, Brian H (S)
	Marshall, C Russell (S)	1970	Smith, G Clive (S)
	Taylor, A Kerry (S)	1971	Blundell, Warren H (S)
	Wallace, William L (S)		Salmon, John B (S)
1962	Jones, Barry E (S)	1972	MacLeod, D Ian
	Wakeling W J Douglas (S)		West, Peter J L (S)
	Woodley, Alan K (S)	1973	Grant, Stuart C (S)
1963	Ansell, David H (S)	1974	Roberts, John H (S)
	Browne, Wallis F (S)	1975	Bell, Anthony N (S)
	Clarke, Ian L (S)		Dye, Michael (S)
			1976
			Greer, Michael W (S)
			White, Graeme R (S)
			1978
			Wall, Lynne J (S)
			Wall, Terence W (S)
			Upton, Alan R (S)
			1979
			Bush, David J
			Ferguson, Robert A (S)
			Greenwood, I Marie (S)
			Short, Robert D (S)
			Stroobant, Anthony D (S)
			1980
			Biggs, Donald F (S)
			Cooper, K Desmond (S)
			Cumberpatch, Lindsay E
			Egli, Bruno W (S)
			Elderton, William E (S)
			Murray, John S (S)
			1981
			Bell, David S (S)
			Frith, Lynne O
			Hoggard, Trevor
			Tugia, A Fa'aoso (S)
			Whaley, Graham H (S)
			1982
			Clarke, Lois R H (S)
			McNicol, Derek V (S)
			Ferguson, I W Leslie (S)
			Samoa Saleupolu, Aso T (S)
			1983
			Burnett, Margaret E (S)
			Kane, Graham A (S)
			Rosewell, Wendie (S)
			Sedon, Ashley J (S)
			Harding, David
			1984
			Abbott, Bryant S L (S)
			Elphick, Doris J (S)
			Keesing, Neil R (S)
			Springett, Margaret (S)
			Taylor, Peter

1985	Caygill, Mary E Rogers, Douglas I (S) Smith, Kenneth R (S) Wicks, Raymond G (S)	1998	Anderson, Bruce Gibson, Mark Mudavanhu, Jannet	Pope, Ikilifi Poultney, David Tafuna, Metuisela Aoina-Salesa, Ali'itasi Sidal, Bob Vaka'uta, Nasili	
1986	Chandler, Clive H (S) Allen-Goudge, Robyn D	1999	Aumua, Tovia Hopner, Elizabeth (S) Nicholls, Val (S) Taufui, Hausia Walters, Kathryn van de Geer, Jill	2010	Kaisa, Kalo Manukia, Goll Fan Misilei, Misilei Peach, Dale Taunga, Simote Preston, Anne Donaldson, Andrew
1987	Baker, Marcia J (S) Clover, Gary A M (S) Kilikiti, Vaikoloa	2000	Faleatua, Faleatua Hall, Margaret (S) Loader, Vilma (S) Marsh, Janet	2011	Asiata, Alofaifo Boddy, Ian Lasi, Alisa Gamman, Andrew Meyer, Bertie Prestidge, Paul
1988	Hughson, Gregory A Sundberg, Leigh Trebilco, Paul R Westaway, Robyn E (S)	2001	Cable, Alison Dymond, Michael (S) Fogg, Jan Mann-Taito, Falaniko Molineux, Alison Muzondiwa, Amos Williamson, Peter	2012	Aholelei, Nehilofi E'Moala' Chandra, Suresh Finau, Tevita Ha'unga, Sunia Lea'aetoa, Sione Tu'uhoko, Makeleta Lute Pole Nicholas, Mary (S)
1989	Bruce, G Jean (S) Millar, M Anne (S) Manu'atu, Lisiate F T (S) Nesbit, John B (S)	2002	Paea, Holaktiu'akolo Pole, Siosifa Tupou, Tamata'ane	2013	Bale, Akuila de Alwis, Freddy Fihaki, Kalolo Fisi'iahi, Kuli Havea, Manoa Langi, Ilaisaane (Saane) Petaia, Neti Shackleton, Tania Solomon, Abhishek
1990	George, Norma J (S) Rolinson, David T H Doubleday, Andrew	2003	Donald, Margaret (S) Fakatou, Motekiai Finau, Viliami Kinahoi-Veikune, Setaita Hardy, Marcia (S)	2014	Amituana'I, Ieremia Ducivaki, Joeli Halaleva, Finau Molitika, Melema'u Tupou, Hosea Uludole, Alivereti Welch, Marilyn
1991	Ancrum, Audrey P (S) Manukia, Mosese Olsen, Kenneth W Taungapeau, 'Epli Yasa, Mike (S)	2004	Ieli, Paulo Preston, Anne Sandiford Phelan, Ruth Stephens, Barbara (S)	2015	Calman, Maureen (S) Gray, Richard Hotere, Keita Langi, Matafonua Livani, Alipate Tukutau, Siutaisa Williamson, Andrea
1992	Fa'afuata, Iakopo Peterson, Brian C (S) Peterson, Marion J (S)	2005	Devanandan, Prince Durrant, Jo (S) Gibbons, Sandra (S) Grant, Cornelia Isaia, Limu (S) Lasi, Tau Webster, Alan K	2016	Han, Hui Young Ieti, Oka Kaufononga, Moimoi 'Ahau Taufa, Tisileli
1993	Te'o, Suiva'aia Thompson, Susan J Zanders, Gloria J (S)	2006	Ngahe, 'Alifeleti Vaitu'ulala Pupulu, Utumau'u Taufa, Saikolone		
1994	Alaelua, Faiva (S) Siulangapo, 'Inoke Tregurtha, Paul (S)	2007	Griffiths, Anne (S) Kinera, Philomeno Oh, Martin Taufalele, Tevita		
1995	Ahn, David Kerr, Jessie (S) Osborn, Beverley (S) Stephenson, P Anne (S) Unasa, Uesifili Vickers, Ralph (S) Paul Rogers	2008	Franklin-Ross, Tony Norman, Peter 'Uhila, 'Alipate		
1996	Tufuga, Fatuatia	2009	Kim, Joohong Nuku, Hiueni		
1997	Abernethy, Gordon (S) Dargaville, Anne (S) Manu, Tavake Morunga, Christina Subhan, Augusten Tikoinaka, Peni				

2017	Cawanikawai, Sikeli McLaughlin, Maurice	2019	Filiai, Falakesi Kau, Tevita Lagi, Kaurasi Siufanga, Veitomoni
2018	Chiwona, Kimberley Fungalei, Lopiseni Ngaha, Arapera Williams, Simon MacDonald, John Hickling, Darryn Walker, Shelley		

B. Deacons:

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

Chronological List

*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 http://www.methodist.org.nz/archives/chronological_list_of_presidents_vice_presidents_general_secretaries

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

Entries for 2018 are as follows:

Place	Year	President	Vice-President	Secretary of Conference
Christchurch	2018	Rev Setaita Taumoepeau K. Veikune, BTheol (Akl)	Nicola Teague Grundy	David Bush, BSc, Grad Dip MGMT

In Memoriam

Ministers & Probationers

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

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

The following is a list of Ministers and Probationers of MCNZ who have died since the publishing date of the 2017 Yearbook.

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

Name of Minister	Birthplace	Year of Birth	Entered Ministry	Date of Death	Place of Burial / Cremation
Ambler, Mavis	England	1934	1987	8 August 2017	Waimamaku
Baker, Frederick J K	Lower Hutt	1929	1953	31 Oct 2017	Christchurch
Bilverstone, John	London	1937	1981	4 Aug 2018	Ashburton
Bowen, Lewis A (Lew)	Wellington	1924	1959	8 Mar 2018	Levin
Burnett, Margaret	Ootacamund, India	1933	1983	14 Jan 2019	Christchurch
Cable, Wilfred James	Wellington	1929	1955	27 July 2017	Wellington
Gust, Warwick	Palmerston North	1937	1960	23 Dec 2016	Auckland
Heppelthwaite, Ernest (Ernie)	Dunedin	1927	1952	28 Feb 2018	Christchurch
Livingstone, Watarini (Sonny) Tekauhoa	New Zealand	1967	2017	9 June 2018	Northland
Noa, Nomani	Papua New Guinea	1937	1984	28 Oct 2018	Auckland
Osborne, John Hylton	Auckland	1930	1953	20 Sep 2018	Auckland
Richards, Gillian (Jill) Mary	England	1934	1982	26 Oct 2016	Auckland
Stubbs, David Gordon	Napier	1927	1953	12 April 2017	Blenheim
Taufa, Samiuela	Fata'ulua, Tonga	1940	1996	16 Sept 2017	Wellington

Name of Minister	Birthplace	Year of Birth	Entered Ministry	Date of Death	Place of Burial / Cremation
Taylor, Philip Frank	Stoke	1927	1957	5 Oct 2018	Auckland
Tu'ipulotu, Mele Foeata	Tonga	1966	2011	14 June 2017	Auckland
Waaka OBE, Te Napi Tutewehiwehi	(unknown)	1935		10 Nov 2016	Rotorua
Woodfield, Frank Harvey	Canterbury	1923	1950	14 Oct 2016	Waikanae

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

The following is a list of Deacons, Deaconesses and Overseas Workers of MCNZ who have died since the publishing date of the 2018 Yearbook.

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

Name	Birthplace	Born	Entered	Died	Place of Burial / Cremation

In Memoriam

Home Missionaries of the Methodist Church of New Zealand

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

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

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The Methodist Church of New Zealand

Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa



CONFERENCE

CHRISTCHURCH

September - October 2018

PRESIDENT	-	Setaita Taumoepeau K. Veikune
VICE-PRESIDENT	-	Nicola Teague Grundy
SECRETARY	-	David Bush

Conference Staff

Christchurch

President	:	Setaita Taumoepeau K. Veikune
Vice-President	:	Nicola Teague Grundy
Ex-President	:	Prince Devanandan
Ex-Vice-President	:	Viv Whimster
Secretary	:	David Bush
Associate Secretary	:	Susan Thompson
Office Staff	:	Peter van Hout
	:	Wendy Keir
	:	Wendy Anderson
	:	Trudy Downes
Daily Record	:	Mele Molitika
	:	Neti Petaia
	:	Tania Shackleton
Journal Secretary	:	Dale Peach
Business Sheet Updates	:	
Legal Adviser	:	Ruby Manukia-Schaumkel
Chaplains	:	Jill van de Geer
	:	Te Aroha Rountree
Hosts	:	Tovia Aumua
	:	Arapera Ngaha
	:	Rex Nathan
	:	Jan Tasker
	:	Prince Devanandan
	:	Viv Whimster

Conference Day to Day

Christchurch

Venue Locations: St Andrews College: 347 Papanui Road, Christchurch 8052 (entrance off Normans Road)

<i>Friday 28 September</i>		Rāmere 28 Mahuru
St Andrews College: 347 Papanui Road, Christchurch 8052 (entrance off Normans Road)		
9:00am – 5:30pm	Registration open (Senior College Foyer, Normans Road entrance)	
10:00am	Stationing Committee (St Andrews- room TBA)	
1:00pm	Lunch (Stationing Committee only)	
1:00pm – 2:00pm	Induction Service Practice (Chapel)	
2:00pm – 5:00pm	Tauiwi meeting (Gymnasium #1)	
2:00pm – 5:00pm	Te Taha Maori meeting (Lounge)	
5:00pm – 6:30pm	Ordination Service Practice (Chapel)	
5:30pm	Wesley Historical Society AGM/Dinner (registration required - \$20 incl. GST) (Senior Common Room) (see below at 7:30pm for Lecture details)	
6:30pm	Friday evening meal (registration required – \$20) (Strowan House Dining Room)	
7:30pm	Wesley Historical Society Annual Lecture (Senior Common Room, everyone welcome): Prof Barbara Brookes (Otago Uni), For God, Home & Humanity: Women's Suffrage & Social Change	
7:30pm	Youth Event (Gymnasium #1)	
<i>Saturday 29 September</i>		Rāhoroi 29 Mahuru
St Andrews College: 347 Papanui Road, Christchurch 8052 (entrance off Normans Road)		
7:30am – 8:30am	Evangelical Network Breakfast (Opawa Community Church, Cnr Opawa Rd & Aynsley St)	
	Registration open 8:30am to 9:30am & 12:00pm to 1:45pm (Senior College Foyer, Normans Road entrance)	
8:30am - 9:30am	Introduction to Conference (Senior Common Room)	
9:15am – 9:45am	Families of the Deceased meet with Tumuaki (Strowan House Dining Room)	
9:30am – 9:45am	Gather outside Chapel (Normans Road entrance) to be called in for Powhiri/Welcome	
10:00am	Powhiri/Welcome (Chapel)	
10:30am	Service to Honour Those Who Have Died (Whole Conference) (Chapel)	
12:00 noon	Lunch for all attendees (Senior College)	
12:00 noon	Presidential Lunch with Families of the Deceased (Strowan House Dining Room)	
2:00pm	Induction Service for President and Vice President (Chapel)	
4:00pm	Afternoon Tea (Strowan House Dining Room and Senior Common Room)	
4:45pm – 6:15pm	Service of Recognition Reception into Full Connexion (Chapel) Welcome of Overseas Guests	
6:30pm – 10:00pm	Multi-Cultural Festival Night with Evening Meal (Gymnasium #1) (no cost) All welcome	
<i>Sunday 30 September</i>		Rātapu 30 Mahuru
St Andrews College: 347 Papanui Road, Strowan, Christchurch 8052 (entrance off Normans Road)		
9:00am – 2:00pm	Conference Worship with Local Congregations (see Preaching Plan)	
11:30am - 1:00pm	Lay Preachers meeting and meal (ChCh West Parish, Brake St) (registration required–no cost)	
12:00pm – 1:30pm	Presidential Lunch with the Ordinands and their Families	
2:00pm	Ordination Service (Chapel)	
4:30pm	Afternoon Tea (Senior Common Room)	
	Free time - own arrangements or Bus Trip	
4:45pm	Bus Trips around Christchurch (registration required - gather 4:45pm in Normans Rd car park)	
6:00pm	Evangelical Network/Liberal Society Meeting/Dinner (registration required - Opawa Community Church, Cnr Opawa Rd & Aynsley St)	
6:00pm	Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual & Transgender Network & Friends Dinner (GLAM) all welcome. Little High Eatery, 255 St Asaph St - RSVP to Kathryn Walters kmwalters2010@gmail.com	

<i>Monday 1 October</i>		<i>Rāhina 1 Whiringa-ā-nuku</i>
St Andrews College: Gymnasium #1 – 347 Papanui Road, Christchurch 8052 (entrance off Normans Road)		
8:30am	Whakawhanaungatanga (notices, music, gathering)	
9:00am	Opening Worship (Presidential Team and Chaplains)	
9:30am	Theology Session (Trinity College)	
10:30am	<i>Morning Tea</i> (Stowan Dining Room & Senior Common Room)	
11:00am	Presentation of Conference Agenda, Introductions, Consensus Decision-making & Questions 1-24, receiving en bloc decisions	
12:30pm	<i>Lunch</i> (Stowan Dining Room & Senior Common Room)	
1:30pm	Workgroups (see room location schedule)	
3:30pm	<i>Afternoon Tea</i> (Stowan Dining Room & Senior Common Room)	
4:00pm	Workgroups	
6:00pm	<i>Evening Meal</i> (Stowan Dining Room & Senior Common Room)	
7:00pm	Ex-President and Ex-Vice President reflect on their 2 years of office	
7:30pm	Reporting back on work requested from Conference 2016	
8:30pm	Close of Day: Presidential Team & Chaplains	

<i>Tuesday 2 October</i>		<i>Rātu 2 Whiringa-ā-nuku</i>
St Andrews College: Gymnasium #1 – 347 Papanui Road, Christchurch 8052 (entrance off Normans Road)		
8:30am	Whakawhanaungatanga (notices, music, gathering)	
9:00am	Opening Worship (Presidential Team and Chaplains)	
9:30am	Theology Session (Trinity College)	
10:30am	<i>Morning Tea</i> (Stowan Dining Room & Senior Common Room)	
11:00am	Workgroups	
12:00pm – 1:30pm	<i>Lunch</i> (Stowan Dining Room & Senior Common Room)	
1:30pm	Workgroup reports and suggested decisions	
3:00pm	<i>Afternoon Tea</i> (Stowan Dining Room & Senior Common Room)	
3:30pm	Workgroup reports and suggested decisions	
6:00pm	<i>Evening Meal</i> (Stowan Dining Room & Senior Common Room)	
7:00pm	Workgroup reports and suggested decisions	
8:30pm	Close of Day: Presidential Team & Chaplains	

<i>Wednesday 3 October</i>		<i>Rāapa 3 Whiringa-ā-nuku</i>
St Andrews College: Gymnasium #1 – 347 Papanui Road, Christchurch 8052 (entrance off Normans Road)		
7:30am – 9:00am	Memorial Walk - Avon River. Buses will depart St Andrews College at 7:30am	
9:00am	Opening Worship (Presidential Team and Chaplains)	
9:30am	Theology Session (Trinity College)	
10:30am	<i>Morning Tea</i> (Stowan Dining Room & Senior Common Room)	
11:00am	Workgroup reports and suggested decisions	
1:00pm	<i>Lunch</i> (Stowan Dining Room & Senior Common Room)	
2:00pm – 3:00pm	Declaration, Poroporoaki & Kai Hapa (Chapel)	

Conference Reporting

Christchurch

A. COUNCIL OF CONFERENCE

Convenors: Keita Hotere and Tony Franklin-Ross
Council of Conference
Connexional Budget Task Group
PAC Distribution Group

B(i). TE TAHA MAORI

Convenor: Keita Hotere
Te Taha Maori
Te Taha Maori Property Trust
Wellington Methodist Charitable & Educational Endowments Trust

B(ii). TAUWI

Convenor: Trevor Hoggard
Tauwi Strategy & Stationing
Evangelical Network
New Zealand Methodist Women's Fellowship

C. LAW REVISION

Convenor: Ruby Manukia-Schaumkel

D. ADMINISTRATION/CONNEXIONAL PROPERTIES & FUNDS:

Convenor: Nan Russell
Administration Division
Connexional Trusts
Methodist Trust Association
PACT 2086 Trust
Investment Advisory Board
Robert Gibson Trust
Wesley Historical Society
Professional Development Grants Committee

E. MINISTRY:

Convenor Trinity College: Richard Biddle
Convenor Mission Resourcing: Marilyn Welch
Ministry Education (Trinity College)
Wesley College Trust Board
Mission Resourcing
James & Martha Trounson Benevolent Trust
Churches Education Commission
Diaconate Task Group
Methodist Lay Preachers Network
Tauwi Children, Young People & Families Ministries
Uniting Congregations of Aotearoa NZ
Chaplaincies

F. FAITH & ORDER

Convenor: David Poultney

G. SOCIAL SERVICES

Convenor: Carol Barron

Methodist Alliance Aotearoa

Social Services

- Methodist Mission Northern
- Airedale Property Trust
- Christchurch Methodist Mission
- Hamilton Methodist Social Services (Methodist City Action)
- Methodist Mission Southern (Dunedin)
- Ministry with the Deaf Trust
- Palmerston North Methodist Social Services
- Sinoti Samoa Methodist Mission
- Tamahere Eventide Home Trust
- The Lifewise Trust
- Vahefonua Tonga Methodist Mission Charitable Trust
- Wesley Wellington Mission (Wesley Community Action)

H. MISSION & ECUMENICAL

Convenor: Jackie McGeorge

Methodist Mission & Ecumenical

Ecumenical - National

Ecumenical - International

Christian World Service

I. COMMUNICATIONS

Convenor: Barbara Peddie

Methodist Publishing Board

Media & Communications Endowment Fund

J. SOCIAL ISSUES

Convenor: Viv Whimster

Public Questions Network

Interchurch Bioethics Council

Conference Workshops

Christchurch

What is God saying to us now?

What more can be done to promote the work of God?

Where is God as we consider ...

I. What is the vision for the future of Te Haahi Weteriana?

Facilitator: Tara Tautari

Support person: Lynne Frith, Tovia Aumua

- Recognition and acknowledgement of our unique Aotearoa context?
- Connexionalism (Budget, Trusts, Practice)
- Institutional racism as a barrier to visioning

II. How do we listen to what the Spirit is saying in order to proclaim life through our ministries?

Facilitator: Keita Hotere

Support person: David Poultney, Nasili Vaka'uta

- Deacons, Chaplains, and Youth ministries – future & sustainability
- Episcopal ministry
- Ecumenism beyond Christianity

III. How can the church develop a capacity-building strategy?

Facilitator: Stephanie Robson

Support person: Opeta Amani, Seini Taufu

- Structure of the Church
- Value of human resources
- Connexional roles and responsibilities

IV. How can the whole church support the priorities of Missions, and parishes engaged in social services.

Facilitator: David Hanna

Support person: Marion Hines, Kathleen Tuai Ta'ufo'ou

- Safe/Secure housing
- Strong/resilient whanau (Families)
- Building strong communities (reducing isolation)

V. How can we develop just, sustainable and effective church policy?

Facilitator: Arapera Ngaha

Support people: Viv Whimster, Kalolo Fihaki

- Climate Justice
- Responsible Investment policies
- Connexional/collaborative policy development and analysis

VI. Rangatahi/Youth – How does the church respond to questions about ...

Facilitator: Mataiva Robertson

Support person: Emily Colgan, Henry Hoglund

- What does it mean to be young and Christian? (Methodist)
- Youth suicide
- Gender and Sexuality
- #metoo, rape culture, purity culture

VII. How can Te Haahi Weteriana be Church in the World?

Facilitator: Susan Thompson

Resource person: Olive Tanielu, Prince Devanandan

- CWS
- Solomon Islands
- Methodist Women's Fellowship

Mission Statement

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

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

Christian community

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

Evangelism

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

Flexibility

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

Church unity

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

Inclusiveness

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

Every member a minister

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

Cross-cultural awareness

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

Justice

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

Peace

To be peacemakers between people and in the world.

Healing

To listen for hurt and work for healing.

Ecology

To care for creation.

Procedure for election of...

President & Vice-President

SECTION 7:5.1.7

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

Process

1. Hui Poari and Tauwi Strategy Committee each nominate five members for the Conference panel from the membership of their respective Council of Conference members.
2. The Panel is not the Council of Conference (Council membership is a convenient way of selecting Connexionally experienced people).
3. The first task of the panel is to choose two Convenors, one from each of the groups of five.
4. The five members of Te Taha Maori and the five from Tauwi bring to the Conference 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 considering those names brought from the caucus groups. The panel exercises discernment 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, for Presidency, select the President, having regard to the qualities and skills necessary for that office. The panel should then 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 the Conference panel is unable to reach agreement for either President or Vice President, the two caucus groups shall reconvene to enquire whether any names not previously forwarded to the Conference panel from the list of nominations in the Conference agenda, would then be acceptable. If additional names are agreed upon, the panel meets again and follows the process from paragraph 4 above.
8. (a) In the event that it is still not possible to have any names in common for the presidency, then the current President and Vice President remain in office for a further year.
(b) In the event that there is a commonality which enables the selection for President but not the Vice President the existing Vice President will remain in office with the newly elected President for a further year.
9. If the panel members at any point in their conversations require any assistance that may help them reach a consensus they may call on the General Secretary and the Legal Advisor.
10. The request for assistance is conveyed to both parties by one or other of the Convenors.
11. The request for assistance, noting the specific reasons for the assistance, is to be put in writing by the panel.
12. The assistance given by General Secretary and Legal Adviser is also noted in writing by the two Convenors and checked for accuracy prior to the General Secretary and Legal Adviser leaving the panel.
13. Having come to a consensus, the Convenors report to the General Secretary that the appropriate process has been followed, and name the President and Vice President for the next year.
14. At an appropriate time the General Secretary reports to President that this is the decision of the panel.
15. The names of the duly appointed President and Vice- President Elect are then announced by the President.

Guidelines for...

Conference Decision Making

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

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

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

PRINCIPLES

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

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

DECISION-MAKING STRATEGIES

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

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

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

We are prepared to accept this decision because:

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

In consensus decision-making, if it is clear that no agreement is possible at the time of the discussion, before the topic is adjourned the President may choose to ask the Council of Conference to meet to explore whether there is any way forward. If Council reports that there is no way forward then plans

will be made for other approaches which may lead to consensus in the future. In the meantime the status quo will continue.

MEMBERS' RESPONSIBILITIES

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

Members should:

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

PROCESSES

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

For example:

Discussion

Contribution which assists decision is about

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

Consensus

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

Some of these are:

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

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

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

There are 3 ways for this to happen:

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

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

Caucus process

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

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

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

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

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

What does the Conference do?

When Tauwiwi 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-Tauwiwi partnership agreement and enables full participation from all member groups.
- Consensus agreement using caucus groups, and other methods of assisting decision-making is an appropriate mode for making partnership decisions.
- For such processes to be successful all group members need to participate in an informed and responsible manner.

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

CAUCUSING**a) Calling for a caucus**

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

- **Tauwiwi:** Trevor Hoggard.
- **Te Taha Maori:** Will choose their facilitators at their pre-conference meeting.

The facilitators will then take what action they feel is appropriate

b) Steps for making Treaty partnership decisions

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

- **Step One: Starting together**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

If there is no agreement between caucuses, or within a caucus, the areas where there is a lack of agreement will be clearly identified. Some or all of the following questions might then be asked: Is more information required? Is it necessary to caucus again? Could an 'ad-hoc' representative group meet during Conference to address the areas of disagreement and seek a way ahead? If there is still lack of agreement between the two partners, then no

decision is made by the Conference, and the status quo remains. The President/Vice-President will define the 'status quo'.

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

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

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

Procedures to enable the business of Conference...

to be taken "En-Bloc"

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

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

FUNCTION – COUNCIL OF ELDERS

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

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

Members of Conference

Christchurch 2018

President of Conference:	Setaita Taumoepeau K. Veikune
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Presbyters

Ahn, David	Ieti, Oka
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Aoina-Salesa, Ali'itasi	Kilikiti, Vaikoloa
Asiata, Alofa	Kim, Joohong
Aumua, Tovia	Kinera, Philomeno
Bale, Akuila	Langi, Matafonua
Boddy, Ian	Langi, Saane
Cable, Ali	Lasi, Alisa
Cawanikawai, Sikeli	Lasi, Tau
Caygill, Mary	Lea'aetoa, Sione
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Chiwona, Kimberley	Mann-Taito, Falaniko
Clover, Gary	Manu, Tavake
Donaldson, Andrew	Manukia, Goll
Doubleday, Andrew	Manukia, Mosese
Ducivaki, Joeli	Martin, Betsan
Elderton, William	Meyer, Bertie
Faafuata, Iakopo	Misilei, Misilei
Fa'amasa, Saia Naeata	Molineux, Alison
Fakatou, Motekiai	Molitika, Melema'u
Faleatua, Fa'atoafe	Mudavanhu, Jannet
Faulkner, Ian	Muzondiwa, Amos
Fihaki, Kalolo	Nathan, Rex
Finau, Tevita	Ngahe, Alifeleti
Finau, Viliami Kalamafoni	Norman, Peter
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Franklin-Ross, Tony	Olsen, Ken
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Fungalei, Lopiseni	Peach, Dale
Gibson, Mark	Peddie, Barbara
Grant, Cornelia	Petaia, Neti
Halaleva, Finau	Pole, Siosifa
Han, Hui Young	Pope, 'Ikilifi Lui
Harding, David	Poultney, David
Havea, Manoa	Preston, Anne
Hickling, Darryn	Pupulu, Utumau'u
Hoggard, Trevor	Shackleton, Tania
Hotere, Keita	Solomon, Abhishek
Hughson, Greg	Sundberg, Leigh
Ieli, Paulo	Subhan, Augusten

Tafuna, Metuisela
Tana, Diana
Taufa, Saikolone
Taufa, Tisileli
Taufalele, Tevita
Taunga, Simote Pomale
Taylor, Peter
Teo, Suiva'aia
Thompson, Susan
Tikoinaka, Peni
Tufuga, Fatuatia
Tukutau, Siutaisa
Tupou, Hosea
Tu'uhoko, Makeleta Lute
'Uhila, 'Alipate

Uludole, Alivereti
van de Geer, Jill
Walker, Shelley
Wall, Terry
Walters, Kathryn
Webster, Alan
White, Graeme
Williams, Simon
Williamson, Andrea
Williamson, Peter

Deacons

Alley, Megan
Birtles, Margaret
Hafoka, Falanisesi

Lay Ministers

Auva'a, Faletagoa'i
Heine, Lyn
Mafua, Lolohea
Temisi, Taufa

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De Alwis Ranawaka Arachchige, Freddy
Franklyn, Bob
Gamman, Andrew
MacDonald, John
Vaka'uta, Nasili
Welch, Marilyn

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Robson, Stephanie
Solomona, Leslie
Williams, Sandra

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Christchurch 2018

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Ex-Vice President of Conference: Viv Whimster
Legal Advisor: Ruby Manukia-Schaumkel

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Airedale Property Trust	Stone, Bruce
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Lay Preachers Association	Whimster, Viv
Methodist City Action	Hodges, Catherine
Methodist Mission Northern	Hines, Marion
Methodist Mission Southern	Black, Laura
Methodist Mission Southern	Pearse, Julie
Methodist Women's Fellowship	Claughton, Dianne
Professional Development Grants	West, Mary
The Lifewise Trust	Lawler, Moira
The Methodist Alliance	Barron, Carol
Trinity College Council	Biddle, Richard
Trinity Theological College	Colgan, Emily
Trinity Theological College	Maile, Barbara
Wesley College	Evans, Brian
Wesley College Trust Board	Johnston, Chris
Wesley Community Action	Hanna, David
Vahefonua Tonga Methodist Mission Charitable Trust	Tesimale, John
Vahefonua Tonga Methodist Mission Charitable Trust	Tuai-Ta'ufo'ou, Kathleen

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Te Taha Maori	Barney-Katene, Julieanne
Te Taha Maori	Davis, Huia
Te Taha Maori	King, Tauke
Te Taha Maori & Council of Conference	Laird, Gillian
Te Taha Maori	Laird, Te Wehenga
Te Taha Maori	McClintock, Robyn
Te Taha Maori	McGregor, Almaine
Te Taha Maori	Ngaha, Arapera
Te Taha Maori	Ormsby, Hinga
Te Taha Maori	Peri, Anne
Te Taha Maori	Rakena, Frances
Te Taha Maori	Rakena, Tamati
Te Taha Maori	Ranui, Alison
Te Taha Maori	Rivers, Shirley
Te Taha Maori	Rountree, Te Aroha

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Tautari, Tara
Tawhai, Harry
Tito, Maungarongo
Wichman, Robina
Wilkie, Roslyn
Wilson, Doreen

Youth Representatives

Sinoti Samoa - Youth Representative
Vahefonua Tonga Youth
Vahefonua Tonga Youth
Vahefonua Tonga Youth

Auva'a, Janice
Kupu, Osaiasi
Molitika, Alilia
Pauta, Funaki

Northland

Northland Synod

Smiley, Rowan

Auckland

Auckland Central Parish
Auckland Central Parish
Auckland Synod
East Coast Bays Methodist Parish
Mt Albert Methodist Parish
Northcote Takapuna Methodist Parish
Onehunga Cooperating Parish
Pitt Street Methodist Church
Waitakere Methodist Parish
Waitakere Methodist Parish
Waitakere Methodist Parish
Waterview Methodist Church

Peyroux, TeRito
Taliauli, Mj
Davies, Dilys
Smith, Margaret
Jenner, Beth
Theunisen, Ashleen
Hoggard, Catherine
Waters, Colin
Fuimaono, Luisa
Roebeck, Jerry-Moses
Small, Richard
Faitotoa, Henry

Manukau

Mangere Otahuhu Parish
Manuakau Synod
Manurewa Methodist Parish
Papakura Parish
Pukekohe Parish
Trinity Church Pakuranga
Wesley Methodist Church Papatoetoe

Malafu , Lolita
McGeorge, Jackie
Lane, Peter
Peddie, Bill
Southey, Margaret
Teo, Mickey
Brookes, Margaret

Waikato

Hamilton East Methodist Parish
Hamilton Methodist Parish
Huntly Cooperating Parish
Manawatu Rangitikei
Rotorua Methodist Church
Tauranga Methodist Parish
Waikato

Cree, Michael
Mudford, Raymond
Kaifa, Aisea
Dulcie Powell
Graham, Angela
Sundberg, Dianne
Southon, Ngaire

Taranaki, Wanganui

North Taranaki Parish

Havea, Akanesi

Hawkes Bay, Manawatu

Wellington

10am Congregation - Wellington Methodist Parish

Garside, Heather

Hutt City Uniting Congregations

Tu-Faleupolu, Filo

Kapiti Uniting parish

Sugrue, Rosalie

Samoan Congregation - Wellington Methodist Parish

Pupulu, Leu

Tawa Union

Harris, Ian

Tongan Congregation - Wellington Methodist Parish

Havea, Sioli

Waiwhetu Uniting

Taufalele-Vute, Lute

Wellington South Union Parish

Hagan-Pratt, Robert

Nelson, Marlborough. West Coast

Blenheim Methodist Parish

Bush, John

Reefton Union

Efford, Thelma

St Andrews United Church, Hokitika

Orchard, Michael

Union Parish of Picton

Faithful, Jean

Vahefonua Tonga O Aotearoa

Lower Hutt Tongan Parish

Nuku, Seluvaia

Otara Tongan Methodist Parish

Manumu'a, Sione Finau

Otara Tongan Methodist Parish

Nacagilevu, Meleane Paea

Palmerston North Tongan Methodist Parish

Kato, Tahī

Palmerston North Tongan Methodist Parish

Toumohuni, Penisimani

Ponsonby Tongan Methodist Church

Vea, Malu

Ponsonby Tongan Methodist Church

Tupou, Tautaina

Saione Parish

Tupou, Tonga

Talafekau Pukekohe Parish

Nai, Henele

Vahefonua Tonga O Aotearoa

Akoteu, Kalolo

Vahefonua Tonga O Aotearoa

Kalonihea, 'Ofa

Vahefonua Tonga O Aotearoa

Latu'ila, Talikivaha

Vahefonua Tonga O Aotearoa

Manu, Naita

Vahefonua Tonga O Aotearoa

Mone, Fisi'ihoi

Vahefonua Tonga O Aotearoa

Pahulu, Mote

Vahefonua Tonga O Aotearoa

Palelei, Manusiu

Vahefonua Tonga O Aotearoa

Paongo, Waitemata

Vahefonua Tonga O Aotearoa

Valeti Finau

Vahefonua Tonga O Aotearoa

Sipa, Siale

Vahefonua Tonga O Aotearoa

Talakai, Etuini

Vahefonua Tonga O Aotearoa

Taukolo, Havila

Vahefonua Tonga O Aotearoa

Tu'ipulotu, Kepueli Paongo

Vahefonua Tonga O Aotearoa

Tu'ipulotu, Tevita

Vahefonua Tonga O Aotearoa

Vakalahi, Tu'ipulotu

Vahefonua Tonga O Aotearoa

Taumoepeau, Paula

Vahefonua Tonga O Aotearoa

Kathleen Tuai-Ta'ufo'ou

Central South Island

Auckland Fiji Methodist Parish
Beckenham Sydenham
Central South Island Synod
Central South Island Youth
ChCh Central Methodist Parish
Christchurch North
Christchurch South Methodist Parish
Christchurch West Methodist Parish
Opawa Community Church
Rangiora
St Albans Uniting Parish

Kini, Sireli
Aird, Kelvin
Clayton, Dick
WilliamsLemi, Siu
Marshall, Valerie
Adamson, Joan
Brown, Cherryl
Power, Heather
Smith, Merrett
Woodcock, Margaret
Pearcy, Bill

Otago Southland

Otago Southland Synod

Masterton, Rachael

Sinoti Samoa

Hastings Samoan Parish
Mangere Central Methodist Church - Sinoti Samoa
Mangere East Samoan Parish
New Plymouth Samoan Parish
Otara Samoan
Papatoetoe Samoan Parish
Sinoti Samoa
Sinoti Samoa

Faafuata, Rosa
Letalu, Sioa
Leao, Leumalealofa (Uma)
Misikei, Mulipola
Faleatua, Leungseu Amelia
Sega-Vaeafe, Akesa
Faioso, Tumema
Robertson, Mataiva

Wasewase ko Viti Kei Rotuma e Niu Siladi

Wasewase

Tarogi, Simione

Observers

Christchurch 2018

'Asaeli, Samuela
Aumua, Leotele
Bulicakau, Maikali
De Silva, Gerard
Faafuata, Ruth
Fakakovikaetau, Niu
Fifita, Dedo (John)
Filiai, Falakesi
Finau, Lupeti
Finau, Vaikona
Fisi'iahi, Luseane
Fotofili, Justin
Fungalei, Finau
Fungalei, Tevita Tukituku
Graham, Doug
Halaleva, Fekita
Halapua, Mele
Havea, Afuhia
Havea, Ikuvalu
Havea, Jione
Hea, Mele Fusi
Hotere, Marama
Kau, Kiveni
Kau, Tevita
Kaufanga, Siu
Kilikiti, Silila
Lagi, Kaurasi
Latu, Keni
Latu, Kimani Tu'aefe
Latu, Lavinia
Lawson, David
Lennox, Doreen
Letalu, Ruanna
Lolohea, Kulaea
Lutui, Kilisimasi
Ma'asi, Sione
Maile, Saimone
Maile, Vilikesa
Manase, Saloni

Manukia`, Tangitangi
Manumu'a, Silia
McKay, Pauline
Mone, Nunia
Muliaina, Felicia
Paea, Elenoa
Pearcy, Diane
Petaia, Berith
Petaia, Saesaegalaufa'iatumua (Catherine)
Poasa, Alapua
Pope, Lopisoni
Ranui, Ngahina
Ryan, Terry
Sanft, Carl Douglas
Shannon, Ady
Sipa, Lute
Siufanga, Veitomoni
Skelton, Adrian
Tafuna, Leti
Ta'imalie, Meliana
Talakai, Vaiolupe
Tapaa, Tevita
Taufa, Hapeti
Taufa, Toakase
Telefoni, Toutai
Tonu, Palei
Tuiaki, Talafi
Tuiha'angana, Fane Malieti
Tu'ipulotu, Ma'ata
Tu'ipulotu, Mafikovi
Tu'uhoko, Pole
Vaitohi, Iunisi
Vaitohi, Siosifa 'Emili
Vakalahi, 'Iasinito
Vakalahi, Meleane
Wightman, Ana

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Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa



**REPORTS FROM
CONNEXIONAL COMMITTEES
AND BOARDS
2018**

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Council of Conference

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COUNCIL OF CONFERENCE

Te Kaunihera o te Hui Toopu

Council of Conference is a visioning body consisting of ten members of Te Taha Maori (TTM) and ten members of Tauwiwi. The Council meets twice a year for two days using the facilities in the Church Offices at 409 Great South Road.

The Council has particular responsibility for approving the Connexional Budget and ensuring the proper processes are followed for Connexional appointments, those transferring into the Methodist Church and those being received into Full Connexion.

The Council often has matters referred from Conference, where a work group or further consultation is required. In the current year this includes work in the Ethical Standards and the Criteria for Ordination.

Ethical Standards

Council of Conference at its August meeting adopted the revisions to the Standards for Membership and Ministry, Selection Criteria for Presbyter Candidates for Ministry and the Ethical Standards for Ministry. The work group is commended and thanked for its work. The revisions to be circulated to Parishes, Rohe, Synods and Hui Poari.

Connexional Budget

Council receives the draft budget at its first meeting each year. Council continues to be concerned at the level of projected deficit and recognises that this is a matter that needs to be addressed by either increasing income or reducing expenditure.

Council endorsed an application to the PAC Distribution Group to meet the deficit for this year to ensure that Boards and Committees could continue to do their work as planned.

The 20/20 Work Group has been asked to reconvene to further consider the work the Church seeks to achieve through the Connexional Budget.

Partnership Team

The Partnership Ministry Team is charged with carrying out the following tasks:

1. The process for the transfer from other churches or from overseas Methodist churches into our Connexion
2. Preparing people for the reserved stationing list; bringing names through Council of Conference to the General Secretary for reception into full Connexion.
3. Two changes have been introduced since last Conference. Firstly, every applicant interviewed via skype or in person and secondly, it has been agreed that all future applicants will follow an introductory orientation course at Trinity College.
4. The Partnership Team has been asked to present a clear exposition of their process to Council of Conference in March 2019.

4 + 4 General Secretary Position

The Council of Conference have received updates related to the 4 + 4 process for the appointment of General Secretary, Council notes that the process is being followed.

25th Anniversary of Council of Conference

This year, 2018 marks the 25th Anniversary of the Council of Conference of the Methodist church of New Zealand, Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa.

This celebration began with Karakia and Kai Hapa (Devotion & Holy Communion) at its August meeting.

20/20 Vision

Council of Conference acknowledges that the work of the group is important and we commend this group on this task and encourage them to continue this work in progress.

Council thanks Sharon Tito and Arapera Ngaha, who are relieved from the workgroup for their valued contributions and note that Rex Nathan and Gillian Laird are new members.

Let the Children Live

Council of Conference acknowledges all the hard work that Synods, Parishes and Rohe have contributed to the on-going success of the Let the Children Live vision for our church. Enabling our children to engage and strengthen their relationships between church and community. This continues to be an item for consideration every time the Council meets. The Council encourages Parishes, Rohe, Boards and Committees to place 'Let the Children Live' on every agenda.



Theology

Theology sessions have been held at the commencement of Council of Conference meetings in 2018 to inform decision-making. In March Ex-President Tovia Aumua & Vice-President Viv Whimster focused on communication, asking how God communicates, how we can communicate effectively & how we can improve lines of communication across Te Haahi. In August, Council of Conference invited reflections from younger people; Michael Lemanu and Philomena Petaia spoke from a Tauwiwi perspective about some of the challenges for young people. They also expressed a widespread interest in learning more about Methodism in Aotearoa. They challenged us to live out our Methodist way more effectively and also challenged us to use their significant skills and gifts within Te Haahi.

Pacific Council of Churches (PCC)

At the March meeting the Council considered the invitation to become members of Pacific Council of Churches, and in August there was consensus to proceed to apply for membership. There was significant support for this from the Pacifica Synods.

Treatment of Confiscated Land

The Methodist Connexional Property Committee (MCPC) have brought this issue to the Council. The Council recognises that this is a live issue and serious work will be done on it in coming months starting with a conversation between TTM and MCPC. We acknowledge that this is wider than the business that MCPC deals with and effects the whole church.

Health and Safety

The Council recognised that the issues of Health and Safety are important, and need to be covered with their own policy statement rather than in tweaking the Mission Statement to accommodate them. Law Revision is asked to work with the Health and Safety Co-ordinator to produce a suitable Policy Statement.

Presidential Selection Process

Following the hiatus at the 2016 Conference in its inability to appoint an incoming Presidential Team, Council of Conference adjusted the process, moving away from the 5+5 to the establishment of a Conference Panel that would engage in a process of discernment in considering the names brought from both TTM and Tauwiwi, rather than just the names in common. This worked so well in 2017 that Council of Conference has resolved to continuing to work in the same way with the Conference Panel, meeting before Conference rather than seeking to squeeze the process into an already overburdened Conference timetable.

Criteria for Ordination

In August 2016 Council of Conference established a Task Group to work on the criteria for Ordination for Presbyters and Deacons. Trinity College, Mission Resourcing, Te Taha Maori, Faith and Order and the Diaconate Task Group have been involved in the consultation process. The group have identified the documents to be reviewed and agreed upon the formulation of one single document. The Council recognises that Ordination is by and into the whole Church and need

consistency and continuity from selection through to Ordination. The work of this task group is ongoing.

Bi-Cultural Journey

The Council affirms the work already being done in Synods to use Te Reo and Maori Tikanga in Synod and Parish activity.

Council of Conference are committed to supplying resources for use by Synods, Rohe and congregations to develop knowledge and use of Te Reo and Tikanga Maori.

Council of Conference encourage Synods and Rohe to develop more intentional partnerships and informal relationships.

Suggested decisions:

1. That the report be received.
2. That the Council decision that the Methodist Church of New Zealand, Te Haahi Weteriana, apply for membership in the Pacific Council of Churches be endorsed.
3. That 'Let the Children Live', the Church's 10 Year Vision be included in agendas of all Parishes, Rohe, Synods, Hui Poari, Boards and Committees.
4. That the matter of a Policy Statement for Health and Safety be referred to Law Revision.
5. That the report of the Ethical Standards work group be circulated to Parishes, Rohe, Synods and Hui Poari. To report back to the September 2019 Council of Conference meeting.
6. That Council of Conference membership for 2019 be: Te Taha Maori: Keita Hotere (Co-convenor), Gillian Laird, Rex Nathan, Hinga Ormsby, Alison Ranui, Shirley Rivers, Te Aroha Rountree, Harry Tawhai, Robina Wichman and one other to be appointed. Substitutes: Alamaine McGregor, Laura Maruera, Tamati Rakena, Tiki Porima-Ryan. Tauiwai: Tony Franklin-Ross (Co-Convenor), Andrew Doubleday, Mataiva Robertson, Tevita Finau, Rachael Masterton, Lyn Heine, Ruta Fa'afuata, Asaeli Tulagi, Casey Fa'au, Metui Tafuna. Resource People: President, Vice President, General Secretary, Principal Trinity College, Directors of Mission Resourcing, Tumuaki.

PAC DISTRIBUTION GROUP

The PAC Distribution Group of: Alison Ranui, Dick Clayton, Dorothy Willis, Saunoa Tulou, Tara Tautari, Richard Biddle, Harry Tawhai, Arapera Ngaha (Ex-Vice President) and David Bush (General Secretary) met on 17 and 18 August 2018 to consider 68 applications for funding. This year \$946,361 was available for distribution, applicants sought funding of \$2,192,417.

The PAC Fund is a very significant gift to the Church and the community. It is a fund that helps make things happen, a fund that enables the Church to imagine and work towards a better future. Each year 15% of the fund is made available to groups outside the Methodist Church. This makes the PAC Fund one of the more significant philanthropic funds in New Zealand.

PAC does not have a detailed application form and it does not require groups to report back. The rationale is to free resources to do the intended work. The distribution does need key data to make its decisions however, income and expenditure, the balance sheet and a budget for the proposed project. The group often struggles with applications which are guestimates. When the Group can see exactly what is being planned and what it will cost, they can often be more generous. Applications rounded up to the nearest \$5,000 or \$10,000 can be difficult to process.

The Group is also aware that new financial reporting standards have increased the size of financial reports and bloated the PAC agenda. In future years we will give more detailed instruction with a view to reducing the amount of paper to both copy and read.

The Distribution Group is aware that we know little about some of the Community Groups who have been supported over many years. It is suggesting that group members (present or past) might arrange to visit some of these organisations to learn more about the impact of the PAC grants on their work, as well as to strengthen and build relationships. The Group also noted that

more than half of those who applied have received PAC grants in previous years, and the Group would like to encourage new applications. The focus for the Committee tends to be on getting a project under way, so the Group may not give as much emphasis to ongoing work. It is also clear that there is a disparity in the number of applications received from the major cities and those coming from our smaller provinces. It is hoped that with greater access to information about the PAC fund, there will be an increase in applications submitted from different parts of the country (urban and rural), to provide for a more equitable distribution of the grants.

Let the Children Live

Do you need help? Over the last five years parishes have been invited to dream and imagine about how they can work with this mission goal. Yes you heard it right, we will give you money to help it happen. Grants are available from Mission Resourcing to help dreams become reality. Funds have been given to ensure these grants can continue and that the grants can be increased to a maximum of \$600. To apply share your Parish or Rohe's dreams, plans and ideas with Mission Resourcing. Grants are distributed quarterly.

We wanted to highlight:

Merge Café – Grant \$13,000

Located in Auckland's Karangahape Road, the philosophy behind Merge is to create a connected, integrated community - from those who are homeless and marginalised and those who 'want to pay it forward'. A paragraph in the application resonated with the Committee.

“Chronic rough sleepers benefit from having a safe place to stay without being forcibly moved on. At the Café they are accepted as ‘whanau’ by our peer support workers – who have lived the experience of sleeping rough themselves. These peer support workers refer them on for permanent housing solutions and other vital supports. Over 5,000 Maori and Pacifica visit the Café annually. They receive culturally appropriate support from our staff and predominately Maori peer support volunteers who use a Kaupapa Maori approach to encourage them to become more resilient and to reach their potential”.

The grant will enable the purchase of a new commercial oven.

If you have not been to Merge, visit soon 'to pay it forward'.

Counselling Services

Several of the community applications are for counselling services. Petersgate Trust in Christchurch asks for payment based on the client's income. The grant enables counselling to be provided below cost. Parentline in Manawatu provides a programme for families with teenagers (Positive Parenting Programme). The goal is to improve relationships and interpersonal skills within the family. Napier Family Centre operate a Post Natal Adjustment Programme for women experiencing post-natal depression. Parenting Place uses a parenting toolbox in their work with children and families in Canterbury.

There is a very strong people focus in the applications, including Alzheimer's and Parkinson's support groups, and programmes and support for people with disabilities, foodbanks and Chaplaincy services.

A Critique

Several applications referenced the need to be more aware of working in culturally appropriate ways when delivering services. This was often seen in relationship to the Church's understanding of our bicultural journey. The Distribution Group is pleased to see this development and is encouraging applicants to work together to ensure greater coherence in planning and to avoid duplication of effort.

Distribution Group Membership

Dick Clayton, Alison Ranui and Dorothy Willis retire from the Distribution Group. They have made a valuable contribution to the work of the Group and are thanked for their work.

Distributions

The distribution for 2017 and 2018 are recorded in this report to ensure there is a permanent minute of the distributions.

Suggested decisions:

1. That the report be received.
2. That the PAC Distribution Group for 2019 be: Saunoa Tulou, Tara Tautari, Richard Biddle, Harry Tawhai, Hiueni Nuku, Catherine Petaia, Te Wehenga Laird, Prince Devanandan (Ex-President), David Bush (General Secretary).

2017 DISTRIBUTION

Funds available for distribution were:

Endowment	60%	\$451,734
Main Fund (within the Church)	25%	\$188,222
Main Fund (outside the Church)	15%	\$112,933

The successful applicants in 2017 were:

MAIN FUND		
Organisation	Description Request	Grant \$
1st Kamo Girls Brigade Company	Trip to promote theme for 2017 "Waves"	3,000
Alzheimers Wairarapa Inc	Administration/operating expenses, volunteers support group	2,500
BAMA	Beneficiaries Advice Mt Albert	3,000
Birkenhead Methodist Samoan Youth Group	Camping in fellowship	4,000
ChatBus Trust	Counselling for children	7,000
Christchurch Central & Christchurch South Methodist Parishes	English for residence Visa applications & subsidy for the IELTS exam fee	10,000
Christchurch Methodist Mission	A place to call home	23,000
Christian Social Services Wanganui	Whanganui Foodbank & Total Care Budget Service	6,000
Churches Education Commission Otago Board	Champions Christmas Show 2017, CEC Otago Celebration Day, National Conference for Advisors	3,500
Crossroads Methodist Church, Papakura Parish	Still yet another pair of slippers	1,200
Environment and Conservation Organisations of NZ (Inc)	Producing Tieke email newsletter	1,800
Hamilton Combined Christian Foodbank Trust	Emergency food parcels	3,000
Home & Family Society, Christchurch	Child and Youth counselling and therapy	5,000
Hutt City Uniting Congregation	Church Fresh Expression	3,500
InterChurch Tertiary Chaplaincy Council	Support for ministry of ITCC	10,000
Interdenominational Tertiary Chaplaincy	Seekers & Young Believers Bible Group and Bible Based English Corner Group	2,250
International Rural Assn Conference Arrangements Committee	Pacific representation at IRCA Conference April 2018	11,000
Kaitaia Union Parish (Hope Christian Centre)	Community Projects Coordinator	12,500
Mafutaga Tama'itai Sinoti Samoa Ekalesia Metotisi Niu Sila	Assistance for young women to attend MTSSEMNS Leaders Fono, Auckland 2018	8,000
Mangapapa Union Parish	CAP & local Missions development	2,000
Mercury Bay Cooperating Parish	St Andrews community meals	3,000

Methodist Church of NZ	Trans-Tasman Moderators and Presidents meeting accommodation costs	5,000
Methodist Mission Northern	Splice, creating capacity for 'mission in the city'	20,000
Methodist Mission Southern	Independent Information Service	8,000
Methodist Social Services, Palmerston North	Children's education programmes, bi-cultural reviews and training for tutors and staff, leadership team day	10,000
Midway in Northland Day Services Trust (MINDS)	Health and wellbeing for adults with disabilities	5,000
Mt Albert Methodist Church	Mt Albert Methodist Church concept plan preparation	15,000
Multiple Sclerosis & Parkinsons Society Canterbury Inc	Home visiting & onsite services for new Parkinsons members	6,000
Napier Family Centre	Children's counselling	7,000
Nelson Christian Academy (NCA)	Purchase of piano keyboard and set of ukuleles for school	2,000
New Plymouth Samoan Methodist Women's Fellowship	Sustainability Project & Fellowship for emergencies project	1,000
Northcote Tongan Methodist Congregation	Children, Youth, Women and Elderly Outreach	12,000
Northland Urban Rural Mission (NURM)	Housing needs, poverty, response to mining and other environmental issues	4,000
Otara Tongan Methodist Parish	New band equipment	5,000
Papakura Community Dinner	Catering equipment for community dinner	994
Parentline Manawatu	"Triple P for Parents of Teens' programme	3,000
Petersgate Trust	Professional development of counselling staff	8,000
Rangiora Methodist Mainly Music	New signage and props/instruments for Mainly Music Programme	500
Response Trust	Editorial support for Book on Transformative Law for Water and Climate	2,000
SAINTZUP Performing Arts Trust	Administration and musical equipment	7,500
Saione Tonga Parish, Papatoetoe	Desktop computer & photocopier	2,500
SIAOLA MISSION Vahefonua Tonga Methodist Mission Charitable Trust	SIAOLA EXPO 2017 & Workshops	15,000
St Johns Co-operating Parish, One Double Five Community House	Whanau Support to vulnerable families and aiders	3,000
Tasman Bay Christian School	Bibles for Students	500
Te Aroha Springs Community Trust	Day Camp & Springs Trust activities	5,000
The Boys Brigade NZ	Strategies for growth - Church partnerships, Canterbury/Upper South Development Manager	5,000
The Lifewise Trust	Campaign to attract foster parents	9,000
The Parenting Place	Toolbox programme	4,000
The Religious Diversity Centre Trust	Operating costs of the Religious Diversity Centre	7,000
The Straight Up Trust/Rock Solid Youth & Family Programmes	Youth development programmes for at-risk young people	5,000
The Student Christian Movement Aotearoa	National training 2017: equipping students to challenge LGBT injustice on campus	3,000
Tongan Methodist Dominion Road Congregation - Music Committee	Brass band training, upskilling, new instruments	7,500
Trinity Methodist Church, Napier	Outreach Service Project	7,500
Trinity Methodist Theological College	Christian Education Lectureship	481
Vahefonua Tonga Sunday School Teachers & Students Retreat Camp	Vahefonua Tonga Sunday School Teachers & Student Retreat Camp	10,000

Waitakere Methodist Samoan Parish	New Parish office	1,140
Wanganui Housing Trust	Transition project	7,000
Wesley College	Rugby trip - Jonah Lomu Memorial Tournament Argentina (renewal)	8,000
	TOTAL ALLOCATED	\$347,865

ARCHIVES FUND		
Organisation	Description Request	Grant \$
Methodist Church of NZ	MCNZ Archives	11,946
	TOTAL ALLOCATED	\$11,946

EDUCATION FUND		
Organisation	Description Request	Grant \$
Trinity Methodist Theological College	Christian Education Lectureship	7,019
	TOTAL ALLOCATED	\$7,019

ENDOWMENT FUND		
Organisation	Description Request	Grant \$
MCNZ Board of Administration	Xero Accounting package for parishes	40,000
MCNZ Connexional Budget	MCNZ Connexional Budget	230,000
MCNZ Supernumerary Fund	Top-up to pensions	40,000
MCNZ Synods	Superintendency costs	45,000
MCNZ Board of Administration	Methodist Archives building	50,000
	TOTAL ALLOCATED	\$405,000

2018 DISTRIBUTION

Funds available for distribution were:

Endowment	60%	\$562,543
Main Fund (within the Church)	25%	\$234,393
Main Fund (outside the Church)	15%	\$140,635

The successful applicants in 2018 were:

MAIN FUND		
Organisation	Description Request	Grant \$
Agape Fellowship/Wesley Broadway	Defibrillator	1,934
All Saints Hataitai Kilbirnie	Awaken project	5,000
Alzheimer's Wairarapa Inc	Admin/Operating expenses. Volunteers, out & about support group meetings	2,500
Beneficiaries Advice Mount Albert (BAMA)	Beneficiaries Advice Mount Albert	5,000
Christchurch Methodist Mission (CMM)	Supporting our bi-cultural journey	12,000
Christchurch North Methodist Parish	Purchase a defibrillator for the parish complex	1,934
Christian Social Services Whanganui	Operation of the Whanganui Foodbank & Total Care Budget Service	6,000
Churches Education Commission Otago	CEC Otago Celebration and Christmas Roadshow	4,600

Environment & Conservation Organisations of NZ	Producing two ECOlink newsletters	1,800
Hamilton Combined Christian Foodbank Trust	To centralise and provide emergency food parcels	5,000
Hastings Methodist Parish	Youth Conference	3,500
Ignite Sport Trust	Oho Ake (Awaken/Rise Up) supporting young people at risk	5,000
Interdenominational Tertiary Chaplaincy	Soup lunches, Seekers & Young Believers Bible Group, Bible Based English Corner Group	2,750
Kapiti Uniting Parish	Church and Community	5,000
Kids Creating Miramar Playgroup	Toddlers toys and books	400
Leigh Bicentenary Planning Group	Leigh Bicentenary Symposium	15,000
Lifewise Trust	Merge Cafe Social Enterprise to support people including rough sleepers and marginalised communities	13,000
Lotofale'ia Mangere Tongan Methodist Parish	Let's the Women Live - Ministry	3,000
Mangapapa Union Parish	Youth Leadership development	2,000
Manurewa Methodist Parish	Hospitality Drop In	10,716
Methodist Mission Northern	Splice: creating capacity for extending the Splice mission	10,000
Methodist Mission Southern	Independent Information Service	8,000
Midway in Northland Day Services Trust	Support clients to achieve their own greatness	5,000
Mt Wellington Tongan Methodist Community Garden Growers	Mt Wellington Tongan Methodist Community Garden Growers	6,500
Multiple Sclerosis & Parkinson's Canterbury	Home visiting and onsite services for new Parkinson's members	8,000
Napier Family Centre	Post Natal Adjustment Group	7,000
Ngā Puawai o Te Tonga Te Hawera Maori Women's Welfare League	Oranga Awhina	3,000
Northland Urban Rural Mission (NURM)	Housing needs, Community organising in response to mining/water/other environmental issues, addressing poverty related issues	4,000
Onehunga Co-operating Parish	Six church and community projects	8,000
Otago Tertiary Chaplaincy	Annual Peace Lectures	6,000
PAC Committee	Let the Children Live	26,694
Palmerston North Methodist Social Services	Children's education programmes and bi-cultural supervision for staff and programme tutors	10,000
Parentline Manawatu Inc	Triple P for Parents of Teens Programmes	3,000
Petersgate Trust	Free social work support for Petersgate clients	8,000
SAINTZUP Performing Arts Trust	Staff, student leader uniforms and student t-shirts	5,000
Scripture Union in NZ	WAY2GO Children's Ministry training events	5,000
SIAOLA Mission: Vahefonua Tonga Methodist Mission Charitable Trust	SIAOLA EXPO 2018 and workshops: educational & employment training, family violence, youth suicide prevention	15,000
Sinoti Samoa	Sinoti Samoa Missions	15,000
Sinoti Samoa Lay Preachers Association	Inspirational Retreat	10,000
Southland Tertiary Chaplaincy Charitable Trust Board	Chaplain's salary/professional development	5,000

Spiritual Growth Ministries Trust	Supervision Training Workshops	1,000
St Albans Uniting Parish	Community outreach and events	8,000
St John Moraia Fijian Parish	Moraia Sunday School Choir Fiji Trip	5,000
St John's Cooperating Parish/One Double Five Community House	Whanau support to vulnerable families	3,500
Te Aroha Springs Community Trust	Social Service community programmes	7,000
The Boys Brigade in NZ Inc	Boys at Risk - Connecting Godly men with at risk boys. Canterbury/Upper South Island Development Manager	5,000
The Home and Family Society, Christchurch	Child counselling services	8,000
The Methodist Alliance	Establishment of Communities of Practice	14,300
The Parenting Place	Provision of Toolbox Parenting courses in Canterbury over the next 12 months	5,000
The Religious Diversity Centre Trust	Operating costs during critical time of consolidation, fund-raising and steady sustaining of the Centre's work	7,000
The Straight Up Trust	Rock Solid Youth Development Programmes	5,000
Wanganui Methodist Parish	Wanganui Housing Trust	8,000
Wellington Methodist Parish Samoan Congregation Youth Group	Equipment upgrade for Outreach Mission	4,400
	TOTAL ALLOCATED	\$355,528

EDUCATION FUND		
Organisation	Description Request	Grant \$
Trinity Methodist Theological College	Resource person/Education Lectureship	8,437
	TOTAL ALLOCATED	8,437

ENDOWMENT FUND		
Organisation	Description Request	Grant \$
MCNZ	Connexional Budget	197,000
MCNZ Supernumerary Fund	Nominated beneficiaries	30,000
MCNZ Supernumerary Fund	Top-up to pensions	45,000
MCNZ Synods	Superintendency Costs	62,500
Methodist Church of NZ	MCNZ Response to Inquiry into Historic Abuse of Children in Care	66,490
Methodist Publishing - Touchstone	Anticipated shortfall for expenses	24,000
Public Issues Network	Funding for PIN role -	36,000
Trinity Methodist Theological College	Trinity Methodist Theological College programmes	51,052
Wesley Community Action (Wesley Wellington Mission)	Innovative positive ageing well network from Wesley Rātā Village Naenae	70,000
	TOTAL ALLOCATED	\$582,042

CONNEXIONAL BUDGET

SECTION A

2017-2018 Connexional Budget

For the Year to 30th June 2018, contributions from parishes toward the wider work of the Church through the Connexional Budget totalled \$589,852— a decrease of \$33,567 from the previous year. Additional income of \$55,336 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, \$1,132,653 has been contributed to the Connexional Budget through the Connexional Banking arrangement.

During the year the Budget Task Group granted \$959,979 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 2017-2018

	Amount Requested	Net Amount Allocated
Recipients of guaranteed funding	36,400	36,400
Recipients of non-guaranteed funding	1,021,522	923,579
	1,057,922	959,979
Fund administration		
Totals	\$1,057,922	\$959,979

Funded from:

	Net Amount Allocated	Actually Received
Connexional Budget from Parishes & Entities	474,902	471,963
Uniting Congregations in Aotearoa	135,000	125,702
Grants - special account	55,000	55,336
Grant - Te Taha Maori	25,000	25,000
Other Income	40,129	230,000
Totals	\$730,031	\$908,001

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

	Allocations \$	Contribution \$	Percentage %
2017-18	\$634,902	\$608,136	95.8%
2016-17	\$641,934	\$640,580	99.8%
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%

(ii) Results from Methodist Parishes

(a)

	Fully Paid	Not Fully Paid
2017-18	73	1
2016-17	72	4

2015-16	75	2
2014-15	73	4
2013-14	77	4
2012-13	79	3

(b) Percentage of Budget Allocation reached from Parishes

		Methodist	
	Year	Allocations	Contribution
	2017-18	499,902	99.41%
	2016-17	501,934	101.72%
	2015-16	537,123	91.74%
	2014-15	559,028	89.49%
	2013-14	516,300	96.07%
	2012-13	507,035	93.01%

		Union	
	Year	Allocations	Contribution
	2017-18	135,000	93.11%
	2016-17	140,000	92.86%
	2015-16	150,000	90.24%
	2014-15	145,000	103.93%
	2013-14	155,000	90%
	2012-13	158,000	95.75%

(iii) Payments to Divisions and Committees

	Allocation	Payment
Guaranteed		
World Council of Churches		
World Methodist Council (incl Member Expenses)		
Christian Conference of Asia		
Paid to Connexional Expenses	13,400	13,400
Bio Ethics Committee	3,000	3,000
Travel & Study	20,000	20,000
	<u>36,400</u>	<u>36,400</u>
Non Guaranteed		
<u>Partnership & Mission Expenses</u>		
Connexional Expenses	384,479	384,479
Board of Administration	94,164	94,164
Ministry Education	140,000	140,000
Methodist Mission and Ecumenical	15,000	15,000
Touchstone	46,000	46,000
Uniting Congregations of Aotearoa New Zealand	21,556	21,134
Budget Administration	6,716	6,716
Christian World Service Overseas Aid- 2% of parish contributions	12,380	12,453
<u>Tauwi Mission & Expenses</u>		
Mission Resourcing	210,000	210,000
Evangelical Network	0	0
	<u>930,295</u>	<u>929,946</u>
Grand Total	<u>\$966,695</u>	<u>\$966,346</u>

(iv)

Payments to Divisions and Committees:

	Guaranteed	Non Guaranteed	% Paid to Non Guaranteed
2017-18	\$36,400	\$929,946	99.96%
2016-17	\$37,450	\$798,264	100.00%
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%

SECTION B

2017-18 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 2019 was:

Contributions from Parishes

Northland	4,656	
Auckland	123,880	
Manukau	44,132	
Waikato – Bay of Plenty	57,806	
Lower North Island Synod	62,190	
Nelson	7,000	
Central South Island	52,363	
Otago – Southland	11,172	
Vahefonua Tonga	77,000	
Wasewase ko Viti Kei Rotuma e Niu Siladi	7,147	
Te Taha Maori	25,000	
Sinoti Samoa & Parishes	30,772	
Uniting Congregations in Aotearoa New Zealand	130,000	633,119
Special Account Grant		53,892
Connexional Legacies and Other		52,000
PAC distribution group (requested)		200,000
Total Income		\$939,011

Allocations to Divisions & Committees

<u>Guaranteed</u>	Amount requested \$	Amount allocated \$
World Council of Churches	5,000	5,000
World Methodist Council	3,500	3,500
Christian Conference of Asia	6,900	6,900
	\$15,400	\$15,400

<u>Non-Guaranteed</u>	<u>Amount requested</u> \$	<u>Amount allocated</u> \$
<u>Partnership & Mission Expenses</u>		
Connexional Expenses	347,652	330,336
Board of Administration	48,549	48,549
Archives	48,549	48,549
Ministry Education	140,000	140,000
Methodist Mission and Ecumenical	22,230	15,000
Touchstone	48,501	48,501
Uniting Congregations of Aotearoa New Zealand	21,134	21,134
Budget Administration	0	0
Christian World Service Overseas Aid- 2% of parish contributions	12,300	12,300
<u>Tauivi Mission & Expenses</u>		
Mission Resourcing	210,000	210,000
Evangelical Network	0	0
Hospital Chaplaincy	30,000	20,000
Travel & Study	20,000	20,000
Bio Ethics	3,000	3,000
	951,915	917,369
Grand Total	\$967,315	\$932,769

Connexional Budget Task Group

The Budget Task Group for 2019 will consist of; President, Vice-President (Chair), General Secretary, the Tumuaki of Te Taha Maori, Saunoa Tulou, Rex Nathan, Hiueni Nuku, Kathryn Walters, Arapera Ngaha along with Connexional Staff in attendance.

Suggested decisions:

1. The report is received.
2. The membership of the Budget Task Group for 2019 is: President, Vice-President (Chair), General Secretary, the Tumuaki of Te Taha Maori, Saunoa Tulou, Rex Nathan, Hiueni Nuku, Kathryn Walters, Arapera Ngaha along with Connexional Staff in attendance.

Supplementary Report (Continuation from page A-13)

REVIEW OF THE ETHICAL STANDARDS FOR MINISTRY, AUGUST 2018

Work Group

Tauiwi – Susan Thompson and Mataiva Robertson
Te Taha Māori – Shirley Rivers and Te Aroha Rountree

Task

Review the Ethical Standards for Ministry in light of the question of the Marital Status of Clergy and Candidates for Ministry.

Timeline

The Work Group met as a whole in 2015 and held further email conversations and small group meetings in 2016, 2017 and 2018.

We identified that there were no references in the Law Book or information leaflets with regard to Marital Status for Clergy and Candidates for Ordination.

We considered Synod responses to the Marital Status paper (August 2014) and comments made at the Tauiwi Meeting (2015) and noted that opinions regarding this matter are divided.

Some within Te Hāhi are strongly opposed to candidates for ministry or clergy being in unmarried sexual relationships.

Others ask “Can the church recognise the goodness of other forms of non-married sexual unions, such as faithful de facto partnerships ... [and] same gender partnerships” (*excerpt Uniting Church of Australia 2015*)

Touchstones

We note a call for wisdom, consistency in the way our Methodist law is applied and natural justice. It appears that in the past, the lack of clarity regarding this matter has led to an inconsistency in the way candidates and clergy have been treated.

We also note the suggestion that Methodism is traditionally a mix of pragmatism and grace.

Our Approach

We have considered the Selection Criteria for Presbyterian Candidates for Ministry (Information Leaflet No. 2 August 2014) and would highlight the need for candidates to show integrity and a strong moral capacity. We suggest adding a phrase to this effect under the section “Personality”.

We have considered the Standards for Membership, Ministry and Professional Practice (Information Leaflet No. 180 2012) and suggest a process for when a particular relationship begins between the minister and a person outside the pastoral community.

New clause:

3.3(f) *When personal issues impact upon a Minister’s work, such issues shall be discussed with the Minister’s supervisor and may be referred to a counsellor.*

New clauses:

4.4 *If a particular relationship begins between a Minister and a person outside the pastoral community, the Minister shall:*
(a) *disengage from any pastoral relationships with the person if they made contact with the Minister in their responsibility or function as a Minister and arrange alternative pastoral care for the other person.*

- (b) *inform their supervisor of this change to their personal circumstances and discuss how this may impact upon their work.*
- (c) *disclose the relationship at an appropriate time to an appropriate officer of the Church (eg. Parish Steward, Synod Superintendent or other appropriate person within the appointing body)*
- (d) *at all times keep in mind the requirement of Ministers to exhibit a mature Christian faith in all their relationships and in particular to embody integrity, trust and compassion.*

All Relationships

4.5. *As leaders of the Church, Ministers are called to model in all their personal and pastoral relationships the love, care and compassion that was embodied in Jesus Christ.*

Ministers have a special responsibility to relate to others in a way that ensures:

- (a) *respect, sensitivity and reverence for others*
- (b) *non-abusive use of power*
- (c) *faithfulness in marriage and personal relationships*

No such process currently exists within the Standards. We believe this has led to an uncertainty about accountabilities.

We have also considered the Ethical Standards for Ministry (2011) and suggest that these apply to lay leaders as well as to presbyters and deacons.

Where to From Here?

The Work Group affirms that all relationships (marriages, de facto relationships, same-gender partnerships) have the potential to be life-giving and life-denying.

Loving, faithful, committed relationships are not confined to marriage. The Church's failure to acknowledge this has not been helpful.

Yet, as David Poultney noted in his 2014 paper, marriage "offers a particular witness". It is a declaration of the intent to make commitment and integrity central to a relationship.

The Work Group believes that "people have a right to expect integrity of those who would offer leadership and ministry".

If this is so, we would affirm the conclusion David reaches, "that marriage for all our candidates and clergy engaged in sexual relationships is appropriate and right".

We Note

If the Church accepts this position, it is vital that LGBTQ people have access to ministers who will conduct same-sex marriages and churches that will host these.

We support the rights of conscience. However we can't require marriage of LGBTQ candidates and clergy if we're not prepared to make that possible.

Next Steps

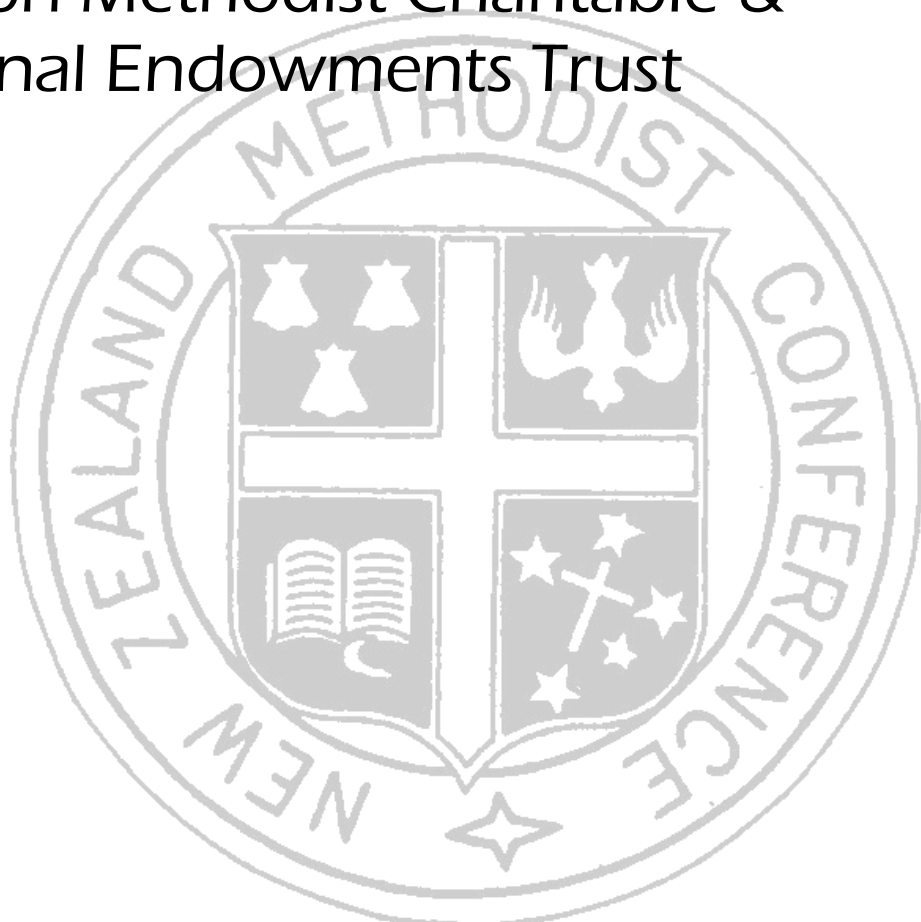
It may be that there is further work to do revising the Information Leaflets for either the Work Group or some other part of the Church.

The work on the marital status of candidates and clergy is likely to need further debate.

B (i)

Te Taha Maori

- Te Taha Maori
- Te Taha Maori Property Trust
- Wellington Methodist Charitable & Educational Endowments Trust



TE TAHA MAORI



NGĀ MAHI A AITUA

Kia tihei mauri ora, ngā mema o te Hui Tōpu, tēnā koutou katoa.

Ka ngaro rātou, Ka ngaro rātou!

Ko Napi Waaka tērā, ko John Kopa, ko Sonny Livingstone, ko Hoana Timoko, ko Donna Richards, ko Parehikairo Fatatautama, ko Koro Weterere, ko Kiri Haretuku, ko Terry Matiaha, ko Ben Morunga, ko Rangī Ross, ko Inia Te Wiata, ko June Ogilvy, ko Frances Edmonds, ko Isabelle Dalton, a wai atu, a wai atu huri noa i ngā Rohe, takoto, takoto marie koutou i te Ariki.

Otirā ko te Hunga Piripono ki a Ihu Karaiti, “ahakoa kua mate e ora anō” e kia ai i ngā Karaipiture.

Nō reira ko te tumanako, ko ngā mate o ngā tau e rua, ka tuhituhia.

Te Taha Māori acknowledges the memory of all those of our Weteriana Whānau who have died since our last Conference and especially those who worked tirelessly in the service of our people.

HE ATUATANGA (Theology)

At every gathering we engage in theology within a Māori paradigm, within the context of Aotearoa. Our theology sessions in recent Hui Pōari have covered a range of issues and areas including technological spaces. The social media spaces are where our taitamariki hang out, so one of the questions we've been exploring is how can the technology of social media work for us?

Finding ways in which we the parents and grandparents can learn to access and use these spaces for the benefit of all our members is a challenge. What are our God understandings around this technology and how do they fit with atua Māori? How do we learn to work smarter and not harder and remain true to our theological understandings? Upskilling our Kuia and Kaumātua on how best they can use their mobiles and devices can be challenging but fun, but the greatest lesson is kia kotahi ai te mahi – working together intergenerationally.

New liturgical resources have been trialled at our Hui Pōari and then shared with our Rohe Minitā-i-Tohia, Minitā-ā-Iwi and Kaikarākia. These resources focus on seeing and understanding God in ways that are congruent with tikanga and mātauranga Māori.

HE ATUATANGA MŌ TE REO (Theology of Language)

‘Ko te reo te mauri o te mana Māori’. The language is the core of our Māori culture and mana.’ Words expressed by Sir James Henare that encapsulate the essence of a theology of language, illuminating the knowledge of the past providing milestones to inform Te Taha Māori communities of today. Te Reo Māori is viewed as a taonga for all New Zealanders to embrace. To all the Synods, Parishes and Connexional bodies who have engaged in their own te reo journey we are encouraged by your efforts. All these steps both big and small serve to normalise te reo in our church and our country.

ECUMENICAL AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS (Ngā Hāhi Puta Noa I Te Ao).

The vehicle for Māori Ecumenism continues to be Te Rūnanga Whakawhanaunga I Ngā Hāhi O Aotearoa whose members are Weteriana, Mihinare, Perehipitiriana (Te Aka Puaho) with an appointment from Te Hāhi Katorika awaiting confirmation. For a period of time of being ‘out in the wilderness’ Te Rūnanga Whakawhanaunga I Ngā Hāhi has re- focussed, re-engaged and come back even stronger with a view to strengthening ecumenical ties with each other. For Māori Methodists there has always been a strong belief that to be Methodist in Aotearoa is to be ecumenical.

A strategic Planning Day was held recently to upskill, check and review our Constitution, look at future possibilities for our work both here in Aotearoa and Internationally.

A lot of work and planning has gone into the Hospital Chaplaincy section of Te Rūnanga Whakawhanaunga I Ngā Hāhi ensuring that we have adequate cover in terms of Chaplains for the

major Hospitals within the Auckland Area. Bardia Matiu and Deanne Wolfeston manage the Hospital Chaplaincy Portfolio.

It is through Te Rūnanga Whakawhanaunga I Ngā Hāhi O Aotearoa that we keep in contact with the work of other international Ecumenical Bodies such as the Christian Conference of Asia (CCA), World Council of Churches (WCC), World Methodist Council (WMC) and the National Dialogue for Christian Unity (NDCU).

The work of CCA continues under the leadership of the General Secretary Rev. Dr. Mathews George Chunakara from India and our own Tumuaki Rev. Diana Tana is the Vice Moderator.

There have been many meetings in relation to the international ecumenical bodies that some of our members have been engaged with over these past two years. A few of these are noted:

- Tumuaki Rev. Diana Tana and Dr. Arapera Ngaha attended the Roundtable Meeting of CCA with a focus on ‘Shaping a New Ecumenical Paradigm for Living Together in God’s Oikos’ in 2016.
- Tumuaki Rev. Diana Tana was the recipient of the Asian Ecumenical Fellowship Award which allowed her to spend a month in Chiang Mai while on Sabbatical Leave in 2017. This enabled her to travel to Myanmar with CCA Staff to begin preparations for the CCA Diamond Jubilee in the form of a Workshop beginning with Worship and Liturgical Traditions in Asia.
- The Commemorative Celebration of the Diamond Jubilee of CCA took place in Yangon, Myanmar with the Tumuaki and Rev. Rex Nathan in attendance along with representatives from our Methodist Tauwi section of the Church.
- In June of this year representatives of the CCA Executive Committee held a pre – meeting in Dubai prior to travelling to Beirut, Lebanon for its main meeting. The Key meetings were held at the Holy See of the Armenian Orthodox Church in Antelias.
- During the July, 2018 World Methodist Council in Seoul, Korea, Marama Hotere participated in the Education Committee hosted by the Seoul Kwanglim Methodist Church alongside our Aotearoa Methodist Church Council representatives.
- Tara Tautari has also represented us at various International Church Forums and her skills, experience and knowledge from her time spent in Geneva as a Programme Executive Director for WCC is appreciated and valued.
- On the National front Rev. Keita Hotere presented a Paper at the National Dialogue for Christian Unity Annual Forum meeting at the Catholic Centre in Wellington. Member Churches addressed the question; “Where have our Treaty based Churches reached on our Bi – Cultural Journey”. Exploring where they have come from, where we are now and where we hope to be in the future. It was clear that the other churches still struggle with making this “real” in their lives.
- May 2018 saw a special celebration of 160 years of the Kingitanga including the Service of Celebration where the newly installed Māori Archbishop and Primate/ Te Pihopa Matamua, Archbishop Don Tamihere delivered the kauhau. His message was a timely one urging us all to remember and to celebrate our beginnings.

EDUCATION AND MINISTRY TRAINING (Ngā Whakangungu Mātauranga)

Each year we hold Enabling Ministry Training wānanga at Whakatuora Centre covering Contextual Theology, Biblical Studies and Liturgy and Preaching. The centralisation of the training at a national level fosters whanaungatanga, relationship building amongst students in the different rohe. We explore the various pathways of the ministry journey reflecting upon what guided them to offering a service to their communities. The discernment process involves exploring the influences on upbringings, church traditions and the impact this has had on whānau, marae, hapū, iwi - local

community life understandings and expectations for providing ministry formation that is relevant for our people today.

Our marae, our churches, our rohe centres and homes are the vibrant starting points for our local engagement. Rohe Karakia and various wānanga involvements include sporting activities, kapa haka, kura academic achievements the many openings and re-dedications of buildings, mārena, irīri, huritau, tangihanga, hura kohatu, training of Kaikarakia, Minita-a-iwi and Minita-i-tōhia form part and parcel of Rohe life that has continued to grow and flourish.

Te Taha Māori values the collaboration in the development of courses with Trinity College. Such collaborative work is important not only for our people but also for students from the wider church seeking to develop greater understanding and skills in their leadership roles in the bicultural Te Hāhi Weteriana o Aotearoa.

We commend and continue to support Te Aroha Rountree in her role as Māori Studies Lecturer, Trinity College.

NGĀ PUTEA ME NGĀ WHARE (Finance and Properties)

Ngā Kaimahi o te Tari (Office Staff)

At the end of 2017 we farewelled Dina McCarthy who had served as our Finance Officer for more than 20 years. We are grateful for Dina's work with us.

We have recently reviewed the Job Descriptions of our Liaison People. We recognised that much has changed in these positions since they were first discussed and implemented in 1992, but the Job Descriptions no longer reflect these changes. Hui Pōari has taken the time this year to thoroughly overhaul and address these positions and the upgraded Job Descriptions were affirmed in our July, 2018 Hui Pōari meeting.

A Review process for these positions has also been initiated and that will ensure that these roles remain current and relevant to the task at hand.

Ō Mātou Pūtea (Financial Management)

Early in 2018 we welcomed Gerard Da Silva into our midst as the Finance Manager for Te Taha Māori. Gerard as a qualified Accountant brings this financial expertise as well as sound computer technological expertise into our midst. One of his earliest tasks was to train and bring all our Liaison People and Treasurers in each Rohe up to speed with the technology and financial systems required to carry out their roles effectively and more efficiently.

Te Taha Māori have in recent months sought to manage the operational, financial, day to day business of Te Taha Māori ourselves. That is now being managed from our Penrose Office. It has not been an easy road, we have learned much along the way, but with patience and persistence we have continued to push for our own *tino rangatiratanga* in these matters

We want to acknowledge and thank the Connexional Office staff for their considerable work conducted on our behalf over many, many years. In recent years it has been Peter Van Hout, Jane Pinney and the General Secretary who have had oversight in this matter. In the past there have been many others and we do want to acknowledge their work conducted on our behalf.

Ō Mātou Whare (Properties)

The Report of the Te Taha Māori Property Trust follows the Taha Māori Report and presents matters around our properties and investments over the last two years.

The focus for our Rohe in recent months has been to look more deliberately at the properties that each Rohe have responsibility for, with a view to upgrade where needed to present greater opportunities for hireage, ease of access and therefore more chances for community engagement.

We recognise that in today's world, communities up and down the country are in need in so many ways. We also know that we can't do everything. However, providing easy access to spaces

where engagement at all levels can take place is one avenue where we might engage with mission. We don't want to wait for our community to come to us, we seek to invite engagement, going out in order to bring the community in.

NGĀ TAKE HONONGA O TE HĀHI (Connexional Matters)

The work of the 4 plus 4 for the General Secretary's position is ongoing and Te Taha Māori look forward to fruitful discussions and positive outcomes in this matter.

We commend the work of the Conference Panel, formerly known as the 5 plus 5 who worked so hard to resolve matters around the process of choosing a new Presidential team. We are mindful of the extra care taken to ensure pastoral support for all involved in that process and we commend to the wider church the resolutions that came out of that process.

Council of Conference continues as our primary marae ātea (forum) for Connexional priorities. Debate and robust dialogue in plenary, supports the vision of this governing body, whilst seeking ways forward for the many areas of discussion that are raised in that forum. The Council of Conference report expands on the work of this Connexional forum.

Te Taha Māori affirms the new Convenors - Keita Hotere and Tony Franklin Ross and the gifts they bring.

Te Taha Māori also affirms the work of the Council of Conference Elders, as they continue to monitor our Bi-Cultural Journey through our working together in this forum.

Recommendations:

1. The report is received.
2. That the Connexional Office, Accounts Staff are acknowledged for their considerable work with and on behalf of Te Taha Māori.
3. The 2019 membership and officers of **Hui Pōari** shall be: Tumuaki Diana Tana, Rex Nathan, Keita Hotere, Arapera Ngaha; Tai Tokerau: Frances Rakena, Robyn McClintock; Tamaki: Gillian Laird, Te Aroha Rountree; Waikato: Doreen Wilson, Shirley Rivers; Te Rohe Potae: Hinga Ormsby; Taranaki: Alison Ranui; Laura Maruera; Poneke: Alamaine McGregor; Otautahi: Roslyn Wilkie; **Rangatahi**: Te Wehenga Laird, Tamati Rakena; and representatives for Waikato, Taranaki, Te Rohe Potae, Poneke and Otautahi-Te Waipounamu to be appointed by the President.
4. The 2019 **Liaison Persons**-Officers of the Rohe shall be: Tai Tokerau: Frances Rakena; Tamaki: Gillian Laird; Waikato: Doreen Wilson; Te Rohe Potae: Hinga Ormsby; Taranaki: Alison Ranui; Poneke: Alamaine McGregor and Otautahi: Roslyn Wilkie.
5. The 2019 membership of **Te Runanga Whakawhanaunga I Ngā Hāhi O Aotearoa** shall be Diana Tana, Rex Nathan, Te Aroha Rountree, and Tara Tautari.

TE TAHA MĀORI PROPERTY TRUST

BACKGROUND

The Te Taha Māori 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 Māori have responsibility for, including those originally under the management of the Connexion's Investment Funds Board.

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

The Trust reports to Conference and makes distributions in accordance with the requirements of the Trust Deed.

SINCE CONFERENCE 2016

296 Massey Road

Te Taha Māori Property Trust in partnership with Airedale Property Trust and the Ministry of Social Development (MSD) were proud to open their new social housing project Tū Māia ki te Ao, in Mangere, South Auckland on March 23rd, 2018. The name itself is intended to offer support to the tenants to inspire them to be brave to face whatever the world sets in front of them each and every day. Associate Minister of Housing and Urban Development Jenny Salesa was there to open the housing complex and was encouraged that the church was engaged in matters such as this, working in partnership with the government. She saw this as an illustration of how such partnerships, community with government, can work.

296 Massey Rd was formerly the site of one of our parsonages and is adjacent to Te Taha Māori's Whakatuora Complex in Mangere. The house required a costly overhaul and so the decision was made to use the land to address current community needs. It provides an opportunity for Te Taha Māori to engage in mission in this space, and tenants will have the benefit of wrap around services provided by Lifewise, should they be needed.

There are two 5 bedroom homes and three 2 bedroom terraced housing units on the site. All the units have the capacity to adapt for disability needs, but the two 5 bedroom homes are purpose built for use by the disabled. All five houses are now tenanted with families that include 16 children, including two special needs children, who attend the local preschools, primary and high schools. Gardener Homes were the builders and Te Taha Māori and Airedale Property Trust both acknowledge the excellent working relationship developed with Gardener's and their professional workmanship throughout.

In time, Te Taha Māori consider that this type of complex may be duplicated in other parts of the country where we have the land and the need for social housing assistance is apparent.



James Buller Memorial Centre – Dargaville

In recent months this property has been given a facelift. The paint job was part of another “church and community partnership” project. This project was managed through Northland Polytech and with Rev Rex Nathan acting for the Trust. It provided opportunity to upskill students in a skills based programme, to achieve an outcome that the whole community could take pride in.



Mangungu Church, Hokianga

With the assistance of Heritage New Zealand, the Trust provided the funds for some structural repairs and repainting of the church. This work was completed and an opening service to rededicate the church back to regular services was undertaken in February 2018.

The church is on a site that is leased to heritage New Zealand and the Trust continues to have discussions with them that may eventually see the church included in the lease.

The Mangungu Mission House site is at the end of the Pou Herenga Tai (Twin Coast Cycle Trail). This is an 85km bike trail that begins in Russell in the Bay of Islands.

Kawhia Church

This church is significant in the history of early Wesleyan Missions as well as for Māori and the history of Kingitanga. It remains a legacy and we take pride in our responsibility as kaitiaki of this resource. The building is currently needing roofing work, but other developments to the site mean that it still has pride of place in the local community.

New Plymouth Properties (ex-Grey Institute Trust)

In the main, the balance of the leasehold properties that the Trust holds produce income with little input from the Trust. As with most situations in life, it is the exceptions which help “burn the midnight oil” and take time to resolve.

The Trust has a small number of leaseholders who remain in arrears and these are gradually being addressed and resolved.

Another matter of contention is where a land slip occurred in the early part of 2017 on a leasehold property that adjoins a Presbyterian Church property in New Plymouth. A retaining wall on the Presbyterian Church side collapsed causing the land slip. After a year, there still has been no settlement with EQC and attempting to discuss the matter with the leaseholder has been challenging.

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 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 their remaining living expenses.

The Trust has been actively 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 the properties are listed or leased by Historic Places Trust and negotiating their management, renovation and occupation can be both time-consuming and problematic.

The Trust reported at last conference the intended purchase of the Hawera Church. That is completed and now the Parish continues 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.

GRAFTON DOWNS

The Trust receives regular progress updates on the Grafton Downs Development programme as it has made a significant investment into Grafton Downs. Te Taha Māori consider that this is an important asset to the future of the wider Connexion and are keen to see the development grow.

LAND STORIES

The Trust has started the work of documenting a number of land stories that relate to properties it holds that have not till now been completed. The research conducted is carried out in accordance with the guidelines elaborated by the Church (Information Leaflet No.46).

One land story relates to a property known as “Waikare No. 9”, a block of land near Russell, Bay of Islands. Our Report on that particular property has been placed before the Māori Land Court Judge who is presiding over a land ownership matter with the various whānau who have whakapapa connections to that block.

Other properties identified requiring land stories include 40 Turner Street (Kaeo), 75 Omaunu Road (Kaeo), Te Atawhai Centre (Kawakawa), Whirinaki, Te Mangungu and Mangamuka.

It was noted that because of the historical significance of the Kaeo church properties, i.e. this being the site of the first Wesleyan Mission Station established in the country in 1823, and the earliest acquisition of land by the Church - it holds not only historical and symbolic significance for the Church and the hapū of the region, but also plays an important role in the history of the nation. For this reason the Trust believes that as it continues its research, a wider Methodist Church discussion on the future of the properties should be encouraged.

We acknowledge here the huge input from the late Watarini (Sonny) Livingstone, working with our researcher Rowan Tautari, in these communities that has helped move these matters along.

STATEMENT OF INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES (SIPO)

The Trust, being mindful of its obligations to its beneficiaries, have started work on developing a written statement of its investment objectives. As Conference will be aware, much of the Trust's assets are land and buildings but it also has a small portfolio of equities (residual from the Grey Institute Trust) and investments in the Methodist Trust Association.

The Trust wishes to maximise its returns to the beneficiaries in the long term and therefore having a stated and written SIPO will help it manage its assets.

LOOKING AHEAD

Over the next 12 to 18 months the Trust will continue to review its rental arrangements with its tenants to make sure they are still addressing the needs of all parties appropriately. Where the auditors picked up that some tenants did not have residential tenancy agreements in place, so these were made a priority and have been addressed. It is important to both trustees and tenants to know their obligations and responsibilities as noted in the Residential tenancy Act.

The Trust will look at completing the land stories noted earlier in the report and will continue to work with others that are waiting. In particular we look forward to finding ways in which we might extend the conversations around the future of properties that are significant to our church and our country's history, such as those in Kaeo.

Completion of the SIPO to the satisfaction of the Trust to gain best rewards for its beneficiaries is a priority.

The Trust will also be looking at making decisions on the use of the land and buildings on the Mission property in New Plymouth given that the Mission House is a historic building while the small chapel at the front of the building is not listed. Where buildings like this are under two sets of management responsibilities, it can be very difficult to make changes. These are but a few of the challenges we face.

THE BOARD

The Trust acknowledges here the support of the Connexional Office namely, Peter Van Hout, Jane Pinney, Jade Barlow, and in a private consultancy role, Greg Wright. We make special mention also of Gerard De Silva in his capacity as the Finance Manager for Te Taha Māori and the expertise that he brings to the forum.

The Constitution of the Trust provides that the Board shall comprise four (4) persons appointed by Conference together with the Tumuaki of Te Taha Māori. The Trust would ask that the persons nominated in the suggested decisions be ratified. The names nominated are the 4 current members of the Board with the addition of Rev Keita Hotere as a new member from October 2018.

Suggested decisions:

1. The report be received.
2. That Conference affirm the growing of conversations around the future of properties of great significance to our church's history, such as Kaeo, encouraging our members to actively engage with these matters.
3. That Conference confirm that the Board members for Te Taha Māori Property Trust for 2018/2020 to be: Arapera Ngaha – Chairperson, Diana Tana (Tumuaki of Te Taha Māori), Rex Nathan, Tara Tautari, Keita Hotere

THE BOARD OF THE WELLINGTON METHODIST CHARITABLE AND EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENTS TRUST

The Wellington Methodist Charitable and Educational Endowments Trust offers grants to support child and youth development projects in the Wellington Region. The objective of the Trust is to help maintain, educate, support and develop children and young people who are Māori, or of other cultures.

We have continued to receive applications for grants from schools, kura kaupapa, community groups – primarily these are from the greater Wellington region. We acknowledge the gift Te Taha Māori made by not seeking funding from the Board in 2017 and 2018 so additional funding could be available for other groups. Funding for Te Taha Māori is resuming in the financial year to 30 June 2019.

In 2017, 30 grants totally \$147,450 and in 2018, 35 grants totally \$160,000 were made. More details of grants are presented below. In 2017 a contribution of \$10,000 was made as an ex gratia contribution for a historic claim related to the former Masterton Children's Home that the Board had a funding relationship with.

Grants year ended 30 June 2017

Schools	\$	Community	\$
Aotea College	1,500	Autism Wairarapa Trust	3,500
Brandon Intermediate School	3,861	Big Buddy Mentoring Trust	2,000
Epuni School	6,060	Blind Foundation	1,000
He Huarahi Tamariki School	1,000	Ignite Sport	2,000
Linden School	2,975	Literacy Aotearoa	1,000
Mauriceville School	7,500	Newtown Community & Cultural Centre	5,000
Ngati Toa School	4,000	Praxis – Youth Cultures & Communities Trust	3,000
Petone School	825	Prison Fellowship	3,500
Pomare School	5,350	Royal NZ Plunket Society Wgtn/Wairarapa	2,000
Porirua School	9,389	The Parenting Place	1,000
Rata Street School	2,000	Upper Hutt Community Youth Trust	4,000
Te Ara Whanui Kura Kaupapa	5,000	Zeal Education Trust	2,000
Titahi Bay North School	2,000		
Titahi Bay School	2,500		
Tui Glen School	5,000		
Subtotal	\$58,960	Subtotal	\$30,000

Other grants

Masterton Family Education and Support Centre	\$20,000
Wesley Community Action	\$36,000
Yoeman (West Papuan student Wesley College)	\$ 2,500

Contribution

Methodist Church of New Zealand (ex gratia payment related to Masterton Children's Home)	\$10,000
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Grants year ended 30 June 2018

Schools	\$	Community	\$
Brandon Intermediate School	1,000	All Saints Hataitai	1,500
Corinna School	4,500	Big Buddy	2,000
Dyer Street Schools	3,800	Challenge 2000	3,000
Epuni School	3,000	Connecting Communities Wairarapa	5,500
Heretaunga College	1,900	Eastern Southern Youth Trust	2,500
Holy Family School	4,500	Ignite Sport	2,500
Makoura College	5,500	Kidz need Dadz	2,500
Māoribank School	5,000	The Parenting Place	2,500
Naenae Intermediate	1,500	Wallaceville Play Centre	2,000
Ngati Toa School	4,000	Well-able (Disability Centre)	1,000
Porirua College	1,500	Wellington Pacific Bible College	5,000
Porirua East School	2,000		
Pukeatua Primary School	1,500		
Randwick School	3,800		
Saint Pius X School	3,000		
Te Ara Whanui Te Kura Kaupapa Māori	3,000		
Titahi Bay School	2,000		
Titiro Whakamua	1,000		
Tui Glen School	4,000		
Moku Reo	3,500		
Subtotal	\$60,000	Subtotal	\$30,000

Other grants

Masterton Family Education and Support Centre (one off additional funding of \$20,000 in financial year)	\$40,000
Methodist Social Services Palmerston North	\$ 5,000
Wesley Community Action	\$35,000

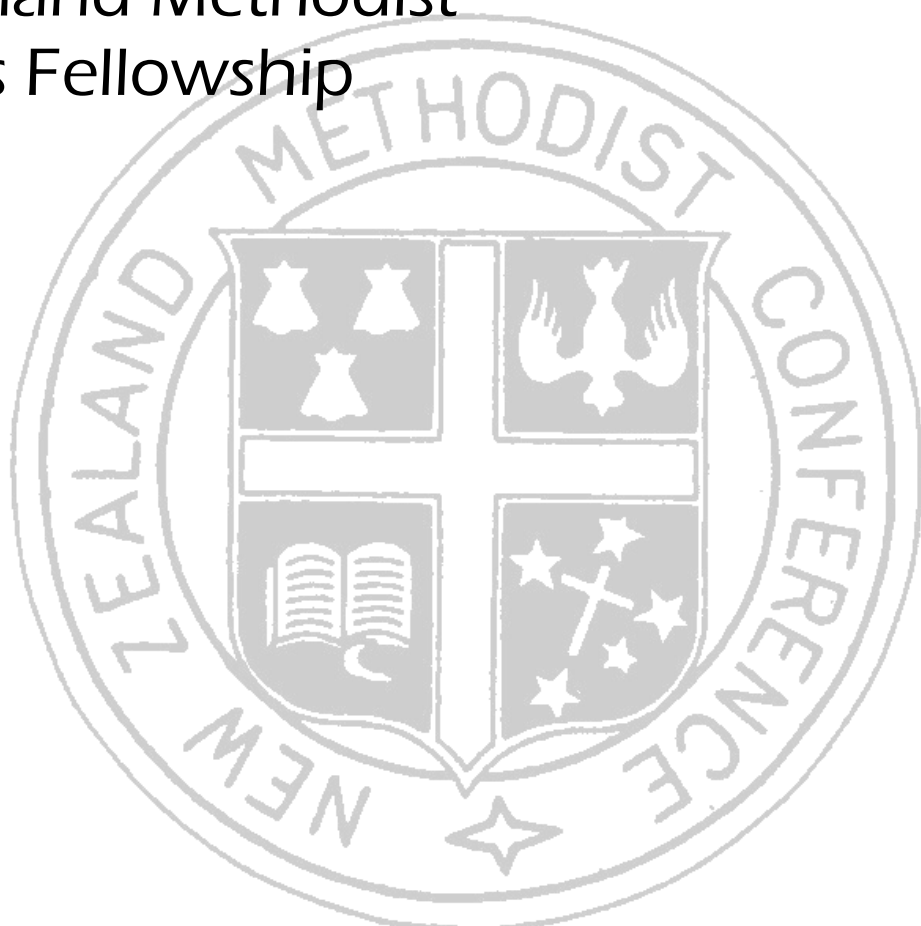
Suggested decisions:

1. The report be received.
2. The membership of the Board for 2019 is: Trevor Dine, Motekiai Fakatou, Marten Hutt, Senorita Laukau, Danette Ngarewa, Neville Price, Diana Tana, Leatuavao Viko Aufaga, Matthew (Matt) Roberts (Chairperson), Myra Tautau (secretary), and any others appointed by the President.
3. Note that John Willis is a co-opted member of the Board and Treasurer.

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Tauiwi

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



TAUIWI STRATEGY & STATIONING

In the Tauwi Strategy and Stationing report to Conference 2016 we noted the change in the nature of the agenda of the meeting from considering written papers on various topics (most of which went nowhere) to a more discursive approach to look at big issues facing the church's mission and ministry. The report went on to state:

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...

That is a tough challenge to meet and we could say the jury is still out in some regards to matters we raised then and how we have progressed since. We are aware, however, that talk needs to become action at some point. What follows is a brief history of what we have been discussing since that last Conference report.

PART A: REPORTING BACK

Tauwi Strategy held in February 2017 welcomed Dick Clayton as the new lay representative for CSI synod, Rev Tony Franklin-Ross as co-superintendent for LNI synod and Rev Andrew Doubleday as Evangelical Network representative.

The meeting spent some time looking at the process to be used for selecting the next presidential team after the impasse at Conference 2016. The committee also looked at a proposed reinstatement process for presbyters, deacons and probationers which was well received and was to be taken by the General Secretary to the Council of Conference for approval.

A session was held on transitional ministry and Rev Marilyn Welch and Rev Kathryn Walters have recently attended a transitional ministry conference in the USA and have shared their latest insights at the July 2018 meeting.

We also received a report from the Tauwi youth and children's ministry worker, Michael Lemanu, who reported on the theme '3-2-1 Unite' which called for youth meetings across the cultural boundaries. Michael was invited to the July 2017 meeting to follow this up and has appeared at subsequent meetings of Tauwi Strategy..

A discussion was held on Professional Development, but this is one of those topics that seem to have slipped through the cracks. At the meeting we discussed whether some element of Professional Development should be made compulsory for presbyters and deacons, but this has not yet been followed up and no recommendations have yet been made.

We returned also to a familiar theme – that of whether returning to a circuit model might enable us to keep a presence in places that are currently under threat. Conversations have continued and are continuing to address this question and it is likely that we shall see the re-emergence of structures we can identify as circuits in the next few years.

Tauwi Strategy meeting held in July 2017 convened at the Misinale celebration being held at Dominion Road Tongan church. The meeting reconvened the following day and opened with a theological reflection on the nature of Methodist theology and tradition led by the presidential team. We then welcomed Rev Adrian Skelton from UCANZ who explained the proposals for changing the way in which national and regional levies are received from CV congregations. This subject will appear elsewhere in the Conference 2018 agenda.

The meeting was then introduced to the 20/20 Vision Paper which has emanated from a subcommittee of the Council of Conference. This paper has featured in a number of subsequent synod and parish workshops. Its chief focus is to ask: How can we cope better in a declining church?

For the first time at Tauwi Strategy we broke into caucus groups – English-speaking and Pasifika. It was recognized that the English-speaking part of the church is in a critical condition in many

parts of the country and unless we address new ways of working (20/20 Vision Paper, circuit model, etc) we face extinction in some regions within a few years.

We thanked Christine Peak of Auckland synod at her last meeting for her contribution over a number of years to this committee.

The first meeting of 2018 was held in early March at the Mary MacKillop Centre, Auckland. Our opening worship included an update on happenings in Northland. After much hard work and encouragement from Rowan Smiley, together with some connexional support, the Redhill Camp has been saved from closure and is now up and running again. After protracted and delicate negotiations led by Rev Marilyn Welch and Rowan Smiley a Methodist presbyter was inducted again at Kaitaia. It is many years since a Methodist has been welcome to serve in this parish and it is heartening to see that such ill-feeling can be turned around, but only at a cost of a great deal of time, energy and patience. This situation is duplicated in various parts of the country and the new UCANZ procedures may bring matters to a head in some locations. A new Education Committee for Northland was established again for the first time in many years following a successful Lay Ministry Support event held in the area. Such are the encouraging stories from Northland which have their counterparts in all synods. The state of the church is a mixed picture, but we must not give up hope, despite the critical challenges we face.

During 2018 a decision had to be made to cease operating as a combined synod in the north. The workload for the synod superintendent is overwhelming, especially dealing with stationing issues, and there isn't enough money to sustain the work anyway. So with some reluctance, the three synods are looking to go their separate ways. Northland, Auckland, Manukau will cooperate where possible, but each will have its own leadership. Northland synod will stand independently from the CTN group after many years because the Presbyterian Church also wishes to establish a new subgrouping of their parishes in Northland region.

The meeting was also introduced to the approved format of the Service Tenancy Agreement for anyone living in a Methodist owned or funded house. Nicola Grundy and Rev Setaita Kinahoi Veikune introduced their thinking about the new format for Conference 2018. Stephen Walker gave a talk about the role of MTA and their updated ethical investment guidelines. Rachel Masterton reported on the Methodist Alliance's inaugural Forum held in November 2017. A team from TYC reported on the Tauwi Youth Conference which had the theme: To Know Christ. Our young people are in good heart and some encouraging numbers are seen at many events. Increasingly we hear from the younger people of the church a request to be told more about the nature of our Methodist approach to life and faith. This report was followed by a conversation about how we can best cater for our younger members. We seek a balance between giving them the space on their own to express their faith in age-appropriate ways and yet holding them sufficiently close to the older generations so that our Methodist identity can be safely passed down across the generations and into the future. We wish to bequeath our denominational heritage not in the manner of former times when it was done in a spirit of rivalry and disdain for other traditions, but in today's ecumenical spirit of adding to the total wealth of spiritual treasures of the People of God in an age when Christians may belong to more than one tradition at the same time, or taste several flavours of Christianity over the course of a lifetime; we believe Methodism deserves to be one of those flavours on offer.

In late July 2018 Tauwi Strategy convened once more at the Mary MacKillop Centre in Auckland. After hearing more of the new arrangements for Conference this year, we received guidance about the system to be used among Tauwi again this year for the election of our nominations for President and Vice-President. We then spent two sessions discussing two items sent on to us from Council of Conference – firstly concerning Tauwi's responsibilities in the bicultural journey which resulted in the suggested decision at the end of this report and secondly, we discussed the problem of over working our lay and ordained leaders with an ever-growing list of things we must do to comply with the law as well as a seemingly endless list of tasks to fulfil our mission. There is a suggested decision elsewhere in the Conference agenda to change the standard working week of our presbyters from 48 hours to 40 hours.

Revs Marilyn Welch and Kathryn Walters reported back over a series of half a dozen short slots in our programme about a recent course on transitional ministry which they attended on behalf of our church in the USA, a trip supported by the Professional Development Grants Committee. Marilyn and Kathryn hope to make this learning more widely available during the coming year. Please contact them for further details.

Suggested decisions:

1. That the report be received.
2. Taiwi Strategy Committee nominates the following people for the following posts:
For Council of Elders – Rev Tovia Aumua
For the Conference Panel: Rev Marilyn Welch, Ruta Fa’afuata, Mataiva Robertson, Ngaire Southon, with Rev Tony Franklin-Ross as Co-Convenor and Rev Metui Tafuna as reserve.

Part B: Future Strategy

3. Taiwi Strategy Committee resolves to promote the marking throughout Taiwi parishes of the following dates in the calendar: Waitangi Day; Matariki; Parihaka Day. People with suitable resources are asked to send them to Mission Resourcing who, in consultation with Te Taha Maori, will make them available on the Mission Resourcing website.

SYNOD REPORTS

NORTHLAND AUCKLAND MANUKAU

Northland:

Northland has undergone several significant changes in the last two years. In spite of resistance to having a Methodist appointment to our northern-most parish, through the dedicated work of Rowan Smiley and Robyn McPhail (from the Presbyterian Church) we were able to station a Methodist presbyter for the first time in over twenty years. This appointment along with another stationed presbyter in Whangarei brought the number of presbyters to four with one deacon, the first time in many years.

Because of the decision taken by Northern Presbytery to have Northland become its fifth region it has necessitated the reinstitution of the Northland Methodist Synod as a separate entity and decision-making body in its own right. This has been difficult for many but it now gives us more of a voice on matters affecting Methodists in Northland. Churches Together in Northland will now become a Forum where inspiration, education etc will be its focus and the business side will be conducted by the denominational groups which will caucus after each Forum meeting.

Earlier this year we began a Koinonia group for Methodist deacons and presbyters. This was proved to be a good step forward for collegiality and a place to raise issues that affect clergy. There are still parishes that do not have presbyters and their financial situation is that they probably never will.

Our education workshops and seminars have been well attended and have empowered everyone to be active in ministry.

We farewelled Mary Nicholas as she retired at the end of 2017.

As from next year Northland will have its own Synod Superintendent and Kuli Fusi’ahi will take up that role.

As the cost of housing and living is becoming extremely expensive many people are leaving Auckland and moving to the north which poses a real challenge for the synod to embrace new ways of being church and offer hospitality to the new-comers.

Auckland

Last year Auckland had six changes of ministry and 2018 has the same. This has brought some new life and vibrancy to our parishes and synods.

Auckland has been growing at a rapid rate and we have spent time considering how we can be a creative Christian presence in new developing areas. With the release of extra financial resources for Mission Resourcing we hope to apply for funding to be able to have a community development worker placed in one or two of these areas. The cost of housing has sky-rocketed in the region and with that has brought high levels of homeless and poverty. Many of our parishes are working to offer ministry to those in their communities who have been affected by such social issues. Methodist Mission Northern has been instrumental in moving in this area.

As for many other places in the connexion a very big challenge for us is the seismic strengthening of church buildings. Many parishes do not have the expertise from within their own congregations to deal with this and MASPAC (our Property committee) spends a lot of time helping parishes understand the implications and what they need to do in order to get their buildings up to code. Unfortunately many parishes also do not have the finances to rectify these. The retirement of Keith Taylor from MASPAC has meant a total re-evaluation as to how the committee functions. Keith's ministry has been a highly effective ministry and many parishes as well as the synod owe much to Keith's commitment and determination. Jan Tasker has agreed to become the convenor of this important committee.

Last year, together with Northland and Manukau we had a very successful residential School of Theology for those who attended but our numbers were disappointing and cost was given as the reason. So this year's which was non-residential was very well attended. In lieu of last year's conference we decided to have a Workshop Day for all parishes and this was held in April and was well attended and the presenters' input much appreciated. Our Combined Synods' Koinonia group continues to meet each quarter for Holy Communion, fellowship and a meal.

Auckland will now also be a separate Synod, and Rev Graeme White has been nominated for a 50% Superintendency.

Manukau:

There have been no parishes or presbyters on stationing for the last two years. This has given some sense of stability within the synod.

Like Auckland the rate of housing development in the southern part of the synod has been phenomenal and this will have a huge impact on the region. The population over the next ten years will increase by thousands and the need for tradespeople to meet the housing crisis continues to be a challenge. However this does give the synod a great opportunity to offer creative ways of sharing the gospel of Christ and being a witness in these communities as they develop. Wesley College's housing development Grafton Downs, is well underway.

Manukau Synod has made the decision to be independent next year and is working through their own process of how synodical ministry will be exercised with everyone taking on a role of some kind. However, there will still be some things that may still be done with Auckland such as property and Schools of Theology.

As I retire from my role as Combined Synods' Superintendent and rewire for whatever life may be preparing for me I want to express my thanks to the superintendency team of Rowan Smiley, Dilys Davies and Jackie Mc George who have supported me in my ministry and achieved an incredible amount for their respective synods. Thanks also to the Connexional Staff and Mission Resourcing Directors for their assistance with some challenging issues and some fun times. And to the other Synod Superintendents from around the country thanks for your welcome, support and collegiality. May the Spirit continue its movement both in and among Methodists in Aotearoa.

Marilyn Welch with Rowan Smiley, Dilys Davies, Jackie Mc George.

WAIKATO WAIARIKI

The last two years have been busy and productive ones for the Synod. We've built upon past successes and embraced new initiatives.

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

Highlights included Ministerial Synod workshops with Jill van de Geer from the Taiwi Sexuality Work Group (2017) and with Marilyn Welch on Boundaries in Ministry (2018), lay preachers' training days on interfaith relations with Todd Nachowitz from the Religious Diversity Centre (2017) and on ecological readings of the Bible with Dr Emily Colgan from Trinity College (2018), Synod Refresh which focused on rural ministry (2018) and our annual Synod Quiet Days.

This focus on education is essential in upskilling our presbyters and in helping to train new lay preachers. By Conference 2018 we will have welcomed three new lay preachers to the Synod. All our lay preachers offer an invaluable ministry.

In October 2017 we held "Give it a go!", a weekend of worship, workshops and wonders. Our guest speaker was Dr Edwina Pio, University Director of Diversity at Auckland University of Technology. People came from all over the District, from all of the cultural groups within the Synod area and from the Lower North Island Synod. We received very positive feedback about the event and will hold a similar gathering in the next non-Conference year.

Intentional conversations about the future of parishes have continued to be held on both sides of the Kaimai Ranges.

These have led to the decision to form a new Tauranga Moana Circuit which would include groups in Otumoetai, Tauranga, Mt Maunganui, Te Puke and Kawerau. The administration of the parishes is currently being centralised and a transitional executive has been formed. It is hoped that the Circuit might come into being in late 2019. We are very grateful to Maureen Calman for walking alongside the Te Puke-Mt Maunganui Parish during this process.

In Hamilton a long legal process culminated in approval being given for the St Paul's Methodist Church to be moved to a new site in Te Kowhai. This has freed the Hamilton Parish to think creatively and strategically about the future of their central city site. Conversations are in their early stages but are including other Methodist parishes in Hamilton, Methodist City Action, the Synod and other interested groups.

Over the last two years it has been a joy to see youth ministry developing within the Synod. Our youth leaders, Alilia Molitika and Amelia Takataka, have supported local youth groups and been involved in Taiwi Youth Conference. The Synod has supported them by providing regular mentoring, a small youth budget and leadership opportunities at Synod Executive. We have been inspired by the youth vision, "He waka eke noa": we are all in this together.

LOWER NORTH ISLAND

The Synod leadership team is working well together, though so far we've been unable to appoint a Secretary. The Co-Superintendency with a combined resource of 0.6 FTE has resulted in day-to-day issues being attended to, at the cost of little strategic mission development. We have taken the view that we have primary responsibility to support and encourage the 6 Methodist 'cornerstone' parishes in the Synod – the first step being long-overdue parish reviews. A monthly Synod newsletter "SALT" has been launched to improve communication and visibility of the parishes in the Synod. Executive meet regularly via Skype for Business – saving time and the environment – with an annual in-person meeting. The Connexional Office is providing accounting services which is of great assistance.

LNIS covers 40 parishes: 6 are Methodist the remainder Cooperative Ventures. Only one has Sunday attendance above 150, about 20 parishes have an attendance of 50 – 80, the rest 20 or less. These numbers are exacerbated by generally declining numbers – largely through natural attrition. The issue is not so much that we are losing people but rather failing to gain replacements; particularly as parish lay leaders age with no next-generation leadership.

Schools of Theology have been held in regions of one day duration rather than a multi-day annual event. These have been held in Levin, Napier and Hamilton (hosted by Waikato-Wairiki), supported by workshops as part of Synod meetings. These have only been possible with the assistance and valuable contribution of Mission Resourcing.

Parishes sharing buildings continue to cause unnecessary heartache for all concerned. Advanced planning is required to avoid potential friction.

Unfortunately we've seen the demise and closure of a number of parishes: Manaia Cooperating, Woodville Union and St Matthew's Cooperating Parish in Wellington. Others are just surviving. We have particular areas of concern in Taranaki and Wairarapa with many small congregations, little active experience of MCNZ or the Synod, only one with a FT and 2 with part time Presbyters. We intend to put additional resources in these areas to explore and develop new models of ministry in partnership with Mission Resourcing, using funding derived from closed parishes.

A contributing factor to the above malaise is the management of parish property. In our experience this can be very time and people-resource hungry. In the end this effort is directed at supporting the continuance and wellbeing of the 'institutional organisation'. This doesn't mean it should be ignored, but we need to consider different models which will free up church members to work towards the mission vision. Perhaps there should be an option for parishes to engage the services of a nationally set-up property management cooperative. This would ensure legal compliance and provide expertise where required and hence free up scarce people resource. A change of mind-set and training will be required if we are to become 'missional'. Without new members we will become ever weaker.

In a regular forum, we meet with Presbytery Central and Anglicans to share knowledge and oversight of the 33 Union and Cooperating parishes. This is working well and will enable good joint communication of administrative changes proposed by UCANZ.

A smaller-than-needed number of reviews have been completed as it's difficult to find people with the right skills and time. We perceive this to be a real and dangerous weakness.

NELSON MARLBOROUGH WEST COAST

The two years since Conference last met have been momentous for us.

First of all February 2017 saw the inductions of the Rev Alofa Asiata to Wesley Parish, Blenheim and the Rev Janet Marsh to St Andrew's Uniting, Motueka. This was effectively a renewal of 50% of our total number of stationed presbyters and both appointments have been tremendously positive.

We have worked on our relationship with Christchurch Methodist Mission, which despite the name engages in forms of mission not only in Canterbury but in Marlborough, Nelson and the West Coast. They co-manage with the Synod the Green Gables Trust, which seeks to make disbursements which will contribute towards significant projects for the social good in our district. We also have made disbursements from the Camp Snowden fund, it is primarily, but not exclusively, aimed at projects supporting children, young people and their families and is perhaps the prime way we have sought to engage with the goals of the Let the Children Live campaign.

Shortly after last Conference Marlborough was impacted by a significant earthquake, this caused disruption to road and rail travel between Marlborough and Christchurch. It was necessary to re-check the seismic safety of our properties in Marlborough; fortunately no damage was sustained. This year there have been damaging storms in the Nelson area and on the West Coast. Again no damage was done and in various places our people were ready to help those in need.

Both St John's in the City, Nelson and Wesley, Blenheim have been involved in interfaith initiatives in their communities.

St John's in the City, Nelson, has recently moved from its leased space in central Nelson to share the use of the Stoke Methodist Church. The congregation is involved in a period of reflection about its future which includes contemplating a merger with the Stoke-Richmond parish. Following the Rev David Poultney's departure for Dunedin in July the Rev David Moynan – a priest from the Church of Ireland who retired here with his wife - is on an 18 month contract to serve as .5 supply for St John's in the City. He is also .5 chaplain at Tasman Hospice.

At Stationing 2017 it was decided to appoint the Rev David Poultney to Dunedin Parish as of August 2018. This brought to the fore some necessary questions about the future of our synod and its leadership.

As of August the Synod has the Rev Kathryn Walters as Synod Superintendent. Over the next two years there will be a process of intentional engagement with Central South Island, doing some things together while maintaining our separate identity. We come to this knowing we have much to gain but confident we also have much to give. It could well be that the two synods formally merge in time. Among other advantages this means an enlarged synod would cover virtually the same area as Alpine Presbytery; with which we both have close relations.

CENTRAL SOUTH ISLAND

2017 began with having 15 of our young people from 6 different parishes within the Central South Island synod attending Tauwi Youth Conference in Ngaruawahia. This was an encouraging start to the year and on their return the young folk shared in parishes and Synod around the District.

During our March Synod it was decided that we would like to focus on understanding the Church Structure, Different ways of being church and strengthening our relationship with Te Taha Maori. It was decided to invite members of Te Taha Maori to come to our August Synod and simply be with us have an opportunity to share their thoughts and what was happening within Te Taha Maori but basically let us get to know them better and they us. We had a fabulous August Synod at Pudding Hill Lodge under the snowcapped peaks. It was filled with love and laughter and we delighted in the renewed friendships with the 4 members from Te Taha Maori who were able to come – Rev. Diana Tana, Rev. Rex Nathan, Rev. Keita Hotere and Roz Wilkie. Our understanding was greatly enriched and we commend to other Synods to offer hospitality to our partners in this informal and relaxed way.

As part of preparing for Conference 2018, our Synod also began to learn 5-6 waiata that can be sung in a variety of situations. Also as part of our preparation each Synod rep learned their pepeha in te reo. Our next goal (due to the timing and hosting of Conference) is to in 2019 have a pilgrimage of the local marae that have a historical relationship with the Methodist Church and to work proactively in re-establishing our relationship with them.

Walk for the Planet - 7 Rivers, 7 Weeks – an initiative by Rev. Mark Gibson and David Hill became a feature film "Seven Rivers Walking". This was with the help of some Methodist funding. It had its world premiere at the Isaac Theatre Royal in Christchurch on Saturday, August 19 as part of the winter edition of the New Zealand International Film Festival.

In November 2017 the Synod had a brief discussion about Combining Nelson- Marlborough West Coast Synod with the Central South Island Synod. It was felt that this would be a good match with the Alpine Presbytery and the Methodist Mission and allow for wider group input. However, there are concerns about the workload for the Superintendent, travel distances, retaining local geographical groups and where Synod would meet. It was clear that a good process was needed and that both Synods would need to compromise. Superintendent Kathryn Walters then met with the Nelson, Marlborough, West Coast Synod to introduce herself and to get to know this group of people. A similar conversation was had and many of the same concerns were voiced. As a result a covenant agreement was written that outlines a process of joining. Each Synod discussed this in 2018 and has been agreed to. In short the Covenant states that both Synods agree that during the period 1 August 2018 and Conference 2020 the two Synods will work collaboratively together with the intent to merge as one Synod. It is hoped that no later than August 2020 it is clear that it is either time to merge or that their needs are best served as separate entities with their own

arrangements for Superintendency.

In 2018 Synod supported 17 of our young folk to attend TYC18 in Taupo. 6 of these folk were first timers! Once again our people returned excited and inspired.

In February the new church at New Brighton Union was opened. Was a great event and wonderfully contemporary building to fits into the landscape of beach and sea beautifully.

In March approximately 50 folks turned up at 6.15am for the Maori blessing of the Durham St Site as the contractors took it over until the building is finished. There was a feeling of quiet celebration, tears were shed in the wet darkness, as we began a new era of Methodist care for this piece of land. The rain was welcomed, as civic and church folk mixed with the architects, contractors and family of those who died on the site in 2011. A moving and significant, quiet occasion. A week or two later a similar event took place at the Historic Woodend Methodist Church which is currently undergoing strengthening, repair and refurbishment.

At our March Synod we talked about some of the key concerns parishes and Synod is facing in our district. In among the growing struggle to find key lay leaders and other resource people, the decline of financial re-sources with which to fund ministry and mission, a growing “survival mentality” that holds on to what little is left (calling it good stewardship) rather than of a creative and open-handed generosity that invests in people not places, in amongst all these concerns, the question of identity was raised. Not Methodist identity or the identity of church or community to whom we might belong, but the fundamental question of who are we? Who am I? What is it I/we believe in—as a person of faith and member of a faith community? Who is the God we worship, serve and believe in, and why?

It was felt that if we cannot answer these questions, how can we share with the wider community the hope we have, the sense of belonging we feel, the joy of faith and the active living out of our faith? Why would anyone come and join with us if they can only rely on what media and contemporary culture says about the Christian faith which is often times very negative?

During our conversations a story was shared about a person who asked a group of people why they came to church. It took over 20 minutes and a half-dozen people for someone to say that they came to worship, with others, God. Most of the reasons had to do with fellowship, habit, loneliness and culture. The reality is that you can get those things at any community or sports group. WHO ARE WE? If identity is key – why do we not know? Is it that we are we afraid to know who we are? Have we lost the passion to know and be known by God? Have we become so comfortable with ourselves and our “holy huddle” that we no longer wrestle with our faith and ask of ourselves courageous questions? If we don’t know who we are, don’t know what we really believe (or are unwilling to name it), then how can we address the hurts and offer hope to the wider community?

As you can see we had many questions and not many answers. Why? Because the answers belong to each parish, each congregation. There is no set formula, no rules, no rescuer to tell you. The challenge given to the whole Synod was to ask the questions:

Do you struggle to articulate what you believe? Why do **you** go to church. Who God is for you and are you able to worship with others that celebrates God? What is **your** message of hope? Is your church a safe place to share your hopes, your passion, your thoughts? If not, why not? What are the things that are stopping you from inviting others to church?

The only way we can break this cycle of decline is to stop pointing the finger and look at who we are with honesty. To ask courageous questions of ourselves and others. To be able to be courageous in our listening and our answers. How can we help each other be messengers and doers of faith, hope and love in our communities?

On May 13th Waimate Methodist Parish held its final service. In spite of the parish not having stipended ministry for 20+ years this tenacious and faith-filled group have continued to provide weekly worship services. Their courageous choice to close has not come without some significant soul searching, grief and loss—but they have made it and on their terms. Their ministry to the

community will continue through the gifts of financial assistance to various groups and through a request to the Synod for on-going support from the Gunns Bush Legacy—to the Girls and Boy's Brigades who meet in Waimate.

In June Linwood Union Avenue Church enjoyed a celebration service in their refurbished premises complete with wonderful meeting rooms, commercial kitchen and spruced up hall.

Next year will see a significant change in the Synod makeup and dynamic with 10 of our parishes (not all Methodist appointments) having new ministers starting. We look forward to receiving new colleagues and their families into our wider Church family. We also grieve in our farewells of those who are moving on.

Like many other Synods and Rohe, over the past 2 years we have lost some of our beloved Church Elders: Rev Ernest (Ernie) Heppelthwaite, Maurice van de Geer, Ruby Martin, Peggy Averill Yeatman, Rev Fredrick (Fred) John Kennedy Baker, Celia Irvine, John Withell.

We remember these beloved members of our Church and their families and loved ones.

OTAGO SOUTHLAND

The picture of Methodism in Otago-Southland is patchy, with some areas doing very well, others not so well. On the positive side there has been growth in congregation numbers at Otatara and Invercargill, particularly the former which is considering a building project to accommodate Sunday services. Invercargill (Lindisfarne) celebrated the 20th Anniversary of its building in November 2017 in good style. Also good news is the completion of the earthquake strengthening of the Glenaven Church in Dunedin, and the similar projected work at St Kilda also in Dunedin, used at present by the Vahefonua congregation. In Central Otago there has been co-operation between the Alexandra-Clyde-Lauder Union Parish and the Methodist Mission Southern, using money held by the Synod, in developing work to support those looking for accommodation in the area.

On the less positive side the Brockville Union Parish has (at least temporarily) ceased to meet, having now lost their presbyter and run out of both money and energy. The three denominations (Methodist, Presbyterian and Anglican) are looking to see if there is any hope for recommencing the work there after this break.

At the beginning of August there was an Induction of David Poultney as Superintendent of the Dunedin Parish. We look forward to David's contributions to parish and synod life. At the same time we have farewelled Siosifa Pole and wish him well in his new role in Te Hāhi.

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 24 months has been a reflective time for Sinoti Samoa as it progresses with new initiatives and vision.

Sinoti Samoa has nineteen Parishes and congregations under its care. Each parish and congregation is linked to one of six regions: Auckland, Manukau, Hawkes Bay, Gisborne, Taranaki and Wellington.

The current Sinoti executive officers are:

Superintendent	Rev Suiva'aia Te'o
Secretary	Itamua Mataiva D Robertson
Treasurer	Tuatagaloa Saunoa Tulou

Sinoti Samoa held its Annual General Meeting (AGM) from the 10th – 12th August 2018 at the Willow Park Christian Campsite. The AGM Theme was "This is the day that the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it". On Thursday 9th August the Ministerial Synod met while the Sinoti Samoa National Youth leaders also held Youth Leadership training for the youth representatives from throughout Sinoti in attendance.

On Friday 10th, 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 Sinoti Superintendent and the Auckland Samoan Region Lay Preachers Association. During this official opening ceremony we paid tribute to all those who had passed away since our previous AGM: Akaka Atoni Alaelua Thomson, Aliitasi Foisa, Peseta Ron Collinette, Ana Mele Brewster, Lau Urima Semisi Tyrell, Feo Isaako Fa'afoina Matatia, Moafagatau Silika Tuifao Tautai-Lologa, Ufie Poiva Matautia, Fa'ato'a Omeke Tulaga, Su'a Fualau Tupu, Levaea Uili, Suefuaina Filipo Mulitalo.

Sinoti elections for the 2019-2022 term was carried out and the new officers will be:

Superintendent	Rev Suiva'aia Te'o
Secretary	Toleafoa Tuimauga
Treasurer	Tuatagaloa Saunoa Tulou
National Youth Leaders:	Setu Pio & Janice Auva'a

At this annual meeting Sinoti paid tribute and acknowledged Itamua Mataiva Robertson. Itamua Mataiva's time as Sinoti secretary ends in January 2019, and we give thanks to God for her faithful service to Sinoti during her 6 years as Sinoti Secretary. We wish her well with her responsibilities with the World Federation of Methodist and Uniting Church Women. We acknowledged also the outgoing National Youth Leaders Miss Tumema Faioso and Mr Lusua Taloafulu who also officially complete their term of service in January 2019. Sinoti acknowledged Mrs Olive Tanielu who was elected at the recent South Pacific Area Seminar held in Fiji to be Area President of the South Pacific Women's Fellowship 2021-2026. She will be commissioned at the 14th World Assembly in Gothenburg, Sweden in 2021.

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 and 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. At the recent AGM, Sinoti passed a resolution that ALL Sinoti Samoa events will be smokefree starting in Jan 2019.

Workshops

Sexuality Workshop

This was a difficult topic to discuss within Sinoti, due to its sensitive nature. However a committee was formed to facilitate this discussion as requested by Conference. To date, we have run sexuality workshops in five regions (with the final one to be carried out in late August) and also within the various groups of the Synod e.g. Youth.

Parish Reviews

First year reviews will be conducted at St Johns Ponsonby, Papatoetoe, St Pauls Otara and Papakura before the end of the year.

Sinoti Samoa's Response to Conference Papers

Evangelical Network – Sinoti acknowledges the ministry of the Evangelical Network and affirms its report to Conference.

Climate Justice – Sinoti strongly affirms the work of the Public Issues Network towards Climate Justice. Parishes have been encouraged to take onboard the suggestions contained within the paper and to keep exploring ways to combat this issue.

Responsible Investment Policy – Sinoti acknowledges the work of Stephen Walker and the committee. Sinoti confirms its support of the contents outlined in the paper but furthermore recommends that Conference consider the following:

- a. That MCNZ refrain from investing in companies that impact (directly or otherwise) on the environment;
- b. That MCNZ withdraw any funds invested in such companies (as outlined above) even if the revenue earned from such investments is less than 5%.

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's visioning committee are currently working on a 5 year strategy to ensure each Parish has a Presbyter and how to sustain this important ministry.

Sinoti continue to fundraise for its building project 'Tafa o ata'. We are extremely grateful to MCPC 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.

May God guide us all as we continue His ministry.

VAHEFONUA TONGA O AOTEAROA

The Connexion is always blessed between and during conferences and Vahefonua Tonga is grateful for all the blessings, outcomes and also the challenges it has met on its journey. We acknowledge the partnerships between Te Taha Maori and Taiwi.

Ministry

The Vahefonua Tonga Ministry is based on its collective understanding of Jesus Christ and the Holy Bible. The Sunday School has performed well equipping children and families with Biblical learning tools and laying good foundation for their faith journey. The first half of the year is utilised in the "Faka-Me (May Festivals)" Celebration encompassing Biblical Drama, Poetry, Music, Recitals and all sorts of performances and cultural activities. The second half of the year is spent on teaching the curriculum and exams by the end of the lectionary year or before beginning of the Advent Season.

There are always a good number of people responding to their calls to candidate for ordained ministry within Vahefonua Tongan or English Speaking synods. Vahefonua Tonga at this stage is unable to meet all the presbyterial needs of congregations.

The Daily Devotion (Falengameesi Resource Book) based on the Revised Common Lectionary readings is a very helpful tool. All age activities, programmes and guides for groups such as Wesley Classes, Women's Fellowship, Evangelism, Youth, Sunday School, Lay Preachers, Radio, Elderly, Young Parents, Choirs and Brass Bands, Camping and Fasting programmes etc are guided by the Falengameesi Resource Book. Alter-calls at the end of the month service is encouraged and is certainly a climax of each camp.

Lay ministry and hard work of Congregation and Parish Stewards are very vital support in both ways for the parishioners and ministers. We are grateful for the great leadership of ministers and their wives or husbands, their sacrifices in always walking the second mile.

We are desperate to have affordable parsonages in Palmerston North, Dunedin, Tauranga, Pukekohe and some other towns or cities. It is sad that parsonage or church building needs of Vahefonua Tonga congregations are of low priority to other parishes and synods' strategies and developments which would rather sell churches or parsonages because of other interests.

There are multimillion dollar projects of churches, halls and parsonages to be built or bought and they are homes and villages to our children, young people and families.

There is still a very strong link between the Vahefonua Tonga and the Conference of the Free Wesleyan Church in Tonga.

Mission

The Vahefonua Tonga Methodist Mission Charitable Trust commonly known as SIAOLA together with many of its congregations deliver its Mission. The establishment of SIAOLA and programmes of congregations since 2006 is the active response of Vahefonua Tonga to challenges and issues

of Poverty, Domestic and Street Violence, Truancy and Bullying, all Types and Forms of Abuse, Drugs and Alcohol, Unemployment, Suicide, Low or Underachievement in Education, Language and Culture, Health and Safety, Housing, Gambling and so on and so forth.

SIAOLA currently has one staff member an Executive Director (Kathleen Tuai-Ta'ufo'ou) who does everything from cleaning to executive responsibilities. Siaola is very fortunate that it has volunteers from 2006 and more now and are still going strong. It delivers three main programmes, Strong Family - Famili Va-lelei, Well Educated Family – Famili Ako Lelei, Healthy Family – Famili Mo'ui Lelei.

There are six Tongan Early Childhood Centres operating under Auckland-Manukau Parish, and one jointly with Lifewise. There are 5 Laulotaha (Mentoring) of 4 in Auckland and one in Wellington. There is also an Education Sunday (normally the 3rd Sunday in January) which acknowledges the achievers and emphasize the importance of Education and Training. Many congregations run their own Homework and educational initiatives.

Many congregations have their own Health Initiatives and have contracts with their local DHB encouraging Vegetable Gardening and Nutrition, exercises and healthy lifestyle. Rev Hiueni Nuku CEO of the Porirua Union Health is the convener of the Health committee. Congregations have good working relationships with DHBs and other Health providers. There are many nurses, doctors, professionals and health care workers who help in areas or health related matters.

The Famili Vā Lelei programme is running well. The team visits congregations as needed. They are invited to camps during Easter and Labour Weekends. It runs camps for 6 or 7 families each time in which volunteer professionals facilitate the programmes. This is a unique programme because children are included. Attendants and Completion of the programmes are 100%. More than 40 families which include more than 100 children have completed the programmes.

Vahefonua Tonga has Home Investment initiative known as GREI. Through this initiative 9 families have bought their own home between July 2017 to June 2018. From July 2018 to December 2018 it is anticipated that about 11 more families will be buying their own homes.

Vahefonua Tonga acknowledges that there are always rooms for improvements in its mission and ministry. More information may be read in www.siaola.org

Acknowledgements

The award of New Zealand Order of Merit to Valeti Finau for her contribution to Education, and Pacific Community and Rev Setaita Kinahoi Veikune for her contribution to the Pacific Community are acknowledged. The Rev Setaita Kinahoi Veikune's appointment as President of the Methodist Church of New Zealand is a joy for us all, and also the appointment of Siniva Vaitohi as President of the Methodist Women Fellowship.

We are grateful for all the assistance and support from President Rev Prince Devanandan and Viv Whimster and also the General Secretary Rev David Bush, the Rev Trevor Hoggard and Rev Setaita Kinahoi Veikune for their leadership and also Tumuaki Rev Diana Tana and Te Taha Maori. It is a delight to acknowledge the support that all synods in which there are Tongan congregations worshipping with local congregations.

WASEWASE KO VITI KEI ROTUMA

We wish to acknowledge the Tauwiwi, Mission Resourcing and the Connexional for your continuous support and prayers with great appreciation.

Highlights

1. Long Term Plan / Achieved

Wasewase ko Viti achieved in 8 years what was planned for 10 years in:

- Successfully completed the first five years of Wasewase ko Viti kei Rotuma as a Synod on 16 March 2018.

- Successfully established total of six Tabacakacaka, stationing a Presbyter in each including Rev Peni and probationer presbyter.
- Been a year of adjustment, movements and settling down.

2. Next 5 To 10 Year Plan / Future Focus

- Stipended Presbyters [half to full time].
- Parsonages for Presbyters and their families.
- Two further candidates going through interview process for Ministry and full time study at Trinity College.
- Strong financial position for the development of Wasewase.
- Encouraging the flow of important matters that may arise from Parishes quarterly meetings to the Synod Superintendent

EVANGELICAL NETWORK

The Evangelical Network has been around for nigh on 18 years.

It was birthed out of a deep sense of betrayal at the Conference's inability to deliver on its promised Evangelical Synod, subsequent to the acceptance of Rev David Bromell into full connexion. The suspension of the consensus process which brought David into full connexion did not extend to the forming of the Evangelical Synod, hence its formation foundered. The Evangelical Network was offered as a way forward.

Upon reflecting on the EN and its place in the church, the safeguards that are in place, and the very nature of the church itself, it has become clear to me that this Network, as a legal entity designed to 'protect' evangelicals, has passed its usefulness. It is now simply a reminder of a painful time in our history, and its very existence implies that the white Tauwi church is still polarised over the issues of human sexuality. At a leadership level I do not believe this to be the case. There are undoubtedly congregations for which the issues of human sexuality are live ones. There are more than sufficient checks in the system to ensure that 'inappropriate' appointments are not made – on the basis of sexuality anyway. In my view it is not the 'Evangelicals' that need protecting.

To remove the Evangelical Network from our statutes would require little effort, as it appears in our law book with very little substance, in only a few places, and could easily be deleted.

Conference 2018 in Christchurch presents us an opportunity to draw a line under the Evangelical Network. We acknowledge how it has served us in the past, providing a sense of psychic safety for those for whom it was important. In order that others could also know that freedom, that they have nothing to fear except our good will ☺, we lay it down with no strings attached, and no expectation of any kind of reciprocal action or gesture. There is little to be served by continuing with our silo mentality. We need to recognise that we're all in this together.

Suggested decisions:

1. The report be received
2. That Conference acknowledges the contribution to the life of the church of the Evangelical Network over the 18 years of its existence.
3. That Conference recognises that the Evangelical Network has fulfilled its function, is no longer necessary, and ceases to exist from this Conference.
4. That the Law Revision Committee be asked to bring proposed changes deleting the Evangelical Network from the Law book to Conference 2020.
5. That the assets of the Evangelical Network be transferred to the General Account of the Methodist Church.

NEW ZEALAND METHODIST WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Biennial Report for the Year ending 31 July, 2018

As we conclude our term of office on 28 October, the National Executive of the Methodist Women's Fellowship, have pleasure in presenting this report.



Our Christchurch team is Dianne Claughton President, Lynne Scott Vice President and World Federation Correspondent, Philomena Petaia Secretary, Valmai Horlor Treasurer and Uniting Congregations Link, Roz Wilkie Liaison and Cultural Link, Rev Barbara Peddie Chaplain and Diaconate Link, Ofa Giblin and Unaisi Tikoinaka Missions and Moe Petaia National Council of Women. It has been a privilege to represent our members.

Our theme "Chosen People Called to Proclaim" from our World Federation of Methodist and Uniting Church Women has become a reality and through bi-monthly newsletters every member has been encouraged to share their personal faith stories proclaiming our motto "To know Christ and make Him Known". I have featured a Chosen Women from the Bible, the world or New Zealand every time.

Our Aims are: To unite members in prayer, study, fellowship and service, encouraging them to make a Christian witness in home, church and community.

To support the work of Methodist and Uniting churches.

To encourage an informed interest in worldwide missions and evangelism.

We have shared in the loss of valued members and friends. We have shared the pleasure for those who have received honours and the opportunities to attend Seminars overseas and to further studies. We have all enjoyed our "Touchstone" stories. We give thanks to God for the lives and witnesses of these precious girls and women.

Eighty eight of us participated with four hundred South Pacific area sisters in Fiji in July and the theme was "Chosen People Called to Proclaim with Hearts on Fire". Our World Federation President Alison Judd from England was there and Mataiva Robertson our World Secretary and Leu Pupulu our World Treasurer. It was good news to learn that Olive Tanielu will be the next Area President after our next World assembly in Sweden in August 2021. New Zealand MWF continues to be well represented on the World Executive.

We continue to send Smethurst funding to the Solomon Islands, Papua New Guinea, Fiji, Samoa and Tonga to help with the Seminar registrations. We also send funding to the World Federation to support other Units and the Helen Kim Scholars.

Some of our groups are small but all appreciate the love and support of each other and feel truly blessed to belong to groups where friendships are strong. We are grateful for those who take on the leadership roles and I thank every member for their support.

We have visited seven of our nineteen districts and have many memorable experiences. Thanks for your uplifting sharing, fun and laughter. Please pray for our two newest groups at Mt Albert and Rotorua. The work being done in our churches, our districts and the world is invaluable and we thank each church for their continued support.

I was pleased to attend the Presbyterian Women of New Zealand annual assembly and we will continue to have a close relationship with them.

Missions has always held a high profile and we have continued to offer support in many ways locally and nationally. Last year we supported a Christian World Service project in Nicaragua raising \$22,067.15 and the New Zealand Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder raising \$6620.15.

This year “Children are our Hope and our Future” are supporting a Christian World Project in South Uganda and the New Zealand Pillars Organisation.

We continue to save stamps and have raised \$1397.65 for the Kokeqolo Project in the Solomon Islands and a Missions fund raised \$1872 for a Fijian Orphanage in Ba.

Our next National Projects are a Christian World Project in Fiji and supporting Bellyful. Every year the Presbyterian Women of Aotearoa New Zealand also share these Mission Initiatives.

We continue to support the Fellowship of the Least Coin, World Day of Prayer, Let the Children Live Projects in our communities, our own church needs, our two Helen Kim scholars, National Council of Women and Pacific Women’s Watch based in Auckland. Please encourage the young women in your congregations to support these too. I was privileged to attend the Suffrage 125 Celebration at Government House, Wellington remembering Kate Sheppard and the support of Methodist women in the 1880s.

We support our local Deacons and I was pleased to attend this year’s Convocation. We also support the students of Trinity College. All are very grateful for the correspondence they receive. We have Associate members who cannot attend our meetings and we visit our older members.

Our three Grant and Scholarship Funds – Smethurst, Kurahuna and Friendship continue to enable women of all ages to further their education here and overseas. Thank-you to those serving on these three committees.

We held our Council meeting at the Gardens Hotel Complex, Christchurch in September, 2017 with forty leaders and our Convention will take place there at the end of October.

The next National Executive from the Tongan District – Feohi’anga’a Fafine Metotisi Niu Sila will be inducted led by the new President Siniva Vaitohi from South Auckland. Please pray for this new team taking on these roles for the first time.

We acknowledge that the membership of our European members is declining and we continue to encourage them to invite newcomers to join them. Our Pasifika groups continue to inspire us all and we are encouraged by the enthusiasm of our young women.

As we come to the end of our term as the National Executive we thank you all for the many prayers and messages of support and encouragement that we have received.

God bless you all richly as you continue to be chosen people called to proclaim. 1 Peter: 2 9 – 10.

Suggested decision:

1. That the report be received.

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Law Revision



LAW REVISION

The Law Revision Committee is grateful for the responses to the draft paper distributed to the Church in July. From the Committee's point of view it was pleasing to see that the general direction of the recommended changes to the Laws and Regulations were affirmed.

Responses acknowledged the difficulty of Boards filling skilled-based Boards with those with Methodist membership. It was clear that active members should comprise at least 50% of Boards and Committees. Attention was drawn to the significant number of young, well trained professionals in Pacific congregations when seeking to make Board appointments.

Composition of Boards

The Methodist Alliance, on behalf of the Incorporated Mission Boards asked that the requirement that community representation on Mission Boards not exceed 25% be reviewed.

The request arose from the difficulty some Mission Boards have had recruiting Board members with the relevant skill base from within the membership of the Methodist Church.

The Alliance provided a helpful summary of the church membership and associations of members serving on Mission Boards. Only two Boards strictly met the current criteria, two more of the 8 did so when persons with Methodist affiliation were also counted.

It was noted that with smaller Boards the affiliation of one member can make a very significant difference, and that a strict 25% active member provision may not be practical or possible.

Law Revision believes it is desirable that at least 50% of members be active members of the MCNZ and affirms the current requirement that community representatives shall be persons who are sympathetic with the doctrines, polity and discipline of the Methodist Church of New Zealand.

The recommendation is that section 7.12.3.1 be amended to read:

"... such community representatives shall not exceed 50% of the membership of the Board"

Quorum for Meetings in the Church

There are 10 separate references to the quorum required to constitute a meeting in the Laws and Regulations. For Parishes and Synods the current law is for one third of members entitled to attend. For Conference it is 40% of the members. Boards and Committees in most cases specify a number of persons or that it be a majority of members.

The question asked of Law Revision was: "In light of the Church's consensus decision making processes can we say consensus has been reached when only one third of the members are present."

Law Revision in considering this question noted that the size of boards and committees tends to be smaller than in the past. A committee of 8 or 9 where only 3 were present may not represent the full range of views.

Law Revision is suggesting that a section with the heading 'Decision Making' be added to the Law Book. It would cover the following and appear in Parish and Synod sections of the Law Book. Boards and Committees could choose to adopt similar provisions:

- (a) Provision for due notice of meeting.
- (b) That a majority of members (50% or more) would constitute a quorum.
- (c) That decisions be made using consensus processes.
- (d) Provision for how a decision could be confirmed by email or other electronic means.

Methodist Alliance

Carol Barron and members of the Alliance Steering Group have been in dialogue with Law Revision during the latter part of 2017 and into 2018.

The substantial changes to the Laws and Regulations are printed below. The sections where the only change is replacing the words “*Methodist Mission Aotearoa*” with “The Methodist Alliance” are not printed here as these are not substantive changes.

Candidates Convenors

Mission Resourcing asked the President to make changes to the Candidating procedures to disestablish the role of Synod Candidates Convenor.

The rationale was that in recent years inconsistent or incomplete information has disadvantaged Candidates and Candidate assessors.

The President referred the matter to Law Revision to consider the impact of such changes.

The suggested revision of the Law gives responsibility to Mission Resourcing to collect and check the necessary information from potential candidates. The Synod will still receive reports and is able to designate a person to carry out this role.

Women’s Fellowship Constitution

The updated constitution (2017) was received and considered by Law Revision. The Committee commended the Women’s Fellowship Executive for the clarity of their work and recommends that Conference endorses and accepts the revised constitution. Copies will lie on the table for any Conference members to check.

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

(Supplementary Report)

Suggested decisions:

1. That the report be received.
2. That Clause 7.12.3.1 be amended to read: “Such community representatives shall not exceed 50% of the membership of the Board”.
3. That Conference endorses the proposal of Law Revision to clarify decision making processes. To be reported to Synods and Hui Poari.
4. That the changes of the Laws and Regulations necessary to incorporate the Methodist Alliance be adopted.
5. That the changes of the Laws and Regulations removing Candidates Convenors be adopted.
6. That the revised Methodist Women’s Fellowship constitution be adopted.
7. That the changes to the Law Book for Te Taha Maori be adopted.

LAW BOOK UPDATED FOR METHODIST ALLIANCE

- 2.7.2 In making such recommendations the Board shall:
- (e) seek the advice of the Methodist Alliance in carrying out these functions when dealing with those properties which are directly related to social services;
- 7.10.1 There shall be a Public Questions Network. The Network will have
- (a) A coordinating group of no more than 2 nominated from Tauwiwi, 2 nominated from Te Taha Maori and 1 from the Methodist Alliance. The coordinating group will coordinate and oversee the functioning of the Public Questions Network.

THE METHODIST ALLIANCE

- 7.12.1 There shall be a committee called the Methodist Alliance to provide oversight on behalf of the Conference to the social service ministry of the Church.
- 7.12.2 The functions and membership of the Committee are set out in its Founding Document. (see Section 11A.C)

METHODIST MISSIONS & SOCIAL SERVICE DEVELOPMENT: SALE & PURCHASE

14. 8.2 Approval, in regards to the social service aspects, for any development, or sale and purchase of property with a social service dimension, whether by a Parish or Mission, will involve consultation with and recommendation by the Methodist Alliance before the consent of Conference is given by the Board of Administration.
- 31 What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Methodist Social services?

The Methodist Alliance:

- a) Its life and work
 - b) Services provided by members
 - c) Collation of Conference report from members for approval by Conference
 - d) Recommendations regarding membership of boards, NZCCSS Methodist members, social justice and social advocacy.
- ~~(a) the Methodist Alliance~~
~~(b) Methodist Mission Northern~~
~~(c) Wesley Wellington Mission Incorporated~~
~~(d) Christchurch Methodist Central Mission~~
~~(e) Methodist Mission Southern~~
~~(f) Palmerston North Methodist Social Services Trust~~
~~(g) Hamilton Methodist Social Services Trust~~
~~(h) Sinoti Samea~~
~~(i) Vahefonua Tonga Methodist Mission Charitable Trust~~
~~(j) Tamahere Eventide Home Trust~~

FUNCTIONS OF THE BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION - CONSENT OF CONFERENCE

(see 5.2.7)

9. 1 The Board shall, on behalf of the Conference, receive and consider, and make recommendations to the Conference upon any consents or approval required in respect of any property matter whether such property is vested in the Board of Administration, other Incorporated Board, or in Trustees under the Methodist Model Deed of New Zealand 1887 and/or held in any other manner. The Board may, as from time to time determined by the Board, delegate to any Synod/Investment Board/the Methodist Alliance any of its functions in respect of property within that Synod relating to consent on behalf of the Conference on any property proposal affecting that Synod. [N.B. The Board of Administration will normally delegate this function to its Committee, the Methodist Connexional Property Committee.]
9. 2 In making such recommendations the Board shall:
- (a) facilitate the property concerns of the local Church and Parish by encouraging the working out of basic mission strategy and planning for the creative use of buildings to enhance both worship and mission;
 - (b) ensure that the requirements determined by Conference for buildings are followed;
 - (c) carry out these functions in co-operation and consultation with Parish Councils, District Property Advisory Committees and any appropriate Committee of Property Trustees;
 - (d) seek the advice of the Investment Board in carrying out these functions when dealing with commercial, quasi commercial, investment property or properties that may have commercial or investment potential;
 - (e) seek the advice of the Methodist Alliance in carrying out these functions when dealing with those properties which are directly related to Social Services;
 - (f) provide an advisory service on all aspects of property management, maintenance, development and re-development for the Church;
 - (g) carry out such other function as may from time to time be necessary or be given to it by the Conference.
10. 2 Approval for any development, sale or purchase of property with a social service dimension, whether by a Parish or Mission, will involve consultation with and recommendation by the Methodist Alliance, in regards to the social service aspect, before the consent of Conference is given by the Board of Administration.

SECTION 11(A)

A.3 THE METHODIST ALLIANCE

Each Methodist Mission which is separately incorporated will be a member of the Methodist Alliance

- (a) Methodist Mission Northern: Established 1885 as Helping Hand Mission and incorporated under the Charitable Trusts Act 1957 on the 1 July 1974.
- (b) Wesley Wellington Mission Incorporated: Established as "The Wesley Church (Wellington Circuit) Social Services Trust Board 19 December 1949 and subsequently amended to Wesley Social Services Trust Board (Inc.). Incorporated under the Charitable Trusts Act 1957 on the 24 January 1978.
- (c) Christchurch Methodist Central Mission: Authorised by Conference 1949 and Incorporated under the Charitable Trusts Act 1957 on 21 June 1974.
- (d) Methodist Mission Southern: Established by Conference 1890 and incorporated under the Charitable Trusts Act, 1957 on 26 November 1976.
- (e) Palmerston North Methodist Social Services Trust: incorporated under the Charitable Trusts Act 1957 on 15 October 2007
- (f) Hamilton Methodist Social Services Trust: incorporated under the Charitable Trusts Act 1957 on 11 November 2005
- (g) Sinoti Samoa
- (h) Vahefonua Tonga Methodist Mission Charitable Trust: incorporated under the Charitable Trusts Act 1957 on 19 September 2012
- (i) Tamahere Eventide Home Trust: incorporated under the Charitable Trusts Act 1957 on 16 December 1998
- (j) Airedale property Trust. Incorporated under the Charitable Trusts Act 2005 on 6 May 2009
- (k) The Lifewise Trust. Incorporated under the Charitable Trusts Act 2005 on 21 May 2009

Membership

The Methodist Alliance is a formal alliance of all Methodist Missions, parish and community based social services and Trusts.

- All **incorporated** Methodist Missions [see above]
- Any Methodist and Cooperating Venture/ Union parishes who is engaged in social service or community work
- Any Trusts and Community based social services associated with a Methodist or Cooperating Venture/ Union Church (with a Methodist component).

All members must meet the rights and obligations of membership.

Vision: A just and inclusive society in which all people flourish

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. Methodist Alliance Forum

This forum provides an opportunity for all members to participate. It will be held biennially

2. Steering Group/Committee

The Steering Group is appointed by the Methodist Conference. Membership 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 Methodist Alliance.

Steering Group membership will not exceed 15 persons and shall meet at least twice a year.

SECTION 11(B): ENTITIES INCORPORATED UNDER ACTS OF PARLIAMENT

The Methodist Alliance

2.2.9

- (a) Methodist Mission Northern
- (b) Wesley Wellington Mission Incorporated
- (c) Christchurch Methodist Central Mission
- (d) Methodist Mission Southern
- (e) Palmerston North Methodist Social Services Trust
- (f) Hamilton Methodist Social Services Trust
- (g) Sinoti Samoa
- (h) Vahefonua Tonga Methodist Mission Charitable Trust
- (i) Tamahere Eventide Home Trust
- (j) Airedale Property Trust
- (k) The Lifewise Trust

Section 11(B)

2.2.9 THE METHODIST ALLIANCE

APPENDIX A-2

- 8.4 (v) Seek the advice of The Methodist Alliance, or any successor to it, in carrying out the functions set out in this clause when dealing with a property which is for any social service purpose of the Church

SECTION 3 – PARISHES

INTRODUCTION

- 1.4 A Parish shall not have any administrative responsibility for any Connexional Division, Incorporated Board or Trust directly responsible to the Conference, or any Mission being part of the Methodist Alliance, unless otherwise determined by the Conference

SECTION 5

Missions

14. 1.1 Missions **exist to promote the social service and social advocacy functions of the Conference of the Methodist Church of New Zealand Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa. Missions will report and be responsible to Conference through the Methodist Alliance.** ~~shall for the purposes of promoting the objects and fulfilling the functions of the Methodist Alliance in any part of the Connexion shall have such additional or alternative structures as shall enable each Mission to carry out its work.~~
14. 1.2 Conference shall authorise the establishment of any Mission.
14. 1.3 The boundaries of each Mission's activities shall be determined from time to time by the Conference. Such boundaries shall not be considered as an infringement of the ordinary objects and responsibilities of Parishes in the region.

Objects and Functions

14. 2. The objects and functions of each Mission shall be within the framework of the Church's Mission Statement, **Social Principles** and bicultural journey, and should be in general accord with the objects and functions of the Methodist Alliance.

Mission Board

14. 3.1 Each Mission shall be under the direction of a Board which shall be accountable to the Conference **through the Methodist Alliance** for the policy by which the Mission operates.
14. 3.2 Membership of each Board shall be submitted annually for approval by the Conference, **through the Methodist Alliance**, and shall include representatives of those presbyters, deacons or lay persons appointed to the Mission by Conference, together with representatives from the Parishes, the District and the community.

Such community representatives need not be members of the Methodist Church of New Zealand, but shall be persons who are sympathetic with the doctrines, polity and discipline of the Methodist Church of New Zealand. Such community representatives shall not exceed 50% of the membership of the Board.

14. 3.3 Each Board may appoint such committees as shall be necessary

Superintendent or a Director

14. 6.1 Each Mission shall be under the direction of a Superintendent or a Director, who shall be a presbyter, deacon, or layperson, duly appointed by the Conference.

14. 6.2 The appointment procedures for a Superintendent or a Director shall be those applying to Connexional appointments as set out in 6.7.1 - 6.7.12.

Functions of the Superintendent or a Director

14. 7 Each Mission Superintendent or Director shall:

- (a) be accountable to Conference directly on all matters where in terms of this Law Book direct accountability is specific, but on all other matters be accountable through the Board;
- (b) be responsible to the Board for the management of the Mission's activities including the policies and actions of Mission staff in the exercise of their duties;
- (c) initiate and encourage planning for the achievement of the objectives outlined in 3.14.2;
- (d) express the theological understanding of the Connexion, as contained in the Mission Statement, in matters of social service, social justice and equity;
- (e) be involved as appropriate in wider community concerns;
- ~~(f) fulfil as appropriate the functions of a Superintendent as set out in Section 3.7.1f unless the Conference designates another Presbyter, appointed to the Mission as the Superintendent;~~

Note: This relates to 'parish functions' and is no longer relevant.

Consent of Conference (Section 5)

2. 7.2 In making such recommendations the Board shall:

- (e) seek the advice of the Methodist Alliance in carrying out these functions when dealing with those properties which are directly related to social services;

THE FOUNDING DOCUMENT OF 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

The Methodist Alliance, in carrying out its objectives, shall at all times conform with the Laws and Regulations of the Church and with any decisions of the Conference, and accordingly all provisions of this founding document shall be subject to such Laws and Regulations and any such Conference decision from time to time.

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
- Any Methodist and Cooperating Venture/Union parishes who are engaged in social service or community work
- Any Trusts and Community based social services associated with a Methodist or Cooperating Venture/Union Church (with a Methodist component).

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 way
- 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 Conduct¹

As part of being a member of the Methodist Alliance, all members agree to the Alliance's Code of Conduct, and commit themselves to adhere to it.

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 our 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 our work
- ensure that staff and volunteers are treated fairly and with dignity and that the requirements of employment legislation are met
- adhere to all Health and Safety requirements
- be transparent in all financial matters and adhere to required accounting practice
- act with the highest integrity in our 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 Methodist 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 Methodist Alliance's disputes resolution mechanism to address the concern or conflict.

3. Report annually on activities and financial position to the Steering Group.

4. On request make available to the Steering Group all external audits.

5. Rights of Membership include

Members of the Methodist Alliance have the right to:

- participate in the forum of the Methodist Alliance
- participate in other meetings and working groups of the Methodist Alliance
- use the Methodist Alliance logo in accordance with the co-branding policy and use the resources and programmes of the Methodist Alliance
- Seek support from subject matter experts within the membership
- Provide information for submissions.

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 Methodist 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).

¹ The Code of Conduct will be further developed by the founding members of the Alliance.

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 every second year, 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 every second year during the year when there is no Methodist Conference and will rotate to different parts of the country to enable maximum participation from members.

2. Steering Group/Committee

The Steering Group is 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 from the membership
- Maintain general oversight of Methodist appointees to New Zealand Council of Christian Social Services.
- General oversight of community and social services in the Methodist Church through:
 - auditing governance and quality standards for Missions and other Church community and social services;
 - property advice and recommendations, in regards to the social service aspects, to the Methodist Connexional Property Committee of the Board of Administration, and investment strategy advice in consultation with the Investment Advisory Board;

- administration of community and social service funds and bequests (specifically the Family Support Fund and the Everill Orr Training Fund);
- oversight of national marketing and promotion of Methodist social services.
- National advocacy through:
 - monitoring trends in social policy and services;
 - identifying areas for research and options for obtaining the information required;
 - developing a strategy and protocols for national advocacy;
 - working in partnership with other Conference committees, partner churches, and community agencies.

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

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
3. 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.

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 the Methodist Alliance Forum, and recommended to the Methodist Conference.

CHANGES TO THE CANDIDATING PROCESS

The Board of Mission Resourcing asked the President to take steps to remove the role of Candidates Convenors.

The Mission Resourcing Board supports the request of the Directors to remove the role of Synod Candidates' Convenors and direct all candidates to apply directly to the Director Mission Resourcing so that each candidate can be properly prepared to Connexional standards to negotiate the candidating process. This change will not affect the rights of the parish council, ministerial synod, or Candidates Assessment Panel.

The rationale for the request is that Mission Resourcing in recent years have found that there is a lack of consistency between Synods and that critical steps in the process are not always being followed. This has meant in practice that Mission Resourcing has been doing the work of Candidates Convenors for some time.

Removing the role will reduce costs and provide consistency for all Candidates.

LAWS AND REGULATIONS SECTION 2 – MINISTRY

CANDIDATES

3. 1 A Candidate may offer for the ministry of a Presbyter or Deacon, either of which may be full or part-time ministry, and either fully, partially or non-stipended. Candidating shall be for ministry in a specified language setting.
3. 2 Candidates for the ministry of Presbyter or Deacon in the Methodist Church shall:
 - (a) have been baptised;
 - (b) have been confirmed, and be in active membership in the Church;
 - (c) give evidence, in the case of a candidate for the presbyterate, of their acceptability and potential as a preacher;
 - (d) be persons finding general acceptance in the community and in the Church;
 - (e) be persons who live out a commitment to The Church, including its Mission Statement, and bicultural journey;
 - (f) be persons whose gifts, insight into the Gospel, and ability to relate to people indicate a potential acceptability in this vocation; and
 - (g) have a general understanding of the role of the Presbyter and Deacon in The Church.
3. 3 A person desiring to offer for the Presbyteral or Diaconal ministry shall be referred by the Superintendent of the Parish in which membership is held to **the Director(s) Mission Resourcing**. ~~Synod Candidates Convener.~~
3. 4 Where a Candidate has resided for less than two years in the Parish from which s/he is candidating, adequate enquiries shall be made in previous Parishes and reported to the Parish Council and **the Director(s) Mission Resourcing**. ~~Synod Candidates Committee.~~
3. 5 Candidates shall have read:
 - (a) the "designated" sermons of John Wesley, and any other early Methodist documents, as set out by Mission Resourcing.
 - (b) the Laws and Regulations of The Church and declare willingness to accept the polity and discipline of The Church.
3. 6 Procedures regarding the selection and acceptance of Candidates for the Presbyterate and Diaconate shall be determined from time to time by the Mission Resourcing Board. The Mission Resourcing Board shall from time to time publish regulations for the implementation of the procedures. These procedures shall include provision for:
 - (a) determining the degree of support of the local Church which will be conveyed in a report prepared by the **Parish Superintendent**. ~~Synod Candidates Convener~~ to the Ministerial Synod;
 - (b) the ~~presentation of a the Convener's report to a~~ Ministerial Synod which may comment on or add to the report, and the adoption of the report's recommendations regarding the candidate. The level of support shall be recorded and reported to the Mission Resourcing Board.
 - (c) encouragement and guidance for prospective Candidates through the candidate's support group;
 - (d) each Candidate to attend a National Assessment Event as arranged by the Mission Resourcing Board;
 - (e) a process of Appeal against the recommendation of the National Assessment Event, the appeal to be solely on the grounds of abuse of and/or incorrect use of candidating procedures.
3. 7 Each candidate shall complete an application as prescribed by Mission Resourcing. The application shall include:
 - (a) Information regarding prior learning experience including academic transcripts from all tertiary institutions in which the candidate has been enrolled.

- (b) Evidence of Commitment to The Church and its Laws and Regulations including full and candid disclosure of all facts that may have a bearing upon ministry training and /or ordination.
 - (c) A police report on an approved form.
 - (d) A medical report.
 - (e) Proof of New Zealand residency qualification.
 - (f) Competency in English **and** in the language in which they will minister and a knowledge of Te Reo.
 - (g) Any other information or report that the Board from time to time may require.
3. 8 Candidates shall provide personal financial information as required by the Mission Resourcing Board in order to satisfy the Conference as to their ability to meet any necessary financial obligation.
3. 9 At the March meeting of the Synod, and on other suitable occasions, the names of prospective Candidates shall be brought to the attention of the Synod.
- ~~3. 10 The Synod shall appoint a Synod Candidates Convener who shall provide guidance to candidates and to the Synod about the Candidating processes, and shall make a recommendation to the Synod regarding the candidate.~~
3. 11 ~~The Synod Candidates Convener shall ensure that the requirements of the Mission Resourcing Board with respect to candidates have been fulfilled. The Synod Secretary Candidates Convener shall confirm to the Mission Resourcing Board that a candidate has met the requirements laid down in 2.3.5-8 above and that the Ministerial Synod has agreed to a candidate continuing their candidature.~~
3. 12 Prior to the acceptance of any Candidate who offers to exercise a full or part-time ministry, which may be partially or non-stipended, in the Parish from which they have candidated, the Mission Resourcing Board shall arrange for consultation with the Parish to determine Parish strategy implications.
3. 13 The Mission Resourcing Board will receive all reports concerning candidates, including those of the Candidates Assessment Team. The Mission Resourcing Board will present its recommendation to the Conference.
3. 14.1 A candidate who is informed by the Candidate Assessment Team that he or she will not be recommended for acceptance may, within twenty one (21) days, lodge an appeal through his or her Synod Superintendent to the Mission Resourcing Board.
3. 14.2 The General Secretary in consultation with the President shall establish an Appeals Committee of three people, one of whom shall be the Legal Advisor, who shall hear the appeal before convening of the Conference in that year. The only basis for an appeal is abuse and or /incorrect use of the candidating process. The Appeals Committee shall provide its decision to Mission Resourcing Board and such decision shall be final and binding.
- 3.14.3 The appellant shall have the right to engage their own legal representation for the appeal.

SYNOD APPOINTMENTS

- ~~42. 1 Each Synod shall as required appoint a Synod Candidates Convener, who may serve more than one Synod. The Candidates Convener shall ensure that the requirements of the Conference with respect to candidates have been fulfilled. (see 2.3.6 and 2.3.10)~~

TE TAHA MAORI ACCOUNTS

During the year Te Taha Maori brought their accounting functions in-house. Minor changes to the Laws and Regulations are necessary.

Te Taha Maori Accounting Section 10.21.2.1

Current wording: “The Fund shall be managed by the Administration Division on information and instructions given by Te Taha Maori.”

New wording: “The Fund shall be managed by Te Taha Maori.”

Section 6.3.10 and 6.3.11

Current wording: *“The Finance Manager for Te Taha Maori will, with the Accountant from the Connexional Office, make the appropriate adjustments for GST and any other financial matters required and send Annual Reports to the Charities Commission. Note: GST must be returned monthly.*

The Finance Manager for Te Taha Maori will, with the Accountant from the Connexional Office, prepare annual accounts and submit these for auditing.”

New Wording: “The Finance Manager for Te Taha Maori will make the appropriate adjustments for GST and any other financial matters required by Conference and send annual accounts to the Charities Commission.

The Finance Manager for Te Taha Maori will prepare annual statements in accordance with the required financial reporting standards for Te Taha Maori as determined by Conference and submit these for auditing by an independent qualified person.”

Te Taha Maori Property Trust:

Section 6.3.8.3.

Current wording: *Membership of Te Taha Maori Property Trust will be the Tumuaki and two other senior members of Te Taha Maori and the Finance Officer for Te Taha Maori, with assistance, as required, from the Connexional Office Staff. (Financial Services Manager / Accountant)*

The Constitution for Te Taha Maori Property Trust States:

“The Board shall comprise four (4) persons appointed by Conference together with the Tumuaki Te Taha Maori or the Tumuaki’s successor in title.”

The Constitution makes provision for the Tumuaki plus four members. Therefore it is suggested Clause 6.3.8.3 be:

New Wording: “Membership of Te Taha Maori Property Trust will be the Tumuaki and four (4) others recommended to, and agreed by Conference with assistance, as required, from Connexional Office Staff. (Financial Services Manager/Accountant) Te Taha Maori shall make the recommendations to Conference.”

Supplementary Report

(Continuation from page C-2)

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

Appointments

1. John MacDonald as Head of Mission, Methodist Mission Northern and received into Full Connexion.
2. Miriam Hulston to the Methodist Publishing Board.
3. Iakopo Fa'afuata to Methodist Connexional Property Committee.
4. Edwin Talakai to Methodist Connexional Property Committee.
5. Shelly Walker Supply at Te Awamutu Methodist Parish.
6. Jane Davel and Richard Devereux to the MTA, IAB and PACT 2086 Trust Boards.
7. Dr Roger Blakely to the Wesley Community Action Board.
8. Rachael Jones and Vaughn Davis on the Lifewise Board.
9. Kathleen Tuai-Ta'ufo'ou to the Lifewise Board.
10. Ian Faulkner to the Mission & Ecumenical Board.

Approval to Conduct the Sacraments

- Paunga Tupou St Johns Hamilton East Tongan
- Sekope Moli St Pauls Hamilton Tongan
- Edwin Talakai Vahefonua Tonga o Aotearoa
- Temisi Taufua Vahefonua Tonga o Aotearoa
- Johanna Breus Auckland Deaf Christian Fellowship
- Peter Musgrove Auckland Deaf Christian Fellowship
- Allisyn Speirs Kawerau
- Jill Kayser Chaplain at Large, Methodist Mission Northern
- Bill Ingley Hutt City Uniting – Wainuiomata
- Sue Brown Ngaio Union Parish

Other

1. Accepted resignation of Rev Sylvia 'Akau'ola-Tongotongo, transferred to the Uniting Church in Australia (28 February 2017).
2. Interim endorsement for Te Taha Maori to be exempted from Law Book Section 10, Clause 21.2.1 until Conference 2018.
3. Approved the adjustments to stipend in 2017 and 2018.
4. Approved the development of Phase 2 of the Grafton Downs project.



Administration

- Administration Division
- Connexional Trusts
 - Methodist Trust Association
 - PACT 2086 Trust
 - Investment Advisory Board
- Robert Gibson Trust
- Wesley Historical Society
- Professional Development Grants Committee



BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION

Methodist Conference meets in Christchurch this year for the first time since the earthquakes. In August, almost eight years after the September 2010 quake the Archives building was officially opened. Around the city rebuilding continues and there are still properties where insurance is to be finalised and strategies for the future determined.

In 2010 and 2011 we imagined that the city would be fixed much more quickly. Now we know that even when the physical environment is restored the effects continue to be felt in the lives of many people.

I am proud of the amazing work of the Connexional Office team who have attended to the work of the Church while also dealing with personal issues.

During the year Trudy Downes was recruited as Health and Safety Co-ordinator for the Church. Trudy is helping us reframe a matter which many see as being imposed from the outside, to be understood as arising from our deep gospel values. Caring for one another is what we do. Applied to properties and processes it creates a healthy, safe environment.

Contract accountant Christine Chisholm left for a working holiday in the UK. Christine is still assisting some Parishes from her new home in London.

We also pay tribute to Don Biggs who resigned as Board of Administration Chair and Board member in February 2018. Don served on the Board for 22 years, the last 4 years as Chair. In that time making a valuable contribution to the life of the Board and the Church.

Nan Russell was elected as Acting Chair in February. This has also given Nan the task of chairing the 4+4 process preparing for the appointment of the next General Secretary.

Historic Abuse

The Church has received a number of claims of historic abuse which occurred in or around the Children's Homes operated by the Methodist Church. Seven of these have been investigated and brought to resolution.

With the announcement of the Inquiry into Abuse in State Care in New Zealand and the publicity from the inquiry in Australia there have been a number of people have approached the Church during 2018. It was quickly realised that we do not have the resources to deal appropriately with the increased level of inquiry.

A recent meeting of those with expertise and possible exposure to historical allegations resulted in agreement to put in place a Church process to hear stories. This would be similar to the State process from which those in Church care will likely be excluded. Senior representatives from the Anglican Church and the Presbyterian Church were present. It was determined as much as possible to work together. Funding is being sought from PAC and a job description for a Co-ordinator to establish the process is being written.

The objective is for our Church to be able to be open to hear any story and move through to appropriate resolution.

Appointment of Next General Secretary

Rev David Bush completes 10 years as General Secretary this year. He has agreed to stay in the role until the new General Secretary starts at Conference 2020.

The 4 + 4 has been convened to appoint the new General Secretary, and advertising and interviewing will commence in early 2019. It is hoped that the new General Secretary will be identified by mid-2019 to allow for any training required, and a seamless turnover with the current General Secretary.

DISCIPLINARY CODE

During 2017 and 2018 three Complaints Officers have been used to investigate complaints under the Disciplinary Code. Rev Bruce Hansen and Rev Ray Coster, both former Moderators of the

Presbyterian Church. In 2018 the President authorised Rev John Murray to act as Complaints Officer when both Rev Hansen and Rev Coster were unavailable.

At 1st August 2018 two matters are still under investigation. Four complaints have been investigated and brought to resolution.

As a result of a mediation a draft Code of Conduct for Lay employees and Volunteers has been drafted. Consultation is continuing, but it is likely that this will be offered for use during 2019.

Suggested decisions:

1. That the report be received.
2. Conference thanks Rev Don Biggs for his 22 years of service on the Board of Administration, the last 4 years as Chair, recording its gratitude for his contribution to the life of the Board and the Church.
3. Conference affirms the continued appointment of Bruce Hansen and Rev Ray Coster as Complaints Officers.

SUPERNUMERARY FUND

From 1st September 2016 the Supernumerary Fund has been operating under new governance arrangements. The Financial Markets Authority Act required that the Fund have an Independent Director appointed from outside the Church. This in turn required the establishment of a company, the Directors of which are the Trustee of the Fund.

All documentation for the Fund has to be posted on the Disclose website <https://disclose-register.companiesoffice.govt.nz> (put 'Methodist' in the search schemes box) where it is available for public access.

The process of preparing for the changeover, and learning to manage within the new requirements has at times been time consuming. There was also very significant setup costs and these continue to be additional compliance costs.

The Independent Director appointed to the Trustee is Mr Charlie Cahn. As Mr Cahn was previously the Fund Actuary, a new Actuary Christine Ormrod of Price Waterhouse Coopers has been appointed.

The Fund is reviewed by the Actuary on an annual basis. The 2018 review of the 2017-2018 financial year was very positive due to higher investment income. The total service deficit for the Fund improved from a deficit of \$1,542,000 to \$644,000. The vested benefit value, if everyone resigned on the same day, improved from a deficit of \$2,713,000 to \$1,818,000. These are very significant improvements. The deficit is covered by a mortgage over the Connexional Office.

Even though the position of the Fund has improved, it has still not been possible to increase the rate of annuity, which determines the pension pay-out.

The Church has responded to the request made to Conference in 2016 to address the inability of the Supernumerary Fund to increase pensions.

A top-up fund has been established. Three entities within the Church have made interest free or very low interest loans of \$1 million. The investment income along with grants from PAC is enabling a top-up to be paid to those receiving pensions from the Fund. The top-up is calculated from the last normal increase in the annuity rate in 2007, using the CPI calculations from the Reserve Bank. The top-up in the 2018 year is an 18.9% payment on top of the normal pension, paid monthly.

STIPENDS COMMITTEE

The Stipends Committee of Nicola Grundy, Tovia Aumua, Jan Tasker, Goll Manukia and Tania Shackleton, with BOA member Digby Prosser in attendance met on May 31st at 409 Great South Road to consider matters related to Methodist Stipends.

1. Adjustment of Stipend for year commencing 1 July 2018

The Committee is charged with considering changes in the Consumer Price Index, Wage

Index, decisions of partner churches and any other relevant information when deciding on any adjustment to the standard stipend.

The CPI for the 12 months to 31 March 2018 increased by 1.1%
The Wage Index for the same period increased by 1.9%
New Zealand Superannuation and Benefits were adjusted by 2.74%

The Committee noted that for some years it has exclusively used the CPI, which has been lower than the wage index, creating a gap between Methodist stipends and those of partner churches. It was also noted that National Superannuation had been increased by 2.74% in March 2018.

It was recommended to the President that the stipend be increased by 2% and allowances by 1.1% to take effect from 1 July 2018. The President agreed to the recommended increase.

2. Car Allowance

It was noted that the IRD rate per kilometre is higher than the AA rates approved by AllChurches and used by the Methodist Church. However the IRD rate is limited to \$4,000km per annum and the higher rate per kilometre reflects depreciation being charged over a smaller distance.

The Church will continue to use AA rates as supplied through AllChurches.

3. Part-time, full-time, hours of work

Ministry Covenants currently have 48 hours or 6 days as the definition of the working week. This practice commenced 8 or 9 years ago.

The issue of defining the work week arose with the need to describe and quantify part-time appointments as so many hours or days when 'full-time' was able to be described as 'being available full-time', not necessarily 'working full-time'. What was expected is a full time position would have one day per week free of work responsibility. However this is not the same as requiring a 6 day working week.

The Board of Administration suggests that the 'standard' working week for Presbyters and Deacons be 40 hours, recognising that specific demands may require additional hours, as would be the case for a person on a salary. It is important for Parishes and Presbyters to have a shared understanding of expectations.

The Stipends Committee is aware that there are now many more part-time appointments. Most Presbyters are still seeking full-time positions. This creates issues for both Presbyters and Parishes. The Committee believes that shared ministry/circuit/clusters need to be implemented rather than having many less than full-time appointments. Where part-time appointments are made Ministry Covenants need to clearly define how work not included in the part-time role will be accomplished.

Suggested decisions:

1. That the report be received.
2. That Ministry Covenants use to 40 hours as the standard working week.
3. That Conference asks Mission Resourcing to address the question of ministry and Parish structure and to report to Parishes, Rohe, Synods, Hui Poari and Conference 2020.

GOODS AND SERVICES TAX

Background

At Conference in 1986 the Conference resolved and reaffirmed the decision of the President that the Methodist Church of New Zealand be registered as one "person" in terms of the Goods and Services Tax 1985.

The Methodist Church of New Zealand is registered as one entity for GST purposes (Group registration). This means all entities (Parishes for example) that are wholly part of the Methodist Church of New Zealand, do not have to register separately for GST purposes with the IRD.

The Group registration requires each entity (Parish, Synod, Rohe, Preschool, rest home, retirement village, trust, etc) within the Methodist Church who provides taxable supplies to complete an online GST form and file this with the Connexional Office each month. These returns are then consolidated into one return and filed with the Inland Revenue Department by the Connexional Office.

The GST number for all Methodist Church entities is: 010-836-166

Late Lodging of Internal GST Returns

The Board of Administration have allowed a small number of entities the ability to file late GST returns going back a number of months on the basis that the payments or returns were small amounts. This practise will need to cease as it opens up the Church reviews of its practices by the IRD.

From 1 January 2019 the Connexional Office will not accept internal GST returns filed older than two months, that is to say, if the return period is for the period 1 December 2018 to 31 December 2018 (due 28 January 2019), then the Connexional Office will accept returns for December and November 2018 but nothing before that time.

Changes Affecting Goods and Services Tax

While there have been some changes to the GST legislation (i.e. GST on low value imported goods which is commonly known as the “Amazon Tax”) there have been no changes that have affected the Church.

However, the Inland Revenue published “An officials’ issues paper” dated May 2018 which will impact the Church if it were to progress to a Bill and then change the GST legislation. The main focus of the IRD paper is about treating any goods and services for which the Church has claimed GST costs (input tax) to be subject to GST as part of its “taxable activity” if later sold by the Church. This would apply to ALL assets sold and ignores the issue that many of the Church owned land and buildings were acquired BEFORE the introduction of the GST Act. The InterChurch Bureau has made a submission with input from the Church.

Unless Conference passes another decision to the contra, the Board of Administration will continue to manage Goods and Services Tax in accordance with the 1986 Conference decision.

CHARITIES ACT 2005

The Minister for the Community and Voluntary Sector announced in May 2018 that there is to be a “comprehensive” review of the Charities Act 2005.

The purpose of the review is to ensure that the Act is effective and fit for purpose. The legislative review will focus on substantive issues arising under the Act, while recognising and building on the Act’s strengths.

The Department of Internal Affairs is leading the review process, working closely alongside a Core Reference Group of representatives from the charity sector.

The Charities Act 2005 regulates more than 27,000 charities in New Zealand, and as it has been in place for more than a decade it is now time to see if it’s fit for purpose,” the minister, Peeni Henare, said in May 2018:

“A lot has changed in the charities sector, and it is important to make sure that the Act is still working well for all those who operate within it. This is a great opportunity to take a look at the legislation that guides charities.”

The terms of reference, which were approved by Cabinet in July (<https://www.dia.govt.nz/Charities-Review---Questions-and-Answers>) define the structure and scope of the review. A copy of these is available from the Connexional Office through Peter van Hout.

It is not expected that any changes to the Charities Act will occur until near the end of 2019 or early 2020.

INDEPENDENT ASSURANCE REPORTING

Conference 2006 decided the following:

“10:1.3.1 All Connexional Funds, Boards, Trusts, Parishes, Committees and Courts of the Church shall annually prepare and submit accounts which are to be audited or reviewed in a manner and to a standard published in the Treasurer’s Handbook.

10.3.2 These accounts shall be placed in the Conference Journal.

10.3.3 Authority to determine and publish the standards shall be the responsibility of the Board of Administration.”

The Board of Administration first published its standards, in relation to audit and review (also known as the Independent Assurance Policy in May 2007. It was last reviewed and approved by the Board of Administration at its meeting in 16 August 2018. No changes to the policy were made.

Copies of the current Church policy are available from Peter van Hout, Financial Services Manager (peter.v@methodist.org.nz) or go to http://accounting.methodist.org.nz/?page_id=628 (this is the link to the resources page of the accounting blog site and the first document is the Independent Assurance Policy).

Unless Conference passes another decision to the contra, the Board of Administration will continue to manage audits and reviews of financial statements in accordance with the 2006 Conference decision.

PREPARATION OF ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

As noted under Independent Assurance Reporting, there is a Church policy on the formatting and setting out of the annual financial statements (also known as the performance reports). This policy is contained in the updated Treasurers Manual (March 2018), section 1.10.

All Methodist entities that report to Conference are required to produce and submit annual financial statements in accordance with the appropriate External Reporting Board’s reporting standards and within the advised timeframes.

Changes to the Financial Reporting Standards have not changed for the year ending 30 June 2018, however, some changes will occur in the next year. Changes to Tier 1 and 2 reporting entities is continuous but these changes effect less than 8% of all the entities that report to the Conference.

92% of entities that report to Conference are Tier 3 (operating expenses between \$125,001 and \$2,000,000 – about 53% of all entities) or Tier 4 (operating expenditure less than \$125,000 – about 39%). Possible changes to the Tier 3 and 4 reporting standards include:

- Changes for the accounting treatment of impairment charges and their reversal
- Revaluation of property, plant and equipment
- Signing and dating the annual performance report
- Changes for Tier 4 entities who have “controlled” entities
- Changing the Related Party Reporting requirements by increasing the disclosure requirements

The Church has made a submission on the suggested changes to the External Reporting Board. Any changes implemented will be sent to Treasurers and other preparers of performance reports when the final changes are known.

TAX CHANGES

Tax Working Group

Conference will be aware that the Labour lead government has formed a Tax Working Group to look at medium to long term reform of the tax system within New Zealand.

The Government's starting position is that the guiding principle for the New Zealand tax system – namely, that tax should operate neutrally and as much in the background as possible – is sound and a starting point for reform.

The Working Group will consider what improvements to this framework could improve the structure, fairness and balance of the tax system. In particular, the Working Group will consider the impact on the tax system of the likely economic environment over the next decade.

The Government has the following objectives for the tax system:

- A tax system that is efficient, fair, simple and collected
- A system that promotes the long-term sustainability and productivity of the economy
- A system that supports a sustainable revenue base to fund government operating expenditure around its historical level of 30 per cent of GDP
- A system that treats all income and assets in a fair, balanced and efficient manner, having special regard to housing affordability
- A progressive tax and transfer system for individuals and families, and
- An overall tax system that operates in a simple and coherent manner.

6,700 submissions have been received by the Tax Working Group on the first consultation document. The Board of Administration have made a submission to the group on behalf of the Church and will continue to monitor progress

Pending Tax Changes that May Affect the Church

The Church, as will all charities that work both within New Zealand and overseas are able to access a range of tax benefits. Typically, this means that the Church's income will be tax exempt, interest earned from bank deposits will not need to deduct resident withholding tax, the Church may not need to pay fringe benefit tax on some benefits provided to its employees, there are some GST concessions, and supporters of the Church can claim donation tax credits or gift deductions.

All of these tax benefits are subject to continual monitoring and review by the Government to make sure they are effective.

The *Taxation (Annual Rates for 2018-19, Modernising Tax Administration, and Remedial Matters) Bill* was introduced on 28 June 2018 and has been referred to Parliament's Finance and Expenditure Committee for public submissions. Submissions closed in August 2018.

The bill contained a number of remedial changes to address unintended gaps in the current law governing the tax treatment of charities and not-for-profit entities. These proposed changes are intended to ensure greater transparency from entities that receive tax concessions, and improve the overall integrity and coherence of the rules.

This is a summary of the proposed changes in the bill that could affect the Methodist Church of New Zealand. If you want more information, please contact Peter van Hout in the Connexional Office.

Donations and Donee Organisations

Since 2008/2009, when the Government removed the \$630 maximum limit on the tax credit for donations made by individuals, the amount of donor concessions have significantly increased. Donor concessions, which had been approximately \$100 million per annum with the \$630 limit, now exceed \$280 million per annum. This means it is increasingly important for donee organisations such as the Methodist Church of New Zealand to be transparent. The Inland Revenue Department (IRD) are proposing several changes to the current system for donee organisations.

The bill proposes that organisations seeking donee status must obtain approval by the Commissioner of Inland Revenue and be recorded on the official Inland Revenue donee organisation list. This proposal will only affect a very small number of donee organisations not currently on the Inland Revenue list. It will apply from 1 April 2019. All Methodist Church entities are registered as charities under the Charities Act 2005 and should also be listed in the IRD Donee list.

At present, organisations with charitable purposes can obtain donee organisation status without being registered under the Charities Act 2005. This creates inconsistencies between the obligations of entities with identical tax benefits. The Government is proposing that in order to obtain donee organisation status, all organisations with charitable purposes need to be registered under the Charities Act. This proposal allows affected donee organisations to seek registration under the Charities Act by 1 April 2020.

In relation to the Methodist Church, all Methodist entities that report to Conference are registered as charities under the Charities Act 2005. The Connexional Office have found that there is a mismatch between the donee organisations on the IRD website and that those on the Charities website. This is a concern. The Connexional Office would encourage all Methodist entities to check the IRD donee list.

Charities that are deregistered under the Charities Act

Six refinements are proposed to the tax rules for charities that are deregistered under the Charities Act.

These new rules should not affect the Methodist Church as when we deregister a charity that reports to Conference, the net assets are transferred to another entity within the Methodist Church of New Zealand and therefore there is no residual tax liability.

Charities and business income

A small number of businesses have taken advantage of the charitable business income tax exemption without registering under the Charities Act. This reduces the transparency requirements for these businesses and creates inconsistencies between them and other charitable businesses. The Government is proposing that all entities which receive income tax exemptions for charitable purposes need to apply for registration under the Charities Act and report annually. This change will apply from the 2019/20 and later income years.

As far as the Connexional Office is aware, all Parishes, Synods, Trusts, Model Deeds, Companies, etc. that report to the Conference of the Methodist Church of New Zealand are registered and therefore this new provision will not apply.

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND – SPECIAL ACCOUNT

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).

As reported to Conference in 2016 and in earlier years the interest earned on that Special Account provides support to Connexional Budget and therefore the ongoing activities of the Church. To 30 June 2018 that contribution was \$51,164 while in 2017 it was \$55,336.

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. It shows, from a very practical operation of “Connexion” being unified as “one” has its advantages.

Conference confirmed in 2016 that all “Methodist Church of New Zealand current accounts be with the Bank of New Zealand”. The Board of Administration actively encourages Connexional Entities to move to Bank of New Zealand current accounts.

ANTI-MONEY LAUNDERING AND COUNTERING FINANCING OF TERRORISM LEGISLATION

While this heading does not seem to involve the Church, it does so by use of banks, accountants, lawyers and other financial institutions. Money laundering is how criminals disguise the illegal origins of their money. Financers of terrorism use similar techniques to money launderers to avoid detection by authorities and to protect the identity of those providing and receiving the funds.

The Anti-Money Laundering and Countering Financing of Terrorism Act 2009 (AML/CFT Act) (<http://www.legislation.govt.nz/act/public/2009/0035/latest/DLM2140720.html>) places obligations on New Zealand’s financial institutions to detect and deter money laundering and terrorism financing.

The Act ensures that businesses take appropriate measures to guard against money laundering and terrorism financing. This enhances the reputation of individual businesses, and of New Zealand as a safe place in which to do business.

One of the ways that the Church has been involved is the extra attention the Bank of New Zealand and other banks deal with clients. Parishes and other entities have seen this when they change who the authorised signatories are on their bank accounts and the “paper work” required by the bank.

To help deal with the issues that arise for the bank and the Church, the Board of Administration has become the “account owners” for the purposes of helping banks comply with the AML/CFT Act but it also helps the Church “cement” its relationship so that when urgent things need to happen, the Board of Administration can help to deal with the issues that arise, quickly as the relationship has been built up and established.

The Board of Administration believes that this process works well for the Church and the bank and therefore the Board would ask Conference to support the continued use of this process.

REMOVAL FUND

There were 12 removals (13 in 2017) to and from parishes which are members of the removal fund. There was a 50% feedback with a satisfaction rating of 92.5% from those who were moved. With a similar number of moves the cost was \$42,045 (\$27,321 in 2017).

The removal levy will remain at \$10 per member for 2019, after being reduced from \$14 in 2012.

METHODIST GENERAL PURPOSES TRUST (GPT)

The Methodist General Purposes Trust was first incorporated in March 1930.

The Fund administers 118 Trusts on behalf of Conference and is managed by the Board of Administration Methodist Church of New Zealand. The object of the General Purposes Trust Fund is to hold and administer investments (including real property) and funds bequeathed for special purposes or trusts for any Methodist Church or Methodist entity connected with the Methodist Church of New Zealand. The separate trusts are setup to protect the capital with the income being distributed to the beneficiaries (Methodist Churches or other Methodist entities).

The Methodist General Purposes Trust is the vehicle available to members of the Church who wish to create a Trust to leave ongoing income or capital to the Methodist Church. Gifts and bequests managed through the General Purposes Trust do not have the deductions of fees and management expenses of commercial trusts and solicitors Trust Funds. A bequest goes on giving creating an enduring legacy. Further information on how to leave funds to the Methodist Church can be obtained from the General Secretary.

CONNEXIONAL FINANCIAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

The Connexional Financial Review Committee is akin to the Audit Committee of the Church. The General Secretary receives copies of the financial statements of all entities that report to the Conference of the Methodist Church and then the Connexional staff ensure that these comply with Church Law, the decisions of Conference and Secular Law (such as the Charities Act 2005).

The Committee received a report from the Connexional Office and after meeting in November 2017 followed up those entities that had not provided the General Secretary their financial statements before the due dates.

In accordance with Section 10 clause 1.3.5, the Table below lists the entities which had not provided financial statements or the necessary audit certificates by 25 October 2017 to the General Secretary and then notes if they were received subsequent to that date.

Airedale Property Trust	Received. No further action required.
Ashhurst – Bunnythorpe – Pohangina	Not required, now part of Manawatu Rangitikei Methodist Parish. No further action required.
Auckland Fijian Fellowship	Now the part of Auckland Fijian Parish (Tabacakacaka). No further action required.
Birkenhead Samoan	The Parish filed its Annual Return with Charities Services in April 2018. Some follow up work is required for them to comply with the new financial reporting requirements.
Christchurch South Tongan	Received. No further action required.
Devonport Methodist Parish	Yet to file their Annual Return and produce financial statements for the year ending 30 June 2017.
Diaconate Task Group	Received. No further action required.
Feilding Oroua	Parish has closed. It has been deregistered. No further action required.
Gisborne Samoan	Have now filed their Annual return with Charities Services. No further action required.
Gisborne Wesley Methodist Tongan Parish	First set of financial statements due for the year ending 30 June 2018. No further action required.
Mahurangi	No Annual return filed or Financial Statements supplied. Being actively followed up.
Marton	Parish has closed. It has been deregistered. No further action required.
Methodist Mission Aotearoa (WesleyCom)	This entity has closed. No further action required.
Methodist Mission Northern	Received. No further action required.
Palmerston North	Parish has closed. Part of Manawatu Rangitikei Methodist Parish. It has been deregistered. No further action required.
Panmure Samoan	Received. No further action required.
Rangiora Woodend Trust	Deregistered in February 2014. No further action required.
Samoa Moni I Lana Gagana Aoga Amata Trust	No Annual Return filed or financial statements prepared for the 12 months ended 30 June 2017. Being actively followed up.
Stratford	Received. No further action required.
Vahefonua Tonga O Aotearoa	Received. No further action required.
Waitakere	No Annual Return filed or financial statements prepared for the 12 months ended 30 June 2017. Being actively followed up.
Wanganui Trinity Trust (Model Deed)	Received. No further action required.

Conference 2015 passed the following decisions:

In the event of an entity within the Methodist Church not supplying the appropriate financial reports by the due dates for the current and previous financial year, then Conference asks the General Secretary to make arrangements with that entity to transfer their accounting system to Xero (or other approved accounting system) commencing from the new financial year.

If the entity is already using Xero and still does not prepare and send annual financial statements in accordance with the standards necessary to comply with Church Law, then Conference asks the Board of Administration to prepare the accounts. The cost of preparation and filing will be charged directly to the entity.

While the provisions of these changes have not been actively enforced by the Board of Administration, Conference should note that there are a small number of entities that report to it that are falling behind and to safeguard Conference, the Board will need to use these provisions to ensure that the entities that are responsible to it comply with the Law.

Unless Conference passes another decision to the contra, the Board of Administration will continue to receive and monitor annual financial statements in accordance with the Law Book and the 2015 Conference decision.

Suggested decision:

1. That the report be received.

METHODIST ARCHIVES

Highlights and achievements

Period covered: 1 July 2017-30 June 2018

Kei Muri Māpara - the new purpose-built repository building and research room for Methodist Archives

After a site blessing by Rev Kathryn Walters on 3 September 2017, building began in October 2017. Completion date for the building was still outstanding when the archives collection was moved from the storage warehouse at Wairakei Road 18 June-22 June 2018. Much assistance was given by the Archives volunteers who oversaw the movers packing at the storage warehouse, while the Archivist oversaw the Langdons Road delivery.

Even though the collection has moved – 19 rows of records, 200 large boxes each containing 4 smaller file boxes, six plan cabinets, photocopier, chairs, tables etc, there is still much to do. Each of the large boxes has to be unpacked on to shelves. Books are to be unpacked and put on new shelves in the Research Room.

The mobile shelving from the storage warehouse is to be re-assembled and ready for the Auckland Archives records.

The Methodist Archives Research Room in Kei Muri Māpara will be open Tuesday and Thursday afternoons 1- 4pm from September and the volunteer team will also be working those days. The Archivist will work in the main office two days a week to avoid being isolated from the Connexional Office team.

Name of Archives Building given by Te Taha Maori

Kei - beyond the present, the former, the previous

Muri - looking back

Māpara is a place in time, the writings, stories and reflections of history

Closure of the Auckland Methodist Archives

Cynthia McKenzie, Auckland Archivist and David Hoggard contract worker, were bid farewell on 12 June 2018. Both of them had spent the previous 6 weeks boxing and moving the Auckland records into the store room, ready for transfer to Christchurch.

Books belonging to the Wesley Historical Society were handed over to the Society at their request, as were their records consisting of minutes and files and set of proceedings.

Exhibitor stand at New Zealand Society of Genealogists National Conference in Christchurch

The Methodist Archives had a stand at this conference over Queen's Birthday weekend 2018. The Archivist and volunteer Enid Ellis spent 4 days talking to conference attendees who visited our stand. We spoke directly to at least 1/3 of all people who attended and a flyer about the Methodist Archives went out in all conference packs. This effort has successfully raised our profile and will probably be repeated at their next conference despite the amount of time and effort needed to prepare and participate.

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 per year is approximately 900 hours.

The Archives volunteer team is: Marlene Borgfeldt, Joyce Challies, Enid Ellis, Katherine Gillard, Jan Kotlowski. In November 2017 Diane Thornton joined the team to research the Methodist Church's involvement in the fight for women to gain the right to vote in New Zealand which became law in 1893. We will be self-publishing her research in September 2018 and donating copies to all Methodist parishes as well as making it available digitally on the Methodist Church website.

User statistics July 2017-June 2018

Written enquiries (including email)	380
Telephone enquiries	50
Researchers in person	13



Kei Muri Māpara, June 2018.

CARING FOR OUR PEOPLE MANAAKITIA Ā TĀTOU TĀNGATA

Introducing the Health and Safety Coordinator

Trudy Downes started at the end of September 2017 as the Health and Safety Coordinator for the Church. Her role may be described as translating the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015 (HSWA) into practical, achievable activities for all Church entities to undertake to ensure we are doing all we reasonably can to keep our people safe.

Caring for Our People Manaakitia ā Tātou Tāngata

Beyond the legislative requirements, the health and safety programme has been re-designated as “*Caring for Our People Manaakitia ā Tātou Tāngata*” as a much better descriptor of what we are trying to achieve, and aligning to a fundamental principle of our Church.

The following example helps to highlight what Caring for Our People Manaakitia ā Tātou Tāngata should achieve.

- Insurance is needed after adverse events.
- Caring for Our People Manaakitia ā Tātou Tāngata targets prevention of those adverse events whether the events are minor or major.

“Caring” is all encompassing of those things that are in our realm to control. You are invited to consider the flip side of this statement: not controlling those things in our realm to control is not Caring!

“Our People ā Tātou Tāngata” is all encompassing of those people the Church come into contact with or potentially impact upon: our parishioners, our employees, our volunteers, our Presbyters, Deacons and Lay Ministry, our clients and tenants, visitors, etc.

By focusing on Our People ā Tātou Tāngata, we ensure

1. We care for peoples’ safety and wellbeing while they are involved with the mission of our Church.

2. Health and safety is about planning together; not paperwork.
3. Systems are made: Useful + Usable = Used
4. Creating action requires emotional engagement; emotion leads to action.
5. Making this more than a 'tick-box' activity will provide longevity and meaning to what we do

Caring for Our People Manaakitia ā Tātou Tāngata - adoption within Church law

For “Caring for Our People Manaakitia ā Tātou Tāngata” to be sustainable and have a chance at permanence within the Church, it should be incorporated into “this is the way we do things”. Ideally to do this requires an internal Church generated driver; to help create the impetus to continuously do things safely, to ensure care for the next person and our future generations.

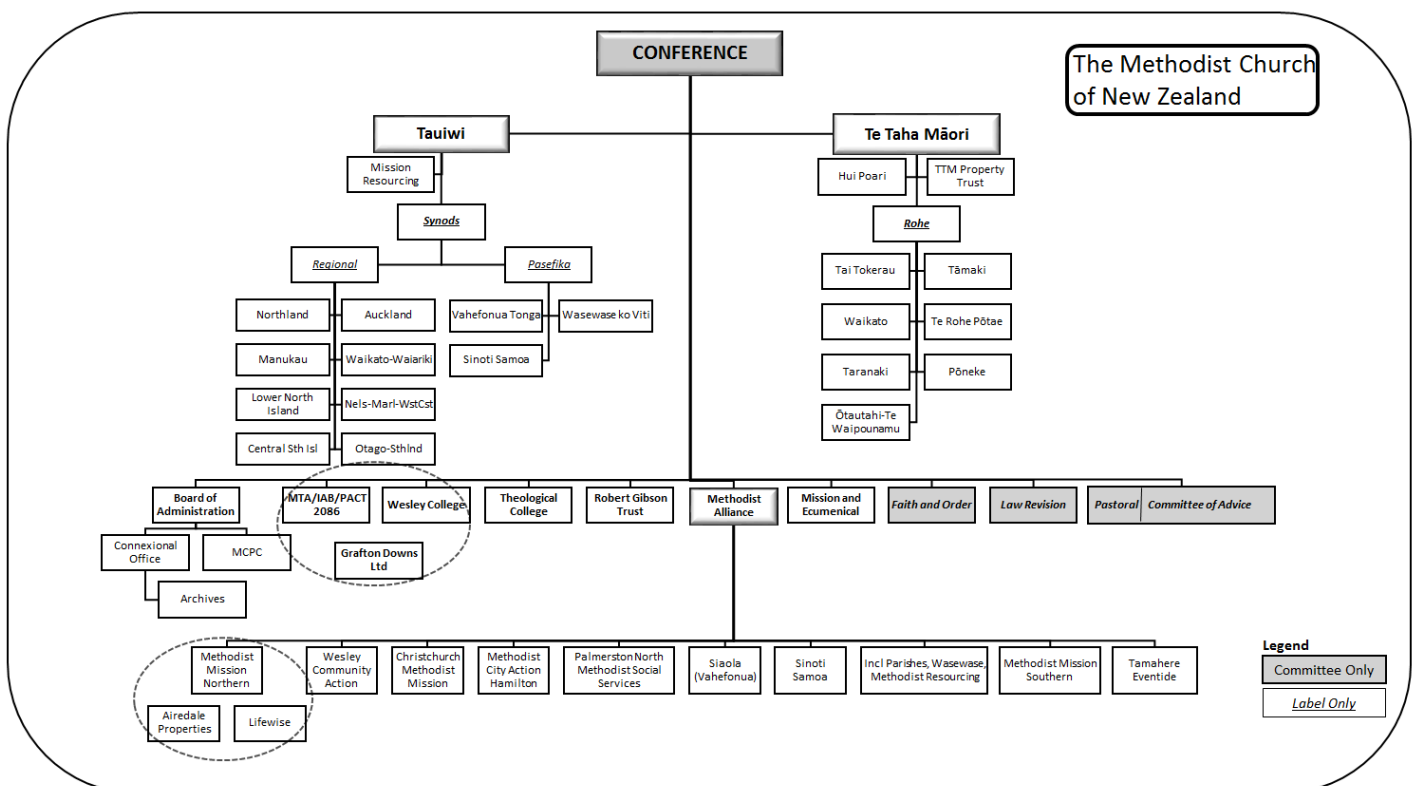
In the search to find that internal driver, Council of Conference was approached and they made the following suggestion:

- To work with Law Revision to have Caring for Our People Manaakitia ā Tātou Tāngata included within the Introduction section of the Laws and Regulations of The Methodist Church of New Zealand Te Hāhi Weteriana o Aotearoa.

Work is being done with the Law Revision committee to create an appropriate statement that is

- Preventive,
- Inclusive, and
- Future proof

Church Structure



Being new to the Methodist Church, Trudy went exploring the Church to understand it, and mapped it at the same time.

There are some key reasons for mapping the Church structure.

1. If Conference is not aware of what is actually being undertaken, and where, then Conference does not know where its key health and safety risks lie.
2. To know what entities exist within the Church to ensure they have a comprehensive and usable, fit for purpose, health and safety system.
3. It made it a lot easier for Trudy to picture how everything fits together and interacts!

The map has its limitations:

- It is only two dimensional.
- People and Church entities are not truly contained in boxes.
- It does not come close to reflecting the continuous connexion that goes on within the Church!

The map has provided the following benefits:

- We now know where to create excellent documents for sharing and therefore alleviate duplication of efforts for the same activity at different locations.
- It is a useful tool to share with others that are new to the Church so they have an easier understanding of the depth and breadth of the Church.

A full version of the map is available upon request to Trudy. The front page is 95% guaranteed as accurate and all following 21 pages are subject to change without prior notice.

Emergency Response Planning

Health and Safety at Work (General Risk and Workplace Management) Regulations 2016

http://www.methodist.org.nz/caring_for_our_people/emergency_response_plans

Emergency response plans were created and tested at a parish and a small office. The templates are now available from the website for everyone to use.

- Emergency response plans are the “Who does what when” if something happens such as fire, earthquake, accident etc
- Doing nothing is not an option. Every workplace, every building where people work or meet (particularly with larger congregations) must have an emergency plan
- Disasters do happen, but you can 'make the mess less' and hasten being back-to-normal through prior planning and practicing that plan.
- These plans must be shared and coordinated with other building tenants or occupants.

It has not been widely communicated, but Emergency Plans are a mandated requirement within the Health and Safety at Work Act. The adoption of Emergency Response Plans will be promoted through the 2018 Roadshow.

Asbestos Management Planning

Health and Safety at Work (Asbestos) Regulations 2016

http://www.methodist.org.nz/caring_for_our_people/asbestos_management_plans

- Every property under Methodist title must have an asbestos management plan.
- Every building rented by the Methodist Church or one of the associated entities must also have an asbestos management plan. However, it is up to the landlord to ensure that this is in place. It is our job to follow up on it.
- This includes parsonages and residential rental buildings.
- This includes recently built building (ie built after 2001). It might be a very short plan for recently built buildings, but you still need one.
- The plan needs to be shared, understood and followed by everyone using the building, or likely to work on the building.
- It is every church entity's responsibility to adopt the default approach of Stage 1 below (particularly if there is a risk of activating the asbestos risk) until Stage 2 is developed or , as applicable, until the landlord's plan is in place.

A simple 3 Stage asbestos management plan template was created, and tested by the Central South Island Synod.

Stage 1

- Communicate to everyone a basic statement of “we don't know so we won't touch”
- Gather basic building details.
- An easy, no cost approach which anyone can do.
- This is the default stage that every building's asbestos status should attain.

Stage 2

- Add further details to Stage 1 of what is/isn't containing asbestos,
- We still don't know about some of it so we will assume the unknown does contain asbestos and therefore we won't touch it

- Wrap some indicative timeframes and actions to the known/assumed asbestos
 - Communicate the plan to everyone
 - An easy, low/no cost approach which people with some building knowledge can do.
- Stage 3
- When work is planned, we must now know whether there is asbestos in the areas we are proposing to work in.
 - Stage 2 information can now be verified.
 - Qualified professionals must test the materials in question to 100% confirm where the asbestos is or is not.
 - Feed the outcome back into the asbestos management plan

The templates are now available from the website for everyone to use.

Also refer to the Property and Insurance report for more details on the asbestos management plans.

Copies of all asbestos management plans and other relevant information must be sent through to the Methodist Connexional Property Committee (MCPC) for inclusion in a national asbestos register. It is through a national register that Conference will be able to demonstrate its compliance with core duties imposed on the Church under the Health and Safety at Work (Asbestos) Regulations 2016.

An education roadshow has been underway to help people make a start on their asbestos management plans.

A network of consultants is being built that will allow Stage 2 to be economically achieved to a high standard.

An unforeseen benefit from this activity is that property records have been under the spotlight and any discrepancies have been fixed!

Health and Safety Baseline Survey 2018

A first Health and Safety Survey was undertaken to help establish a health and safety baseline for the Church. Responses are from June 2018.

Response numbers were lower than desired possibly due to the survey being ungainly because of the survey tools that were used, and maybe also because of the survey inexperience of the Coordinator! Therefore a higher response rate was not rigourously followed up.

Survey issues included:

- Multiple (and differing) responses from single parishes – next time we will seek respondent's names so that survey responses can be verified if necessary
- Responders having “trial run” responses (starting but not completing their surveys) – next time we will change the tool to avoid these
- Losing some responses in the world of computers – next time we will change the tool to avoid this
- Parishes feeling bombarded with H&S emails and switching off (too much information was released at a similar time as the survey – website, emergency response plans, asbestos plans) – next time we will work out a different communication strategy in conjunction with Synod superintendents.

There was still some good and useable information gathered however it was insufficient to draw full comparisons across all Synods, or across the country. The same survey questions can be used next year, and the lessons learned from this survey will be applied.

Themes from the responses include:

- Communication to ensure building users know and understand the in-house safety requirements.
- Some parishes are requesting training to use the emergency response and asbestos management templates that are on the website
- Health and safety policy/manuals are being requested

- Parish resourcing for health and safety can be challenging as there can be competition for available resources in the parish
- Aging congregations and aging buildings create their own challenges to parish health and safety
- Funding is a challenge particularly for some buildings that have been deemed unsafe

Summary of responses follow.

		Methodist Parish	UCANZ Parish
Total Respondents		20	29
... a health and safety committee (or similar)?	<i>yes</i>	15 (75%)	17 (58.6%)
	<i>no</i>	5 (25%)	12 (41.4%)
... a screening and written process for people working with youth and vulnerable people?	<i>yes</i>	8 (40%)	13 (44.8%)
	<i>no</i>	12 (60%)	16 (55.2%)
... an emergency response plan (evacuation, first aid etc)?	<i>yes</i>	16 (80%)	25 (86.2%)
	<i>no</i>	4 (20%)	4 (13.8%)
... a risk register? (answer "No" if you don't know what this is)	<i>yes</i>	12 (60%)	15 (51.7%)
	<i>no</i>	8 (40%)	14 (48.3%)
... an incident reporting process?	<i>yes</i>	16 (80%)	24 (82.8%)
	<i>no</i>	4 (20%)	5 (17.2%)
... a health and safety statement?	<i>yes</i>	14 (70%)	13 (44.8%)
	<i>no</i>	6 (30%)	16 (55.2%)
Have staff with employment contracts	<i>yes</i>	13 (65%)	21 (72.4%)
	<i>no</i>	5 (25%)	5 (17.2%)
	<i>maybe</i>	2 (10%)	3 (10.3%)
Asbestos Management Plans pending	<i>yes</i>	10 (50%)	23 (79.3%)
	<i>some</i>	1 (5%)	2 (6.9%)
	<i>maybe</i>	1 (5%)	0 (0%)
	<i>N/A</i>	5 (25%)	2 (6.9%)
	<i>done</i>	3 (15%)	2 (6.9%)

Maybe = survey response unclear

Roadshow/s

There are a number of activities where people require further information to assist them to use the templates that have been created to date and to carry out the activities well. To meet this need, a roadshow is underway.

Current topics are: Emergency Response Plans and Asbestos Management Plans.

Future roadshow topics:

Risk Management (currently in pilot phase with Christchurch Methodist Mission)

In conjunction with the Property and Insurance Risk Management there is a requirement for health and safety risk management to occur throughout the Church. The degree with which this is adopted throughout the Church will be dependent on the level of relevant risk that is perceived at each site.

To carry out this activity as a meaningful and useful exercise (in conjunction with the expectations from the Health and Safety at Work Act) further education is required around risk:

- Historically risk registers were 'tick box' exercises. If a risk was identified and a fix was assigned against it, it would be considered fixed – one risk+one fix=done!
- Now, we should be better assessing what happens after the fix: initial (how bad is it in its current state) vs residual (how bad is it after we undertake the proposed fix).

Caring for Our People Manaakitia ā Tātou Tāngata Information Booklet (currently being drafted)

A guide for use with people who have roles within our Church (excludes Connexional Appointments). Topics will include:

- Employment (with employment contracts – from start to stop)
- Volunteers
- Presbyters
- Church Members
- Social Responsibility
- Keeping Safe and Well
- The Health and Safety at Work Act 2015

It is envisaged this booklet will be published mid 2019. The aims of the booklet are:

- To arrange information relevant to the types of engagement people have with the Church
- To provide guidance on how to do things well for Our People ā Tātou Tāngata
- To ease the burden of red tape that often accompanies employment and other types of labour provision
- To ease and clarify the handling of the occasional conflicts that occur between the different types of labour engagement within the Church

Suggested decisions:

- 1 That the report be received.
- 2 That the obligations of Caring for Our People Manaakitia ā Tātou Tāngata as an ongoing programme within the Church are acknowledged and accepted.
- 3 That Caring for Our People Manaakitia ā Tātou Tāngata is acknowledged and accepted for inclusion in the Laws and Regulations of The Methodist Church of New Zealand Te Hāhi Weteriana o Aotearoa.
- 4 It is acknowledged that emergency response plans must be put in place for the Church workplaces/buildings (owned, leased, rented or hired out) where people congregate and/or work, and that these plans must be shared and coordinated with other building users.
- 5 It is acknowledged that asbestos management plans must be put in place for all properties under Methodist title, or rented by a Methodist entity, and that these plans must be shared, understood and followed by everyone using the building, or likely to work on the building.
- 6 It is acknowledged that all asbestos management plans and other relevant information must be lodged with MCPC for a national asbestos register to be maintained.
- 7 It is acknowledged that the Church needs to know how far health and safety systems have been implemented throughout the Church and participation in future health and safety surveys is expected.

METHODIST CONNEXIONAL PROPERTY COMMITTEE

INSURANCE

Property Insurance - 2017 Renewal

The Methodist Church of New Zealand places its insurance as part of the AllChurches Insurance Bureau (ACIB). This means that it partners with (particularly) the Anglian Insurance Board and Baptist Union, as well as other denominations. In partnership with Aviation and Marine Underwriting Agency Limited ACIB formed the company Concordia.

The Material Damage and Contents Insurance was renewed 23 December 2016 at the expiring rates. This was a very satisfactory outcome as the Kaikoura earthquakes had impacted on all new insurance and renewals. Post-quake an embargo was placed on New Zealand for 6 weeks which meant there was no new insurance placed during this time. Since then we have seen a hardening of the market across the country with insurers requiring cover additional information including settled claim costs over the previous 5 years.

Our Underwriter (Concordia) successfully secured the placement for 2017 - 70% Lloyds, London, 30% QBE, New Zealand at the same rates as the 2016 year. This was the same as rates being negotiated before the Kaikoura event.

By September 2017 the underwriters for the binder (sites under \$17.5M in value) were expecting Concordia to apply 5% increases in perils rate and 10% disaster rate increases *on average*. Claims performance and retention for the non-disaster perils also came into play.

Growth of Concordia mainly due to securing Presbyterian cover stretched overall aggregate limits for the company prior to renewal. We were then advised in November that the cover in the binder was likely to be at an increase of 11.75%. The cover outside the binder (properties over \$17.5M) is still being finalised. However we have been advised that across the all insurers the disaster rate for Wellington has increased by 100% since 2017.

We did not offer an insurance rebate in 2017 as we wanted to absorb the anticipated 5-11.75% increase in our placement premiums for the 2018 year. A letter was sent to MCNZ members advising we anticipated premiums would not increase but we could not offer a rebate in 2017. However the impact of the Kaikoura earthquake was becoming evident with losses estimated at that time at \$2 Billion. This has now increased to \$4 Billion.

Global catastrophe losses affected both Lloyds and NZ insurers for the 2018 renewal. Leveraging these markets to create competitive tension was not possible, capacity was shrinking in Wellington, and Christchurch was problematic. Other worldwide disasters impacted further on the insurance market – Houston floods, Caribbean Hurricanes and Mexican earthquake

2018 Renewal

With the hardening of the market globally rates increased, and subsequently we had to increase rates by 20%. These rates are still lower than the rates charged in 2013 and 2014. Prior to Christmas 2017 a letter was sent to our members to advising there would be a 20% increase at renewal January 2018. The reality was that the increase was closer to 30% and Concordia have advised the renewal premium paid to the insurers was above the premium they have on-charged to the ACIB Churches. As our Underwriter had earlier indicated there would be a lesser increase, Concordia absorbed the further escalation and are not likely to make a profit this year. However we have been advised this year will be the first year MCNZ will be able to benefit from profit sharing and hope that this will help absorb the 10% increase the London Agent has indicated we need to expect at the 2019 renewal.

Our renewal was finally confirmed on 11 January 2018 and all covers were in place. The delay was due to market conditions and protracted negotiations. Confirmation of improvements in cover sub limits and other refinements continued post renewal. All locations up to \$17.5m in value are insured within the Concordia Lloyds binder. The balance (over \$17.5m site values) are in a facultative open market placement also 100% with Lloyds markets. Some location values that are below \$17.5m may also be in the open market cover if they are part of a larger group. However policy coverage is much the same. Principal changes are:

- Covers in the open market now have a policy limit per event of \$150M over all regions not just Wellington and Christchurch. This limit was set based on the Probable Maximum Loss analysis conducted by GNS. The Concordia Consultant has suggested this limit be re-confirmed at the next All Churches board meeting.
- The \$150,000 cap for disaster deductible for individual sites now applies across the whole program as cover is now 100% Lloyds. QBE would not previously agree to the cap for their 30% share on the open market placement. The cap for sites over the \$17.5M binder limit is \$5M/site.
- Capital Additions is extended to \$2,000,000 automatic cover. This is for new purchases or contents increase where Concordia have not been advised of the change.
- Hidden and gradual damage is now double the sum insured to \$20,000 any one event and \$40,000 in the policy period. This is separate to consequential damage and is the cause of the damage eg broken pipe flooding the building.
- Stolen Keys cover is extended from \$50,000 to \$250,000 in the open market cover. This is important for schools, hospitals and other large locations where re-keying of locks following loss of master keys can cost six figures. The smaller sites will still have the \$50,000 cover (covered under the binder).

- Contract Works cover is extended from \$1,500,000 to \$2,000,000 for open market placement locations - \$2M auto cover for properties over 17.5M
- Unlawful Substances cover is increased from \$50,000 to \$100,000 in the policy period. This applies to contamination from P Labs etc.
- The disaster deductible is reduced from 2.5% of site value to 1% of site value in Waikato, Northland, Auckland, Dunedin - buildings post 1934 and Christchurch – buildings post 2004. All other areas 2.5%.

Marsh (our Broker for Liability, Travel and Motor Vehicle Insurance) provided a report at the end of 2017 on the insurance market. While most of the content is still current, the impact of the hardening market is becoming more apparent, 9 months on:

- *As a result of the North Canterbury earthquakes, the general property and construction insurance market conditions in New Zealand have immediately changed. The majority of insurers have currently enforced embargos for writing any new business or increasing their exposures in certain regions. The embargoed regions are being constantly reviewed and the insurers will amend and reduce the size of their embargoed zones over the coming weeks, provided there are no more significant events.*
- *The performance of a number of commercial buildings affected by the earthquakes has led to insurers being very cautious in respect of taking on risks that may be subject to damage.*
- *Engineering reports and appropriate levels of underwriting information are critical to ensuring the best possible market outcome is achieved during this fluid period.*
- *Whilst locally in New Zealand, the market is currently in a period of change, we remain part of the global insurance market. The global insurance market, in the absence of alternative better paying investments, remains an attractive source of returns for investors, and is very well capitalised.*
- *There are no immediate issues facing the global industry, however, we are seeing a slowdown in the property premium rate reductions that have been achieved in recent months from the international market. We anticipate that this will be a soft landing and that pricing will remain flat through 2017 with the exception of those risks in zones impacted by the North Canterbury events, where it is too early to tell.*
- *Despite continued profits being made, insurers are still being challenged to find ways to reduce cost and increase profitability and we anticipate future mergers and acquisitions may occur, although the impact on New Zealand will vary depending on the companies involved.*

Property

- *With the initial cost of claims being lodged for damage following the North Canterbury Earthquake estimated at between \$3.5Bn and \$5Bn, the local market has become more challenging for clients in the affected zones. Insurers are still working with embargos for new business but doing their utmost to support their existing customer bases.*
- *Despite the recent earthquake events, global economic factors continue to influence the New Zealand property insurance market. These factors include items such as low interest rates, resulting in non-traditional investors embarking into the (re)insurance markets such as pension funds and insurance-linked securities. This has delivered to the market historically strong levels of capital availability against a backdrop of relatively benign global insured catastrophic losses.*
- *For business outside of embargoed zones, competition from insurers for business, and therefore insurance premiums to clients, are typically stable to reducing. Competition has come from both a renewed appetite from incumbent insurers and new market entrants. Globally there remains a strong level of capital although underwriters are being challenged by their shareholders to focus on profitability and return on investment levels.*
- *Whilst the Brexit decision is expected to have minimal impact at this stage, it is adding to the increasing uncertainty in respect of operational costs for larger global (re)insurers. Alongside this, the same insurers remain cautious about the potential for major natural catastrophes.*

- Looking forward, one of the more localised technical factors that will also impact insurance renewals is the release of a revised earthquake modelling tool. This tool, known as the RMS HD Model, incorporates many of the important lessons learnt following the Canterbury earthquake sequence and is utilised in some form by the majority of (re)insurers both in New Zealand and abroad. In addition to this, the insurance companies' own reinsurance protection costs have stabilised and the previous reductions in reinsurance cost obtained by the insurers has not been forthcoming which will result in an overall stabilising of premium levels in New Zealand.
- The focus from insurers remains on achieving a balanced portfolio with strong underwriting practices. Clients that are able to differentiate the quality of their risk through good underwriting information, detailed risk engineering surveys and positive claims record stand to achieve the best results.

Motor

- The market is steady, with those clients with **good claims histories** and who have invested in risk management processes receiving the best rates.

Liability

- The general liability market in New Zealand remains stable due to the continued high levels of capacity available. In early 2016 regulatory changes in occupational health and safety has resulted in increased employer obligations to employees. There has been a series of regulatory developments to support the new act across general risk, workplace management, major hazard facilities and engagement. Clients are awaiting a consultation process around a number of these new regulations, with further guidance expected to be released.
- We are suggesting clients make themselves familiar with the key concepts of the new legislation, identify health and safety risks and begin to mitigate these where possible. It is essential health and safety becomes part of the business culture and we are anticipating many enterprises will need to implement changes to their operations as a result of these new laws.
- Overall, potential claims costs under Statutory Liability policies are expected to rise and, from an insurance coverage perspective, it is a good time to review the adequacy of Liability policies. Statutory Liability is the area where new health and safety regulation is having the most impact. The market appetite is hardening as coverage and pricing tighten in anticipation of increased claims activity.
- Directors and Officers Liability has been a relatively stable market, although there has been shifting market appetite especially for listed companies given the changes to the FMA and the levels of ASX claims activity. Clients are continuing to benchmark policy limits, coverage structures and there has been substantial work done to understand policy conditions and their potential operation. The quality of the wording in policies is paramount and it's essential for clients to understand what they are purchasing and to maintain a prudent risk mind set.

Cyber

- Cyber and environmental risks are on directors' radars right now, as are natural disasters and major disruptions such as fire risks.
- In New Zealand the legislation in regards to cyber risks is still evolving. Unlike other countries, there is not yet any requirement for businesses to notify cyber breaches to affected parties or regulators. A review of privacy laws is presently taking place, and its likely mandatory reporting of breaches will be introduced, as well as fines for companies that have breached privacy laws. Should these laws be introduced they will bring New Zealand into line with other markets around the world.
- It should be noted that businesses with an international footprint are exposed to the privacy and cyber legislation in other territories. As such, it is recommended that clients work through their risk profile when it comes to cyber and it is anticipated this will remain an important consideration for directors going forward.
- Global claims experiences are starting to impact this class of insurance, resulting in a revised approach from insurers in regards to risk appetite, coverage, and pricing.

Looking forward to the 2019 Renewal

Concordia has advised that as the year so far has been relatively quiet and in terms of renewals, it is difficult to get a guide on market pricing for later in 2018, when most of the insurance renewals for Concordia's clients take place. There has been a continuation of price increases, but this may largely be a catch up for those clients who avoided the price increases during the last quarter of 2017, as their renewal dates were earlier in the year.

Significantly, there seems to be a continued retrenchment in insurance risk capital being available in the Wellington region. It appears many major insurers are still looking to reduce their exposure to this region. As a result, pricing is increasing at reasonably substantial levels and we have been advised to expect an increase to the cost to insure Wellington by 50%.

In many cases pricing for disaster cover in Wellington has probably increased by 100% since 2017. Concordia is under-priced in Wellington as they only applied increases of around 15% in the binder and at a similar level in the open market. Some clients had increases of 25%, but this also reflected increases in sums insured. Concordia subsidised the increases to keep costs in line with the forecasted costs signalled earlier in 2017. However these increases will have to be passed on in 2018, as Concordia cannot afford to continue with the subsidisation beyond the current year.

For these reasons Concordia is working to try and establish relationships with some NZ based insurers who might be able to provide cover at competitive prices, as well as new reinsurance markets. NZ insurers are reluctant to take on increased Wellington exposure.

The 10% increase expected across our material damage placement will hopefully be offset in some way by the profit sharing commencing the 2019 policy year. The details of our share of the profit will not be known until after 31 December 2017. We are not in a position to offer a rebate for the 2018 year.

System Development

The Board of Administration approved the development of the JavIn insurance specific windows system. The current insurance system – ACCPAC (written in Foxpro) has come to the end of its useful life. ACCPAC is no longer supported by IT professionals in New Zealand. In addition to no accessible support the system often randomly resets itself resulting in the exported spreadsheet data required for reporting and provision to our Underwriter being skewed. It is difficult to find the underlying problem when there are 1500 lines and 25 columns in the spreadsheet exported and not all lines are affected.

The only IT support professional we can consult is based in London. His availability is limited and this is impacted by the time difference – 12 hours. Reporting is delayed while the reason and solution to the issue are determined.

Claims information is stored in Pivotal as the ACCPAC system is not able to handle claims information. This means a separate system and spreadsheet for claims information was developed.

The highlights of the JavIn system include;

- Insurance specific system.
- Developers understand the requirements of a specific insurance system.
- System can calculate the premiums as the Methodist Church requires.
- Claim information is stored in the system.
- System can interact with our accounting system for invoicing and claims.
- System can interact with the Concordia underwriting system.
- We will own the information/data enabling MCNZ to have the option of leaving Concordia, should the necessity arise.
- Online solution specific to insurance.
- No further overhead required on our existing infrastructure (ie no more servers, software installs, additional patching and software licences).
- Information can be keyed in once and will update across the sub screens and directly to Concordia.

- Cost – although the system is larger and can provide more services than we require it is still the cheapest option in the long term.
- JavIn is a New Zealand based company.

Liability Insurance

We went to market with our Liability Insurance cover, with our Liability Broker (Marsh). Our cover is currently with Lumley/NZI, and we met with them the day before we presented MCNZ to insurers. Lumley /NZI advised they were still keen to cover our professional liability, however they only offered expiring rates.

Marsh wanted to go to the market to ensure we get the best cover with the highest limits at a competitive rate. Fiona Masson (HR Manager - Lifewise, Airdale and MMN) and I co-presented to four insurers:

- Chubb
- QBE
- Zurich
- Berkshire Hathaway

I covered the history of the church, the church structure, our risk management, H&S, notification process, updates to church members, Synod support, lessons learned, future risks for the church, insurer/church partnership, financial information including Connexional accounting staff, reporting standards, financial statements, areas of operation and statistics. Fiona outlined the three trusts and the culture, liability claim reporting, risk management, restructuring, change management and consultation, internal disputes, opportunities and challenges and their disciplinary process.

The presentation was well received and all insurers commented on the church processes, procedures, notification reporting and risk management we have in place. Although we have a high number of notifications, we have a very low number of claims that go to tribunal or cash settlement. Almost all claims are managed without a court process and are under the excess.

All insurers were very interested in placing professional liability and saw the Methodist Church as an attractive option.

After going to the market with our renewal in October 2017, we subsequently received proposals from the 5 insurers:

- Lumley / NZI
- Chubb
- QBE
- Zurich
- Berkshire Hathaway

Following a summary from Marsh of all proposals we shortlisted two – Lumley NZI and Chubb.

Marsh's recommendation was a change of insurer to Chubb who offered broader policy wordings, competitive premium and the attitude they have taken in providing the broadest cover options around our specific needs. NZI Lumley offered \$1,000,000 in the aggregate for all claims over all policy periods where the alleged Sexual Misconduct took place post 1 January 1997. To date we have had one claim amounting to \$90,000 and therefore the cover would now be \$910,000 – reducing with each claim, until there is no cover remaining. Chubb offer \$250,000 year to year.

Chubb have allowed 120 days for continuity conditional upon a further declaration from our members within that 120 days. This means a potential claim that has not been notified within the 120 days from inception (1 April 2018) will not be included in the cover. Chubb have also included a two year premium agreement subject to terms.

Chubb and NZI Lumley were not offering Cyber cover however Marsh negotiated separate cover with Delta Insurance New Zealand Ltd:

- \$100,000 per entity with a \$5,000,000 aggregate. Defence costs are in addition up to the limit and excess is \$5,000.

The combined cost of the Chubb Liability and Delta Cyber covers is equal to our expiring rate with NZI Lumley, but now we have the added benefit of Cyber cover within that cost.

We renewed with Chubb and Delta 1 April 2018. The letter to our members regarding further disclosure within the 120 days was distributed 30 April 2018. The letter has been provided by Marsh and invites **all** members (including Uniting Parishes) to disclose possible liability claims that have not been disclosed. We asked for a response only from members who have a new notification to disclose.

Concordia are currently writing policy for liability with the intention of offering liability cover next year.

Risk Management

Peter van Hout, Trudy Downes and I recently met with Marsh to discuss Risk Management for the Church. Marsh offer a workshop for organisations to assist the development of their Risk Management Policy. The workshop identifies areas of risk specific to the organisation. Significant stakeholders will be invited with a variety of skills to cover all areas of the Church. It is planned to run the workshop early 2019.

Following the workshop the Risk Management Policy will be developed for the Church. Marsh believe the Risk Management Policy and Plan will be a very positive addition to our current processes and procedures, making MCNZ even more attractive to Insurers.

It is anticipated the Risk Management Policy will be completed for Conference 2020.

Motor Vehicle Insurance

Our Motor Vehicle Insurance renewal date is 1 May. In 2017 we had a large number of claims that impacted on our renewal increasing by 100%. In 2018 our premium to NZI Lumley increased significantly due to the high dollar value of our claims – our claims cost being more than the premium paid. We had no option but to apply an increase in premium cost. We did have an option of increasing the excess to \$2,500 (\$3,500 for drivers under 21 years) but believe that some areas of the organisation could not meet this excess cost.

In 2017 we applied an internal policy to help deter claims. We are continuing this policy for the 2018 motor vehicle insurance year:

- We will charge a higher excess if there was a second claim in 12 months, when the same driver is at fault.
- If there is a third claim with that same driver at fault, we will not be able to offer cover for this driver until they can provide evidence that they have completed an certified defensive driving course.
- Vehicle cover will be removed indefinitely if there is a fourth claim in 12 months, with the same driver at fault. The Methodist Connexional Property Committee who represent the Board of Administration on all property matters supported this decision.

A renewal letter outlining the premium increase, claims and the opportunity for clients to investigate alternative motor vehicle cover was sent out 26 April 2018. Motor vehicle cover is offered to our members but it is not mandatory for MCNZ member to have our MV cover.

Fire Service Levies

A sub group of All Churches Insurance Bureau (ACIB) met with a representative from the Department of Internal Affairs (DIA) in November last year to establish the reason for a reduction in levies for Health Boards and Universities. It is unclear why a Fire Emergency New Zealand (FENZ) exemption applied only to these areas. DIA intend to publish comprehensive guidelines, which are being prepared by FENZ. Once these are released, it will be important to obtain legal advice regarding any policy changes that may be necessary. It is anticipated ACIB will seek legal opinion collectively.

Subsequent to the meeting, Concordia have advised there is going to be a further delay in implementing the last stage of the new Act. The rate has already increased by 40% but was due to be applied to renewals on 1 January 2019 based on the amount insured as opposed to the indemnity value at present. It appears the full implementation date will now be 1 July 2019. The delay is a result of FENZ looking to widen the net by incorporating some aspects of liability cover and travel insurance. The additional complexity increases the notification needed for insurers to adapt their IT systems to collect and report of levy collection.

PROPERTY

Tenancy Agreements for Presbyters

The Service Tenancy Agreement was distributed in May this year. Our Legal Advisor, Richard Cunliffe assisted in writing the document after advising the Church was breaching the Tenancy Act by not having an agreement for Presbyters.

Other churches were invited to adopt the agreement for their Presbyters. This is important for Union and Co-operating Parishes. Although the other churches agree in principal that the document is necessary, none are committing to adopting the agreement at this stage.

Scattering of Ashes

Following consultation with Te Taha Maori, David Bush has produced a Policy on the Scattering of Ashes:

“Ashes should only be interred or scattered in properly designated cemeteries or burial grounds or in areas specially constructed to contain ashes.” In the view of MCPC, the Methodist Church of NZ policy should be no scattering and internment of ashes outside formally designated areas.”

Faith and Order has reviewed and approved the Policy Document.

Asbestos Management Plans

The Asbestos Regulations 2016 were introduced as part of the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015.

Work to meet the regulation requirements started within months of the new Health and Safety Coordinator joining the Connexional Office end of 2017. In May 2018, MCPC approved an asbestos management plan for use throughout the Church after it was workshopped by the Central South Island Synod members to ensure it was easy to do, usable and effective.

Unfortunately, the “must have an asbestos management plan” date was 4 April 2018, which we have not been able to meet. It is therefore imperative that all property teams place a priority on completing their asbestos management plans if they haven’t already, and register said plan with MCPC.

MCPC have endorsed that removal is the desired result, where asbestos or asbestos-containing-materials (ACM) have been identified, as this completely eliminates the asbestos risk.

Other asbestos mitigation options will only be acceptable where there is substantial reasoning to retain the asbestos risk, given that the remaining risk controls are adequate, that the remaining risk is actively managed and that eventual removal will be achieved.

Associated with the implementation of the asbestos management plans is a change to all property processes to include notification to MCPC that asbestos has been considered in ALL property activities (sale, purchase, below cap alterations and projects, above cap alterations and projects).

Asbestos contamination can result in lung cancers that take approximately 20 years to manifest and kills hundreds of people each year. Managing the risk of asbestos is therefore about protecting our future generations.

Property Leases

Following advice from our Legal Advisor, Richard Cunliffe that all leases in the name of the Board of Administration need to be signed by Board Members, usually with two signatures and the affixation of the seal.

This is a legal requirement and relates to both holding of title and that the Board acts as the legal entity for the Conference. Leases for terms of more than 7 years (including right of renewal) require the additional step of approval of the Methodist Connexional Property Committee.

MCPC may seek further advice from the Investment Advisory Board for Commercial or Investment leases, and the Methodist Alliance for leases related to Social Services.

Connexional Boards and Committees – Approval Processes

The Methodist Connexional Property Committee is seeking to clarify the approval process for building work undertaken by Connexional Boards and Committees.

The Laws and Regulations set out that all Boards, Committees and Parishes need to seek approval for any work requiring a consent and work costing more than the limit established by Conference from time to time. Therefore all these matters need to come to either MCPC or the Board of Administration.

The Laws and Regulations state:

SECTION 9

3. 1 *The consent of the Conference through the Board of Administration shall be obtained by all Parish Councils, Incorporated Boards and trustees under the Methodist Model Trust Deed of 1887 for:*
 - (a) *all proposed erections of, or enlargements and alterations, both exterior and interior, to Church buildings, including parsonages, which require building or resource consent;*
 - (b) *purchases or sales of Church property;*
 - (c) *leases of Church property for terms of seven years or more;*
 - (d) *mortgages of Church property;*
 - (e) *any borrowing or proposal to borrow funds sourced from outside New Zealand.*
3. 2.1 *prior to the consent of the Conference being given to an applicant for any property proposal, the respective Synod or Regional Court shall be satisfied:*
 - (a) *the proposal is in accord with established regional property strategy, is financially viable and that the applicant is able to repay any funds borrowed and any interest thereon;*
 - (b) *near the inception of the project of the appointment of an appropriately approved and qualified design professional in accordance with Methodist Connexional Property Committee guidelines as issued from time to time to assist with the strategy and planning, and to undertake the design, documentation, and contract administration of the project*
 - (c) *that any Te Tiriti obligations of the Church have been resolved;*
 - (d) *that the land history has been researched for any sale or purchase of land.*
3. 2.2 *Exemption from any or all of the requirements in 9.3.1. and 2 above shall be given by the Methodist Connexional Property Committee only in exceptional circumstances.*

FUNCTIONS OF INCORPORATED BOARDS

5. 1.1 *where property is held by an Incorporated Board it shall be administered by that Board on behalf of the Conference in accordance with its Constitution and subject to the Laws and Regulations of the Methodist Church of New Zealand.*
5. 1.2 *all property held by an Incorporated Board shall be held on the same trusts as are contained in the Methodist Model Deed of New Zealand 1887.*
5. 2 *notwithstanding anything in any Constitution of an Incorporated;*

FUNCTIONS OF THE BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION - CONSENT OF CONFERENCE (see 5.2.7)

9.1 The Board shall, on behalf of the Conference, receive and consider, and make recommendations to the Conference upon any consents or approval required in respect of any property matter whether such property is vested in the Board of Administration, other Incorporated Board, or in Trustees under the Methodist Model Deed of New Zealand 1887 and/or held in any other manner. The Board may, as from time to time determined by the Board, delegate to any Synod/Investment Board/Methodist Mission Aotearoa, any of its functions in respect of property within that Synod relating to consent on behalf of the Conference on any property proposal affecting that Synod. [N.B. The Board of Administration will normally delegate this function to its Committee, the Methodist Connexional Property Committee.]

METHODIST MISSIONS/ SOCIAL SERVICE DEVELOPMENT; SALE OR PURCHASE (see 3.15.1f)

- 10.1 Approval for any development, sale or purchase of a similar nature to Parish development, such as Parsonage, or Worship facilities, will involve consultation with and recommendation by the Synod Property Advisory Committee before the consent of Conference is given by the Board of Administration.
- 10.2 Approval for any development, or sale and purchase of property with a Social Service dimension, whether by a Parish or Mission, will involve consultation with and recommendation by Methodist Mission Aotearoa before the consent of Conference is given by the Board of Administration.

Role of Synod Property Advisory Committees

It is less clear if Missions and Connexional Boards are required to report to the Synod Property Advisory Committee. The Law Book uses the term 'oversight of property within the Synod'. The context suggests that this is the property being used by entities which are part of the Synod.

Another clause gives responsibility of oversight of Connexional Properties (*such as campsites*) which are not the specific responsibility of any Parish Council or Incorporated Board within the Synod.

Incorporated Boards have argued that they are not required to go through a SPAC process on the basis of this clause, and clauses in their constitutions which give general rights to manage property.

It is MCPC's view that local input and scrutiny is required. Law Revision will be requested to draft the appropriate clauses.

Use of Capital funds where Approval is Required

Capital Funds from the Church Building and Loan Fund may be spent on authorised Capital projects. This includes new buildings, purchases, renovations and maintenance. Currently if the total cost exceeds \$20,000 or requires resource or Building consent then Synod and Connexional Property Committee approval is also required. The \$20,000 limit was increased in 2014 from \$10,000. It would be reasonable to inflation adjust this limit so that Parishes and Boards are able to undertake a similar quantity of work from year to year. MCPC has approved an increase to \$25,000.

Heritage Properties and the Church

Andrew Coleman, Chief Executive Heritage NZ Pouhere Taonga, offered to hold regular meetings with a small ICB heritage owners group. A sub-group of Tony Sewell (Catholic), Kos (Presbyterian), Crispin Kay (Anglican) and myself have been appointed.

Key Methodist Church Heritage Buildings include:

- Hamilton Methodist Parish sold their Heritage Category 2 listed church for removal in 2017. Due to opposition the matter went to tribunal with the Commissioner giving approval to relocate the building with the condition that the building retains the heritage elements.
- Takapuna Methodist Parish are currently investigating the development of the church site. Considerations include residential housing, a new community facility including a multipurpose hall, childcare and support services for the church, while maintaining and celebrating their heritage listed church.

- Work has begun on the Woodend Church in North Canterbury, Christchurch. The church was closed following the Christchurch earthquakes. Heritage grants were awarded from Heritage New Zealand and Lotteries New Zealand towards the reinstatement of the heritage building.
- Mangere Otahuhu Parish is currently working on the upgrade of the Otahuhu Methodist Church, cnr Great South and Fairburn Roads. Airdale Property Trust are assisting the Otahuhu Church with a Property Condition Report for their buildings.
- The Auckland Manukau Tongan Methodist Parish have been in discussions with Heritage New Zealand regarding the Dominion Road Methodist Church. The building highlights the restrictions and enormous costs associated with heritage buildings that require maintenance, removal or substantial development when the building is no longer suitable for the Parish requirements.

Property Booklet/MCPC Application Form

A Property Booklet is currently being produced for Church Property and Insurance. The booklet is a guide to all you have ever needed to know about property and insurance and is available to all Parishes, Missions, Te Taha Maori Property, Wesley and Trinity Colleges.

The information from our leaflets is currently being collated and updated for the booklet. This single booklet covers all property matters including, insurance; buying, selling and renovating property; Property Development Grants; loans from CB&L; draw down of interest from CB&L; Asbestos Management; housing for Presbyters; Service Tenancy Agreement and MCPC Application Form.

The booklet will be available in November when we carry out an information Road Show incorporated with Accounting and Health and Safety presentations. We plan to release and present the booklet to Parishes. It is anticipated the information presentations will take place in Auckland, Christchurch and either Wellington or Palmerston North.

Suggested decisions:

- 1 That the report be received
- 2 Conference acknowledges the committed service of Keith Taylor, Michael Greer and Iakopo Fa'afuata to the Methodist Connexional Property Committee and wish them well.
- 3 That in respect of the Scattering of Ashes Conference agrees that: the following Policy be adopted:
 - (a) *"Ashes should only be interred or scattered in properly designated cemeteries or burial grounds or in areas specially constructed to contain ashes." In the view of MCPC, the Methodist Church of NZ policy should be no scattering and internment of ashes outside formally designated areas"*
- 4 That in respect of Property Leases where the property is in the name of the Board of Administration:
 - (a) Are required to be signed by Board of Administration, usually with two signatures and the affixation of the seal.
 - (b) Conference notes that this is a legal requirement and relates to both holding of title and that the Board acts as the legal entity for the Conference.
 - (c) Leases for terms of more than 7 years (including rights of renewal) require the additional step of approval of the Methodist Connexional Property Committee.
 - (d) MCPC may seek further advice from the Investment Advisory Board for Commercial or Investment leases and the Methodist Alliance for leases related to Social Services.
- 5 That in respect of Connexional Boards and Committees – Approval Processes
 - (a) That to establish clarity across the church properties a clause to be included in Section 9 of the Law Book requiring Connexional Boards (Boards, Committees and Parishes) to have approval of the Methodist Connexional Property Committee for all work requiring consent, mortgage or borrowing funds from outside New Zealand over \$25,000 in value. Future increases to be applied on the basis of capital price index. This will be reviewed every 3 years.
 - (b) That to establish clarity across the church properties this matter is referred to the Law Revision Committee
- 6 That in respect of the approval process for property projects:
 - (a) The \$20,000 limit is increased from to \$25,000

- 7 That in respect of Asbestos Management Plans:
- (a) Conference acknowledges the need to manage asbestos risk in our older buildings and agrees that local property committees place a priority on completing their asbestos management plans.
 - (b) Conference notes the requirement that all property decisions have been made with due consideration of asbestos.
 - (c) All property applications approved by MCPC or the Board of Administration to include an Asbestos Management Plan.

CONNEXIONAL TRUSTS

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 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 property and equity assets of both the Growth and Income Fund and the Income Fund, are revalued each year and the resultant movement in values is spread amongst depositors in the respective Funds. For the Growth and Income Fund these changes in value are distributed as a capital distribution. For the Income Fund, where the changes in value are much smaller, they form part of the income distribution

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. The Fund does not accept any 'outside' investors. The Association is a fund of the Conference of the Methodist Church of New Zealand.

The year to 30 June 2018 proved to be a very successful year for the New Zealand Methodist Trust Association and more importantly, for our depositors.

During the year, the Methodist Trust Association received excellent support from the Connexion.

FINANCIAL RESULTS

The Methodist Trust Association's purpose is to support the mission of the Methodist Church of New Zealand, by generating strong investment returns for our depositors. Therefore all income is distributed to our depositors, so they are better able to meet the mission of the Church.

We are pleased to report that during the 2018 Financial Year we generated total returns of 5.87% for the Income Fund and 12.86% for the Growth and Income Fund.

Deposits with the Association increased by \$16.5m during the year to a total of \$297.5m, as at 30 June 2018. After no growth in overall deposits in previous two years, this increase is a very pleasing outcome. Deposits have almost doubled over the past 10 years from \$155.2m in 2008.

During the year the Income Fund deposits increased by \$3.1m to \$143.1m. This is the first year the Income Fund has grown since 2014, as earthquake insurance pay-outs that had been deposited in the fund, were being withdrawn to fund rebuilds. These withdrawals continue at reduced amounts, showing the strong support from other depositors, which we appreciate.

Deposits with the Growth and Income Fund increased by \$15.3m (11.5%) to total \$148.2m, which includes the capital accretion of \$12.1m credited as at 30 June 2018. The Growth and Income Fund has growth in size every year since 2009 and in 2018 became our largest fund.

Income distributions to depositors for the year were \$13.6m, with total distributions, including capital accretion, of \$25.8m.

The Association strives to be an efficient manager of the Church's funds, endeavouring to minimise the costs of administration and maintain the distributions at attractive rates. For the year the Fund's expenses, both management commissions and out of pocket expenses, totalled \$1.30m, an expense ratio on funds under management of 0.449%.

Expense Ratios			
Year	Income Fund	Growth & Income Fund	MTA Total Ratio
2015	0.424%	0.432%	0.428%
2016	0.412%	0.449%	0.427%
2017	0.373%	0.447%	0.413%
2018	0.399%	0.504%	0.449%

As indicated in last year's report, the management fee structure for the Income Fund is based on the amount of income the fund receives. While interest rates were reducing over recent years the expense ratio for this fund reduced accordingly. With rates having now stabilised the expense ratio for the Income fund has increased over 2017 levels, although it is still less than the 2016 level.

In 2017 the Association increased expenditure on new institutional custody arrangements and an improved market information system. These "investments" enabled significant improvements in efficiency of management of the portfolios, improved risk management practices, savings in brokerage costs and withholding tax expenses relating to the international equity holdings. The financial net benefit from this expenditure has resulted in improved investment returns, offset by a small increase in annual expenses. These expenses are mainly born by the Growth and Income Fund and increased the expense ratio for this fund by 0.06% in 2018.

The Board and management of the Association continue to be extremely conscious of both the significant confidence and trust placed in them by the Church and the importance of the Association continuing to provide appropriate levels of return, commensurate with the level of risk accepted by the Church and consistent with the Church's Responsible Investment Policy.

The Association is also careful to ensure that it has ample liquidity in the funds to meet demands for reduction or repayment of deposits.

The Association does not charge a break rate or other penalty for the early repayment of depositors' funds. With 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 after the annual revaluation of the property and equity investments.

MARKETS

The financial markets were more volatile over the past year. To a degree this was welcome and reflects a return to more normal conditions. However the US trade disputes have also increased volatility and concerns. If the trade disputes escalate further there are real downside risks for global growth and heightened risks that Central Banks could make policy mistakes, which would have negative consequences.

Monetary policy is being normalised in some regions around the world, with the un-wind of quantitative easing in US and Europe. Central Bank cash rates have also been raised in a few countries, with USA +0.75% to 1.75%, Canada +0.75 to 1.50%, UK +0.25% to 0.50% and India +0.25% to 6.25%. All the other major country rates were unchanged during the year. However some countries are not in good shape, with Argentina's cash rate raised to 40.0% and Turkey's to 17.75%, with both countries having high inflation and weakening currencies.

Global equity markets performed strongly over the June Year, with valuations looking full, but not expensive compared with historic metrics.

The following table shows the home currency returns for major markets of interest for the June 2018 year.

Market	Index	Annual Return
World	MSCI World Total Return	11.1%
New Zealand	NZX50 Gross	17.5%
Australia	ASX200 Accumulation	13.0%
US	S&P 500 Total Return	14.4%
Europe	Stoxx 600 Total Return	3.6%
UK	FTSE 100 Total Return	8.7%

Within markets there continues to be a high level of dispersion in returns. For the MSCI Global Total Return Index, the best performers from the 11 sector groups were Technology (+27.3%), Energy (+20.5%) and Consumer Discretionary (+16.2%). The bottom performing sector returns were Telecommunications (-6.9%), Consumer Staples (-3.3%) and Utilities (+0.2%).

Despite the market higher volatility during the past six months, the top performing sectors have been the more cyclical sectors, while the lower risk defensive sectors have again performed poorly.

This is again an endorsement of the Association's dislike of passive index investing, where you get the bad with the good. The Growth and Income Fund's equity portfolio has had minimal exposure to the listed poorly performed sectors during the year. Although it's not strictly comparable with the market returns above, as they are "home currency" returns, the MTA Growth and Income Fund's equity portfolio returned 21.6% for the June year in NZD, over 5% higher than its benchmark return.

Looking at Central Bank rates, current rates remain low and well below what are considered neutral levels. We expect rates to continue to move higher during the next year and for more countries to raise rates. However we don't expect large or rapid moves in the major economies. In countries where rates have been moving up, such as USA and Canada, we have only seen 0.75% increase over the last 12 Months. In UK it has only been 0.25%. For USA a similar increase to last year's is expected over the next 12 months, at which point US rates will be at a neutral level.

The chart below shows the historic yields for US Government 10-year bonds over the last 56 years. NZ bonds don't have the same data history, but the trend is the same.

With the US Federal Reserve, together with Central Banks in most major countries, successfully targeting inflation, US Government bond yields have been in a downward trend since peaking at 15.84% in September 1981. That down trend has now been broken, however long-bond yields are unlikely to rise by more than 2-3%, unless there is a major deterioration in the US financial position. Over the June year US 10-year bond yields rose 0.56% from 2.30% to 2.86%. The 10-year bond yield is expected to increase to approximately 3.5% over the next year.

US Government 10-Year Bond Yield



The New Zealand Reserve Bank's official cash rate has been unchanged at the current 1.75% rate since November 2016. At its June meeting they maintained their expectation that monetary policy will be "at an expansionary level for a considerable period". Current market expectations are for a 0.25% increase in June 2019, followed by several more 0.25% quarterly hikes.

	GDP Growth		Inflation		Unemployment	
	2018F	2019F	2018F	2019F	2018F	2019F
Global (OECD)	4.0%	3.9%	-	-	5.3%	5.1%
New Zealand	3.1%	2.9%	2.0%	1.8%	4.2%	4.1%
Australia	3.1%	2.8%	2.1%	2.3%	5.4%	5.3%
US	2.9%	2.2%	1.9%	2.3%	3.9%	3.6%
Europe	2.1%	1.9%	1.0%	1.1%	8.3%	7.8%
Japan	1.0%	1.3%	0.9%	1.1%	2.5%	2.5%
China	6.7%	6.4%	1.9%	2.0%	-	-

The major economic regions are all growing at reasonable rates. Although growth is moderating, in most cases this is from levels that were above sustainable levels, so isn't a concern. Inflation is modest in the major countries. Employment rates are very low in most of the major economies. In Europe overall unemployment is high, but there is large disparity by country. Unemployment is low in Germany, UK and Netherlands. However unemployment remains high in Spain (14.7%), Greece (20.0%) and Italy (11.0%). Unemployment in France is also elevated at 8.5%.

The New Zealand economy has performed strongly, driven by strong immigration and improved terms of trade. However the current outlook is a concern, with business confidence at a 10-year low in July, due to NZ Government policies; uncertainty over future policies; together with global trade tensions; and related global growth concerns. The NZ terms of trade remain strong, but off last year's high levels.

The NZ dollar has generally been weak during the past year, finishing near its lows against both the Euro and the USD. The main movements against the USD through the year have been more due to USD strength or weakness, rather than the NZ dollar itself.

INVESTMENT FUNDS

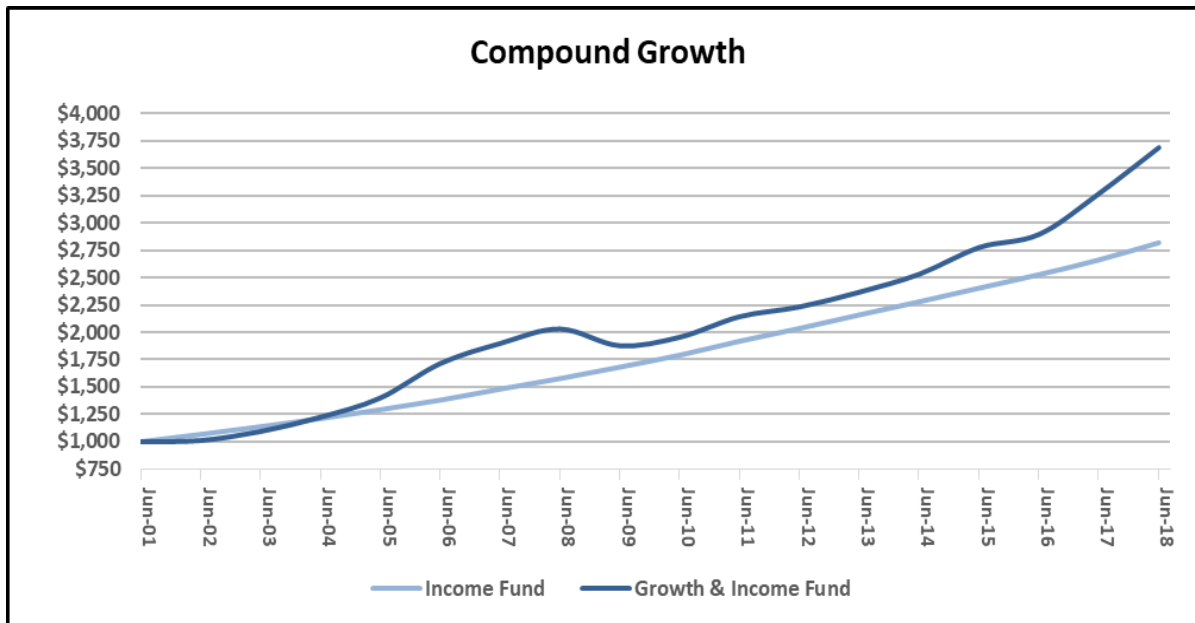
Income Distributions

The income distributions for both the Income Fund and the Growth and Income Fund continue to be very satisfactory.

The distribution rates for the 2018 financial year were:

	Jun 18	Mar 18	Dec 17	Sep 17	12 Month Average Return
Income Fund	7.81%	5.45%	5.35%	4.86%	5.87%
Growth & Income Fund	3.63%	3.94%	3.46%	4.01%	3.76%

Long-Term Performance



Over the 17 years from June 2001 to June 2018 the Association has provided a compound return (including capital distributions) of 6.3% for the Income Fund and 8.0% for the Growth & Income Fund.

Over the last five years the respective compound returns were 5.5% for the Income Fund and 9.3% for the Growth and Income Fund.

In the 40 year life of the Association, the only years in which negative total returns were experienced by the Growth and Income Fund were 1992 and 2009.

While the Association strives to maintain consistent positive returns, investment returns will vary over time (including the possibility of negative returns) and past results are no guarantee of future returns.

Income Fund

Income Fund - Portfolio Performance	
Period	Income
1 Year	5.87%
2 Years (p.a.)	5.61%
3 Years (p.a.)	5.45%
4 Years (p.a.)	5.45%
5 Years (p.a.)	5.48%
10 Years (p.a.)	5.98%
15 Years (p.a.)	6.24%

The Income Fund annual distribution rate for the year of 5.87% was boosted by gains from the write-back of loss provisions previously provided on Solid Energy bonds, together with realised gains and unrealised value increases in the Income Fund's equity investments and its share of the

value increase in the Izone distribution centre in Rolleston. The normalised return, excluding these gains, was 4.95% for the year.

For the Income Fund any gains are treated as income and are distributed to depositors.

In the Fund's bond portfolio, with long-term interest rates rising and forecast to rise further, we have kept the maturity profile of the portfolio shorter than usual. Currently 68% of the portfolio is due to mature in the next 2 years. We have also been reinvesting maturities into higher rated bonds, with negligible risk of default. Holdings in A-rated bonds now represent 50% of the portfolio, which we intend to increase further over the coming year.

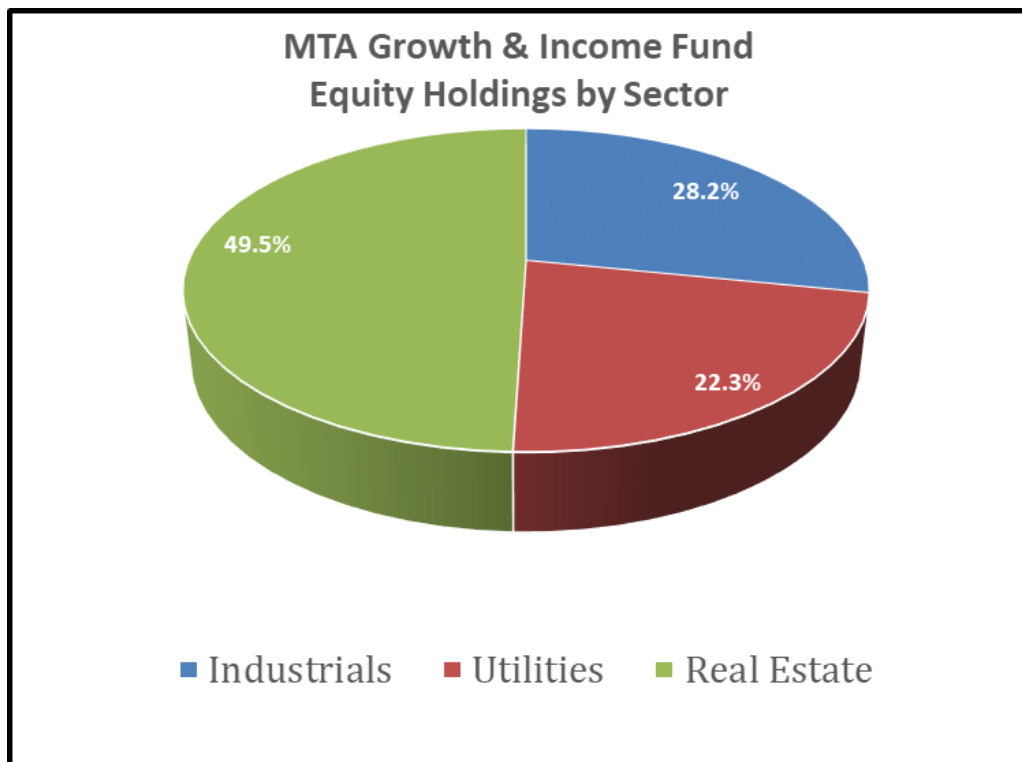
Both of these factors have slightly reduced the short-term distribution rates, compared to what they could have been, as higher rates are available for both longer-dated and higher risk bonds. However in a rising interest rate environment, default risk also rises.

These strategic decisions respectively allow us to benefit from higher interest rates more quickly, when they become available; and enhance the quality of the portfolio. We expect to be lengthening the maturity profile during the next year.

The Income Fund holds a small portfolio of lower-risk high-yield equities. The portfolio was significantly reduced during the past year, realising good gains. The following pie-chart shows the sector breakdown of the Income Fund's equity portfolio at 30 June 2018.

The Association believes that the 2018 distribution rates for the Income Fund were very satisfactory, being significantly higher than the returns available from both bank term deposits and 90 Day Bank Bills, which only returned 1.96% for the year.

The annual distribution rate for the June 2019 year is forecast to be approximately 4.65%.



Growth and Income Fund

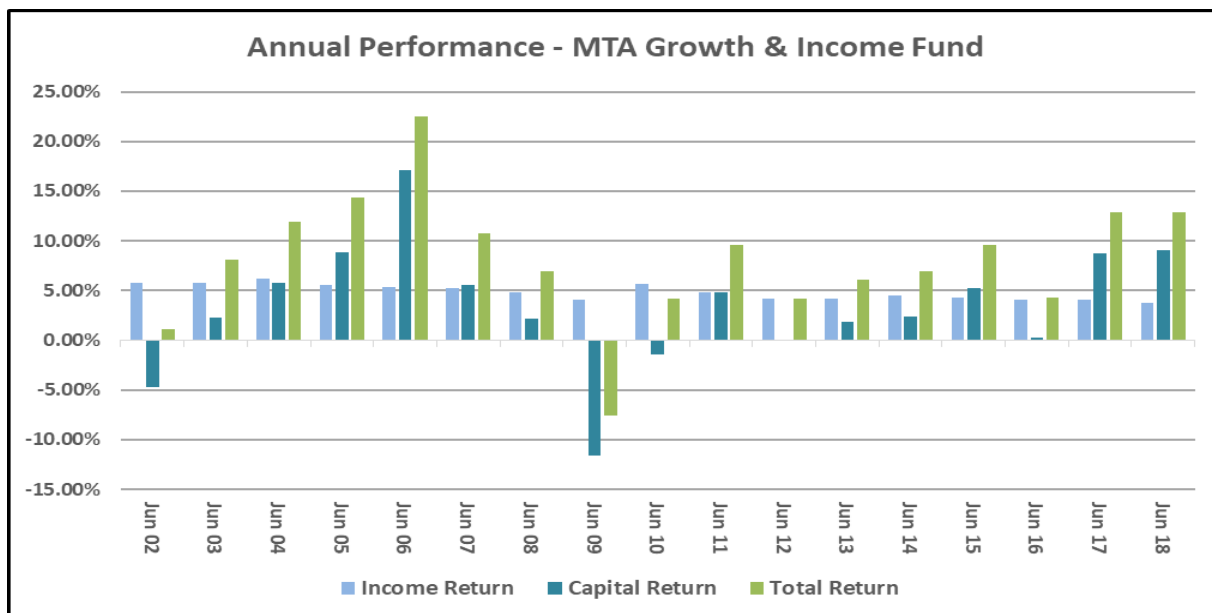
Growth & Income Fund - Portfolio Performance			
Period	Income	Capital Growth	Capital & Income
1 Year	3.76%	10.00%	12.86%
2 Years (p.a.)	3.94%	8.94%	12.88%
3 Years (p.a.)	4.00%	5.96%	9.96%
4 Years (p.a.)	4.08%	5.79%	9.87%
5 Years (p.a.)	4.17%	5.11%	9.28%
10 Years (p.a.)	4.37%	1.79%	6.16%
15 Years (p.a.)	4.72%	3.73%	8.45%

The Growth & Income Fund annual total return for the year of 12.86% was marginally less than last year’s 12.90% return. The returns in 2017 and 2018 were the two highest annual returns achieved by the Fund since 2006.

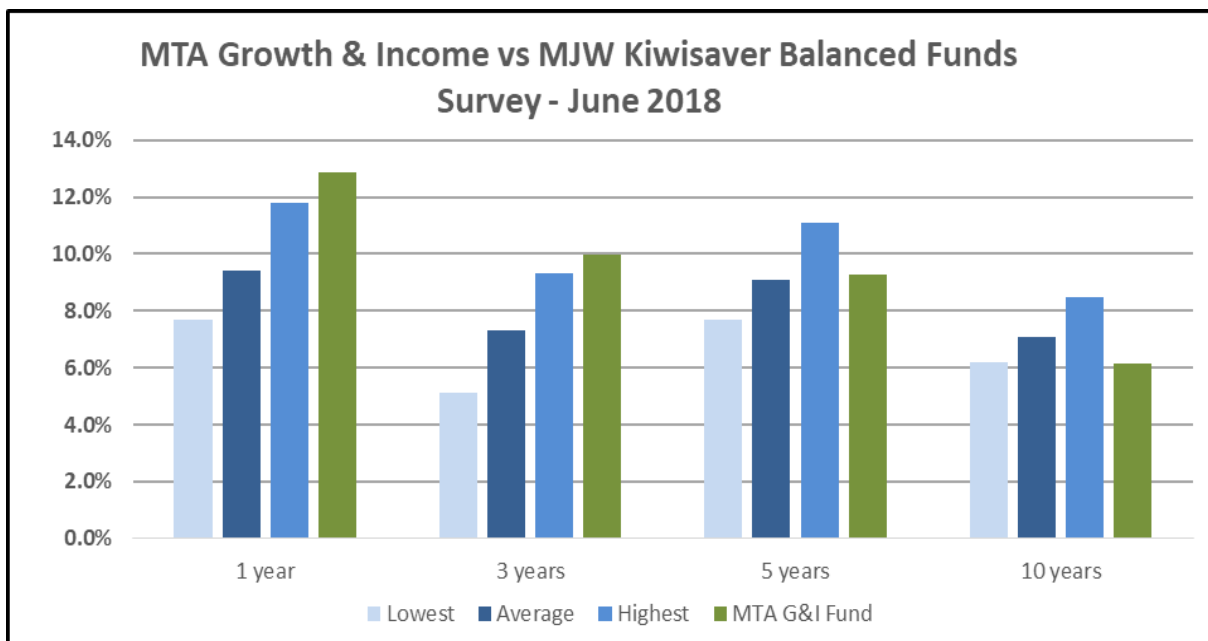
The capital growth for the year was comprised of strong contributions from both the property and equity holdings.

At the end of June 2018, the John Andrew Ford property was revalued by independent registered valuation at \$35.5m, an increase of \$2.5m (+7.6%) on the June 2017 valuation. The Association’s 50% interest in the Izone property at Rolleston was revalued by independent registered valuation at \$25.7m, an increase of \$0.37m. The Association’s holding is split equally between the Income Fund and the Growth & Income fund, with each fund benefitting by \$185,000.

The share portfolio was revalued in New Zealand dollars as at 30 June 2018, with the capital value increasing by \$9.4m during the year.



The association benchmarks its returns against a number of investment funds and in particular looks to compare itself to the Balanced Kiwi Saver funds, which have a similar asset allocation to the Growth and Income Fund. The following chart, using returns from the Melville Jessup Weaver Return Survey, shows the strong returns over the past two years have lifted the Growth and Income Fund to be the highest performer over both one and three years, with an above average performance also over the past 5 years.



At Balance Date the Growth and Income Fund held a well-diversified portfolio of: equities (40.3%); property (32.4%); fixed interest (26.0%); and cash (2.3%).

RESPONSIBLE INVESTMENT

During the year the Investment Advisory Board undertook a major piece of work in completely re-writing the Church’s Responsible Investment Policy, incorporating global best practice.

The Association’s goal is to produce risk-adjusted returns that align with the values and principles of the Methodist Church, together with our investors’ objectives. Putting our investors’ interests first requires us to recognize and manage a wide range of global market risks and opportunities, including environmental, social and governance (ESG) factors and the impact that these factors may have on long-term investment returns.

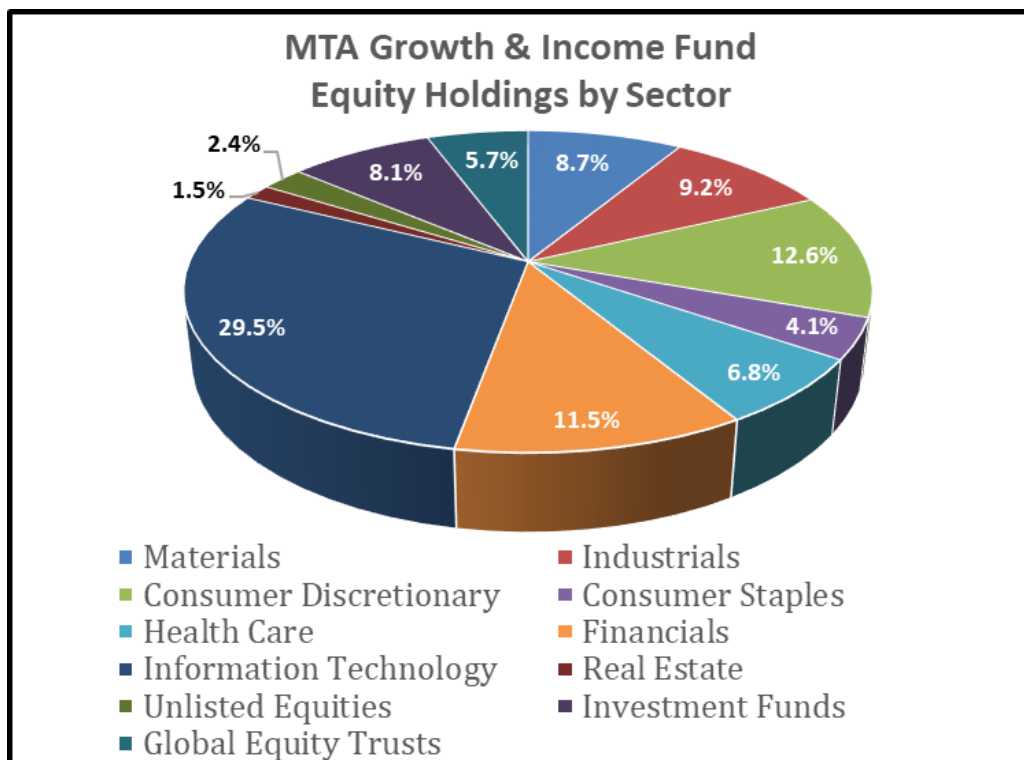
The achieve this:

- We employ values/norms-based screens, to avoid certain companies and industries that do not align with the Church’s values and standards.
- All companies considered for investment are screened against the exclusion lists, before any in-depth analysis is undertaken.
- ESG factors are integrated into our investment decision-making process, both as a source of risk mitigation and an opportunity for enhanced returns.

The Association is a member of both the Responsible Investment Association Australasia and the Church Investors Group in UK, which represents institutional investors from many mainstream Church denominations and church related charities, mainly based in UK and Europe.

Meetings and discussions with these groups are helpful in keeping the Association up to date with developments in practice and thinking on Responsible Investment.

The following pie-chart below shows the sector breakdown of the Growth & Income Fund’s equity portfolio at 30 June 2018.



The Association does not own any companies listed on the exclusion lists we use. The Association is very confident that all of its holdings represent a proper application of the Church's Responsible Investment Policy and expectations.

BOARD MEMBERSHIP

During 2017 Jane Davel and Richard Deveraux were appointed to the Board by the President.

In January 2018 Rev Michael Greer retired from the Board. Michael served on the Board for almost 20 years since his appointment in 1998. The Board wishes to express its gratitude to Michael for his huge contribution over his long tenure on the Board.

Hugh Garlick has indicated his intention to retire from the Board as at 31 December 2018. Hugh has served on the Board since 1982 and was Chair from 2002 until December 2016. During his 36 years on the Board Hugh has helped guide the Association over a period of strong growth and consistent performance. The Board wishes to express its gratitude to Hugh for his leadership and his contribution during his long tenure on the Board.

The Board wishes both Michael and Hugh long and enjoyable retirements. With Hugh Garlick's retirement, the Board for 2019 will consist of nine members.

APPRECIATION

The Association thanks the Church for its continued support during 2018. The Association also acknowledges the work of the staff of the Connexional Office seconded to the work of the Association.

Suggested decisions:

1. That the report be received
2. Conference thanks Rev Michael Greer and Hugh Garlick be thanked for their service to the Church their membership of the Methodist Trust Association Board.
3. That the 2019 Board of the Methodist Trust Association be: Chris Gregory, David Johnston, David Cleal, David Hunt, Jane Davel, Jill van de Geer, Richard Devereux, Meleane Nacagilevu, David Bush (Secretary)

PACT 2086 TRUST

PACT 2086 Trust exists to hold the Church's residual interest in the ground lease of the land bounded by Queen, Turner and Liverpool Streets and City Road in Auckland. 2018 marks the 32nd anniversary of the signing of the 100 year ground lease for this property.

The Trust's purpose is to generate compounding returns on the initial funds received, so that when the lease expires in 2086, the Church will be in a position to consider redevelopment of this prime site, which could then provide substantial rental returns to the Church.

As the lease has another 68 years to run until the lease expiry; and all rentals for 100 years were paid upfront in 1986, the current value of the Trust's interest is a fraction of the current value of the underlying land. The lessor's interest was valued by an independent registered valuer at \$2.5m as at June 2018.

The investments of the Trust comprise:

- 44.19% ownership of Grafton Downs Ltd,
- Willowford Forest, Hawkes Bay,
- Investments in shares, private equity funds and cash instruments.

GRAFTON DOWNS LTD

The investment in Grafton Downs Ltd is now the major investment of the Trust. The Trust believes significant long term value will be created for the Church through this investment.

Grafton Downs is covered in more detail in a separate report to Conference in Section E of the reports.

WILLOWFORD FOREST

In 1992 the Trust purchased a 275 hectare farm in the foothills of the Kaweka Range, Hawkes Bay and in 1994 planted the property, predominantly in *Pinus radiata*.

The forest has achieved excellent growth rates and has been managed using a progressive silviculture regime.

The trees are now mature, at 24 years of age and are ready for harvesting.

As log prices are currently at attractive levels, the sale of a cutting right to the forest is being considered. This would most likely allow the buyer 5 years in which to harvest the forest.

The Trust has not traded its carbon credits. It has retained the full allocation, which would be extinguished upon harvesting.

Once harvesting is complete the intention would be to replant the forest.

BOARD MEMBERSHIP

The Board of PACT 2086 Trust is made up of those persons appointed to the Board of the Methodist Trust Association.

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The Board wishes both Michael and Hugh long and enjoyable retirements.

With Hugh Garlick's retirement, the Board for 2019 will consist of nine members.

Suggested decisions:

1. That the report be received.
2. That the 2019 Board of PACT 2086 Trust be: Chris Gregory, David Johnston, David Cleal, David Hunt, Jane Davel, Jill van de Geer, Richard Devereux, Meleane Nacagilevu, David Bush (Secretary)

INVESTMENT ADVISORY BOARD

The Investment Advisory Board was established by Conference to provide investment advice and oversight to the Funds of the Methodist Church of New Zealand. The Investment Advisory Board acts on delegated authority from the Board of Administration / Methodist Connexional Property Committee, to consider matters relating to commercial properties that the Church is considering buying or selling or to give approval to leases of more than seven years duration.

As part of its work, the Board receives regular market reports and considers matters which could impact upon the Church's investment portfolio.

One of the significant areas of work for the Board is the Church's approach to responsible investing, reflecting the Church's values and incorporating environmental, social and governance factors. The Board was involved over the past year in the development of the Church's new Responsible Investment Policy.

The Board also oversees the Church's relationship organisations dealing with investments including the Responsible Investment Association of Australasia and the Church Investors Group based in the UK and Wespath Benefits and Investments, the investment arm of The United Methodist Church in USA.

RESPONSIBLE INVESTMENT POLICY

During the year the Investment Advisory Board undertook a major piece of work in completely re-writing the Responsible Investment Policy, incorporating global best practice.

The Policy is much more comprehensive than the previous 2012 policy, incorporating environmental, social and governance factors and using exclusion lists from several sources, which in aggregate cover the Church's values based exclusion categories. The Policy also provides greater clarity and details about how each category in the guidelines will be interpreted by the investment team.

The Methodist Trust Association's goal is to produce risk-adjusted returns that align with the values and principles of the Methodist Church, together with our investors' objectives. Putting the Associations investors' interests first requires it to recognize and manage a wide range of global market risks and opportunities, including environmental, social and governance (ESG) factors and the impact that these factors may have on long-term investment returns.

To achieve this:

- The Association employs values/norms-based screens, to avoid certain companies and industries that do not align with the Church's values and standards.
- All companies considered for investment are screened against exclusion lists, before any in-depth analysis is undertaken.
- ESG factors are integrated into the investment decision-making process, both as a source of risk mitigation and an opportunity for enhanced returns.

It is important to note that:

1. With the Association's limited resources, it does not have the capacity to analyse the global equity universe to determine its own list of exclusions for companies that are not aligned with the Church's values and acceptable norms for corporate behaviour.

2. To efficiently achieve the Church's responsible investment goals the Association must make use of readily available exclusion lists that, in aggregate, match the Church's values well. This approach means the Association is obligated to use the criteria used by the source of each list, to determine the materiality of each company's involvement for each category.
3. Accordingly, the materiality thresholds currently used in the exclusion screens are usually 5% or 10%. We use the lowest threshold available for each exclusion category. The different levels of threshold in the policy reflect the different sources of lists for the different categories. The different level is not a judgement on the importance/harm of that category.
4. If the sources of lists that are used tighten their thresholds, the Association will adopt the new lowest threshold.

The Board continues to maintain its own short exclusion list for Australasian companies, which are not aligned with Church values. All exclusions are based on clear evidence of failure to meet the policy thresholds. This list is in addition to the 3rd party lists used.

Members of the Church can raise an issue with the Investment Advisory Board (by emailing the Executive Officer), regarding any Australasian listed company, that they believe should be added to the Board's exclusion list. To enable proper consideration, the email must provide the following information:

- The name of the company
- The value/norm/activity for which the company breaches the policy's exclusion thresholds.
- The facts and verifiable evidence proving that the company is in breach of the exclusion threshold.

Companies will be removed from the exclusion list if they cease the activity for which they were added to the list.

The Policy is intended to be a living document and will be subject to regular review and improvement.

The draft Responsible Investment Policy was released to the Church in February 2018, with feedback incorporated into the final version.

The Responsible Investment Policy was adopted by the Investment Advisory Board on 30 April 2018 and was then distributed to the synods and Hui Poari for comment.

The Responsible Investment Policy is appended to this report (Appendix One).

BOARD MEMBERSHIP

During 2017 Jane Davel and Richard Deveraux were appointed to the Board by the President.

The Investment Advisory Board acknowledges the service of Rev Michael Greer, who retired in January 2018; and Hugh Garlick who is retiring at the end of 2018, and thanks them both for their wise counsel over the many and complex issues brought to the Investment Advisory Board during their time on the Board.

Suggested decisions:

1. That the report be received
2. That the Responsible Investment Policy, as adopted by the Investment Advisory Board be ratified.
3. That the 2019 Board of the Investment Advisory Board be: Chris Gregory, David Johnston, David Cleal, David Hunt, Jane Davel, Jill van de Geer, Richard Devereux, Meleane Nacagilevu, David Bush (Secretary).

APPENDIX ONE – MCNZ RESPONSIBLE INVESTMENT POLICY

Methodist Church of New Zealand / Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa

Responsible Investment Policy

Adopted 30 April 2018

The Methodist Church of New Zealand has a long history of investing responsibly in New Zealand. In association with the Presbyterian Church, the Methodist Church of New Zealand published its first ethical guidelines in 1983, to assist individuals and Church bodies in considering what were or were not appropriate investment objectives and practices.

The Methodist Trust Association's goal is to produce risk-adjusted returns that align with our investors' objectives. Putting the Association's investors' interests first requires it to recognize and manage a wide range of global market risks and opportunities, including environmental, social and governance (ESG) factors and the impact they may have on long-term investment returns.

To achieve this we:

- ESG factors are integrated into our investment decision-making process, both as a source of risk mitigation and an opportunity for enhanced returns.
- the Association employs values/norms-based screens, to avoid certain companies and industries that do not align with the Church's values and standards.

With the Association's limited resources, it does not have the capacity to analyse the global equity universe to determine its own list of exclusions for companies that are not aligned with the Church's values and acceptable norms for corporate behaviour. To efficiently achieve our responsible investment goals the Association must make use of readily available exclusion lists that, in aggregate, match the Church's values well. This approach means the Association is obligated to use the criteria used by the source of each list, to determine the materiality of each company's involvement for each category.

Accordingly, the materiality thresholds currently used in the exclusion screens are usually 5% or 10%. We use the lowest threshold available for each exclusion category. The different levels of threshold in the policy reflect the different sources of lists for the different categories. The different level is not a judgement on the importance/harm of that category.

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Environmental, Social and Governance Factors

New Zealand Methodist Trust Association has integrated the assessment of ESG factors into the investment decision-making process, (where information is readily available), both as a source of risk mitigation and an opportunity for enhanced returns. Information is accessed through

Bloomberg market information system for each company we consider for investment.

In addition to each segment, covered below, ESG scores from a number of different research providers are also monitored.

Environmental

Environmental factors are an important consideration in the investment process, due to legislation in some

countries, the impact they can have on investment returns and cash flows.

The Association needs to be aware of the environmental risks associated with each company and/or industry, and consider the potential economic implications.

With regard to climate change, the private sector has a large role in meeting the Paris Climate Agreement goals. Companies increasingly need to be green to attract the best talent and satisfy their customers, who are keenly focused on environmental issues and sustainability.

Many leading companies are becoming “green” because it’s more profitable to be green.

In the Association’s assessment of environmental factors, in the investment decision-making process, factors it monitors include:

- Energy usage
- Type of fuel used
- Energy intensity
- Greenhouse gas emissions and intensity
- Water usage and intensity
- Waste generation
- Waste recycling
- Environmental disclosure scores

Social

Social issues are mainly addressed through exclusions, covered in the Values/Norms based screens section below. Beyond that the Association considers the materiality of social issues, with a focus on the economic impact of any issues.

In its assessment of social factors, in the investment decision-making process, factors it monitors include:

- Employee turnover
- Employee training hours
- Workforce accidents
- Percentage of women in the workforce and in management
- Existence of policies covering human rights; anti-bribery; and child labour

Governance

Corporate governance is a risk factor the Association seeks to understand and take into account as part of the investment decision. The Association has a strong preference for the separation of the CEO and Chairman roles, and believe having the former CEO on the board is often counter-productive.

Diversity of thought, skills and backgrounds are usually a feature of high-performing boards. It is often difficult to robustly assess diversity using these criteria, as disclosure is limited.

In its assessment of governance factors, in the investment decision-making process, factors it monitors include:

- Board composition
- Board tenure
- Whether the former CEO is on the board
- Whether the CEO is also Chairman
- Percentage of women on the board
- Percentage of Non-executive board members who hold shares
- Board meeting attendance
- Governance disclosure scores

Values/Norms based screens

The Methodist Church of New Zealand excludes companies that derive significant revenue from products and services not aligned to the social principles of the Methodist Church.

The Methodist Church Investment Funds (Fund) shall not knowingly invest in any company or entity whose core business activity involves the following products and/or services:

- Tobacco
- Gambling
- Alcoholic beverages
- Adult entertainment
- Weapons
- Military Contracting
- Nuclear bases
- Privately operated correctional facilities
- Human rights
- Climate Change – Coal
- Climate Change – Oil & Gas

Interpretation of Social Investment Guidelines

The Church's Social Investment Guidelines require interpretation in their application and are at the discretion of the Association's portfolio management team. The following discussion provides further detail about the interpretation of the Church's Social Investment Guidelines.

Tobacco

Manufacturers: The Association does not buy or hold companies that derive 5% or more of revenues from the manufacture of tobacco products.

Processors and Suppliers: The Association does not buy or hold companies that are in the business of processing tobacco or supplying tobacco to product manufacturers.

Retail Sales: The Association does not buy or hold companies that derive a majority (>50%) of revenues from the retail sale of tobacco products.

Tobacco-Related Products: The Association does not buy or hold companies that derive a majority of revenues (>50%) from the sale of goods that are components of tobacco products, such as cigarette papers and filters.

The Association may buy or hold companies that sell products to the tobacco industry, including packaging and non-Tobacco related supplies.

The Association may buy or hold listed investment funds that have minor (<5% of the fund's capital) investments in companies that manufacture or process tobacco products.

Gambling

Owners and Operators: The Association does not buy or hold companies that derive 5% or more of revenues from the provision of gambling or gaming services.

Manufacturers of Gaming Equipment: The Association does not buy or hold companies that derive 5% or more of revenues from the manufacture of gaming equipment.

The Association may buy or hold companies that:

- Provide financial services to gambling or gaming operators.
- Sell goods or services that are clearly nongaming-related to gambling or gaming operations.

The Association may buy or hold listed investment funds that have minor (<5% of the fund's capital) investments in companies involved in gambling activities.

Alcohol

Manufacturers and Producers: The Association does not buy or hold companies that derive 5% or more of revenues from the manufacture of alcoholic beverages (includes spirits, beer, wine, RTD's).

Retail Sales: The Association does not buy or hold companies that derive a majority of revenues from the retail sale of alcoholic beverages. This relates primarily to restaurant chains and convenience stores.

The Association may buy or hold:

- Agricultural products companies that sell products to the alcohol industry for use in the production of alcoholic beverages.
- Companies that sell unprocessed agricultural goods, such as barley or grapes, to producers.
- Companies that produce products to be used in production of alcohol, such as enzymes, catalysts and fermentation agents.

The Association may buy or hold listed investment funds that have minor (<5% of the fund's capital) investments in companies that produce or manufacture alcohol.

Adult Entertainment

Manufacturers and Producers: The Association does not buy or hold companies that derive 10% or more from manufacturing products which violate human dignity with denigrating and degrading portrayals of persons.

Distributors and Broadcasters: The Association does not buy or hold companies that derive 5% or more of revenues from distributing or broadcasting adult entertainment products.

The Association may buy or hold listed investment funds that have minor (<5% of the fund's capital) investments in companies that manufacture or distribute products which violate human dignity with denigrating and degrading portrayals of persons.

Weapons, Firearms and Munitions

Producers: The Association does not invest in companies which are involved in the production or development of:

- Nuclear weapons
- Illegal weapons, such as cluster munitions and anti-personal mines.
- Biological or Chemical weapons.
- Weapons of war, including:
 - Fighter aircraft, attack helicopters, warships, submarines, and tanks.
 - Missile weapons, including the corresponding launchers.
 - Small arms (except for hunting and sporting weapons).
 - Howitzers, naval mines, bombs.
 - Ammunition.
- Firearms, including pistols, revolvers, rifles, shotguns, sub-machine guns, or associated ammunition.

Retailers: The Association does not buy or hold companies that derive a majority of revenues (>50%) from the wholesale or retail distribution of firearms or small arms ammunition.

The Association may buy or hold listed investment funds that have minor (<5% of the fund's capital) investments in companies which are involved in the production or development of Weapons, Firearms and Munitions.

Military Contracting

Major Prime Contractors. The Association does not buy or hold companies that derive 5% or more of revenues from weapons related contracts.

The Association may buy or hold companies that:

- have some minor military business,
- have some contracts with the US Department of Defense for goods and services that are clearly not weapons-related,
- manufacture computers, electric wiring, and semiconductors or that provide telecommunications systems (unless these products and services are specifically and exclusively weapons-related, when the 5% criteria applies).

The Association may buy or hold listed investment funds that have minor (<5% of the fund's capital) investments in military contracting companies.

Nuclear bases

Operators: The Association does not invest in companies which operate nuclear bases. Nuclear base operators are involved in nuclear warhead modification, retrofit and maintenance activities as part of life extension programmes, to extend the life of nuclear stockpiles in the United States and United Kingdom.

The Association may buy or hold listed investment funds that have minor (<5% of the fund's capital) investments in companies which operate nuclear bases.

Privately operated correctional facilities

The Association does not invest in companies deriving 10% or more of revenues from activities related to privately operated correctional facilities, including jails, prisons, penitentiaries, detention centers, prison

camps and transfer centers.

The Association may buy or hold private equity investment or other funds that have minor (<10% of the fund's capital) investments in privately operated correctional facilities.

The Association may buy or hold listed investment funds that have minor (<5% of the fund's capital) investments in companies which operate correctional facilities.

Human rights

Businesses have the potential to impact human rights. The Church expects companies to obey internationally recognized human rights principles and to manage its impact on human rights.

Human rights related issues include complicity in human right abuses, modern slavery, child labour, occupational health and safety, the rights of indigenous people, displacement of communities, freedom of association and international humanitarian law.

The Association implements the Human Rights guideline by:

- Identifying “high-risk” countries and areas where there is a prolonged and systematic pattern of violations of human rights,
- Conflict affected areas, where violations of human rights have been widely documented or a United Nations Security Council resolution or an advisory opinion by the International Court of Justice has identified significant breaches of international law.
- The Association does not invest in companies with significant operations, deriving 10% or more of revenues from the high-risk countries identified. Factors considered include:
 - The nature of the company's relationship to the conflict/region.
 - Any mitigating factors, such as high ratings for environmental, social and governance identified through our research.
- The Association identifies high-risk countries using Freedom House's annual “Freedom in the World” report, which assess countries throughout the world for freedom and democracy. Included in these reports are a list of the “worst of the worst” countries, having have the lowest ratings for both political rights and civil liberties. <https://freedomhouse.org/report-types/freedom-world>

The countries that are identified on the 2018 list, from worst are:

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| • Syria | • Somalia |
| • South Sudan | • Uzbekistan |
| • Eritrea | • Sudan |
| • North Korea | • Central African Republic |
| • Turkmenistan | • Libya |
| • Equatorial Guinea | • West Papua* |
| • Saudi Arabia | |

*West Papua is not included in the Freedom House list, but has been included on the exclusion list at the request of the church. As it's not on the Freedom House list it will not come up on the exclusion lists we use. The Association is reliant on Mission and Ecumenical and other Church sources to identify companies with significant operations (>10% of total revenues) in West Papua and to provide factual evidence to allow the Investment Advisory Board to determine whether those companies should be added to the Methodist Church of New Zealand exclusion list.

The Association may buy or hold listed investment funds that have minor (<5% of the fund's capital) investments in companies with operations of greater than 10% of their revenues from the high-risk countries identified.

Climate Change - Coal

The Association does not buy or hold companies that derive 30% or more of revenues from coal mining. This sector-based screen on coal mining includes metallurgical coal, thermal coal and coke.

The Association may buy or hold listed investment funds that have minor (<5% of the fund's capital) investments in coal companies.

Climate Change – Oil & Gas

The Association does not knowingly buy or hold companies that derive 50% or more of revenues from oil and gas extraction.

At this time there is no readily available exclusion list covering oil and gas companies. We do expect a list

will become available in the next year. Until such a list is available, we will use our best endeavors to avoid buying or purchasing companies that would fail this threshold.

The Association may buy or hold listed investment funds that have minor (<5% of the fund's capital) investments in oil and gas companies.

SOCIALLY RESPONSIBLE INVESTMENT

A biblical and theological preamble the Responsible Investment policy of the Methodist Trust Association

Faith and Order Committee March 2018

Methodism is committed to

- Stewardship - the responsible use of money
- Social Justice - avoiding social harm
- Human Wellbeing – promoting positive development
- A Good Creation - sustaining the planet

God's purpose

Christian theology teaches that God brought this world into being, sustains it and brings it to completion. In Christ we have seen that God pours out the divine life for the life of the world and is ever active within the world encouraging it toward its fulfilment. The scope of God's transforming love is personal and communal, political and environmental, global and cosmic. In this divine work we are called to be co-creators. As the church seeks to manage its financial resources, there is the challenge for these fundamental convictions to shape both policy and decision making.

Word to Israel

God's word speaks to us across the generations and within our own day. From the beginning of scripture there is a call to delight in creation and to "replenish the earth". (Genesis 1:28 AV) Law is given to provide direction and call Israel to remember its obligation to the poor. "You shall not strip your vineyard bare, or gather the fallen grapes of your vineyard; you shall leave them for the poor and the alien." (Leviticus 19:10) At the heart of the Law is the notion of restraint. Alongside Law in the Old Testament the prophetic witness calls for moral responsibility in business and social relationships. "Seek justice, undo oppression; defend the fatherless, plead for the widow." (Isaiah 1: 17) God's vision is one of transformation: "they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning hooks..." (Micah 4:3)

Word to the Church

This stewardship of resources continues to play a central role in the New Testament. In Jesus' parables there is witness to a world of grace in which hearers are surprised at God's generous love extending to all, even the marginalised. Jesus teaches, "Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth." (Matthew 5:5) Jesus challenged the abuse of the Temple courts when he turned the money changers from their tables. (John 2: 14) A constant theme in the teaching of Jesus is caution about the accumulation of riches. "Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth...but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven." (Matthew 6: 19) Further wisdom of Jesus: "It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God." (Matthew 19:24)

John Wesley's witness

In the preaching of John Wesley there are insights that remain relevant to our management of the resources of the church. Before the development of economic theory in the nineteenth century, Wesley was a pioneer in articulating a critical theology of wealth. Wesley did not have a negative attitude toward money or the generation of wealth. He saw that it could be a blessing. All who fear God have a responsibility to know how to employ this valuable talent, for example in feeding the hungry and clothing the naked. In his sermon *The Danger of Riches* he located four positive purposes of wealth: 1. provision for families, 2. generation of capital by business, 3. bequeathing resources to families, and 4. freedom from debt. In 1746 he established a "poor man's bank" and lent small sums of money to those who wished to start businesses.

John Wesley's warning

Careful study of Wesley's sermons reveals that he gave considerable attention to the place of wealth in society. In sermons such as *On Riches*, *The danger of Riches* and *The Danger of Increasing Riches* he outlined his awareness of the spiritual danger of wealth. Indeed so concerned was he about this that he saw the pursuit of wealth as being idolatrous. In his sermon *On Riches* he identified five dangers in amassing wealth. (1) It prevents us from attending to God and the things of God. (2) Riches can be a hindrance to loving neighbour and self (3) Riches can lead to pride, contempt for others and atheism and as such are a hindrance to holiness. (4) To deny ourselves and follow Jesus is a bigger challenge for the affluent. (5) He concluded that happiness is to

be sought in God, and In God alone. For Wesley covetousness was the sin of desiring more. In his sermon on *The Danger of Riches* five desires are mentioned that he claimed have destructive spiritual consequences. (i) The desire of the flesh, the pleasure of tasting leading to gluttony. (ii) The desire of the eyes, wanting things that are ornate. (iii) The desire of honour, seeking admiration and applause. (iv) The desire of ease, the wish of comfort and desire to avoid every cross.

John Wesley's economics

In his sermon *On the Use of Money* we are introduced to Wesley's famous teaching, "gain all you can, save all you can and give all you can." It is instructive to note some of the qualifications that are outlined. In gaining all we can Wesley insists that (a) we should not gain at the expense of "hurting the body". By this he meant people should not work too many hours or be exposed to harmful chemicals. (b) Nor should we do what is harmful to the mind by either breaking God's law or the law of the land. (c) Nor should we gain by harming neighbour. This includes refraining from selling below market rate, setting out to undermine a neighbour's business and lowering the moral health of society. Further, Wesley considered we should not seek to avoid taxes, as these are used to do good in and for society.

John Wesley's social responsibility

By "saving all we can", Wesley did not endorse the accumulation of wealth. Rather he advocated frugality and simplicity of life. He opposed expenditure that was designed to support comfort and luxury. He cautioned against purchasing things that appealed to the senses such as works of art and fancy clothing. By "giving all you can" Wesley recognised an obligation to others; especially the poor, even to those who may not be believers. Clearly Wesley sees the use of money as a spiritual challenge associated with particular temptations. He was constantly concerned that because the Methodist people were frugal they accumulated wealth and as a consequence lost the reality of Christian spirituality.

Disturbing heritage

Methodism has sought in different ways to respond to its biblical and spiritual heritage. This has been expressed in the quest for social justice as conditions have been encountered in different periods of history e.g. in the fight against slavery, in the temperance movement, in the pacifist witness, in struggle against apartheid and in support for a minimum wage and good working conditions. It has been expressed through "humble philanthropy", in which wealth is used for the benefit of others without drawing attention to the donor. More recently the bicultural journey has been an expression of the sharing of resources and power. There has been the commitment both to refraining from engaging in harmful actions and the promotion of the communal well-being.

Today's challenge

And now this heritage continues through the theological emphases inherited from Wesley, and the themes of stewardship, social justice, human wellbeing, and a good creation which have specific relevance for questions of responsible investment today. In our contemporary setting, these themes are seen to be linked to environmental concerns which are demanding more attention within Methodism, and are appropriately considered in the context of investment.

Finish then thy new creation

Managing wealth at family and institutional level requires spiritual maturity. Our tradition encourages the responsible and creative use of resources. Wealth can promote fullness of life and healing. However our tradition does not endorse maximising return on investment. It calls for restraint in the interests of avoiding exploitation of people and exhausting the environment. Drawing inspiration from the gospel, the church is bound to engage in an ethical investment policy that serves the new creation. This vision should inform and critique our practice.

Wider Methodist Community

The Central Finance Board of the British Methodist Church formulated the following Biblical Principles to guide its work:

- to encourage the fruitful use of economic resources
- to encourage activities consistent with God's nature and values
- to encourage a concern for the vulnerable and oppressed

SOME SOCIAL PRINCIPLES OF THE METHODIST CHURCH

The ethical and social ideal of the Methodist Movement is the ideal of essential Christianity. Methodism's impact on the life of the eighteenth century was due in some degree to the rediscovery of a social message. In 1743 John Wesley wrote (*An Earnest Appeal to Men of Reason and Religion*): "We see, on every side, either men of no religion at all, or men of a lifeless, formal religion. We ... should greatly rejoice if by any means we might convince some that there is a better religion to be attained, a religion worthy of God that give it. And this we conceive to be no other than love; the love of God and of all mankind, the loving God with all our heart, and soul, and strength, as having first loved us, as the fountain of all the good we have received, and of all we hope to enjoy; and the loving every soul which God hath made, every man on the earth as his own soul."

Believing this and recognising that society at present falls far short of the Christian ideal, the Methodist Church stands for:

1. The sacredness of human personality and the equal value of all men and women in the sight of God.
2. Adequate opportunities of employment for all those willing and able to work, and reasonable standards of living for those, who because of age or infirmity, are not able to work.
3. The co-operation of employers and employees for the benefit of the community.
4. The duty of all to render conscientious service, the condemnation of scamped work, of sweated labour and of consumer exploitation.
5. The right to a just return for services rendered and the right to good housing, and a healthy environment.
6. The wise use and careful conservation of the world's physical resources.
7. The removal of the root causes of poverty, unemployment and war.
8. The promoting of social and industrial reforms by lawful means.
9. The right to freedom of conscience, constitutional liberty, secrecy of the ballot and access to the Courts.
10. Christian influence in politics and civic affairs.
11. The conviction that the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ contains the message that will promote effectively the regeneration and reconstruction of society.

The Methodist Church reminds her people that Christian ethics cannot be maintained without Christian faith. The good life of the Christian and faith in Christ are inseparable. Where one fails the other cannot last.

Adopted by Conference 1952; reprinted in the Minutes of Conference 1967; reaffirmed by Conference 1976

A STATEMENT OF MISSION FOR THE PEOPLE OF AOTEAROA/NEW ZEALAND WHO ARE ASSOCIATED WITH THE METHODIST TRADITION, BOTH IN METHODIST PARISHES AND IN CO-OPERATIVE VENTURES

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 partnership and will guide how we undertake mission.

In seeking to carry out our mission we will work according to these principles:

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 which will enable the diversity of the people (eg all ages, all cultures, female and male) 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.

Adopted by Conference 1989

THE ROBERT GIBSON METHODIST TRUST

2017 Report

The 2016-17 season has ended on a more positive note than at the beginning of the season.

Weather patterns have continued to be wet and cold, and have carried on into this winter and spring. The Marie farm has brought to our attention some very wet areas that will need extensive drainage work to rectify.

The Totora farm is operating very well in all areas.

Production for the R.G.M.T was up 10,900 Kg/Ms this season to 286,997 Kg/Ms.

Fonterra have announced a pay-out of \$6.75 per Kg/Ms for the 2017-18 season. The R.G.M.T board have increased the distribution level to \$173,000.

The actual disbursements during the 2016/2017 year were:

Bursaries	\$57,250
Wesley college	\$55,000
Mission Resourcing	\$8,300
Youth Ministry	\$23,676
Manaia Hall	<u>\$2,696</u>
Total	\$146,922

2018 Report

The 2017-18 season has been one of the most difficult and stressful that farmers have had to deal with. A wet, cold winter and spring leading into a very long dry period. Many farmers having a 20% to 50% drop in production.

Production for the R.G.M.T was 266,032 Kg/MS down 20,966 Kg/MS from the 2016-17 season of 286,997 Kg/MS.

Fonterra have announced a pay-out of \$7.00 per Kg/MS for the 2017-18 season.

The actual disbursements during the 2017/2018 year were:

Bursaries:	\$31,750
Wesley College:	\$60,000
Mission Resourcing:	\$9,000
Youth Ministry:	\$24,000
Manaia Hall:	<u>\$5,000</u>
Total:	\$129,750

I believe the R.G.M.T board is a very capable and committed group of people who willingly give off their skills, knowledge and time.

Suggested decisions:

1. That the report be received.
2. That the R.G.M.T Board for 2018-19 be: Preston Bulfin, Rev Tony Bell, Rev David Bush (General Secretary), John Chittenden, Ian Harris (Synod Representative), Mark Hughson, John Lefleming, Susan Malthus, Steve Nicholas, Mataiva Robertson and Bill Yateman.

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

Since its founding in 1930, the constitution of the Wesley Historical Society (NZ) has required that it report annually to Methodist Conference. As Conference did not meet in 2017, a report on the year's progress in researching and recording the story of Methodism in Aotearoa/New Zealand and the South Pacific was circulated to members and presented at the Society's 87th Annual General Meeting held on 30 September 2017 at Tamahere Retirement Village. After lunch, David McGeorge, General Manager, advised the meeting of the development stages of the Village and the Trust's hopes for the future of the complex; and following his presentation, local historian Robin Astridge detailed his work on early Wesleyan Mission sites in the Waikato district.

In its 2015 report to Conference, the Society drew the Connexion's attention to the approaching bicentenary of Rev. Samuel Leigh's journeys to Aotearoa/New Zealand in 1819 and 1822 and requested that Conference institute planning and recommendations for its commemoration; the decision was referred to Council of Conference. The following year, Conference 2016 invited the Wesley Historical Society, in consultation with te Taha Māori, Mission Resourcing, and other interested parties 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 report to Conference 2018.

Planning has been underway since that decision was made, and meetings have continued regularly with representatives from Te Taha Māori, Mission Resourcing, the Wesleyan Methodist Church, and the Church of the Nazarene, who all share a Methodist heritage, and interest in being involved in the commemoration. These will also report to their respective Conference and Assembly. The Wesleydale Memorial Church at Kaeo has also been kept informed of progress in arrangements. As the time between Conferences did not permit proceeding without approval, the agreement of the Society's patron President Prince Devanandan was given for plans to go ahead, for a presentation to Conference 2018.

Planning for a two-day symposium to be held at St John's College, Meadowbank on 24-25 May 2019, to mark the Leigh's first visit to these shores is well underway. Speakers from overseas and from New Zealand have accepted invitations to present papers which will be subsequently published as part of the 2022 commemorations.

In conjunction with Trinity College, a tour of places which feature in the early te Hāhi Weteriana story including Rangihoua (where Leigh stayed on his first visit to Aotearoa/New Zealand), Kaeo, and Mangungu is also planned. This will follow the May 2019 symposium, giving overseas visitors, as well as interested New Zealanders, the opportunity to visit these heritage sites.

During the time since the WHS last reported to Conference:

- The Society has recorded with sadness the deaths of Honoured Member Joan Weeks, the Revs Fred Baker and Mary Astley Ford, and Messrs Harvey Hoskin and Lloyd Riesterer.
- The WHS has coordinated and supported the work of the Bicentenary Planning Group through the past two years and presents the Report to Conference 2018.
- The 2017 and 2018 WHS Journals were published under the editorship of Rev. Dr Terry Wall, and the Dr Garth Cant's 2015 lecture entitled 'The Methodist and Ratana Connections: Arthur Seamer and Wiremu and Urumanao Ratana' was published as a proceeding.
- The Gilmore Smith Memorial Scholar, Samuel Anderson, PhD candidate at Canterbury University has produced an excellent study: 'The Methodist Times: Changes in New Zealand Methodist Media 1884-1970s' which the WHS intends to publish in 2019 as a proceeding.
- 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*.
- The WHS has published two in a new series of 'Occasional Papers' written and researched by Honoured Member Revd Donald Phillipps on behalf of the Connexion. They are: *Held in trust: managing the assets of the Methodist Church of New Zealand* and *A future realised*, which brings the PAC Trust's history up-to-date. Copies have been distributed to all WHS members and are available from the Connexional Office.

In presenting this Annual Report I express my warmest appreciation to all the members of the Executive, especially to Ian Faulkner who has so capably filled the role of Secretary with additional duties related to the Bicentenary Planning Group. Special thanks to the Publications and Scholarship Committee under the convenorship of Rev. Dr Susan Thompson, and to Editor Terry Wall. The Society records its gratitude to Minute Secretary Mrs Shona Michie who retired from the position in 2018, having first taken up the role during 2005-06 and to Treasurer Peter Lane for all that he has accomplished.

We express our grateful thanks to Alec Utting for maintaining our website and for completing the major task of digitizing all Society publications up until 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 with enquiries continuing to come through the website.

Honoured Members and Dr Elaine Bolitho and Rev. Donald Phillipps in particular, have continued to make significant contributions to the work of the Society, and I thank them and all those who have supported the WHS during this year.

Suggested decision:

1. That the report be received.

BICENTENARY PLANNING GROUP

Report to the 2018 Methodist Church of New Zealand – Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa Conference, the Wesleyan Methodist Church of New Zealand Conference and the Church of the Nazarene Assembly

This report is an update of the actions taken by the Bicentenary Planning Group. The Group is comprised of representatives of the Methodist Church of New Zealand [Wesley Historical Society (NZ), Mission Resourcing and Te Taha Maori o Te Haahi Weteriana], the Wesleyan Methodist Church of New Zealand, and the Church of the Nazarene.

During 2015 a number of streams of thought arose within the NZ Methodist Connexion concerning the commemoration of the bicentenary of the arrival of Rev Samuel Leigh in Aotearoa. These paralleled the Methodist and Wesleyan Methodist Dialogue meeting held on 13 October 2015, which recommended that a steering committee be created that might commence with a dialogue meeting with Wesley Historical Society representatives. Subsequently an ecumenical Bicentenary Planning Group was formed to take the planning forward collaboratively, and, as an initial step, to mark the bicentenary of the short stay of Rev Samuel Leigh in Aotearoa – New Zealand in the months of May and June 1819. This Leigh visit sowed the foundation for the establishment of a

Wesleyan Mission in the Bay of Islands in 1822.

The Bicentenary Group have determined to host a symposium at Trinity/ St Johns College, Meadowbank, Auckland, on 24 and 25 May 2019. In the Wesleyan-Methodist tradition 24 May is Wesley Day. A copy of the programme will be presented at our constituent annual national meetings. The intention of the Symposium is that those attending will engage with Wesleyan-Methodist origins in this land to better understand the work of the early Missionaries and the response of Maori. It is hoped that this engagement will help the Churches to understand their part in the contemporary expression of God's mission in the light of our past.

In addition to the Symposium consideration is being given to a bus tour (or a guided private vehicle tour) of sites in Taitokerau that would assist in bringing this story alive.

It is the intention that the high quality papers will be gathered together in a publication to be published for the 2022 commemoration. The shape of the 2022 commemoration has yet to be considered. To an extent responses to the 2019 Symposium will inform plans that are made. The formation of an on-line resource similar to the Marsden Archive, which is hosted by the Wellington Hocken Library, is also being considered.

The Group has made application to the Prince Albert College [PAC] Distribution Group for funding to support the Symposium and provide some seeding funds for the proposed subsequent publication. A grant has been received from the World Methodist Historical Society and te Taha Maori have also provided generous support.

It is the intention of the Group to keep the necessary registration fee at a modest level to ensure that the Symposium has the widest appeal possible.

Suggested decisions:

1. That the report be received.
2. That Conference affirms the direction outlined in the report.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT GRANTS COMMITTEE

(Formerly Travel and Study Committee)

SECTION A - Information and Reporting Back

Committee members join with others in the Connexion in giving thanks for the life and service of Roger Biddle, who died in July of this year. Roger had been a member of the committee since 2012, and deputy convenor since 2016. His wisdom and experience were invaluable, and he is greatly missed.

Conference 2016 approved the committee's revised policy and practice. Potential applicants and those providing references are encouraged to acquaint themselves with Section 2.3 of the document, found on page D-24 of the 2016 reports to Conference. Synod Superintendents in particular need to ensure that the application that they are supporting meets the criteria. This avoids the return of applications that are incomplete or do not meet the criteria.

Early in 2018, the committee was asked by a joint meeting of Mission Resourcing Board and Trinity College Council to contribute to a discussion about processes relating to stationed presbyters and deacons who wish to engage in post graduate study. There are currently no guidelines about consultation with the parish and synod, or about discernment of the suitability and relevance of the proposed course of study. This is perceived as a lack in Tauwiwi. The Professional Development Grants Committee does not have at present have a role other than in the processing of grant applications.

Disbursement of grants

Funds for distribution are derived from an allocation from the Connexional Budget and the interest earned from PAC endowments. In addition, a PAC grant focused on youth and spread over three years enabled us to support a number of young people.

In the past two years, grants totalling \$94,580.00 were made to support a range of study programmes or attendance at local and international conferences and events.

The table below shows who have been recipients of grants and the nature of the study.

PDG Approved Grants Given July 1st 2016 - 30th June 2017

Name	Synod	Topic
Rev. Iakopo Fa'afuata	Sinoti	WMC Denver USA
Rev. Gary Clover	Nelson M'borough West Coast	Research in to early Methodism
Rev. Abhishek Solomon	Auckland	Attend CCA
Michael Lemanu	MR Youth	Attend CCA
Rev. Dr Nasili Vaka'uta	Principal Trinity College	Presenting at Berlin Conf.
Filipo Mulitalo	Sinoti	Trinity papers
Rev. Motekiai Fakatou	LNI	School of Ecumenism
Stewart Patrick	LNI	Counselling course
Moreen Matau	Sinoti	Intern at CCA
Rev. Neti Petaia	CSI	School of Ecumenism
Rev. Ikilifi Pope	Vahefonua	Post. grad cert. at AUT
Rev. JooHong Kim	CSI	Organic leadership course USA
Anne Purcell	Auckland	PhD referred to Bradley Trust
Soana Muimuiheata	Vahefonua	PhD referred to Bradley Trust
Ana Mausia	Vahefonua	To Conference in Tonga
Fusi Ve'a	Vahefonua	To conference in Tonga
Tumuaki Diana Tana	TTM	Meeting in Chiang Mai
Rev. Rex Nathan	TTM	Meeting in Chiang Mai
Marama Hotere	TTM	Meeting in Chiang Mai
Doreen Lennox	Waikato Waiariki	Connections and Community conference
Rev. Dr Jione Havea	Trinity College staff	Presenter at conf. in Boston USA
Edmund Fehoko	Sinoti	Presenter at ESO Conf in Munich
Rev. John McDonald	Auckland /MMN Director	Exploring mission work in UK
Sharlene Malaeimi	Sinoti	YATRA
Sina Pupulu	Sinoti	Asia Pacific Youth Exchange
Suega Tanielu	Sinoti	Choral Connect
Patrick Faitaua	Sinoti	Choral Connect
Rev. Paulo Ieli	Sinoti	Asia Mission Conference

Total grants \$49,000.00 - not including Bradley Trust

3 applications were declined as they did not meet the criteria.

Approved Professional Development Grants given between July 1 2017-June 30th 2018

Name of applicant	Synod /TTM	Study/Conference topic
Piula Lasi	Auckland	Steward programme AMC
Rev. David Poultney	Nelson M'borough West Coast	CCA-AMC conference
Rev. Dale Peach	CSI	CCA-AMC Conference
Rosalie Gwilliam	Churches together Northland	UCANZ forum
Rev. Saane Langi	Auckland	Counselling course
8 youth leaders	Sinoti Samoa	Youth leaders training.
Amelia Takataka	Waikato Waiariki	Metanoia in Costa Rica
Filipo Mulitalo	Sinoti	Continuing Trinity papers
Sue Brown	LNI	CPE
Soana Muimuiheata	Vahefonua	Ongoing towards D HSc Referred to Bradley Trust
Aeseli Tulagi	Wasewase	Trinity papers
15 applications from MWF members	Sinoti	Attend WFM&UCW.S. Pacific area seminar in Fiji
Lesieli Samiu	Vahefonua/Auckland	WCC in Tanzania
Mataiva Robertson	Sinoti	Facilitating at WCC in Tanzania

Felicia Muliaina	Trinity College/Sinoti	WCC (Trinity College rep)
Rev. Kathryn Walters	CSI	Transitional Ministry Conf. USA
Rev. Marilyn Welch	Auckland	Transitional Ministry Conf. USA
Teuila Mareko	Sinoti	S.Pacific area seminar
Finau Halaleva	Vahefonua	Ongoing Trinity papers
Luisa Taloafula	Sinoti	Oceania Climate change Conf.
Rev. Hui Young Han	Waikato Waiariki	Asian Ecumenical youth assembly
Tumuaki Diana Tana	TTM	CCA Executive Committee in Dubai and Lebanon
Rev. Rex Nathan	TTM	CCA Executive Committee in Dubai and Lebanon
Rev Keita Hotere	TTM	SBL Conference in USA
Suega Tanielu	Sinoti	YATRA
Mohu Lolohea	Waikato Waiariki	Ongoing Trinity papers
Rev. Alisa Lasi	Auckland	Otago papers

Grants given totalled \$45,580.00 - not including Bradley Trust.

3 applications were declined as they did not meet the criteria

SECTION B- Looking Forward

As a result of reflection on the number and variety of grant applications over several years, a number of issues have arisen for the committee. A key concern is the relatively high cost of attending international events for what is often only a few days. Another is the importance of relevant professional development for lay people who take on leadership roles.

The following discussion paper gathers up the committee's reflections. It is our hope that this paper will be considered by individuals, synods, and Hui Poari. We look forward to receiving creative and forward looking responses.

Professional Development for Presbyters, Deacons, and Lay People

Preamble

- The PDG Committee's responsibility is stewardship of funds set aside by the church for professional development. It is out of the experience of processing many applications for grants that the broader issues identified in this paper have emerged.
- Much of this discussion paper pertains to Taiwi but may also have partnership implications.

Constraints on Professional Development Grant Funding

- It is a limited fund – primarily from the Connexional Budget and PAC endowment interest
- Applications for tertiary study need to be submitted well in advance for provisional approval by the committee e.g. November for semester 1 in the following year
- Full funding and/or continued funding is not guaranteed
- There is no retrospective funding

Committee Priorities for Funding

Established criteria define who is eligible for funding, and what things are excluded from grants. The fund is small, derived solely from the Connexional Budget and PAC endowments. The increasing number of applications for funding, particularly from Taiwi, has caused the committee to consider prioritizing applications.

General Principles

In 2018-20 priority will be given to

- First time applicants
- New Zealand based programmes and events – excluding travel within New Zealand Youth
- Resourcing as many applicants as possible from the limited funding
- Reflecting the diversity of the church

Post Ordination Professional Development

There are currently no specific requirements for presbyters and deacons to engage in professional development and continuing education after ordination. While there are provisions for annual and quadrennial study leave, it's on a "use it or lose it" basis, and is not enforced. There is no negative consequence to not using study leave. Some synods have a system in place for checking with presbyters and deacons about their use of study leave, but there appears to be no accountability beyond that.

Presbyters often cite lack of financial resource as a reason for not taking up even short duration professional development opportunities. We note that full time Presbyters receive approximately \$300 per month non-taxable general allowance with their stipend for general ministry-related expenses such as professional development.

Training, education, and professional development for Lay Leaders

As a church it's important to equip lay people for leadership and the tasks we expect them to undertake.

Some possibilities for professional development include

- Theological and Ministry- related tertiary level papers
- E-learning
- Mission and Ecumenical Summer and Winter Schools
- Theological or Ministry- related Conferences, Workshops and Seminars, preferably within New Zealand

For consideration:

- *The Church's expectation for post-ordination professional development needs to be strengthened and clearly stated.*
- *There should be a minimum annual requirement for professional development*
- *Goals should be set at the end of each year for presbyters and deacons to work towards in the following year. This would then be checked in an annual performance review or similar*
- *In some denominations, failure to meet professional development requirements or goals carries a penalty e.g license to practice ministry is not renewed*
- *The accountability for ensuring professional development requirements and goals are met resides with the Synod Superintendent. There could perhaps be an annual report to Mission Resourcing.*
- *Should contestable scholarships for postgraduate study be developed, perhaps from the Bradley Trust funds? The committee considers that this is one way of ensuring the ministry needs of the church are catered for. The church cannot afford to fund everyone who is interested in postgraduate study, and we need to make sure that funding is spent wisely and receive a good return from it.*
- *Could the Professional Development Grants Committee have a wider brief than allocating grants? If so, what might this be?*
- *What needs to happen for Taiwi processes for grant applications to be strengthened at synod level, to ensure that criteria are met?*

Attendance at Church-related International Conferences and Events

Official Representatives are funded from the Connexional Budget.

- World Council of Churches Assembly - 1 person every 8 years
- World Methodist Conference - 1 representative and 4 observers every 5 years
- Christian Conference of Asia Assembly– 2 representatives every 5 years

Official elected Committee members have their travel costs are met through the Connexional budget

There is no "official" funding for anyone else who is interested in attending such events.

The World Federation of Methodist and Uniting Church Women meets every 5 years, in association with WMC. The South Pacific Area seminar is held midway through the quinquennium. NZMWF does its own fundraising for official representatives to these gatherings.

For consideration:

- *What size team is it appropriate for a small Church like ours to send to and fund for international events?*
- *If people are invited to attend or present at an international event, expenses and accommodation may be covered by the host organization. If the invitation comes directly to the individual rather than through church channels, then travel and other costs should be met by the individual.*
- *Connexional Boards have a responsibility to fund or source funding for the professional development needs of their staff and volunteers. Professional Development Grants Committee should not be considered to be the primary source of funding.*

The committee would appreciate discussion and comment from individuals, Synods and Hui Poari.

Suggested decisions:

1. That the report is received.
2. That Conference notes the priorities for funding for 2018-20.
3. That Conference refers the discussion paper contained in this report to Synods and Hui Poari for discussion and comment, with report back to the committee by 15 May 2019.
4. That committee membership for 2018-20 shall be 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 two additional names to be brought to Conference.

SUGGESTED DECISIONS

1. The reports be received.

Board of Administration

1. That the report be received.
2. Conference thanks Rev Don Biggs for his 22 years of service on the Board of Administration, the last 4 years as Chair, recording it's gratitude for his contribution to the life of the Board and the Church.
3. Conference affirms the continued appointment of Bruce Hansen and Rev Ray Coster as Complaints Officers.

Stipends Committee

1. That the report be received.
2. That Ministry Covenants use to 40 hours as the standard working week.
3. That Conference asks Mission Resourcing to address the question of ministry and Parish structure and to report to Parishes, Rohe, Synods, Hui Poari and Conference 2020.

Connexional Financial Review Committee

1. That the report be received.

Caring for Our People Manaakitia ā Tātou Tāngata

1. That the report be received.
2. That the obligations of Caring for Our People Manaakitia ā Tātou Tāngata as an ongoing programme within the Church are acknowledged and accepted.
3. That Caring for Our People Manaakitia ā Tātou Tāngata is acknowledged and accepted for inclusion in the Laws and Regulations of The Methodist Church of New Zealand Te Hāhi Weteriana o Aotearoa.
4. It is acknowledged that emergency response plans must be put in place for the Church workplaces/buildings (owned, leased, rented or hired out) where people congregate and/or work, and that these plans must be shared and coordinated with other building users.
5. It is acknowledged that asbestos management plans must be put in place for all properties under Methodist title, or rented by a Methodist entity, and that these plans must be shared, understood and followed by everyone using the building, or likely to work on the building.
6. It is acknowledged that all asbestos management plans and other relevant information must be lodged with MCPC for a national asbestos register to be maintained.
7. It is acknowledged that the Church needs to know how far health and safety systems have been implemented throughout the Church and participation in future health and safety surveys is expected.

Methodist Connexional Property Committee

1. That the report be received
2. Conference acknowledges the committed service of Keith Taylor to both the Methodist Connexional Property Committee and Auckland Manukau Synod Advisory Committee and wishes him well in his retirement.
3. That in respect of the Scattering of Ashes Conference agrees that: the following Policy be adopted:
 - (a) Ashes should only be interred or scattered in properly designated cemeteries or burial grounds or in areas specially constructed to contain ashes." In the view of MCPC, the Methodist Church of NZ policy should be no scattering and internment of ashes outside formally designated areas
4. That in respect of Property Leases where the property is in the name of the Board of Administration:
 - (a) Are required to be signed by Board of Administration, usually with two signatures and the affixation of the seal.
 - (b) Conference notes that this is a legal requirement and relates to both holding of title and that the Board acts as the legal entity for the Conference.
 - (c) Leases for terms of more than 7 years require the additional step of approval of the Methodist Connexional Property Committee.

- (d) MCPC may seek further advice from the Investment Advisory Board for Commercial or Investment leases and the Methodist Alliance for leases related to Social Services.
- 5. That in respect of the approval process for property projects:
 - (a) The \$20,000 limit is increased from to \$25,000.
- 6. That in respect of Asbestos Management Plans:
 - (a) Conference acknowledges the need to protect our future generations by managing the asbestos risk in our older buildings and agrees that property teams place a priority on completing their asbestos management plans.
 - (b) Conference notes the requirement to keep MCPC informed that all property decisions have been made with due consideration of asbestos.

New Zealand Methodist Trust Association (MTA)

- 7. That the report be received.
- 8. Conference thanks Rev Michael Greer and Hugh Garlick be thanked for their service to the Church their membership of the Methodist Trust Association Board.
- 9. That the 2019 Board of the Methodist Trust Association be: Chris Gregory, David Johnston, David Cleal, David Hunt, Jane Davel, Jill van de Geer, Richard Devereux, Meleane Nacagilevu, David Bush (Secretary).

Pact 2086 Trust

- 1. That the report be received.
- 2. That the 2019 Board of PACT 2086 Trust be: Chris Gregory, David Johnston, David Cleal, David Hunt, Jane Davel, Jill van de Geer, Richard Devereux, Meleane Nacagilevu, David Bush (Secretary).

Investment Advisory Board (IAB)

- 1. That the report be received
- 2. That the Responsible Investment Policy, as adopted by the Investment Advisory Board be ratified.
- 3. That the 2019 Board of the Investment Advisory Board be: Chris Gregory, David Johnston, David Cleal, David Hunt, Jane Davel, Jill van de Geer, Richard Devereux, Meleane Nacagilevu, David Bush (Secretary).

The Robert Gibson Methodist Trust

- 1. That the report be received.
- 2. That the R.G.M.T Board for 2018-19 be: Preston Bulfin, Rev Tony Bell, Rev David Bush (General Secretary), John Chittenden, Ian Harris (Synod Representative), Mark Hughson, John Lefleming, Susan Malthus, Steve Nicholas, Mataiva Robertson and Bill Yateman.

Wesley Historical Society (NZ): Te Roopu Hitori o Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa

- 1. That the report be received.

Bicentenary Planning Group

- 1. That the report be received.
- 2. That Conference affirms the direction outlined in the report.

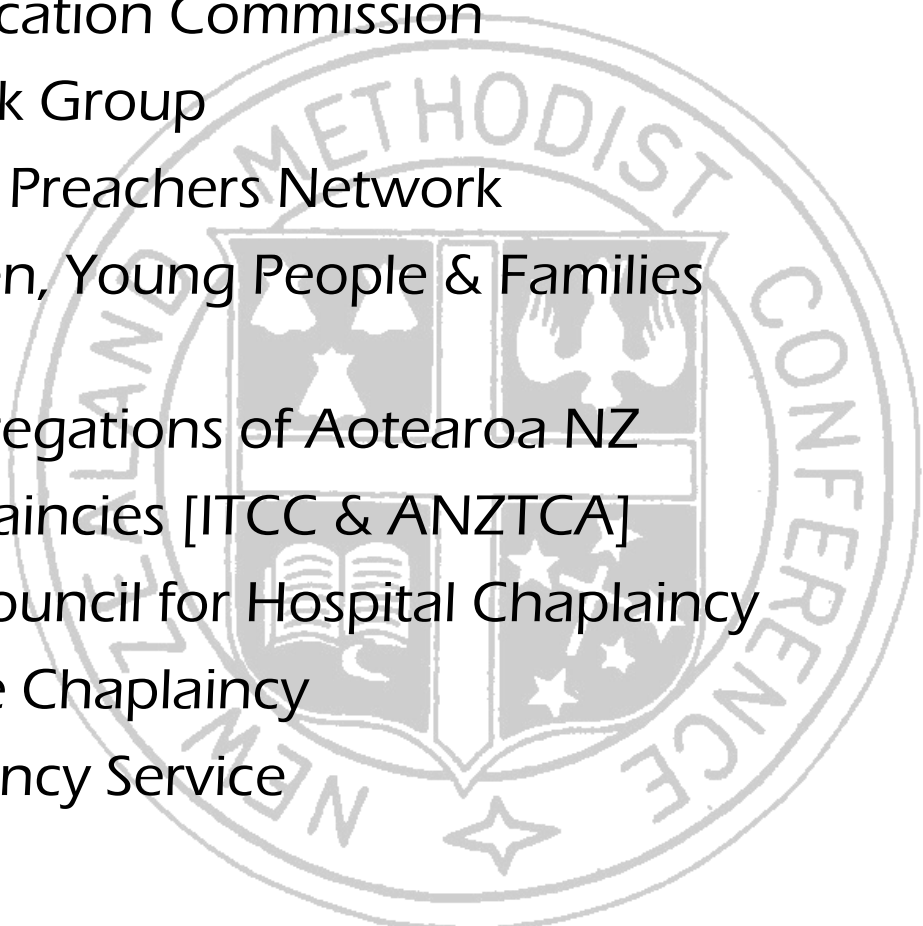
Professional Development Grants Committee (formerly Travel and Study Committee)

- 1. That the report is received.
- 2. That Conference notes the priorities for funding for 2018-20.
- 3. That Conference refers the discussion paper contained in this report to Synods and Hui Poari for discussion and comment, with report back to the committee by 15 May 2019.
- 4. That committee membership for 2018-20 shall be 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 two additional names to be brought to Conference.

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Ministry

- Trinity Methodist Theological College
- Wesley College Trust Board
 - Grafton Downs Limited
- Mission Resourcing
- James & Martha Trounson Benevolent Trust
- Churches Education Commission
- Diaconate Task Group
- Methodist Lay Preachers Network
- Tauwiwi Children, Young People & Families Ministries
- Uniting Congregations of Aotearoa NZ
- Tertiary Chaplaincies [ITCC & ANZTCA]
- Interchurch Council for Hospital Chaplaincy
- Defence Force Chaplaincy
- Prison Chaplaincy Service



TRINITY METHODIST THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

“Empowering to Transform”

Trinity College (“the College” hereafter) has served the church and community for 89 years, and it continues a theological tradition that began 173 years ago. The College will turn 90 next year, followed by a significant milestone in 2020, that is, the 175th anniversary of theological education in the Methodist Church of New Zealand (“the Church” hereafter). The College’s longevity is a testimony to its commitment to the provision of quality theological programmes that are *credible, accessible, inclusive, relevant and transformative*. This report highlights some significant developments in the life of the College since the 2016 Conference.



Theme

Since 2015, the College strived towards “Excellence through Collaboration.” The idea was to promote excellence through *sharing and critically interrogating our practice in an ongoing, reflective, supportive, inclusive, learning-orientated, growth promoting way, and functioning as a collective enterprise*. The College will continue to commit itself into nurturing such a community, but with a new emphasis. From this year until the end of 2020, we will be guided by the theme: “Empowering to Transform!”

Empowerment here is about giving others the agency to realise their own power, and use that power to do what is right, good, and just; breaking silences and naming problems (e.g. #MeToo, #TimesUp, #Resistance movements); confronting supremacist narratives (in texts and society – racial, social, ethnic, religious, etc.); salvaging those who are drowning under imperial/neo-colonial/neoliberal waters; speaking truth to power, and speaking the truth about power;

Empowerment’s goal is justice, and the role of empowered people is to actively seek to transform situations of injustices. Transformation in this sense involves speaking out for those in the margins; standing with those at the underside of society; tearing down borders that exclude; building bridges that link and connect; exposing narratives of domination; retelling stories of love and peace; disrupting traditions that kill, and creating new traditions of healing and hope.

“Empowering to Transform” challenges the College to design and implement radical theological programmes with a face to the world; empower students to identify and resist unjust regimes and imperial hegemonies with a focus on justice; equip students to become courageous thinkers who express themselves without fear. Put simply, change is needed; change is, in fact, happening!

Programmes

Academic

Since the approval and accreditation of our academic programmes in 2016, we have graduated students from each one of them, namely, the Certificate in Lay Preaching (Level 4), Diploma in Methodist Studies (Level 5), New Zealand Diploma in Christian Studies (Level 6), and the Advanced Diploma in Religious Studies (Level 7).

To mark the significant milestone of theological education within the Methodist Church of New Zealand, the staff team has been authorised by the Trinity College Council to develop a new undergraduate degree programme (Bachelor of Theology), and that task is already underway. This new degree programme will seek to fill the gaps in theological education here in New Zealand, but the main goal is to lift ministry training to another level to better equip lay and ordained leaders alike for the challenges of ministry in the twenty-first century. If everything goes according to schedule, we will do a trial run of the degree programme in the second semester of 2019.

Formation

The Ministry Formation Programme this year operates within a new framework with four key modules:

- Module 1 (Intellectual Formation) offers resources for developing candidates intellectually by enrolling them in an academic programme. The aim is to equip candidates with critical and

analytical tools necessary for intellectual engagement, and to empower them to become courageous and transformative thinkers.

- Module 2 (Social Formation) provides facility for developing candidates' social awareness and formation. It aims to assist every candidate in the task of becoming a person of integrity with the personality necessary for ordained ministry in the Church. It focuses on assisting the candidate to develop a strong moral character, to be socially-aware, to become an advocate for people in the margins, and to become a transformative agent of change in society.
- Module 3 (Spiritual Formation) assists candidates to grow spiritually through critical study of scriptures and communal worship, as well as enabling them to facilitate spiritual growth in others through individual and collective engagements. This also aims at training candidates to become confident and inspirational worship leaders.
- Module 4 (Pastoral Formation) focuses on developing the pastoral knowledge and practical skills of candidates through workshops/intensives and field placements. This gives candidates a broader picture of their ministerial responsibilities, and allows them to immerse in, and engage with, the community and public square.

Transform

This is a new College short programme for youth and young adults. The idea is to offer a space for young people to live together for three weeks and participate in various activities such as lectures, workshops, exposure trips, reflections, and conversations about questions that matter to them as they try to make sense of what it means to be a Methodist or a Christian. Transform was launched at the beginning of this year with seven participants from both the North and South Islands. Transform 2019 will run from 19th January to 10th February, and the call for applications will be out soon. Transform is free for successful applicants.

Immersion

In addition to the academic and formation programmes, the College is also running two immersion programmes for the Council for World Mission (CWM), namely, Training in Mission (TIM) and A New Face (ANF).

- TIM is a seven-month programme for young adults from various parts of the world between 18 and 30 years of age. The focus of TIM is to positively influence, enable and empower a new generation of leaders to explore and be witnesses as disciples of Jesus Christ in service to the church and for the enhancement of God's transformative mission. This is the third year of the programme at Trinity College.
- ANF is a six-week programme for newly ordained ministers from CWM member churches. ANF aims to equip the clergy to be engaged in mission from the perspectives of the marginalised. It helps to explore mission in the context of empire, and train clergies for multicultural ministry. The College hosted the first group last year, and the second group of participants (all females) are now in Auckland until 15th September. ANF 2018 focuses on Women, Mission and Transformation.

Students

The most valuable members of the College community are our students. The College has a very diverse student body, which creates a perfect setting for cross-cultural interactions. Most of them enrolled into papers and programmes out of personal interests, some to explore the pathway to ministry, and those who have been accepted by the Church to be trained for ordained ministry. Currently, there are nine ministry candidates of which four will be going to various parishes in 2019, and will be replaced by three new candidates who were accepted for training in May. In addition to the above groups are four probationers who have been serving in various congregations; two of them will be going to ordination assessment.

The College community experienced grief this year with the sudden passing of two students. The first, Rev Sonny Livingstone, was a Te Taha Māori candidate expected to be ordained this year. The second, Suefuaina Filipo Mulitalo, a proud Samoan who was one of the four accepted for ministry training this year. Both of them responded to their call with devotion, and did their best to be well-equipped for ministry. They both left a mark on the hearts of both staff and students, and will be always be remembered.

Staff

The College staff continue to serve beyond their designated duties and responsibilities. With the appointment of the College Administrator/Academic Registrar, Nicola Grundy, to the position of Vice-President, the staff team will have to share some of her current duties. The workload for each staff is not ideal, but they still perform above expectations.

One of our most senior staff members, Rev Dr Mary Caygill, resigned from teaching last year to take up a parish appointment at Orakei. On behalf of the College community, I would like to express our sincere gratitude to Mary for her dedicated service and the contributions she made to the life of the College and its programmes. We wish her all the best!

The Rev Richard Bonifant, Vicar of St Andrews Anglican Parish, Epsom, offered a much-needed support since Mary's departure last year. In addition to his already busy ministry schedule, he stepped in to teach some of the pastoral/practical theology papers, and has again made himself available to teach some more papers this year.

There is also a new addition to the staff team. The College had been searching for a new Lecturer in Theological Studies since the beginning of the year, and is now glad to announce that an appointment has been made. The new staff member will join the team in January 2019.

Research & Publication

The College has improved its international profile as a theological institution. This is due to a great extent to the scholarly engagements of its staff through conferences, research and publications. In May, two staff members, Dr Jione Havea and Dr Nāsili Vaka'uta, attended and presented papers at the DARE Global Conference held in Mexico City, Mexico. Sponsored by the Council for World Mission, scholars and activists from various parts of the world gathered to challenge and resist the oppressive forces of patriarchy and empire among others.

Jione Havea had just returned from Indonesia after representing the College at the Society of Asian Biblical Studies conference. He also managed to visit West Papua and witnessed first-hand the brutal impacts of the Indonesian empire on the ground. Emily Colgan will be delivering the keynote speech at a conference in Wellington in September.

One of the significant publications that came out recently is the three volumes on *Rape Culture, Gender Violence and Religion* co-edited by Dr Caroline Blyth (University of Auckland), Dr Katie Edwards (University of Sheffield), and our very own Dr Emily Colgan. These are important resources for the Church as we struggle to come to terms with the reality of sexual violence. I highly recommend it for presbyters and parishes.

Another collaborative volume on the *Threshold of Theology* is currently underway, and is co-edited by College staff, Jione Havea, Emily Colgan and Nāsili Vaka'uta. Contributors are from various theological institutions in New Zealand including Otago, Auckland, Knox and Laidlaw, and they are all seeking to mark the thresholds for theology and theological education going forward. We plan to publish and launch this project in 2019 to mark the 90th anniversary of the College.

Partners

In 2017, after months of discussion and negotiation, the College and the Department of Theology and Religious Studies at Otago University signed a Memorandum of Understanding for a theological partnership. The two institutions had working relationships before but this is the first time such a partnership is formally established. There is an interest from the University of Auckland and conversation is ongoing. Theological institutions from Asia, Australia and Oceania are also interested in forming such a theological collaboration but we are taking one step at a time. The Council for World Mission (CWM) still has a strong working relation with the College, and the World Council of Churches also asked the College to host one of its regional meetings last year in preparation for the Arusha Conference, Tanzania.

The partnership with St John's Theological College is still important, and is improving. Both staff teams now have offices in the Wesley Centre. It is a significant move in the right direction.

Governance

The College operates smoothly due to the support and oversight of the Chair and members of the Trinity College Council. This year, the Chairperson, Dr Arapera Ngaha, requested a leave of absence to fulfill the requirements for her ordination. Richard Biddle, who became the acting chairperson, and members carry on the business of the Council as usual. The Council had spent time reviewing and updating its strategic plan for 2018-2021. This sets the direction for the next three years. The Council is asking for feedback from Conference on this strategic plan as we look towards its implementation.

Strategic Plan 2018-2021

Our Vision

Radical theological thinking for justice.

Our Mission

To be a centre of theological teaching, research and training of transformative leaders for society and church.

Our Values

- Methodist Kaupapa
- Radical thinking: *ensuring our thinking is independent, informed and results in far-reaching impact.*
- Questioning: *We ask questions to inform our decision-making and ensure robust understanding*
- Partnership: *we work with others to achieve our vision.*

Strategic Goals

1. 90% pass rate for all programmes.
2. Student assessments show all graduates can think critically, with a disposition to effect change.
3. Increased number and diversity of students engaging in programmes.
4. Financially sustainable funding model in place.

Strategic Goals	Measure of success	Areas of focus/Strategic actions
90% pass rate for all courses	Student records All students by programme pass rate	Develop quality education programmes and pastoral support Ongoing professional development of teachers to ensure quality teaching.
Student assessments show graduates can think critically, with a disposition to effect change	Student end of assessment evaluation Assessor rates as displaying critical thinking	Implement a Bachelor of Theology programme Develop research centre to support learning Ensure course design is centred around creating transformational leaders with strong societal awareness
Increase diversity of students engaging in programmes	40% of student body being under 30 years of age Increase diversity of students to reflect diversity of society.	Increase understanding and knowledge within Te Haahi Weteriana of what Trinity Theological College does Focus on attracting more students under 30 years of age Key speakers at symposium and conferences Explore the business case for establishing a Trinity Theological College campus Awareness raising within Te Haahi Weteriana of gender and diversity issues.
		Build new partnerships and maintain those in place. Run short programmes to create more connections.

Financially sustainable funding model in place	Secured long-term funding Sufficient funds to have adequate resources.	Grow Hames designated fund so that all ministry students can receive the basic stipend for one-year full time study. Secure TEC funding Be entrepreneurial in seeking additional funding sources. Plan out Trinity Theological College workforce requirements and establish resourcing required to staff sustainably.
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Mālō ‘aupito

The College belongs to the Connexion. Connexional support is the rock upon which the College stands. We, as a community, 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. Conference notes and affirms the strategic plan for Trinity College Council for 2018 – 2021.
3. That Trinity College Council members for 2019 are: Arapera Ngaha (Chair), Nāsili Vaka’uta (Principal), Richard Biddle, Lynne Frith, Tovia Aumua, Rex Nathan and Steven Hargreaves.

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 Tauwiwi. 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 College welcomes as Principal – Mr Brian Evans ONZM M Ed, B.A. Dip Tch. Brian has come to Wesley College from Keslton Boys High School where he was Principal. It was sad to see Steven Hargreaves return to Macleans College. Steven previously held the deputy principal position at Macleans College prior to his appointment at Wesley College. He returns to Macleans College now as their Principal.

Planning is underway for the relocation and rebuild of Wesley College with a view to increase the role to 600. Timing for the rebuild is determined by the profit share from the Grafton Downs (Paerata Rise) development.

Our Vision:

Vision 1: Special Character, Student Service & Pastoral Care

- Vision, respectfulness, understanding of our Methodist ethos, each individual having respect for all aspects within the school.

Vision 2: Shared, effective team vision

- Open communication and working collaboratively, school wide so that everyone is valued.

Vision 3: Students and their Learning

- Develop pathways to suit student's needs that result in confident, educated, adaptive learners with core skills who are equipped for the real world.

Vision 4: Staff (or teacher?) Effectiveness

- Wesley College is to be one of the leading schools for meaningful, relevant, effective teaching and learning

Vision 5: Property, Personnel and Financial Resources

- For the school to provide the resources to enhance students and all staff for lifelong learning and wellbeing for the 21st Century

Resourcing Wesley College:

The Wesley College Trust has an investment base which includes commercial property and shares and deposits with the Methodist Trust Association. The board will require a significant return from the Grafton Downs Ltd (Paerata Rise) development to achieve its goal of rebuilding the College and increasing its roll.

Chaplaincy Team Ministry

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

The School has welcomed with thanksgiving the appointment of the new Principal Mr Brian Evans who encourages leadership sharing and the empowering of all staff to become involved in our School. During Queen's Birthday weekend last, an All Staff Day that brought every department together from maintenance through to senior management was held, effectively to embrace and take ownership of our School in the ways we contribute to and can participate. Discussions evolved around a new vision and strategic planning for the next five years in terms of what we think a Wesley graduate should look like. It was a very worthwhile exercise in bringing all our staff together.

The reality of trying to maintain a school, its buildings and facilities is a very real every day struggle for us. Persistent problems with heating for dormitories and a daily supply of hot water for showers continues and is even more of a problem in this cold winter weather. Whilst cost cutting can occur and does, in the areas of food, heating and hot water for students, we need to be mindful of their health and safety as well as what is right and fair and just for our young people.

To date as the Chaplain I have spent a greater part of my budget in furnishing students with uniform clothing and shoes. The economic hardship is as real here at Wesley as it is out in our communities. The need for a Counsellor and Social Worker at the School is also an indication of

the social and family problems that young people are dealing with, and so school becomes that temporary haven away from such problems.

Despite what our realities are, the School is in good heart and our students overall are happy at Wesley. Their expectations are minimal when it comes to our care of them as a school and often what they lack here is far better than what awaits them at home. We continue to be family in the best ways we can - a 'family' that is supportive, caring and compassionate to the needs and aspirations of our young ones.

We continue to celebrate and give thanks that our realities are not barriers to achieving success both in the classroom and in the sports arenas where our students are. Academically our achievement at NCEA Levels 1, 2 and 3 have been remarkable. All thanks to our staff and students.

As Term 2 ends, we look forward in hope to the final school terms and ask that Conference and the Church remember to pray for us and our School.

Education Matters

The 2018 Charter for Wesley College states that we aim for our students to be with the opportunity to develop their spiritual, academic, sporting and cultural potential. Having achieved this aim graduands take their places in the wider community as balanced individuals of integrity, sensitivity and purpose. 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 continued to rise over the past 5 years. The Level 1 NCEA pass rate was 88%, the Level 2 pass rate was 98% and the Level 3 pass rate was 91%. Pass rates for UE remain an area of focus. The table below shows the NCEA achievement data for 2017 broken down by male and female and then by ethnicity. An extremely pleasing achievement is that all pass rates for NCEA are above national averages.

Academic Year	Wesley College				National			
	Year11 NCEA L1	Year 12 NCEA L2	Year 13 NCEA L3	Year 13 UE	Year 11 NCEA L1	Year 12 NCEA L2	Year 13 NCEA L3	Year 13 UE
Male								
2013	24.1	50.0	45.5	21.2	66.0	67.5	50.9	45.2
2014	61.2	44.0	37.3	11.8	67.8	71.5	53.6	39.0
2015	71.7	58.0	34.9	14.0	70.1	72.8	56.4	41.7
2016	80.0	87.0	75.0	35.7	71.8	75.0	59.2	42.5
2017	90.7	100.0	90.5	14.3	70.2	75.7	60.6	42.7
Female								
2013	42.9	50.0	66.7	38.1	75.4	75.8	63.8	57.8
2014	46.2	87.5	38.9	5.6	77.4	79.3	66.4	52.6
2015	80.0	85.7	27.3	18.2	79.0	80.0	68.5	55.0
2016	100.0	85.7	78.6	14.3	79.3	81.7	69.3	55.3
2017	75.0	94.7	100.0	25.0	79.2	81.2	70.3	55.4

Academic Year	Wesley College				National			
	Year 11 NCEA L1	Year 12 NCEA L2	Year 13 NCEA L3	Year 13 UE	Year 11 NCEA L1	Year 12 NCEA L2	Year 13 NCEA L3	Year 13 UE
Asian								
2013			100.0		82.4	85.5	71.2	67.8
2014					84.6	88.0	73.2	61.4
2015					87.9	89.7	75.4	64.5
2016					92.8	93.9	79.2	66.5
2017					93.2	97.8	82.3	69.6
NZ European								
2013		100.0	100.0	100.0	79.2	79.1	64.3	59.7
2014	50.0				80.7	82.6	67.0	54.5
2015	100.0	100.0			81.7	83.0	69.0	57.4
2016	50.0	100.0	66.7	33.3	82.5	84.0	70.1	57.8
2017	50.0	100.0	75.0	25.0	81.8	84.5	70.4	57.3
NZ Maori								
2013	44.4	44.4	53.8	23.1	55.8	63.3	45.0	34.9
2014	31.3	50.0	50.0	25.0	59.8	68.1	47.4	27.8
2015	50.0	76.9	100.0	50.0	63.5	70.6	51.5	31.0
2016	85.7	85.7	81.8	27.3	65.6	74.9	54.4	31.4
2017	82.4	100.0	88.9		64.2	74.4	56.7	32.2
Pasifika Peoples								
2013	24.5	53.3	54.1	29.7	65.1	68.4	48.4	35.4
2014	68.3	52.0	39.3	8.9	67.6	75.3	52.0	29.1
2015	75.0	62.5	32.0	14.0	71.9	76.6	57.5	29.5
2016	95.3	89.7	77.8	33.3	73.2	79.5	60.4	30.7
2017	95.6	109.5	100.0	19.4	73.3	80.7	65.3	32.3

The roll continues to grow and is now around its cap of 380. The girls' boarding house, Te Paea, is full and the total girls roll has grown to 81. The full school roll is currently 363 comprising of 282 boys, 81 girls, and the make-up of the school is 268 boarders and 91 day students. There are currently 11 international students. Future roll growth now has to be weighed against the short term cost of providing more dorm space and the new school being built. At this point the Board has agreed to cap the roll at 380 until timeframes for the new school are established.

Grafton Downs Limited

Grafton Downs Limited is owned by the Wesley College Trust Board, PACT2086 Trust and Te Taha Maori. The Board of Grafton Downs Limited has six directors in total. Three appointed by the Wesley College Trust Board and three appointed by the PACT 2086 Trust.

Chris Johnston is the executive director, supported by the management team of project director - Ross Taylor, development manager - Travis Coffey, Sales and Marketing Manager Shaun Millar and Accountant - Raycher Shyur.

Grafton Downs was formed in 2009 with the purchase of 205 hectares of farm land from the Wesley College Trust Board. Since formation the land owned by Grafton Downs Limited has increased to 287 hectares with the purchase of neighbouring land to facilitate the development.

Based on a grand vision, in 2015 the senior management of Grafton Downs Limited undertook an application to Council for a private plan change to alter the rural zoning of the land held and thus allow development onsite. This plan variation was applied for pursuant to the Housing Accords and

Special Housing Areas Act 2013. After a great deal of lobbying a 'mixed use' zoning was achieved.

Development of the first 104 sections began on the 1st of October 2016 with a blessing and a ground-breaking ceremony. Titles for the first lots was achieved in August 2018.

The town of up to 4,500 residential houses will be built over the next 20 to 25 years and has been named 'Paerata Rise'. As a special housing area, 7 % of the houses will be affordable houses for first time home buyers.

Award-winning landscape architect James Lord was contracted to design the vision plan for Paerata Rise.

The Bank of New Zealand loaned Grafton Downs Limited \$32 million for Stage 1 of the development which included create of the 104 sections along with required infrastructure including a water pump station, waste water pump station, sewage and potable water pipes to Pukekohe, earthworks, roading and civil works .

Suggested decisions:

1. The report is received.
2. The 2018/2019/2020 membership of the Wesley College Trust Board is: Diana Tana, Colin Telford, Norman Johnston, Gillian Laird, Wesley Mansell, Meleane Nacagilevu, Harvey O'Loughlin, Barry Shuker, Patisepa Tala'imanu, David McGeorge, and Andrew Caughey.

MISSION RESOURCING

SECTION A: GENERAL INFORMATION

Since Conference 2016 there have been staff changes in Mission Resourcing. Nehu Freeman moved on after 9 years of valuable service and in January 2018 Glenys Russell took on the role as PA to the Directors. Jaanine Harris provided essential assistance in the period of transition. The latest change in staffing has been in the last few weeks when Rev Siosifa Pole took on the role of Acting Director of Pasifika Ministries while Rev Setaita Veikune takes on the role of President.

Mission Resourcing has a very large brief in the life of the connexion which includes stationing procedures, candidates' and probationers' assessments, UCANZ procedures, various forms of chaplaincy, ministerial transfers from other churches, the dialogue with Methodist Korean congregations, Student Review Committee and work alongside Trinity College, convening of Human Sexuality Work Group and Tauwi Strategy, promotion of Lay Ministry Support events, support of the Connexional Youth & Children's Worker, membership of MCPC, Methodist Alliance, Council of Conference, Professional Development Grants committee, Trounson Trust and the administering of various grants and the support of strategic initiatives around the country. We do this with 2 full time Directors and a ¾ time secretary/PA.

Through prudent use of our resources (we are dependent on the goodwill of Budget Task Group to the tune of \$210,000 annually), our financial position is reasonably sound, but it is not the activities which we oversee that are likely to be at risk because those are supported by designated funds which we administer; if there is a long term threat to our work it is the existence of Mission Resourcing itself and its current staffing levels, for as the connexion shrinks, the demands on the Budget Task Group inevitably increase. Thankfully, there is no immediate danger and we have built a buffer that should see our continuation at present levels for 5-10 years depending on cost inflation. Most of the \$5m of capital we hold is in designated funds, so if the income fluctuates we can simply adjust the grants we make and with careful planning we will leave no one with a promise we are suddenly unable to fulfil. However, in terms of the funds we have to keep our department in being, we cannot control what BTG allocates, or the amount of MTA interest payable in any year; but neither do we control levels of stipend, rent, transport costs and even the cost of occupying 409 Great South Road is not entirely under our control. We calculate 73% of our

(undesigned) income goes on stipends and wages. The Board has initiated a conversation about the longer term funding of Mission Resourcing and some of that will feature in Section B of this report.

SECTION A: REPORTING BACK

Lay Ministry Support

A small subcommittee organises events around the connexion at the invitation of synods to deliver lay training. We are grateful both to those who have made use of this offer over the past couple of years and those individuals who have been willing to go to deliver workshops on their special areas of interest. Periodic reminders appear in e-messenger to promote this work. We have also sent in a short term interim minister to a long established Lay Ministry Unit to offer a time of refreshment, support and recuperation.

Korean Dialogue

We believe the past two years have taught us some disappointing, but important truths. Since we have commenced the trial between 4 KMC congregations and 4 MCNZ congregations, we have learned that neither MCNZ parishes, nor some of the KMC churches are as ready for a formal union as the Dialogue Committee has previously hoped and supposed. Parishes are happy to support the principle of our two churches being in dialogue and have consistently supported the dialogue in Conference resolutions, but that does not mean that there is sufficient support for major changes at the local level.

We believe we have found an excellent model that will serve us well for the next few years as we continue to build closer relationships. That model is the LEP – Local Ecumenical Project. A LEP allows each local relationship to be negotiated to fit the local circumstances. Relationships can therefore grow at their own pace, rather than being forced to follow the pace of any national Dialogue Committee. We believe the LEP model will be found less threatening by both MCNZ and KMC congregations and that we can trust God to lead us to whatever our future relationship looks like in time.

Candidates

In 2017 five candidates were received by the Candidates Assessment Panel for ordination training. In 2018 four candidates were received, tragically reduced by an unexpected death to three. Of these only one candidate was for English-speaking Ministries, the rest for the Pasifika synods. Mission Resourcing continues to be troubled by the increase in part time appointments, making ordained ministry less attractive to younger people, especially those with families. The challenges involved in making ordained ministry a possible life choice are being addressed in conversations with various agencies within the church and it is hoped that the 20/20 vision paper may lead to closer collaboration which may be one part of the solution to this trend of retrenchment.

Orientation

The biennial Orientation Day was held in May 2018 with only two participants. This reflects the situation outlined above; there have been very few opportunities recently to receive transfers from other churches because it is not full time posts that are left unfilled and part time positions do not meet visa requirements for overseas applicants.

Human Sexuality Work Group

Conference 2015 resolved to continue the work of the Human Sexuality Work Group. The committee has continued to meet and discuss matters relating to sexuality in a deep and sensitive way. The Work Group has advertised its willingness to visit parishes and synods to discuss the committee's work, but invitations have not been numerous; however, we believe those visits have been appreciated where they have taken place. In late 2017 the committee resolved to discontinue regular meetings as we felt little further could be achieved by such meetings apart from exhausting existing funds that underpin this work. We thought it made more sense to use those funds to enable us to respond to invitations, however slow they were to come in.

Let the Children Live

This is a good news story! It is heartening to hear of so many and so varied activities being done by parishes large and small across the country to meet the needs of children and young people and their parents. We encourage the recipients of the grants to post photos and reports of their events on their parish, synod and the Connexional websites. We have 10 grants of \$500 to give out four times a year. Parishes engaging substantially with their local community may wish to investigate the benefits of joining the Methodist Alliance as a source of further advice and expertise.

Other Grants

Mission Resourcing administers grants that help parishes to provide Supply ministry during times of long term sickness, long service leave, or unforeseen financial hardship within parishes. We also have funds to support new ministry endeavours when a parish wishes to try something novel and experimental. Mission Resourcing received a very generous donation from MCPC in 2018 of \$500,000 capital. The interest derived from this additional capital will increase the money available for such ministry initiatives at parish and synod levels. Contact the Directors for further information and ask about the Ministry Development Fund.

SECTION B: FUTURE STRATEGY

The Mission Resourcing Board is committed to maintaining present staff levels of two full time Directors, one $\frac{3}{4}$ time secretary/PA and to continue to seek financial support for the Taiwi Youth & Children's Worker.

The second major issue revolves around Connexional cohesion and strategy. Mission Resourcing has the vantage point of seeing trends at the national level that may not necessarily be so obvious at the local level. We have come to the conclusion that the essential element of how Methodism works from an organisational perspective is Connexionalism. We believe our understanding of and commitment to the connexion is very weak in many places to the detriment of our future mission as a national church.

We see the symptoms in varied subtle ways; we note how little commitment there is to collegiality in some synods; how often personal invitations go unanswered; how people absent themselves from important synod, Board or Connexional meetings with a last minute apology or simply do not turn up; we see it in both parishes and individual presbyters knowingly working behind the scenes to undermine the stationing system; we see it in the major decisions parishes make regarding ministry positions without consultation with synod or Connexional authorities. This erosion of our Connexional cohesion is exacerbated by some of the structures we have created, even if they were created with good intent to address past problems. We worry how many UCANZ parishes will cooperate with the new procedures and be willing to acknowledge the Methodist allegiance they owe – and over 100 of our English-speaking parishes are in such UCANZ parishes. Our commitment to the bi-cultural journey and the separate synods we have created within Taiwi may have served us well in the past to give appropriate cultural space in the times of a dominant European culture, but the situation in the twenty-first century presents us with new existential threats that we must now face together, for we are no longer strong enough to face them separately.

In order to address global financial and strategic questions across the various silos of Church life, Mission Resourcing has presented a case for the establishment of a skills-based General Connexional Strategy Committee that has office-holders of all the major agencies of the Church, such as Board of Administration, Mission Resourcing, Methodist Alliance, Te Taha Maori, Taiwi Strategy, Trinity College, Wesley College, Mission & Ecumenical, Methodist Trust Association, MCPC, Public Issues Network, Faith & Order, Law Revision. We need to have all the agencies of the whole Church in the same room together, represented by people holding leadership responsibilities within those parts of the Church structure in order to ask questions that involve strategic decisions that may take away from some and give to others – both in terms of finance and responsibilities. This conversation has already resulted in the calling together of a Connexional

Leaders' Forum in August this year. It will remain the strategy of Mission Resourcing to talk of repairing and renewing our sense of connexion with any agencies of the Church who are willing to engage with us.

Suggested decisions:

1. The report is received.
2. Conference encourages Mission Resourcing to engage in further conversations about the nature, future and purpose of Connexionalism and report back to Conference 2020.
3. Conference approves the discontinuance of the Human Sexuality Work Group and assigns those duties to the Lay Ministry Support team.
4. Or
5. Conference appoints the following members of the Human Sexuality Work Group:
6. Jill van de Geer, Susan Thompson, Opeta Amani, Barbara Peddie, Mary Caygill, Melanaite Taumoefolau, Michael Lemanu, David Poultney, Mataiva Robertson, Ikilife Pope, Paul Ieli, Eseta Penaia, Martin Oh, and the Directors of Mission Resourcing.
7. Members of the Board of Mission Resourcing for 2018-2020 shall be: Marilyn Welch (chairperson). Freddy de Alwis, Graeme White, Sireli Kini, Chris Johnston, Tovia Aumua.

JAMES & MARTHA TROUNSON BENEVOLENT TRUST

Trust Administration Criteria

The James and Martha Trounson Benevolent Fund Trust Board are authorised to help in the following ways:

Giving financial assistance or aid by way of gift or grant, or in approved circumstances, loans with or without security.

Those people who are eligible

Members and adherents of the Methodist Church of New Zealand who are widowed or immediate close family of deceased Methodist Ministers who died in active ministry or as Retired Presbyters.

Retired Presbyters who, through sickness, ill health or misfortune or through loss of property are in circumstances of special need.

Lay persons who belong to Methodist churches or Union Parishes as members or adherents, who are in special need and who do not qualify for other assistance.

The James and Martha Trounson Benevolent Trust fund originated in 1929 when Mr and Mrs Trounson gifted land and kauri trees to initiate a hardship fund. The intention was and remains to assist members of the Methodist Church of New Zealand when a situation occurs creating unexpected financial hardship.

In addition to the original fund, the current Trustees applied twice, and were successful in receiving funding from the PAC Distribution Group. This money is held in an endowment account, within MTA Christchurch. The Trustees receive the interest of the capital which is the only source of money available for grants.

The vision and purpose of this Trust is to make a grant, which can hopefully assist in a financial crisis.

The Trustees frequently receive applications on behalf of people who are in real financial hardship, whose circumstances fall outside the Trounson Trust criteria for assistance. While recognising the need for help we are constrained by the intent of the Trust.

Several applications recently have related to the cost of housing and heating, which left little money for medical expenses, food and clothing.

The Trustees are encouraged by the generosity of extended families who were often themselves experiencing similar expenses with their own limited finances. There are many congregations that offer support as and when they are able.

The Trustees have made a submission to the incoming Presidential team, asking if there are other agencies that the Trustees can refer the Presbyter /Deacon to, when the Trustees are not able to offer support.

During 2018 the number of applications has dropped markedly. We do not believe that the need for assistance has decreased, rather that the ordained church leaders have overlooked the availability of this fund. It may not be possible to fully support each application. The Trustees have found that giving shared assistance twice in a 12-month period has been at times been more beneficial. A reminder in June of this fund stimulated renewed worthy applications which have been supported.

The Trustees affirm the letter which the Presidential team of President Prince and VP Viv sent recently to parishes reminding the rural communities that there are many people who are badly affected by the Mycoplasma Bovis outbreak.

Mary West Convener, Rev. Metui Tafuna, Mrs Judy Pope, Colin Telford and Rev. Dr Trevor Hoggard, corresponding member.

Suggested decisions:

1. That the report be received
2. That Methodist Alliance becomes a resource contact as and when needed.

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 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.

CEC is currently delivering the Life Choices/Champions programmes in over 600 schools reaching over 60,000 children and run by 2,500 volunteers on a weekly basis.

CEC Rebrand

CEC is undergoing some exciting and great change with the development of our brand. This has been an extensive process and still a work in progress.

CEC is grateful for the 140-year legacy that we are a part of. Although CEC will remain and continue to exist in the background, as of January 2019, our name and brand in schools and with funders will change to Life Choices.

The heartbeat remains the same, to 'Inspire Every Child To Make Positive Life Choices'. Life Choices comes from our vision, and this name better reflects our place in a more multi-cultural society. As advised about, CEC will continue to remain and exist in the background.

Curriculum Update

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. The aim of the Life Choices curriculum is to be acceptable to NZ state schools while maintaining the biblical basis of Christian Religious Education. Thus, Life Choices utilises the Key Competencies and values of the NZ curriculum. These specific competencies and values contribute to specific learning outcomes for each session. While sessions are taught from a Christian perspective, the teaching is open, non-judgemental and appropriate for all children in school environments, no matter their belief value. Using a variety of teaching methods, students are encouraged to consider their values in relation to Christian values and develop a sound, ethical framework. Students are encouraged to develop their critical thinking skills and apply the values and teachings to their own lives.

Life Choices adds values by meeting the needs of today's schools, by ensuring the Life Choices curriculum is relevant, flexible and adaptable to every school community.

We have reached a significant milestone in our history with the creation of our own curriculum including 3 years worth of content, across six different manuals. Completing this multi-year task will put curriculum development into a continuous improvement mode and allow us to start new initiatives.

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.

After School Programmes

CEC has started its first after school programme in a school in Auckland. This opportunity stemmed from a school not having the time during their school time for our Life Choices programmes, however acknowledged the benefit of it and has given us a space after school on their school grounds. We are looking into ways we can grow this area and implementing it across the nation.

Intermediate Age Group

CEC is currently creating a programme to take into Intermediate Schools.

This programme will be called SHIFT with our first series tackling the topic of Identity. The name SHIFT is inspiration from the idea of shifting and changing the youth culture of comparison, unhealthy self-image, low self-esteem and suicide to an image of self-worth, confidence and boldness. Our goal is to shift and change the social image that has been put on young people as we want them to be the leading examples and figures in our society.

This programme will run for four weeks in an Intermediate School where there will be a presenter & media element. The media element will be of someone in our community, sharing their testimony on how they tackled different issues.

Once our programme is completed, we will offer the school a chaplain who will then commit to 4 hours per week, to journey alongside students and offer support to teachers and staff.

Conferences/regional events

Our National Conference for 2018 (called 'Invig') took place on August 10th & 11th in Auckland. We saw over 360 CRE volunteers, Chaplains, Children's Pastors and Leaders attend. We've had great response from delegates who spoke highly of the workshops & keynote sessions that we had. We are looking forward to INVIG 2019 and plan to increase our base from 360 to 450 delegates.

I Heart My Local School

For the past three years, we've placed huge time and energy into creating our Life Choices Curriculum. Now that it is completed, our heart is to engage the local church with their local schools.

We firmly believe that local schools are the heart of the community. This initiative will be a collaboration with Lifewalk (our chaplaincy arm), inviting churches to explore in how they can partner with us in building stronger communities by investing in their local school.

CEC National Staff Team

In October 2018, we will welcome our new CEO, Geoff Burton who will be replacing Stephanie

Sewell. Stephanie has been a great asset to this organisation and has paved the way in many aspects of what we do and how we do it. She has built a great team at National office and also strengthened the connections throughout our regions.

Geoff Burton comes with a passion to see the children of this nation reach their full potential and to impact their lives for good. He has taught CRE for the past eight years and comes with a strong background in marketing and media.

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.

Suggested decision:

1. That the report be received.

DIACONATE TASK GROUP

We appreciate the opportunity to share the Diaconate Task Group's year.



Promotion: is a priority if diaconal ministry is to continue. Being part of the Methodist Alliance meeting gave opportunity to share with a wider audience - thanks to Carol Baron, National Co-ordinator for her interest and support. We do hear of people interested in becoming deacons, but who experience a lack of follow-through. The Task Group is looking for opportunities to challenge parishes/synods to consider people who may already be doing community facing ministry, to think and pray about becoming ordained deacons of Te Hahi. The MRU website has information regarding candidating, and Synod Candidating Convenors are responsible for guidance towards National Assessment.

Support: We provide ongoing support for those in active ministry as well as retirees, and look forward to our bi-annual Convocation/gathering at Houchen House, Hamilton in July. A twice yearly newsletter goes out to all the deacons – active and retired – which helps us to keep in touch with one another. A small but dedicated group continue to provide diaconal ministry in respective parishes. These are Sesi Hafoka, Ruta Galo, Dianne Hight, Valma Hallam, Margaret Birtles and Megan Alley. Megan who has been at Kaurihouhora/Kamo, Whangarei for 5 years, is on stationing sheet this year. Margaret has had her 5 year Covenant with St Stephen's, Tauranga, extended for a further 2 years.

Spreading our Wings: Megan Alley, along with two Anglican vocational deacons, attended the Diakonia World Federation Conference in Chicago and experienced the value of joining with 400+ deacons and others in diaconal ministries.

Three Anglicans and 2 Methodists make up DANZA Executive – Diakonia Aotearoa New Zealand Association – which gives affiliation to the DAP – (Diakonia Asia-Pacific) as well as Diakonia World Federation. The next Conference will be held in Darwin in July 2021.

In May, Margaret Birtles, Edna Evans and Megan Alley attended the Anglican Deacon School of Theology in Christchurch, along with 16 Anglican vocational Deacons. We went to the Transitional Cathedral for our Sunday Service. We also went to three churches to see what the Deacons are doing in particular communities at grass roots – two looking out at their beloved churches waiting to be rebuilt after the earthquakes. All Anglican deacons are expected to participate liturgically as support for their priests - our history is that we are a separate ministry but we wonder if the missing link that many deacons have felt over the years has to do with being non-liturgical, and thus not being encouraged to experience leadership of worship.

Community: Our ministry is to be out in the community, encouraging churches to look beyond their own life, and looking for ways to make connection between the church and the community it surrounds and to offer a prophetic voice from the margins. Deacons have always responded to

coal-face ministries, going where the need is greatest, and supporting groups in the community already doing so. We bridge church and social work and the Task Group encourages all parishes to consider ways of developing new ministries – thus ensuring that those in your community knows the church cares.

Suggested decisions:

1. That the report be received.
2. Task Group Membership 2018-19: Co-convenors – Dcns Margaret Birtles & Edna Evans along with Sesi Hafoka, Brenda Fawkner, and Megan Alley.
3. We thank Rachel Tregurtha for her contribution to the Task Group over many years.

METHODIST LAY PREACHER'S NETWORK

There is much to celebrate about the ministry of Lay Preachers in 2016-8 and also much still to be achieved.

We mourn the deaths, since July 2016, of Mavis Ambler, Nancy Carter, Ruby Martin and Lloyd Riesterer; we acknowledge with deep gratitude their many years of ministry as Lay Preachers.

During the past 24 months, Accreditation Certificates have been issued by the NZLPA for Methodists to:

Eleanor Ashby
Eric Dodd
Kaurasi Lagi
Margaret Bishop
Gwen Aldersley
Kautonga Mailei
Judy McFall-McCaffery
Pauline Pyefinch
Richard Small
Evangeline Williams
David Erasmus
Graeme Findlay

Isaia Vakamoce
Niko Bower
Sikeli Cawanikawai
Maikali Bulicakau
Savenaca Daugunu
Susan Brown
Dianne Sundberg
Mary Lee Wright
Olive Tanielu
Rosa Faafuata

We celebrate their commitment and ministry.

Newsletters, Update Forms and Webpage

Network Newsletters are sent out two or three times a year to circulate information about forthcoming regional training events, link with news from the inter-denominational New Zealand Lay Preachers Association (NZLPA) and address any issues raised around training and ministry. A newsletter accompanies the annual Update Form which is sent in July or August to all Lay Preachers and Parishes, with a link provided in at least two E-Messengers and on the website. Only when these are returned with accurate information can our list in the Methodist Yearbook be up to date. Still to be achieved is the regular updating of our webpage on the Methodist site.

Accredited, Active and Updated

Less than 50% of Lay Preachers send a return, which accounts for fewer than half of them noted in the Yearbook with an asterisk as being "AAU" (Accredited, Active and Updated) which indicates that they have completed their training, use their skills regularly and take on-going education seriously. We celebrate the significant work of Pasifika Synods in training and on-going education of their Lay Preachers. For those in English-speaking congregations, many Synods and inter-denominational groups offer training days.

Distance and lack of opportunities do not have to be barriers to being responsible Lay Preachers, as books are readily available for borrowing through the Kinder and Hewitson theological libraries, or for purchase new or second-hand, and courses are available on-line through Trinity College and

other providers; by contacting Trinity College, Mission Resourcing or the Methodist Lay Preachers Network, training can be brought to Parishes. The Network is in continuing conversation with Mission Resourcing and Trinity College to ensure that the ministry of Lay Preaching is as well-resourced as possible. Trinity College recommend three on-line courses for those seeking to become a Lay Preacher, but other papers and courses are acceptable as training. We celebrate those whose Lay Preaching ministry is inspired, informed and innovative.

Parish Support

Increasingly, Parishes are dependent upon Lay Preachers to support the on-going life of congregations through leading worship. Equally, Lay Preachers depend on Parishes. Parishes initially need to give their affirmation of a potential Lay Preacher as suitable for this ministry and also provide regular opportunities to exercise this ministry. Additionally, it is important for Parishes to offer some book allowance, as well as travel expenses to those leading worship in congregations outside their Parish or travelling long distances between churches in rural areas. There is a vast discrepancy in the support Lay Preachers receive across the country and a number of Lay Preachers feel under-valued, especially in some Co-operating and Union congregations where there are different understandings and expectations of lay people. We urge all Parishes to encourage those leading worship to complete some training and if at all possible to become accredited. We celebrate those Parishes where Lay Preachers are valued and well-supported.

New Zealand Lay Preachers' Association (NZLPA)

We celebrate our close links with the inter-denominational NZLPA, thanking their Executive for the resources they provide through *Word and Worship* and through their website <https://nzlpa.wordpress.com> and for processing accreditation and long service certificates.

Annual Gathering

Our annual gathering is a challenge for a non-Conference year! This is on our agenda for our 2018 gathering over lunch on the Sunday of Conference.

Suggested decisions:

1. That the report be received.
2. That the New Zealand Lay Preachers' Association Executive be thanked for providing resources and processing certificates.
3. That the Methodist Lay Preachers Network Convenors be: Viv Whimster (Convenor), Syd Easton, Ngaire Southon (Co-Convenors).

UNITING CONGREGATIONS OF AOTEAROA NEW ZEALAND

UCANZ continues to be a meeting place for the five Partner Churches and the 117 local churches throughout New Zealand who are Cooperative Ventures (CVs). These include 105 Methodist entities.



Biennial Forum

Last year's Forum in October at Onehunga was a landmark in terms of local churches' relationships with their national Partners. The theme, *One More at the Table*, explored the value of conversation where participants really listen to one another. Speakers included the Methodist president and vice-president, the Rev Mary Caygill (ex-Trinity College), the Rev Paul Trebilco (University of Otago), Jo Randerson (writer and performer) and Joyce Armstrong (Religious Diversity Centre, Auckland).

The Forum business session considered recommendations of the Funding Review Group and the Standing Committee's proposal for a new financial assessment scheme. This will involve a more regular change in Coordinating Partner (restyled Convening Partner) and so will affect Synods' relationship to CVs. Conference is being asked to approve changes to the *Procedures for Cooperative Ventures* that will enact this new scheme.

The UCANZ Office

Staffing of the office is currently 1.4 FTE. The location of the Wellington office has changed: we are

located at The Anglican Centre, 18 Eccleston Hill (off Hill Street), PO Box 12046, Wellington 6144.

The Executive Officer, Adrian Skelton, has this year visited all the regular Regional Forums that relate to the regional courts (and dioceses). He has responded to invitations from Synods and Presbyteries and from the Inter-Diocesan Committee. In addition, he has visited several individual parishes, often involving preaching engagements.

Administrative Assistant, Robyn Daniels, continues to administer the Partner Support Fund (which will finish in July 2019 under the current proposal) and Removal Fund (a voluntary scheme to fund ministers' removal expenses) and she collates statistics and produces the Co-operative Ventures Directory.

Significant issues for the future

Many congregations continue to pursue the ecumenical vision with enthusiasm. For some, the decline in membership in the traditional churches that our Partners represent is causing tensions. The identity of a local church for many people is tied to the ability to fund a minister's stipend and to maintain a suite of buildings which are often larger than now required.

It may be a task of UCANZ to encourage the national Churches together to develop strategies that better address the needs of struggling churches in our time. Models of Local Shared Mission may be of more wider application. Assistance to find alternative ways of relating to property (for worship and other activities) would be of value to local churches.

Neither of these issues is essentially denominational, so a strategic ecumenical approach might be possible. UCANZ is keen to have conversations with and ready to collaborate with Property Trustees and with Mission Resourcing on these issues.

UCANZ is committed to witness to the ecumenical dream – that local churches working across the human-made boundaries of denominations can better represent one body of Christ. We recognize the value of cooperation in smaller communities in offering alternative ways of being church. We are committed to future dialogue and working together as we seek to demonstrate to the world the unity possible in Christ.

Suggested decisions:

1. That the report be received.
2. That the amendments to sections 2-7 of the Procedures for Cooperative Ventures (2012) be ratified by this Conference.
3. Approval is required from the five Partner Churches for these amendments. The significant changes are in section 2 and 4 where the role of Coordinating Partner is separated into "Convening" and "Appointing" Partners. Convening Partner is to rotate automatically among the respective Partners every three years rather than five. This in no way affects the appointment of ministry which remains the joint decision of the Partner Churches, one of whom becomes the Appointing Partner for the duration of a ministry. Changes in other sections are made to be consistent with the new terminology.
4. That the current Partner Support Fund be terminated at the end of June 2019 and financial assessments from 1st July 2019 by the Convening Partners be compulsory.
5. That UCANZ Standing Committee undertakes a review of these arrangements by July 2023.

THE INTERCHURCH TERTIARY CHAPLAINCY COUNCIL (ITCC) & AOTEAROA NEW ZEALAND CHAPLAINCY ASSOCIATION (ANZTCA)

The Inter-Church Tertiary Chaplaincy Council meets annually in December, and endeavours to remain in contact with regional councils during the rest of the year.

It has been a challenging year for the regional boards, many of which have struggled with funding and maintaining support and interest from local churches, many of which seem to have very limited energy for concerns beyond the needs and pressures of their local church.

Regional Boards and Chaplains

The ITCC coordinates chaplaincies and chaplaincy boards: the Southland Chaplaincy Trust Board (working in Southland Polytechnic), the Otago Tertiary Chaplaincy Trust Board (covering the Otago Polytechnic and the University of Otago) the Canterbury Tertiary Education Board with responsibility for the University of Canterbury and Lincoln University (but not active at present in Christchurch Polytechnic), Massey University Wellington Campus (where the board is no longer functioning), Victoria University Ecumenical Chaplaincy (although the chaplains on that campus are provided by the Anglican Church), Te Waiora Manawatu Chaplaincy Board (working in Manawatu Polytechnic and Massey University in Palmerston North), the Hawkes Bay Chaplaincy Board (working in Eastern Institute of Technology), the Taranaki Chaplaincy Trust Board (working in the Polytechnic), the Wintec Chaplaincy Committee in Hamilton, the University of Waikato Chaplaincy Trust Board, the Northland-Auckland Regional Ecumenical Tertiary Chaplaincy Trust Board (supporting chaplaincies in Manukau Institute of Technology, Unitec, AUT University, Massey University at Albany and Northland Polytechnic) and the Maclaurin Chaplaincy in the University of Auckland. At present despite various attempts, there is no chaplaincy presence in Polytechnics on the West Coast, Nelson, Marlborough, Rotorua and the Bay of Plenty and there is no presence in the private training establishments.

There is an active chaplains' association, and its current chair, Fr Andrew McKean, represents it on our body. International Students Ministries (ISM) works as an associate part our chaplaincies on many campuses and is represented at our meetings.

Relationship with Tertiary Institutions

A high priority of chaplaincies is to retain their respected place in tertiary institutions, which are increasingly nervous about appearing to support any sectarian agency.

A recent enquiry into religious freedom in the British Parliament (House of Commons & House of Lords Joint Committee on Human Rights, "Freedom of Speech in Universities", March 2018) showed that some student unions have curtailed freedom of speech from minorities, including Christian groups that dissent from current views on abortion or euthanasia (as well as Islamic groups thought to be fomenting support for terrorism). Happily, these pressures are not so evident in this country, but it is the role of the chaplains to be vigilant about the place of faith in institutions of higher learning.

It is important in order to maintain this place that Christian chaplains know how to work in a respectful way with other religious groups, and in many cases this has been a remarkable achievement of chaplains. It is never without pressures and challenges, and some Christian groups are suspicious of the chaplaincy precisely because of this. But co-operation does not mean an attempt to merge or conflate different religions, only establishing understanding and dialogue.

Institutions often struggle to provide pastoral support for students, especially international students. These institutions are themselves financially constrained, and therefore we need to show that our support respects their ethos and offers appropriate value for the support they provide us (either by partially funding chaplaincy services or by providing ancillary support). Support for staff facing redundancy has been one of the unhappy roles of the chaplaincy, and chaplains are often called upon to assist in cases of loss of life on campus.

The constant challenge faced by chaplaincies is to work within the system, particularly with campus life or student services and health and counselling services. We are delighted that many institutions now acknowledge spiritual care as an important aspect of the well-being of students.

Accreditation of Chaplains

One goal we have been working on is an agreed system of accreditation of chaplains. This is taking some time to achieve as different boards face different pressures but we hope to finally resolve the issue at our meeting in December 2018.

Valuable Support from Trusts

Most of the chaplaincies are indebted to the support of Christian trusts that have seen the strategic importance of the chaplaincies. Some trust boards have also had a vision for the presence of

theology and religious studies within the academy, and the chaplaincies wish to place on record the immense contribution that has been played by such trusts as the Maclaurin Goodfellow Trust Board and Foundation, which has recently supported a new chair in Theology and Religious Studies at the University of Auckland, the St John's Presbyterian Church Trust which has supported a position in religious studies at Victoria University of Wellington and the Otago Synod Trust which has supported the chair in Public Theology at the University of Otago. The Prince Albert College Trust of the Methodist Church has been a generous supporter of this Council, which has distributed the funds to chaplaincies in need of support. We note that in the absence of support, the subject of religious studies was discontinued at Massey University, and it has been under threat at the University of Waikato.

Strengthening Chaplaincy Committees

The ITCC is comprised of the chairs of all the regional trusts as well as denominational representatives. We depend significantly on the denominational representatives of the Anglican, Presbyterian and Methodist Churches, and farewellled the Presbyterian representative, Ray Coats at our recent meeting. We look forward to the church providing a replacement.

Denominations can greatly assist the chaplains in their isolated roles by involving them in local synod and Presbytery consultations. We are grateful to the Northern Presbytery for its support of the Chaplaincy.

Regional committees struggle to find new committee members and chairs.

Models of Campus Presence

Models of ministry are rapidly changing, with few local churches able to afford full-time ministry. Tertiary chaplains need to be in the forefront of experimenting with models of ministry and of support, and the teams of volunteer chaplains on many campuses are a tribute to the evolution of new patterns. Properly conceived, such chaplaincy has a deep sense of mission, a real presence and contribution in challenging the secular tone of society. The chaplaincies are committed to working with their local churches, not setting up separate communities, but at the same time churches need to be sensitive at not viewing the campus as a recruitment site. Such behaviour has led to the exclusion of a number of church groups in the past, and the campus is very alert to cult activity on campuses.

Chaplaincies have experimented with a variety of programmes and activities to support and help people on campuses. "Christians in Science" (an organisation set up at Auckland University with the help of a Templeton Foundation grant) has held events and conferences that have been helpful. Peace days and spirituality weeks have attracted attention.

We would love to see a model where denominations and regional church leadership groups saw and benefitted from the strategic context of tertiary chaplaincy alongside many other ministry opportunities.

THE INTERCHURCH COUNCIL FOR HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY

It is with great pleasure that I write this report for the Interchurch Council for Hospital Chaplaincy to the Methodist Church in Aotearoa New Zealand.



The Interchurch Council for Hospital Chaplaincy, Aotearoa New Zealand
Te Kaunihara Whakawhanaunga o nga Minita Hohipera, Hauora

The Interchurch Council for Hospital Chaplaincy has experienced three lean years of mounting deficits. The losses ballooned in the 2016-2017 financial year to \$500,000.00. While these were covered by reserves, the situation could not be sustained in the long term. Accordingly, action was taken in the form of an organizational restructure, inclusive of a new management team. Current figures for the first six months of the new financial year indicate a change in financial position as we have recorded a surplus of just under \$100,000.00. Pleasingly, this result has been achieved exclusively through managerial/administrative changes rather than any reductions in delivery of service to hospitals.



Rev. Amail Habib, Whanganui DHB Courtesy of River City Press

In fact, Chaplaincy delivery in hospitals has increased. Over the past year, ICHC Hospital Chaplains have walked alongside approximately 310,804 patients, families, and staff. We have been involved in many difficult cases and have received encouraging messages like this:

“Having suffered a nervous breakdown, I was most impressed by the two female chaplains who were available to us on the ward. They took part in daily ward life without being invasive at any time. It was very reassuring to know they were available to talk yet they did not force themselves upon anybody or try to preach their particular religious inclination.”

In an effort to build clearer communication and professionalism with Chaplains and Stakeholders, we have appointed four part-time Regional Chaplains, a part-time Communications Advisor and honorary Lead Chaplains in each hospital. While the roles are still new, we have received positive feedback from around the country with reports of positive relationship building, information sharing and support for local Hospital Chaplains.

In consultation with the Ministry of Health, ICHC has undertaken preparatory work on transitioning towards an outcomes or ‘results based’ accountability framework for future reporting to Government. It is anticipated we will enter a new three-year contract with Government to continue providing this essential service later this year.

Priorities for ICHC over the next 12 months will be to invest in strengthening relationships with our primary stakeholders, the Church and to establish a series of policies that will standardise our ministry within the 21 DHBs throughout the country.

We cannot thank you enough for your perseverance, dedication and prayers for ICHC and Hospital Chaplaincy in Aotearoa, New Zealand. We look forward to growing a stronger, Christ centered ministry with you in the coming year. In Faith, Rev. Tim Pratt

DEFENCE FORCE CHAPLAINCY

The Methodist Church continues to be represented by one full time chaplain serving with the army and one part time officiating chaplain with the Air Force. This is a very small contribution from a major national denomination. That contribution is valued by NZDF, but we should be on the lookout for suitable people who might offer such a ministry in order to maintain our presence in the defence community. Chaplains can be full time or part time Reservists (who are retained to offer a minimal number of days per year), or part time officiating chaplains who serve in a civilian capacity. Presbyters considering offering as a full time or Reservist chaplain should be physically fit, willing to be deployed outside New Zealand if required, and prepared to face the rigours of service life. Any interested individuals should initially contact the Director for English-speaking Ministries.

NZDF chaplaincy is in good heart and is highly valued by the military authorities and offers a unique form of ministry to a special part of our community.

Suggested decisions:

1. That the report be received.

PRISON CHAPLAINCY SERVICE

INTRODUCTION

This is the 2017-2018 annual report of the Prison Chaplaincy Service of Aotearoa New Zealand (PCSANZ) provided to the Methodist Church.



PCSANZ is under contract to the Department of Correctional (17 prisons) and SERCO (1 prison) to provide religious and spiritual services to prisoners. Nearly all of PCSANZ funding comes from these two providers. The PCSANZ is an independent charitable trust set up in 2000.

The annual report provides:

- a summary of the group and individual services provided to the prisons and
- planning and operational developments at PCSANZ.

INDIVIDUAL AND GROUP SERVICES PROVIDED ACROSS ALL SITES

PCSANZ uses a service delivery model that consists of a core group of professional chaplains with a large contingent of volunteers who complement their work. The chaplains either provide religious and spiritual services themselves or facilitate access to services outside of the organisation. Chaplains also organise the volunteers at each site. Both chaplains and volunteers do tremendous ministry at the prisons, often in physically and psychologically difficult conditions.

A substantial rise in the prison muster over the last decade has placed a much greater demand on the chaplaincy service and the prison staff. In 2002 the prison population was 6000, by 2012 the number had increased to 8600 and in 2018 the muster is 10600. Most prisons are full to capacity and therefore there is considerable pressure on prison staff to manage all the prisoner movements in and between sites. Despite the pressure, prison staff are supportive of the chaplaincy service.

There are 43 full and part time salaried chaplains, 32 part time (volunteer) assistant chaplains and 1470 volunteers distributed across all prison sites. The services provided include group activities (for example, worship services or small group bible study) or one on one pastoral contact.

The following table shows the group and individual services provided during the last year.

Group and individual services delivered at NZ prisons by PCSANZ 2017-2018	
Number of group services delivered	11041
Number of individual prisoners attending group services	31000
Number of individual sessions provided	24137
Number of individual prisoners who received support*	16219
*data for one site estimated	

DEVELOPMENTS AT PCSANZ

The current focus of the Board of PCSANZ is on the modernization of the PCSANZ’s operational structure and processes. Technological capability, performance standards, and disciplinary processes are some of the areas being addressed.

The Board is holding a strategic planning exercise in late November 2018 and this will assess the progress made on the operational developments and consider PCSANZ’s overall vision for prison chaplaincy and the relationships it has with concerned parties.

The 2017-2018 year follows a previous year of considerable change at the Board and management level of the organisation. A new CE was appointed in May 2017, following two interregnums in short succession, and a new Chair of the Board was appointed in June 2017.

Operational structure and staff training

Over the course of the year, PCSANZ has improved the management structure of the operational side of the organisation. A fourth region (Auckland) was established with the corresponding appointment of a fourth regional manager.

Staff training is an increasingly important part of the PCSANZ's work as it responds to the need to improve the quality of the chaplaincy. Each region held regional training for salaried chaplains during the year with the Southern region holding two-day training in November, the Central region holding three days of training in November (1 day) and May (2 days), and the North and Auckland region holding four days of training in November (2 days) and May (2 days). The National in-service training that was planned for March was postponed to August 2018 due to the venue not being able to complete its scheduled refurbishment in time.

Changes at national office

Strengthening the national office has been another a key development during the year. The work done in this area was a response to the need to have a business infrastructure in proportion to the size and complexity of the organisation. An appropriate sized national office allows for the development and maintenance of a broad range of governance, operational and HR processes for all aspects of the organisation. The strengthening was realised through the appointment a part time HR and operational analyst in October 2017, a finance officer in April 2018 and a new office manager, also in April 2018.

Financial situation

PCSANZ is in a sound financial position and maintains an equity level of between 20 and 25% of its annual income. In December 2017, the Department of Corrections renewed the contract for the 2018-2019 year. The funding has remained aligned to the increasing prison muster and the corresponding increase in demand on the chaplaincy service.

Development of Volunteer Support and Administration

PCSANZ saw a surge in volunteer numbers during the first quarter from 1250 to 1470 volunteers. While PCSANZ's has made improvements to its volunteer management system and has a national database of all its volunteers, much more work is required to develop the management, training and recognition of volunteer activity.

Policy Development work

The PCSANZ is committed to developing a full suite of HR and operational policies to support the chaplaincy and volunteer work. At the governance level, the Board issued a remuneration policy, and also a cash reserve policy to ensure that the organisation holds a sufficient level of equity to maintain its solvency. PCSANZ began the implementation of Safe365, a Health and Safety organisational assessment tool provided by Corrections. A mid to long term goal for PCSANZ is the development of a more sophisticated reporting process.

Final Note

PCSANZ is pleased to have a warm and supportive partnership with Corrections, SERCO, and the churches to offer valuable ministry and service to the prisons. The service enables all prisoners to have access to religious and spiritual care regardless of their denomination or faith. PCSANZ looks forward to another year of providing this service and to the work of underpinning it with professionalism, sensitivity, prayer, discernment and sound organisation.

Suggested decision:

1. That the report be received.

Supplementary Report (Continuation from page E-23)

TAUIWI CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE AND FAMILIES MINISTRIES CONFERENCE REPORT 2018

TYTANZ | Taiwi Youth Together Aotearoa New Zealand – In Christ, In Connexion, In Touch
Kids Loving Church – Kids who love Church and Churches who love kids

It was with gratitude and thanksgiving that I present the report for *Taiwi Children, Young people and Families Ministries (TCYFM)*. 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.

The work of TCYFM between Conference 2016 to Conference 2018 has been robust, at times challenging, enlightening and overly rewarding. I believe that we continue to track in the right direction on many levels, whilst acknowledge the need for us to continue to grow and improve in others.

Taiwi Youth Conference | 321 UNITE (2017) | 2KC (2018) | R E M N A N T (2019)

TCYFM has facilitated two Taiwi Youth Conferences in 2017 and 2018, which have combined brought together approximately 250 young leaders from across Taiwi. These Conferences have served as the main training and Connexional gatherings of our Taiwi Youth from across our church.

TYC has thus far been a greatly beneficial event, allowing us to create a space to hear the voice of our youth, while trying to create a greater sense of what it truly means to be in Connexion with one another.

We are also excited to announce that TYC will return in 2019 with the theme: **TYC | R E M N A N T** – Hopefully by the time you have read this report our dates, venue and other preliminary details will be available at Conference. Please go and check our stall for more information.

Also, for more information on the TYC's that have been held to date, please visit our website to see our full extensive report www.missionresourcing.org.nz/youth.

Important issues

Through TYC and other gatherings, we have been able to identify some of the pressing needs and issues that our youth currently are facing across the board. These include things such as

- Our churches responsiveness to needs of youth around mental health
- Further exploration needed around The NZ Methodist identity and ethos, with emphasis on the bi-cultural journey and our story
- The balance of culture and faith, with the added dimension of secularity
- The need for safe and respectful conversations around Human Sexuality and how the various stances of our church might inform our own thinking
- Striving towards inclusiveness, particularly in how our youth connect with worship and expression of faith
- Working together in transitioning the next generation of leaders, acknowledging and utilising the many skilled professionals and gifts possessed by our youth here and now (challenging the “youth are the church of tomorrow” way of thinking)

We remain committed to exploring and tackling each of these identified issues and believe we can only benefit from doing so. Please continue to pray for, and be open to, our youth in the exploration and Talanoa around these important issues.

Out and About

I acknowledge also the many successful camps, services and events that have taken place all around the Connexion in relation to Young people – there are too many to name in this report! In the last conference cycle, there have been Synod national camps, leadership trainings, retreats, panel discussions, youth services and rallies, networking events and a host of others. It can be said with certainty that our youth ministry at this current point is very much active on all levels!

It is also worth noting with excitement our first ever Geographical Synods Youth Camp *ALDERSGATE*, which is scheduled for labour weekend 2018. Being held at Peter Snell Youth Villiage, this camp has already sold out – with reps from Auckland, Manukau, Waikato-Waiariki, Lower North and CSI snapping up the limited registrations in short order! For more information on this camp, please visit our website or check out the TCYFM Stall during conference. www.missionresourcing.org.nz/aldersgate

Children's Ministry

On the children's ministry front, there continues to be an incredible amount of work that is happening across the Connexion. The Let the Children Live fund continues to support the many great initiatives on a local level that are impacting children and making dreams and ideas come into fruition. Being heavily volunteer driven and more contextualised than youth ministry, many children's ministry workers continue to selflessly give up their time, resources and energy to children all across Taiwi. These volunteers are the life blood of our ministry.

I acknowledge the reality that the balance of children and youth ministry have been increasingly hard to balance from a workload perspective. This has meant that on a Connexional level, we haven't been able to accomplish as much work as I would have hoped. However with this in mind, there are some great initiatives and things are continuing to happen and are also on the horizon in the near future.

The Method – Resourcing Children and Youth Ministry

www.missionresourcing.org.nz/resource

Our website, *The Method*, has a wealth of resources and ideas to help support your children and youth ministry. This resource database continues to be constantly updated, with resources from various contributors being added regularly. From permission slip templates to music and devotional material, *The Method* is designed to assist our volunteer leaders who are sometimes pressed for time and ideas in putting together weekly lessons. The next step of *The Method* will be looking at assisting parishes looking at developing long term curriculum plans for children and youth ministry in their churches. Watch this space!

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 Taiwi Youth and Taiwi 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 of the vision and mission of TCYFM. I am grateful for the patience and unwavering support, as well as the boards backing of the vision and mission of TCYFM. I acknowledge the support of President Setaita as she steps into her new role – you will be missed but our prayers go with you!

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.



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OF AOTEAROA NEW ZEALAND

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1. General

1.1 INTRODUCTION

The Cooperative Venture movement in New Zealand began in the 1940's when there was a strong desire for churches to unite. While the move to unite as one national church did not come about, many local churches have come together to share a faith journey and enjoy their various traditions and cultures. Cooperative Ventures have taken many forms of partnership from complete union and cooperation to the sharing of buildings, ministry and/or a mission project.

1.1.1 VISION STATEMENT (2008)

The Uniting Congregations of Aotearoa New Zealand is a continuing journey of God's people seeking to reflect the essential unity of Christ's Church. This community of Partner Churches and Cooperative Ventures is discovering and living out what it means to be a missional church of Jesus Christ in today's world.

1.1.2 Cooperative Ventures are one ecumenical expression of the Partner Churches and reflect a model of partnership.

1.1.3 Uniting Congregations of Aotearoa New Zealand continues to encourage the five Partner Churches to seek, wherever possible, to work together to do those things that do not need to be done apart.

1.2 PARTNER CHURCHES

NATIONAL COURTS

Anglican Church of Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia

The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia encompasses the area described by its title.

In Maori this is, Te Hahi Mihinare ki Aotearoa ki Niu Tireni, Ki Nga Moutere Nui a Kiwa.

The 1992 Constitution of this Church provides for three partners to order their affairs within their own cultural context: Tikanga Maori; Tikanga Pakeha; Tikanga Pasefika.

Within Aotearoa New Zealand, Tikanga Pakeha comprises seven Dioceses, Tikanga Maori comprises five Hui Amorangi, the boundaries of which differ from those of the dioceses. Tikanga Pasefika encompasses Fiji, Tonga, Samoa and the Cook Islands and, nominally, all the other nations of Polynesia, and is known as the Diocese of Polynesia.

Christian Churches New Zealand (formerly Associated Churches of Christ)

The Mission of our Movement is intentional and focuses on developing and planting churches which are both healthy and missional in value and practice.

We see Christian Churches New Zealand:

- Strongly emphasising the need for Church Planting
- Becoming a driving force in this country as together we become more proactive in local mission and evangelism throughout New Zealand.
- Touching every sphere of community through the local church.
- Growing churches as well as new churches.
- Recruiting a new generation of ministers and leaders who will minister to their generation in power.
- Providing an active voice in the Nation, influencing all arenas in society including government.
- Growing as a movement of people loving God and loving people.

Congregational Union of New Zealand

What we now know as Congregationalism has its roots in the Reformation in England. Many devout Christians were concerned that the reforms then taking place in the English church were far from thorough. In the 1560's several groups of individuals were meeting together. They saw that the Church did not consist of those living within the Parish bounds of a local building or any other geographic boundaries. The Church consisted of those true believers that met together for worship, prayer, praise, and instruction. Believing in the priesthood of all believers, and recognising that Christ alone was the Head of the Church, they rightly concluded that such groups were independent of any external authority.

Methodist Church of New Zealand – Te Hāhi Weteriana o Aotearoa

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 partnership and will guide how we undertake mission.

In seeking to carry out our mission we will work according to these principles: Christian Community, Evangelism, Flexibility, Church Unity, Inclusiveness, Every Member a Minister, Cross-cultural Awareness, Justice, Peace, Healing, and Ecology.

Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand

The Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand believes it is called by God to work with others in making Jesus Christ known through –

- Teaching and nurturing people in Christian faith
- Loving service responding to human need
- Proclaiming the gospel
- Seeking to transform society
- Caring for God’s creation

REGIONAL COURTS

Anglican Diocese

There are seven dioceses in Tikanga Pakeha – Auckland, Waikato and Taranaki, Waiapu, Wellington, Nelson, Christchurch, and Dunedin. Each diocese functions semi-autonomously and they have their own bishop, diocesan manager and procedures.

Christian Churches New Zealand

Regional issues are dealt with by the National Cooperative Ventures liaison person or the National Director.

Congregational Union

Regional issues are dealt with through Assembly/Standing Committee of the Congregational Union of New Zealand.

Methodist Synod

There are eight regional synods and four cultural groups in the Methodist Church – Northland, Auckland, Manukau, Waikato/Wairiki, Lower North Island, Nelson/Marlborough/West Coast, Central South Island, Otago-Southland, Te Taha Maori, Sinoti Samoa, Vahefonua Tonga and Wasewase ko Viti kei Rotuma (Fijian and Rotuman).

PCANZ Presbytery

There are ~~a number of five geographical~~ Presbyteries (~~Northern, Kaimai, Central, Alpine, Southern~~) ~~and plus two further Presbyteries, Te Aka Puaho (the Maori Synod) and the Pacific Islanders’ Synod, together with the Council of Asian Congregations~~ in the Presbyterian Church. ~~Northern, Kaimai, Taranaki, Gisborne/Hawkes Bay, Wanganui/Manawatu, Wellington, Nelson-Marlborough, West Coast, Christchurch, Ashburton, South Canterbury and Southern.~~ There is also a Pacific Island Synod and an Asian Advisory Committee.

1.3 WORDS WE USE

1.3.1 Acronyms

UCANZ: Uniting Congregations of Aotearoa New Zealand

ACANZP: Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia

CUNZ: Congregational Union of New Zealand

CCNZ: Christian Churches New Zealand (formerly Associated Churches of Christ)

MCNZ: Methodist Church of New Zealand – Te Hāhi Weteriana o Aotearoa

PCANZ: Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand

1.3.2 **Cooperative Venture**

This is an inclusive term that covers the many expressions of partnership existing in our churches. When a Cooperative Venture is acknowledged through UCANZ it falls under these Procedures for Cooperative Ventures.

1.3.2.1 **Union/Uniting Parish:** One form of a local church where two or more parishes (not Anglican) have united as a single entity.

1.3.2.2 **Cooperating Parish:** Another form of a local church where two or more parishes (including Anglican) have united as a single entity.

1.3.2.3 **Joint Use:** An agreement entered into to jointly fund, use and/or maintain a building for worship, community or congregational activities.

1.3.2.4 **Shared Ministry:** An agreement to share in the provision of paid ministry amongst two or more local churches.

1.3.2.5 **Local Ecumenical Project (LEP):** A shared project where churches have a covenant or agreement to work together. This may include parties other than the five Partner Churches of UCANZ.

1.3.3 **Documents**

1.3.3.1 **Covenant or Agreement**

The document that outlines the commitment of the local churches to work together in a particular manner.

1.3.3.2 **Schedules of Record**

The details of property and assets that local church partners bring into the formation of the Cooperative Venture. The Schedules of Record are used to establish the Capital Ratio. They should be regularly reviewed and updated.

1.3.4 **Partner Church**

The term Partner Church refers to each of the five churches that have formed a partnership in UCANZ; Anglican, Congregational Union, Christian Churches, Methodist and Presbyterian.

1.3.5 **Local Church**

The local church is a group of people committed to live and work in Christ through one or more congregations, fellowships or other groups. Terms such as circuit, parish, pastoral charge, congregation, or church are synonyms. The local church is managed by a church council, appointed by the members.

1.3.5.1 **Local Church Council**

A management body elected by members of the local church. Terms such as Parish Council, Leaders Meeting, Vestry, Session are synonyms. A local church may formulate a constitution to outline how the local church council functions, but that must be consistent with the Procedures for Cooperative Ventures and must be approved by the Local Church Partners.

1.3.6 Local Church Partners

This refers to the specific partners in a local church.

1.3.6.1 ~~Coordinating-Convening~~ Partner

Takes a leading role in coordinating the work of both the local church and the partnership. This ~~normally~~-rotating role is more clearly defined in 2.1 [\[below\]](#).

1.3.6.2 Participating Partner

Shares responsibility for the local church and participates in all aspects of the local church's life. See 2.2 [\[below\]](#)

1.3.6.3 Appointing Partner

Takes responsibility for overseeing the process of a particular stipendiary ministry appointment until the conclusion of that ministry appointment. See 2.3

1.3.6.~~34~~ Regional Forum

Regional Forums replace the former Joint Regional Committees or their equivalents. They are a gathering of Cooperative Ventures and regional partners in a particular area. The Partner Churches may delegate certain tasks to a Regional Forum, such as local church reviews and minister reviews. Where they formally exist Regional Forums are consultants to the Partner Churches.

1.3.7 Reciprocal Membership

The five Partner Churches have agreed to receive members in good standing and afford them all the privileges and responsibilities of membership when involved with a local church in a Cooperative Venture.

1.3.8 Ministry

Ministry is a task for all Christians, but the church also speaks of ministry as a profession or vocation. A minister is usually trained, ordained and called or appointed to a position of ministry, but there is opportunity for those who are not ordained to work in ministry. Ordained ministers are also called clergy, pastors, presbyters, vicars, deacons, priests and are granted the honorific title of "the Reverend."

1.3.8.1 Ordination

A minister is ordained by their own denomination through prayer and the laying on of hands. There is a mutual recognition by the churches for the ordinations of others, although there is not yet a total reconciliation of ministry.

1.3.8.2 Induction

A minister is inducted into a specific ministry position by a partner church court. The induction service should fully involve the participating partner(s).

1.3.8.3 Ordination, Membership, Appointment

A minister will have an original church of ordination, a current church of membership, and a church of appointment. For most ministers this will be the same church, but for some there may be differences and these need to be acknowledged. Church of membership changes when a minister is formally received into the membership of another church.

1.3.8.4 Local Shared Ministry

A form of ministry which allows a local team to operate within the regulations of the Partner Churches – although there are differing expressions and ways of functioning. The Coordinating Partner of the local church ensures there is adequate support for such a ministry.

1.3.9 ~~Partner Support Fund (PSF)~~Resource Allocation Group (RAG)

~~A combined fund for local church contributions to the national work of Christian Churches, Congregational Union, Methodist and Presbyterian churches, administered by the UCANZ office~~
A group representing the Partner Churches that receives and decides on appeals from individual CVs on the level of assessment/quota required by Partners at both National and Regional level. (see [Guidelines 9.3.2](#)).

1.4 FORMING A COOPERATIVE VENTURE

There are a number of reasons why a Cooperative Venture may come into being, but for all the concept of partnership must be central.

1.4.1 Exploring the Idea

When two or more congregations begin to explore the possibilities of formal cooperation they should be open-minded, prayerful and patient. As early as possible, representatives from the regional courts of any proposed partners (and any Regional Forum) should be brought together to evaluate the possibilities with the local church councils.

A new congregation may be established within the CV parish by any of the Partner Churches after prior consultation with the other partner(s) in the CV.

1.4.2 Nature of Cooperation

Details about how the local churches and congregations will cooperate should be carefully worked through. Consideration needs to be given to worship, property, finances, regional and national court responsibilities, ministry and reviews. A Cooperative Venture may share ministry, buildings, mission work or become a uniting church/cooperating parish.

Upon the establishment of any new congregation within the CV parish, it shall be determined between the new congregation and the CV parish and Partner Churches (and any Regional Forum) whether the new congregation is joining the CV parish or whether it wishes to stand aside from the CV parish and UCANZ Procedures and remain under the jurisdiction of one Partner Church only.

Any congregation joining the CV parish shall be under the same UCANZ Procedures as other participating congregations. The new congregation shall relate primarily to the regional courts of the Coordinating Partner and its relevant synod/presbytery/tikanga, but shall also remain in contact with the relevant structures of any other Participating Partner.

Where a new congregation opts to stand aside from the existing CV parish and remain under the jurisdiction of one Partner Church only, the congregation will negotiate with the CV parish a suitable rental agreement for use, maintenance and renewal of the property, but shall retain the integrity of its denominational structure to which it is accountable.

Members shall belong either to the CV parish or the stand-alone denominational parish, but not both.

Congregations seeking admittance into an existing CV parish shall confirm their acceptance of Procedures 9.1.2 Statement of Accord (1984) and 9.1.3 The Faith We Affirm Together (1994).

1.4.3 Approvals

When the proposal is finally prepared the executives of the regional courts (who may also refer the matter to the national offices) must give their approval in principle to the document. The proposal should also be referred to the UCANZ office for their consideration and any recommendations. The proposal will then be presented to the local churches or congregations that will form the Cooperative Venture and to the regional courts for final approval.

1.4.4 Schedules of Record

Where the new Cooperative Venture will bring together properties, Schedules of Record that outline the property and financial agreements entered into must be completed.

1.4.4.1 (a) At the time the Cooperative Venture is established the Schedules of Record are used to establish a Capital Ratio which must be accepted by the partners.

1.4.4.1 (b) When a new congregation is admitted to the CV parish the Schedules of Record shall be amended in those cases where the new congregation is bringing new premises or new capital to the CV parish.

1.4.4.2 The Capital Ratio is the agreed figure on which capital will be shared upon dissolution of the agreement.

1.4.5 Inauguration

A service of worship to celebrate the inauguration of the new Cooperative Venture should be planned – led by the initial Coordinating Partner but reflecting the partnership that is being entered into. A simple covenant document should be signed by representatives of all the local church partners and the local church council.

1.5 Legalities

1.5.1 APPROVAL

The Procedures for Cooperative Ventures have been approved by the Forum of Cooperative Ventures (2011) and the Partner Churches to guide the partnerships in Cooperative Ventures. Irrespective of the date of inauguration, the current Procedures for Cooperative Ventures

applies to all Cooperative Ventures acknowledged through UCANZ and replace the Guide to Procedures (2001). The accompanying Documents, Guidelines and Forms are provided to resource the local churches and partners in working out their shared journey. Exceptions for special cases are possible where the local church partners have agreed in writing that specific circumstances exist and are approved by the UCANZ Standing Committee.

1.5.2 **AMENDMENTS**

Any amendments to the Procedures (sections 2-7) must be approved by the appropriate decision making body of each Partner Church. Amendments to other sections of the Procedures are approved by Standing Committee of UCANZ.

1.5.3 **STATUS OF COOPERATIVE VENTURES**

It is important to note that Cooperative Ventures are not a legal entity in themselves and cannot enter into a formal lease or assume corporate status. Local churches are part of the wider churches to which they affiliate and cannot act independently or contrary to the laws of the Partner Churches.

1.5.4 **COVENANTS, CONSTITUTIONS and AGREEMENTS**

When an acknowledged Cooperative Venture is formed there is a covenant agreement that outlines how the partnership will function. The local church, as a Cooperative Venture, falls under these Procedures for Cooperative Ventures and the law books of the local church's Partner Churches. A local church may develop a constitution which outlines local processes, but these cannot conflict with the Procedures for Cooperative Ventures.

2. Procedures for Local Church Oversight

It should be clear that 'being in partnership' means that all parties of a Cooperative Venture are called to give oversight to the mission and ministry of the local church. Local church councils, ministers, regional and national courts, are charged with the duty to nurture the life of the congregations in their care.

There is an understanding that Cooperative Ventures require one partner to take a primary role in giving oversight convening and coordinating the partners. To describe this primary role and the consequent relationship we identify a Coordinating-Convening Partner as taking a special part in the life of the Cooperative Venture, supported by the Participating Partner(s).

The appointment of a new Minister in a Cooperating Venture is an important task for all the partners. Each Partner has specific procedures for appointments and the procedures of the Appointing Partner shall be followed for appointments. All partners have as their primary responsibility the task of supporting the local church in its commitment to working together in life and mission.

2.1 **COORDINATING-CONVENING PARTNER**

2.1.1 A primary task of the Coordinating-Convening Partner is to take responsibility for the working out of the partnership. This requires that genuine consultation be continually held amongst all partners and the local church before any decisions are made. A meeting of a local church's partners should happen at least once a year in a suitable manner.

2.1.2 Where a Regional Forum is functioning they should be consulted and be involved in key discussions and decisions. A Regional Forum provides a means of facilitation amongst the local partner churches. Where a Regional Forum is not in existence the UCANZ office should be consulted where appropriate.

2.1.3 As a sign of partnership, it is generally accepted important that the role of Coordinating-Convening Partner role may move amongst the local church partners rotate. The order of rotation shall be determined to reflect the need to achieve balance in the resourcing of the Partners. A review of Coordinating Partner should be made every five — years, even if there is no change, and when a ministry changes. A review should be conducted ——— by all the local church partners and the local church council The term of the Convening Partner shall be three years.

2.1.4 The Convening Partner will ensure that the local church is reviewed at least every five years (or three years in the case of Local Shared Ministry - see 6.11) and ideally in year three of a ministerial appointment. Such reviews shall involve the Participating Partner(s) and the local Regional Forum where it exists. The form of the review will be in the hands of the Convening Partner, but should include questions relating to compliance, record keeping, strategic planning, building utilisation and mission goals. This responsibility may be delegated to a Regional Forum where it exists.

- 2.1.5 If, after discussions with the local church and the Participating Partners, a Local Shared Ministry is considered to be best for the local church, the Convening Partner shall initiate the process to appoint local ministers in cooperation with the Participating Partner(s).
- 2.1.6 The Convening Partner will generally handle complaints that arise from a Cooperative Venture and should ensure that other partners are made aware at an early stage. This is especially important if there are possible implications for liability insurance. However, discipline of ministers is the responsibility of the minister's church of membership (see 4.8.1).
- 2.1.7 The national or diocesan Convening Partner will determine and collect the assessment or quota to be paid to the Convening Partner generally in accordance with its processes for determining such assessments from parishes in its denomination. Regional levies, as appropriate, will also be paid.
- 2.1.8 The Convening Partner in determining the amount of assessment or quota required from the Cooperative Venture shall take into account the policies of the other partners so as to minimise the changes when the Convening Partner role changes.
- 2.1.9 Where there is no expectation of settling stipendiary ministry, the Convening Partner will normally provide a focus of oversight – "interim moderator", "parish superintendent", "regional dean", or similar role.
- ~~2.1.4 In some areas the role of Coordinating Partner may be taken by a combined court of the Partner Churches.~~
- ~~2.1.5 The Coordinating Partner takes responsibility for overseeing the process of ministry appointments, including developing a local church profile, holding interviews, and undertaking character and good standing checks. The Coordinating Partner must ensure that all partners are involved in the process and that there is consultation with partner church leaders before an appointment is officially confirmed. The Coordinating Partner also ensures that an induction service involves all the partners of the Cooperative Venture, a Code of Ethics and Letter of Appointment are signed (see 4.2), and that the UCANZ office is notified.~~
- ~~2.1.6 In all appointments, care should be taken to identify ministers who are committed to the ecumenical nature of cooperative ventures and any orientation or mentoring should be provided where it is deemed necessary.~~
- ~~2.1.7 If the appointed minister is not from the same church as the Coordinating Partner there must be deliberate attention given to the issues that arise, including ministry reviews and discipline. Differences in processes should be considered at the time of making the appointment.~~
- ~~2.1.8 A ministry review must be carried out between 9 to 12 months before the current term of ministry is completed. This is a task for the Coordinating Partner to oversee, although this may be a task delegated to a Regional Forum to coordinate.~~
- ~~2.1.9 When a ministerial vacancy occurs the Coordinating Partner will meet with the Participating Partner(s) and the local church council to decide which partner will act as Coordinating Partner. The Coordinating Partner takes a lead in helping the local church to develop both local church and minister profiles.~~
- ~~2.1.10 Where there is local shared ministry the Coordinating Partner ensures the appointment of a suitable ministry enabler, organises appropriate calling processes and gives direction to the ministry team. Other models of ministry may also have specific needs.~~

~~2.1.11 The Coordinating Partner will generally handle complaints that arise from a Cooperative Venture and should ensure that other partners are made aware of possible liabilities arising and the outcomes.~~

~~2.1.12 The Coordinating Partner will ensure that the local church is reviewed regularly, and that such reviews involve the Participating Partner(s). The form of the review will be in the hands of the Coordinating Partner, but should include questions relating to compliance, record keeping, strategic planning, building utilisation and mission goals. This responsibility may be delegated to a Regional Forum where it exists.~~

~~2.1.13 The Coordinating Partner will ensure that appropriate employment practices are followed for any person employed in the local church, and should keep the Participating Partner(s) informed of changes in local church employees.~~

~~2.1.14 The Coordinating Partner will ensure that appropriate payments to the Partner Support Fund are made.~~

2.2 PARTICIPATING PARTNER

2.2.1 Participating Partner(s) in a Cooperative Venture have responsibilities in maintaining contact with the local church, ministers, with the Coordinating Partner and the Regional Forum.

2.2.2 When moving from the ~~Coordinating~~ ~~Convening~~ Partner role, there is a need to provide continuity for both the local church and the new ~~Convening~~ ~~Coordinating~~ Partner. It is important that Participating Partners provide personnel to attend meetings called by the ~~Convening~~ ~~Coordinating~~ Partner to advance the work of the local church. This is especially true when dealing with the overall mission and property matters.

2.2.3 There is also an ongoing responsibility to make local churches aware of the various resources that are available and to provide encouragement to ministers in exploring traditions different to their own. Ministers and laity should be encouraged to experience the wider church life of their local church partners.

2.2.4 Participating Partners continue to be involved in the local church, but it is a courtesy to inform other partners of activities that are undertaken on behalf of the Partner Church.

2.3 APPOINTING PARTNER

2.3.1 The Appointing Partner takes responsibility for overseeing the process of a stipendiary ministry appointment, including developing a local church profile, holding interviews, and undertaking character and good standing checks. The Appointing Partner must ensure that all partners are involved in the process and that there is consultation and agreement with partner church leaders before an appointment is officially confirmed.

2.3.2 The Appointing Partner also ensures that an induction service involves all the partners of the Cooperative Venture, a Code of Ethics, and Letter of Appointment are signed (see 4.2), and that the UCANZ office is notified.

- 2.3.3 In all appointments, care should be taken to identify ministers who are committed to the ecumenical nature of Cooperative Ventures and any orientation or mentoring should be provided where it is deemed necessary.
- 2.3.4 A ministry review must be carried out between 9 to 12 months before the current term of ministry is completed. This is a task for the Appointing Partner (who will inform the other Partners), or the coordination may be delegated to the Regional Forum as appropriate.
- 2.3.5 The role of Appointing Partner continues until the conclusion of the particular ministry appointment.

2.43 REGIONAL FORUM

Historically the development of Joint Regional Committees has been very diverse. In the beginning the Joint Regional Committees were a meeting of the five negotiating partners in a particular area – planning for the uniting of the churches. Since 2000 some Joint Regional Committees have ceased to function, some have become a meeting of Cooperative Venture representatives (with limited regional court involvement) and others have merged into bigger groupings.

- 2.43.1 A Regional Forum comes into being to support the Cooperative Ventures in an area, assist in the work of the Partner Churches, and to uphold the ecumenical hopes of UCANZ.
- 2.43.2 A Regional Forum will reflect the unique situation that exists within a region – there are no specific ways it might function, but it is important that the Partner Churches accept its mode of being.
- 2.43.3 When a Regional Forum functions it is considered as a consultant and should share in the discussions related to the local churches.
- 2.43.4 When a Regional Forum does not function, the UCANZ office should be involved as much as possible in decisions relating to the local church.
- 2.43.5 A Regional Forum may be delegated authority to conduct local church reviews and other tasks by the Regional Courts and facilitate the work of Coordinating-Convening Partners.
- 2.43.6 A Regional Forum may be an appropriate means to initiate new ventures and explore other possibilities for ecumenical cooperation.
- 2.43.7 The membership of a Regional Forum should reflect a balance between clergy/laity, women/men, and local churches/regional courts. All of the Partner Churches should be invited to participate and be represented.

3. Procedures for the Local Church

The complexity of our modern church makes definitions rather more complex. What is defined in these Procedures as the local church may also be known as a congregation, parish, circuit, or charge. It also refers to one or more congregations that come under one administration.

3.1 MEMBERSHIP

- 3.1.1 People are members of the Church Universal through baptism and the public confession of faith. As a local expression of this members of a Cooperative Venture are received by the local church council and their names placed on a single Roll of Members.
- 3.1.2 Members of a Cooperative Venture have reciprocal membership in the Partner Churches while they remain associated with the Cooperative Venture.
- 3.1.3 A Roll of Members is required to be kept by the local church and needs to be reviewed at least annually. This provides a legal basis for voting and decision-making. A Pastoral or Associate Roll may be kept of all those who are associated with the local church including those who are not considered full members or may be called inactive members.
- 3.1.4 All members have a right to vote at the Annual Meeting and at any special meeting of the local church called to discuss specific business.
- 3.1.5 Special meetings of the local church may be called by the local church council by giving reasonable notice (normally not less than two clear Sundays) and advertising their purpose. In exceptional circumstances the local church partners may require the local church council to call a special meeting.

3.2 LOCAL CHURCH COUNCIL

The local church council may also be known as Parish Council, Session, Vestry or Church Board. Congregational councils may exist in local churches with multiple congregations.

- 3.2.1 The local church council manages the life and resources of the local church for local mission and the wider mission of the Partner Churches. There should be good systems of communication with the congregation(s) on all aspects of the local church life.
- 3.2.2 People elected to the local church council must be members of the local church.
- 3.2.3 The local church council reports to the congregation(s) through an Annual Meeting and that meeting elects the members of the local church council.
- 3.2.4 A local church may develop a constitution for itself, but this must be consistent with the practices of the partner churches, reflect the partnership model, and not be in conflict with the Procedures for Cooperative Ventures.
- 3.2.5 Ordained and Lay Ministers appointed to the local church are members of the local church council. They may chair the local church council, but they may not be treasurer for the local church.

- 3.2.6 The local church council is responsible to the local church and partner church courts for the financial affairs, historic records, roll of members, and generally the life and work of the local church. They are also required to meet all statutory requirements as necessary (for example, Health and Safety, Fire, and Building Code regulations).
- 3.2.7 It is appropriate for the local church council to develop processes that support those undertaking ministry in the local church. This may mean appointing, in consultation with those in ministry, an individual or small group (possibly called wardens, stewards, or senior elders) to give pastoral support to those who work in the local church.

3.3 RELATIONSHIPS

- 3.3.1 A Cooperative Venture is regarded by the Partner Church courts as one of their own.
- 3.3.2 A Cooperative Venture should seek to be represented on all church courts as it is appropriate.
- 3.3.3 Cooperative Ventures also have a responsibility to ensure that Participating Partners are active and visible in the life of the local church. Deliberate attention should be paid to ensuring that all partners are honoured in the life of the local church and that events are fairly publicised. The worshipping life of the local church should reflect the traditions and current practices of all its partners, but also provide opportunities for new patterns of worship.

3.4 FINANCIAL MATTERS

- 3.4.1 The financial accounts of the local church should be transparent, readily available and reflect the partnership entered into.
- 3.4.2 All financial accounts of the local church should be reviewed annually by a suitably qualified person, [in accordance with the Financial Markets Authority Act \(2011\)](#).
- 3.4.3 Cooperative Ventures, as part of the wider church, support the work of the Partner Churches through the Partner Support Fund, Diocesan Levies (for Anglican Churches) or through Partner Churches at an approved rate.
- 3.4.4 Regional courts may charge reasonable levies upon Cooperative Ventures, but these should take into account the nature of partnership, the level of giving to the wider church budgets, and the ability of local churches to pay.
- 3.4.5 Removal Expenses: Availability of funds varies throughout the country - local churches should check on requirements before any moves are made. UCANZ does operate the Cooperative Ventures Removal Scheme (see 8.5.2 and 9.3.1) which supports those local churches that are members of the fund to defray removal expenses. [Local churches who are not members of this scheme make their own arrangements.](#)
- 3.4.6 There is to be no pecuniary gain for members of the church, in accordance with the charitable aims of the local church.
- 3.4.7 Church members who have an interest in any financial or property decision should make their interest known to the deciding church court and will step aside for the discussion and decision.

- 3.4.8 At the closure of any local church, all funds and assets are returned to the Partner Church courts in accordance to the Schedules of Record.

3.5 PROPERTY

- 3.5.1 All Cooperative Ventures must have Schedules of Record approved by their Partner Churches which outline the resources brought into the venture and the Capital Ratio. When there are changes in capital contributions the schedules and ratios must be re-evaluated. Loans, bequests and donations made to the Cooperative Venture do not affect the Capital Ratio.
- 3.5.2 The titles to property and buildings are vested with Trustees from one of the Partner Churches in accordance with the Agreement signed when the Cooperative Venture was formed. Such property is held in trust for all participants in the Cooperative Venture according to the Schedules of Record. Any property development should be considered in consultation with the relevant Partner Churches. Advice and guidance in these matters can be obtained by contacting the UCANZ office.
- 3.5.3 Any significant property development must have final approval from the trustees in whom the property is vested, and it must also be approved by the regional courts of the local church partners and be referred to the trustees of the relevant Partner Churches.
- 3.5.4 The local church council is required to insure buildings and contents, ensure all compliance matters are completed, and to provide a safe environment for all users of the buildings.
- 3.5.5 Significant expenditure based on an insurance claim is subject to the requirements of the relevant Partner Churches. Consultation and approval is needed before any remedial work is undertaken.

3.6 LOCAL CHURCH REVIEWS

Local church reviews have also been known as visitations or consultations.

- 3.6.1 Regular local church reviews are acknowledged as an important aspect of ongoing development.
- 3.6.2 Organising reviews is the task of the Coordinating-Convening Partner, working in association with the Participating Partner(s). This task may be delegated to a Regional Forum.
- 3.6.3 The form of the review will essentially be in the hands of the review team, but it would consider the following areas:
- Mission of the local church
 - Strategic planning
 - Property utilisation, upkeep and planning
 - Financial viability
 - Relationships with the local church's partners and beyond the church
 - Health and Safety matters
 - Schedules of Record and current Capital Ratio (see 3.5.1)
 - See 9.3.6 for further guidelines

- 3.6.4 The Coordinating-Convening Partner must undertake to ensure that any recommendations from a local church review are carried out.
- 3.6.5 Any local church partner may call for a special review and the Coordinating-Convening Partner will organise any required meetings. A special review may focus on specific issues facing the local church situation or may involve more than one local church.

3.7 CHARITY STATUS

- 3.7.1 Cooperative Ventures register with the Charities Commission as independent charities functioning under the Agreed Provisions for Cooperative Ventures. They will each have a Charities Commission number and an Inland Revenue number.
- 3.7.2 Responsibility for meeting the requirements of the Charities Commission and Inland Revenue rests with the local church council.

3.8 CHURCH RECORDS

The history of the church is contained in the records that are passed on to the next generation – they provide a glimpse at our past and tell the story of our faith journey.

- 3.8.1 The local church council has the responsibility to ensure that records are maintained, stored and appropriately archived.
- 3.8.2 The following records should be kept:
- a) Registers: baptism, marriage, funeral, worship service.
 - b) Minute books: all minute books of all church organisations.
 - c) Annual reports.
 - d) Correspondence, inwards and outwards: in whatever form this is kept eg files, letter books.
 - e) Rolls: membership, pastoral, confirmation, Sunday School, Youth Group or Bible Class etc.
 - f) Financial records: annual accounts, cash books, journals, ledgers.
 - g) Local church newsletters, magazines, church bulletins, orders of service (weekly and special), scrapbooks, newspaper clippings (including date and name of newspaper)
 - h) Property records: maps, plans, architectural drawings, building specifications, contracts, details of alterations, building WoF, asbestos management plan, emergency response plan (if applicable), hall hireage.
 - i) Legal documents.
 - j) Jubilee and centennial celebration records: minutes, correspondence, registration forms, photographs, programmes, tickets, orders of service, publications, balance sheets and cash books, tape recordings, videos.
 - k) health and safety documents (e.g. risk register, if applicable).

It is not necessary to collect national church publications, general circulars, or promotional material unless they are of specific significance to the local church.

- 3.8.3 Archive repositories exist for all the Partner Churches and Cooperative Venture records should be lodged in an approved archive and all local church partners notified of what was lodged and where.
- 3.8.4 Electronic files are not archive or history friendly. It is important to print at least one copy of relevant correspondence and reports, and store with printed minutes and agendas. Photos (loose or in albums) should be environmentally protected and people and items named.

4. Procedures for Ordained Ministry

Ordained ministry within Cooperative Ventures is governed by the Partner Church courts. It is important for local churches to respect and follow the processes of the appointing church. The appointing church oversees, according to their own processes, the appointment of ministers, their induction to the local church, ministry review, discipline and also the stipend package. However, Cooperative Ventures are a partnership and decisions about ordained ministry should be made with the local church partners all participating (including any Regional Forum).

4.1 APPOINTMENT

- 4.1.1 The ~~Coordinating Convening~~ Partner, Participating Partner(s) and the local church need to meet together and decide which local church partner will be the ~~Coordinating Appointing~~ Partner ([see 2.3](#)). This decision should be notified to the UCANZ office.
- 4.1.2 The ~~Coordinating Appointing~~ Partner runs the appointment/call process according to their tradition, but with ~~Participating all~~ Partner(s) involved (see 9.3.3 for Guidelines).
- 4.1.3 All local church partners should have input into the development of a local church profile, job descriptions, interviews (by whatever title or process) and final approval.
- 4.1.4 It is appropriate for local church partners to be notified of the pending appointment/call after local church confirmation and before regional/national court approval of the appointment/call by the ~~Coordinating Appointing~~ Partner.
- 4.1.5 The initial term of appointment will normally be for five years, with review.
- 4.1.6 When the appointment/call is formally made by the local church partners, the UCANZ office should be notified of the appointment/call, the date of induction, and the terms of ministry.
- 4.1.7 Where a minister is from a different church than the ~~Coordinating Appointing~~ Partner, care should be taken in consulting with the appropriate national administrators. A statement of good standing will always be sought by the ~~Coordinating Appointing~~ Partner from the church/es in which the minister has been ordained and previously employed. It is usual for the stipend package (leave entitlements, etc) to be consistent with the appointing church, but there may be exceptions to this.
- 4.1.8 Care should be taken in making a part-time appointment in ensuring that any other work is consistent with the role of ministry. If a minister is taking on two part-time positions there should be consultation with all local church partners about the nature of the work.
- 4.1.9 If there is a multiple ministry team, care should be taken to consult fully with others within the team – ordained or lay.
- 4.1.10 The appointee should be made aware of the nature of the Cooperative Venture and be made familiar with the local church partners. UCANZ has a brochure on ministry in a Cooperative Venture that might be helpful.

4.2 INDUCTION

- 4.2.1 The induction service is the responsibility of the ~~Coordinating-Appointing~~ Partner, the minister being inducted as a minister of their national church. However, the service should reflect an ecumenical ethos and involve participants from Partner Churches.
- 4.2.2 The traditional rites and practices of the appointing church should be followed, including any affirmation or documentation required.
- 4.2.3 A Letter of Appointment should be signed by representatives of all the local church partners and the local church council. The Letter should clearly state the term of the initial appointment.
- 4.2.4 A Code of Pastoral Ethics should be signed – either the UCANZ Code of Ethics (see 9.2.5) or one approved by the ~~Coordinating-Appointing~~ Partner.

4.3 MINISTRY SUPPLY

There are times when a local church will want to appoint a person to a short term (1-12 months) ministry appointment.

- 4.3.1 The ~~Coordinating-Appointing~~ Partner oversees the processes leading to the appointment of any ministry supply, including checks on standing and status.
- 4.3.2 ~~When-Before~~ a person is appointed the ~~Coordinating-Appointing~~ Partner ~~should-shall~~ inform the Participating Partner(s) about the appointee, the terms of supply, and any ongoing concerns for the local church or ministry.
- 4.3.3 The UCANZ office should be notified of the appointment and terms.

4.4 RELATIONSHIPS

- 4.4.1 The minister has a primary responsibility to their ~~appointing church – normally the Coordinating~~ ~~Appointing~~ Partner.
- 4.4.2 A minister in a Cooperative Venture is also encouraged to become involved in the life and work of all the ~~local Participating~~ Partner church courts as appropriate.

4.5 MINISTER REVIEW

- 4.5.1 A minister's performance and pastoral care is primarily the responsibility of the ~~Coordinating~~ ~~Appointing~~ Partner. If the local church or ~~the Participating any~~ Partner(s) have any concerns with the performance or health of a minister they should firstly notify the ~~Coordinating~~ ~~Appointing~~ Partner.
- 4.5.2 A simple review of a new ministry should be conducted 6-9 months after the induction/appointment and should involve all the local church partners.
- 4.5.3 Regular reviews of ministry are carried out according to the practices of the ~~Coordinating~~ ~~Appointing~~ Partner – with the involvement of the local church and ~~Participating other local~~ ~~church~~ Partner(s).

4.6 REVIEW OF APPOINTMENT

- 4.6.1 The review of a ministry appointment should occur about a year before it is to be completed – with a minimum period of 9 months.
- 4.6.2 The ~~Coordinating-Appointing~~ Partner ~~convenes-arranges~~ a meeting of the partners and the local church to consider the ongoing options for the ministry. That meeting seeks to discern the call of the Holy Spirit upon the ministry and will reflect on a variety of issues. [\(See 9.3.9\)](#)
- 4.6.3 Where any partner to the local church has an objection to re-appointment for another term **these objections should be discussed with all the partners before** alternative options are considered.
- 4.6.4 If an extension of appointment is agreed (usually for another 5 year term) the partner church courts and the UCANZ office should be notified.

4.7 RESIGNATION OR TERMINATION OF MINISTRY

- 4.7.1 The resignation of a minister is handled by the ~~Coordinating-Appointing~~ Partner.
- 4.7.2 When the resignation is received, the [local church](#) partners and local church council meet to consider the reasons for the resignation and to decide if there needs to be a change of ~~Coordinating-Appointing~~ Partner.
- 4.7.3 If a ministry needs to be terminated, a meeting of the partners should consider the reasons for the termination and ensure that ongoing pastoral care is offered to the minister and local church.

4.8 DISCIPLINE

- 4.8.1 Discipline of ministers is the responsibility of the minister's church of membership.
- 4.8.2 Relevant Partner Churches should be consulted, where appropriate, with pastoral sensitivity for all parties involved.
- 4.8.3 Any complaints of illegal activities should be notified to the ~~Coordinating-Appointing~~ Partner (and ordaining church, if different) authorities and to the police.
- 4.8.4 Complaints about sexual impropriety, financial irregularities, inappropriate behaviour, breaches of church discipline or ethical standards, or failures of ministry, should be notified to the appropriate Partner Church authorities. This is especially important if there are possible implications for liability insurance.

4.9 TERMS OF MINISTRY

- 4.9.1 A stipendiary package includes the regular stipend, allowances, holiday entitlement, study leave and any other conditions associated with ministry.
- 4.9.2 Each partner church has its own stipend package. Generally a minister will receive the stipend package of the appointing church, but there may be exceptions. The local church partners need to confirm the stipend package at the time of appointment.

- 4.9.3 All aspects of a stipendiary package are paid at a percentage of the full time allowance when a position is less than 100%, unless there are specific exemptions agreed by the appropriate church courts.

4.10 DEACONS, RETIREES AND SELF-SUPPORTING APPOINTMENTS

The Partner Churches have a diverse expression of ministry. The Methodist and Anglican Churches have specific paths for people ordained to serve as Deacons and others may also be locally ordained to serve in a ministry capacity.

- 4.10.1 The regulations above (4.1 – 4.9) should, wherever possible, apply to those people ordained as Deacons or to self-supporting ministries and retirees.
- 4.10.2 Where such appointments are made, they must be consistent with the processes of the ~~appointing~~ Appointing Partner and be acceptable to all local church partners.
- 4.10.3 The ~~Coordinating~~ Convening Partner ensures that proper reviews are undertaken with all partners participating.

5. Procedures for Lay Workers

There are opportunities for people who have not been ordained to serve a local church through a paid or unpaid appointment. Such ministries belong to the people of God and are recognised by the wider church. There is now a wide diversity in how ministry is undertaken and these regulations can only provide a broad outline. Titles such as lay minister, lay worker, lay pastor may be used, but care should be taken to consult about the titles with all local church partners. The special circumstance of Local Shared Ministry is considered in section 6.

5.1 OVERSIGHT

- 5.1.1 The Coordinating Convening Partner has responsibility for oversight of lay ministry within the local church.
- 5.1.2 A lay worker may be appointed by a Participating Partner or the local church.
- 5.1.3 The views of the Participating Partners must be taken into account when developing lay ministry. The local church cannot over-rule the regulations of the Partner Churches.
- 5.1.4 “Lay Ministry” includes all those with pastoral or leadership responsibilities; lay supply, youth ministry, family ministry and other lay ministry positions.

5.2 TERMS OF APPOINTMENT

- 5.2.1 There is no usual term for appointments to lay ministry, but it is generally accepted that such positions should be regularly reviewed, with the involvement of partners and the local church.
- 5.2.2 As an employee, all **paid** lay ministry positions should be agreed with a clearly worded employment agreement and job description. When employing anyone, the local church council must comply with all employment legislation as required. Lay Ministers are no different from other paid employees in this regard. Voluntary positions would benefit by having a clear job description.
- 5.2.3 Before confirming an appointment, checks should be made into the character of the appointee, including a police check. Police vetting checks are a mandatory requirement of all Church Partners, and can be obtained through the national church offices.
- 5.2.4 All lay ministers should sign a Code of Ethics – using either one from the partner churches or the UCANZ Code of Ethics.

5.3 PAYMENT

- 5.3.1 Each lay ministry position should be paid according to the individual employment agreement that has been signed. Partner church offices are able to assist local churches to set up employment agreements.
- 5.3.2 Where ministry is conducted only by voluntary service, consideration should be given for assistance with books, travel and/or accommodation, and reimbursement of reasonable costs.

5.4 DISCIPLINE

- 5.4.1 All lay people are under the discipline of the Church – in the first instance the local church council is responsible in consultation with and under the guidance of the Coordinating Convening Partner.
- 5.4.2 Any complaints of illegal activities should be notified to the Coordinating Convening Partner authorities and to the police.
- 5.4.3 Complaints about sexual impropriety, financial irregularities, inappropriate behaviour, breaches of church discipline or ethical standards, or failures of ministry, should be notified to the Coordinating Convening Partner authorities. This is especially important if there are possible implications for liability insurance. Complaints can be laid by individuals or by groups (eg local church council).

5.5 CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

There is not a common approach among the Partner Churches to the celebration of communion and this matter must be treated with respect and care.

- 5.5.1 The Congregational Union and Christian Churches allow for members of the local church to administer communion if they are so appointed by the local church.
- 5.5.2 The Presbyterian and Methodist Churches allow for the authorisation of appropriate lay people to celebrate communion – especially where there is difficulty in obtaining ordained ministers.
- 5.5.3 The Anglican Church has affirmed the tradition of Bishops and priests only presiding at communion and in a Cooperative Venture with Anglican participation this must be accounted for.

5.6 OTHER EMPLOYEES

- 5.6.1 When employing anyone, the local church council must comply with all employment legislation as required. Non-ministry employees may include church secretaries, cleaners, finance, or maintenance workers.
- 5.6.2 Care must be taken to identify any conflict of interests that may arise in terms of employment – such interest should be declared and those involved may step aside from decisions.
- 5.6.3 Any potential liabilities with respect to employees should be referred, as soon as possible, to the administration of the Coordinating Convening Partner.

5.7 VOLUNTEERS

- 5.7.1 The Local Church Council must also take responsibility for the health and safety of any volunteers working or visiting any church owned property.
- 5.7.2 Care should be taken to ensure that the work load or obligations taken on by volunteers are not too onerous.
- 5.7.3 Volunteers working with children and young people should be of reputable character. Police vetting checks are required for anyone working directly with children and young people. Police

vetting checks are a mandatory requirement of all Church Partners, and can be obtained through the national church offices. This includes, but is not limited to, Sunday School teachers, Youth Groups leaders and assistants, etc.

6. Procedures for Local Shared Ministry

Local Shared Ministry is an inclusive term that allows for the roles of ministry to be fulfilled by members of the local church. Local Shared Ministry is distinct from Lay Ministry and Lay Ministry Teams, whose provisions are laid out in Section 5. There are a variety of models and this section provides a broad understanding of what may be understood as Local Shared Ministry.

- 6.1 A local church may seek to explore the options of Local Shared Ministry for theological, missional or economic reasons. Such exploration may be led by the ~~Coordinating~~ ~~Convening~~ Partner but should include the Participating Partner(s) (including any Regional Forum representatives).
- 6.2 When the form of Local Shared Ministry is clarified, it should be approved by the Local Church Partners and a copy sent to the UCANZ office.
- 6.3 An enabler can be Lay or Ordained. A covenant (for ordained ministry) or employment agreement (for lay ministry) will be required where an enabler is paid. Assistance with employment agreements and covenants is available from regional or national church offices.”
- 6.4 An Enabler (or other form of ministry oversight) is appointed by the ~~Convening~~ ~~Coordinating~~ Partner for a defined term, with the approval of the Participating Partner(s). Any review of that position should also include all of the local church partners. The payment of an Enabler is the responsibility of the local church.
- 6.5 The Enabler oversees the approved process of selection, discernment, confirmation, training and authorisation of the Local Shared Ministry team.
- 6.6 It is essential that any ordination of Local Shared Ministry team members be approved by the Local Church Partners and the validity recognised.
- 6.7 Each member of a Local Shared Ministry team must sign a Code of Ethics.
- 6.8 Members of the Local Shared Ministry team are under the discipline of the partner churches – in the first instance the ~~Convening~~ ~~Coordinating~~ Partner takes a lead.
- 6.9 Any complaints of illegal activities should be notified to the ~~Convening~~ ~~Coordinating~~ Partner authorities and to the police.
- 6.10 Complaints about sexual impropriety, financial irregularities, inappropriate behaviour, breaches of church discipline or ethical standards, or failures of ministry, should be notified to the ~~Convening~~ ~~Coordinating~~ Partner authorities. This is especially important if there are possible implications for liability insurance.
- 6.11 The model of Local Shared Ministry should be reviewed by the local church partners every three years – the ~~Coordinating~~ ~~Convening~~ Partner to convene the meeting.

7. Procedures for Dissolution

It is acknowledged that some partnerships come to an end, and there are times when a Cooperative Venture should be dissolved. There are many reasons why such dissolution may be sought – this is a common process for whatever reason.

- 7.1 Consideration of the dissolution of a Cooperative Venture may come from one of the local church partners or from the local church itself.
- 7.2 Those considering dissolving a Cooperative Venture should make contact as early as possible with the UCANZ office for guidance on procedures.
- 7.3 No move to dissolve a Cooperative Venture can be taken without a confirmed Capital Ratio.
- 7.4 The ~~Coordinating Convening~~ Partner is required to meet with the Participating Partner(s) and the local church council to consider the reasons for the request and to identify the consequences of dissolution as soon as possible.
- 7.5 Should agreement be reached to consider dissolution, a commission will be established to work through the process (see [9.3.4 Guidelines on Dissolution](#)) or identify alternative solutions.
- 7.6 The commission will comprise representatives from the local church partners' regional courts and from the local church. A mutually agreed convenor (preferably from outside the church courts involved) will oversee the process.
- 7.7 If agreement to dissolve the Cooperative Venture is reached the commission will undertake the process of:
 - i. gaining approval from the local church (congregational meeting)
 - ii. confirming the current property schedules
 - iii. defining the distribution of assets
 - iv. liaising with Trustees
 - v. ensuring documentation is signed to dissolve the agreement
 - vi. acknowledging the end of a shared journey
- 7.8 Historical records will be appropriately archived, with all partners notified of the repository. Minute books, pulpit bibles, photos, plaques, chalices, banners and other artifacts that came from one partner should be offered to their original partner for archiving.

8. Uniting Congregations of Aotearoa New Zealand

8.1 PARTNERSHIP

- 8.1.1 Like Cooperative Ventures, UCANZ is also a visible sign of partnership. The Partner Churches are
- the Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia,
 - Christian Churches New Zealand,
 - the Congregational Union of New Zealand,
 - the Methodist Church of New Zealand/Te Hāhi Weteriana o Aotearoa,
 - the Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand
- 8.1.2 The work of UCANZ is funded by grants from the five partner churches.

8.2 FORUM

- 8.2.1 Meets bi-annually, with representation invited from all Cooperative Ventures and Partner Churches.
- 8.2.2 The business meeting of Forum will allow up to two voting representatives from each local church, and up to two voting representatives from each Partner Church. All other people may have observer status and the opportunity to speak.
- 8.2.3 Elects a chairperson(s).
- 8.2.4 Elects up to nine people to be members of Standing Committee.
- 8.2.5 Receives a report on the work of Standing Committee and may approve directions or papers presented by Standing Committee.

8.3 STANDING COMMITTEE

- 8.3.1 Role of the Standing Committee
- Promotes partnership, ecumenism, and church unity
 - Encourages opportunities for churches to work together
 - Reports annually to the Partner Churches
- 8.3.2 Standing Committee comprises;
- Chairperson(s) elected by the Forum
 - Up to nine members elected by the Forum
 - Up to two representatives from each Partner Church
 - The Executive Officer of UCANZ
- 8.3.3 An elected member may serve no more than six consecutive years. A chairperson may serve no more than four consecutive years.
- 8.3.4 Standing Committee may co-opt up to three members to provide necessary skills.

- 8.3.5 Standing Committee may appoint sub-committees to undertake specific tasks; including finance, personnel and forum preparation. People from outside the Standing Committee may serve on such sub-committees.

8.4 UCANZ OFFICE

- 8.4.1 The Executive Officer and Administration Assistant work to administer those things which can be shared as Cooperative Ventures.
- 8.4.2 The UCANZ office:
- ~~administers the Partner Support Fund—on behalf of MCNZ, PCANZ, helps facilitate financial assessment of CVs by Anglican, Methodist, and Presbyterian Partners. Separate arrangements are in place to remunerate~~ CCNZ and CUNZ
 - administers the Cooperative Ventures Removal Scheme
 - collects statistics
 - keeps a database(s) that records details relevant to the life of Cooperative Ventures.
 - Maintains a file of Schedules, Letters of Appointment, Changes of ~~Coordinating~~ Convening Partner, Changes of Appointing Partner, Changes of Ministry
- 8.4.3 Through the office, UCANZ provides support, advice, and encouragement to Partner Churches, regional courts, church leaders and Cooperative Ventures in the working out of their partnerships.
- 8.4.4 The UCANZ office asks ~~Coordinating~~ Convening Partners to convene meetings to discuss a particular local church situation when necessary.

8.5 UCANZ TASKS

- 8.5.1 Resourcing the Partners
- The UCANZ Office works with the Resource Allocation Group (see 9.3.2) and Regional Partners to facilitate this.
 - ~~Partner Support Fund~~
 - ~~The Partner Support Fund provides a way for local churches to make a single contribution to the wider work of the Presbyterian Church, Methodist Church, Christian Churches, Congregational Union.~~
 - ~~Diocesan levies for Cooperative Ventures with Anglican partners are not allocated through the Partner Support Fund.~~
 - ~~Regional Court levies are not collected by UCANZ.~~
 - ~~The Partner Support Fund is administered by the UCANZ office, who report to the Partner Churches annually on the performance of the fund (see 9.3.2).~~
- 8.5.2 Cooperative Ventures Removal Scheme
- The Cooperative Ventures Removal Scheme allows a collective response to the cost of moving ministers throughout New Zealand.
 - Any Cooperative Venture may join the scheme in accordance with the guidelines (see 9.3.1).

8.5.3 Statistics

- The UCANZ office collates statistics for the use of all the Partner Churches.

8.5.4 Records

The historical records of UCANZ and its predecessors (Joint National Committee on Church Extension, National Churches Unity Council, Forum of Cooperative Ventures) will be deposited, when appropriate, in the Archives, Knox College, Dunedin.

9.3.2 Guidelines for Resourcing the Partners

Introduction

All local churches that are members of a national denominational church including our five Partner Churches contribute to the resourcing of the national and regional church structures. Cooperative Ventures have a similar responsibility to help in the resourcing of their Partners.

The system used since 1998 with national funding for four of the national Partners through the Partner Support Fund (the Anglican Dioceses received funding direct from Cooperative Ventures with Anglican participation) is no longer appropriate nor fair.

A Working Group was established by the Biennial Forum in 2015 to review the situation and suggest an alternative arrangement for resourcing the Partners. After extensive consultation with the Partners and parishes it was recommended that the Partner Support Fund be terminated, and the roles performed by the Coordinating Partner be split into Convening Partner and Appointing Partner.

The Convening Partner will rotate among the Partners every three years. The Convening Partner (national/diocesan) will be responsible for determining and collecting the assessment/quota for each CV. Regional levies will also be paid where appropriate.

Where Regional Forums pay their regional levies collectively, or where the Forum acts for the Synod or Presbytery, the 2018 amended Procedures do not require a change in arrangements for the payment of regional levies, although national assessments will still be paid to the Convening Partner only; where there is an Anglican Partner and a regional levy is paid to the Forum, the diocese may need to reduce its quota by the amount of the regional levy when it is Convening Partner.

While Christian Churches and Congregational Union Partners may act as Convening Partner, their financial arrangements will be agreed through UCANZ to ensure they receive their fair share of resources.

Resource Allocation Group (RAG)

A Resource Allocation Group will be formed comprising:

- A national representative from the Anglican Church
- A national Representative from the Methodist Church
- A national Representative from the Presbyterian Church
- Two representatives appointed by the UCANZ Standing Committee – preferably one from each of North and South Islands
- The Executive Officer of UCANZ (*ex officio*)

The Role of the RAG is:

- To make the initial determination of Convening Partner for each CV. For CVs with more than two Partners the RAG will also determine the order of Convening Partner. This determination will be made after consultation with local Regional Forums and parishes.
- To ensure that there is balance between the Partners at both national and regional level when deciding on the allocation of Convening Partner to CVs

- To receive and decide on appeals from individual CVs on the level of assessment/quota required by Partners at both National and Regional level.
- To make any adjustments in the rotation of Convening Partner if changes in the number of CVs and partnerships significantly changes.
- Any significant issues regarding payment or other issues – seeking to resolve these as they arise.

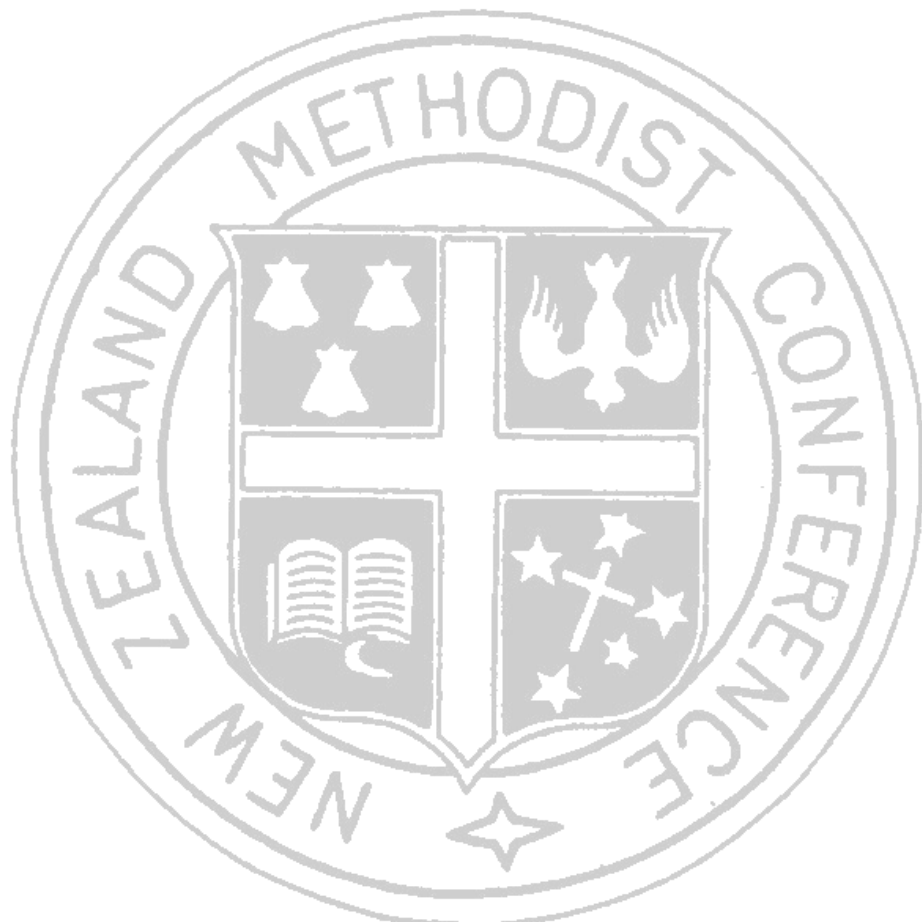
Implementation

The RAG will advise all CVs (and Regional Courts) by 31 March 2019 of their Convening Partner, and where applicable, the order of rotation. The designated Convening Partner will then collect funds from the CVs from 1 July 2019.

The first changeover of Convening Partner shall be on 1 July 2022.

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Faith & Order



FAITH & ORDER COMMITTEE

Faith and Order is tasked with exercising stewardship over our identity as Methodist Christians, we are faced both with the tasks of elaborating our connection to other Christian communities and speaking faithfully of our distinctiveness. We do so on the instruction of Conference and we find ourselves engaged in a range of tasks. These include the crafting and authorizing of liturgical resources, ecumenical dialogue, the preparation of the lectionary and contributing to the reflections of other boards and committees as and when our advice is sought. In our work we acknowledge that the church stands in a continuity of Christian witness and that the common life and witness of Christians over generations needs to be honoured and listened to while we also accept that there are particularities of our context that likewise need to be heeded.

Questions of identity have been at the forefront of our work over the last two years, this has been determined by the tasks set us when Conference met at Wesley College in 2016. Between Conference in Blenheim the year before and Conference 2016 it seemed clear to us that it is important to address quite what it is to be a Methodist. Sometimes we had found that this or that was claimed as “Methodist” or even “un Methodist”. We were made aware that Mission Resourcing also felt it important to address the question of Methodist identity. One of our members – Cathie Hoggard- has prepared a resource (see Appendix One) that has been generally well received. It is a readable introduction on what it is to be Methodist and on Methodist origins that we hear people from across the connexion have engaged with. Of course there can be no one exhaustive account and there can be no one account which tells the story through every cultural lens so we would encourage the church to continue to have that conversation; what is it to be Methodist?

A clear sense of identity, of being Methodist, is essential in our ecumenical dialogues. Our dialogues are guided in large part by the principles of what is called receptive ecumenism, a way of dialogue in which each party brings a strong sense of itself and of the wisdom and gifts of its tradition yet is open to the wisdom and gifts of the other. In both our dialogues – with the Anglican and Roman Catholic churches – we engage with our partners in this way.

Methodist-Catholic Dialogue

The Methodist-Catholic Dialogue has met twice each year since last Conference. Relations are cordial and discussions are interesting and enlightening. We have covered the following topics since last Conference: Methodist-Catholic relations in Rome; contemplative prayer in the Catholic tradition; the benefits Catholics have received from the Reformation; the encyclical *Laudate Si*; International Catholic-Methodist report *The Call to Holiness*; a comparison of Wesley’s eighteenth century high church convictions compared to the nineteenth century Oxford Movement; the form of ecumenical cooperation in the Napier church covenant; report on the 4th Receptive Ecumenism conference held in Canberra; the history of the Catholic hymn gifted to the Methodists *Mo Maria*. Our future plans include a trilateral conversation between Catholics-Methodist-Anglicans about the nature of diaconal ministry; the history of the Ratana church; inter-church marriage; secularisation in western culture.

Methodist – Anglican Dialogue

The Methodist-Anglican dialogue has also met twice yearly since the last Conference with the occasional flurry of increased activity as we have sought to engage with the state of the Ecumenical conversation between us and where it might go. The major issue has been on how we might proceed towards a mutual recognition of ministry and in doing so increase the possibilities for cooperation and the sharing of often scarce resources. Appendix Two is a report sent to synods emerging from an invitation from Anglican General Synod for Methodists to embrace ways of expressing the personal and enduring ministry of episcopate that is of the nature of the presidential office. Thus far it has met with a mixed reception but we hope to secure Conference’s consent to explore with the Church – in cooperation with Mission and Ecumenical – what this proposal would require of us, what it might be like and what it could lead to.

At our last meeting we acknowledged that our dialogue has to be broader than simply the question of moving towards interchangeability of ministry. In future meetings we will consider issues emerging from our shared and divergent history and explore the liturgy and spirituality of our respective traditions.

We have been engaged in some thinking about leadership, in 2017 the document On Leadership was circulated (see Appendix Three), it was very much focussed on leadership where you are. It is the belief of members of Faith and Order that leadership looks and feels different in different contexts as an embodiment of culture and theology and we sought to elucidate some of this pattern of understanding. In that the feedback we received was limited we are not sure we have done this and will seek to reengage the church with this task. We plan for a completed report by Conference 2020 with a provisional report for August synods next year.

As you can see questions of Methodist identity have defined the greater part of our work in recent years. We have also sought feedback on the pink booklet, the experimental liturgies for Holy Communion we released some time ago now. The feedback has been limited but positive and we are gratified to see them in wide use. We have also had some conversations around funeral and memorial services after some correspondence from people concerned about services they have recently attended. We have it in mind to write a pastoral letter on this issue but in the meantime we would point you to the funeral liturgies you can find under Faith and Order on the MCNZ website and to the Waikato-Waiariki pages on the MCNZ website which include valuable material from teaching session on funerals and memorials.

We note that Andrew Gamman is retiring at this conference but are happy he has decided to continue with us for another year, we will be looking very soon for a new lectionary editor! We remain committed to being an open, reflective and engaged group and welcome the opportunity to contribute towards the doing of theology around the Church.

Suggested decisions:

1. That the report be received.
2. That membership of Faith and Order for 2018-20 consist of; Rev David Poultney (convener,) Rev Robyn Allen-Goudge, Rev Norman Brookes, Rev Jan Fogg, Rev Tony Franklin-Ross, Rev Andrew Gamman (2018-19 only) Mrs Cathie Hoggard, Rev Dr Trevor Hoggard, Mr Peter Lane, Rev Paulo Ieli, Rev Falaniko Mann Taito, Rev Goll Manukia, Rev Ikilifi Pope, Mr Rowan Smiley, Mr Paula Taumoepeau, Rev Alivereti Uludole.
3. That membership of the Methodist team in the Methodist-Catholic dialogue consist of; Rev Dr Trevor Hoggard (co-convener), Rev Tony Franklin-Ross, Rev Keita Hotere, Rev Setaita Kinahoi-Veikune Rev David Poultney, Rev Tovia Aumua, Rev Dr Terry Wall.
4. That membership of the Methodist team in the Methodist-Anglican dialogue consist of: Rev Tony Franklin-Ross (Co-Convenor), Rev Dr Trevor Hoggard, Rev David Poultney, Rev Dr Terry Wall, Rev Prince Devanandan, plus one other appointed by the President.
5. We thank the Rev Utumau'u Pupulu – who is no longer a member of the committee – for his service and contribution.
6. That Conference request Faith and Order complete the report on leadership for Conference 2020 submitting a provisional report to August synods in 2019.
7. That Conference expresses its support for the ongoing work of dialogue engaged in with both the Roman Catholic and Anglican churches.
8. That Conference, following the invitation made by the Anglican General Synod, approve a two year period of consultation and conversation around the Church on the possibility of moving towards a more clear recognition of the personal and enduring nature of the episcopate held by those chosen for the presidency.

APPENDIX ONE

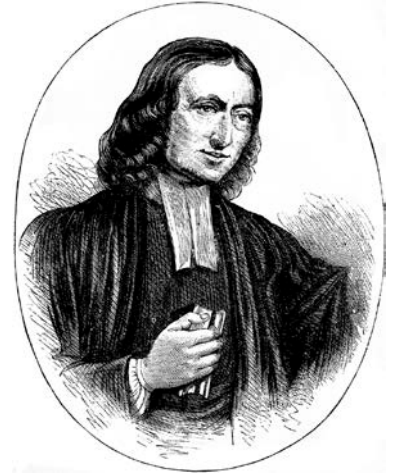
On Being Methodist

There are 70,000,000 Methodists world-wide. What makes them different from other denominations?

ROOTS

The Wesleys

John and Charles Wesley were sons of the vicarage. Their parents, Samuel and Susannah were both from Anglican backgrounds. Samuel's father and grandfather had been ordained before him. Susannah's father, Dr Annesley, was one of the leading non-conformist ministers in London at the time. Both parents were well-educated and they taught all their children to read and write in English, Greek and Latin. Both parents were creative and wrote poetry and music.



At Oxford University John and Charles began their journey towards the creation of the Methodist church, establishing a Holy Club of people who wanted to meet regularly for fellowship, prayer and study. They were very methodical in their practice. They visited the poor and the sick, took communion regularly and fasted twice a week.

The Wesley brothers went on to be ordained, and were invited to go to Georgia to minister in Savannah and to the 'natives'. Things did not go well and they returned to London. A few months later, each brother had a spiritual experience, where he felt, for the first time, an assurance that God loved him and that he was saved. After spending some time with the Moravian church, they began their own societies. The Anglican Church did not accept them, so John and Charles, and the new societies preached in the open air and in their own buildings, making thousands of converts through their enthusiasm, their singing and their challenge for changed lives. One hearer, an Anglican rector, wrote to John Wesley, "Your way of thinking is so extraordinary that your presence creates awe, as if you were an inhabitant of another world." [Whitelamb, rector of Wroote]

The Methodist church grew out of a need to organise and formalise the new societies. Chapels were built. There was a system of membership, with tickets that were renewed every three months (if you were still worthy). The Class Meeting was established for regular meetings of small groups for prayer, study and fellowship. To organise the church, the Wesley's established a Conference to meet regularly, with John Wesley in the chair.

How and when did Methodism come to New Zealand?

Some of the first Europeans to come to New Zealand were Methodist missionaries. The Methodist emphasis on personal salvation and social responsibility both played a part in bringing the missionaries to these shores. The first mission was at Kaeo in Northland in 1823, set up by the Wesleyan Methodist Missionary Society in Britain. More missions were set up in the 1830's and 1840's in such places as Hokianga, Manukau, Kaipara, Kawhia, Waipa, Mokau and New Plymouth in the North Island, and Waikouaiti and Cloudy Bay in the South Island.

A Native Institution was established in 1845 to train Maori ministers to serve Maori communities. By 1858 10% of New Zealanders were Methodist (a higher proportion than in England), and by 1850 there were 22 Methodist ministers in the country.

In 1874 the church became independent of the British Conference and had its own annual Conference in New Zealand. Until 1910 this reported to the Australian Conference every three years.

Current position

The 19th and 20th centuries saw the height of popularity for the Methodist Church in New Zealand. It also exercised a strong social influence. Since then there has been a steady decline. Only 4.5% of the population were Methodist in 1981 and this dropped to 2.6% in 2013. The makeup of the church has also changed from being mainly European and Maori to being 33% Pacifica by 2013.

<http://www.teara.govt.nz/en/methodist-church>

Thirteen things that are distinctive about Methodism

1. All can be saved

This is a traditional summary of Methodist teaching.

“All need to be saved.

All may be saved.

All may know themselves saved.

All may be saved to the uttermost.”

No-one is without sin. No-one is beyond the reach of God’s love, and anyone who turns to God will be saved and can have a personal experience of God.

2. Assurance of God’s love and salvation

After his experience at Aldersgate St., where he felt his heart warmed with an assurance that God had taken away his sins, John was sure that such a feeling of assurance was available to everyone. Not that the feeling was what saved you, but that you could know that you are saved – not just theoretically.

3. Living a holy life

John Wesley taught about ‘Christian perfection.’ He believed that a mature Christian can reach a state where the love of God reigns supreme in the heart. And that one should be always working towards that state through Bible study, prayer, fellowship and social engagement.

This is why Methodists spend time in study and prayer, and why they engage in social projects with homeless, jobless and deprived people in New Zealand and abroad.

4. Importance of laity

Local members take responsibility for the upkeep of buildings, care of the members, preaching the gospel etc. All Christians are ‘ministers’ in that all have a personal relationship with God and can speak directly to him and receive wisdom and guidance from him. Local members also take part in the decisions of the whole church through parish meetings and representation to Synod and Conference.

5. Small groups

Class meetings originally met weekly to keep people accountable for their faith journey. They had to share what God had done in their life since this last meeting. Others could comment and encourage them, or tell them off! Methodists are still encouraged to meet for prayer and Bible study in small groups, where they can learn from each other and encourage each other to grow in the faith.

6. Reading the Bible

Personal and group reading of the Bible is encouraged as a way of getting to know more about God and being inspired and directed.

God reveals himself through his word to anyone who reads it.

7. The Methodist Quadrilateral

Although the Bible is the great revelation of God’s story and his will, the early Methodists were encouraged to test new ideas against the 4 wise insights:

Scripture: the inspired word of God and supreme source of insight.

Tradition: what has God done and said in the Church in the past, especially the older mainstream churches.

Reason: using the God-given intellect to test the rationality of an idea.

Experience: asking if there is evidence of the new idea in the lives of Christian people.

8. The Covenant Service

Methodist churches hold an annual Covenant service where members remember what God has done in their life during the year and renew their commitment to God for the coming year. They make this prayer:

“I am no longer my own, but Thine. Put me to what Thou will. Let me be employed for Thee or laid aside for Thee. Let me be full, let me be empty. Let me have all things, let me have nothing. I freely and heartily yield all things to Thy pleasure and disposal. Thou art mine, and I am Thine.”

9. Born in song

Charles Wesley wrote about 6,000 hymns, many of which are still sung today across the world, in all languages. It was known from the first that singing was a powerful way of spreading the gospel, explaining the faith and connecting people to each other. John Wesley had strong feelings about how people should sing – He wrote these instructions for the first formal hymn book:

....Sing them exactly as they are printed here, without altering or mending them at all;

Sing all. See that you join with the congregation as frequently as you can.

Let not a single degree of weakness or weariness hinder you.

Sing lustily and with good courage. Beware of singing as if you were half dead, or asleep; but lift up your voice with strength.

Sing in time. Whatever time is sung be sure to keep with it.

Above all sing spiritually. Have an eye to God in every word you sing.

It is still a moving experience to be part of a Methodist congregation singing with enthusiasm.

10. Connexion

A Methodist belongs to a local congregation which is part of the wider organisation, both national and international. Wesley said, “Do not allow yourself one thought of separating from your brothers and sisters, whether their opinions agree with your or not.”

11. Itinerancy

This began out of the need to provide the new Methodist societies with good preachers. Mr. Wesley moved his preachers around the different circuits every year initially. One reason for this was a fear that they might become stale. Another was the desire to keep the links between the circuits and the national organisation (the Connexion) alive. Over the years, the length of stay has increased from one year to five, ten or even more.

12. Society

For the Wesleys, deeds as well as faith were important in Christian life. Doing good was seen as part of the faith journey. There were two kinds of work to do: work at reading the Bible and attending church; and work at following the example and commands of Jesus to heal the sick and care for the weak. In the early days Methodists were involved in welfare projects such as caring for the poor and prisoners. Methodists have also been active in campaigns to improve the lives of the poor and disadvantaged through temperance, anti-slavery and anti-racism campaigns. This emphasis is still apparent today.

John Wesley may not actually have said, “Do all the good you can. By all the means you can. In all the ways you can. In all the places you can. At all the times you can. To all the people you can. As long as ever you can.” However, he must have intended it. The Second General Rule of the United Societies 1739 read; By doing good; by being in every kind merciful after their power; as they have opportunity, doing good of every possible sort, and, as far as possible, to all men.

And John Wesley challenged people to ask; “Not, how much of my money will I give to God, but, how much of God’s money will I keep for myself?”

Evangelism

John Wesley said, "I look upon all the world as my parish; thus far I mean, that in whatever part of it I am, I judge it meet, right and my bounden duty to declare unto all that are willing to hear, the glad tidings of salvation." (Journal, June 11 1739) and "You have one business on earth – to save souls." Today we are given the same message by the World Methodist Council. "We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ's Commission to His church to preach the Gospel and to make Disciples is the supreme business of the Church."



Wesley preaches to a full church.

What does all this mean for us today?

The people called Methodist trace their foundation to a group of enthusiastic Christians who were inspired by the Holy Spirit to go out into their country and preach the good news, transform lives and then nurture the newly converted. We stand in their shadow and are charged to do so just the same in our own age.

APPENDIX TWO

Considering Episcopacy as a Sign of Continuity and Unity

**An Invitation to Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa – The Methodist Church of New Zealand
from Te Haahi Mihinare ki Aotearo ki Niu Tirenī – The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New
Zealand and Polynesia**

This paper is submitted by Faith & Order and Mission & Ecumenical

This year Anglican General Synod / *Te Hinoti Whanui* met in New Plymouth earlier this year. In a full agenda time was taken to consider the relationship between Anglicans and Methodists in this country and how this has evolved over time. These decisions were made in regard to our relationship;

That this General Synod / Te Hinoti Whanui:

- 1. Reaffirms its recognition that episcopacy is exercised within the Methodist Church of New Zealand through the office of the President.*
- 2. Reaffirms the covenantal hope to work towards a united and interchangeable ministry between the Anglican and the Methodist churches.*
- 3. Invites the Methodist Conference to consider how it might give more explicit expression to the personal and enduring nature of episcopal ministry on those who are set aside for this task.*
- 4. Commits to responding in an open and generous way to the Methodist Conference should they be able to give effect to such an expression of episcopal ministry.*

What does this mean and what does it ask of us?

In light of evolving ecumenical understandings the Anglican Church in this country has – in recent years – reaffirmed that the life, ministry, witness and ministry of word and sacrament in its partner churches – none of which has a person form of episcopal ministry – is authentic, real and life giving.

In cooperating ventures and parishes, in ecumenical chaplaincy in hospitals, higher education and elsewhere Methodists and Anglicans are united in ministry, mission and witness. The history is evident from the earliest days of co-operation between Anglican and Methodist missionaries in New Zealand in the early nineteenth century. However one of the hallmarks of the Anglican tradition is the ministry of what it calls the historic episcopate, that the unity and continuity of the Church is expressed (but not guaranteed) by the office and ministry of bishops. The bishop as the minister who ordains acts in ordination as witness to the continuity of the Church and its mission over time.

This explains the apparent incongruity of the Anglican Church affirming the validity and authenticity of ordained ministry in the Methodist Church while requiring that Methodist presbyters seeking to offer sacramental ministry in an Anglican context must be ordained as Anglican priests. We know from our life as a church the enrichment and blessing we have experienced in the ministry of Anglican priests serving on our church; we think of the Rev Prince Devanandan – currently our President and the Rev Marilyn Welch who is District Superintendent in Auckland, Manukau and Northland. We think too of the now retired Rev Maureen Calman's ministry in Te Awamutu. We wish we were in a position to share of our insight and gifts in the life of the Anglican Church in the same way. Currently in the Taranaki region for example, many of our co-operating ventures receive ministry resourcing from Anglican regional deans, who also oversee Anglican parishes; however the time and skills of a Methodist presbyter could not currently be deployed in this kind of shared ministry.

Clearly this stumbling block to deeper cooperation and sharing is a challenge to ministry in those parts of the country where both churches struggle for resources. Some of us might ask why the Anglican Church just doesn't let this go and remove the barrier that way. We need to remember that New Zealand Anglicans are part of a worldwide communion and that the historic episcopate is one of the markers of that communion; an indispensable aspect of what being Anglican (often tellingly enough Episcopalian) is. We could no more ask our Anglican friends to put it aside than they could ask us to do away with Connexionalism.

So are we being asked to make our Presidents Anglican bishops? The short answer is no, this is a slightly longer answer but is still a no.

The Anglican Church accepts that what the episcopate looks like is conditional on place and culture, in other words it is "locally expressed." So we ask what a Methodist episcopal ministry, a ministry of continuity, a sign of our unity might look like. The care we take and the angst we sometimes go through in deciding upon our presidential teams show that this is a consequential decision not about simply who is capable of leading us but of who gathers us. Though New Zealand Methodists do not have a language of episcopal ministry personally expressed we suggest to the Church that this is already implicit to the choosing of our presidential team and in trust and respect accorded to its holders. What we are being invited to do is to make what perhaps is implicit and goes unsaid more clear and apparent in a way which meets an Anglican understanding of what the historic episcopate personally expressed looks like.

The Anglican-Methodist dialogue seeks to articulate and celebrate our common ground, and to honour our differences. Rather than one partner becoming more like the other, we seek to journey in mutual pilgrimage to discover ways of being in closer relationship with integrity, grace and generosity.

It is our contention that this step would acknowledge what is true of our presidential office and the ministry it exercises, we would also suggest to you that this is not a challenge to a Methodist ecclesiology or an attempt to undermine the role of lay people and deacons in our national leadership. What would change is that in the induction of the presbyter in the presidential team there would be a laying on of hands with an invocation of the Holy Spirit.

We do not have to take on board the word bishop, we do not have to add to the presidential stole a mitre and crozier – this would be a New Zealand Methodist episcopal ministry, it is not even an added dimension to the ministry of the presbyter in the presidential team as much as an elaboration of that ministry, a making it more clear.

We also need to reflect that while a presidential term is time limited and that there comes a point where members of the presidential team no longer exercise that office having being inducted into the role and carrying it for a while stays with its holders. It marks them out as persons deserving of our respect and gratitude over time and as persons who are trusted by the Church to perhaps undertake difficult and challenging things or to represent us in some way. We also need to reflect that a former president or vice president may be called upon to undertake aspects of the office they held if need be. Consider the ordination service, if a serving president were ill or incapacitated a former president would be called upon to ordain our new deacons and presbyters that year.

Our tradition, unlike some others, does not talk of ordination as a sacrament which leaves an indelible mark on the soul. However it does set life in a certain direction and that journey does not end with retirement from active ministry. We would contend the same is true of serving in the presidential team and the invitation from our Anglican friends challenges us to reflect on that and how we might honour it in our life as a church.

Some ecumenical steps New Zealand Anglicans have taken

Sometimes when Methodists talk about the possibilities of deepening our relationship with the Anglican Church there is a wariness. This is expressed succinctly in the question “Why is it always us who have to change?” The memory of the failure of the Anglican Church to accept the Plan for Union, a plan which involved establishing episcopal ministry in those partner churches which didn’t have it – a plan supported by 86% of Methodists at the time, can still hurt and there is sometimes a sense amongst Methodists that steps towards a deeper relationship with the Anglican Church imply a deficit on our part which they would seek to correct to make us acceptable. In truth the ecumenical journey, the journey towards Christian unity, demands change of us all.

In the Ecumenical journey churches have come to new understandings both of themselves and of one another. It might be helpful to remind ourselves of some of the steps New Zealand Anglicans have taken up to this point.

In 1967 the Anglican Church entered into the Act of Commitment with the Associated Churches of Christ, the Congregational Union of New Zealand, the Methodist Church of New Zealand and the Presbyterian Church of New Zealand; the Act of Commitment contains these words.

“In our faith in Jesus Christ as our one Lord and Saviour, and in our concern to serve His mission in the world, we now commit ourselves to Him and offer to Him our utmost endeavours that by the Holy Spirit we may be brought into one Church according to His will, to the glory of God the Father With the obedience we offer, we acknowledge our obligation to receive new insights and now do together many of the things which in the past we have done separately.”

Many New Zealand Methodists will remember the failure of the Anglican Church to accept the Plan for Union yet in the wake of this set back General Synod in 1976;

- 1. Reaffirmed the Act of Commitment to seek a basis for union with the other negotiating churches and*
- 2. Accepted that the negotiating churches are part of the one, holy, catholic and apostolic church, and recognised their ministries to be real ministries of the Word and Sacrament, given by Christ the Head of the Church.*

Item 2 was reaffirmed by General Synod in 1986. Also in 1986 General Synod requested the Bishops authorise the use of the Lima Liturgy¹ for use in ecumenical occasions where the Eucharist is celebrated. General Synod also affirmed “*both the apostolic content of the ordained ministry which exists in churches which have not maintained the episcopal succession and also the existence in these churches of episcopate in various forms.*”

In 1980 the House of Bishops narrowly failed to approve a bill for the unification of ministries, however General Synod made approval of the Covenant a Standing Resolution of the Church.

¹ See the WCC Document **Baptism, Eucharist and Ministry** (1982.)

In 1988 General Synod amended the Constitution and Canons of the Church to enable ordained ministers from the cooperating churches serving in a co-operating venture to have a seat in the House of Clergy in a Diocesan Synod with voting rights. In 1990 lay people from the cooperating churches were authorised to represent co-operating parishes in Diocesan Synods.

In 1990 General Synod added a new canon (an article of church law) “in the light of current ecumenical developments” which recognised baptism as the grounds for participation in the Eucharist. The new canon declared that all Christians baptised in the name of the Holy Trinity are welcome to receive Holy Communion in the Anglican Church.(It should be noted that intercommunion – the ability to receive Holy Communion in each other’s churches - dates back to the 1960s.) The canon also declared that Anglicans are free to receive Holy Communion in other churches where they are permitted to and subject to the dictates of conscience.

In 1992 General Synod added another clause to this canon enabling ordained clergy in other Christian Churches to preside at the Eucharist in an Anglican Church subject to episcopal approval. This celebration though is an ecumenical Eucharist rather than an Anglican one.

In 2009 a Covenant was signed between the Anglican Church and the Methodist Church. It sought to create a safe ecumenical space where uncomfortable questions might be sagely addressed and to foster a growing ease with and awareness of each other between the two traditions.

Faith and Order and Mission and Ecumenical welcome this initiative from the Anglican Church. It holds the possibility of a breakthrough in relations between the two churches; it will encourage new Methodist thought and reflection on leadership and bring a new freedom in sharing personnel for mission.

So we would like to ask you

1. What do you think and feel about this possibility?
2. Do you believe this is a step we can take with no loss of our identity or ethos?
3. Would the ministry and witness of the churches benefit from this step if it leads to interchangeability in ministry?
4. What ways could we honour the service and continuing distinctive roles of our former presidents and vice presidents; some possible examples are that they might process in at Conference services with the presidential team and sit with them, if they wish on stage at conference. Someone has suggested a distinctive badge or pectoral cross to wear at Conference and when representing the Church.
5. Do you have any questions or observations for Faith and Order and Mission and Ecumenical?

APPENDIX THREE

On Leadership

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 *Tauiri* 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.

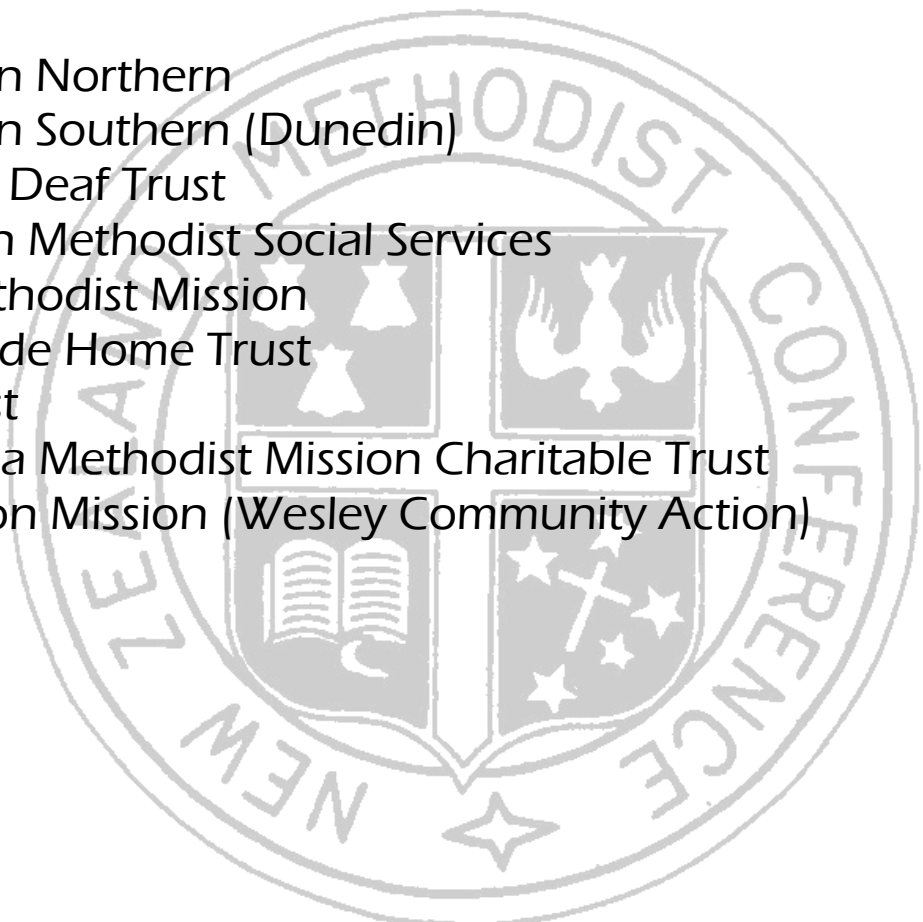
We would like to ask you some questions and welcome your feedback; these questions are not exhaustive and if you have any other observations about leadership please feel free to include them in your feedback.

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 Aotearoa
- Social Services
 - Methodist Mission Northern
 - Airedale Property Trust
 - Christchurch Methodist Mission
 - Hamilton Methodist Social Services (Methodist City Action)
 - Methodist Mission Northern
 - Methodist Mission Southern (Dunedin)
 - Ministry with the Deaf Trust
 - Palmerston North Methodist Social Services
 - Sinoti Samoa Methodist Mission
 - Tamahere Eventide Home Trust
 - The Lifewise Trust
 - Vahefonua Tonga Methodist Mission Charitable Trust
 - Wesley Wellington Mission (Wesley Community Action)



METHODIST ALLIANCE AOTEAROA
NGA PURAPURA WETERIANA

Vision: A just and inclusive society in which all people flourish

 <p>22 members</p>	<p>New Zealand Government Te Kāwanatanga o Aotearoa</p>  <p>5 meetings with MPs & govt officials</p>	 <p>3 submissions to government</p>
 <p>73 attended the Methodist Alliance Forum</p>	 <p>METHODIST ALLIANCE NGA PURAPURA WETERIANA</p> <p>logo designed & co-branding guidelines created</p>	 <p>The Tindall Foundation <i>Contributing to a stronger New Zealand</i></p> <p>21 donations made to member organisations</p>
 <p>8 articles published</p>	 <p>New Zealand Council Of Christian Social Services</p> <p>2 representatives on the Council</p>	 <p>e-Messenger <i>The Methodist Church of New Zealand – Te Hāhi Weteriana O Aotearoa</i></p> <p>12 articles published</p>
 <p>13 members on the Steering Group</p>	 <p>1 National Coordinator</p>	 <p>30 updates to members</p>



415
FTE staff



729
volunteer staff



4301
families supported



8
events



81
youth events



337
parenting programmes



60
children provided foster care



288
children enrolled in ECE



280
children enrolled in a children's programme






20
programmes in schools



1898
older people supported



200
older people provided residential care

 <p>42 new houses built</p>	 <p>527 people housed</p>	 <p>672 drop in and hospitality events</p>
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Some current Methodist Alliance members are:



The Methodist Alliance was formed at Conference 2016, bringing together Methodist missions, parishes and trusts engaged in social services and/or community work in Aotearoa in a formal alliance.

Carol Barron was appointed as National Coordinator of the Methodist Alliance and is based at the Christchurch Methodist Mission. Policies and procedures have been established and a logo created with branding guidelines for co-branding. Thanks to a PAC grant a brochure about the Methodist Alliance was designed and printed and has raised the visibility of the Methodist Alliance and its members.

The eligibility criteria of the various funds that the Methodist Alliance manages have been reviewed, updated and clear guidelines drafted for regular distributions in the future.

Information has been collated to understand the big picture of government investment in Methodist agencies and meeting with government officials and MPs strengthened these relationships. We highlighted our point of difference to government including our ethnic synods, which means the Methodist Alliance is uniquely placed to provide services that are culturally appropriate, designed, delivered and evaluated within a cultural framework.

The Methodist Alliance is a faith funding manager for the Tindall Foundation. The application procedure has been refined and allocations have been made according to the Tindall foundation criteria.

Submissions

The Methodist Alliance made two submissions to Parliament in the past year. These were on the Child Poverty Reduction Bill and the Residential Tenancies (Prohibition of Letting Fees) Amendment Bill. The previous year a submission on the Children, Young Persons and their Families (Oranga Tamariki) Bill was made. In addition to this several members made submissions eg. Palmerston North Methodist Social Services made a submission on the Mental Health Inquiry terms of reference.

The Methodist Alliance also provides input into the submissions made by NZCCSS, in particular on the Social Workers Registration Bill and the Terms of Reference for the Royal Commission of Inquiry into Historical Abuse in State Care.

Methodist Alliance Forum

The first Methodist Alliance Forum was held in Christchurch in November 2017 and 73 members attended. The forum started with a pōwhiri at Rehua Marae and a discussion on the bi-cultural journey. This was followed by visits to Christchurch Methodist Mission's community led development programmes, social housing projects, Aratupu – early childhood education centre and WesleyCare home and hospital. Other people visited Kosipeli's community gardens. There were presentations from members on their work, workshops on housing strategies; new approaches to working with children and families; building strong neighbourhoods; fundraising and communications; and a gathering of Māori staff with Te Taha Māori. Strategic planning and other business was discussed, agreed and priorities set for the future.

At the Methodist Alliance forum three strategic priorities were agreed. These are:

1. Safe and secure housing
2. Strong resilient Tamariki/children and families/whānau
3. Building stronger communities – including reducing social isolation for older people

Over the past year our members have achieved the following on these priorities:

1. Safe and secure housing

a. Housing First

Lifewise & Christchurch Methodist Mission are leading the Housing First collaborations in Auckland & Christchurch which provide permanent houses for those who have been long term

homeless. Both programmes have developed a strong kaupapa Māori approach and support the training and employment of peer support workers.

Airedale Property Trust supports Lifewise in this programme through entering into lease agreements with private landlords and thereby securing housing for Lifewise clients.

b. Emergency and transitional housing

Christchurch Methodist Mission provides emergency and transitional housing for 14 families in Christchurch and 34 families in Blenheim. In May, Christchurch Methodist Mission took over the lease of a 16 unit motel complex in Blenheim for families. Christchurch North Parish has leased their old parsonage to Christchurch Methodist Mission for emergency housing.

Methodist City Action supports the work of Hamilton Christian Nightshelter Trust which offers temporary accommodation in Hamilton, has daily contact with their manager, and acts as a drop off point for donations.

c. Youth housing

Supported youth housing in Auckland and Wellington provides housing for young people as well as wrap around life skills.

Lifewise provides housing to 31 young people who have been homeless or at risk of homelessness, many of whom have experiences of being in care. This work is supported by Airedale Property Trust who lease a number of units from Housing NZ for Lifewise's youth housing programme.

Methodist City Action in Hamilton is working with other faith based organisations and community agencies to map the services and demand for youth housing in Hamilton.

Volunteers in the Dunedin Parish support the youth transition house set up by Methodist Mission Southern (MMS) and also support MMS by knitting for the Early Year Hub.

d. Older person housing

Methodist Alliance members provide a wide range of living options for older people to live independently or with support.

Hamilton East Parish provides 14 two bedroom units at two locations for senior citizens.

Airedale Property Trust provides independent living accommodation for older people in central Auckland and housing for people with disabilities on Auckland's North Shore. The trust is re-developing its Everil Orr residential care facility to a retirement village to allow older people to stay in Mt Albert and to provide funding for social housing. Airedale Property Trust has retained the Astley name in Mt Albert with the completion of the first Stage of the Everil Orr re-development.

The Property Team at Airedale Property Trust is working with Wesley Community Action to build 25 social housing units in Naenae Wellington after the closure of Wesley Haven, which provided residential care for older people.

Christchurch Methodist Mission's Wesley Village provides a range of housing options for older people with 57 independent units on site. The two-storey community housing building of 26 units, at Christchurch Methodist Mission, has undergone a major facelift with significant work including painting the exterior and interior, installing additional insulation, upgrading heaters and ovens, and replacing the roof and carpeting.

e. Developing culturally specific housing options

In 2017, Christchurch Methodist Mission opened Te Whare Tiaki a supported housing where for kaumatua. This was developed with whānau, staff from Canterbury District Health Board and Ngāi Tahu.

Airedale Property Trust has facilitated the construction of 30 houses for the Tongan Methodist Church of Mangere and five houses for Te Taha Maori Property Trust. Te Taha Maori's social housing project – Tū Māia Ki Te Ao is aimed at providing safe housing for families. These houses are disability accessible.

f. Growing the housing stock

The Airedale Property Team has completed 20 social houses over the last 12 months that will accommodate 55 people. They have also developed seven houses that allow disabled people to stay in a non-institutional facility close to their support in Beach Haven.

Christchurch Methodist Mission's three new two bedroom cottages for families in Hornby are due to be opened in September 2018.

g. Merge Café

Merge Community Support Team in Auckland has grown as a service run by and for people with lived experience of homelessness. The Merge Community Team provides advocacy and support, community led programmes and is developing social enterprise opportunities for people on low incomes. Merge Community Café continues to provide a community hub and low cost or free meals through the "pay it forward" system.

h. Fundraising

Lifewise's Big Sleep Out 2017 raised nearly \$300,000 to address youth homelessness and increased visibility of the homeless.

i. Housing advocacy

Lifewise continues to advocate for a regional and national homelessness strategy through their work with the Auckland Mayor and Lifewise's CE's role as a board member of Community Housing Aotearoa.

Christchurch Methodist Mission is advocating for a regional housing strategy for Marlborough to address the chronic housing shortage there.

Northcote Takapuna Parish are fostering links between stakeholders and hosting meetings for local people to be more informed about the major housing and town centre redevelopment in Northcote.



2. Strong resilient tamariki/children and families/whanau

a. Contracted services

Methodist Alliance member organisations provide a range of social services for children and families including: Children's Teams work, homebased social work, parenting assessments, foster care services and support for foster parents, transition from supported living to independence, Strengthening Families, Family Start, work in schools including social workers in schools, counselling for children and for parents, budgeting services, and family education programmes for children focussing on grief, anger etc.

Christchurch Methodist Mission's expertise in supporting the mental health of children has been recognised with new contracts through CDHB and the Red Cross. Christchurch Methodist Mission is actively engaged in the government roll out of a new programme, Manu Ake, designed to support the mental wellbeing of Canterbury children post-earthquake.

b. New initiatives

After the successful pilot of Lifewise's alternative to foster care, Wesley Community Action has secured funding from Oranga Tamariki to provide an intensive in home parenting service in Porirua. Christchurch Methodist Mission is planning to provide this service in Canterbury soon. The three missions will share learnings on this new initiative.

c. Family skills programmes

Parenting programmes are offered by Christchurch Methodist Mission, Lifewise, Sinoti Samoa, Wesley Community Action and Vahefonua Tongan Methodist Charitable Trust (Siaola).

Sinoti Samoa provided regional workshops focussing on family violence, anger management, suicide prevention, brain development, foetal alcohol spectrum disorders, the implications of the Vulnerable Children's Act and the anti-smacking legislation. Sinoti Samoa holds workshops at national youth gatherings where young people can become more actively involved in key issues affecting their families and local communities.

Wesley Community Action's Te Kakano and Te Waka Kotahi teams continue to work with low income whānau with babies and young people in the care system.

Siaola has grown significantly in the last 12 months and continues its work to combat poverty, unemployment, poor education, and health related issues by providing programmes and services to the Tongan community in Aotearoa New Zealand. These programmes are structured into the following areas:

- Famili Vā Lelei – good relationships within the family
- Famili Ako Lelei – good education for the family
- Famili Mo'ui Lelei – healthy family

Siaola provides the Famili Vā Lelei programme that supports families to become safer and thrive. This parenting and children's programme is designed by Tongans for Tongans and is evaluated in a Tongan framework. Four programmes have been run at Camp Morley in Manukau and begin with a three day family retreat. Siaola has partnered with NZ Police on the Fanau Lelei initiative for child protection and education on NZ legislation and the difference between abuse and discipline. In November 2017 Siaola received the Counties Manukau District Commander's Award for the work Siaola has done towards bringing down statistics of child abuse. Siaola continues to build their relationship with the Ministry of Social Development by promoting safer families and safer homes in the Pasefika Proud campaign. In the future, Siaola will be delivering the Famili Lelei programme in Wellington and Christchurch and will also be building partnerships with Police in these areas.

d. Early childhood education centres

Christchurch Methodist Mission and Lifewise continue to provide early childhood education (ECE) to families who would otherwise not access ECE. Lifewise has four ECEs, including a Tongan immersion ECE in partnership with the Tongan Methodist parish. The newest ECE in Glen Eden is providing support to children and families who have experienced trauma in their lives.

e. Work in schools

Christchurch Methodist Mission has a weekly presence in 16 primary and intermediate schools throughout Canterbury, supporting both children and their families/whānau.

f. Foster care

Lifewise and Wesley Community Action provide foster care for up to 32 children at a time and Lifewise specialises in offering care for sibling groups. Sometimes siblings are separated when taken into care which further breaks down family bonds.

g. Youth programmes

Lifewise provides wrap around support and life skills to young people under their Youth Housing Programme.

Siaola took part in the annual Kavamalohi youth camp where it promoted Famili Lelei and facilitated workshops which focussed on the prevention of physical violence.

h. Financial literacy

Wesley Community Action's Good Cents programme supports financial sustainability in low income whānau and continues to see high demand in Porirua.

Christchurch Methodist Mission is contracted by the Ministry of Social Development to provide a building financial capability programme.

GREI is the financial management programme run by Siaola teaching financial literacy to Tongan families. GREI stands for God, Rainy day, Expenses and Investment.

The BAMA Trust is a charitable trust formed by the Methodist and Anglican parishes of Mount Albert. It provides a free service to beneficiaries, super-annuitants and people on a low income to help them understand and access support for which they are eligible. Clients are of many different ethnicities and about one third require long term help with review or appeal procedures.

Papakura's Crossroads Parish offers a budgeting service which is staffed with community volunteers and an employed manager.

i. Other initiatives

Christchurch Methodist Mission distributed over 150 Christmas hampers to families and older people in need in Christchurch.

Lifewise, Methodist Mission Northern and Siaola worked together to provide food and presents for the people facing hardship and challenges in Auckland at Christmas.

j. Parish engagement with children and families

Northcote Takapuna Parish holds craft workshops for an average of 70 North Shore community children and their parents. Local school children are sponsored when family finances prohibit participation.

Hamilton Parish supports the Kaukauola study programme for 5 - 18 year olds which aims to empower Pasifika learners to reach their full academic potential and to encourage effective parental engagement practices. The culturally diverse facilitators have a range of qualifications from PhD to retired registered nurses. A student of the Kaukauola study programme was awarded a scholarship last year and is attending university this year.

A toy library and other community groups run out of the premises at Hamilton East Parish and a counsellor rents a room to work out of. The premises are also used for family celebrations.

The Christchurch North Parish supports the work of the Christchurch Methodist Mission by providing donations of food to Aratupu, the early childhood education centre; and providing a healthy morning tea for parents attending the ParentWorks programme. Christchurch North Parish has an op shop and also a puzzle library where over 1,000 jigsaws and other puzzles can be borrowed by the community. This parish also runs Musikool Kids, a weekly programme for music and movement for pre-schoolers and their caregivers.

Papakura's Crossroads Parish offers Mainly Music every Tuesday and participants finish with a cup of tea or coffee and have more time to connect with each other.

Two Methodist Alliance parish members: Manurewa's Corner of Hope and Crossroads, Papakura Parish, offer hospitality for the homeless with food and friendship. Auckland Central Parish host and provide a community lunch twice a year where 60-100 people attend.



3. Building stronger communities – including reducing social isolation for older people

Methodist Alliance members are promoting strong and connected neighbourhoods through initiatives which support:

a. Neighbours Day Aotearoa

Lifewise, Wesley Community Action and Christchurch Methodist Mission are the founding trustees of the Neighbours Day Aotearoa Trust to enable Neighbours Day Aotearoa to be promoted more widely throughout the country.

Several members participated in Neighbours Day Aotearoa events in March 2018. This included Christchurch Methodist Mission combining with New Brighton Union Parish and the local community at the Chapel of the Waves. There were donuts, fruit, coffee and milkshakes, music and conversation. Pitt Street Church, from the Auckland Central Parish, distributed home baking to local retailers and emergency services.

b. The whole community

The three Trust family, Airedale Property Trust, The Lifewise Trust and Methodist Mission Northern work as complimentary partners in building “Connected, Just and Inclusive Communities.” Bound in covenant relationship with tangata whenua, the three trusts seek to live as people of the Treaty. The health and wellbeing of their communities is the focus of their mission’s craft and so building relationships across the spectrum of diversity and difference is their mahi. Being the church in a new and evolving way continues to address a thirst for values led service.

The three Trusts are connecting across the region – Titiro, whakarongo, korero, observing, listening, and conversations with arms wide open. As Methodist Mission Northern has connected with communities and parishes in the past, it continues to offer “new ways of being the Church” around the Auckland region. Connecting through SpliceNZ and exploring ways of nurturing healthy communities, the Methodist Mission Northern region is a growing opportunity.

While the Auckland city centre now has a population of fifty thousand people, congregations continues to decline highlighting the disconnect between church and community. However, the development of the initiative “connecting people of Auckland’s city centre through creative, challenging, social justice focused community building” has resulted in a fresh movement of residents, workers and visitors eager to nourish a village experience of the city centre.

Lead by the Chaplain at Large, Splice actively infiltrates the Auckland city centre with a concern to build and nourish the soul of the city. Often leading from the Ellen Melville Centre, Splice seeks to go out of its way to ensure that for those who spend much of their lives in the engine room of commerce and corporate performance, there are opportunities for personal retreat, social activities, and learning.

Splice’s “Heartful Arts” connects with communities that courageously engage with those who find healing and nourishment in artistic expression. Encouraging people to express themselves in poetry, creative writing, art, music, drama or all of the above, brings great relief and recognition for many who are marginalised in our communities. 320 people have participated in Heartful Arts around the Auckland region.

The Active Citizens initiative is also run through Splice who has partnered in this movement in Aotearoa. Active Citizens has a mantra “Globally connected, locally engaged.” With the bi-cultural commitment, Active Citizens works to nourish community engagement, collaboration, social activism and just outcomes for communities. Splice has eight trained Active Citizens Facilitators and has run three workshops in Auckland for 64 participants, so far.

Wesley Community Action’s fruit and veggie coop in Porirua, a partnership with Wellington Regional Public Health, has continued to grow with over 200,000 tons of fresh fruit and vegetables distributed to over 14 communities in Wellington. Wellington Regional Public Health evaluated this initiative and identified it as the most significant programme they had ever been involved in to help low income households eat healthier food. Wesley Community Action have started a Time-bank in Porirua and host local savings pools to provide locally led initiatives that aren’t dependent of the whims of funders.

“Shore to Thrive” is a Takapuna Methodist Church and Auckland North Community & Development community led development initiative that seeks to build on existing strengths and assets to contribute to improved child and family wellbeing in Bayswater, Belmont, Northcote and Takapuna. The project works in strengths-based and community-led ways that activate individual and community resources in ways that grow generosity, connection and social capital. The initiative is all about bringing people together, fermenting locally led change and positive outcomes in partnership with local people. The role has supported Repair Cafes, community dinners, clothes shares, road safety initiatives, local environmental action, parenting programmes and a local community wellbeing survey.

Repair Café Auckland is a Global Action Plan Oceania and Shore to Thrive Partnership project. Northcote Takapuna Parish is a partner, and they have sought to grow the Repair Café movement across Auckland. Repair Café Auckland has supported 18 Repair Café events with 12 different community partners in 13 different locations across Tāmaki Makaurau from Matakana down to Papakura. It is estimated that the 18 events held so far have saved guests \$60,760.00 on the cost it would have been to replace the 669 repaired items.

Kaitahi Bayswater is a community dining project supported by Shore to Thrive. Kaitahi means shared food, eating together. It is also a free monthly dining initiative that brings local community together to share a meal made from rescued food. The dinners have brought together and fed between 110 & 130 people on the third Wednesday of every month since September of last year.

Melville Bargain Bin, which was established many years ago by the Hamilton Parish, continues to provide cost-effective clothing and household items to the community. It is run by volunteers from a range of denominations. The income earned is distributed to a range of community groups.

Many member parishes hire out their premises to a wide range of community groups as well as government organisations.

c. Ethnic specific communities

Sinoti Samoa actively encourages its members to be prepared for civil defence emergencies by having registered first aid members in congregations and survival kits in their churches and homes. Sinoti Samoa also encourages congregations and parishes to train and develop civil defence emergency plans for its members.

Siaola along with Tongan church leaders and community leaders actively encouraged the community to spread the message of safer communities during the rugby league world cup. Siaola is also involved with the TOKO Collaboration which is a suicide prevention programme for the Tongan community. Siaola's Famili Mo'ui Lelei promotes physical activity and nutritional healthy living. Siaola is working with the Tongan churches to remove smoking from all church areas with the aim to be smoke-free by or before 2020.

Kosipeli is the Tonga parish based in Christchurch where there is a large vegetable garden which provides families within the church and the homeless with fresh vegetables. Surplus supplies have been shared with WesleyCare rest home and hospital. Kosipeli also runs a fortnightly market where families register a stall to sell food or other items.

d. Hospitality to the marginalised in the community

Manurewa Parish's "the Corner of Hope" hosts a community meal every Tuesday morning where hope and hospitality are offered. This was set up four years ago in response to help the homeless. Volunteers prepare the food donated by local businesses. Any leftovers are put in blessing bags for people to take home with them. A wide range of people attend and often present with very complex issues. The parish connect people with other services to get assistance as needed. Various support people attend that offer specialist advice including Citizens Advice Bureau, Housing First, Work & Income, and a general practitioner.

Manurewa Parish has been running an op shop for over 40 years and offers a range of low cost clothing and household goods. There is more to the op shop than just selling though as there is companionship and compassion. The parish also run a car boot sale every fortnight which is very popular.

Papakura's Crossroad Parish has a hospitality café every Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday where everyone is welcome for a low price cup of tea or coffee and friendship. Many people who live on the street come in and chat. Trusting relationships have been built and people who are homeless are seen as part of the Crossroads community.

Methodist City Action provides a weekly community meal for 50 - 65 people every Monday in Hamilton. Volunteers and cookery class students assist with the meal preparation and serving. A retired registered nurse attends to provide some basic health care information and referrals to other health services are made as required. People are assisted to engage with other services they might find helpful such as addiction services, mental health support, budgeting information, housing and Work and Income advocacy.

Methodist City Action also provides access to a hot shower with soap and other toiletries available. The service has a commercially laundered towel service.

e. Children and families

The New Brighton Wellbeing Project, a joint initiative between Christchurch Methodist Mission and the New Brighton Union Parish, continues with the aim of New Brighton being a great place in which to raise kids.

Christchurch Methodist Mission joined with the Ministry of Education, Police, other community organisations and local residents to develop the Jolie Street Project, a community development initiative in Linwood.

Siaola supports young people to register with a trade or apprenticeship and provide pastoral care for the young person and their family. Support is provided to enable the young person to remain in study or training until their qualification is achieved. Siaola partnered with the Ministry of Education and NZQA to train trainers to offer workshops on NCEA for students and their parents. Parents learn the tools needed to support their teenager through NCEA and to enable the young person to achieve academic success and have more options for career pathways. The Laulotaha mentoring programme aims to address educational struggles in the Tongan and Pasefika communities by creating a positive and culturally safe environment for children and young people to learn. This programme is run in several high schools in Auckland and supported over 100 students from Year 1 to Year 13 in the last year. Siaola partnered with the United Church of Tonga to provide the education and training expo. This provides young people with the wide range of options that trades and apprenticeships available in the community. Siaola also provides pastoral care and leadership training for students from Tonga who come to New Zealand on scholarships.

f. Older people

Takapuna Parish continues a 50 year tradition of providing monthly social afternoons for 100+ rest home residents at Nancy's afternoons.

Lifewise homecare supports older people to stay living in their own home with support with showering, preparing meals, light housework, shopping and taking medication. Lifewise provides personal care support to close to 1,000 older people in the home, to enable them to maintain their independence. They also provide support to people with disabilities who manage their own care. Lifewise is developing a specialisation in community based dementia care and is also running a project with older people and their families on people's experience of loneliness.

Wesley Community Action offers an elder abuse response service which works alongside older people, their whānau, and the community to stop abuse, provide immediate and on-going safety and protection.

Siaola volunteers support Samaletani Lelei to visit sick and older people in their homes or hospital.

g. People with disabilities

Methodist City Action offers programmes for people with a disability in Hamilton. This ranges from the Brain Gym Plus class for those with very high needs on the disability spectrum, a cooking class with three people in wheelchairs, advocacy and support to the deaf and hearing impaired and sign language classes on site as well as in other locations, art and crafts programme, indoor sports activities and Life Fit – a circuit based exercise programme. The cooking classes cover a wide range of life skills with a focus on communication and team work as well as basic nutrition, food hygiene, cooking on a budget etc. Cooking class students prepare morning teas which are taken to other local organisations as a means of acknowledging their work and paying it forward in the community. These classes also develop confidence, increase social interaction, communication, and literacy and numeracy skills. One of the young participants, who has autism, entered the baking section of the Waikato Winter Show and won third prize with his apple pie.

Christchurch North Parish's Handiscope provides a safe, social, caring environment for people over 21 years that have an intellectual or physical disability to learn new skills and try new activities.



Other additional services:

Mental health and addiction services

Lifewise provides a 17 bed tikanga Maori mental health and addictions programme in Rotorua which offers emergency housing, and residential support. These programmes support people and reduces their isolation by offering whakawhanaungatanga and manaakitanga.

General support for older people

Christchurch Methodist Mission's WesleyCare's new 108 room home and hospital was officially opened by the Minister of Health, Dr David Clark, on 2 February 2018, in Christchurch.

Wesley Community Action exited residential aged care at Wesleyhaven Village in Naenae in 2017. For over 60 years Wesleyhaven provided special care and support for older people, it was the birth of Wesley Social Services Trust and, in its day, a national leader in innovation and care. With the closure of the rest home and hospital, residents were carefully supported into new homes, and over 100 loyal staff members were farewelled at a special celebration to mark this milestone. Wesley Community Action took a large financial loss with this closure with the annual income being halved.

Wesley Community Action began work on an emerging new vision for how the insights from Wesleyhaven and the land resource could inform innovative approaches to ensure vulnerable people in the community enjoy a quality of life. A wide range of exciting partnerships are forming around this new vision. These partnerships include Airedale Property Trust to build 25 new social houses; Kiwi Can Do to provide pre-employment training for unemployed young people helping in the new build; and a range of local groups to provide play groups and programmes for babies and mothers and environmental project to support the re-generating native bush.

Wesley Community Action is looking forward to strengthening its relationships with the Wellington Methodist Parish, Hutt City Uniting Churches and Lower North Island Synod through the initiatives at Wesley Rata Village. One of these initiatives is addressing elder abuse which is revealing the true extent and dynamics of this largely hidden form of abuse. This team is developing a reputation as a leader in this field as they support isolated older people in the community. The impact of poverty, isolation and dementia on a growing part of the older population is not well appreciated by the wider community. This work will help develop new effective and sustainable ways of enhancing the quality of life for this group.

Support to other community organisations

Papakura's Crossroads Parish supports the Papakura Christian Medical Centre which offers pastoral care as part of their medical practice. This parish also has a chaplain who works with the local shop owners and strong trusting relationships have been formed and support given to resolve a number of wide ranging issues.

Trinity Union Parish has been able to offer seed funding for a variety of projects including the Newtown Union Health Service which is a not for profit community service providing healthcare for community service card holders, new migrants, low income families and the unemployed.

Methodist City Action is an agent for the Hamilton Combined Christian Foodbank Trust and provides foodbank access.

Christchurch North Parish is involved with the Bishopdale Community Trust providing financial support, two volunteer board members, a volunteer craft tutor and several other volunteers to assist in the trust in its work in the local community.

Other Achievements of Methodist Alliance members

Pay equity

The government's pay equity legislation has resulted in increased wages for some of Lifewise and Christchurch Methodist Mission's lower paid staff. This has also stimulated renewed passion for learning and career development.

Living Wage Accreditation

Methodist City Action in Hamilton is the first Methodist entity to gain Living Wage Accreditation. They are able to achieve this as they are not tied into government contracts for the services they provide.

Airedale Property Trust was the NZ Human Resource Award Winner in 2017 and 2018 – HR Business Contribution Award for Small Enterprises/Not-for-Profit and NZ Human Resource Award Finalist 2018 – HR Technology Award.

The Group ICT Manager was included in the 2018 NZ CIO Top 100 IT Leaders.

Lifewise's Mental Health and Addictions service won the Most Highly Recommended AoD (Alcohol and other Drugs) service at the National Cutting Edge Conference.

Lifewise rolled out of smart phones to 157 health and disability staff has reduced paperwork and allows real time reporting.

Wesley Community Action received the Supreme Award at DAPAANZ Conference for the P-Pull initiative, which helps people addicted to methamphetamine through the withdrawal period and to quit the habit.

Sinoti Samoa agreed at their AGM that Puna'oa would become a charitable trust and progress is being made on drafting the trust deed ready for registration.

Trends in our communities

1. Increased difficulty in finding safe affordable housing.
2. The cost of housing impacts people's ability to meet everyday costs resulting in extra demand on foodbanks and this contributes to a level of poverty that impacts negatively on families' wellbeing. This is also impacted by insecure incomes resulting from casual work contracts. The combined impact of housing costs and a low wage, low benefit economy has many people and families living well below the poverty line and in survival mode every day. Many in our communities, including those who are homeless, struggle to access appropriate mental health and addiction support which is key to their success in maintaining their tenancy
3. Increasing numbers of people with a background of trauma, abuse, attachment issues who need long term support.
4. Many older people living in their homes have increasing complex mental and physical health barriers and experience loneliness and isolation.
5. Increase in drug dependency especially methamphetamine and synthetics.
6. Increase in demand for couples counselling with no replacement for Relationship Aotearoa in smaller and rural areas.

7. Increase in the complexity of needs with people that fall between the gaps of services, especially those with multiple diagnoses eg. mental health issues, brain injury, and addiction.
8. The people and families services work with are keen to be part of service design and peer to peer support.

Feedback

"If it wasn't for LIIPS I could never have done it – there were no other options out there for me. It's just been brilliant for me." Comment from a mother who worked with Lifewise Intensive In Home Parenting Support to keep her children out of care.

"I've never been cared for like this before." From 74 year old Housing First whānau member, on realising that support continued once they were housed.

"Thank you so much for offering this course. It's made a huge difference knowing what's normal grief behaviour. I have noticed such a positive change." Family Programme Change, Loss and Grief delivered in Dec 2017 by Palmerston North Methodist Social Services.

"Thank you so much for the workshop. I learnt a lot about myself and my relationship with my children. Well done committee for this resourceful workshop." Participant at Sinoti Samoa's family violence regional workshop.

"Thanks for providing our son with an opportunity to achieve something in the real world." Parents of a young man with autism who attended the Methodist City Action's cookery classes and won third prize for his apple pie at the Waikato Winter Show.

"I love that it's free & that I had my items fixed! I love the community focus & the collaboration of different groups to make it happen. Teaching people to be conscious consumers. Don't buy so much and throw away." Guest at Repair Café Auckland, an initiative of Northcote Takapuna parish.

"These have been absolutely amazing! The food is beautiful and it is such a wonderful opportunity for us to go out as a family on a weeknight (something that isn't always easy when you have young children). We have also been able to reconnect with friends in the community that we're not always able to see." Kaitahi dinners, Auckland North Shore, a project from Shore to Thrive where Northcote Takapuna is a partner.

"I can't really begin to find words that will sufficiently express my gratitude to you. Today is such a sad day for me as I say goodbye to my regular Friday mornings at Musikool Kids. The time, energy and enthusiasm you have given to my family, and so many others, is so much appreciated by me and my girls. We have all looked forward to Fridays both for the music, but also for the time to spend together having fun and singing." Mother of two children who attended Christchurch North's Musikool Kids.

"I am grateful to live in a unit in St John's Close. My last place was poorly maintained and not good for my health and well-being. Everything in my unit, is on the most part, suitable for my needs and well maintained to a high standard. It is great to have the church next door and not having to go far in the rain. I have also met a lot more people that wander past and I have made some good friends." Resident of a pensioner unit at St Johns church in Hamilton.

"We just wanted to say thank you. Your efforts got an immediate response. We really appreciate that!" BAMA Trust client.

"It's the first place in ten years that has felt like home." A parent in one of Christchurch Methodist Mission's social houses.

Activities from other Methodist social service organisations not currently members of the Methodist Alliance:

New Zealand Ministry with the Deaf Trust has had a year of change with the retirement of the Rev. Barry Neal from the position of Trust chairperson. The Trust records its deep appreciation for the wise counsel and effective leadership that Barry has provided over the past ten years. The Trust wishes Barry and Moira many enjoyable years in their new home at the Tamahere retirement village. The retirement of Jean Masters is also noted and the trust acknowledges Jean's contribution to the work of the Trust over a significant period.

Another change which was under discussion during the year was whether to continue the relationship of the Trust with Methodist Mission Northern/Lifewise which has given very considerable support to the work of Deaf Ministry in the past and has provided the umbrella under which the Trust operated. An alternative would be to switch to being under Mission Resourcing which has a more direct responsibility for ministry and parish work. Ultimately the Trust decided to have a working relationship with both Methodist Mission Northern and Mission Resourcing as the Trust is engaged in fundraising and supporting a social service dimension on the one hand and in supporting ministry to deaf people and the Auckland Christian Deaf Fellowship on the other.

Two grants have been made by the Trust during the year. A grant of \$4,000 was made to Trinity College in recognition of the training that the College is currently providing for a deaf student. The second grant of \$1,000 was made to Hamilton's Methodist City Action in support of the work being carried out by Jean Masters as part of a community work programme.

Tamahere Eventide provides a range of hospital level care, rest home, dementia and respite care rooms as well as retirement village units, rental apartments and a day programme. This year it purchased Atawhai Assisi from the Sisters of Mercy. This includes vacant land ideal for retirement village development. Staff numbers increased from 102 to 205 and the two systems and philosophy were merged. Occupancy rates at both Tamahere Eventide and Atawhai Assisi are 97%, which is higher than the Waikato DHB average of 88%. Carole Fleming joined the board of trustees as part of the agreement to purchase Atawhai Assisi to include a Catholic representative. The successful model of care at Tamahere Eventide will be replicated at Atawhai Assisi.

Resource and building consents have been granted for further development. This includes more retirement village units, hospital rooms, apartments at Tamahere Eventide and retirement village units, apartments and a community centre/café and bowling green at Atawhai Assisi.

MTA declined Tamahere Eventide's loan application for the development of the hospital and apartments; therefore there is a loan application in progress with BNZ for \$12m to enable this development to take place.

Methodist Mission Southern, with the support of Kai Tahu at Ōtākou and Te Taha Māori, has adopted an additional strategic goal: to become a bicultural organisation, expressing their aspirations for and responsibilities to Te Ao Māori.

Methodist Mission Southern has opened a youth transition house in Dunedin and is working to open a second in Invercargill. They are in the process of opening a second early childhood education centre in Milton, and the Pūtaiao Tamariki programme, for low income primary aged children, is spreading throughout Southland.

Research undertaken with the University of Otago's Dunedin Study to supporting early years development for at risk children is in 22 Auckland and eight Otago Southland early childhood education centres.

The virtual reality project with Corrections and Animation Research Ltd is ready for the first trial at the Otago Corrections Facility. In addition the Integrated Services Hub, which helps a dozen or so other NGOs manage their work and their funders' requirements, has been launched.

Methodist Mission Southern will undertake further research influenced by the prediction that in 2043 the Central Otago population will exceed that of Dunedin and Invercargill combined.

Suggested decisions:

1. The report is received.
2. The membership of the following boards for 2019 be:

Methodist Alliance Steering Group

Jill Hawkey (Convenor), Kim Penny, Peter Norman, one of the Mission Resourcing Directors, Catherine Hodges, Kathleen Tuai-Ta'ufou, Olive Tanielu, Moira Lawler, David Hanna, Arapera Ngaha, Marion Hines, and Rex Nathan. Further members to be appointed by the President once their Methodist Alliance membership is finalised.

Airedale Property Trust

John Murray (Chairperson), Warren Chapman, Mel Easton, Hedy Huang, David Hunt, Prof Keith Hooper, John MacDonald, Sue McKinnon, Christina van Bohemen, Greg Wright, and further members to be appointed by the President.

Christchurch Methodist Mission

Garth Nowland-Foreman (Chairperson), Pam Sharpe. Martin Hadlee, Ngaere Dawson, David Caygill, Rev. Andrew Donaldson, Roz Wilkie, Siu Williams-Lemi, Andrew Hercus.

Hamilton Methodist Social Services Trust

Rev. John Murray, Rev. Metuisela Tafuna, Rev Tania Shackleton, Faye Blossom, Martine Radidi and further members to be appointed by the President.

Methodist Mission Northern

Marion Hines (Chairperson), Rev Prince Devanandan, Keith Hopner, David Hunt, Rev John MacDonald, Rev Rex Nathan, Aarif Rasheed, Tara Solomon, Rev Marilyn Welch, Greg Wright and further members to be appointed by the President.

Methodist Mission Southern

Julie Pearce (Chairperson), Austen Banks, Keith McKenzie, Natalie Karaitiana, Rachael Masterton, Nigel Pitts, Richard Devereux, one other to be approved by the President, and Laura Black (Director).

Ministry with the Deaf Trust

Norman Brookes (Chairperson), John MacDonald (representing MMN), Glen Schischka (representing the Auckland Deaf Fellowship), Kathy Hohepa (Treasurer), Peter Grundy (Secretary).

Palmerston North Methodist Social Services

Cathy McCartney (Chairperson), Jill White, John Ross, Philip McConkey, Carla na Nagara, Better Flagler, Helen Simmons.

Sinoti Samoa Methodist Mission

Filo Tu-Faleupolu (Chair), Malavai P-Misikei, Faleatua Faleatua, the Sinoti Samoa Executive and two others to be named.

Tamahere Eventide Home Trust

Neville Jack (Chairperson), Beverley Attrill, George Diprose (Deputy Chair), Ken Olsen, Shane Vanin, Emma Falconer, John Walsh, Peter Schaare, Leeanne Wilson, Carole Fleming.

The Lifewise Trust

Marion Hines (Chairperson), Vaughn Davis, Peter Glensor, Tayyaba Khan, Rev John MacDonald, Rohan MacMahon, Rev Rex Nathan and further members to be appointed by the President.

Vahefonua Tonga Methodist Mission Charitable Trust

Rev Tevita Finau (Chairperson), Dr. Melenaite Taumoefolau, Paula Taumoepeau, Edwin Talakai, Rev Moi Kaufononga, Seniorita Laukau, Viliami Liava'a (Secretary)

Wesley Community Action

Peter Glensor (Chairperson), David Hanna (Director), Trish Hall, Seniorita Laukau, Colin Hamlin, Hiueni Nuku, Murray Wu, Rev. Motekiai Fakato, Dr Roger Blakeley, and Leah Haines.

3. Thanks be given to those who have retired from boards:

Methodist Alliance Steering Group: Anne Preston, Rachael Masterton, Litia Bitu, Una Tikoinaka, and Bruce Stone.

Christchurch Methodist Mission: David Poultney.

Hamilton Methodist Social Services Trust: Rev. Anne Preston, Rachael Caldwell, and John Lockley.

Methodist Mission Northern: Rev. Uesifili Unasa.

Methodist Mission Southern: Siosifa Pole.

Ministry with the Deaf Trust: Barry Neal, and Jean Masters.

Palmerston North Methodist Social Services: Russell Bell, Jane Julian, and John Ross.

Sinoti Samoa

Malesala Maalesala.

The Lifewise Trust: Mark Gosche, Dr Katherine Ravenswood, Dr Julia Ioane, and Rachael Jones.

Wesley Community Action: Fuailalagi Saleupolu, Kena Duignan, and Dr Jeremy Robertson

4. Conference supports the work of the Methodist Alliance on housing and asks all parishes and boards of the church to work with the Methodist Alliance on the provision of warm, safe, and affordable homes for all.
5. Conference encourages all parishes to participate in Neighbours Day Aotearoa in 2019 and 2020.

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METHODIST MISSION AND ECUMENICAL



Methodist Mission and Ecumenical is mandated with *Diakonia* and *Koinonia* by 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 that "they may all be one ... so the world may believe." (John 17: 21-22) While the scandal of division remains we fail to embody God's reconciliation in Christ.

1. OVERSEAS MISSION ENGAGEMENT

United Church Solomon Islands

The General Secretary of the United Church of the Solomon Islands, the Rev. Burabeti Tabe has written to say that the Induction of the new Moderator on 1st March 2018 was a wonderful occasion. The Rev. David Garunu was inducted to this ministry by the Moderator of the United Church of Papua New Guinea, the Rev. Bernard Siai. Bernard shared a challenging message of Jesus washing the feet of the disciples and Peter's response to Jesus' question 'Who do people say that I am?' "The theme of humility paved the way for a very moving reconciliation by Church leaders that was to eventuate at the end of the sermon in front of the Kokoqolo Aqoroa Memorial Chapel." The Solomon Islands Government was represented by the Deputy Premier of the Western Province.

President's Pastoral Visit

During the last week of April this year President Prince made a pastoral and missional visit to the Solomon Islands. He was accompanied by a delegation of three lay leaders from the Auckland Methodist Central Parish. Ronnie Matafeo, and Barbara and David Davies travelled specifically for the dedication of the new Infectious Diseases Ward, but were interested in all of the other projects. Their parish will be more deeply engaged in overseas mission in the future and other parishes may consider sending representatives to accompany Prince to gain first-hand knowledge. During the time in the Solomon Islands conversations were had with Church leaders and all the main institutions that the Methodist Church has supported were visited. Upon arrival Prince and his companions were met by the new Moderator the Rev. David Garunu who welcomed them to the office of the United Church of the Solomon Islands. There they met General Secretary Burabeti Tabe and other officials. Before leaving the Solomons, Prince and the team enjoyed a meal in Honiara with Ros. and Howard Lawry. Howard, a member of the Mt Albert Methodist Parish, is providing legal advice to the Government of the Solomon Islands in the community law sector.

Helena Goldie Hospital

President Prince, Ronnie, Barbara and David met with the staff of Helena Goldie Hospital. Dr Hapa said that construction of a new X-Ray Department is underway, funded from other sources. The Out Patients' Department, Dental Clinic and Emergency Department are working at capacity. With the new ten beds from the Contagious Diseases Ward the total number of beds at the hospital is now 78. Prince was able to make a commitment to continued funding of the Director of Nursing's salary. The hospital is in good heart with two Swiss doctors, Dr Rukchell and Dr Ehard working there for three years. Before they left Switzerland they negotiated with authorities and arranged the shipping of an ambulance to work from the hospital in Munda.

Contagious Diseases Ward

The highlight of the visit proved to be the blessing of the new Contagious Diseases Ward at Helena Goldie Hospital by the President of MCNZ. Despite a heavy downpour, the blessing of the ward was a joyful occasion. To celebrate their 150th anniversary the Auckland Methodist Central Parish adopted a fund raising project to complete the Contagious Diseases Ward. From various sources they raised \$54,000 which was sufficient to finish the building. This is an outstanding effort that will contribute to effective medical care being enhanced. Gratitude was expressed to the donors for the generous gift. In his report David Davies observed, "The trip reminded us of our parish's proud history of involvement in the Solomon Islands, and generations of support... Our presence in the Solomons means that we bring a wealth of knowledge and enthusiasm back to our parish."

Goldie College

The delegation was greeted by the Principal Brian Bird and was accorded a formal welcome when the students and staff gathered in the chapel. In her address the deputy principal Deidre Piko acknowledged the on-going relationship of Goldie College with Mission and Ecumenical. She said the College was grateful for the first computer lab, the solar power unit, the water pump and tank all of which were funded by Mission and Ecumenical. After Prince addressed the students, the visitors were given a guided tour of the campus.

Tabaka Rural Training Institute

Student warriors accorded the visitors a traditional welcome at Tabaka Rural Training Institute. The Principal Joash Lawrence escorted them to the main hall where there were speeches, responses and dance. Currently there are twelve fulltime staff with a visiting Australian tutor who teaches the use of power tools in carpentry. In 2018 the Institute has 153 students, 52 of whom are young women. Courses are offered in hospitality, electro-technology, carpentry and automotive, marine and generator technology. On a guided tour of the campus the Principal mentioned that the Institute does not have an hygienically constructed ablution facility for the use of students. In June Mission and Ecumenical released funds to purchase a generator so that trainees could use power tools that do not function well with solar generated power. A recent letter indicates the level of appreciation expressed: "Praise God for your good hearts for Tabaka youths and nation. Your continual partnership support will always be honoured because in the end it will benefit individuals and the nation as a whole... Rev. Prince, your heart has shown to the people in the Solomon Islands, not only for Tabaka, but for other parts of the country. The generator has arrived, and yes it will solve the problem of over-using the solar powered unit and shall put the whole campus with lights. Secondly we thank God and pray for your preparation and plans for the girls' ablution block. This is a way forward that can promote gender equality in learning and training here at Tabaka. May the Lord God bless both you and your plans."

Goldie College of Nursing

Conversations took place with the Principal Henry Ngumi, Deputy Principal Moya Dicko and Health Secretary of UCSI, Nehemiah. It is expected that there will be an intake of 23 students in July 2018. Two Mission and Ecumenical sponsored students Lucy Jaja from Sasamuqa and Clizzer Benni from Munda will complete their training in June. A locally funded project to construct an office block at the College of Nursing is on-going. They look for assistance to complete the building.

Mission and Ecumenical Special Project 2018

New Classroom Block for College of Nursing

With the College of Nursing at Helena Goldie Hospital being integrated into the National Health System of the Solomon Islands, it is opportune to upgrade the facilities. In the future the College will offer courses toward national qualifications. Due to lack of space the current intake has been limited to 40. Mission and Ecumenical has accepted the challenge of funding a new classroom block that will enable the college to increase numbers taking courses. After a slow start, donations are being received at our office regularly. We appeal to Methodists throughout the church to again respond generously to this project. It is hoped that construction of the building would begin in 2019.

Sasamuqa Hospital Visit

Leaving the Aucklanders behind, President Prince was ready for the 5 a.m. departure of the sea ambulance that would take him, Dr Hapa, Andrew Telokana and Health Secretary Nehemiah to Sasamuqa. Loaded with 200 litres of petrol, the first part of the five-hour journey was made before dawn. Rain and rough waters were encountered. A warm welcome was extended by hospital secretary Caleb Kotali: Dr Hapa and Andrew visited patients while Prince was shown around the hospital. The safety rails on the ramp which Mission and Ecumenical had funded were evident and are being used by recovering stroke patients for exercise. There are two trained physiotherapists in the community.

Time was devoted to discussion of educational scholarships for nursing training and

possibilities of a Community Based Rehabilitation Unit for those who have suffered strokes. Since Prince reported on the need, the M&E Board has donated NZ \$ 15,000 to Sasamuqa Hospital for the construction of the Rehabilitation Unit for stroke patients.

The solar power unit also funded by Mission and Ecumenical is working well. In conversation the Board Chair Dani Pitakoe commented, "Rev. Prince, every time you visit Sasamuqa Hospital something new happens here in Sasamuqa. Thank you for the support."

The relocated and renovated Lucy Money Memorial Hall now offers facilities for youth and women to have recreational activities. With the weather forecast not favourable, Prince made the decision to complete the return journey on the same day. Comments circulated that he must be 'superman' for being the only visitor to have been to Sasamuqa and back on the same day!

Mission and Ecumenical Special Project 2016-2017

Kokeqolo Water Scheme

Throughout the church, there was a very good response to the Sasamuqa Water Scheme. Just on \$69,000 was raised with donations coming from persons from all over the country, from Women's Fellowship groups, parishes and Trusts. The indication is that work could start in June 2018. The original bore that it was hoped to use has now been found to be too close to a planned road re-alignment. The drilling of the new bore will mark the beginning of this project.

2. UNITED CHURCH – PAPUA NEW GUINEA

Celebrations of Fiftieth Anniversary

In January 2018 the United Church of Papua New Guinea celebrated its golden anniversary. Founded in 1968, it resulted from the merger of the London Missionary Society, the small Presbyterian Church and the Methodist mission. The worship included a time of silence to express gratitude for the early missionaries. The Moderator of the United Church, the Rev. Bernard Siai, said that the ordination of women was one of the most significant events in the last fifty years. He gave thanks that the church is largely funded by its members, setbacks have been few, and that the church goes from strength to strength.

Current Concerns

The series of earthquakes which hit Hela Province and the Southern Highlands in February and March 2018 caused widespread damage to infrastructure and essential community facilities. 35,000 people were displaced and many perished. There is a possibility of the Uniting Church of Australia organising a work party to visit the area and Mission and Ecumenical would support that. In addition to that Mission and Ecumenical gave a grant for aid from its relief budget.

In April 2018 the Archbishop of Port Moresby, Cardinal John Ribat, said during a tour of the United States, that global warming was affecting the lives of the people of PNG with villages being forced to relocate inland. He also drew attention to the dangers from proposed undersea mining due to start in 2019. Deposits of copper, gold, zinc and silver will be mined destabilizing sustainable fishing grounds that have been harvested for generations.

West Papua

In December 2017 a three-member team from the Christian Conference of Asia paid a pastoral visit to West Papua. In a statement issued soon after their visit they reported that they had heard "stories of grave human rights violations and repression against the indigenous West Papuans in their own homeland." The team heard how the Indonesian government had passed laws that suppress freedom of speech and prohibit freedom of association. Human rights of the indigenous people are routinely abused. "Peaceful demonstrations are often dispersed by force. In many instances, non-violent participants have been arrested, detained and tortured, while others have been killed." The team gathered stories and encourages churches and other agencies to raise the issues of the human rights and liberation of West Papuans from colonial rule.

3. DISASTER RELIEF

M&E has a small fund budgeted each year to respond to disasters in different parts of the world. Over the last two years we have provided assistance of \$1,000 to the President's Cyclone Gita Relief Appeal for Tonga and \$1,000 toward relief work in Papua New Guinea after the earthquakes.

4. MISSION AND ECUMENICAL IN THE METHODIST CHURCH

Engaging with Parishes

During these two years the acting director has received invitations from a number of parishes. He has taken the opportunity to speak about our partners-in-mission work in the Solomon Islands and Papua New Guinea. There is always a high level of interest and much generosity in evidence. He also led a workshop at Trinity College for students on the Methodist Church's consistent commitment to ecumenism.

Methodist Women's Fellowships

President Prince has established a good on-going relationship with the Methodist Women's Fellowship. He was invited to speak at their annual convention in 2017. The Methodist Women's Fellowship in parishes, regions and nationally is among the most loyal supporters of Mission and Ecumenical.

5. ECUMENICAL ENGAGEMENT – NATIONAL

National Dialogue for Christian Unity

At the annual forum of the National Dialogue for Christian Unity held in February 2018, the Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand was formally admitted to membership, joining the Anglican Church, the Methodist Church and the Roman Catholic Church in this new ecumenical body. There was much rejoicing.

Much of the life of the National Dialogue for Christian Unity revolves around the annual forums. At the second annual forum held in March 2017 the guest speaker was Andrew Judd ex-mayor of New Plymouth. Caught up in the debate about the proposed Maori Ward for the Council, Andrew reflected on the attitudes he as a Pakeha was formed in. He shared how closed he had been to the Maori world. He was candid laying before the forum his inherited negative view of Maori. He describes himself as a recovering racist. He appealed to Pakeha to know their history from both perspectives. In a hikoī to Parihaka he listened to Maori voices and discovered he was encountering deep pain. His challenge was for Pakeha to move beyond denial.

At the third annual forum held in February 2018 each of the member churches responded to the question: *Where are our Treaty-based churches on their bi-cultural journeys?* Keita Hotere shared her insight from the Methodist experience. Danny Karatea-Goddard reported from the Catholic Church: Philip Richardson and Michael Hughes reflected on the Anglican journey and Wayne Mathieson spoke on behalf of the Presbyterian Church. There was a similarity of experience, all agreeing that the original vision and energy of the bicultural journey had not been transmitted to the next generation.

Between annual forums the National Dialogue for Christian Unity executive has met twice a year. Highlights of these meetings have been the occasion for representatives of the bilateral dialogues being held in New Zealand to report: an invitation to the Religious Diversity Centre to engage in conversation with the executive; and the visit in August 2017 of the general secretary of the World Council of Churches, the Rev. Dr Olav Fykse Tveit, to encourage the National Dialogue for Christian Unity in its first years of life, to listen to youth leaders from the churches and to meet leaders of each of the political parties to share his concerns.

The executive also met with Te Rununga Whakawhanaunga I nga Haahi O Aotearoa to consider how the two ecumenical bodies might relate. It was resolved that the two executives

meet twice a year when they could transact their own business and set aside some time during the day to meet together to develop the relationship and share concerns.

National Dialogue for Christian Unity plans to hold an event introducing the main aspects of Receptive Ecumenism. The main focus of National Dialogue for Christian Unity is to serve the unity of the church, so the church can serve the unity of creation.

The Summer School on Ecumenism held in February 2017 attracted 27 participants, some of whom were young Methodists from Fiji. The School is now a programme of the National Dialogue for Christian Unity offered in association with Charles Sturt University, Canberra. In addition to lectures on the biblical, theological and spiritual foundations of ecumenism, participants were exposed to the reality of Christchurch after the earthquakes. The next School is planned for 2019.

Anglican Methodist Conversation

At its 2018 General Synod/Te Hinota Whanui, the Anglican Church passed a resolution that opens the door to closer relations with the Methodist Church Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa. Seeking a way to work toward a united and interchangeable ministry, the resolution reaffirms its recognition that episcopate (oversight) is exercised within the Methodist Church through the office of President. The resolution "Invites the Methodist Conference to consider how it might give more explicit expression to the personal and enduring nature of episcopal ministry on those who are ordained to that office." We hold that our church can draw out such expressions of the ministry of the President without sacrifice of fundamental convictions. This initiative offers the possibility of a breakthrough in our relationship with the Anglican Church. Mission and Ecumenical welcomes this development and warmly commends it to Conference.

Interfaith Initiatives

The Religious Diversity Centre was established in March 2016 and seeks "to foster appreciation and understanding of religious diversity among all New Zealanders." It aims to provide high quality research, offer resources for professional development, contribute expert advice for policymakers, encourage dialogue and honour Te Tiriti o Waitangi. Mission and Ecumenical is a stakeholder and budgets \$1,000 annually to support the Centre.

The centre brings together leaders of all religions in New Zealand for two meetings a year. President Prince represented the Methodist Church of New Zealand in these meetings. It is also a place to discuss the religious co-existence and to explore how different religions can complement each other in building up humanity in Aotearoa. Participation of over 22 religious leaders indicates how religiously diverse we are in this land.

6. ECUMENICAL ENGAGEMENTS - INTERNATIONAL

Christian Conference of Asia

The Tumuaki Rev Diana Tana continues in her role as Vice-Moderator of Christian Conference of Asia and President Prince is on the Programme Committee.

Asian Mission Conference Yangon, Myanmar

In October 2017 President Prince represented our church at this conference. The theme was "Journey Together: Prophetic Witness to Truth and Light in Asia." Diana Tana preached the opening sermon. Keynote speaker was Dr Wesley Ariarajah who contrasted the Buddhist mission in Asia with the Christian mission. Another speaker who made an impact was Sister Sudha Varghese who told of her twenty-year ministry among the Rat-Eaters of Bihar, north-east India. Also associated with the conference was the celebration of the 60th anniversary of the establishment of the East Asia Christian Conference, which became the Christian Conference of Asia. Mission and Ecumenical sent two youth stewards to the conference. Fusi Veve wrote, "I came back with a wealth of respect and admiration for the Asian communities and Christianity in Asia." And Piula Lasi wrote in her report, "Overall it was a life-changing trip that has really broadened my perspective not only on church, but the way church mission is implemented throughout the world."

YATRA 2017

Youth in Asia Training for Religious Amity brings together young people from around the region for a fortnight and offers them exposure to the reality of diversity and injustice. The programme sets before participants a vision of compassion and peace. The theme of the 2017 event held in Jakarta in July was “Passionately Christian and Compassionately Interreligious.” Three New Zealand Methodists attended. Sharlene Fnone Malaeimi wrote: “We discussed and reflected on the scriptures ... I gained an interest in theology.” Emma Whitla observed: “Ultimately I came away with a new sense of who I am as a Christian, a positive understanding of what it means to be passionately Christian, and yet an ability to see how other religions can provide opportunities to draw me closer to other people and God.” Leti Tafuna also attended.

World Council of Churches

Visit of the General Secretary

In his pastoral visit to the National Dialogue for Christian Unity on 8th August 2017, Dr Olav Fykse Tveit said, “The need of the world for Christian commitment is as great as ever. Be faithful to your calling.” He commented that the World Council of Churches has changed the agenda of many churches. A wider and deeper vision is offered. “We are motivated by tremendous truths. We have some resources, the power of problem definition. We have the power of defining what truth is. We can be agents of hope. God’s future is coming. There is an enormous choir of hope. God creates a new day, but we create the ability to see the new day. God’s future is always coming.”

Ecumenical Officers’ Meeting

In September 2017 40 ecumenical officers from churches all around the world met at the Ecumenical Institute at Bossey and the Ecumenical Centre in Geneva. They received in-depth briefings on the programmes of the World Council of Churches, Faith and Order, communications strategy, and the pilgrimage of justice and peace. President Prince was interviewed for their newsletter.

World Mission Conference – Arusha, Tanzania

The theme of the conference held in March 2018, was “Moving in the Spirit – Called to Transforming Discipleship.” President Prince represented our church formally. Lesieli Samiu of Auckland, a member of Mission and Ecumenical board, was invited to attend as a Pacific indigenous youth representative. The opening worship was vibrant. Story telling set the stage for the week. World Council of Churches general secretary Dr Olav Fykse Tveit said, “I believe that God is reminding us in our time of what is the force driving the mission of the church. It is the love of God experienced in the love of Jesus Christ, in his life, death and resurrection, bringing salvation and reconciliation to the world.” At the end of the conference, a Call to Discipleship was issued. The conference declared God’s call is to discipleship and discipleship must be mission to transforming lives.

In her report to the board, Lesieli concluded: “My experience at Arusha was not only insightful and enriching but also confronting and challenging in so many ways. This experience has made a huge impact on my life and I am still in the process of digesting information that I learned at the conference. It has ignited a special interest in me in ecumenism and the life of the church.”

70th Anniversary of the World Council of Churches

2018 marks the 70th anniversary of the first meeting of the World Council of Churches in Amsterdam in 1948. Celebrations are taking place all around the world. In February the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Most Rev. Justin Welby visited the Ecumenical Centre in Geneva and addressed church leaders. He put before the leaders a striking image of the church. We have often regarded the divisions between churches as states have regarded their territory. “This has led us to negotiate frontiers that we have wanted to guard. Beyond the frontier is the ‘other’ – the other person, the other culture, the other nation. Ecumenism that looks as though it is about the negotiation of frontiers is an ecumenism that is based on theological foundations of sand...” He proposed that we take another approach: “Open borders, by contrast, allow the other to be part of ourselves. They permit movement and

transfer, exhibiting not division but diversity. In their openness, they invite encounter, as opposed to frontiers which require resilience and courage to cross. The ecclesiology of an open border is to say that we are one with differences – rather than that we are many seeking what it is to be one.”

In June 2018 His Holiness Pope Francis visited the Ecumenical Centre in Geneva, spent time at Bossey Ecumenical Institute, attended a celebration of the 70th anniversary of the World Council of Churches at the Cathedral of St. Pierre. At a prayer service at the Ecumenical Centre Pope Francis said, “For us as Christians, walking together is not a ploy to strengthen our own positions, but an act of obedience to the Lord, and love for the world. Let us ask the Father to help us walk together all the more resolutely in the ways of the Spirit. I wanted to take part personally, not least to reaffirm the commitment of the Catholic Church to the cause of ecumenism and to encourage co-operation with member churches and ecumenical partners. Whenever we say “Our Father” we feel an echo within us of our being sons and daughters, but also being brothers and sisters. Prayer is the oxygen of ecumenism.”

500th Anniversary of the Reformation

During 2017 churches around the world commemorated the 500th anniversary of the Reformation. President Prince attended the national liturgies organised by the Roman Catholic Church and the Lutheran Church in both Canberra and Wellington. Vice-President Viv Whimster participated in the Kirchentag in Germany. The World Lutheran Federation developed a theme; “Liberated by God’s Grace: Salvation – Not for Sale, Human Beings – Not for Sale, Creation – Not for Sale!” The Australian dialogue between the Roman Catholic Church and the Lutheran Church in Australia issued the document *The Petrine Ministry in a New Situation*. In Auckland the Catholic and Lutheran bishops led a service of penitence and reconciliation. Catholic bishop Pat Dunn told the story of the construction of the Duomo in Florence. Begun in 1296 no one knew how to install the dome that was planned. It had been done before on different buildings in the distant past, but the formula had been forgotten. One hundred years later an architect worked out how to install the dome without buttresses. Bishop Pat commented, “We do not fully see the end, but we are called to stay with the journey.”

In 1999 the Roman Catholic Church and the Lutheran World Federation signed a document entitled *The Doctrine of Justification by Faith*. It brought to an end dispute on the doctrine between the two communions. The World Methodist Council endorsed the text in 2006 at Seoul, and in 2017 both the World Alliance of Reformed Churches and the Anglican Communion embraced the statement. Now that these five world communions have agreed on the major elements of this doctrine, there are indications that the impetus will be taken further.

Focus on Korean Concerns

Over the last two years Mission and Ecumenical has hosted a number of meetings related to the situation on the Korean peninsula. Speakers such as Dr Ken Wells have outlined the political and ecclesial situation there and there has been discussion on the plight of church and society in the north. Mission and Ecumenical has made a grant toward a pastoral visit of a small group to North Korea later in 2018.

7. ACTING DIRECTOR’S REMARKS

I have greatly enjoyed these two years working two thirds time as President’s Supply for Mission and Ecumenical. I have come to see the ministry of our church in the Solomon Islands and Papua New Guinea as the jewel in the crown. It has been a steep learning curve and one that I have relished. One of the most satisfying aspects to this ministry is receiving gifts towards the special projects from all around the country and writing letters of thanks. My visits to parishes have always been positive experiences where I have found people who are knowledgeable and interested in our overseas mission. The ecumenical work is being reinvigorated around the world and exciting new possibilities are becoming realities. The generous approach of the Anglican Church opening a way for the mutuality of ministry with the Methodist Church is to be welcomed. The new ecumenical body, the National Dialogue for Christian Unity, is taking its first steps and all indications are that it will be effective in helping the churches discover the path toward reconciliation and common life and witness. I want to

thank the Board for the active work it is involved in; the Chair, Uesifili Unasa for his support, and President Prince, for his unfailing patience and assistance with the computer and for readily providing details of the relationship with our partners-in-mission.

Terry Wall, Acting Director, MM & E Board

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.

Ecumenical

4. Conference affirms its commitment to foster unity through National Dialogue for Christian Unity in Aotearoa New Zealand.
5. Conference affirms that the President, Director Mission and Ecumenical, Cornelia Grant and Rex Nathan be the representatives of Methodist Church of New Zealand in the National Dialogue for Christian Unity.
6. Conference affirms the role of Methodist Mission and Ecumenical as a stakeholder in the Religious Diversity Centre.
7. Conference reaffirms its membership in the Christian Conference of Asia and its continued support for Christian Unity in the Asian region.
8. Conference congratulates the World Council of the Churches on its 70th anniversary and reaffirms the membership of the Methodist Church of New Zealand Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa in the WCC.
9. Conference notes with delight the growth in the number of member churches of the WCC from 147 in 1948 to 349 in 2018.

M&E Board 2019

10. The Mission and Ecumenical Board membership for 2019 be: Rev. Uesifili Unasa, (Chairperson), Linda Hall, Rev. Ian Faulkner, TeRito Peyroux, Lesieli Samiu, Jackie McGeorge, Te Aroha Rountree, Maungorongo Tito, Rev. Abhishek Solomon, Rev. Dr. Terry Wall and Casey Lita Fa'aui, and Rev Prince Devanandan (Director, Ex officio)

CHRISTIAN WORLD SERVICE

Although poverty, conflict and climate change are making life increasingly difficult for many communities, CWS through its partners and as part of the ACT Alliance (Action By Churches Together) is working effectively to restore livelihoods and protect vulnerable people. Over the year they have again reported on progress made in improving livelihoods, running education programmes at all levels, and other efforts to help people out of poverty. CWS is grateful for the partnership with the Methodist Church in its work towards a world free from poverty and injustice.



The biggest challenge is to find increased funding for local partners who are making this change happen in their communities, often against great odds. In international circles, this priority of localisation is seen as the best means of meeting human needs, something our partner groups have always done. Local partners know their communities well and can make change happen using their expertise and connections. CWS has very strong partnerships that inform the work we do together.

New challenges and opportunities

The main strategic priority for Christian World Service is to grow downwards! To attract a younger donor base with the specific target areas of 15 to 25 year olds and 50-70 years.

Traditionally CWS has drawn supporters from its partner churches. Membership in these denominations is declining, and although our donors are very generous, it will not be enough to support the initiatives of partners who are confronting poverty and injustice in their communities every day. It is imperative that CWS innovate and reach beyond its historical church-based donors and build a younger, loyal donor base.

In 2016, CWS launched Operation Refugee a peer to peer fundraising campaign involving participants living on the rations of a Syrian Refugee for five days. This has attracted a younger group of participants and donors.

Another strategy to grow the donor base is to build wider engagement with new denominations, i.e. churches who have not traditionally supported CWS and the 'Unchurched Christians'. This year the Christmas Appeal resources will be adapted for those denominations who do not follow the traditional advent liturgy.

Change of Government

One of the biggest changes has been a change of government. CWS was pleased to see that all members of the Coalition Government specified that poverty reduction would become the focus of New Zealand's aid vote in their party platforms - a much welcomed change from the previous government's narrow focus on economic development. The change of focus is in line with the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals: Goal One is to end poverty.

We wrote to the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs, Rt. Hon Winston Peters. In the letter we reminded him of his visit to CWS in 2014 and requested that he consider raising the aid vote to 0.3 per cent (the level he achieved when he was last Foreign Minister) in the short term and eventually to 0.7%. Despite massive demands for more humanitarian aid, that level has now fallen to 0.23 per cent of Gross National Income (GNI), one of its lowest levels ever.

Therefore, CWS welcomed the increased government aid spending in this year's budget, although it is unclear whether aid and development agencies will benefit directly from this increase. What is clear is that the priority for our Official Development Assistance (ODA) will be the Pacific.

In a submission to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (MFAT) on the Partnership Fund¹ we emphasised the need for funding predictability. CWS works primarily in the intangible: gender equality, vocational skills, disaster preparedness, access to healthcare, good governance and so forth. This work is very long term in nature and a predictable funding source is vital. We noted the collaborative environment continues to exist between NZ NGOs and between NGO and MFAT. The competitive nature of the current funding system threatens to reduce the sharing of information and building of cooperative relationships and programmes. A business model can mean NGOs fund work for short term gains that in the long time may further divide vulnerable communities and at worse means some miss out altogether. CWS believes New Zealand NGOs should be encouraged to share insights, learnings, evaluations and techniques. The submission is available on CWS website www.cws.org.nz

Change in Leadership

Over the past two years seven new people have joined the CWS Board. Claire Hart, who joined the Board in 2017, has since been elected Board Chair. Claire, who is 30, currently works for Tearfund as its Project Manager for the Ethical Fashion Report. The other new Board members are: David Culverhouse (Finance Committee) David Fielding (Anglican appointee), Graham French (Quaker appointee), Rev Jenny Dawson (Supporters Council), Ian Lothian (Staffing Committee) and Tara Tautari (Methodist appointee).

In an effort to get a younger perspective on the Board, CWS has initiated a decision-makers mentoring programme. It offers an exposure to governance in a faith-based organisation, supported by an experienced and qualified governance group. We have had a very good response to this initiative and are currently interviewing five potential candidates.

¹ New Zealand Partnership for Development Fund is the main funding window for NGOs. In 2017 MFAT commissioned a review of it and the fund is currently suspended awaiting the outcome of that review.

Financial security

In 2017 CWS established a Capital Fund to channel earmarked donations and bequests to increase interest income for its programmed around the world, guaranteeing support for our partners. The establishment of the fund was made possible because since 2013 we have had break even budgets. A more secure financial position has meant that we have been able to increase staff and in April 2018 Steve Hamlin was appointed the International Programmes Officer. Staffing levels were frozen in 2013.

Strong and Effective Partnerships

The fundamental function of CWS is to resource, empower and support worldwide partners in their development work.

Over the last two years CWS staff and volunteers have visited or met with partners in Uganda, South Sudan, India, Tonga and the Middle East.

International Programmes member and consultant Rob Wayne visited the Centre for Community Solidarity in southern Uganda and a number of the local associations of caregivers with whom they work. He also met Wadalla Peter, Director of South Sudanese partner, the Maridi Service Agency. Wadalla had braved nine military checkpoints to meet him in Kampala.

I visited five partners in India working with Dalits (sometimes known as Untouchables), Tribal people and fisher folk to improve their livelihoods and access to essential human rights. In August 2017 I went to Nicaragua to visit Consejo de Iglesias Evangelicas Pro Alianza Denominacional (CEPAD) whom CWS has supported since 1986.

Trish Murray, International Programmes Coordinator, visited the Department of Service to Palestinian Refugees (DSPR) working in Gaza, Jordan, Lebanon and the West Bank. The work with Syrian and Palestinian refugees in Jordan has been supported by the New Zealand Government. Trish has also made regular visits to meet with our Tongan partner, Tonga Community Development Trust Ama Takiloa.

Visits to partners are important because it keeps the partnership alive. We try to visit our partners at least every three to five years.

CWS supported 28 partners working with some of the most vulnerable communities in 25 countries.

Emergency response

The most significant appeal over the past two years has been in response to Tropical Cyclone Gita which caused widespread damage in Samoa, American Samoa, Fiji and Tonga in February this year. In response, CWS raised over \$100,000 and received a further \$164,128 from the New Zealand Government. These additional funds meant we could significantly expand our response.

The funds have gone to our partner Ama Takiloa to repair/replace damaged rainwater systems including roofing and establishing demonstration plots or community gardens. International Programme Coordinator Trish Murray visited Tonga in June to appraise the recovery efforts. Ama Takiloa has systematically visited households on the Islands of Tongatapu and 'Eua to find out who most needs help. Trish found that many of the poorest people are around Nukualofa and five months after the cyclone she found people living in marginal conditions. Donations to the appeal are giving families, food, safe water and real encouragement. Without support for Ama Takiloa work live would be more difficult, reported Trish.

We have on-going appeals to assist people in the longstanding conflicts of South Sudan and Syria, both have received additional funding from the Government. We have also appealed for Rohingya refugees, medical relief in Gaza, and to assist in reconstruction efforts after a magnitude 7.5 earthquake struck Papua New Guinea in February this year. Methodist Mission and Ecumenical (MME) gave a grant to this appeal.

CWS as part of the ecumenical movement

CWS hosted the General Secretary of the World Council of Churches, Rev Dr Olav Fyske Tveit when he visited Christchurch in October 2016. We organised a public meeting for Rev. François Pihatae, General Secretary of the Pacific Conference of Churches (PCC) in November 2016. He spoke on a number of issues facing the Pacific including climate change and self-determination for West Papua and on Radio New Zealand. François also visited the Christchurch office in April 2018 updating us on PCC's climate justice and other work including the new programme working with men to stop violence against women. PCC is a longstanding partner of CWS.

Shortly after the Conference, I will be flying to Uppsala in Sweden to attend the ACT Alliance Assembly. CWS is a member of the ACT Alliance (Action By Churches Together) which is the third largest aid and development agency in the world. The Assembly is being held in conjunction with the World Council of Churches' Executive Committee meeting and will celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the WCC Programme to Combat Racism. The programme was established at the 1968 WCC General Assembly which was held in Uppsala.

CWS is an Observer at the National Dialogue on Christian Unity.

Education and Advocacy

CWS has three focus areas for education and advocacy: Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), climate change and West Papua.

Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

I have met with representatives of most New Zealand political parties to discuss the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), agreed at the 2015 General Assembly of the United Nations. The 17 goals build on the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) and form the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. The MDGs halved the number of people living in poverty and gave 2.5 billion people access to improved drinking water. The SDGs are universal applying to both developed and developing countries. In articles written for church publications we are highlighting how the work of our partners is contributing towards the attainment of these goals.

Climate Change

We were one of 14 development agencies who prior to last year's general election joined with others to successfully campaign for a Zero Carbon Act. My visits to Tamil Nadu and Nicaragua have given me first-hand experience of how climate change is affecting peoples' lives. The major effect is unpredictable weather, something we have experienced in New Zealand. When your livelihood depends on the crops you grow the impact can be catastrophic. Many of our partners like those in Tamil Nadu and Nicaragua are working to mitigate some of the effects of climate change and increasing their disaster preparedness.

West Papua

CWS has long supported the campaign for self-determination for West Papua, a priority for the Pacific Conference of Churches. Gillian Southey, Communications Coordinator, is a member of the Christchurch group. PCC General Secretary François Pihatae spoke about PCC's role in resourcing West Papuans in their struggle for their own future.

Conclusion

I would like to acknowledge with many thanks the contribution of Tara Tuatari Methodist appointee on the Board. Tara joined the board in March of this year. Terry Wall as Acting Director of MME, for his support and cooperation over the past two years. David Bush and the staff at the Connexional office in particular Elaine Knegt who manages our finances. To Paul Titus, former Editor of Touchstone for providing space in each edition of Touchstone for articles about our work. We are assured by the new Editor, Ady Shannon that this practise will continue.

Special thanks to Methodist Women's Fellowship, who with the Presbyterian Women raised funds for CEPAD (Protestant Council of Churches of Nicaragua) work to stop gender violence, and the Centre for Community Solidarity building rain-water harvesting tanks for the families of HIV and AIDS orphans in Uganda. I would also like to thank Roz Wilkie and Leatrice McIntyre the Methodist representatives on the World Day of Prayer National Committee – CWS is the major

recipient of the annual collection and these monies funded partners in the Philippines and Nicaragua.

Most of all we are grateful to the many CWS supporters in Methodist and Cooperating parishes throughout the country. For more information about the work of Christian World Service, please go to our website: www.cws.org.nz

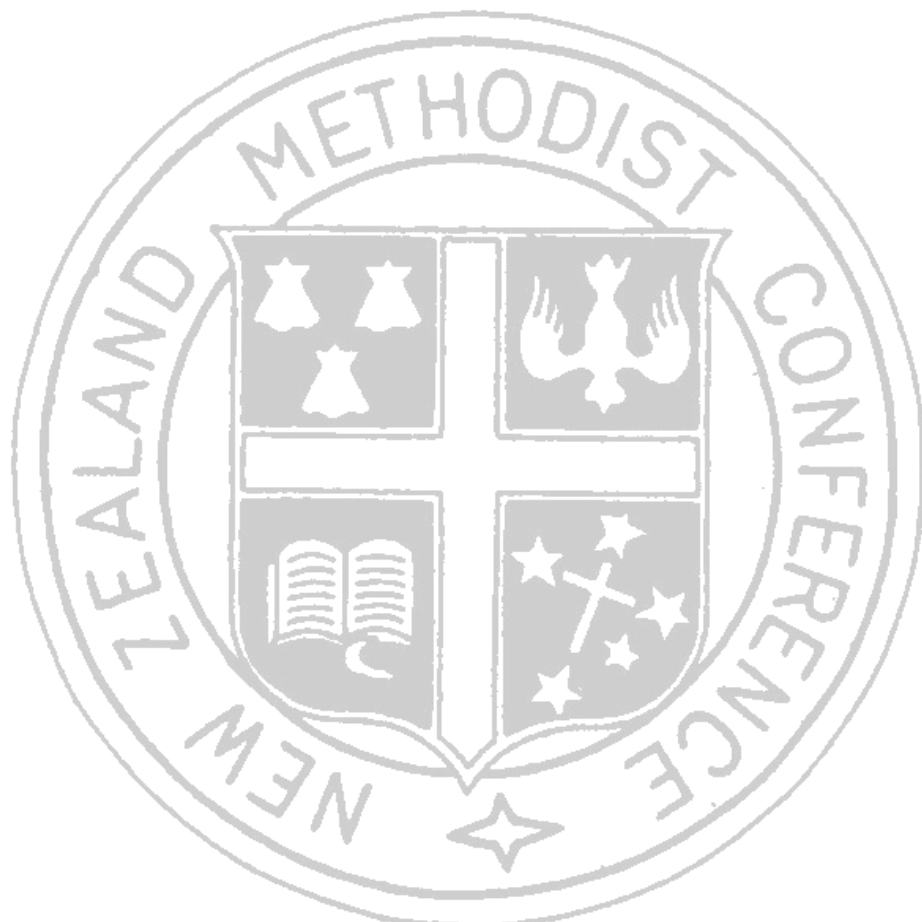
Suggested decision:

1. That the report be received.



Communications

- Methodist Publishing Board
- Media & Communications Endowment Fund



METHODIST PUBLISHING BOARD (TOUCHSTONE)

The Publishing Board was advised by Editor Paul Titus in February 2018 that he was planning to retire from the role of Editor. As Editor since 2003 Paul had become synonymous with Touchstone and a well-known and highly respected contributor to the life of the Church. A formal minute recording Paul's service as Editor is included with this report.

In May, Pieter van den Berg also advised that he would be concluding his role as Advertising Representative. Pieter was Paul's business mentor when Paul began as Editor and Pieter came on to the production team as Advertising Representative and Board member.

The Board extends its thanks to Pieter for his tireless efforts in generating revenue for Touchstone and maintaining strong relationships with the people, companies and organisations that have supported Touchstone over the years. Pieter intends to continue his involvement as a Board member.

In February and March the Publishing Board sent a review questionnaire to all Presbyters, Parishes, Synods and Hui Poari to enable the Board to prepare the job description for the next Editor.

The Board thanks those individuals and groups who responded. As expected a number of those who responded drew attention to the increasing use of online publishing. The Board also sees this as being an essential part of Touchstone's future enhancing and complimenting the print edition. This component was added to the job description and will be rolled out as finance and resources allow.

The Board received a significant number of very strong applications. The successful appointee, Ady Shannon commenced her role in July, with her first issue being August 2018. It should be noted that Touchstone was not published in May and June 2018 as it was not possible to complete the consultation and employment process in time for a new Editor to pick up those editions. Ady comes with a passion for people, for their stories, for the projects that engage them, for their diversity, and for their willingness to make a difference. The Board will be pleased to introduce Ady to the Conference.

Financially Touchstone runs close to budget. The Board is most grateful to Parishes and individuals who make grants and donations to enable the production of the newspaper. Touchstone is provided free of charge, please use it as a resource and get it into as many hands as possible.

Your stories are important. What is routine to you may be good news to others. Ady would love to hear what is happening around the country. If you are celebrating something locally, then perhaps we could all share in your delight.

Acknowledgement of Paul Titus's Service to the Church – May 2018 Edition of Touchstone

We are a people of stories. The Bible is full of stories of faith, failings, success and failure. They are the stories of ordinary people, prophets and kings. These stories help shape us and inform our faith.

We continue to tell the stories of the impact of Jesus, of seeking to discern and live out love. Since 2003, Paul Titus has been instrumental in helping the Methodist Church explore its faith and tell its stories.

Month by month Paul has engaged in conversation seeking insight into what is happening in our lives so that stories can be told and retold to inform and strengthen us.

It has not been his role to please everyone, or reflect certain points of view, but to let members of the Church, in all our diversity, have a voice. This is a task and role that Paul has fulfilled with distinction. From the perspective of the Publishing Board, Paul has been a delight and pleasure to work with. Totally reliable and dependable, Paul made being a Board member easy.

From the perspective of the Church we are thanking a friend who has built and nurtured relationships with us, and month by month became part of our lives.

The Publishing Board, on behalf of the Church, wishes Paul well for his future.

Message of Farewell from Paul Titus – May 2018 Touchstone

G'day and good luck

The May 2018 issue of Touchstone is my last as editor. I say this with both regret and relief.

I served as a reporter for Touchstone when it was established in 2001 and became editor in 2003. Seventeen years is virtually a generation that Touchstone has been a part of my life and that I have been invited into the lives of Methodist and Uniting Rohe and congregations throughout the Connexion.

It has been a privilege to share the stories of the people called Methodist in Aotearoa. They are the stories of efforts large and small to expand and share the Good News of the Bible through reflection, fellowship, community service and activism.

They include stories of celebration and accomplishment as well as sadness and loss.

Touchstone has also covered many controversies - e.g., euthanasia, legalisation of prostitution, same-sex marriage, and free trade - in which good people have stood on the opposite sides of difficult issues.

I acknowledge those who have had the courage to share their views in public on these and other issues. Thanks to everyone who has written a letter to the editor.

As the official photographer, I have had the best seat in the house at Methodist Conference as presidential teams took office, new presbyters and deacons were ordained, and faithful servants of the church retired.

As a delegate to Conference, I have sat through some sessions of tedious but necessary business, but I have also been present when the Methodist Church has made momentous decisions.

These include the 2003 Memorandum of Understanding that allowed the ordination of gay and lesbian ministers. It was a decision filled with grace both because it allowed people who have long-been excluded to serve and share their gifts and because those who opposed the move made space for it to advance.

This issue has been the most vexed during my time as editor. New Zealand and the world have moved a long way toward equality over the past decade, but it is still a sensitive topic for the Church, as evidenced by this my final issue of Touchstone as Editor, which carries three stories on the topic, including Jione Havea's comments on Israel Folau.

Touchstone is a national paper so I have tried not to be a one-eyed Cantabrian. This has not always been easy given the trauma that the region has been through as a result of the earthquakes.

I do regret I have not been able to travel more as editor, for as the Maori saying 'kanohi ki te kanohi' goes, it is when we meet face-to-face that we get down to brass tacks and get to the real story.

Touchstone is a team effort. I want to acknowledge the crew of writers, artists, and proof readers plus our graphic designer Julian Doesburg and advertising manager Pieter van den Berg.

I should note that they and I have been paid for our work in Touchstone, and we should acknowledge those who have contributed their thoughts and creative energy voluntarily. They include Jim Stuart, Doreen Lennox, Rosalie Sugrue, Jan Fogg, Dianna Roberts, Andrew Doubleday and the presbyters and lay preachers who have contributed to our Reflection column. I am also especially indebted to Karen Isaacs who manages distribution and subscriptions.

It is also important to thank the liaison people who have organised and edited the Pacific language pages over the years. Most have been presbyters who did this work on top of their other pastoral duties.

Finally, I acknowledge the Methodist Publishing Board which provided guidance and support but also a free hand for me to pursue the stories of the church, wherever they led.

Suggested decisions:

1. That the report be received.
2. That Conference thanks Paul Titus for his 17 years as Editor of Touchstone, acknowledging the significant contribution he has made to the Church.
3. That Conference thanks Pieter van den Berg for his contribution as Advertising Manager.
4. That Conference welcomes Ady Shannon as Editor of Touchstone.
5. That the Methodist Publishing Board for 2019 be: David Bush (General Secretary), Barbara Peddie (Chair), Kathryn Walters, Ady Shannon (Editor), Alec Utting and Jim Stuart (Corresponding Members).

MEDIA & COMMUNICATIONS ENDOWMENT FUND

The Media and Communications Committee are grateful to the PACT for having the hindsight for such a valuable grant available to parishes each year. This allows us to view the projects of many parishes who apply to the Media & Communications Fund for possible funds.

We would like to thank the parishes who made every effort to complete the application form correctly and this made the administration of applications so much easier.

While we read about your ‘dream list’ projects, with the number of correctly completed applications received, we are only able to give an average of \$1000 - \$1500 per grant each year.

We have given priority to providing grants for laptop computers, digital projectors and sound equipment which are essential tools for the functioning of our parishes.

The following are the grants given to parishes this year:-

1	St Andrews Union Parish of Hokitika/South Westland	\$1200	Large screen TV
2	New Brighton Union Parish	\$1200	Portable sound system
3	Auckland Fijian Methodist Parish	\$1062	Laptop and printer
4	Otago Tertiary Chaplaincy Trust Board	\$1640	Update/reprint Chaplaincy Grief booklet
5	NZ Methodist Women’s Fellowship	\$2000	Conference Handbook Production
6	St Paul’s Otara (Samoan)	\$1200	Laptop/projector
7	Wellington Community Action	\$2000	Assistance film production
8	Christchurch Central Methodist (Durham St)	\$1200	Assistance with website
9	Trinity Napier Methodist Parish	\$1000	Update website
10	Christchurch South Parish	\$1200	Laptop/software
11	Opawa Community Church	\$1200	Hearing loop
12	Kaurihohore/Kamo Cooperating	\$1200	Office/laptop
13	Lifewise Trust	\$2000	Video promotion through social media
14	Paeroa Cooperating	\$1200	2 laptops
15	Tawa Union, Wellington	\$1200	Booklet of prayers/microphone
16	Palmerston North Social Services	\$1200	Revamp website
17	Miramar Uniting, Wellington	\$385	Upgrade church activities signage
18	Foxton Shannon Cooperating	\$1200	Large TV screen/dvd Player

19	Lynfield Community Church	\$1500	Dual wireless mic /laptop/dvd player
20	Wellington Methodist Fijian	\$1200	Portable Sound System
21	Wesley Roskill Church	\$1000	Digital Keyboard
22	Mangere Otahuhu Methodist	\$1200	Laptop/projector screen
23	Mangere Tongan Methodist	\$1200	Upgrade church sound system
24	Northcote Methodist Youth Group	\$2000	Musical instruments and Accessories
25	Lower North Island Synod	\$1500	Assistance with production Mission in the City Hopes and Dreams, Shirley Joy Barrow
26	Kapiti Uniting	\$1500	Publish 'Lay Preaching Basics' Rosealie Surgue
27	Wesley Methodist Papatoetoe	\$1200	Data projector
28	Lower Hutt Tongan Parish	\$1200	Assistance church sound system
29	Pukekohe Methodist	\$1000	Laptop
30	Glen Inness Tongan Methodist Parish	\$2000	Assistance with new community Youth project, church based
31	St Paul's Cooperating Putaruru	\$1200	Laptop
32	Orakei Methodist Parish	\$1200	Assistance with upgrade audio/visual
33	Christian Broadcasting Association	\$2500	Assistance with scholarship for Christian Tertiary Students media studies
34	St James Union Greerton	\$1200	Reinstate relay sound system cables to upstairs Speakers
35	St Chads Anglican/Methodist, Huapai	\$1200	Upgrade audio visual projectors
36	Panavai oe Gagana Samoa Trust Board	\$1200	Laptop to upgrade IT system for Preschool
37	Mahurangi Methodist	\$1200	TV screen
38	Papatoetoe Leaders Meeting	\$1500	Publish new hymnbook – NZ writers – Norman Brookes, Norman Goreham, Jeremy Whimster
39	Wesley Methodist Hastings	\$1200	Assistance with sound system replacement

*We respectfully continue to seek –
What is God saying to us now?
What more we can do to promote the work of God?*

Suggested decisions:

1. The report be received.
2. The committee for 2019: Trish Moseley Taylor (Convenor), Gillian Laird, Te Rito Peyroux, Robyn Allen-Goudge and one member (to be advised and approved by the President).



Social Issues

- Public Issues Network
- Interchurch Bioethics Council



PUBLIC ISSUES NETWORK



PUBLIC ISSUES 2018

We continue our work for family/whanau/fanau wellbeing, Living Wage, Fresh water and Climate justice, and for 2018 Public Issues features new work with an ecumenical National Churches Climate Network and a Methodist Climate Policy for Conference.

We resource the church to respond to public issues in parishes, as a Connexion and in partnership with other churches and organizations. The new policy environment since the 2017 election is generating overwhelming policy development in areas of critical importance to Public Issues – including poverty reduction, housing and tenancy, fair wages, climate change, wellbeing, environmental policy, endorsement of Te Tiriti o Waitangi. This much anticipated environment of reform is positive for advocacy; it calls for vigilance for justice and integration in policy development.

CHURCH ENGAGEMENT

Te Taha Māori is a member of the Public Issues Oversight group.

The guidance of Te Taha Māori is sought for Public Issues activities, policy, events, submissions, and we appreciate their guidance. Nga mihi hohonu ki te Taha Māori. Nga mihi aroha ki a koutou.

Tauwi – Sinoti, Vahefonua Public Issues is active in working with Sinoti Samoa and Vahefonua, both of which are represented on the Oversight Group. We maintain communications with Wasewase Ko Viti Kei Rotuma. We share in cultural events as opportunity arises.

We welcome two representatives of Wasewase to the Public Issues Oversight Group.

Parishes and Synods

We thank all parishes and parishioners who contribute to Public Issues, and who bring attention to local issues as well as the significance of national issues.

CLIMATE JUSTICE

The Oversight Group have worked with Public Issues to develop a climate policy for the church, and the draft 'Climate Justice Policy' has been extensively circulated and discussed in Synods and parishes and with Connexional bodies in preparation for Conference 2018. Feedback has included queries on points such as 'what is climate justice?' the need for political policy engagement, how to take the policy forward. There is endorsement of the importance of the church engaging in climate justice for internal policy and in the national arena.

Pacific climate migration is a significant issue for churches to take up with government to as part of Climate Justice work and we met with the Minister of Pacific Peoples and the Minister for Climate Change on this issue. Responsible investment is a work-in-progress for churches, with divestment and mission-focussed investment as points for attention. Just Transitions for the changes in the economy mean building policy that will ensure re-training and education opportunities are provided for changes in work and occupations.

Parishes and Synods who have engaged with the climate policy proposal either with workshops, discussions or written contributions include:

Takapuna Methodist
St John's Hamilton
Tawa Uniting Church
Papakura
Devonport

Lotofalei'a
Trinity Methodist, Newtown
Hutt City Uniting, Waiwhetu
Pitt St Methodist

Synods:

Auckland-Manukau
Lower North Island
Central South Island
Hamilton-Wairakei
Nelson-Marlborough-West Coast

Otago-Southland

Sinoti Samoa
Wasewase ko Viti Kei Rotuma
Vahefonua Tonga o Aotearoa

Te Taha Māori
The Methodist Alliance

National Churches Climate Network

Public Issues is currently convening the national ecumenical Churches Climate Network. Members include Anglican Advocacy and Anglican Auckland Diocese, Caritas, Quakers, Peace Place, Salvation Army, Tear Fund, Presbyterian.

Generally we meet on monthly skype meetings and we hold occasional events: A post COP22 gathering at the Tear Fund where speakers spoke of faith and climate change and included Pacific Climate Warrior Lusua Taloafulu who spoke of his experience at the Climate negotiations in Bonn, 2017. We met with famed climate activist and 350.Org leader Bill McKibben in Auckland in March 2018.

The Churches Climate Network did a collective submission to the Productivity Commission and this was supported by Church Leaders.

The consultation for the Zero Carbon Act has generated a focus for research and activity from the Churches Climate Network with collaboration with Generation Zero and other organizations such as Wise Response. We supported a joint submission from the Methodist, Catholic and Anglican Church leaders and a collective submission from the Churches Climate Network.

LIVING WAGE

The Living Wage is well supported by parishes in Wellington, Lower Hutt, Porirua and Auckland. There has been tremendous success in Wellington and Lower Hutt with both Councils agreeing to pay the Living Wage. In addition Wellington will pay contract workers, and Lower Hutt is continuing to consider agreeing to this. Betsan attended a Living Wage training in April 2018.

COMMUNICATIONS

Public Issues prepares regular communications for parish bulletins. This year these communications included Child poverty and wellbeing, Living Wage, Fresh water, Sustainable Development Goals, Climate Migration, Climate Finance and Climate Justice.

- Items to parishes for bulletins
- PIN News via e-Messenger
- Touchstone
- Facebook page
- PIN info, resources, submissions on Methodist website:
http://www.methodist.org.nz/public_questions_network/index3

METHODIST MISSION AND ECUMENICAL

Appreciation is expressed to Prince and Terry Wall for their support and encouragement for Public Issues and participation on key events.

METHODIST ALLIANCE

Public Issues Network and the Methodist Alliance share information and collaborate on areas of shared activity and interests, including on submissions such as on the Child Poverty Reduction bill. Betsan attended the Methodist Alliance Forum, Nov 2017 in Christchurch.

CONFERENCES AND CONSULTATIONS

Wellbeing is the key to change towards an inclusive society and 2018 has brought an intense focus to what this means for social services, for financial investment and reporting and in overseas aid. Data collection – information about people who receive government services and how much identifiable information is shared and how it is used is highly contested and included in the consultations being held during 2018. Public Issues is contributing to these from the viewpoint of ethics. Treasury is designing a Living Standards Framework, based on wellbeing criteria, which will be the basis for the 2019 budget.

The Productivity Commission has carried out an extensive review of the opportunities and challenges of transitions to a low carbon economy. The Churches Climate Network contributed on matters of inclusion, food security, investment, support for a Zero Carbon Act, Just Transitions.

World Council of Churches, Arusha, Tanzania

The World Council of Churches Conference on Mission and Evangelism brought together 1500 delegates and included representatives from Samoa, Fiji, Cook Islands, and Aotearoa-New Zealand.

President Prince was there and Betsan and Mataiva Robertson joined with Professor Fele Nokise, Pacific Theological College, for a workshop on climate justice and our common home – a dialogue with indigenous people.

Contributions to the conference were ‘harvested’ during the closing plenary, for the Arusha statement. As a result of our interventions mention was made of ‘climate ecology’. While we asked for climate justice to be included in ‘moving with the spirit’ for the renewed mission of the church we accepted the framing the harvesters gave. Mission in conflict is at the fore of WCC attention – not surprisingly given the immediacy of conflict.

MFE Climate Finance Consultation

Methodist Public issues and Anglican representatives attended the Ministry for Environment Climate Finance launch, April 2018 – an agenda for both churches and government. This is the first report on climate finance for New Zealand. Public Issues prepared some thoughts on Responsible Investment which being discussed with MTA.

Pacific Philosophy and Theology Conference, Suva, Fiji

Leaders at this inaugural conference spoke of a relational renaissance inspired by Indigenous ways of living and knowing which teach us that humans and all forms of life are kin, and part of an interdependent uni-verse which includes the spiritual realm. Indigenous knowledge is that which endures through being immersed in the natural world and for Pacific peoples, the navigational experience of the ocean is a particular source of knowledge, culture and talanoa dialogues.

Sustainable Development Goals

Johan Rockström from the Stockholm Resilience Centre visited NZ just before the Sustainable Development Goals Conference (SDG's). Rockström shows the 17 Goals as a ‘Wedding Cake’ with oceans, water, forests, climate, land and soils, as the basis for keeping earths physical ecosystems intact. Indigenous speakers highlighted that 80% of earth’s biodiversity is on indigenous lands.

Children’s Commissioner Andrew Becroft said tackling Child Poverty, Goal 1 is priority number 1 for Aotearoa New Zealand, with its shocking 23% children living in poverty, and 13% in abject poverty.

NZ Climate Education Symposium

A special event for identifying the state of play and future needs for climate change education in schools and in NGO’s. The enthusiastic gathering of over 100 teachers and researchers started to consider curriculum, professional development and policy needs in schools and in the informal education sectors. Elisapesi Havea gave a presentation on climate education in Tonga.

Trans Pacific Partnership

The TPP became the Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for the Trans-Pacific Partnership (CPTTP) – a free trade agreement ratified by 11 Pacific Rim countries including New Zealand and excluding the US. New Zealand's ban on foreign ownership of residential property was protected.

INEQUALITY

Public Issues is a member of the (In)Equality Network, and receives their new bulletins and attends events.

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. Poverty is to a large extent a function of mal-distribution of wealth.

CHILD AND FAMILY WELLBEING & COALITION FOR CHILDREN

The Child Poverty legislation introduced to Parliament March 2018 is a feature of new policy. The main purpose of the Child Poverty Reduction Bill is for the government to set Measures and Targets for reducing poverty.

Public issues brings a particular focus on wellbeing and on Pacific families, with attention to a cross party agreement for child poverty reduction to ensure stable policy into the future. Public Issues proposed using the main measure of 60% of the median income is \$49,900; and 60% of that is \$29,000. The Living Wage is \$54,000.

Public Issues is part of the coalition for children, Tick4Kids. This group is fully supportive of the new policy focus on Child and Family Wellbeing and the Living Standards Framework. This group meets on pertinent topics as they arise, such as on the child Poverty legislation.

Collaborators include UNICEF, Ora Taiao, Public Health Association. Nurses Organization, Child Poverty Action Group, Child Poverty Action Group, Child Poverty Network, Child Wellbeing Network, Every Child Counts, NZ Education Institute, Council of Trade Unions.

The Inquiry into Abuse of Children in State Care is important to watch. The Inquiry excludes Church run institutions but David Bush has signalled the need for a forum to allow for reporting and resolution of mistreatment and abuse in Methodist run institutions.

Freshwater

Public Issues is part of a cross-sectoral collaboration of organizations for Freshwater and attends key meetings, including with political parties. Māori interests, agriculture, forestry, tourism, energy companies, and environmental organizations are key players. Policy on Freshwater is awaited later in 2018.

SUBMISSIONS

Child Poverty Reduction bill April 2018
Productivity Commission February 2018
Zero Carbon Act July 2018
Oranga Tamaraki March 2017

NEXT STEPS

Public Issues applied to PAC for funds to support workshops with parish groups
Developing an ethics for Just Transitions and collaboration for policy development are key opportunities for the coming year and beyond.

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 government and non-government organizations and agencies on the following:

- (a). Public Issues, Wellbeing and Economic Justice: That Public Issues resources the church to engage in matters of justice and wellbeing with current priorities and policy including: Climate Justice and ethics, Living Wage, Equality, Trade, Ecological integrity, Sustainable Development Goals.
 - (b). Climate Justice
 - (i) The Methodist Church Te Hāhi Weteriana adopts the Climate Justice policy submitted to Conference
 - (ii) That the Methodist Church supports work on 'Just Transitions.'
3. Membership of the PIN Oversight Group for 2018-2020 to be: Prince Devanandan, Viv Whimster, Arapera Ngaha, Soana Muimuiheata, Elisapesi Havea, Mataiva Robertson, Marion Hines, David Bush, Asaeli Tulagi, Joeli Ducivaki, Betsan Martin, and the President and Vice President. 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.



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 www.interchurchbioethics.org.nz as a resource. You can also find us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/InterChurchBioethicsCouncil. The website is continually updated. 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.

During 2018, the ICBC has worked on the proposed legislation for medically assisted suicide (wrongly referred to as 'euthanasia' in media reports.) The ICBC has made a formal submission to the Government Commission tasked with engaging with public submissions. You can find ICBC material on the website. The ICBC is not in the business of telling church members how they should respond: our task is to set out the material and the arguments. The recommendations that the ICBC makes in any such submissions will reflect the consensus of the Council, but they remain recommendations, not decisions.

The Advisory Committee on Assisted Reproductive Technology (ACART) asked for responses to a proposed review of the 'Guidelines for storage, use and disposal of sperm from a deceased man' to take into account gametes and embryos. ICBC has made a response and this is available for anyone who wishes to follow this up. We have also responded to the Health Select Committee with regard to the use of cannabis-based products for medicinal use, which we supported, along with the regulated growth and use of medicinally appropriate plants. Again the details of the ICBC response will be found on the web page.

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!

We continue to receive regular updates from the Centre for Science and Citizenship (offspring of the former Roadshow, initiated by ICBC). The work of this Trust continues to be enthusiastically supported by the students who attend the school workshops.

I need to say that, in spite of frequent encouragement to Synods, Rohe and congregations to engage in dialogue with ICBC members, we are hardly ever 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!

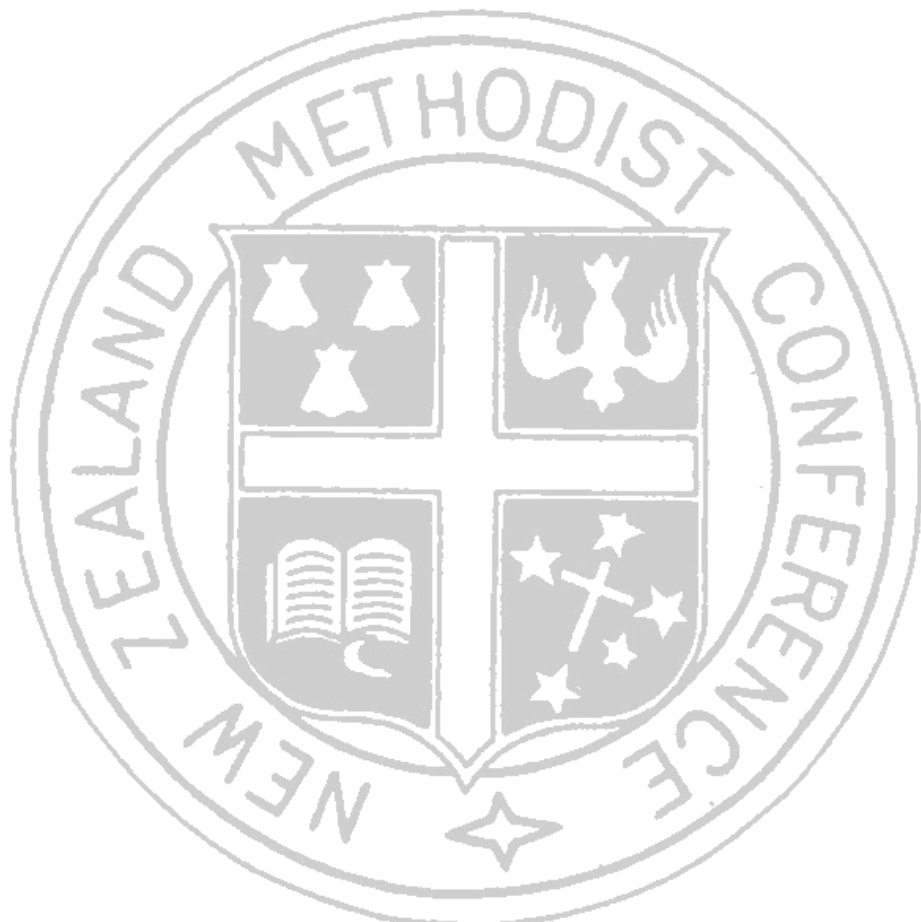
Suggested decisions:

1. The Report is received.
2. The Methodist members of the InterChurch Bioethics Council for the next year will be: Barbara Peddie (Co-chair), Julie-Anne Barney Katene, and Filo Tu.

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Nominations for...

- President
- Vice-President



NOMINATIONS FOR PRESIDENT & VICE-PRESIDENT 2018

PRESIDENT

Andrew Doubleday

NOMINATED BY

Sinoti Samoa
Otago Southland
Nelson Marlborough West Coast
Central South Island
Wasewase

Tevita Finau

Vahefonua Tonga

Susan Thompson

Waikato Waiariki

Viv Whimster

Waikato Waiariki

VICE PRESIDENT

Niko Bower

Wasewase

Rachael Masterton

Sinoti Samoa
Otago Southland

Jackie McGeorge

Waikato Waiariki

‘Etuini (Edwin) Talakai

Vahefonua Tonga

Susan Thompson

Waikato Waiariki

Niko Bower

Marital/Family Information

I am married to Kula Bower and we have three sons, George, Kolinio and William. I migrated to New Zealand 27 years ago and became a member of the Wellington Wesley parish and Fijian congregation in Wellington Wesley.

My passion - Gods calling in my life has led me to commit myself and my family to Gods ministry.

Ministry or Work Experience

I am a member of the Wellington Wesley Methodist Paris, and was a lay leader for the Wellington Wesley Fijian congregation for 14 years. I have worked alongside all age groups from Sunday school, young people, men and women fellowship.

I have been involved in volunteers work with DCM and with our Fijian and Wellington communities' groups. I was a member of the Parish council, a Parish steward and Social committee convener for a number of years.

I was a lay rep for our congregation to our Fijian circuit as convener for strategy, treasurer and administrator. I was a representative of Wasewase ko Viti kei Rotuma e Niu Siladi to the Taiwi Strategy and stationing. I am currently our congregation youth mentor.

I have been a lay preacher for over 20 years (English & Fijian speaking congregations) and have completed lead worship 1, 2 & 3.

I worked in the IT industry for over 14 years, early childhood teacher aide and currently a courier contractor for Courier Post NZ

General Information

I enjoy studying and sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ through preaching, teaching, sharing and in my every day activities". I believe in the power of prayer.

Family is important to me for it has the God given resources to nurture, sustain, support and encourage an individual in their life journey. I like taking on new challenges as this grows my faith and trust in God. I enjoy nature, reading, walking, taking family trips and sports.

Andrew Doubleday

Marital/Family Information

Lynne and I have been married for 37+ years. We have three adult sons, two daughters-in-law, and one grandson.

I grew up in Dunedin, and am the eldest of five to English and Dutch immigrants. I was baptised Presbyterian, and raised Open Brethren (youth into young adulthood). I discovered in the people of the Mornington Methodist Church that being loved was not conditional upon my agreement or conformity. This proved life changing for me.

Ministry or Work Experience

Worked 13 years as a Quantity Surveyor for NZ Government.

St Johns/Trinity College 1987 through 1989 (B.Theol MCD) - three of the most rewarding years of my life up until then.

Ministry appointments

1990 through 1994 – Wanganui Methodist team ministry.

1995 through to present – Opawa Methodist/Community Church. During this time we've been through a church split, exited Methodism and re-joined 10 years later, lost our buildings to earthquakes, took 6 years to rebuild and return. I did a two year stint as Synod Property Secretary

where we set up processes to guide the District wide rebuild. While continuing on the District Committee I am also currently on Methodist Connexional Property Committee. I have enjoyed being involved with both Council of Conference (past 2 ½ years) Tauwi Strategy (past 3 ½ years).

I continue to be excited about ministry, believing as a young 63 year old that my most fruitful years are still in front of me.

What I bring

I'm creative, always looking for practical solutions to problems. I'm often passionate and enthusiastic.

I tend to see clearly, particularly the long-term implications of decisions. I seem to be graced with the capacity of being able to see the wood for the trees, and simplifying the complex.

I take the long view. I'm patient in waiting for people to 'come on board', believing that relationships need not be sacrificed in implementing a great plan. Having said that, I don't tend to go in much for long term planning – I've found that life seems to find its own way. I no longer believe in coincidences – I look to see what God is doing (what is happening in my life, around me, what people are coming across my path) and do my best to co-operate. Usually.

I tend to think out loud. This can be disconcerting for others as I've been known to change my mind mid-sentence.

While I tend to participate freely and can be outspoken, I never intend to be unkind - I like to be liked.

While usually clear on where I stand, I am inclusive and have the capacity to reach across the breadth of the Church.

I have made the Spiritual Exercises of St Ignatius of Loyola, and receive regular Spiritual Direction. Prayer, both contemplative and intercessory, is very important to me – it is the engine room for my ministry and living. I am intending to make the exercises again late this year as a 30 day silent retreat.

As each day passes, the conviction that God loves me and has fully demonstrated this in Jesus Christ, deepens.

I continue to have a deep conviction that the primary purpose of the church is to help people connect with God.

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 o 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 Tangatawhenua, 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 0 Aotearoa, and currently its Superintendent. He is a former member of the Tauivi 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.

Rachael Masterton

Marital/Family Information

I am single with no children, my parents have been married for 51 years and I have 2 brothers who are both married with 2 boys each.

Ministry or Work Experiences

Having been brought up in a Union Parish I received a good grounding in both Methodist and Presbyterian Church processes.

I am employed full time with Westpac New Zealand Limited (for 30 years) and am currently a Regional Support for the South Island. This involves a lot of responsibility in expense management, staffing, organizational skills, time management and prioritization, and most importantly – people skills.

Alongside my full time employment, I have been active in ministry within the church setting since my teenage years. Sunday School teaching, lay preaching, membership on Parish Councils, JRCs, Synod, Settlement Boards and Ministry Review committees. Latterly I have also been (and in many cases still are) a member of Tauivi Strategy and Stationing, Council of Conference, Methodist Mission Southern Board, Methodist Alliance Steering Committee, PAC; and am the Synod Secretary and Financial Secretary for Otago Southland and was the Synod Co-Superintendent from 2011-2014. I have studied through Trinity Theological College and graduated with a Licentiate in Ministry Studies in 2015.

I am committed to the Methodist Church of New Zealand Bi-cultural journey and enjoy the relationships I have with members of Te Taha Maori.

Currently in Girls' Brigade I am the Area Commissioner, Area Chaplain and part of the training team. I have also held the positions of Area Secretary, Training Coordinator and Duke of Edinburgh Coordinator.

From 2014-2016 I facilitated motivational and strategic sessions at the Girls' Brigade Pacific Fellowship conferences in Auckland and Brisbane at the invitation of the International Vice President for the Pacific.

In 2016 I graduated with a Bachelor of Applied Management with Distinction from Capable NZ (Otago Polytechnic).

General Information

I have always been passionate about helping individuals and communities reach their potential. I have a strong sense of responsibility for social justice and continue to work towards seeing our communities working together for the common good. Recently I attended a 2 day conference in Melbourne on fighting inequality and empowering communities which energized me and refreshed my thinking on this.

I have strong leadership practices in Change Management and Strategic Management and am very goal oriented.

My other interests are running, gardening, cooking and relaxing with a good book.

Jackie McGeorge

Marital/Family Information

I have been married for 37 years to David and we live in Howick, Auckland. We have three grown up children. Amanda the eldest is married to Matt and they have a two year old, Charlotte. Christopher our son lives with his partner Gareth in Wellington and Samantha our youngest is living in London.

Ministry or Work Experiences

I was trained as a primary school teacher and am currently working part time at a local School. My roles in the Church include at the moment being Manukau Area Superintendent and Parish Steward at my church Trinity Pakuranga. I also serve the Professional Development and Grants Committee and the Mission and Ecumenical Board. I play the organ at our church and chair the Trinity Puppeteers Trust.

General Information

I have been a Methodist all my life. Baptised at Onehunga Methodist, I was confirmed at Wesley Papatoetoe and married at Trinity Pakuranga where we continue to worship. I enjoy reading, travelling and knitting and spending time with my family.

'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 Taiwi 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.”

Susan Thompson

Family Information

- Born in Christchurch in 1964 - Christchurch is still home to my brother, four nieces and aunts and uncles
- Married to Nan Russell since 2013 (civil union 2007)
- We live in Hamilton with our two dogs and two cats and are members at Te Awamutu Methodist Church

Ministry Experiences

- Grew up in the Riccarton Methodist Circuit where I was especially influenced by the ministries of Ian Clarke and Phyllis Guthardt. They preached a message of grace and acceptance and gave me permission to think and to question.
- Studied history at the University of Canterbury (BA 1986, MA 1st Class Hons. 1990) before beginning ministry training at Trinity Theological College, St John's, Auckland in 1989 (BTheol. 1993)
- My first parish appointment was to the Northcote Methodist Church, Auckland 1993 to 1997 where I grew as a preacher and pastor and became aware of the privilege of accompanying people on their life journeys
- Returned to study completing a PhD in Theology at the University of Auckland in 2002 - topic of thesis was “Knowledge and Vital Piety: Methodist Ministry Education in New Zealand 1844-1989”
- Parish Superintendent of the Hamilton Methodist Parish from 2002 to 2008
- Synod Superintendent of the Waikato-Wairariki Synod since 2009. My priorities in this role have been strengthening bicultural relationships with the local Rohe, promoting training opportunities for both lay and ordained, supporting local congregations and mentoring young presbyters.
- Served the wider church as a member of the Faith and Order Committee, Trinity College Council and Council of Conference (including a term as Taiwi Co-Convenor).
- I have filled in as Acting General Secretary while David Bush has been on leave and been Associate Secretary of Methodist Conference.
- I am currently a member of the Taiwi Strategy and Stationing Committee, the Taiwi Sexuality Work Group and the Wesley Historical Society Executive.

General Information

- During my time away from parish ministry I came out as a lesbian. Te Hāhi was involved in painful debates about the acceptance of gay and lesbian people in church leadership and I felt I could no longer stay silent about my identity
- Since then I have worked to support LGBTQ people within and beyond the church and was a vocal advocate for the civil union and marriage equality campaigns.
- I enjoy reading, tramping in the New Zealand bush, singing in an interfaith choir and spending time with friends and family.

Coming from a non-church family, I was drawn to Methodism at a young age by the sense of belonging I found in a local congregation. I was also inspired by Methodism's responsiveness to the Spirit in areas like gender equality and social justice. I believe Methodism still has a prophetic voice and a model of compassionate community to offer the world. We have always been a people open to fresh expressions of faith and God is not finished with us yet.

Viv Whimster

After a two-year term as Vice-President, I was expecting to step back from Connexional responsibilities, so the invitation to be nominated for the position of President for 2020-22 has been unexpected. It has made me reconsider if I still have some giftings and energy to offer Te Hāhi. The experience of these last two years has underlined for me the importance of the Presidential team working well together, the value of building relationships and the need to work hard at communicating effectively.

Family Information

- Married to Jeremy.
- We have four adult children and six grandchildren.
- We have lived in Tauranga and belonged to Wesley Methodist Church since 1974.

Ministry or Work Experiences

Work and life experience

- First career of several years as a hospital pharmacist.
- Home-maker and parenting.
- Varied volunteer roles which include: youth leader, study group leader, coffee morning group organiser, and worship committee convenor.

Ministry experience

- Completion of four-year Ministry Internship Diploma through the Bay of Plenty branch of the Bible College of New Zealand (now Laidlaw).
- Ministry Assistant on the Wesley Ministry Team to co-ordinate the children's and youth ministry and other responsibilities, including pastoral care and hospital visiting 1995-2016.
- Accreditation as a Lay Preacher in 1998.
- Secretary of the New Zealand Lay Preachers' Association Executive 2004-9.
- Currently Convenor of the Methodist Lay Preachers' Network.
- Trainer for the Seasons of the Spirit resource for Christian education and worship, and part of the writing group for Lent-Easter 2014.
- Methodist Conference representative since 2003.
- Member of the Waikato-Wairiki Synod Executive and Synod Steward (Lay Representative) for 5 years, which involved being on the Tauwi Strategy and Stationing Committee.
- Served for 5 years on Council of Conference.
- I have been on the Spirit and Spice group, the Children's Ministry Workgroup and the Consultative Group on Youth Ministry.
- Completed a BTheol in 2003 through the Otago Distance Learning programme and a Post-Graduate Diploma in 2015, majoring in Pastoral Studies.
- Other study includes: computing and adult education.
- Vice-President MCNZ, Te Hāhi Weteriana o Aotearoa 2016-18

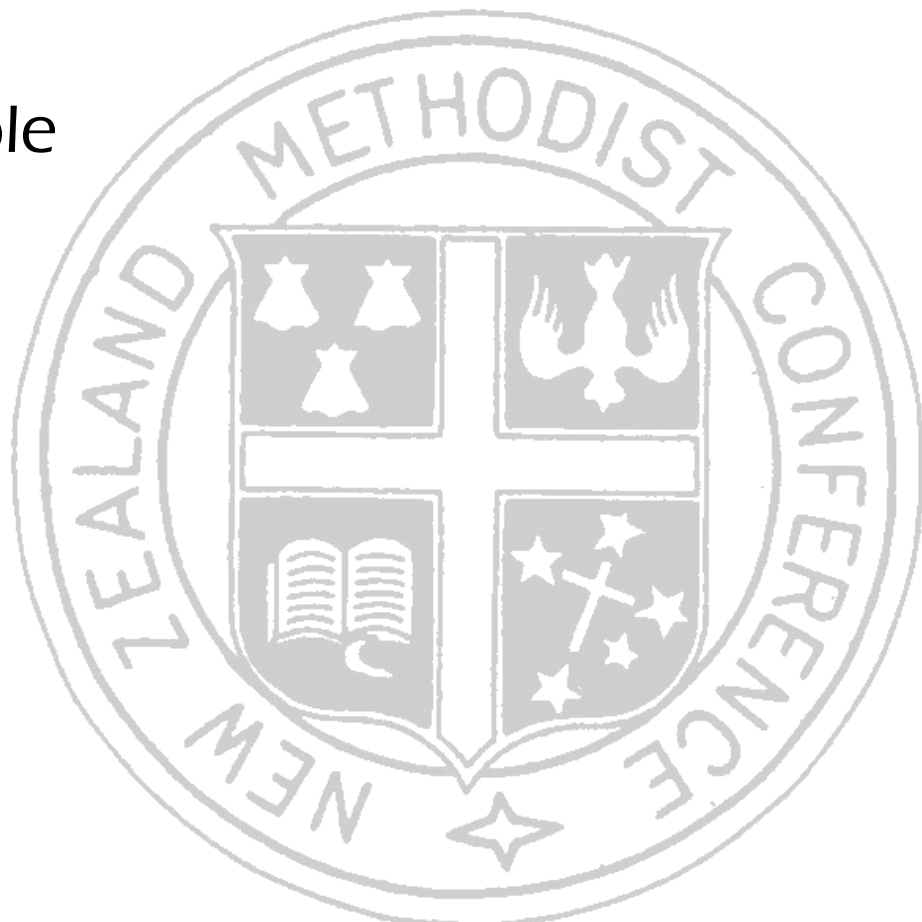
General Information

- I originally joined Te Hāhi because I married a Methodist but have found so many other good reasons to stay, such as our bi-cultural journey working out in a multi-cultural context, a strong social conscience, our theological diversity and liturgical creativity.
- Some of the challenges ahead I would see as: communicating and strategizing more effectively, learning to understand each other better across cultures, finding ways to engage meaningfully with a message of hope with contemporary society, expanding our understanding of what it means to be inclusive, working for justice among people and living sustainably with creation.
- To relax, I enjoy music, cycling, reading, gardening, crossword puzzles, movies and time with family and friends.

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Tributes to Deceased

- Presbyters
- Minita-a-Iwi
- Deacons
- Lay People



Mavis Ambler

1934 - 2017

Born 8th May, 1934 in Folkestone, England, Mavis Ambler was the first child of Bob and Edith Garrett. She had a younger sister, Sylvia. Mavis was only given one name because her mother had three names and only wanted her children to have one. She was an evacuee during WWII. Later during WWII her family moved north to live in Sheffield. Her father was a Yorkshireman. She trained as a teacher and went to Art College in Brighton, then taught in Greenwich near Cutty Sark. This was a very poor, low socio-economic area. She was brought up in the church of England and in her early 20s started attending the Baptist church.

She decided to immigrate to either Canada or New Zealand. She decided on New Zealand and came out here on a ship called the Captain Cook in 1959. After spending time in the immigrant camp in Auckland, Mavis travelled north to Aranga to start teaching. She then moved to teach at Waimamaku, living at Omapere.

In 1960 she met Roy Ambler. They were married on 6th May, 1961 at the Waimamaku Methodist Church by Percy Rushton. Her parents were unable to be here for the wedding. It was the opening day of shooting season. Her first question to Roy at the altar was: "How many did you get?" The minister, Percy Rushton, shot a pheasant on the way from Waimamaku Church to the reception at Opononi.

Roy was an active member of the Methodist Church in the area and both Mavis and Roy continued throughout their lives to be active members. Roy and Mavis had their first child, Paul, in 1962. They had a miscarriage before their second child, Ruth, was born in 1965. They had a difficult birth of their third child, David, in 1967.

As Mavis's parents had been unable to attend the wedding, in early 1964 they set off with Paul on an around the world trip to see Mavis's parents in England. They travelled through Hong Kong, Thailand, India, Israel, Egypt, Lebanon and on to Britain visiting family of both Mavis and Roy in Britain, they returned via the USA visiting Roy's relations on the way home.

Mavis continued to teach after David was born. She had a greater role in book keeping for the farm after her brother in law died in 1976. She was also regularly cooking for shearing, hay making etc. She was a keen netball player, a very good table tennis player, and was keen on cricket. She was active in St. John's Ambulance Association and she helped Roy in handicapping at axeman's events. She also served as a councillor on the Omapere-Opononi Community Council.

Mavis was active in the church as a Sunday School teacher, lay preacher and, in 1989, was ordained in Wellington as a self-supporting Methodist Minister. Mavis was one of the first women to be ordained in the Hokianga. She was possibly the first minister in the area to start marrying people outside of Church buildings. The first wedding she took was next to a stream with bush behind, out amongst God's creation or, as someone else has put it, marrying people in "God's Cathedral".

Mavis always used experience she had had in childhood, war time, teaching, family and travel during her services/preaching. She had a real connection with people and empathy for people. She had an extremely important role in our community in marrying people, baptising people, and caring for people who had lost their loved ones, i.e. hatch 'em, match 'em, and dispatch 'em.

Mavis's focus was largely in caring for Roy after his first stroke in late 1991. Although she continued to perform her role as minister and enjoyed her grandchildren as they started to come along from 1992 onwards. She had an operation on her back in 2002 which was largely unsuccessful and left her needing to use a walker and wheelchair as well as having a permanent catheter.

Roy died in 2003. Mavis's health challenges did not stop her from continuing to perform her roles in the Church and local community.

In 2012 her health declined to a stage where she needed more care. She was cared for by family in Whangarei for a year. She then went into care firstly at Selwyn Park Village in Maunu, and then in Jane Mander Home in Kamo. Occasionally, she still took a service at Jane Mander.

Assisted by family, on June 26th, 2017 she was able to attend the celebrations for the 50th anniversary of the building of the church at Omapere, and on the same day the placing and dedication of the cross on the side of the building

Mavis died on the 8th August, 2017 aged 83 years and three months.

Frederick (Fred) John Kennedy Baker

1929 - 2017

Fred was born in Lower Hutt on the 15th of November 1929. He was the first child of Fred and Carrie Baker. He was followed by a brother Bob and a sister Brenda

Fred attended Hutt Central Primary School, close to his home, and then Hutt Valley High School. Fred was a member of the Hutt Valley High School and the Hutt Municipal Bands. Upon leaving school he worked in the National Bank.

Fred was called to ministry and trained at Trinity College Auckland, during which he formed lifelong friendships.

Fred met Marcia for the first time at a Methodist Youth Conference at Paerata. A lifelong partnership was formed. Fred and Marcia married in 1955 in Feilding. They were together for almost 63 years when Fred passed away.

Fred and Marcia had 3 children, Graeme, David and Stephen followed in true caring spirit by choosing to bring Gillian, Meryn and Paul into the family to complete a family of 6 children.

At times other children were welcomed into the home. While at Yaken in the Highlands of Papua New Guinea two additional local children, Puminong and Noanaik were raised for a year. They would have died without care for one was a weaker twin and the other baby's mother had no milk.

Over time the family numbers increased with partners, grandchildren and great grandchildren welcomed into the family

Fred served the Methodist Church of NZ in Invercargill (1953-1955), Paparoa (1956-1959), Putaruru (1960-1965), Dunedin South Mosgiel /Abbotsford (1966-1968), Mendi Highlands Region of the United Church of Papua New Guinea (1969-1973), Mahurangi (1974-78), Christchurch East (1979-1987) & Christchurch North (1988-1993).

After retirement, Fred provided supply ministry at Ellesmere, Ashburton and Christchurch South each for 6 months at a time.

Other roles Fred performed included Journal Secretary to Conference, Secretary of Otago Southland Synod (1966-1967). Fred served on the North Canterbury Synod District Property Committee and was Chair of the Journeys End Camp Committee.

While in Christchurch Fred was a Life Line trouble team volunteer for 14 years. Fred also served on the Council for Mission and Ecumenical Committee.

Ministry in the Mendi Circuit of the United Church of Papua New Guinea was for Fred a life defining time. He found serving the people of Yaken village a life changing and humbling experience as he worked with people newly exposed to the outside world. It was an honour for Fred and Marcia as they and their family became part of the village community. For 6 months in 1973 Fred was also acting Bishop of the Highlands Region of the United Church of Papua New Guinea.

When the family returned to NZ, Fred continued his support of people in Mendi and in particular Yaken. He returned on several occasions to PNG and on the last occasion, accompanied by Marcia and some of their family, they were very pleased to be able to introduce two grandchildren to friends in Mendi and Yaken.

Fred also had a strong commitment to social justice issues and supported aid priorities in both New Zealand and overseas. He gave generously of his time and finance to a number of causes. Fred retired from full time ministry in 1993, but for him ministry was a way of life not a job, and in retirement he was actually busier than ever. He had more time to devote to causes that he was passionate about. Together with Marcia, this included 10 years of volunteer service in the national Methodist Church archives where his sharp memory proved very valuable. Fred died peacefully at home on the morning of 31st of October 2017.

Joyce Rosalind Besant

Died 2017

Supplementary Tribute

Roger Raymond Biddle

1944 - 2017

Roger was born on the 21st of June 1944 to Lucy and Leon Biddle. He had six older siblings; Mervyn, Leon, Brian, Bob, Doreen with a twelve year gap to Roger. At age, twelve Roger's mother died and living with his dad did not work out so he moved in with his newly married sister Doreen. Roger later said, "My life with my sister and her husband and eventually their children was as good as any kid could imagine". Scouts were a major influence during his formative years and as Roger recently reflected, "Scouts saved me". He was a boy growing up without his parents, and scouts and church pulled him back from sliding into trouble. Roger wrote, "I was involved with scouts to a large extent and spent a lot of spare time in training and testing and developing my skills". His proficiency was acknowledged when he received the Queen's Scout Award. After attending primary and intermediate schools in Belmont and Bayswater Roger went on to Takapuna Grammar School. Following the completion of a science degree, through Auckland University, Roger attended Teachers College for a year. He then decided to go back to university where he completed a Master of Science Degree in Chemistry specialising in X-ray crystallography.

Roger attended bible class at Takapuna Methodist Church where he met his wife to be Suzy Morgan. Roger and Suzy were married at the Takapuna Church on the 6th of May 1967, celebrating their golden wedding anniversary last year. Both newly qualified teachers Roger and Suzy were required to do two years of rural service at what was then regarded as the very remote Orewa District High School. In 1970, on completion of that rural service, Roger took up a position at Henderson High School where, except for a two-year stint in Niue, he taught until 1995. While living in Henderson Kirianne, Sarah, Richard and Marie were born. Marie was less than two weeks old when the family left for Niue. The family continued to expand with the addition of respective spouses Christian, Andrew, Lizzy, Geoffrey and grandchildren Skye, Grete, Isobel, Oscar, Amelia, Jack, Harry and Millie. In 1996, Roger was appointed Deputy Principal at Wesley College. On his retirement in 2010, Roger spoke of his time at Wesley. "Highlights for me include...House Choral Competitions, Polyfest hosting, Prefects training, enjoying sports games. Looking after gappers, Spirit of Adventure, Drama performances, School Balls, ASB bursaries and Prize givings. Recruiting trips to the Bay of Plenty gave me opportunities to experience the passion and concern parents had for their kids. From some of the poorest backgrounds we enrolled some of the best youngsters: young people who were victims of their circumstances and who needed a chance in life."

Over the years Roger took on a number of roles within the Takapuna Methodist Parish He provided support as Parish Steward and chaired the Leader's Meeting until the beginning of this year. Roger was always willing to trial and expose others to a range of initiatives and adapt to

changing ideas. After the 1983 Conference, where discussion on power sharing became a national imperative, Roger was an early willing participant in the Methodist Church's bicultural journey. He encouraged the parish to engage with and develop an understanding of Tikanga me to Ao Maori by facilitating such events as a Marae retreat at the Henderson High School Marae. Roger and Suzy were instrumental in the setting up of Purple Patch, a community craft outlet, in Takapuna. Other roles included, member of the Public Issues group, Property Development and Pastoral Committees. He was a key supporter of the establishment, in 1991, of the Takapuna Inter-Church Community Service, and latterly Community Matters, the parish's present strengths based community-led development group. Roger was keen to see Community Led Development principles inform ongoing ministry in the Northcote Takapuna Parish. Roger believed that the church has a key role in developing strong, resilient and active communities.

The Auckland Synod remembers Roger in that he was, for a period, chair of the Auckland CYMM (Christian Youth Movement Methodist) and a leader in various regional and national ecumenical youth camps and gatherings. Connexionally, Roger was a member of the PAC Distribution group and Professional Development Grants Committee. In 2015, he was appointed Deputy Chairperson of the Grants Committee.

Roger was a befriender, a helper and enabler of people. Within the Takapuna congregation he befriended many people, and mentored parish sponsored refugees. Fishing and bike riding were two of Roger's passions. Roger was a visionary whether it be introducing different styles of worship, encouraging a redevelopment of the church site, applying CLD principles to Parish work. He promoted the exploration of new ideas and innovative concepts. Much of what is happening in the parish was given impetus by Roger. He was a key driver of strategies to help ensure, Methodism will continue to have a presence in Takapuna and future community work resourced.

Roger always lived the Christian message. He was a man on the move, humorous, spontaneous with a spirit of adventure. Roger embraced inclusion. He was enthusiastic about new ways of thinking and living the faith and was able to demonstrate this through his everyday actions, without the need to shout it from the rooftops. Roger's leadership within the Takapuna Methodist family will be greatly missed. However, his memory will live on and will ever be present in his much-loved family.

John Silverstone

1937 – 2018

Supplementary Tribute

John Boniface

Died – 2018

Supplementary Tribute

Lewis (Lew) Alfred Bowen

1928 - 2018

With the death of Lew Bowen the church has lost a dedicated and gracious pastor. Lew was born in Hastings on 24 March 1928 and died in Levin on 8 March 2018, just short of his 90th birthday.

After three years training at Karori Teachers' College Lew spent ten years as a primary school teacher before offering for the ministry under the influence of the Rev. Tom Carr, who was stationed at Hastings at the time. Another three years of training followed at Trinity College in Auckland, where the Rev. Dr. David Williams became another strong influence on Lew's pastoral ministry. It was during his time at Trinity that Lew met Nan Smith, a nurse. They were married

during Lew's second year of training and lived at the Campbell's Bay Health Camp.

Lew's parish appointments were Helensville, Waiuku, Stokes Valley, Wairakei Road (Christchurch), Foxton and Rongotea-Sanson. During his time at Stokes Valley, Lew became involved as an industrial chaplain to several factories in the Hutt Valley.

After further training for Hospital Chaplaincy Lew then spent 10 years as chaplain at Kimberley Psychopaedic Hospital at Levin and was also chaplain to the Horowhenua General Hospital. While at Kimberley he set up a "grandparent" scheme, whereby he organised a group of people to visit residents there and take them under their wing. Another achievement was the raising of nearly \$200,000 for the purchase of various items of equipment, including a van, for the use of the hospital. He also engaged in a further course of study at Massey University, thereby adding to his counselling skills. He was also involved with Habitat for Humanity.

Lew's final appointment was to Rongotea-Sanson, which he served while living in the family home at Levin. Throughout his ministry Lew has enjoyed Nan's loyal support and encouragement. In retirement at Levin continued to be active in ministry, leading worship services until not very long before his death.

Music played a major part in Lew's life. Starting at the age of 12, he became an accomplished violinist and put this talent to much good use throughout his ministry. In his younger years in Hastings he played in orchestras for musical productions. He conducted choirs and developed a particular love for singing in Barbershop Quartets.

Gardening was a particular passion of Lew's and he kept a large vegetable garden at every property where he and Nan lived. At their final home at York Street, Levin they had the satisfaction of winning a "best small garden" prize, having developed the garden from a patch of dirt.

Lew conducted the marriage services of all three of his children, David, Leonie and Raewyn. He was very proud of them, and of his six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

The church gives thanks for Lew's life and ministry.

Wilfred (Wilf) James Cable

1929 - 2017

After a brief clerical career, Wilf was accepted as a candidate for Methodist ministry from Dunedin North (Maori Hill). He served a pre-collegiate year in Gisborne and, following theological education at Trinity College in Auckland, was appointed to Invercargill Central (North Invercargill) and Edendale. After five years he moved on to Wellington West (Northland and Thorndon), Hamilton East and Chartwell Cooperating Parish, Te Awamutu and finally to Timaru-Temuka. From Timaru Betty and Wilf moved to their own home in Lower Hutt. Wilf served two years in a supply appointment at Wellington Central (Taranaki Street) and, in Lower Hutt, both Betty and Wilf played an active part in the life of St Mark's Church and the Hutt City Uniting Congregations. They had always been committed to achieving cooperation between churches and been keen supporters of ecumenical involvement.

Throughout his ministry Wilf was a faithful, compassionate and thoughtful pastor. He constantly led his congregations in the search for relevance as changing social structures and values impacted upon church life. This was especially evident in the language and concepts that characterised his worship and preaching. Wilf never resorted to old clichés or time-worn ideas or used outdated language. In a sermon preached in 2011 he said, *I'm still on the journey for there is always more to learn and discover.*

Believing that the gospel must always be applied to the realities of life Wilf became a member of the Christian Pacifist Society as part of his contribution to building peace in the world. He took an active part in the affairs of the society and served as president of the Wellington branch for three years.

An interest in drama as a means of presenting the gospel was a key theme in Wilf's life. Drama was a feature of his ministry in all the places where he served and he was also actively involved with Drama Christi in Wellington where he acted in or directed forty plays between 1992 and 2008. With creative imagination he wrote a number of mini dramas that aimed to flesh out biblical characters or interpret biblical events in ways designed to encourage an audience to reflect on the significance of the events for life today. Wilf was himself an accomplished actor and through his skill as a producer and director drew out the talents of others, helping people discover potential within themselves and encouraging them to develop their gifts.

As a parish minister Wilf was diligent in attention to pastoral detail and administration. He was renowned for his excellent memory for names, dates and addresses. His skills as an administrator were applied beyond the parish where he spent a total of seventeen years as Secretary of Synod in two districts and as a member of the secretarial team at the Methodist Conference, also for seventeen years. It was an indication of the esteem in which he was held by the wider church that he was elected as Superintendent of the South Canterbury Methodist District, a role in which he served for six years.

Wilf's entire ministry and over sixty years of life were shared with Betty who made her own contribution to church and community. With a wife and four daughters who affirmed the right of all women to equality with men it is not surprising that Wilf had a sharpened feminist perspective both socially and theologically. He readily embraced inclusive thinking and language and ensured that gender specificity had no place in his thinking and speaking of God.

Wilf was also known for his dry wit. His sense of humour and acting ability blended well in his portrayal of Lord Dogsbody complete with monocle. Lord Dogsbody was born during his student days and entertained at many a church concert.

Until relatively recent years Wilf enjoyed robust good health. As his health deteriorated he faced declining physical abilities with equanimity. Over the years he got on with life as best as he was able, coming to terms with the challenges that each day brings.

In a sermon preached in 2008 Wilf ended by speaking of Jesus jarring people from apathy and self-centred ways, opening their eyes to the light of a new day, opening their ears to what he had to say to begin a change of mind and life in a new direction. This, he affirmed, is continued by us as we live a life of love as Jesus did. This is how Wilf lived and we give thanks for his life and influence.

Nancy Carter

Died 2017

Nancy Carter was born in Wanganui, the only daughter and second child of Walter and Daisy Scott. She attended Wanganui East Primary school and the Wanganui Tech before going to teachers' college in Christchurch. While there Nancy joined the Lay Preacher's class, the only woman in the class that year (1948) – next year (2018) would mark 70 years of active service as a Lay Preacher – and she acquitted herself well. She caught the eye of George Carter while in Training College and they were married on 8 January 1949, departing shortly after that for the Solomon Islands mission District as teachers. Their first appointment was to Koau, south Bougainville, and in late 1951 they relocated to Kekesu.

Nancy and George had 4 children, all born on Bougainville, and Nancy began a different work as George entered the Methodist ministry in 1955. In 1959 the family moved to Munda in the Roviana District of Solomon Islands and in 1960 she founded the Women's Fellowship, training and empowering local women to be leaders in the church and community, good wives and mothers and to share leadership roles alongside their husbands. The UCWF continues to build on the foundation Nancy built all those years ago. They also took in a Solomon Island child, Elizabeth, when her mother died giving birth, and raised her as their own.

The Carter family came to New Zealand to live when George took up his appointment as Overseas Mission Secretary in 1965. Nancy struggled to find her place in this strange context but went back teaching – which she loved – and from 1973-1984 was an educator of beginners in school. She also became involved in the MWF and the life of the church as time permitted. When Nancy retired, she and George did many things together, continuing the strong partnership begun back in 1949, until George died in 1990. In the time since then, Nancy lost her sight, discovered new and exciting ways of empowering and supporting others both in the church and in the community, among the visually impaired and those with different gifts.

Nancy enjoyed her family and spent as much time corresponding, chatting to and visiting with them – all over the world. All of them will miss her dearly. She died peacefully in her sleep on 14/8/2017 at home.

The following are her listing of achievements.

Achievements:

- Teacher – infants classes in 1948 at Kakaramia; from 1972 at Richmond Road, Beresford Street, Nga-iwi, Jean Batten, Raumati South, Fruitvale schools, retired in 1984 as Deputy Principal (Infants).
- Missionary wife and teacher - teacher of all ages at Koau school (best English speaking class in the Territory!)
- Lay Preacher since 1948
- Founder of Methodist (now United Church) Women's Fellowship in Solomon Islands 1961.
- Author – two volumes of "Our Story" covering Nancy & George's overseas story, as well as own childhood memories, plus numerous original birthday poems and short stories; Studies for Pacific Islands education curriculum, and "Our Heritage" series.
- Member – Methodist Writers' Guild, co-editor of Life Sparks
- Member – MWF District Council; President, Epsom MWF and Onehunga MWF;
- Member – Methodist Overseas Missions Board
- Worked in Methodist Archives as a volunteer.
- Secretary of VIEW (Vision Impaired Empowering Women);
- Founder of Mangere Bridge VIMS (Vision Impaired Mutual Support)
- Member – Mangere Bridge Historical Society, and Probus
- Convenor of Mangere World Day of Prayer Committee
- Member – Women Sharing their Faith group
- St John's Caring Caller
- Member – Manukau Community Committee for the Foundation of the Blind for 3 years
- Recipient - Volunteers Award from Manukau City Council
- Various roles within the life of the Methodist Church at local congregation level.

Nancy Kathleen Eastwood

1935 - 2016

Waikato Thames Valley District Council facilitation team were only made aware that Nancy had been a member of the 1976-1978 National Executive when we received news of Nancy's death.

This National Executive was led by Joyce Dey and President and included other significant women who are now deceased. Betty Buchan, Marj Mannell and Millie Downs were all well known in this District. As I prepare this I have not been able to discover what responsibility Nancy held on the Executive.

I am pleased that I responded to the 'nudge' from the Holy Spirit to attend Nancy's funeral; it was there that I became aware of the many gifts that she brought to the community of Morrinsville.

Following her term on National Executive Nancy chose to train as a counsellor, this training was held in Hamilton. Soon Nancy offered weekly free counselling services once a week in Morrinsville. It became obvious that the need was much greater and soon her husband Graham trained as well. Together Nancy and Graham realised of the need for a centre in the town where

groups could gather; they found a suitable property and started the Morrinsville Community House. Figures were quoted at her funeral of the number of groups who now use Community House, the number was staggering.

Nancy was also a Parish Secretary, Sunday School Superintendent, Bible Class Leader, Young mother's group leader, President Local MWF to name some of her long term activities in the life of the Methodist Church.

Nancy was a parish organist until a stroke some years ago made this no longer possible. Nancy maintained her involvement and commitment to the Morrinsville MWF right up until the day when she fell sustaining a broken hip after the September MWF meeting.

We give thanks for Nancy, I am sad that I did not know her National Executive involvement when I could have learned much about how time and communications have changed.

Gwenda Falepau (nee Kennedy)

1928 - 2017

Gwenda Violet Kennedy was born in 1928, the 3rd of 7 children. She was raised in Wellington along with her aunty and uncles who had been sent from Scotland.

At a youth camp, when Gwenda was 15 she heard clearly the stories of Jesus and decided this was for her. Service was both a character trait and a life-long commitment. After training at Deaconess House in Christchurch, Gwenda was appointed to the Auckland Central Mission, offering a ministry of pastoral care.

At this time young Samoan men were arriving in Auckland seeking work. It was during her time at the Auckland Mission, her only church appointment, that she met Aukuso Falepau there when he arrived from Samoa in the late 1950's along with his cousins to work as a labourer. They married, moved to Wellington to be nearer to her mother, and built a house in Tawa. The rule of the church at that time was to require deaconesses who married to retire from the order. However, although she was no longer officially a deaconess, Gwenda continued her ministry of service throughout her life. Whether as a home-carer for families in need or as an honorary grandmother, she was always there for others.

In 1971 the Falepaus moved to Samoa to live with family, learn the language and culture and get to know their grandmother. Gwenda taught sewing at the local girl's school and kept the books for the Wesley bookshop in Apia. She learnt about homemaking Samoa style by involving herself in the village women's group. The family returned to Tawa until Gwenda and Aukuso retired to Paekakariki.

Gwenda was always conscious of the fact that her formal education ended at 13. But she loved reading and instilled this in all of her family. When she was 52 she enrolled in School Certificate English at Tawa College and with much pride achieved higher marks than any of her children. She was immensely proud of her family's academic achievements and life successes. She was a forgiving mum, loyal, available and a generous listener. She had a sharp mind, a wicked sense of humour and was moved by the creative works of others.

Gwenda loved supporting her grandchildren – in playcentre and school as a Grandma help and in their sports activities. She was positive and cheerful, and always acknowledged birthdays, Christmas and special occasions.

Gwenda was blessed with a strong faith, and she shared it. In retirement in Paekakariki, she was at the heart of the life of St. James' Church there.

In the final years of her life she moved to Sevenoaks Retirement Village in Paraparaumu. She always found something to do that gave her purpose. For example, apart from the knitting that was "a calling, rather than only a hobby", when Gwenda moved from her villa to an apartment she

helped with the activities for people suffering from Alzheimers. She remained a deaconess to the end, always seeing a need and finding a way to help.

Matangi Fonua

1942 - 2016

Put on the full armor of God, so that you can make your stand against the devil's schemes.

The eleventh verse from Ephesians 6 was fundamental to Matangi's life and everything he committed to and achieved.

Matangi was born in Leimatu'a, Vava'u, and Tonga on the 7th December 1942. Matangi was the 3rd of 10 children of Sifa and 'Ana. Matangi married Ma'ata Talakia'atu in 1969 and they have 4 children ('Akosita Lokotui, Rev. Sela Fonua Pomelile, Hemaloto Fonua and Meleouki Fonua Tupou). They have 3 grandchildren, Sione To'a, Leaasi and Hemaloto Tupou.

Matangi was brought up in a Christian home in the Free Wesleyan Church (FWC) of Tonga. He started school at Leimatu'a Wesleyan Primary School. Attending a Christian primary school and involving at Sunday school, were significant in moulding and disciplining him in Wesleyan doctrine and Christian way of life.

After successful years in secondary school at Mailefihi Siuilikutapu College and Tupou College, Matangi became a Wesleyan Primary and Secondary School Teacher in his early 20's. Matangi taught in 5 Wesleyan Primary Schools (WPS) during his teaching lifetime in Tonga of about 20 years, starting in Tongatapu at Kolonga WPS, and then he moved to Vava'u and taught at Mailefihi College and Tefisi WPS. There he met his beloved wife, who was the daughter of Late Rev. Sione Talakia'atu, the Minister of Neiafu Vava'u Free Wesleyan Church at the time. They married and they moved to Tongatapu, Matangi taught at Kolovai WPS. Their last teaching journey was moving back to Matangi's home village, Leimatu'a, and taught there before Matangi migrated to New Zealand in 1985. In the 5 circuits where he served as a Wesleyan Primary School Teacher, he put on the full armor of God and carried out his role wholeheartedly.

Migrating to New Zealand and leaving his family in Tonga was a real challenge. He arrived in 1985 and settled in Wellington on his own before his wife migrated and joined him after few years. Then one by one, their children started migrating too. As a man of great faith, Matangi stood his ground in the midst of the distance, working and committing to church and within 13 years since 1985 he was able to reunite with all of his family members (wife and 4 children) in Gisborne.

In Gisborne, Matangi was working as a Seasonal Field Worker. He was a trusted figure and became a Leader to direct, lead and recruit field workers. He was known for his warmth hospitality. He had a big heart for everyone, his home was opened for anyone who need a home and his home was just like a Heavenly-Inn. He was selfless! His love and concern for others were immeasurable.

With his great involvement and commitment to church, his leadership skills continued to grow and he became a Steward for Gisborne Methodist Tongan Congregation since 1995, and a Parish Steward in 2003 when the congregation became a Parish.

In 2001, when the Congregation was split over the issue of ordination of gay and lesbian in the Methodist Church, part of the congregation moved and formed another church. Matangi put on his Armor, stood his ground and led the congregation helping them to resurrect their spiritual life.

As the years go by, Matangi became increasingly active in the church activities although he started to have health issues. He was a man of dedication and commitment, he wanted to be the first to arrive at church at least one hour before the starting time, regardless of whatever activities, whether it is a church service, choir practice, church meeting and so forth. He was known for his punctuality and making sure that church programmes are starting on time and are held within reasonable time and not too long. His commitment to church's service and activities were

significantly high. During one of the Church's Retreats, he gave a speech and shared with the people his testimony about his faithful dedication to church and how he asked his Employer for permission to finish early every Wednesday for Wednesday Church Service and every Saturday for the Choir Practise. His Employer declined his request so he told him he's resigning to find a suitable Job, one that gives him the flexibility to attend his church activities. This led to the Employer accepting Matangi's request and he made it clear to his Employer He does not work on Sundays.

After round about 15 years of serving as a Parish Steward, Matangi became a Lay Pastor to Gisborne Tongan Methodist Parish in 17 October 2010 and retired in 6 January 2013 due to his health issues, Matangi had to plea and ask the Parish to consider the option of getting a Minister for the Parish. This was not in the Parish's great favour but Matangi was persisting with his request and so the Parish took his concern into consideration. With the arrival of the new Minister, Matangi stood firm working alongside him and when the Minister was on leave, Matangi took over and continued to lead.

With tributes from families, friends, communities, church people and all the pilgrims he welcomed to his home, we mourn the loss of a great man of God, a humanitarian, a tireless devoted man to the people and a man of faith who *Put on the full armor of God, so that he can make his stand against the devil's schemes.*

Toka aa Matangi 'i he ma'oni'oni, nonga mo e fiemalie 'a hotau 'Otua!

Myra Charlotte Fraser MBE

1918 - 2018

Myra Fraser was the middle of three children born to William and Amy Fraser, with an older brother Stephen and younger sister Grace. She was born on a farm in Wairekiki near Wyndham in Southland. She became a school teacher, teaching at a variety of Southland schools. Early in 1950 she attended a Christian Endeavour Camp, and heard as she put it 'a very powerful message based on the call of Moses to go to Egypt'. That message seemed to burn into Myra's heart and was the beginning of a call which became focussed after Myra heard there was an urgent need in the Solomons. So in May 1950 she arrived at Munda in the Solomon Islands to begin her service as a teaching sister.

There she became Sister Myra, which became abbreviated as 'Star Myra' by many a small child; a fellow missionary teacher declared this to be apt. Not only did she teach but she also learned how to be gracious and forgiving, finding the islanders' faith simple, deep and an inspiration. Her quiet and resilient nature typified on the occasion when some boys ate a potential prize melon, with her reply "Ah well, boys".

She returned to Invercargill in 1971, after twenty one years and was awarded an MBE that year. Though removed from the Solomon Islands she retained a strong interest and often took holidays back there to see what was going on, and always kept up to date through leadership of Methodist Women's Fellowship, at the local and national level.

Interest in young people was continued through Sunday School at Central Methodist Church in Invercargill and in leadership within the Girls Brigade organisation.

Two of her hobbies were collecting sea shells and polishing stones, no doubt inspired by her time abroad, and fittingly some of these were offered to those attending the funeral service.

At 20th Anniversary of the Lindisfarne Centre in Invercargill the guest preacher was Rev Prince Devanandan, whose interest in the Solomons led to a private conversation in her room at Peacehaven. Two months later in January 2018 she died, in her hundredth year. At her 99th birthday she had said that her family and friends could have a 100th birthday celebration if they wanted, 'but don't make a fuss, I won't be there!'

Always a pleasure to visit. No-one could meet Myra and not be struck by her warmth and

gentleness. Her life was one in which the Christ she followed could be more clearly seen than in many others. At the funeral those present sang 'Trust and Obey'; she demonstrated this not just in fine words, but in her obedience to the call to the Solomon Islands all those years ago.

Warwick Gust

1937 - 2016

Warwick Gust was born into a Lutheran family on the 24th March 1937. He grew up in a farm in the small settlement of Rongotea and attended Palmerston North Boys' High School. Given that there were few Lutherans in the region the family made connections with the Methodist Church. Methodism was ultimately to play a significant part in Warwick's life.

At the age of 19 Warwick felt the call to Christian ministry. In spite of being told he was "too young" he duly candidated and was accepted for training. On graduating from Trinity College he worked for a BA in philosophy and subsequently a BD from Melbourne University. These studies reinforced his interest in theology and in New Testament scholarship in particular.

In 1960 Warwick married Beverley Grace Hills, the service taking place in the Mount Eden Methodist Church. Five children were born into the family, two boys and three girls. Sadly, one son died not long after birth, and the second son was drowned in 1970. The death of the two boys was not the only sorrow to afflict the family as Beverley was to suffer greatly, particularly in her latter years, from rheumatoid arthritis. This had a profound effect on the family as a whole though Beverley remained a strong support for Warwick and was the principal organizer in the family.

Warwick's ministry was a very significant focus of his life. In this role he served the Methodist Church in Stokes Valley, East Coast Bays, South Shields in the UK, Pakuranga, Pitt Street, and Glen Eden. He enjoyed preaching, making good use of his New Testament expertise, at the same time he was known as a caring and effective pastor. The family report that Warwick "struggled with expectation and duty" there being an inner conflict between his intensely private nature and his public demeanour.

Warwick's interest in theology was not simply academic nor was his focus confined to the Church. His understanding of the gospel also led him to engage with some of the great issues of the day: nuclear weapons; the Vietnam war, and the Springbok tour of the early 1970's. He was not afraid to make his protest on such issues though these matters could be just as divisive in the local congregation as they were in the wider community.

Warwick served the Church faithfully and well for some forty years in parish ministry. On his retirement he became involved with local primary schools assisting children with reading, and supporting Beverley and the wider family. However, with the onset of Parkinson's disease, and with Beverley's increasing health problems, it was not long before he followed Beverley to St Margaret's in Te Atatu where he died on the 22nd December.

We thank God for Warwick's life and ministry and extend our deepest sympathy to Raewyn, Judith, and Alison and the wider family.

Te Kiri Tapeha Haretuku

1936 - 2017

(nee Honana aka Gladys Kiri)

*Ko Tihirau te maunga
Ko Whangaparaoa te awa,
Kauaetangohia te Marae
Te Whānau-A-Apanui te Iwi.*

Kiri Haretuku, affectionately known as Aunty Kiri was born from a humble East Coast whānau to

Ngahina Honana and her mother Rangitaraiora nee Ranapia of the Matataatua waka. She grew up in Waihou Bay on the East Coast and as a young woman seeking employment, she came to Auckland where she lived in the Hostel for young Māori women in Shelly Beach Rd in Herne Bay. There she made many friends and became a strong member of the Māori Evangelical Fellowship.

At that time she also met and married her husband Tangiwai Haretuku from Omanaia in the Hokianga. Her association with the whānau from Omanaia has remained very strong even after the death of her husband in 1988. She was everyone's favourite aunty. She was the best maker of rewena bread and always had a cuppa on hand when you visited.

Kiri and Tangiwai were the Caretakers of the Whakatuora Centre from its early beginnings up until after Tangiwai's death. Kiri took on the role of the Liaison Person for Tamaki Rohe and when she herself became unwell she moved to another home in Mangere where she remained up until her death in December 2017.

Aunty Kiri became a Minita-a-Iwi in 1998 and served Tamaki Rohe for almost 20 years. She was a member of the Methodist Women's Fellowship, Te Rōpu Wāhine Māori, Kurahuna Trust, Hui Poari, Council of Conference and Tāmaki Rohe Committees and represented Tamaki Rohe as Liaison Person and Member of Conference.

In mid-December 2017, Kiri suffered a massive stroke and after a short time passed away in hospital surrounded by her whānau. They took her back to her home in Mangere and then to her home marae, Kauaetangohia, on the East Coast. She was laid to rest near her father and with her whānau all around her.

She is survived by her three sons and two daughters, seventeen mokopuna and eight great grandchildren. Most of her mokopuna live in Australia now and she is remembered by all the whānau as a loving and gentle Nanny. When she visited her daughter in Melbourne, former members of Tamaki Rohe and Te Taha Māori loved to come and visit with her, to hear stories from home and she would share karakia with them.

She was a woman for whom faith and the power of prayer could move mountains. For Tamaki Rohe she was a constant, ready to support Te Taha Māori in all things. Kiri leaves a legacy of loyalty and with her gifts of quiet and solemn wisdom and great faith, she is greatly missed.

E tō mātou whaea ātaahua, moe mai rā i Te Ariki.

Ernest (Ernie) Heppelthwaite

1927 - 2018

Ernie Heppelthwaite gave a gentleness to his careful work as a Methodist minister, with special attention to pastoral care for people and in particular the disabled, and with a drive and determination to be well informed about faith and the world in which he lived.

Dunedin setting was where Ernie experienced his early life in a Christian Family. In his youth he made the decision to follow the way of Christ at an Easter Camp. The Boys' Brigade at the Glenaven Methodist Church was formative. After secondary Schooling at the Dunedin Technical College Ernie served an apprenticeship as an Electrician.

The District Youth Council set up the permanent Wesleydale campsite and young people travelled out week by week. They had lots of fun, singing all the way to the site. Ernie picked up some light fittings to install in the Campsite Hall.

It was at the 1947 camp Ernie responded to the call of the church for more Ministry candidates. Their minister Peter Dorrian, who was also camp captain, was not at all encouraging, although he sent him on a course of study for the local Preachers examinations. Following his accreditation as a Lay Preacher and during his time as a Youth Worker at St Pauls Hamilton he candidated for ministry.

During a Pre-collegiate year in Timaru Ernie met Jan Burtenshaw. Following his three years at Trinity Theological College Jan and Ernie were married prior to his first appointment to Alexandra – Cromwell.

Ministry appointments took Ernie and Jan to The Dunedin Central Mission working with Raymond Dudley and then Bruce Gordon as Superintendents. It was a busy time establishing a Sunday afternoon Teen Club and an involvement with setting up the Kawarau Falls Holiday Camp. Ernie's next two parish ministries were at Waiwhetu, Lower Hutt and St. Davids, Bishopdale in Christchurch.

While in Wellington Ernie was asked to give leadership to the Methodist International Affairs Committee to provide careful and thorough reports for parishes and Conference. It was a task he undertook for a number of years with respected commitment. While at St Davids he was a member of the Board of Administration Church Building and Loan Fund Committee.

It was out of concern for their family of three sons Stephen, Simon and Andre and supported by Jan, that Ernie moved to Ecumenical Hospital Chaplaincy. A ministry of fifteen years, mainly at the Templeton Hospital and Training school, which cared primarily for intellectually disabled people who Ernie grew to love and respect. Ernie and Jan bought their own house where they lived for 41 years. While at Templeton he gained many friends whom met often well after retirement. Ernie and Jan both loved tramping and walked the Milford track twice.

Throughout his ministry Ernie was well supported by Jan as a home maker providing valued hospitality and good support for women's activities. She used her skills as a Librarian to help develop the Methodist Archives in Christchurch and brought her quiet genuine touch to whatever she did.

In Christchurch Jan and Ernie made the most of the nearly 30 years together in retirement. A time of giving to others and involvement with the Central Parish - Durham St. Church. Special attributes in Ernie's parish and chaplaincy ministries over forty years has been evident in deep concern for people: capacity for enjoyment based on the faith by which he lived; concern for human rights, peace and justice; care for the environment as an expression of faith.

We join with Jan, Stephen, Simon and Andre and their families who've experienced the loss of a partner, a father and grandfather, to give thanks for the life and gracious ministry of Ernie Heppelthwaite.

Florence Doreen (Dorn) Herbert

1927 - 2018

We give thanks to the Lord for the work of Dorn did with the Methodist Women's Fellowship over many years. Dorn encouraged and supported the women at local, district, and national levels.

Dorn's involvement with Methodist Women's Fellowship in Dunedin began when she was the President of the Fellowship Group in 1962. At that time there were three working groups at Mornington Methodist Church: Women's Guild, Missionary Auxiliary, and a Fellowship Group, which combined to become the Mornington Methodist Women's Fellowship. There were afternoon and evening groups with an overall executive and President. After a term as President of the afternoon group Dorn became the overall President and later progressed to Otago District President and the New Zealand Methodist Women's Fellowship National President from 1974-1976.

When Dorn was the President of the Otago District, her work went as far south as Balclutha into Alexandra and as far north as Palmerston – 24 Fellowships.

Dorn was on the Otago District Methodist Women Fellowship from 1966-1982.

District Education Council	1966 – 1970
Synod Representative	1967 and 1973
District Vice President	1970 – 1971

District President	1971 – 1974
Past District President	1975
Mission Convenor	1977 – 1978

In October 1974 at the Methodist Women's Fellowship Convention in New Plymouth, Dorn was honoured to become the 5th National President and had an exciting two years of hard work and lots of travel.

It was a common practice among Presidents then to move around the Districts speaking at meetings to the members of the Fellowship. They nearly always spoke about what money had been raised for certain projects, congratulating the women for the work raising money for mission. Dorn took a different approach and through the Church Mission Department travelled to Papua New Guinea and the Solomon Islands, seeing at first-hand what was happening so she could come home and tell the women what their hard work was achieving. While in Papua, Dorn visited the Highlands and while in Nepa (a remote village), was very highly honoured to be invited to attend a prayer meeting, held in the Man's hut. She also met many of the Fellowship ladies who were delighted to meet someone from New Zealand.

Once home Dorn travelled around the country meeting many wonderful people, visiting other District Women's Fellowships. She also had the honour of dining with the Maori Queen.

In 1975, Dorn was in Dublin for a momentous World Federation of Methodist Women Assembly, coinciding with the start of the UN Decade for Women. Members were invited to bring to the assembly something in the way of a National costume. Dorn's Maori friends in Taranaki hand-made a special cloak for her to take. While there, Dorn joined with 100 women on a silent march through Dublin's streets, marching to a park, forming a circle and repeating the Lord's Prayer.

We praise the Lord for Dorn's service for the Methodist Church, Te Hāhi Weteriana O Aotearoa. Dorn died peacefully on the 24th April 2018, aged 90.

Derek Holland

1961 - 2017

Derek was the 5th child in a family of 5, and grew up in Papatoetoe, Auckland. At a young age he was fortunate to travel with his family around Great Britain and Europe from 1967 to 1969, schooling with different cultures. This experience stirred his life-long love of travel.

Derek enjoyed close bonds with his family, reinforced by the arrival of much loved nephews and nieces on whom he doted. His family remained closely attached to him all his life, greatly blessed by his loving kindness and generosity.

Derek's family has a long Methodist heritage, of which Derek was very proud. His grandfather, Rev John D Grocott, was President of the Methodist Church in 1967. Derek grew up with a strong sense of social justice which became a hall mark of his life. A kind man of quiet words, Derek often stepped up to help people in need, never seeking any personal recognition. He befriended many immigrants during his life, and enjoyed bringing friends home for family dinners. One memorable Christmas, the family table seated a Russian sailor alongside a Chinese national, which made an interesting evening for all. Derek went on to help this Russian immigrant establish a boat building business by personally guaranteeing his business loan.

Derek graduated from Canterbury University where he was active in Christian youth groups. He considered both the Ministry and a professional music career before settling on Meteorology. He went to Wellington to work for the Meteorological Office in the 1980s and joined a group of young adults from Wellington Methodist Parish (Wesley, Taranaki St) who were flatting at Epworth House on Mt Victoria. He then enjoyed a 3 year secondment to work in Fiji as a Meteorologist 1990.

Derek was a member of the WMP Leaders' Meeting and Parish Council. In 2000 he was elected for a six-year term on Council of Conference. He also became WMP's Synod representative and

served on the Wellington Synod Executive until 2009. Although Derek decided to move to St Andrew's on the Terrace, he still retained an interest in what was happening at WMP and continued to participate in the Explorer's Group. As a flutist, Derek often contributed to services and, with others, to concerts in Winter@Wesley. Derek had a deep musical appreciation and playing his beloved flutes brought him immense joy throughout his life. He was a member of the Wellington Chamber Orchestra as well as many other formal and informal musical groups around Wellington. He was also part of the public action Brass Razoo Band and enjoyed playing his flute during many protest marches along the streets of Wellington. Derek's great love of music even inspired his Metservice colleagues to form their own music groups. In his later years, he took great pleasure in wearing his Scottish heritage kilt and playing his flute at cèilidhs.

Derek enjoyed his travel overseas immensely. It was commented that this usually included getting something done to his flute or even getting a new flute. This was something he often mentioned at the Explorer's Group before a trip. In 2005, Derek, his father Alan and his brother Robin walked the El Camino de Santiago pilgrim trail in Spain. Back in New Zealand, Derek was always a keen trumper, often heading off with Metservice colleagues during their rostered time off.

Derek died after a short and very sudden illness. At Derek's request, the Rev Norman Wilkins, a retired Presbyterian Minister, conducted his service which was held at St Andrew's Church on the Terrace. Vivien Chiu, St Andrew's Church Music Coordinator and Derek's good friend, put together a collection of music which was significant to him, and sang for the large group of his family and friends who gathered to farewell a kind man.

We honour Derek for his service to the community and the church both locally in Wellington and nationally.

Celia May Irvine

1932 - 2017

Celia was born in the family home in Seadown, South Canterbury, on 10 March 1932. The family moved to Christchurch when Celia was 4 years old. She went to Hornby School and later Christchurch Girls' High School. On leaving school she became a ladies' hairdresser. She also had various office jobs, and after she was married she became a Playcentre supervisor.

Along with her family she attended the Riccarton Village Methodist Sunday School. As part of the small youth group she became involved in raising funds to build the hall next to the church. Celia was organist for a while at Upper Riccarton and St Stephens churches. When she married she joined the Fireside Group of young married women which became part of the Women's Fellowship. It was the beginning of a long involvement with their activities. She took leadership roles and was still doing this at the time of her death.

Celia was adept at organising catering for any sort of function - non-church groups, family celebrations, groups throughout the Methodist District, Church Conferences, the Board of Administration - and she had many working alongside her. She was a great encourager and would get people involved successfully in the many outreach programmes of the church, local and overseas. Latterly, Garage Sales were an annual activity, producing funds for the support of the local church, parish, Methodist Mission, and anything else that cropped up.

She was a member of the MWF District Committee 1982-1994 and 2001-2011. During these times she was District President, 1988-1991, and District Secretary, 2001-2004. She was a member of the National Executive 1992-1994. At the time of her death she was a member of the Smethurst Committee and their Minute Secretary. Celia attended meetings of the World Federation of Methodist and Uniting Church Women in Melbourne in 1984, Port Moresby in 1994 and Samoa, and then visited Fiji and Tonga with a COMEC delegation.

She accompanied husband Bruce to Indonesia when, under the auspices of the Council for Mission and Ecumenical Cooperation, he was involved in the work at Rehabilim combining their wood turning and home building skills programme for disabled people.

Celia used her time with the women.

She was deeply involved in the Woodturners' Club, earning a coveted "Certificate of Competency" in wood turning, and was fully involved in the running of the club.

Celia loved camping with her family and friends. She is survived by husband, Bruce, two daughters, and grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Jack Jenner

Died 2018

Supplementary Tribute

John Motunau Katene Kopa QSM

Died 2017

The words, "Ka hinga te totara are true of our father, John Motunau Katene Kopa. A great tree has fallen, whaikorero/speeches over these last few days described our father as a taonga tuturu, a determined leader Kaumatua for Aotearoa Marae, for Wharepuhunga, for hapu and iwi; pou of Aotearoa Marae, man of the cloth, hard worker, gifted in Korero a mua, and as a Koroua described him, "my way or the highway."

He was a recipient of the Queens Service Medal for services to the community so this attests to the work he achieved in his lifetime.

Dad was also the Kaumatua for Whakawatea Kura Kaupapa based in Hamilton and often opened doors for this kura when they were being ignored in the Te Ao Maori world.

What we know of our father was that he was a man of principle and integrity and expected no less of anyone least of all his own whanau katoa. He believed in doing the right thing and this was evident in nga tikanga me ona reo, on Aotearoa Marae. He was never shy in speaking directly to anyone regardless of their status. If you did wrong he was the first to tell you. This was more for your benefit but also to learn from your mistake.

If you were hard headed, you received the wrath of his tongue. Equally, he could be humble, caring and loving and he showed this in his actions.

Dad was a proud man and he ensured that manuhiri were taken care of, that they were well fed, had a warm bed and everything else that goes with caring for people.

Dad was a keen and talented sportsman and this was evident in whatever he chose to play. He became well known in golf and was a single figure player right up until he stopped playing so he could commit his time to Aotearoa marae and those things belonging to Te Ao Maori. Even in his last hours before death took him, dad asked for the television to be turned on because he wanted to watch rugby, the Chiefs play the Crusaders. Unfortunately, it was Friday night and not Saturday.

The buildings you see here at Aotearoa Marae are a testament to the vision of our father. He not only drove the work to be completed but he also worked hard himself. He led by example.

Dad was a clever speaker both in Te Reo Maori and English. He could capture people with words, funny at times but also serious depending on the occasion.

We are truly honoured to have had our father, husband, grandfather, great grandfather, great great grandfather, Koko to our many tamariki and, Kaumatua for hapu and Iwi, for the time we did.

He leaves behind legacies, memories and aroha.

The words, “you don’t know the value of the person until he is no longer around, are so true.”

Moe mai e papa, moe mai. Haere ki te torona o Ihoa, Matua, Tama, Wairua Tapu, me nga Anahera Pono Ko Te Mangai, hei tautoko mai, ae.

Watarini (Sonny) Tekauhoa Livingstone

1967 - 2018

Ko Hikurangi te maunga
Ko Te Raparapa te awa
Ko Matawaia te kainga
Ko Te Rangimarie te whare
Ko Miria tōna hoa
Ko Ngati Ngaherehere te hapū
Ko Ngati Hine te iwi
Ko Ngatahuna te kāinga noho
Ko Te Moana-pikopiko-i-whiti te rohe
Ko Taumarere te puaha
Ko Watarini Te Kauhoa Sonny Livingstone tōku ingoa

Sonny passed away suddenly in early June, 2018 merely months before his Ordination and so in his honour we offer the following, his story, told in his own words.

My Journey to Ordination

My grandfather Piripi Livingstone went to Three Kings in the early 1930's. He returned to Matawaia and took his first service at his homestead called Te Aroha.

Matawaia is situated in the rural area of the Bay of Islands. The nearest township to the north is 30 kms away in Moerewa and to the south Whangarei is 45 minutes away.

I was raised and baptised here at Te Aroha. He passed a legacy on to his son my father Para Livingstone. He was chosen by the people to take up the mantle of his father. I was groomed in the faith by my fathers' teachings. He taught me what I needed to know, that has kept me in good standing.

When my father took ill he spoke to the kaumatua (elders) of Matawaia and a meeting was called in 1990 at the Matawaia marae. In attendance was Tumuaki A Rohe (Superintendent) Hana Hauraki who asked me to continue as a Kaikarakia (Lay Preacher in training) with the blessing of the people. She conducted the blessing and I have continued on that path.

In 1998 at the Hui Poari (Te Taha Maori National gathering) I became a Minita-a-iwi (Lay Preacher) alongside the late Kiri Haretuku and late Ripia Rountree. This was also supported by elder Huia Martin and elder Te Waihoroi Anne Tana who nurtured my spiritual development.

I was immersed into ministry work at a young age. In 1975 I took my first sermon at the Matawaia Native School anniversary. I conducted my first unveiling at 12 years old. At the age of 14 I ended up on the Taumata (Speaks bench) in Matawaia as a Kaikorero (Speaker).

I served in the Tamaki Rohe (Auckland Region) for 5 years taking the occasional Karakia (Church Service) at Whakatuora centre. My first introduction as a representative to Maori Division (Te Taha Māori) in the South Island was in 2005-2006 where I took Karakia within the Otautahi-Waipounamu Rohe (Christchurch Region) alongside the late Rev Moke Couch and I started taking Karakia at Rehua marae along with Terry Ryan and Roz Wilkie.

In 2003 I completed my Bachelor of Education and in 2004 a Graduate Diploma in Teaching with the Eastern Institute of Technology and Massey University. I taught at Green Bay High School, Kelston Boys High School, Kaiapoi College and in 2009 I was Head of Department for Te Reo Maori at Wesley College in Pukekohe. I returned home to Matawaia and became involved in

community life. For 15 years I was involved in Kapa Haka (Maori cultural arts and dance) at a regional level. I learned from the Ngāti Hine judges the requirements for critiquing Kapa Haka (Maori cultural arts and dance) performance. I was also a Maori Warden for 10 years with the Bay of Islands.

I currently serve the Bay of Islands community, Te Atawhai Methodist centre in Kawakawa where I take regular service on every third Sunday. Every second Sunday I am at Te Rongopai in Kaikohe. I also take regular services at the marae in Matawaia and Motatau; namely Eparaima and Tau Henare. In Waiomio; the marae are Kawiti, Te Rapunga and Mohinui, in Otiria; Otiria and Te Rito marae. These marae cover a huge geographical area. Baptisms, burials, gatherings of whānau, unveilings are all part of my ministry.

I have been involved in Te Taha Māori boards and committees, as a representative to Hui Poari (Te Taha Māori National gathering), Te Runanga Whakawhanaunga I Ngā Hāhi o Aotearoa (Māori National Ecumenical gatherings). I have attended a few Council of Conferences, Synod meetings, and in my role as a speaker I have led the pōwhiri (welcome ritual) for several Methodist Church of New Zealand Conferences.

My experiences in the church and community have taught me to walk in faith and to always walk in the light regardless of the challenges that we face. I have grown in my ministry and know that ordained ministry is my calling. This insight I shared with Tumuaki Diana Tana and Rev Rex Nathan. The vision has been clear to me and now is slowly becoming a reality. I do not take this ministry journey lightly and have committed myself to the work and standards expected in ordained ministry. I share this journey with my God, my wife Te Ao, our children and my people who are my strength and comfort.

Ruby Martin

Died 2017

Ruby Martin, a lay preacher in Geraldine and throughout South Canterbury, died on 2 April 2017. Formerly a teacher, Ruby and her husband Alister, brought up their family on a farm in Carew.

Ruby was a life-long Methodist and very involved in church and community. At district synod level she served as financial secretary. She said she first became a preacher as she felt it important that a woman's voice should be heard. A reader and thinker she sought to interpret the scriptures and apply the biblical message to contemporary living. She was never content with trite or sentimental religion and constantly challenged her congregations to join her in searching for fresh insights and expressions of faith.

Ruby was one of the early members of the Ephesus Group in Timaru, established in the mid-1990s to explore new ways of understanding Christian faith in an increasingly secular world. Its origins may be traced to a profound feeling of discomfort about the relevance of much that was happening in the church. This was linked with an honest questioning of tradition. Ruby was never afraid to ask questions or to challenge people who wished to define faith in terms of their own belief. Although forthright in stating her own position she didn't undermine those who thought differently. As a hymn sung at a gathering to celebrate her life said, *Love for God and self and neighbour marks the way that Christ defined*. Ruby knew this and lived it.

We remember Ruby with gratitude and affection. An extract from one of her sermons is published in this issue as a tribute to Ruby.

An Afternoon In The Park

A story told by Ruby Martin in a sermon preached in 2003.

There was once a little boy who wanted to meet God. He knew it was a long trip to where God lived, so he packed his bag with chippies and some Coca-Cola and started his journey.

When he had gone about three blocks he met an old woman. She was sitting in the park staring at some pigeons. The boy sat down next to her and opened his bag. He was about to take a drink when he noticed that the old lady looked hungry so he offered her a chippie. She accepted it gratefully and smiled at him. Her smile was so pretty that the boy wanted to see it again so he offered her a drink. Once more she smiled at him. The boy was delighted.

They sat there all afternoon eating and smiling but they never said a word. As it grew dark the boy realised how tired he was and got up to leave but before he had taken no more than a few steps he turned around and ran back to the old woman and gave her a hug. She gave him the biggest smile ever.

When the boy opened the door to his own house a short time later, his mother was surprised by the look of joy on his face. She asked him, *What did you do today that made you so happy?*

He replied, *I had lunch with God.* But before his mother could respond he added, *You know what? She has the most beautiful smile I've ever seen.*

Meanwhile, the old woman, also radiant with joy returned to her home. Her son was stunned by the look of peace on her face and he asked, *Mother, what did you do today that made you so happy?*

She replied, *I ate chippies in the park with God.* But before her son responded, she added, *You know, he's a lot younger than I expected.*

Su'efuaina (Su'e) Filipino Mulitalo

Died 2018

The sudden and unexpected death of Su'efuaina Filipino (in the early hours of Sunday 1st July 2018) sent shock waves throughout the Sinoti community.

The late Su'efuaina Filipino Mulitalo was the son of Mulitalo Iese and Feiloaiga Fuaseleia Sumeo Mulitalo of Sanapu. He is survived by his wife Miranda and two lovely daughters Seiaute and Guenevere.

Su'efuaina worked as a teacher in Samoa, teaching History and Geography. However in 1980 he moved to New Zealand for more opportunity and stability. After arriving in Auckland he found employment as an orderly at the North Shore Hospital. After ten years working as an orderly Su'efuaina Filipino decided it was time for a change and became a taxi owner operator. In 2003, he went from driving taxis to driving buses for the Birkenhead Transport company. The Birkenhead Transport company manager Mark Jakich paid tribute to Su'efuaina Filipino during his Memorial Service saying "the company will struggle to find a replacement for Filipino, he was an honest, sincere and committed member of staff. Whenever management struggled to resolve staff issues, Filipino was always the 'go to' man."

Su'efuaina Filipino was a founding member of the Birkenhead Samoan Parish where he fulfilled many leadership roles over the years and also served in the Combined Parish Council. The Birkenhead Sunday school children referred to him as their very own Jesus. To them his humility, kindness and love made them happy. Youth Leaders referred to him as the bridge between the old and the young, because he understood them and their faith pathways. When the Birkenhead Parish was left without a presbyter in 2016, Su'efuaina Filipino was entrusted with the role of Samoan Parish leader.

At his funeral service, an uncle referred to his late nephew as "a brand plucked from the fire to serve his family and the church" in the same fashion that John Wesley was once described.

Su'efuaina Filipino would follow John Wesley's footsteps by seeking to serve in ordained ministry

when he commenced studies at Trinity College and was subsequently accepted into candidacy in May 2018.

He was a very good student at Trinity, so much so that Trinity College Manager Nicola Grundy together with the Vice President Viv Whimster, provided a touching tribute to his family by graduating Su'efuaina Filipo with his Diploma in Methodist Studies during his Family Service.

Su'efuaina Filipo will be deeply missed by Sinoti Samoa, his beloved Birkenhead Parish and the wider New Zealand Methodist Conference family. We offer our love and prayers to his wife Miranda, daughters Seiaute and Guinevere and the entire extended family.

"I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith...the crown of righteousness is laid up for me" 2Timothy 4:7-8

*Fill not your hearts with pain and sorrow,
But remember me in every tomorrow.
Remember the joy, the laughter, the smiles,
I've only gone to rest a little while.
Although my leaving causes pain and grief,
my going has eased my hurt,
and given me relief.
So dry your eyes and remember me,
not as I am now,
but as I used to be.
Because, I will remember you all,
and look on with a smile.
Understand in your hearts,
I've only gone to rest a little while.
As long as I have the love of each of you,
I can live my life in the hearts of all of you.*

Gillian (Jill) Mary Felicity Anne Richards
1934 - 2016

Jill Richards came into ordained ministry from a background of community service and lay involvement, both in the UK prior to marriage, and in Wesley Church Mission Bay, and St Mary's Co-operating Parish Glen Innes. Jill responded to the call to ordained ministry during 1979, undertaking theological education and ministry formation in the Home Setting. Programme of Trinity Methodist Theological College. Jill felt called to train for community ministry, but in 1981, the then principal of Trinity College, Rev Dr Keith Rowe, suggested that she be ordained that year and become assistant to Rev Selwyn Dawson at Glen Innes.

Jill was ordained at Conference 1981 in Christchurch, and was inducted into parish ministry in 1982 at Glen Innes where she continued for six years, during which she led the Parish to engage in significant community initiatives.

From 1988 to 1991 Jill became the Parish Resource Person for the Auckland Methodist Mission under Rev Alan Woodley as Superintendent. This ministry involved traveling widely to encourage and resource Parishes and groups who wished to enhance their outreach and service in their own communities. From 1991-1997 was appointed as Presbyter to the Onehunga Methodist Congregation and community, working alongside colleagues at Panmure, Epsom and Auckland East Parishes.

When her husband John retired from Auckland Medical School Jill sought a part time appointment and was asked by Rev Graham Whaley, Acting Superintendent of the Mission Northern, to re-engage in Parish resourcing ministry. This she did until an opening for aged care ministry became a priority at the Mission Northern Wesley Village in Mt Eden. In this ministry both Jill's considerable pastoral and theological gifts along with her warmth of compassion and contemplative manner of

being brought her alongside those who were experiencing a frailty in mind, as well as body. Building on the pioneering ministry of the Reverend Eileen Shamy, Jill further developed this specialist ministry and worked tirelessly to resource lay and ordained in their ministry with the older person.

During her ministry Jill served on a number of Connexional Boards and committees; Mission, Northern, Development Division, and Faith and Order, and also supervised students and colleagues and acted as an Auckland Regional Superintendent.

Following retirement her vitality of faith and skilled compassionate presence continued to be exercised in many different ways as she engaged in various community and local church activities, always willing to serve and offer whatever was needed at the time. Moving into this season of life and faith Jill heard the word of God coming to her again, "God never revokes his gift or his call."

As Jill's physical health declined she continued to inquire, read, question, reflect, converse and write about the wonders of life and faith infused by the unconditional gracious love of God in Christ. Many of her reflective jottings found their way into the parish bulletin and newsletter of her home congregation in retirement, St Paul's Methodist Church Remuera. Words offered as blessing and encouragement to continue living the life of faith until the final journey and passage of death. Jill died on October 26th 2016 and her life was celebrated at St Paul's Methodist Church. A full and rich life, lived in gracious loving faithfulness so bringing life and love to countless others.

We give thanks to God for Jill's life and ministry and hold Jill's family, husband John, and children Alan, David, Mary in our love and prayers.

One of Jill's blessings written and passed on as a greeting to a meeting of her Supernumerary Ministry colleagues as her health did not permit her attending in person, sums up the vitality of Jill's life and faith.

A Blessing

*May the grace of Jesus Christ be a canopy over us all,
The strength of God uphold our steps when we falter,
And the presence of the Holy Spirit remain with us always.
Amen.*

Lloyd Vincent Riesterer

1932 - 2018

Lloyd was the youngest son of Evelyn and Jack Riesterer and brother to Colin and Don Riesterer.

Lloyd's early years were in Hawera and it was there he met his life-long friend and fellow lay preacher Rex Millar.

After finishing high school, Lloyd worked for the Public Trust Office in Hawera and later in Auckland where he worked part time while studying Accountancy at Auckland University. He boarded during this time as a hostel student at Trinity College in Grafton Road for 3 years.

Lloyd had three children, Delwyn, Vicki and Lance with his first wife and then, Matthew and Joanne after he married Geraldine Neller in 1970. He had nine grandsons and two great grandchildren.

Lloyd had a varied working life which included Philips & Impey, the cleaning company Crothalls, and Securitibank where he started studying real estate. He was a partner for many years in Stan Gillam Limited, at that time Auckland's largest rental property management company and after retirement enjoyed selling shoes for Jaffreys in Queen Street, and properties for Becketts Real Estate in Avondale keeping his real estate licence up to date by sitting the annual exams until he died.

When he was not working, Lloyd enjoyed giving to the community. His outgoing personality and generosity made him a good neighbour. This included putting out rubbish bins for the elderly, providing transport, clearing mail and mowing lawns for neighbours when they were away.

He was a Rotarian, the chair of Pt Chevalier Primary School committee, and for many years a member of the national finance committee for Girls Brigade NZ.

However, his greatest contribution to community life was through the Methodist Church.

From a young age, the church was central to Lloyd's life. He volunteered his skills in finance, property and management to church boards and committees.

Church appointments included being treasurer to the Trinity Theological College Council. Lloyd's quarterly appearance as treasurer to give students their living allowance cheques ensured his popularity!

He was on the board of the Prince Albert College Trust when the Queen Street property was leased for 99 years with, unusually for the time, an up-front payment. The income from the investment of the sum yielded by that sale, commonly known as the PAC fund, now funds many activities of the wider church throughout NZ.

Geoff Peak recalls that he and Lloyd were among the mavericks who shook the church tree many years ago, which resulted in the complete overhaul of the church administration, and the formation of the Methodist Trust Association. Both men served on the board of MTA for many years.

He was a member of the Auckland district property committee where his experience in the renovation and cleaning of properties, as well as financial and property management all came in useful.

He was a Parish Steward at the Auckland Central Parish and a member of the Pitt Street Trust for 45 years, including Secretary for many years. During his time on the Trust he had the foresight to encourage the purchase of surrounding properties to enable strategic property development of this valuable inner city site in the future. This included the purchase of the building at 203 K Rd and the Fire Station flats in Poynton Terrace.

Lloyd treasured connexionalism and the diversity of it – and he had a huge respect for the succession of presbyters appointed to Pitt Street Church, whether he agreed with them or not, and he frequently did not! He personified a healthy dogged independence but of his dedication to the Church he served for so long there was never any doubt.

For 64 years, as a Lay Preacher, Lloyd laboured over orders of service and sermons, inspiring congregations with his eloquence and devotion. His adherence to Methodist tradition and love of the Methodist Hymn book was appreciated by many in churches from Waiuku to Warkworth.

In all these activities Lloyd shared his faith and his faithfulness. He was modest and not one to sing his own praises. Described often as a true gentleman, he was scrupulously honest in all business matters. Reliable in all things. What he said he would do, he did. He could be counted on when people were going through tough times.

For these, and other things that many in the Methodist Church will recall, the name of Lloyd Riesterer will be remembered with esteem and affection.

David Gordon Stubbs

1927 - 2017

David Stubbs was born in the Napier home of his parents Gordon and Kathleen Stubbs, on 18th August 1927. David was 3½ when the Napier earthquake struck. The loss of jobs saw the family relocate to Auckland, leaving everything except one bag each.

David's family became part of the Mt Eden Methodist Church family, where David was nurtured in the faith and from which he responded to the call to ministry. David says that Mt Eden Methodist was his second home, "I had some wonderful leaders who made a big impression on me, they helped me build up values and habits that I have tried to live up to ever since".

After service in Timaru as a Home Missionary in 1949 David spent three years at Trinity Theological College, before being appointed as a single probationary minister to the Nelson South Parish in 1953.

His appointments have taken him from North Auckland to Southland. Home Missionary in Timaru, Student: Port Albert, North Hokianga, Presbyterian: Nelson South, Port Albert, Foxton, Invercargill, Richmond (Nelson), Blenheim, Napier and in retirement two years at Mission Bay in the Orakei Parish.

While in his probationary appointment at Nelson South he married Margaret Cretney. As a probationer he had to apply for permission to marry, and when granted had to provide their own accommodation on a single probationer stipend.

David's ministry was marked by the quality of his pastoral activity and relationships. His visiting of the sick, elderly, bereaved and people in trouble was exceptional. With Margaret they built strong relationships with the congregations they served. David also possessed considerable administrative ability, and was a thoughtful and engaging preacher.

David gladly accepted parish and district responsibilities. He was appointed Chairman of the Nelson District in 1979. It was also during this time that the new church was built in Blenheim. He speaks of this time with its additional responsibilities of being the most demanding time of his entire ministry. It was also rewarding and fulfilling.

During David's final appointment to Napier, he enjoyed an exchange ministry in the US State of Illinois, followed by two months in Europe. A life changing trip.

David retired at 60, but responded to the call for a 3 month supply at Mission Bay. An appointment which became two years. Retirement in Blenheim was punctuated by two further supply ministries; Paparoa (6 months) and Richmond Nelson (3 months).

David has written a brief history of his life – for his children, grandchildren and those yet to be born. He concludes:

- * *I have been blessed by my marriage to Margaret.*
- * *I have been blessed by the people I have known and the places I have lived and worked.*
- * *I have been blessed by the faith my parents nurtured in me, and that many others have helped me with through the years.*
- * *I thank God every day for these and so many other blessings.*

On the 18th April 2017, Wesley Church in Blenheim, a building David had helped love into existence, was full as family and friends honoured David and the blessing he had been.

Our sympathy is extended to David's extended family.

Samiuela (Sam) Taufua

1940 - 2017

We will be forever grateful to our God for the life of Samiuela who passed away at the age of 77 on 16 September 2017. The widow, 'Api Taufua, 4 children, 12 grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren praise and glorify Almighty God for Sam's life. They miss him so much but know that he is in a much better place with our Saviour. They are grateful for the wonderful legacy he has left behind for them. He will be remembered as a great man that modelled the agape love of Christ; A man of great integrity; and a visionary leader. For three decades Samiuela was a

church steward and Minister for the Wesley Wellington Tongan Methodist Congregation. He not only provided a pastoral role but also assisted migrant families settle into New Zealand life, hosted fundraising activities to support schools and cyclone relief efforts in Tonga, and supported Tongan Language Week events since its inception in 2001. Rev. Keith Taylor (a colleague and friend of Sam) put it so eloquently in his letter of condolences to the family:

“When I was appointed to Wesley in 1975 Sam was working at Todd Motors and while he was not ordained at that time he nevertheless gave sterling leadership not only to the Tongan congregation at Wesley but also to the Team Ministry that we had formed. Sam helped shape and support the Wesley Tongan Congregation and we would want to acknowledge that in his Methodist Conference Tribute...the late Jack Penman spoke very highly of Sam and the valuable contribution he was making to the emerging multi-cultural Ministry at Wesley...Sam was a Team Person who taught us to appreciate the Pasifika cultural differences and protocols as the Wesley Congregations shared Ministry together...Samiuela was a man of high integrity who was very caring and pastoral at heart. He was not only deeply respected by all the people and congregations at Wesley but also by members of what was the Inner City Ministry (ICM)...Samiuela was totally committed to his family, to the Wesley Church Family and to the Methodist Church of New Zealand – Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa. For his life and Ministry we give thanks to God”.

His services surpassed the church family and included the wider Tongan community. Sam was the founding Chairperson of the Tonga Support Services Trust since its establishment in 2000, which communicates and implements government initiatives and programmes to Tongan families. In the early 1990s he was a founding member and President of the Tongan Wellington Association, which has brought together various Tongan church congregations to support collaborative leadership across the Tongan community. In the mid- 1970s Rev. Taufa managed seasonal workers from

Tonga, during which time he initiated education programmes for managing finances and other pastoral support. His services to the Tongan community was recognised in his being awarded a Queen’s Service Medal in the 2018 New Year Honours list.

Unfortunately Sam passed away before he could receive this award, but is a testament of his life of humility and service to others.

The family wish to acknowledge the Wesley Wellington church community, and to the Methodist church of New Zealand for their love and support of Sam in his Ministry and all the love and condolences expressed to them in his passing.

As Sam quoted in his final Methodist conference speech: “I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith” (2 Tim: 4: 7). All glory, praise and honour to our awesome God for Sam’s life.

Mildred Joy Thompson (Joy)
1928 - 2016

Joy was born to Annie and John (Ted) Thompson on 8 February 1928 at the Auckland Nursing home of her Great Aunt Kate. She was named “Mildred” for another Great Aunt, Mildred Bennett (née Shepherd) who after the early death of her husband managed the Port Albert Store and Boarding House. With extended family support, her parents had bought a small local farm adjacent to Port Albert Church. Here she worked with her parents until leaving for nursing training in Whangarei when 19 years old. She completed 3 years of General Nursing Training and then a 6-month Specialty in Maternity.

Joy attended Sunday School and Bible Class at the local Methodist Church where her parents were both active members. She taught at Sunday School herself, helped Doris Park with Girls Life Brigade and on occasions, went with Stan Olds, Annie Gubb and Fred Payne to teach at Oruawharo. Because Port Albert Church had a large number of preaching places, at times they

hosted students from Trinity College, Auckland. Among her close friends in adolescent years was Elizabeth Metcalfe whose father John was appointed to Port Albert as Supply Minister whilst on war time leave from the Solomons.

There was a strong support for mission work in the church and the Sunday school raised money by collecting jonquils in the spring time to be freighted to the South Island to sell in aid of the Missions in the Solomon Islands. Joy heard the call to be a missionary through her Sunday School and Bible Class years. She wrote of her early years, "I was told as a young child that I would be a Missionary and go to the Solomon Islands. I did in 1955 after nursing training but I can relate to the Jonah of the Bible, having a rebellious spirit. Thanks be to God who so often has given me a second chance and turned me around." So when she heard the request for two missionaries to go to the Solomons at a Henderson Valley Missionary Meeting, she was ready to make a response.

Joy served in the Western Solomons between 1955-61. She worked for a month at the Tetero Leprosy Centre alongside Catholic sisters to gain experience in working with this disease, then moved to Vella la Vella. There she ran a mission station clinic and had responsibility for a leper colony established by Methodists, a canoe trip away across rough waters. During this time her path would again cross with a cousin from Port Albert, Rev. Trevor Shepherd.

When her parents became unwell, Joy felt she should return to New Zealand. She studied at the Bible College of New Zealand and did Plunket training before settling in Te Kuiti and continuing her ministry by supporting families in the community as a Plunket nurse. She took time out to care for her mother until she died, then she travelled overseas and finally settled back in Te Kuiti. When she first went there, she joined the Methodist Church; once that congregation closed, she attended the Presbyterian Church and was for a period a strong supporter of the Piopio Co-operating Parish. Nearer the end of her life, the breadth of her background allowed her to feel at home in the fellowship at Journey Church.

Joy's interest and commitment to Overseas Mission never faltered, continuing to hold a significant place in her affection and practical assistance. A friend wrote: "Joy was passionate about and for her God and so much wanted others to be wrapped in that divine love...it radiated from her... There are many, many people who are profoundly blessed because Joy ventured into their lives and they are the richer for it."

Ailsa Rosalyn Thorburn

1942 - 2018

Sister Ailsa Thorburn was one of a distinguished line of missionary nursing staff who served in the Papua New Guinea Highlands Methodist District, appointed by the Methodist Church of New Zealand's then, Department of Overseas Missions.

Ailsa first arrived in Papua New Guinea in 1966 to the mission station at Tari, established in 1951 by the United Church of Papua New Guinea and the Solomon Islands, with which the New Zealand was then, and still is, in close relationship. Learning the Huli language ("*...which I never did master!*" she said) Ailsa, together with one other NZ staff member, a Huli trained maternity nurse, and four local Huli women, Ailsa was responsible for a maternity hospital – a demanding role, then averaging 38 deliveries each month. Home visits meant cycling on rough unsealed roads with no signposts and often having to continue a journey, walking bush tracks and crossing over vine bridges.

Initially, that had been something of a challenge, for as a child Ailsa had a fear of heights. She quickly learnt to coordinate her visits across the most difficult terrain soon after a government patrol had been through, "*...as the 'locals' had always made sure the vine bridges were in good repair.*"

Local families quickly appreciated the value of regular contact with health professionals. Readily embracing their compassion and concern, families would continue to bring their children for healthcare at the hospital until at least the age of three. Ailsa's love and respect for the Huli people

came through in all that she undertook. Although looking back in more recent years, Ailsa often spoke of realising that “...so much more should have been done... so much more we could have learnt”.

Ailsa captured the hearts of people with her indefatigable energy and humour. She recalled of how clinics often took time to get underway each day. “Not all mothers would have their children’s health books” she recalled. Many were lost when “pig ate it” or “burnt when house caught fire”. But she spoke of how very tolerant the local people were of her bumbling Huli language – “often more patient with us, than we were with them...”. Ailsa never did see herself as a typical ‘missionary’ (“whatever that was” she would say), but rather, simply a nurse, passionately committed, helping to better people’s health.

She worked hard to break down the barriers that sometimes emerged between missionary interest groups, Protestant and Catholic. Her early childhood in (then) rural East Tamaki and the all-inclusive neighbourliness of the farming community had quietly shaped Ailsa’s enduring inclusive values and her determination always to rise above pettiness.

Ailsa returned to New Zealand and entered Trinity Theological College in 1974. However, at the end of that year, she had decided to not continue her training for ministry and returned to nursing. She returned to work, fulfilling a variety of responsibilities in the Enga Province of Papua New Guinea in the north most region of the Highlands.

In 1978 she returned to New Zealand and took up nursing roles with the Tauranga District Health Board, further developing Tauranga Hospital’s (and later Katikati’s) geriatric nursing services.

Ailsa eventually returned to nursing abroad when, in 1988 and with Volunteer Service Abroad, she became Sister-in-Charge of a 60 bed maternity hospital in Musume, Zimbabwe. With her experience from the Highlands of Papua New Guinea, she was well prepared for a lifestyle which involved different standards, shortage of supplies and service breakdowns. The hospital coped with an average of 2000 births each year within a population of 100,000 people in a catchment of 2500 square kilometres.

In 1990 Ailsa returned to NZ to live and nurse in Katikati. The Methodist Church of New Zealand honours her untiring commitment, her passion for people and her faith-filled service to the Church and community (here and abroad).

Mele Foeata Tu’ipulotu

1966 - 2017

Rev. Mele Foeata Tu’ipulotu was born on 23rd February 1966 in Tonga and she passed away on the 14th June 2017 in Auckland, New Zealand.

She was the sixth of the seven children of the late Rev. Sione Tu’ipulotu and Sisilia, a former Parish Superintendent of the Free Wesleyan Church of Tonga with 30 years of service to the church. She had four brothers Luti, Laumeesi, Viliami and Tevita, and two sisters Tufitaufo’ao and Sisilia.

Foeata attended the primary school at Longolongo, and completed her secondary education at Tonga High School in 1985. She worked for the Ministry of Finance in Tonga for 10 years. She dedicated her time to look after and help her parents with their ministries work in Tonga until they retired in 1996. That was good preparation for her call. She actively involved in Sunday schools, youth groups, women fellowship, and church choir of the many congregations they were stationed to.

She migrated to New Zealand in 1998, completed a Computer and Office Management Course in Christchurch in 1999. She obtained a Bachelor in Theology from Auckland University and graduated in 2005. Foeata joined Trinity Methodist Theological College in 2010 and successfully obtained a Diploma in Practical Theology and other courses such as Pastoral Care.

Foeata started on Probation as a Deacon in 2011 at the Auckland-Manukau Tongan Parish with particular responsibility to Ellerslie Tongan congregation Sunday School, Youths, Women Fellowship, Disabled and Elderly People's Groups. She also did volunteer chaplaincy support to the Auckland and Middlemore Hospitals. She switched from Diaconate to Ordained Presbyterian Ministry.

Foeata was stationed as a probationer to East-Tamaki congregation beginning February 2013 and was ordained in 2014 at the Annual Conference in Hamilton. After four years in East Tamaki she was stationed to Glen Innes beginning February 2017.

Sadly in early 2017 Foeata's health declined quickly with a serious illness. The doctor advised her to take time off the ministry but she kept her vowed to serve the Lord, *"for better, for worse, for richer, for poorer, in sickness and in health, until death do us part."* Foeata's dedication and commitment can be summarised in no better verse than *Psalm 116:15: Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of his faithful servants.*

Foeata was very well respected and is remembered as a person with a smiling face, loving heart, humble, and a peaceful mind and she has applied all these gifts in respect to family, church and friendships with everyone. We are privileged to celebrate her wonderfully lived life, her love for those around her and it is a comfort to know that she will live on in the memories of all whose lives she touched. Memories of her will always be cherished.

Maurice van de Geer

1938 - 2018

Maurice was born 21 February 1938 in the small rural village of Aalsmeer in Holland. His death on 15 February 2018, just a few days short of his 80th birthday, was in Christchurch where Jill and Maurice had lived for the past 20 years. Maurice and his family had migrated from Holland to New Zealand in 1951.

Maurice's earliest years were frightening, uncertain times. War had broken out in Europe in 1939, Holland had been occupied and he saw things that no child should ever have to witness. Hunger was a constant, with the country being stripped bare in order to feed and equip the German Army. Once the war ended, his family, along with many other Europeans, decided that a much better future beckoned in New Zealand – at that time a small green dot on the map, with very little known about what life would be like here.

Initially settling in Gisborne, the family later moved to Auckland; Maurice attended Avondale College, where his interest in music was encouraged; he played clarinet in the school orchestra and sang in a small choral group.

He studied at the Technical Institute in Auckland and gained a NZ Certificate of Draughting while also working for the architectural firm, Haughey & Fox for 9 years. It was there he began his interest in hospital design, working on Whangarei, Whakatane and Gisborne hospitals. Later in 1966, he joined the firm Stephenson & Turner, remaining with them until his retirement in 1998. He became an expert on the design of hospitals. Among a vast array of projects, he was deeply involved with the design and construction of Auckland Hospital's Main Building, Dunedin Ward Block, Starship Hospital, University of Auckland & Medical School and Auckland International Airport.

It was his interest in music that afforded the beginnings of first, a relationship, and then marriage to Jill Gregory. They married at Pitt Street Methodist Church on 19 December 1964 and celebrated 53 years together. Maurice was a husband, father and Opa who was loved and admired. In Auckland and later in Christchurch, Maurice's energy and capacity for Jill and their family and their families, was boundless.

Maurice retired in 1998 to move to Christchurch to give fulltime support to Jill in her new role as General Secretary of the Methodist Church. Over those years, Maurice's care for Jill (including her year as President) and his care for the wider Church is the stuff of legend. He was home-maker and chef extraordinaire and ensured their home offered warm, generous hospitality, always with a fine touch. He catered willingly for ministry breakfasts, staff luncheons and Christmas events.

Maurice's personal contribution to the Methodist Church of New Zealand also made its own very special mark. For 28 years, he was a Property Trustee at Pitt Street Methodist Church in Auckland. For some 13 years, he was Property Secretary for the Central South Island Synod. He authored and revised property strategy papers for the Synod and wider Church. He was consulted widely on property matters. He was intimately involved in shaping strategic steps forward following the Christchurch earthquakes. For some years, he was a valued member of the Board of the Christchurch Methodist Mission (for a time, Acting Superintendent) and was a valued, personal confidant to its Superintendent.

Of life and faith, Maurice maintained a refreshing, healthy and critical analysis. All of which made him an open minded, thoughtful person; humble, compassionate, considerate and measured in his responses. Clear thinking and determined, Maurice at times could be a person of very firm views and some definitive opinions. But he always viewed diversity – in people, culture and religion – as something to be worthily celebrated, rather than ever richly condemned.

Here was a quiet, giant of a man, whose contribution to the Methodist Church of New Zealand was given selflessly and without measure. We are indebted beyond words.

E hoa ma, ina te ora o te tangata. My friends, this is the essence of life.

Napi Tutewehiwehi Waaka OBE

1935 - 2016

Within Te Ao Maori it was common to hear the kōrero 'Napi is a Man of the People' Absolutely correct. He was known as a Man of the People and will be remembered as one. That is one of the many legacies he has left behind.

Rev. Napi Waaka principally of Te Arawa and Tainui descent had very strong links and connections to several tribes in Aotearoa. He utilised those connections to serve the people and to promote the Gospel and especially his love for the Lord.

Many people believe that Napi Waaka was called to Ministry at a very young age and was assisted and encouraged by his many Kaumātua and Kuia who had absolute faith in him. He was trained in the ancient arts of Whaikorero, Karakia Tawhito, Mau Rākau, Tikanga and Kawa which set him apart in many respects but also was the vehicle to guide him in his future endeavours.

When Napi commenced his introductory Training for Ministry in 1960 he did so as an Honorary Home Missionary.

In 1961 Napi was listed under 'Home Missionary Supply ' as a Non-Resident Student of Trinity Theological College which followed with the Conference Question No. 6 – What Candidates are now received for Theological Training for Ministry?

In 1962 Napi was formally received for Training.

He often spoke with fondness about his time spent at Trinity Theological College despite the challenges, frustrations and the disconnectedness from Family, Hapū, Iwi and the Māori understanding of Church and Gospel versus a Eurocentric understanding and perception.

He forged life-long friendships with fellow Students while at Trinity College, the late Morehu (Buddy Te Whare), Moke Couch, John Manihera, Rua Rakena along with John Pihama, Danny

Harris and Robert Te Whare to name a few. He was to the fore in establishing the Musical Band called 'The Trinitones' who provided much enjoyment for the students and some consternation for staff of the College. But his gift for music and his quick wit was renowned and was captured throughout his Ministry.

Napi spent his Probationary years along with the Late Morehu Te Whare at Three Kings, Auckland under the tutelage and guidance of the Late Rev. Rangi Rogers who was the most Senior Māori Minister of the 1960s into the early 1970s.

Napi was Ordained at the Dunedin Conference held 1 November, 1967.

Following Ordination Napi was Stationed to Hawera where he was appointed as Circuit Superintendent for North and South Taranaki. During this time he established the Kapa Haka Group known then as the Patea Methodist Cultural Group.

His second Stationed Appointment was to Waikato / Waiariki as the Superintendent. It was during this time when a lot of social and political changes were taking place in New Zealand society and also within Waikato / Tainui itself. At the request of the Late Te Arikiniui, Dame Te Atairangaikaahu, Napi was released by the Church for a period of time to manage the fund-raising effort for the building of the new dining room, Kimiora, at Ngaruawahia. Kapa Haka again came to the forefront with his work with the Taniwharau Cultural Group and their fundraising competitions. Ministry has a knack of guiding and calling one into other areas of life. This time, Napi was given dispensation in order to work for the Maori Affairs Department. He carried out this task for several years before taking up a position with Te Wānanga O Aotearoa.

The Rev. Napi Waaka was a truly gifted man. He was honoured both by Government, Community and University and received numerous Awards throughout his life. Napi, being the kind of man that he was would probably say that the legacy that is most precious to him in terms of his work was that he was a committed Servant of God and that his Love for God was absolute.

E moe e Te Rangatira moe mai rā i tō moenga roa. E kore koe e warewaretia e matou.

Jill (Joan) Weeks

Died 2018

Supplementary Tribute

Frank Harvey Woodfield

1923 - 2016

Frank Harvey Woodfield was born at Horrelville, North Canterbury, on 23 October 1923 to farming parents. The family struggled financially during his early years due to the economic depression of that time. They attended the Horrelville Methodist Church and Frank began high school at Rangiora. Moving with his family to Palmerston North in the mid '30s, Frank completed his secondary education at Palmerston North Boys' high School, where the Crusader movement was a strong influence on his developing faith journey.

Frank's first employment on leaving school was as a clerical cadet at the seed testing station of the Agriculture Department. This was followed by military service during World War 2, mostly with the Medical Section of the RNZAF.

Frank's long association with the Boys' Brigade began at St. Paul's Church in Palmerston North and continued when he moved with his Air Force unit to Petone. Towards the end of the war he returned home to Palmerston North to work in the family business. It was at this time that Frank met Nelma Henderson, who was to become his life partner and soulmate.

Feeling called to Christian ministry, and particularly to overseas missionary service, Frank applied for theological training at Trinity College, which he began in 1947. Frank's first appointment was to a mission station in the Solomons, where he went as a single man, while Nelma complete her nursing training in New Zealand. He returned home to be married in 1951, following which and he and Nelma went back to the Solomons to take up mission work at Roviana. Their two eldest children, Jennifer and Peter, were born in the Solomons, followed by three further sons, Wayne, Noel and Alan, born in New Zealand.

Frank's first appointment back in New Zealand was to Westtown, New Plymouth. Further appointments followed in Springston, Tokoroa, and Petone. As well as being the minister of the Petone congregation, Frank also became the captain of the local B.B. Company and was also involved in the Wellington Battalion. At this time he developed an interest and skill in working with people in industry.

He used a period of Long Service Leave to work on a car assembly line and also visited Melbourne, investigating how industrial mission was being organized there. Although unsuccessful in applying for a position in industrial chaplaincy, he eventually joined the assessment team of the Wellington Rehabilitation League where he was able to combine his industrial bent with his personnel training in the church to good effect.

After he retired in 1983, Frank and Nelma spent the next year in Tonga with the objective of establishing the Boys' Brigade in the Kingdom. He quickly had an enthusiastic company up and running. A highlight of the year was an audience with the King of Tonga.

Frank and Nelma retired to Waikanae, where they were both deeply involved in the life of the church. Frank was involved in various community organisations and in leading worship.

After some years of declining health, Frank passed away on 14 October 2016 followed in June 2017 by his beloved Nelma. The church gives thanks for his life and ministry.

Nelma June Woodfield

1928 - 2017

Born to a family who lived in Waddington/Oxford Circuit – Canterbury - Nelma grew up during the Depression and World War 2. She completed her general nursing training in Christchurch, Waimate and Palmerston North hospitals. Nelma and Rev Frank Woodfield married in 1951 and spent several years in the Solomon Islands. On their return to New Zealand they served congregations in four parts of New Zealand. After 15 happy years of child raising Nelma did three years primary teacher training followed by work in Hutt Valley schools and later The Correspondence School where she specialised in the teaching of children with Special Needs - which she found most rewarding.

When Nelma retired from teaching she became involved with the Methodist Women's Fellowship, first with the local group and then as the Wellington District President 1999-2003. At the 2003 NZMWF Council meeting Nelma was elected to be the National President 2004-2006.

In 2006 Nelma attended in South Korea the World Assembly of the World Federation of Methodist & Uniting Church Women where she led one of the discussion groups.

Nelma became secretary of the Waikanae Fellowship Group in 2007 and later took on the role of Facilitator, a position which she actively held at the time of her death. Nelma's computer skills were very much appreciated and she seemed to have an endless supply of resources for any situation. A handwritten note on the inside of one of her books "Four Principles For Leadership: Co-ordination: Co-operation: Commendation: Communication". This sums up very much the way in which Nelma shared her skills. Frank was always very supportive of what Nelma was doing and he was made an Honorary member of the Wellington MWF District.

Nelma's earliest training after leaving school was as a dressmaker, a skill which she used very well for her family and herself. She was always immaculately dressed. Scottish Country dancing was a great interest, and Nelma took part fully in the Waikanae club, being secretary from 1995 to 2001 and president in 2003-4.

Together with Frank, Nelma was very much involved in the life of the Waikanae congregation of the Kapiti Uniting Parish in her later years, sharing her talents and giving guidance and leadership in many ways

Nelma lived her Christian faith with her whole heart, mind, soul and strength and always stressed the importance of Prayer and of participating in all avenues of Church Life. Thank you Nelma for your vitality, your visions, your caring and we thank God for the privilege that we have had to know you and learn from your example to us all.

Peggy Averill Yeatman

Died 2017

Peggy Yeatman who died on the 27th October 2017 was, along with her husband Bill, a loyal member of our Methodist Connexion. They attended St.Alban's Uniting parish and latterly Beckenham Methodist.

Peggy served in many areas of the Church and community.

She was a Synodal appointment to the Hospital Adoption Trust the name of which was changed in 1987 to the Churches Hospital Support Trust and she served on this for many years. She was also a volunteer at Wesleycare, an area organiser for the Leprosy Mission, and a volunteer at Christian World Service.

Several years ago she was awarded a Volunteer's certificate recognising her years of service.

Peggy was very involved in the Methodist Women's Fellowship both locally and the district and in 1992 she joined Ruth Bilverstone's national executive as minute secretary.

In whatever capacity Peggy was asked to serve she always applied herself wholeheartedly and did an exceptional job. Her minutes were always correctly recorded and presented on time, which meant late nights at Convention recording the days activities, but Peggy did this quietly without demur or complaint.

When ill health caused her to withdraw from many of her activities she did this with dignity and acceptance.

She will be greatly missed by her husband Bill (to whom she was married for 66 years) her son Stuart and daughters Paula and Pip also by our Methodist family and her wide circle of friends.

Peggy was farewelled at the Beckenham Methodist Church.

Supplementary Tributes
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Joyce Rosalind Besant

1925 - 2017

Joyce Rosalind Besant (nee Kerr) was born in Ashburton in July 1925.

The Kerr family was well known and respected in Ashburton where they ran several businesses. Joyce worked and did office work in one of the shops.

Joyce was involved in all aspects of Church life from an early age and it was there that she met her husband. David had been sent to Ashburton as a probationer. After a four year engagement and marriage they served in many parts of New Zealand and after David's sad and sudden death in Timaru, Joyce decided to move to Christchurch where she became an active member of St. David's Church.

She was a loyal member of the Methodist Women's Fellowship and served at both a local and District level. In 1992 Joyce became a member of the National Executive led by Ruth Silverstone. Joyce was a special member of Ruth's team. A quiet achiever who (along with Celia) was responsible for the Mission sector of the Executive.

On the 31st March this year the remaining members of that Executive met together (at Joyce's instigation) for a time of fellowship, fun and reminiscing about those two wonderful years we were in office.

Joyce was also part of the Women's Fellowship group that went to the South Pacific Area Seminar held in Port Moresby in 1994.

Joyce had a special connection with the Epworth Book Room and at District and National meetings Joyce was there with a great range of books for sale. This was a service much appreciated by many MWF members,

Joyce a loving daughter, wife, mother, grandmother and loyal friend was farewelled at the Christchurch North Methodist Church on

She will be greatly missed.

We give thanks and praise to God for a life well lived.

Roger Raymond Biddle

1944 - 2018

(date correction only)

John Silverstone

1937 - 2018

John Silverstone's unexpected death while on holiday with Ruth in England drew to a close a remarkable 54 years of ministry within both the British Methodist Conference and the New Zealand Methodist Conference.

Born in North London in 1937, John was the only child of Stanley Herbert and Gladys Alberta

Bilverstone. Just 2 years old when World War II broke out, the war dominated John's early life and the family voluntarily moved from London to Countess Weir, Exeter, Devon.

He attended Exeter School where ever so typically and with the same self-effacing demeanour that was forever John, he described himself as "*a B stream student – not an academic*". On completing his school years, John moved to Diss in Norfolk and followed his father into the furnishing business.

It was in Diss that John met Ruth Hopkins. They attended the same church and youth group and travelled the half hour by train together to and from work each day.

Born into a strong Methodist family, John's years in Diss prior to candidating for ministry, provided an exceptional foundation for his future ministry. With twenty six churches and only two Presbyters, John and Ruth were both valued Lay Preachers. It meant cycling to preaching appointments most Sundays – and for John, commitments that included not only a furnishing trade apprenticeship, but two years of National Military Service.

John candidated for ministry in 1960 and training followed at Handsworth Theological College. Then, having married in 1962, at Selly Oak College, Birmingham. In 1963, John and Ruth offered themselves "for as long as might be needed" to the Methodist Conference of the Caribbean and the Americas.

The first two of four appointments in the Bahamas were on outlying islands - North Eleuthera six churches/four islands, South Eleuthera ten churches, scattered along a 130 kilometres of coastline. It was a ministry of the widest proportions. The routine of parish work included not only the demands of preaching, pastoral care and extensive youth activity, but also lay leadership training, major property developments, fundraising, stewardship programmes, Methodist Publishing House sales and the overabundance of responsibilities always attendant to such far flung locations. Then 2 years in Freeport and a final 3 years in the Bahamas in Nassau.

They were years that shaped John's lifelong ministry and pastoral care - a compassionate, always hopeful and forever caring, gentle concern for all within reach. Always a team, John, Ruth and their family ministered in the Bahamas for almost 18 years, before transferring to New Zealand.

John's first NZ appointment was to Ashburton in 1981. It was a unique blend of town and rural ministry that John came to love. In 1990 he was appointed to the Hornby Riccarton Parish in Christchurch and in 2000, to New Plymouth. His appointment to New Plymouth was a demanding 3 years of ministry: worship centres needed to be integrated and a North Taranaki cluster of ministries needed to be established. And then to retirement in 2003.

To every one of these places, John brought the same infectious laugh, an inspirational deep faith and delightful smile; meticulous administration; and a warm collegial and consultative approach. His preaching was grounded and relevant; and what John proclaimed from the pulpit Sunday by Sunday, he lived out in every day of the week.

His leadership gifts were widely recognised. John was appointed District Superintendent in each of the three Synod Districts he served in New Zealand – South Canterbury, North Canterbury and Taranaki. In North Canterbury, John provided some of the early leadership required when in the 1990's, the Church began to more effectively respond to matters of sexual harassment and abuse. Later he served on the Central Complaints Committee.

It was not at all surprising that on retirement and with family already well settled there, John and Ruth returned 'home' again to Ashburton. But nor was John's ministry at an end: supply ministries in Blenheim, Westport, Richmond and Greymouth have all occupied some of the years since.

Together with his continued and very active ministry in and around Ashburton and its surrounding districts, John's ministry continued unabated. He regularly led worship; his pastoral ministry to town and country was warmly welcomed and widely appreciated; and he was a wise and gentle voice in the life of the local Church. Ministry for John was a lifelong commitment.

Loving and devoted to each other – and dedicated in their support of each other – John and Ruth have shared a unique ministry together. He was the same gentle, quietly spoken, non-judgmental, wise and caring husband and father to his family as he was to the Church. The influence of this truly gentle man – sensitive, thoughtful, inclusive - his infectious laugh, his deep and always hopeful faith, his unbounded care and compassion, and his love of life will be remembered with very great affection across the life of the Methodist Church.

Thanks be to God for the life, the love, the faith and worth of John Bilverstone.

John Boniface

1926 – 2018

John was born in Palmerston North on 29th of December 1926. He was the second of five children. The family were strong supporters of Cuba Street Methodist Church where his mother was the superintendent of the Beginners Department of the Sunday School and his father took the Junior Boys' Bible Class. John joined in all the Church's activities and eventually was Captain of the Church's Company of the Boys Brigade. After attending the P.N. Boys High School he went to Christchurch and attended the Canterbury University. He came back to Palmerston North and did an apprenticeship in the family bakery of Boniface Bros. He married Ruth Woodfield and they had three children. After a period in management John eventually left the bakery and he and Ruth went to Melbourne where he did a Pharmacy Course and became a chemist. They shifted to Tauranga where he worked in Bongard's Pharmacy, which still exists. From there he bought a Pharmacy in Opotiki. After a dreadful flood there they shifted to Auckland where he started the Pharmacy at Forrest Hill

John lived out the Methodist vision of word and deed going hand in hand. He was not a Sunday Christian, rather he was a seven day and sometimes 24 hour Christian.

In the early 1970's he, along with his wife Ruth, trained as a Lifeline Councillors. After Ruth's death from cancer in 1982, John continued this work often doing several shifts a week, until around 2000 when his memory was not good enough after a stroke in 1999 to be able to adequately listen to people and remember what was being said.

The Methodist Church honours John for his willingness to take up both humble important tasks and do them well, often going the extra mile to enable something to happen. He served in the choir at Pitt St Church for over 40 years and was Choir librarian for 30 years spending hours sorting music and having it ready for services.

He served as a Parish Steward in the Central Parish where his pastoral skills were much appreciated by the ministers appointed to the Churches. He was concerned to ensure that they were properly supported and cared for and that included their families.

For a number of years he cooked one or two crockpots of soup for a monthly after church luncheon and never claimed the costs associated with putting on the lunch.

When he move to a retirement village and was unable to drive, he became a loyal member of the Mount Eden congregation.

At a District and National level John served as a Synod member, Conference representative and Member of the Council of Elders from 1997 - 1999. In retirement he enjoyed working in the Church Archives in Penrose.

He was a generous benefactor giving anonymously in many different ways.

He loved tramping and walking and continued to climb Mt Eden, One Tree Hill and Mt Hobson on Sunday afternoons even when his body was protesting, as was his walker!

John Boniface was a man of profound faith. He found the sacrament of holy communion a means of grace and for many years attended the early morning communion at Aotea Chapel and the Wednesday morning communion at Mt Albert Church before going to work until ill health meant he could no longer drive.

John was a quiet, humble, gentle but strong man who lived out what he believed and he truly lived out the words of Paul in 1 Corinthians 13, for by his words and actions he showed that: Faith, hope and love abide and the greatest of these is love.

He died on 15 August 2018

Jack Jenner

1938 – 2018

Jack grew up on his parents' farm in Cheltenham, South England. There he was christened 'Jack' – just "Jack Jenner"! From there he travelled afar by many means and in many directions. He was intelligent, quick-witted, energetic and resourceful, with a great sense of humour and love of teasing! Jack's career in the Merchant Navy ended with an accident affecting his eyesight, which sadly prevented him from completing his Masters Ticket.

It was 1961 when Jack arrived in NZ. This meant a great change and new learning as he studied Accountancy part time, while working as a postman. By chance he was delivering mail to Beth's family home. Beth's parents and Jack got to know each other well. He also won the Siamese cat's approval – and so it came to pass, that in 1965, Beth and Jack were married! They bought the house in which Beth still lives, caring for the house and garden for 52 years, and lovingly raising their two children Alan and Marion, later welcoming beloved grandchildren.

Jack completed his studies in 1969, and continued his profession as a Chartered Accountant, moving into management fields with the Electric Power Board in varying positions, including that of Auditor and Financial Officer. From 1972, Jack spent 19 years at the Auckland Regional Authority, where he rose from Assistant Revenue Accountant through various positions, to being the Budget Manager.

By mid-1993, Jack was working in Auckland Healthcare Services, focusing on reducing the hospital's huge debt. Jack was proud of the rapport he had with the Director of Nursing, who valued his working well with all groups of staff, following through promptly, so that other needs were met. From late 1994, Jack and Beth moved to the State of Bahrain for 2 years, Jack working as the Financial Advisor to their Ministry of Health; heading up the Directorate of Finance and coordinating Senior Officials across the ministries and a United Nations Agency. Next came a 6-month stint in the UK, before returning to NZ in 1997, where Jack took the position in the emerging retirement villages sector, at the Dutch "Ons Dorp Village", in West Auckland. Here he became involved with the development of NZ legislation for retirement villages.

Jack used his God-given gifts and abilities to the full, both during his working life and retirement. He did not waste a moment, serving both the Connexional Church and locally at Mt Albert Methodist Church. He was a member of the Methodist Trust Association; the Investment Advisory Board and the PACT Trust for 10-12 years. As an active member of the Mt Albert Methodist Church service was offered on the Parish Council and as Parish Treasurer with 21 years as a faithful and caring choir member. Jack was pastoral at heart and had that ability to care unreservedly across the spectrum of age, differing cultural background and religious beliefs. He retired at the end of 2016. At home, family and CAB took up his time, plus watching & listening to NZ play international cricket, gardening and travel around NZ.

The Methodist Church remembers in gratitude Jack's loving and faithful service.

Jill (Joan) Weeks

1926 – 2018

Joan Weeks, known also as Jill for a large portion of her life, died at the age of 91 years on Thursday 22 March 2018 at Peppertree Home in Palmerston North, where she had moved to in 2017.

Joan Garnett was an English girl from Hull (b 4 Sept 1926), but her impact among NZ Methodists was such that three memorial services were held for her, her family gathering for her cremation service in Palmerston North, a memorial celebration at the Wesley Centre, Blenheim, and a final memorial at Devonport Methodist Church.

It was Tony Weeks who had first called Joan 'Jill', because he knew another Joan! They met in Torquay where Joan had gone to work in a Savings Bank. She came to attention there when she assertively sought promotion which was then only available to men. Jill married Tony in December 1956 and emigrated to Wellington in May 1957. They moved to Feilding and then Auckland. Tony joined NAC, which became part of Air New Zealand. Their three children, Michael, Val and Peter were born in Auckland. The Weeks family went to Taharoto Rd Methodist church, which then amalgamated with Takapuna.

Jill worked part time at the Post Office, and biked to work. She never learnt to drive. She walked or took the bus to archives. She became the Auckland based Methodist Church Archivist.

Jill thought it was the best thing when they moved to Devonport with its older people and rickety houses, and the Devonport Methodist Church.

There were trips back to England before and after Tony died in 1984.

Jill has always been very close to others, and well loved by everyone, friends, family, nieces, nephews, grandchildren. She was an exceptionally special person at Devonport Methodist Parish and in the Wesley Historical Society.

When she moved to Blenheim in 2011, she quickly found her way to the Wesley centre, where Rev Ian Boddy had already had a phone call from Rev Robyn Allan-Gouge to "look after our Jill". But Jill told Ian that in this new place she had another chance to be known by her real name. In Blenheim she wanted to be Joan, and so she was Joan.

She did not want to be as intensely involved as she had at Devonport but she would be involved, would love to join the Bible Study group, could immediately join the church Bible reader's roster.

We will all remember the way she read the Bible in church with that most wonderful trained, educated, modulated voice that brought the scriptures alive. Her favourite bible passages are found in James' Epistle. She had a mind of her own, but as Joan or Jill, she was in tune with God's Spirit wherever she went, and well prepared to argue out the details. She has walked life's exciting journey with energy, determination, faith, hope, love, courage and assertiveness.

We thank God for the sacred gift of Joan's life.

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Record of Service for Retirees



Joanne (Jo) Alethea Durrant

Jo Durrant came into the ordained ministry from a background in nursing. Candidating for Presbyterian Ministry from the Laing's Road Methodist Church in Lower Hutt she remembers well the timely advice given to her at the time by her Parish Presbyterian the Reverend Barry Jones as he encouraged her prior to attending the National Candidate Assessment event to always "speak from your own data." This wisdom was to remain a distinctive word for Jo throughout her ministry and beyond into the everyday of grappling with long-term health issues.

Following three invaluable years of theological studies at Trinity Methodist Theological College (1987-1990), Jo's first stationed ministry was in the Malvern Parish, Darfield in South Canterbury from 1990 – 1995 and here Jo learnt well of the joys and challenges of parish ministry in this semi-rural setting. From here she was ordained in 1991 and enjoyed the challenges involved in learning something of the rhythms of community and congregational life in this beautiful setting and also the unique challenges of the winter months. Given her previous work and life experience, a hallmark of Jo's ministry has always been her ability to make connections between the congregation and community with a special instinct and compassion for those who are marginalised on society's edges.

The next ministry challenge came with the move from the Malvern Parish to the Christchurch South Methodist Parish in 1996 – 2000 at the St John's Methodist Church in Addington. With this shift began a time of focused ministry both formal and informal within the Christchurch area. It was whilst at Addington that Jo began her involvement with the social welfare agency CYFS as foster mother for infants needing placement who themselves were already at risk due to family breakdown or associated developmental issues, like foetal alcohol syndrome and the effects of drug addiction in utero. Jo recognised this involvement with at risk babies and young children as very much part of her ministry, one that involved a 'make or break' hands on ministry of engagement. When in 2000 Jo felt the need to take a period of formal leave from the church thus resigning, the ministry of care in conjunction with CYFS continued on.

In 2005 Jo re-entered ministry and was received back into full connexion remaining in Christchurch and initially helping out on supply alongside the Reverend Barbara Stephens within the Christchurch West Methodist Parish and then formally stationed part-time in 2006 to the St Stephen's Methodist congregation as part of the wider parish. She, along with her three adopted children, Waiora, Whitney and Waka with other children moving in and out of the parsonage home remained in faithful ministry through many ups and downs, no least of these the Christchurch earthquakes of 2010 and 2011, and her own ongoing chronic health issues.

2015 saw a move to the Te Awamutu Methodist Parish and sadly this ministry came to a sudden end in mid-2016 as Jo's health deteriorated facilitating early retirement. Jo remains for ever grateful to the wider Methodist Church for the rich opportunities given to serve church and community as Presbyterian and for pastoral care given to her and her family at critical junctures of her ongoing struggle with failing health.

Andrew Michael Gamman

Supplementary Record of Service

Limuolevave (Limu) Ogotia Pepe Lotufa'amanatu Isaia

Limuolevave was born in Leulumoega, Samoa in 1950 to proud parents Isaia and Mataiva Tagaloamatua. He was educated at Lalomauga Primary School, Marist Brothers school in Mulivai, Apia and Maluafou College.

In 1971 Limu emigrated to New Zealand and worshipped at St Johns Methodist Church, Ponsonby. In 1977 he married Olive Ela and they had two children: Itamua Mataiva Dorothy and Fa'amoetauloa Jamie Siniva and later they adopted Limu's nephews Lematuaitofiga Sitiseni and

Pasiā Lotufa'amanatu Lealafia. They have ten grandchildren – Lotufa'amanatu Corey, Aoe'e Luteru, Brianna Mataiva, Sisifo D'angelo, Soraya Olive, Ela Jamie, Olive Isla, Florence, Alofa Iva-Hope and Cassandra Fa'amati.

He was employed by Sleepyhead as a General hand from 1971 to 1975, McMillan and Lockwood as a Carpenter from 1976 to 1980 and Computer Forms Ltd as a Print operator from 1981 until 2001.

Limu became an accredited lay preacher in 1986 and became a lay leader for the Samoan Parish at Fitzroy New Plymouth in 2002. He entered the Ministry Training Unit at St Johns Trinity in 2003 and became a Probationer in 2004. Limu was ordained in 2005 at the Conference held in Durham St, Christchurch and has been a sincere leader and presbyter of the Samoan Parish in New Plymouth since 2002. Limu and Ela Isaia have served this Parish well for the last 15 years.

Limu faced a number of challenges in the ministry due to being a self supporting presbyter, but he continued to trust in the Lord, for nothing is impossible with God. The Samoan Parish offered to pay his quarter time until 2015 and he thanked God for his guidance upon his family through the hospitality and generosity of the people in the parish.

He is grateful to Sinoti Samoa Leaders for supporting him since his arrival in New Zealand until the present day. He acknowledges the late Rev Siauala and Lina Amituana'i, Rev Aso and Vaotane Samoa Saleupolu, Rev Tovia and Leotele Aumua and Rev Suiva'aia and Muaimalae Te'o. He also remembered the spiritual influence of some of the presbyters who supported them immensely while at St Johns, Ponsonby including Rev Faaoso and the late Mrs Laamauga Tugia, the late Rev Ioane and Vaaalii Afoa, and Rev Paulo and Ivapene Ieriko.

Limu makes a special acknowledgement of Rev Iakopo and Rosa Faafuata, their spiritual parents during their candidature for ministry. Their advice, love, support and prayers were much appreciated. Faafetai, faafetai, faafetai tele lava.

Thank you very much to all the Sinoti Samoa Presbyters and their spouses for the fellowship, help, love and prayerful support.

As in the farewell of Tuimanu'a and Malietoa (chiefs of Tonga and Samoa),

“O lau pule ma le fa'aaloalo o le a le paleina i lo'u ulu nei mamulu, pe sulu i lo'u sulugatiti nei migimigi, e le u'uina foi i lo'u lima nei sautia, ae o le a teu i le va o lo'u fatu ma lo'u mama, o taimi uma lava ou te manavaina ai le manava ola ona ou manatua lea o lo outou alolofa.”
(What you have given me in honour and respect, I will not wear it on my head incase it falls, nor wear it around my waist incase it shrinks, I will not hold it in my hand incase it withers, but I will keep it safe between my heart and my lungs, everytime I breathe the breath of life, I will always remember your love')

Limu and Ela also acknowledge those whom they served together with in the Whiteley Parish in Taranaki Rev John and Ruth Bilverston, Rev Alan and Kerry Upson, Rev Jim and Beth George and Rev Manoa and Akenesi Havea. Thank you all very much and may God's name be praised.

A heartfelt thanks and grateful appreciation is given to the Fitzroy Samoan Parish for all their love and support in their ministry. Although sometimes they were physically weary, their church family's advice, love and assistance since the beginning of their ministry uplifted them and helped them to continue.

Last but not least they salute Sinoti Samoa, for their prayerful support since the beginning of their ministry. They are very thankful to Sinoti for everything and have done their best in every opportunity given to serve God through Sinoti and the church.

O fuaitau masani lava a le gataifale, e poto le tautai ae le atoa i'a i lona va'a. O le tele foi o aso o se tagata i le galuega, o le tele foi lea o ona lape ma sese. O le a se auaunaga na le tautamalii, se lafoga ua sala, o le fa'amaualaloga a le auauna fa'amolemole fa'amagalalo le auauna fa'atauva'a. Ia fa'amanuia le Atua i le Paia i le Auaigaluega aemaise le Sinoti Samoa.

O moomooga foi ma alofa'aga molipo o le tatou Sinoti Samoa, ia sagai ane 'ai o le tai, faamanuia tele atu i lau susuga Limu ma le faletua ia Ela. E leai ni oulua masei i le galuega, aua nao le Atua e silafia o tatou tagata taitoatasi. O ia foi e toe tau atu lo oulua gapatia i lana galuega paia. Ao le tatalo ia manuteleina oulua i le alofa o le Atua, maua lou lua soifua laulelei aua a oulua malologa o le a feagai ai. Ia viia le Atua i lo oulua afu pau ma lo oulua fitaituga ao galulue ai i lana galuega paia. Faafetai, faafetai, faafetai tele lava. O mama na.

Donald Ian MacLeod

Ian retires at the end of a longer than average ministry in parishes and in chaplaincy for both hospital and aged care.

Born in Hawera, Taranaki, in 1945, Ian was educated at Tawhiti Primary School and Hawera Technical High School, before working with the Railways for four years as a clerk. Originally involved in the life of the Presbyterian Church, he opted for the local Methodist because he enjoyed their youth group discussions.

Recognising a call to ministry he entered the School for Christian Workers at Trinity Theological College in 1968, candidated that year, and started as a theological student the next year.

Ian served in four parishes over 19 years, before resigning for health reasons in 1990 – Bluff (3 years), Inglewood (6 years), Motueka (5 years) and Waihi/Paeroa/Coromandel (5 years). After a break of three years he was invited to be part-time presbyter at Waimate Methodist, and his work there indicated that he could resume full-time ministry. He was received back into Full Connexion, and stationed at Wainoni in Christchurch. After a few months of supply ministry in the Dunedin Parish, Ian was appointed to the Rangiora-Woodend Parish.

Over the years Ian was involved in the planning and setting up of two cooperative ventures – the Bluff-Greenhills-Stewart Island Co-operating Parish, and the Motueka-Moutere Hills Regional Co-operating Parish. He has accepted responsibilities beyond the local church, including serving as Secretary of the Taranaki-Wanganui and the South Canterbury Synods. In Waihi/Paeroa he was Secretary of the Waihi College Parents Association.

After he had resigned in 1990 Ian took the opportunity for further study and training. He and Gladys bought their own home in Timaru, and there Ian trained for hospital chaplaincy, did a year-long University of Otago course in social work, and also completed a Certificate in Business Computing. He achieved some distinction in each of these courses.

In 2008 he was appointed to a chaplaincy position in Timaru, where he divided his time equally between the Timaru Hospital and three Presbyterian Support aged care homes. Since 2012 he has not worked full-time, but has been available on call and as a locum chaplain at the hospital, and as a volunteer chaplain to aged care homes.

Ian and Gladys met at Trinity College where Gladys was undertaking deaconess training. She has given tremendous support to Ian in ministry. Ian enjoys his family: two children, Hamish and Michelle, son-in-law Jason and two grandchildren, Oliver and Noah.

Ian has always considered pastoral care and preaching “a priority and joy in his ministry”. His leadership of worship is relaxed, dignified and thoughtful. He is remembered with affection by parishioners of his former parishes.

As church we are grateful for Ian's years of ministry and service.

Alison Molineux

Alison it is my privilege to offer words of thanks and appreciation to you as you approach retirement.

Alison trained under the Presbyterian Community Based Ministry Scheme and completed a BD from Otago University extramurally in four years. That she could do this in Wellington was a Godsend, as it meant she didn't have to leave her home and family. She was ordained as a Presbyterian into a Methodist appointment in February 1997.

From 1997 to 2000 she had two part-time ministries, as a Chaplain at Wesleyhaven in the Hutt, and Presbyter at Pukerua Bay. Part of the Wesleyhaven complex was the Deckston Jewish home. Many hours visiting folk there led to a passion for interfaith dialogue and worship. She moved to the Manawatu as Presbyter in 2001, when Fielding, Ashhurst, Bunnythorpe and Pohangina considered combining.

Alison went to Auckland in 2002 to half-time appointments with Mission Resourcing and Epsom Methodist Church. During these years she discovered she enjoyed teaching, leading workshops on goal setting and conflict resolution, and even administration tasks. She joined a team who wrote worship resources for the Auckland Central Parish, and a colleague said her resources were excellent.

Her next move was to St John's Nelson, in 2005, where she spent nine years. It was the first time that she had a full-time role. She and the congregation spent time finding owners for their beautiful earthquake risk building and a new home. The final outcome was a good one for all. She enjoyed preaching to a liberal, well informed, inclusive congregation and it enabled her theology to grow. Links with local Buddhist, Bahai and Hindu communities flourished into regular interfaith gatherings. Alison was Synod Superintendent in the Nelson Marlborough West Coast Synod for three years.

She served the national church becoming a Tauwi Co-facilitator for four years, and giving strong leadership, paying attention to the process and showing a willingness to train young leaders. She served on review teams for candidates and ordinands, and showed her competence and commitment, in recording the details of Conference in the daily record for several years.

In 2014 Alison became minister at St Paul's Union Church in Taupo. She says "I couldn't have asked for a happier more fulfilling last ministry. It was like coming back to my roots in a combined Presbyterian/Methodist congregation." She continued to enjoy preaching to a congregation who kept encouraging her to "think outside the square". With her encyclopedic knowledge and ability to communicate ideas well, she made the Gospel relevant and come alive.

Alison is a very good pastor. Making lots of visits, she got to know people well and they trusted her to keep confidences. She participated in church fundraising concerts appearing in a blonde wig as Lady Gaga on one occasion and then reverting more to form as one of Whoopi Goldberg's nuns, singing *I will follow him*. A parishioner said "She has had an outstanding ministry in Taupo and has made such a difference to our ageing congregation".

Reflecting on her ministry Alison says "There have been lots of funerals, a smattering of baptisms and marriages, countless anguished Saturday night sermon revisions, even more shared cups of tea and coffee accompanied by tears and laughter, but most of all there have been people – lots of them, ready and willing to share the love of God in word and action. I have been blessed by their ministry to me".

Alison, we wish you well in retirement, knowing that you will continue to use your many skills. The only difference will be that you have a bit more choice about which ones.

Mary Nicholas

Mary has been involved in ministry since her twenties, beginning as a Sunday School teacher. She and her husband David moved to Taranaki to take up teaching positions at Opunake High School in the 1976, and joined the Opunake Co-operating Parish. By the mid-eighties Mary was part of the lay-preaching team and when the parish was no longer able to afford stipended, clergy ministry, Mary was authorised to be the Parish's Communion and Marriage celebrant through the Lower North Island Synod.

The decision to candidate as a Deacon followed a season of encouragement by her parish's enabler. Mary was initially uncertain about formally aligning herself with the Church but was convinced of its value after a year of discernment during which time Mary attended The Diaknonia World Federation Assembly in 2009.

Her time at Trinity College introduced her to the history of Methodism, which enabled her to appreciate the contribution of her paternal Methodist forebears to ministry to the 19th century settler church in NZ. Methodism then skipped the next two generations.

She completed her training at Trinity College in 2010 and was inducted as a Probationer Deacon to the South Taranaki Cluster in 2011, at the Hawera Methodist Church. The Cluster was a Local Ecumenical Partnership that included St Mary's Anglican Church Hawera, Patea Co-operating Parish, St Georges Anglican Church Patea, Waverley Co-operating Parish and the Church at Maxwell. This was a non-stipended position but her travel expenses were covered by the Lower North Island Synod. During her two years with the South Taranaki Cluster Mary was rostered to lead two services a month at a variety of churches, but her primary role was her work with young people. She and an Anglican colleague introduced "Messy Church" in Hawera, she worked for two days a week at Patea Area School extending pastoral care to students and staff, she was a support person for high school students enrolled in the correspondence school in Hawera, and Mary was part of an Anglican initiative that extended support to children who were processing "loss" - loss that was the result of death or separation.

It was during 2012 that Mary agreed to be ordained as a Presbyter rather than a Deacon. The Ordination Service in the Wellington Cathedral was a highlight for Mary. In 2013 Mary was inducted as the Presbyter at St John's Co-operating Parish in Whangarei. Life as a parish minister offered Mary different rewards as well as challenges. It has been immensely satisfying to be part of people's developing faith formation, while at the same time encouraging people to explore ways in which they can share "the Gospel of Christ" in a practical manner.

It has been a health issue that has lead Mary to retire a little sooner than she'd originally intended, but she and her husband are looking forward to a new season in which they can spend more time together and with their family. Mary is grateful for the support extended by David to her and to the St John's Parish.

Bob Sidal

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Andrew Michael Gamman

Originally trained as a Baptist pastor, Andrew began his formal association with the Methodist Church in 2008 when he was invited as a resource person for a World Methodist Council Conference on Evangelism held in Ngaruawahia. Following this successful collaboration, Andrew was appointed by Mission Resourcing to a short-term supply ministry in the Papatoetoe Parish, and then as the national resource person for “Refresh” ministry, taking up roles which had been previously held by the late Rev. Andre Le Roux. Andrew’s work with “10 Minutes on a Tuesday” (an online resource) was very well known and appreciated both nationally and internationally. Lay Preachers particularly found this work helpful in resourcing them for leading worship services. It also stretched their imagination as to what could be used in worship and how to involve the whole congregation using all the senses.

Andrew’s creative and flexible ministry skills have been appreciated by the church in a number of part-time and overlapping positions. He served as Enabler in the East Coast Bays Parish, (where Andrew came into Full Connexion) and also worked for Trinity College for five years as a face to face and on-line tutor, teaching classes on “Effective Church Management”, “Lead Worship” and “Preaching”. Unfortunately, the financial resources for his work under Mission Resourcing could no longer be funded and a great ministry was lost to the church.

However, Whangaparaoa Parish benefitted from this and since 2014, Andrew has worked in a team with the Rev Robyn Allen-Goudge. The Whangaparaoa Parish has appreciated his initiatives in community seminars, winter “Soup and Movies” series, and in leading “Hands On Church” all-age services. Andrew has also been in high demand through the Lay Ministry Support Group and run many workshops around the country on topics such as “Using Powerpoint in Worship”, “Creative Worship”, “Preaching” and “Future Directions for the Church”.

In his future ministry beyond retirement, Andrew is looking forward to being able to put more time into his online publishing business, “Kereru Publishing”, which specialises in resourcing Christian spirituality in creative and innovative ways.

Bob Sidal

Bob thanks God for the 29 years he was allowed to serve in the Methodist Church. Nineteen of these were in Fiji, and 10 in New Zealand (two and a half years in St Luke’s Union Church, Halswell, Christchurch, and the remainder in the Timaru Temuka Parish). He also gives thanks to God also for giving him his partner, Morven, in 1989 and she has served alongside him with equal passion and commitment in Fiji and in New Zealand.

He looks back with joy at his first responsibility in Suva in 1990, when he was asked by the Evangelism Department of the Methodist Church in Fiji and Rotuma to plant a church among the Indian squatter settlement in Vatuwaqa, Suva. This area had been settled by Fijians and Indians who had come to Suva looking for employment and education opportunities for their children. Many were unable to find work and the social problems associated with extreme poverty, (crime, prostitution, etc.), were rife. That church became a part of the Dudley circuit and still thrives today. He grateful for the wealthier people among the Methodists in Dudley and Wesley Butt Street circuits who responded generously to his request to pay school fees for Indian children from Vatuwaqa so they could attend school. He remembers particularly one boy who made the most of this opportunity, studied hard and won a scholarship to university. He is now a secondary-school teacher.

Bob served also in the Dilkusha and Ba circuits with multi-racial congregations. A lot of his and Morven's energy, and that of the parishes went into developing the Methodist schools and kindergartens, as well as providing quality worship in English, Fijian and Hindi languages. In Dilkusha, Bob and Morven developed a new religious education programme for both primary and secondary schools that, is still used in Fiji today.

Bob is thankful to the Methodist Church in Fiji for enabling him to gain a Diploma from the Davuilevu Theological College and a BD from the Pacific Theological College.

He thanks the Methodist Church of New Zealand for receiving him into full connection in 2008. A challenge and difficulty since coming to New Zealand has been adjusting to a secular society where church membership, particularly among the younger generations, is of little importance. He has found it sad to see the closure of many churches, especially in the traditional denominations. It was with grief that he accepted having to close the Temuka church when the members there were physically unable to carry out the necessary responsibilities. They maintain a fellowship group and he continued to visit them regularly until the time of his retirement.

Marilyn Welch

Marilyn began her formal training in the Anglican Church at St Johns Theological College in 1985. Through the Diocesan Training Programme she benefitted from both Anglican and Methodist tutors. In May 1988 Marilyn was ordained Deacon and in November of the same year was ordained Priest. She was Priest Assistant at Bucklands Beach Cooperating Parish where she developed a passion for the ecumenical movement, some people calling her an ecumaniac. She then was appointed to a new ministry development in Whitford, Beachlands, Flat Bush and East Tamaki. Her ministry there was especially with making church relevant for young families and she did this in a way that is now being regarded as Messy Church. After 8 years she was asked by the new Bishop of Auckland to take on a new role as his chaplain for Pastoral Care to clergy and parishes which she exercised for 11 years until he retired from episcopal ministry. It was during that ministry that she saw a need for, what we now call Transitional Ministry, and went to the USA to train in this specialised ministry. This was pivotal for her and she was given a license to bring the training to NZ where she has a team of trained educators who have worked and continue to work with her in teaching this course. During this time she also took on another of her passions and that was the role of trainer for clergy Supervision, something that everyone in ministry needs to engage in.

She was invited by the Methodist Church to do a Transitional Ministry at St Mary's Glen Innes for a 3 year contract. This was followed by 1 year as an enabler for St Chad's Huapai Cooperating Parish and St Matthews Helensville Cooperating Parish. It was during this time that she was chair of Auckland JRC (Joint Regional Forum) now the ARF (Auckland Regional Forum) for Co-operating ventures (UCANZ) where she also served on the Standing Committee, four years of which she was Co-Chairperson. In her time in that role she offered a very pastoral and compassionate way of running meetings and dealing with any issues. This role also suited her passion for ecumenism.

It was while working ecumenically and being known to many Methodists that she was invited to take up her current role as Synods' Superintendent for Northland, Auckland and Manukau Synods, from there she retires at the end of the Connexional year after five years of ministry.

Marilyn has worked tirelessly for the Northland/Auckland/Manukau Synods, showing compassion in every aspect of what she has done. She has worked far beyond the three quarter time she has been paid for, and been very gracious in all aspects of the position. In this role Marilyn spent many hours pastorally dealing with issues to ensure that all parties were heard and issues resolved.

Being able to work alongside people, Marilyn has offered support and guidance, and has an ability to diffuse difficult situations. She has a great ability to chair meetings, ensuring everyone has an opportunity to have their say, in a safe environment.

At all times, Marilyn has ensured that reviews are carried out in a positive manner, so that people are always encouraged.

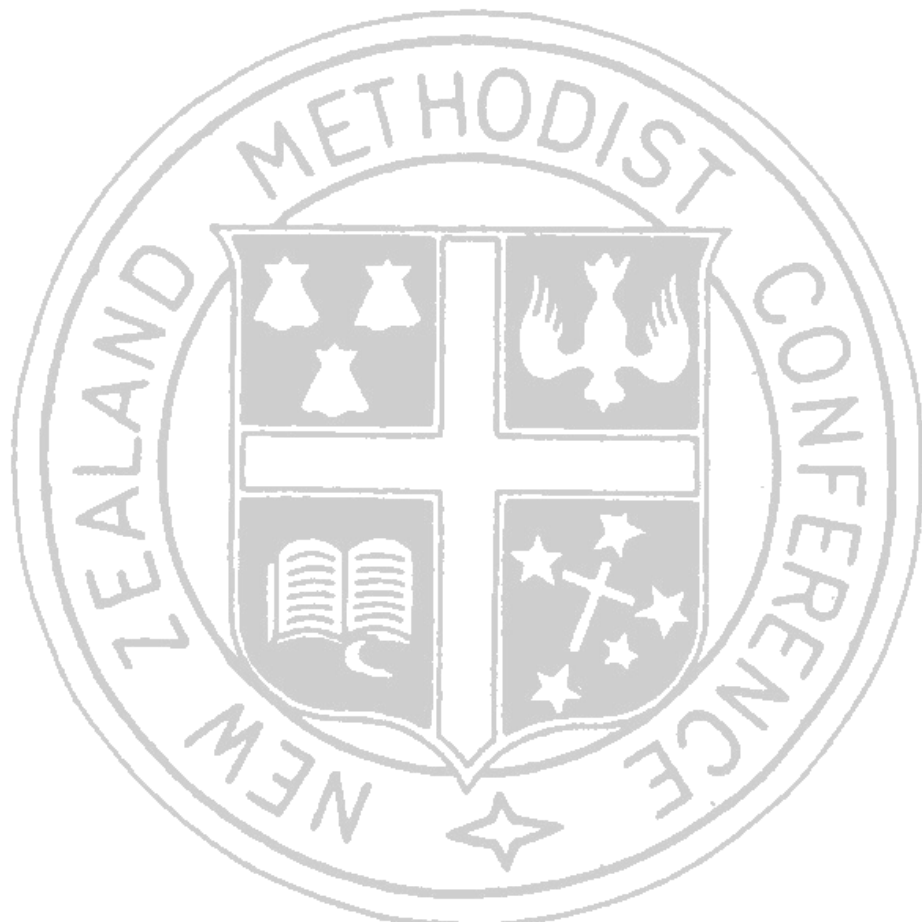
Connexionally Marilyn has served for the past 4 years on the Council of Conference willingly sharing her knowledge and gifts. She is also currently Chair of the Board of Mission Resourcing.

Summing up Marilyn's ministry she always models her life on Jesus and her work is carried out in a Christ like way.

Marilyn says "Rather than "retiring" completely I am "rewiring" and will continue to offer workshops and run courses, when invited, if it fits in with Allen's and my travel and gardening plans and grandparent duties."

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1000 NORTHLAND

1090 Dargaville Parish

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2000 AUCKLAND

2060 Orakei Methodist Parish

2310 Waterview Methodist Parish

2320 East Coast Bays Parish

2290 Auckland Central Parish

2290 Mahurangi Methodist Parish

2280 Whangaparaoa Methodist Parish

2100 Waitakere Methodist Parish

2140 Richardson Centre, Northcote-Takapuna Parish

2030 Wesley Roskill Parish

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2400 MANUKAU

2410 Howick Pakuranga Parish

2430 Papakura Parish

2420 Manurewa Methodist Parish

2440 Pukekohe Parish

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3000 WAIKATO-WAIARIKI

3190 Tauranga Parish (Western Bay of Plenty)

3080 Hamilton Methodist Parish

3210 Te Puke/Mt Maunganui Methodist Parish

3100 Hamilton East Methodist Parish

3060 Morrinsville Parish

3300 Ohura Methodist Parish

3250 Te Awamutu Parish

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4000 LOWER NORTH ISLAND

4050 Hawera Parish

4090 Wanganui Methodist Parish

5110 Manawatu Rangitikei Methodist Parish

5011 Trinity Methodist Napier

4010 North Taranaki Methodist Parish

6010 Wellington Methodist Parish

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8500 WASEWASE KO VITI KEI ROTUMA

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9000 OTAGO-SOUTHLAND

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9500 SINOTI SAMOA

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DECISIONS

CONFERENCE 2018

CHRISTCHURCH

The Methodist Church of New Zealand
Te Haahi 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?

QUESTION 3: What candidates are now received for training?

(a) Deacons:

(b) Presbyters:

Faletagoa'i Auva'a	(Samoan speaking ministry)
Su'efuaina Filipino Mulitalo	(Samoan speaking ministry) Deceased 1/7/18
Sioa Letalu	(Samoan speaking ministry)
Penitoa Tafuna	(Tongan speaking ministry)

QUESTION 4: Who continues in training for ordained ministry?

(a) Deacons:

(b) Presbyters:

Sosaia Havili	Second year (Tongan speaking ministry)
Sesipa Mausia	Second year (Tongan speaking ministry)
Kaumavae Minoneti	Second year (Tongan speaking ministry)
Sione Taukolo	Second year (Tongan speaking ministry)

QUESTION 5: Who are stationed by Conference as Probationers?

(a) Deacons:

(b) Presbyters:

Falakesi Filiai	First year (Tongan speaking ministry)
Tevita Kau	First year (Tongan speaking ministry)
Kaurasi Lagi	First year (English speaking ministry)
Veitomonu Siufanga	First year (English speaking ministry)
Kimberley Chiwona	Second year (English speaking ministry)
Simon Williams	Second year (English 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):

Arapera Bella Ngaha
Lopiseni Fungalei
Sikeli Cawanikawai
Tisileli Taufa (received in 2017)

(c) from another Church?

Paul Rogers (Church of the Nazarine)
Jannet Mudavahnu (Methodist Church in Zimbabwe)

QUESTION 7: Who are now ordained Deacon or Presbyter?

(a) Deacon(s):

(b) Presbyter(s):

Sikeli Cawanikawai
Lopiseni Fungalei
Arapera Bella Ngaha
Tisileli Taufa

QUESTION 8: What Minita-a-iwi:
(a) are received as candidates?

(b) continue in training?

Frank Gray
Gillian Laird
Piripi Rakena
Tamati Rakena
Terry Ryan
Anne Peri
Harry Tawhai
David Wilson
Sharon Tito
Joanne Flay

(c) have completed their training?

(d) have been removed?

Markus Rogers

QUESTION 9:

(a) What Deacon(s) is reinstated into Full Connexion?

None

(b) What Presbyter(s) is reinstated into Full Connexion?

Marcia Hardy

QUESTION 10:

(a) What Deacon(s) now cease to be recognised as in Full Connexion with the Conference?

None

(b) What Presbyter(s) now cease to be recognised as in Full Connexion with the Conference?

Sue Paterson (returning to United Church of Canada)
Siosaia Tamata'ane Tupou (Moving to Wesleyan Methodist Church New Zealand)

(c) What Presbyter(s) now cease to be recognised as a Probationer with the Conference?

None

(d) What Deacon(s) now cease to be recognised as a Probationer with the Conference?

None

(e) What students have discontinued their training?

David (Tevita) Maka

(f) What Presbyter(s) have been received as Associate of Synod?

Julius Davis (Nelson-Marlborough-West Coast Synod) from United Methodist USA)
Mike Ashburner (Auckland Synod) (from Methodist Church of Southern Africa)
Dong Guk 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)
Soo Yong Han (Auckland Synod) (from Methodist Church of Korea)
Bob Moore (Central South Island) (from Methodist Church in South Africa)

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:

None

(b) Deacon(s):

Dianne C Hight
Ruta Galo

(c) Presbyter(s):

Christina Morunga
Tavake Manu (part-time)
Oka Ieti
Joeli Ducivaki
Alivereti Uludole

B. For part-time ministries (remuneration pro rata) with a Ministry Covenant:

(a) Lay Ministers:

Morvan Sidal (St David's Marchwiell)
Lyndon Weggery (Teviot)
David Elder (Otatara)
Sue Brown (Ngaio)
Bill Ingley (HCUC Wainuiomata)

(b) Deacon(s):

Falanisesi Hafoka
Margaret Birtles
Valma E Hallam

(c) Presbyter(s):

Andrew Donaldson
Mark Gibson
Hiueni Nuku
Tevita Makovina Finau
David Moynan (St John's Nelson)
Moi Kaufononga
Moses Manukia
Finau Halaleva
Makeleta Lute Tu'uhoko
Nehilofi E'Moala' Aholelei
Kalolo Fihaki
Viliami Finau
Kuli Fisi'iahi
Tisileli Taufa
Sione Lea'aetoa
Siutaisa Tukutau
Lopiseni Fungalei
Susan Thompson
Shelley Walker
Paul Rogers
Rod Mitchell
Robyn Allen-Goudge
Ian Faulkner
Kimberley Chiwona
Akuila Bale
Sandra Williams
Alan Webster
Graeme White
Tevita Kau

Falakesi Filiai
Paul Prestidge
David Harding
Tony Franklin-Ross
Ross McDougal
Les Solomona
Alipate Livani
Faiva Alaelua

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):

Bruce Anderson (Methodist Church in Britain)

Jan Fogg (PCANZ – Kaimai Presbytery until 31 March 2019)

QUESTION 13: What Deacon(s) or Presbyter(s) has been received from another Conference or Church this year?

(a) Deacon(s):

None

(b) Presbyter(s):

None

QUESTION 14: What are the decisions of Conference on Disciplinary matters?

(a) Which are required to be reported to the Conference?

None

(b) Which have been processed during the preceding year, under the Disciplinary Code?

None

QUESTION 15: For what Deacon(s) or Presbyter(s) is there no appointment available?

(a) Deacon(s):

Megan Alley

(b) Presbyter(s):

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

Maurice McLaughlin, JP, MA, B.Ed, B.Appl.Th, Dip Tertiary Tchg (Prison Chaplain)

Hausia Taufu'i (Ministry with Young People with harmful sexual behaviour)

Tavake Manu (Ecumenical Chaplain, Linton Military Camp) (Palmerston North Tongan appointment with permission from NZ Army)

'Epeli Taungapeau MNZM, LTh(Aotearoa) BTheol (Melbourne) D.Min (San Francisco) (Hospital Chaplain, Waitemata)

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)

Andrea Williamson, BA, Dip Tchg, MNZAC (Police Chaplain, Counties-Manukau District)

Uesifili Unasa, MA (Auck), BD (Otago) (Hospital Chaplain, North Shore)

'Inoke Siulangapo (Ecumenical Chaplain, Christchurch Prison)

Jill van de Geer, TTC, LTCL (organ performance), LTh, BTheol (Melb): (Chaplain, WesleyCare, Christchurch)

(ii) Other

Alison Cable, BTheol (Auck)
Lindsay E Cumberpatch, BA, LTh, Chief Executive, Bryant Trust (Hamilton)
Ruth Sandiford-Phelan, Seasons for Growth Grief Programme, Restorative Justice
David Rollinson
'Ilaisaane Langi

QUESTION 17: What Deacon(s), Presbyter(s) and Stationed Lay Ministers retire at this Conference?

(a) Stationed Lay Ministers:

None

(b) Deacons

None

(c) Presbyters:

Alison Molineux
Andrew Michael Gamman
Bob Sidal
Donald Ian (Ian) MacLeod
Joanne (Jo) Althea Durrant
Limuolevave (Limu) Faamanatu Isaia
Mary Nicholas
Marilyn Welch

QUESTION 18: What Deacons and Presbyters continue in retirement?

(a) Deacons

Barrow, Shirley-Joy	Fawkner, Brenda	Reid, Rita
Bryant, David	Fuller, June	Tregurtha, Rachel
Bryant, Margaret	Gibson, June L	Unasa-Su, Piula A, QSM, JP
Cubin, Raewyn	Goodwin, Lorna	Williams, Richard
Dalton, R Harvey	Higham, B June	
Evans, Edna E	McLeod, Malcolm	

(b) Presbyters:

Abbott, Bryant S L	Chessum, William A, Mus B	Cert.Min
Abbott, William K	Clarke, Edwin B., BD Hns (Melb), MA, Di p Mgmt	Gibson, Loyal J
Abernethy, Gordon, Dip Tchg, Dip Soc Sci	Clarke, Ian L, ACA	Gilbert, Wilfred S
Alaelua, Faiva, LTh, DipMin (ACTE)	Clarke, Lois R H, BA, LTCL	Goreham, Norman J, BA(B'ham), BD(Lond)
Alexander, Roy	Clover, Gary, MA (First Class Hons) (Akl) (1973), BD (Otago) (1986), DipNZLS (1973), DipTchg (1980)	Goudge, Stanley R, BA
Allan, Robert	Cooper, Desmond, BA	Grant, Stuart B.A., LL.B. (Akl), L.Th. (Hons.)
Ancrum, Audrey P	Corlett, Ashley, LTh	Greer, Michael, LTh
Andrews, Robert S	Dargaville, B Anne	Griffiths, Joy Anne, BTheol (Akl) (2008), DipCounselling (BCNZ)
Ansell, David H	Dickinson, Mervyn, BA, BD, PhD	Guthardt, Dame Phyllis M, DBE, MA, PhD(Camb), HonD(Waik), Hon.LL.D (Cant)
Baker, Marcia J	Dine, Mervyn L	Hall, Margaret, BA, DipTheol, ACM
Barnes, Stanley, BA (Rhodes)	Donald, Margaret, Dip PTheol	Hanson, E Francis I, BA, BD. TheolM, DTheol (Fellow of Trinity College)
Bell, David S, BSc, BD, MTh (Dist), PhD	Durrant, Joanne A, RN, LTh	Hardy, Marcia
Bell, G Basil W	Dye, Michael	Harkness, Barry, BA, BD
Bell, Anthony (Tony) N, LTh	Dymond, Michael	Herbert, C Brice
Bennett, Trevor L	Eagle, Brian	Hey, Roger J E
Biggs, Donald F, NZTCC	Egli, Bruno	Hopner, Elizabeth, SRN, BTheol
Blundell, Warren	Elderton, William, LTh, MA, DipNZLS, ANZIA	Hornblow, Maxwell A
Brookes, Norman, MA (Hons)	Elphick, Doris, DipTheol (Otago)	Horrill, C Seton
Browne, Wallis B.A., Dip Soc Wk	Ferguson, I W Les, LTh, STh	Jackson-Campbell, Michael
Bruce, Jean, LTh, B Theol	Ferguson, Robert Andrew	Jacobson, Patricia M, BA, LTh
Burnett, Margaret E, BSc, Dip Appl, Soc Sc	George, Norma	James, Russell E
Calman, Maureen, LTh (Auck), TTC, TCDip (distinction)	Gibbons, Sandra, BMin, PGDipEd (Guidance), Cert CPE,	
Chandler, Clive		

Jamieson, Colin G, Dip RE (Melb)	Pratt, David	Taylor, Keith, BA
Jones, Barry E, BA	Pullar, Beverley	Taylor, Kerry, BA, Dip Ed
Kane, Graham	Rakena, Ruawai D, BA	Taylor, Philip F
Keesing, Neil R, L.Th (Melbourne College of Divinity), S.Th (Joint Board of Theological Studies)	Rigby, Russell	Tregurtha, Paul, BA, BTheol
Kerr, Jessie, Cert Theol	Roberts, John, BA, LTh, DipCrim (Hons)	Tucker, Geoffrey
Kitchingman, Henry W	Rogers, Douglas I LLB(Hons), BD(Hons), MTh	Tugia, A Fa'aoso
Laws, Derek G, FCA, ACIS	Rosewell, Wendie	Turner, Brian, MA (Hons), Dip RE (Melb)
Loader, Vilma, MA (Hons), LTh, Cert Comm Psych Care (Otago)	Rushton, Percy P, BA, BD	Tuwere, Ilaitia S, LTh (Melb), BD (PTC), ThM (Melb), DTh (Melb)
McIver, Graeme MA	Russell, Kenneth H	Ungemuth, Shirley
McNicol, Derek	Salmon, John MA(Hons), ThM(Princeton), PhD, LTh(Hons), STh(Hons), CA, ACIS, Fellow of Trinity College	Upson, Alan, LTh
Manu'atu, Lisiate	Samoa Saleupolu, Asofiafia Tauamiti, DipTropAgr, LTh	Vickers, Ralph, LTh, ACM
Marshall, C Russell	Schroeder, Leonard P BA, BD(Melb)	Wakeling, Douglas
Meredith, John	Sedon, Ashley, LTh (Hons), BTP	Wall, Lynne, BA, BD, PhD
Miller, Barbara I	Shor, Robert D	Wall, Terry, MA (Hons), BSc, LTh, STM, DMinStuds (Melb)
Millar, Anne, LTh	Sinclair, Paul	Wallace, William L, BA, DipEd
Mullan, David S, MA, Dip Ed	Slinn, Stuart G	Wedding, P Joan
Murray, John Stanley	Smith, G Clive, LTh	West, Norman
Neal, Barry W, MA, DipEd	Smith, Kenneth, LTh	West, Peter
Nesbit, John B	Springett, Margaret, LTh	West, Stan
Nicholls, Valerie Jean, BA, BTheol, ACM	Stead, Peter A, BA	Westaway, Robyn
Noa, Nomani	Stephens, Barbara, BSociol	Whaley, Graham H, BA, BD, Cert Tchg
Osborn, Beverley, MA, DipTheol, Cert Soc Wk	Stephenson, Anne, LTh, Cert	White, Graeme R, LTh
Peterson, Brian, LTh, DipMin	Christian Min, SRN	Wicks, Raymond G
Peterson, Marion BTheol (Melb)	Stroobant, Tony, LTh, MA(Hons), PhD	Woodley, Alan K, BA
Phillipps, Donald J, BA, BD (Fellow Trinity College)		Yasa, Mikaele
		Zanders, Gloria BTheol (Melb)

QUESTION 19: What Deacons, Minita-a-iwi and Presbyters have died since last Conference?

(a) Deacons / Deaconess:

(b) Minita-a-iwi:

John Motunau Katene Kopa QSM
Te Kiri Tapeha Haretuku

(c) Presbyters:

Mavis Ambler
Frederick (Fred) John Kennedy Baker
John Bilverstone
Lewis (Lew) Alfred Bowen
Wilfred (Wilf) James Cable
Warwick Gust
Ernest (Ernie) Heppelthwaite
Watarini (Sonny) Tekauhoa Livingstone (Probationer)
John Osborne
Gillian (Jill) Mary Felicity Anne Richards
David Gordon Stubbs
Samiuela (Sam) Taufu
Mele Foeata Tu'ipulotu
Napi Tutewehiwehi Waaka OBE
Frank Harvey Woodfield

QUESTION 20: What Laypersons who have given leadership in the Conference have died since last Conference?

(a) Te Taha Maori:

(b) Tauwi:

Joyce Rosalind Besant
Roger Raymond Biddle
John Boniface
Nancy Carter
Nancy Kathleen Eastwood
Matangi Fonua
Myra Charlotte Fraser MBE
Florence Doreen (Dorn) Herbert
Derek Holland
Celia May Irvine
Jack Jenner
Gwenda Falepau (nee Kennedy)
Ruby Martin
Su'efuaina (Su'e) Filipo Mulitalo
Lloyd Vincent Riesterer
Mildred Joy Thompson (Joy)
Ailsa Rosalyn Thorburn
Maurice van de Geer
Jill (Joan) Weeks
Nelma June Woodfield
Peggy Averill Yeatman

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

Tauwi

The Connexion
Northland Synod
Northland Synod
St Peters By the Sea
Kaitaia Union
Bay of Islands
Mahurangi
Dargaville
Waitakere
Birkenhead
Kaeo Kerikeri
North Hokianga
South Hokianga
East Coast Bays
East Coast Bays
Fiji Indian Congregation Auckland Central
Auckland Deaf Christian Fellowship
Auckland Deaf Christian Fellowship
Onehunga
Great Barrier Island
Mangere Otahuhu
Bond Chapel
TBA
Papakura
Middlemore Hospital
Auckland Manukau Tongan
Auckland Manukau Tongan
Auckland Manukau Tongan
Auckland Manukau Tongan

(b) Those Licensed

Nicola Grundy
Rowan Smiley
Rosalie Gwilliam
Soro Ramacake
Peter White
Jan Gough
Simon Williams (Probationer)
Margaret Bishop
Kathleen Dixon
Coral Malcolm (Healing Services only)
Jan Gough
Susie Douglas
John Askew (additional to Local Presbyter)
Margaret Smith
Don Wrigglesworth
Balchand Karan
Johanna Brens
Peter Musgrave
Kaurasi Lagi (Probationer)
Maurice Handisides
Su'a Vili
Jaanine Harris
Kimberley Chiwona (Probationer)
Lyn Smith, Wednesday Contemplative service only
Patricia Moseley-Taylor
Mafua Lolohea
'Uha'one Metuisela
'Etuini Talakai
Temisi Taufa

Auckland Manukau Tongan	Tevita Kau (Probationer)
Auckland Manukau Tongan	Falakesi Filiiai (Probationer)
Trinity United Parish	John Watson
Mt Maunganui Tongan	Siale Fotu
St Paul's Tongan, Hamilton	Sekope Moli
St John's Tongan, Hamilton	Paunga Tupou
Ohura Methodist	Hazel Wilson
New Plymouth Samoan	Mulipola Misikei
Tokoroa Samoan	Mailata Etuale Maua'i
St. Paul's Co-operating Taumarunui	Lorraine Edwards
Taranaki	Tom Thompson
Taranaki	Brenda Fawkner
Taranaki	Barbara Hooper
Wairarapa	Rod Fleury
Eltham Kaponga	Margie Bishop
Foxton Shannon	Kelvin Lane
Kapiti Uniting Congregations	Maureen Calham
Kapiti Uniting Congregations	Syd Mephram
Manawatu Rangitikei	Sydney Easton
Manawatu Rangitikei	TBA
Manawatu Rangitikei	Lindsay Taylor
Napier-Hastings Tongan	Fatongia 'Ofa
Patea Co-operating	John Hill
Bell Block Leppterton Cooperating	Mary Sutton
Levin	Jack Gibson
Hutt City Uniting Congregations	Bill Ingley (<i>Wainuiomata Church</i>)
Ngaio Union	Sue Brown
Johnsonville Uniting Parish	Hugh Williams
Levin Tongan	Siela Fakavale Nau
Upper Hutt Tongan	Sione Na'a Sina
Blenheim Tongan	Sione Piutau Moli
Motueka Uniting Parish & At Large on the	David Martin
West Coast & Buller	
Greymouth Uniting	Thelma Efford
Greymouth Uniting	Lyn Heine
Reefton Union	Anne Gillespie
Ashburton Methodist	Heather Kennedy
Rangiora (Rest Homes)	Rachel Tregurtha
Rangiora	Veitomonu Siufanga
St David's Marchwiell Union Parish	Morven Sidal
Dunedin Tongan	Palanite Taungapeau
Teviot Union	Lyndon Weggery
Riverton Union	Nola Stuart
Riverton Union & Invercargill	Ernest Willis
Otatara Community Church	Stephen Bond
Otatara Community Church	David Elder
Te Taha Maori	
Tamaki	Jim Rauwhero
Waikato	Marangai Tupaea
Te Rohe Potae	Barney Winikerei
Taranaki	Syd Kershaw
Taranaki	Jim Ngarewa

QUESTION 22:

(a) Does the Conference sanction the amalgamation, division or naming of any Synod, Parish.

- As from 1 July 2018 Lansdowne Presbyterian Church and St Lukes Union Church combined under the name of CrossWay Church Masterton. The complex at Lannsdowne will be known as CrossWay Church Masterton, Totara Street Centre. The complex at St Lukes will be known as CrossWay Church Masterton, Queen Street Centre.

- 7630 Flat Bush Tongan Methodist Congregation, formally Papatoetoe Tongan Congregation.
- 5080 Woodville St James Union Parish: closed.
- 6270 Brooklyn St Matthews Co-operating Parish: Parish closed.
- 8350 Waimate: parish closed.
- 8160 Rolleston Combined Church: dissolved 28 August 2018
- 8260 Wainoni Methodist Parish: closing 31 October 2018
- Auckland, Manukau and Northland Synods will be operating as three independent Synods each with their own Synod Superintendent.
- Kelesi Tongan Methodist Parish now Palmerston North Tongan Methodist Wesley Parish.

(b) What other Agreements affecting Parishes and/or Use of Buildings are approved by Conference?

None

(c) What covenant relationships has the Methodist Church entered into?

None

QUESTION 23:

(a) To what Parishes/Rohe are additional deacons, Minita-a-lwi, or Presbyters appointed?:

None

(b) From what Parishes/Rohe are Deacons, Minita-a-lwi or Presbyters withdrawn?:

None

QUESTION 24: - How are the Presbyters, Presbyters in training, Deacons, Deacons in training and Minita-a-iwi stationed for the ensuing year?

**LIST OF STATIONS
of the
METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND**

President – Setaita Taumoepeau K. Veikune
Vice-President – Nicola Teague Grundy
Secretary – David Bush
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**PRESBYTERS, DEACONS AND
MINITA-Ā-IWI 2019**

INTRODUCTION

This List contains the List of Stations for 2019.

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. Tauīwi:** 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

Liaison Person
Frances Rakena

Minita-ā-Iwi

2510 TAMAKI
Minita-i-tohia
Diana A Tana (Tumuaki), LTh (Aotearoa), A.C.M, C.A.T (Advanced) VOC. SPK (Cert)
Arapera Bella Ngaha, BA, MA, PhD (Auckland University),

Liaison Person
Gillian Laird, LiMS (Trinity College)

Minita-ā-Iwi

3510 WAIKATO
Liaison Person
Doreen Wilson

Minita-ā-Iwi
Marangai Tupaea (Retired)

3520 TE ROHE POTAE
Liaison Person
Hinga Ormsby

Minita-ā-Iwi
Barney Winikerei
Solomon Nelson

4510 TARANAKI
Minita-i-tohia
Keita Hotere, Dip PTh (Trinity College), BEd

Liaison Person
Alison Ranui

Minita-ā-lwi
Syd Kershaw
Jim Ngarewa
Jim George (Retired)

6510 PONEKE
Liaison Person
Alamaine McGregor

8510 OTAUTAHI-TE WAIPOUNAMU
Liaison Person
Roslyn Wilkie

Minita-ā-lwi

ENABLING MINISTRY TEAM

Tumuaki
Diana A Tana, LTh (Aotearoa), A.C.M, C.A.T (Advanced) VOC. SPK (Cert)

Members
Rex Nathan, JP
Arapera Bella Ngaha BA, MA, PhD (Auckland University),
Keita Hotere, DipPTh (Trinity College), BEd
Te Aroha Rountree

B. TAUWI

1000 NORTHLAND SYNOD

1010 KAITAIA UNION PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist
Augusten Subhan, BA, BTh, CPE

1020 KAIKOHE UNION PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian

1030 BAY OF ISLANDS UNITING PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
Enabler: Jan Gough
Local Shared Ministry

1040 KAEO-KERIKERI UNION PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist

1050 NORTH HOKIANGA COMMUNITY PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist
Christina Morunga (part-time) (non-stipended)
Local Shared Ministry

1060 SOUTH HOKIANGA CO-OPERATING PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Awaiting clarification: LEP

1070 HIKURANGI UNION PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian

1090 DARGAVILLE PARISH
Kuli Fisi'iahi, BD (Tonga), Dip PTh (Trinity College) (3/4 time)

- 1100 RUAWAI CO-OPERATING PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian (see Q22(b)) (Dissolution in progress)
- 1120 WELLSFORD CO-OPERATING PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist
David Balchin (1/4 time Supply)
- 1130 ST JOHNS CO-OPERATING PARISH - WHANGAREI
Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist
Bob Franklyn (who will Superintend 1140)
- 1140 KAURIHOHORE KAMO CO-OPERATING PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist
Parish Superintendent: Bob Franklyn
- 1150 OTAMATEA CO-OPERATING PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
- 1160 TUTUKAKA COAST COMMUNITY CHURCH LEP
Joint Anglican/Methodist supervision
Enabler: Rosalie Gwilliam

SYNOD SUPERINTENDENT

Kuli Fisi'iahi, BD (Tonga), DipPTh (Trinity College) (1/4 time)
Rowan Smiley (Co-Superintendent), Cert Adult Teaching

2000 AUCKLAND SYNOD

- 2008 MISSION & ECUMENICAL BOARD
Prince Devanandan, BTh, BD (India), MTheol (Auck) M Phil (Hons) (Auck)
- 2600 MISSION RESOURCING
Setaita Kinahoi Veikune, BTheol (Akl) Director Pasifika Ministries (President)
Trevor Hoggard BA (Leicester). Cert.Theol (Cambridge), M. Phil (Leicester), Ph.D (Lancaster): Director
English Speaking Ministries
Siosifa Pole (President's Supply), BTh (Melb), MTh (Melb), DipMin (ACTE)
- 2820 MINISTRY EDUCATION (Trinity College)
Nasili Vaka'uta, BD (Dist) (Sia'atoutai) MTh (PTC) PGDip Dev St, MA, (Uni South Pac) PhD (Auck);
Principal
George Zachariah Kidangalil, PhD, ThM, STM, BD, MCom, BCom (Lecturer in Theological Studies) (Lay
Ministry)
- 2010 AUCKLAND CENTRAL PARISH
Lynne Frith, BTheol, DipTheol. (Otago), DMin (San Francisco)
Tevita Taufalele, Dip PTh (Trinity College), BTheol (Otago)
- 2020 METHODIST MISSION NORTHERN
Head of Mission: John MacDonald
Chaplain at Large, Jill Kayser
- AOTEA / ST JAMES
- 2030 WESLEY ROSKILL PARISH
Parish Superintendent: Graeme White, Lth
Kimberley Chiwona (1/2 time) (Probationer) (Supply)
- 2060 ORAKEI METHODIST PARISH
Mary Caygill, DipSocWk, LTh, DMin (San Francisco)
- 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
Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
- 2100 WAITAKERE
Saikolone Taufu, DipTheol (Melb), Dip PTh (Trinity College)
Hosea Tupou, Dip PTh (Trinity College), BTheol (part-time, self-supporting) (see 11B)
- 2120 TE ATATU UNION PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
- 2130 DEVONPORT
Abhishek Solomon, LiMS (Trinity College), Dip PTh (Trinity College)
- 2140 NORTHCOTE - TAKAPUNA
Peter Norman: Dip PTh (Trinity College), MTheol (BCNZ), BMin (BCNZ)
- 2150 BIRKENHEAD
Robyn Allen Goudge (1/2 time)
- 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
Hui Young Han, Dip PTh (Trinity College), MTheol (Laidlaw) BA Christianity (Korea)
- 2290 MAHURANGI
Parish Superintendent: Liz Hopner
Simon Williams, LiMS (Trinity College), NZ DipCS (Trinity College), BSc.(Ed.IV) (Probationer)
- 2300 ST AUSTELL'S CO-OPERATING PARISH - New Lynn
Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
- 2310 WATERVIEW
Parish Superintendent: Graeme White, Lth
Lay Ministry: Ape Faitotoa
One wanted (1/3 time)
- 2320 EAST COAST BAYS
Parish Superintendent: awaiting clarification
Awaiting clarification
- 2330 LYNFIELD COMMUNITY PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist
Ian Faulkner (1/2 time Supply)
- 2380 ONEHUNGA CO-OPERATING
Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist
Parish Superintendent: Fakaofa Kaio
Kaurasi Lagi (Probationer)
- SYNOD SUPERINTENDENT**
Graeme White, Lth (1/2 time)
- 2400 MANUKAU SYNOD**
- 2410 HOWICK PAKURANGA
Freddy de Alwis, DipSocDev (Canada), Dip.Theol (Sri Lanka), B.Th. (India)

- 2420 MANUREWA
'Alifeleti Vaitu'ulala Ngahe, Dip PTh (Trinity College)
- 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
- 2480 PAPATOETOE
Misilei Misilei, BTheol
- 2490 MANGERE OTAHUHU
'Alipate 'Uhila, BTheol (Auck)
Ruta Galo (Deacon) (see Q11A(b))
- 2830 WESLEY COLLEGE
Ali'itiasi Aoina-Salesa, Dip Teaching, BTheol, DMin

SYNOD SUPERINTENDENT

Peter Williamson (Co-Superintendent), ACM, LLB, BTheol (Otago), PG Dip Th (Otago)
Misilei Misilei (Co-Superintendent), BTheol
Jackie McGeorge (Co-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 (who will Superintend 3400)
- 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
Tau Lasi, BTheol (Auck), PGradDipMin (Otago)
- 3070 CAMBRIDGE UNION PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist
Ken Olsen (Supply)
- 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
Alisa Lasi, BA (Waikato), Dip Teaching (Auck), DipPTh (Trinity College)
- 3110 CHARTWELL CO-OPERATING PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Anglican/Presbyterian
- 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 (Trinity College), Dip PTh (Trinity College)
- 3150 PUTARURU CO-OPERATING PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Anglican
- 3170 ROTORUA (INCORPORATING TOKOROA)
Neti Petaia, Dip PTh (Trinity College)
Ma'ilata E Mauai (Tokoroa Samoan Lay Ministry)
- 3180 TAUPO UNION PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist
Lorelle Chapman
- 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
Ralph Vickers (1/4 time Supply to 28 February 2019)
- 3220 WHAKATANE CO-OPERATING PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Anglican
- 3240 OPOTIKI UNION PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
- 3250 TE AWAMUTU (Including Otorohanga and Te Kuiti)
Shelley Walker, BTheol (Auck) (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
- 3300 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
Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist
Tania Shackleton, Dip PTh (Trinity College), BTh (Dunedin)
- 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: Methodist
Parish Superintendent: David Ahn (see 3020)
Local Shared Ministry

SYNOD 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, Dip PTh (Trinity College) (who will Superintend 4030, 4050, 4070, 4110, 4120, 4130)
- 4030 STRATFORD
Parish Superintendent: Manoa Havea, Dip PTh (Trinity College) (see 4010)
- 4040 ELTHAM-KAPONGA CO-OPERATING PARISH (INCORPORATING MANAIA)
Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
LEP with Anglican Church
- 4050 HAWERA
Parish Superintendent: Manoa Havea, Dip PTh (Trinity College) (see 4010)
LEP Methodist/Anglican
- 4070 OPUNAKE CO-OPERATING PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist
Parish Superintendent: Manoa Havea, Dip PTh (Trinity College) (see 4010)
Local Shared Ministry
- 4080 OKATO / OAKURA CO-OPERATING PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Anglican
- 4090 WANGANUI
Rob Ferguson (Supply) (1/2 time)
Parish Superintendent: Anthony G (Tony) Franklin-Ross, BCom, BTheol (Hons), (Auckland): CCEcumSt (Bossey/Geneva), C.A.
- 4110 INGLEWOOD UNION PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist
Parish Superintendent: Manoa Havea, Dip PTh (Trinity College) (see 4010)
Ross McDougal (Supply) (1/2 time) until 1 March 2019, after 1 March 2019 awaiting clarification
- 4120 PATEA CO-OPERATING PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist
Parish Superintendent: Manoa Havea, Dip PTh (Trinity College) (see 4010)
LEP with Anglican Church

- 4130 BELL BLOCK LEPPERTON CO-OPERATING PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist
Parish Superintendent: Manoa Havea, Dip PTh (Trinity College) (see 4010)
LEP with Anglican Church
- 5010 NAPIER
Anthony G (Tony) Franklin-Ross, BCom, BTheol, BTheol (Hons), [Auckland]; CCEcumSt [Bossey/Geneva]; C.A. (who will Superintend 4090, 5060, 5160) (3/4 time)
- 5050 MANGAPAPA UNION PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
- 5060 PRESBYTERIAN-METHODIST PARISH OF WAIROA
Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist
Parish Superintendent: Anthony G (Tony) Franklin-Ross, BCom, BTheol, BTheol (Hons), [Auck]; CCEcumSt [Bossey/Geneva]; C.A
- 5090 PAHIATUA UNION PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
- 5110 MANAWATU RANGITIKEI METHODIST PARISH
Ian Boddy, BA, Dip PTh (Trinity College) (who will Superintend 5150)
- 5140 RONGOTEA UNITING PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist
Parish Superintendent: Don Biggs, NZTCC
- 5150 FOXTON/SHANNON CO-OPERATING PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist
Parish Superintendent: Ian Boddy, BA, Dip PTh (Trinity College)
Local Shared Ministry
- 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: Simote Taunga, Dip PTh (Trinity College)
Motekiai Fakatou, BTheol (who will Superintend 6060)
- 6020 WESLEY WELLINGTON MISSION
(Director David Hanna)
- 6030 WELLINGTON SOUTH-LYALL BAY UNION
Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist
David Harding, BD, LTh(Hons), BAgSc (1/2 time)
- 6050 MIRAMAR UNITING PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist
Paul Prestidge (2/3 time)
Les Solomona (1/2 time) (Supply)
- 6060 NGAIO UNION PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist
Parish Superintendent: Motekiai Fakatou, BTheol
Sue Brown (Lay Ministry)
- 6070 JOHNSONVILLE UNITING CHURCH
Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian

- 6110 TAWA UNION PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
- 6120 HUTT CITY UNITING CONGREGATIONS
Co-ordinating Partners: Presbyterian and Methodist
Kalo Falanga Kaisa, Dip PTh (Trinity College), BMin (NZ)
Jannet Mudavanhu, MATheol, PhDTheol (Birmingham University)
Lay Ministry: Mua'au Sa'o (St Marks/Wesley)
- 6140 UPPER HUTT UNITING PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist
Suresh Chandra, LiMS (Trinity College), Dip PTh (Trinity College)
- 6160 GREYTOWN ST ANDREW'S UNION PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist
Parish Superintendent: Awaiting clarification
One wanted (1/3 time)
- 6170 FEATHERSTON UNION PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist
Parish Superintendent: awaiting clarification
- 6180 CARTERTON UNION PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
- 6190 CROSSWAY CHURCH MASTERTON
Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
Lay Ministry: Maiava Tafa
- 6200 ST JAMES, MASTERTON UNION PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist
Paul Rogers (1/3 time)
- 6220 LEVIN UNITING PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist
Parish Superintendent: Stuart Grant
Sandra Williams (Supply) (1/2 time)
- 6230 OTAKI
(under Anglican care)
- 6240 KAPITI UNITING PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist
Cornelia Grant, MTh (Magister Theologiae) (Tubingen)
- 6250 HATAITAI-KILBIRNIE CO-OPERATING PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Anglican
- 6280 ST NINIAN'S UNITING PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian

SYNOD SUPERINTENDENT TEAM

Tony Franklin-Ross, BCom, BTheol, BTheol (Hons), [Auck]; CCEcumSt [Bossey/Geneva]; C.A. (1/4 time) (who will Superintend 4090, 5060, 5160)
Ian Harris, BE(Elect), DipMktg(CIM), MIET, C.Eng (2/5 time)

7000 NELSON / MARLBOROUGH / WEST COAST SYNOD

- 7010 ST JOHNS METHODIST PARISH NELSON
Parish Superintendent: Martin Oh (see 7130)
David Moynan (Supply) (1/2 Time)
- 7020 NELSON, ST LUKE'S UNION PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian

- 7040 MOTUEKA UNITING PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist
Janet Marsh
- 7070 BLENHEIM METHODIST PARISH
Alofa Asiata, Dip PTh (Trinity College) (who will Superintend 7080, 7890)
- 7080 UNION PARISH OF PICTON
Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist
Parish Superintendent: Alofa Asiata (see 7070)
- 7090 REEFTON DISTRICT UNION PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist
Parish Superintendent: Kathryn Walters, BMin, BTheol, Dip Mgmt (see 8000)
- 7110 GREYMOUTH DISTRICT UNITING PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
- 7120 HOKITIKA UNION PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
- 7130 RICHMOND STOKE PARISH
Martin Oh, MTheol (Methodist Theological Seminary Korea); DipPTheol (who will Superintend 7010)

SYNOD SUPERINTENDENT

Kathryn Walters, BMin, BTheol, Dip Mgmt (10%) (who will Superintend 7090)

7500 VAHEFONUVA TONGA 'O AOTEAROA

- 7510 AUCKLAND-MANUKAU TONGAN PARISH
Parish Superintendent: Vaikoloa Kilikiti

DOMINION ROAD (7512)
Vaikoloa Kilikiti

EAST TAMAKI (7521)
Lopiseni Fungalei, LiMS (Trinity College) (1/2 time stipended)

NEW LYNN (7530)
Kalolo Fihaki, BAg, MAppSc, DipPSM, Dip PTh (Trinity College) (1/2 time stipended) (see Q11A(b))

ONEHUNGA (7541)
Moses Manukia (see Q11A(b)) (1/2 time stipended)

EPSOM (7542)
Moses Manukia (see 7541)

OTAHUHU TONGAN CONGREGATION (7550)
Sione Lea'aetua, BTheol (see Q11A(b)) (see 7606)

PONSONBY (7560)
Siutaisa Tukutau, DipMiss, BPTTh, Dip PTh (Trinity College) (1/2 time stipended)

NORTHCOTE (7561)
Tevita Finau (see 11B(b))

ELLERSLIE (7570)
Makeleta Lute Pole Tu'uhoko, Dip PTh (Trinity College), Cert BA, (Auck) BPA&E (Fiji) (see Q11A(b)) (1/2 time stipended)

MANUREWA (7590)
Nehilofi E'Moala' Aholelei, Dip PTh (Trinity College), DipBusAdmin & CPE

WAIUKU (7606)
Sione Lea'aetoa, BTheol (1/2 time stipended) (see 7550)

PANMURE (7611)
Falakesi Filiai (Probationer) (1/2 time stipended) (see Q11A(b))

GLEN INNES (7612)
Tisileli Taufu, Dip PTh (Trinity College), DipBS (Laidlaw College), (1/2 time stipended) (see 7611)
Falanisesi Hafoka (Deacon)

HENDERSON (7620)
Tevita Finau

FLAT BUSH TONGAN CONGREGATION (formally Papatoetoe Tongan Congregation) (7642)
Tevita Kau (Probationer) (1/2 time 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

7600 PUKEKOHE TONGAN PARISH
Viliami Finau, DipMin (Sydney) (1/2 time stipended) (see Q11A(b))

7630 PAPATOETOE TONGAN PARISH
Ikilifi Pope, Dip Missiology, Dip PTh (Trinity College), BA, BTheol (1/2 time stipended)

7700 HAMILTON – ST PAULS TONGAN
Parish Superintendent: Tevita Finau (see 7561)

7710 HAMILTON EAST – ST JOHNS TONGAN
Parish Superintendent: Tevita Finau (see 7561)

7740 MT MAUNGANUI TONGAN
Parish Superintendent: Tevita Finau (see 7561)

7750 GISBORNE TONGAN PARISH
Finau Halaleva, Dip PTh (Trinity College) (1/2 time stipended)

7760 PALMERSTON NORTH TONGAN METHODIST WESLEY PARISH
Tavake Manu (part-time, non-stipended)

7770 NAPIER-HASTINGS TONGAN
Parish Superintendent: Finau Halaleva, Dip PTh (Trinity College) (see 7750)

7780 LEVIN TONGAN
Parish Superintendent: Tevita Finau (see 7561)

7800 WESLEY WELLINGTON TONGAN CONGREGATION
Simote Taunga, Dip PTh (Trinity College)

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 will 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
Moimoi 'Ahu Kaufononga, PG, Dip NFP M, LiMS (Trinity College) (1/2 time stipended) (see Q11B(b))
- 7910 OAMARU TONGAN
One wanted (part-time) Awaiting clarification
- 7920 DUNEDIN TONGAN
One wanted (part-time) Awaiting clarification

SYNOD SUPERINTENDENT

Tevita Finau (who will Superintend 7700, 7710, 7740, 7780, 7910, 7920)

8000 CENTRAL SOUTH ISLAND

Kathryn Walters, BMin, BTheol, DipMgmt (who will Superintend 8170, 8310, 8380)

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: Philomeno Kinera, BTh (Trinity Singapore), DipPTheol (Trinity College), Dip Post Grad Studies (Otago)
Darryn Hickling (City Chaplain)
- 8020 CHRISTCHURCH SOUTH
Andrew Donaldson, M.Ed.Dist, B.A, (Cant) B.Theol (Melb) (3/4 time)
- 8040 NEW BRIGHTON UNION PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist
Mark Gibson, B.A., B.Th (1/2 time)
- 8050 PORT HILLS UNITING PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist
Mark Gibson, B.A., B.Th (1/2 time)
- 8060 LINWOOD AVENUE UNION PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist
One wanted
- 8080 OPAWA COMMUNITY CHURCH
Andrew Doubleday, BTheol (Melb)
- 8090 BECKENHAM-SYDENHAM
Melema'u Molitika, Dip PTh (Trinity College)
- 8110 HALSWELL UNION PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
- 8120 CHRISTCHURCH WEST
Dale Peach, Dip PTh (Trinity College), BTheol (Otago), CAT (Cant)
- 8140 CHRISTCHURCH NORTH
Anne Preston, BTheol (Uni of Zululand), MTheol (University of South Africa)

- 8160 LINCOLN UNION PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
- 8170 ELLESMERE CO-OPERATING PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist
One wanted
- 8180 KAIAPOI CO-OPERATING PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
- 8190 RANGIORA
Parish Superintendent: Norman West
Veitomonu Siufanga (Probationer)
- 8200 MALVERN CO-OPERATING PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
- 8210 OXFORD DISTRICT UNION PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
- 8250 ST ALBANS UNITING PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
- 8270 RICHMOND – SHIRLEY
Joohong Kim, Dip PTh (Trinity College), BMin, MSc (Colorado), BSc (National Open University) (LEP with North Avon Presbyterian)
- 8310 TIMARU -TEMUKA
Parish Superintendent: Kathryn Walters, BMin, BTheol, DipMgmt (see 8000)
- 8330 ST DAVID'S MARCHWIEL UNION PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist
Parish Superintendent: Ian MacLeod
Lay Ministry: Morven Sidal (1/2 time)
- 8380 ASHBURTON
Parish Superintendent: Kathryn Walters, BMin, BTheol, DipMgmt (see 8000)
Heather Kennedy (Supply)
- 8390 ST DAVID'S UNION ASHBURTON
Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
- (8400 OAMARU UNION PARISH)
Parish to close (final documentation still to be signed)

SYNOD SUPERINTENDENT

Kathryn Walters, BMin, BTheol, Dip Mgmt (90% time) (who will Superintend 8170, 8380, 8310))

8500 WASEWASE KO VITI KEI ROTUMA

- 8510 AUCKLAND TABACAKAKAKA
Parish Superintendent: Alivereti Uludole, LiMS (Trinity College) (non-stipended) see Q11A(b)
- MEADOWLANDS FIJIAN
Joeli Ducivaki, LiMS (Trinity College), Grad Cert Mgmt (Monash Mt Eliza BS) (non-stipended) see Q11A(b)
- 8520 PUKEKOHE FIJIAN CONGREGATION
Alivereti Uludole, LiMS (Trinity College) (non-stipended) see Q11A(b)
- 8530 PITT STREET FIJIAN CONGREGATION
One wanted (1/2 time) Awaiting clarification
- 8540 HAMILTON EAST FIJIAN
Alipate Livani, Dip PTh (Trinity College), DipBS, BA.Bus (1/2 time) (see also 8550, 8560)

- 8550 ROTORUA FIJIAN
Alipate Livani, Dip PTh (Trinity College), DipBS, BA.Bus (see also 8540, 8560)
- 8560 TAURANGA FIJIAN
Alipate Livani, Dip PTh (Trinity College), 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) (part-time)
- 8580 WANGANUI FIJIAN
Akuila Bale (1/2 time)
- (6010) WESLEY WELLINGTON FIJIAN
Sikeli Cawanikawai Dip PTh (Trinity College), (1/4 time)
- 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 will Superintend 8570)

9000 OTAGO-SOUTHLAND SYNOD

- 9020 METHODIST MISSION SOUTHERN
(Director: Laura Black, BA Bus St, (Massey) JP)
- 9010 DUNEDIN PARISH
David Poultney, Dip PTh (Trinity College), BTheol, (Southampton), PGDipTheol (dist) Otago, Dip Nursing (Coventry), P.G. Cert Mental Health Nursing (who will Superintend 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 will Superintend 9120, 9260)
- 9120 RIVERTON UNION PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist
Parish Superintendent: Peter Taylor, BMet (Sheffield), BD (Manchester) (see 9110)
Local Shared Ministry
- 9150 BLUFF CO-OPERATING PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Anglican
- 9160 TEVIOT UNION PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist
Parish Superintendent: David Poultney, Dip PTh (Trinity College), BTheol, (Southampton), PGDipTheol (Dist) Otago, Dip Nursing (Coventry), P.G. Cert Mental Health Nursing (see 9010)
Lyndon Weggery (for a 12th year) Lay Ministry (1/3 time)
- 9170 ALEXANDRA-CLYDE-LAUDER UNION PARISH
Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
- 9250 BROCKVILLE UNION
Co-ordinating Partner: Presbyterian
- 9260 OTATARA
Co-ordinating Partner: Methodist
Parish Superintendent: Peter Taylor, BMet (Sheffield), BD (Manchester) (see 9110)
David Elder (1/2 time) Lay Ministry

SYNOD SUPERINTENDENT

Peter Taylor, BMet(Sheffield), BD (Manchester) (who will Superintend 9120, 9260)

9500 SINOTI SAMOA

- 9510 PANMURE SAMOAN PARISH
Fatuatia Tufuga, BTheol (Melb), Cert Sup (NZIM), CertSmBus, CertTropAgr (Fiji)
- 9520 WAITAKERE SAMOAN PARISH
Falaniko Mann-Taito
Lay Ministry: Pemasa Neru (Oratia)
- 9530 BIRKENHEAD SAMOAN PARISH
Parish Superintendent: Paulo Ieli
Lay Ministry: Fualau Meki
- 9540 AUCKLAND SAMOAN PARISH
Paulo Ieli, Dip PTh (Trinity College) (who will Superintend 9530 – Lay Ministry Team)
- 9550 MANUREWA SAMOAN PARISH
Parish Superintendent: Faleatua Faleatua, BTheol
Lay Ministry: Tainau Malaeimi
- 9560 PAPAKURA SAMOAN PARISH
Parish Superintendent: Tovia Aumua (see 9570)
Faiva Alaelua, LTh, DipMin (ACTE) (1/2 time) (Supply)
- 9570 PAPATOETOE SAMOAN PARISH
Tovia Aumua, BTheol (who will Superintend 9560)
- 9575 MANGERE EAST SAMOAN PARISH
Ieremia Amituana'i, BEd, Dip PTh (Trinity College) (3/4 time)
- 9580 HASTINGS SAMOAN PARISH
Iakopo Fa'afuata, LTh, Min Dip
- 9585 NEW PLYMOUTH SAMOAN PARISH
Parish Superintendent: Suiva'aia Te'o, LTh, MinDip
Lay Ministry: Mulipola Misikei
- 9590 GISBORNE SAMOAN PARISH
Oka Ieti (non-stipended, part-time)
- 9600 WESLEY WELLINGTON SAMOAN PARISH
Utumau'u Pupulu
- 9610 MANGERE CENTRAL SAMOAN PARISH
Suiva'aia Te'o, LTh, MinDip (who will Superintend 9585) (1/4 time)
- 9615 OTARA SAMOAN PARISH
Faleatua Faleatua, BTheol (who will Superintend 9550)

SYNOD SUPERINTENDENT

Suiva'aia Te'o, LTh, MinDip (1/4 time)

CONFERENCE WELCOMES the following Observers and gladly associates them with all the sessions of Conference.

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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

Ashley I. Corlett
Russell G. Rigby
Brian H. Turner
Norman E. Brookes
Brian R. J. Eagle
Barry Harkness

50 Years since ordination

Roy M. Alexander
C. Brice Herbert
Colin G. Jamieson
Keith J. Taylor
Stanley J. West
Beverley Pullar (Taylor) (as Deaconess)
Patricia J. Wedding (as Deaconess)
Barbara I. Taylor (Miller) (as Deaconess)
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HOURS OF SESSION AND AGENDA:

Are as printed in the Reports pages 2 & 3 or as may be decided from time to time.

REPORT OF THE GENERAL SECRETARY TO THE CONNEXION 2018

- 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 12 October 2018. 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 36(a) Who is elected President of the Church for induction at the next Conference?

Andrew Doubleday

QUESTION 36(b) What arrangements are made for the President's supply?

Arrangements to be advised

QUESTION 37(a) Who is elected Vice-President for induction at the next Conference?

'Etuini Talakai

QUESTION 37(b) What arrangements are made for the Vice President's supply?

Arrangements to be advised

QUESTION 38 Who is elected the President's Legal Adviser?

Ruby Manukia-Schaumkel and Richard Cunliffe

QUESTION 39 Who are elected to the following Synod and Regional positions for the ensuing year?

(a) Superintendents

Northland

- Kuli Fisi'iahi
- Rowan Smiley (Co-Superintendent)

Auckland

- Graeme White

Manukau

- Peter Williamson (Co-Superintendent)
- Misilei Misilei (Co-Superintendent)
- Jackie McGeorge (Co-Superintendent)

Waikato-Wairariki

- Susan Thompson

Lower North Island

- Tony Franklin-Ross

Nelson/Marlborough/West Coast

- Ian Harris

Central South Island

- Kathryn Walters

Otago-Southland

- Kathryn Walters

Sinoti Samoa

- Peter Taylor

Vahefonua Tonga 'o Aotearoa

- Suiva'aia Te'o

Wasewase ko Viti Kei Rotuma

- Tevita Finau

- Peni Tikoinaka

(b) Secretaries

Northland

- Margaret Bishop

Auckland

- Cynthia McKenzie

Manukau

- Misilei Misilei

Waikato-Wairariki

- Mary West

Lower North Island	- TBA
Nelson/Marlborough/West Coast	- Jean Faithful
Central South Island	- TBA
Otago-Southland	- Rachael Masterton
Sinoti Samoa	- Toleafoa Tuimauga
Vahefonua Tonga	- 'Etuini Talakai
Wasewase ko Viti Kei Rotuma	- Anaseini Osborne

(c) Financial Secretaries

Northland	- Rosalie Gwilliam
Auckland	- Ranjit Sinaduray
Manukau	- Sarah Andrews (<i>Connexional Office</i>)
Waikato-Waiariki	- Margaret Giles
Lower North Island	- Jackie Cocker
Nelson/Marlborough/West Coast	- Don Horne
Central South Island	- Sue Spindler
Otago-Southland	- Rachael Masterton
Sinoti Samoa	- Saunoa Tulou
Vahefonua Tonga	- Paula Taumoepeau
Wasewase ko Viti Kei Rotuma	- Waqa Rubuni

(d) Property Secretaries

Northland	- Sulanji Chituta
Auckland	- Jan Tasker
Manukau	- Jan Tasker
Waikato-Waiariki	- Terry Kehely & Bob Short
Lower North Island	- Lindsay Taylor
Nelson/Marlborough/West Coast	- TBA
Central South Island	- Janet Chambers
Otago-Southland	- Nigel Pitts
Sinoti Samoa	- Joshua Robertson
Vahefonua Tonga	- Mafua Lolohea
Wasewase ko Viti Kei Rotuma	- Simione Tarogi

QUESTION 40 Who are appointed as members of the following Standing Committees and their Conveners?

- (a) 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, Roslyn Wilkie
Tauivi: Jan Fogg and Tovia Aumua
- (d) Budget Task Group
The Budget Task Group for 2019 will consist of: President, Vice-President (Chair), General Secretary, the Tumuaki of Te Taha Maori, Saunoa Tulou, Rex Nathan, Hiueni Nuku, Kathryn Walters, Arapera Ngaha along with Connexional Staff in attendance

QUESTION 41 When and where shall the next Conference be held?

Lower North Island

QUESTION 42 **When shall the Annual Synod and other Synod Meetings be held?**
2-3 August or 9-10 August 2019

DATES FOR 2019:

Budget Task Group:

- 20 March

Pastoral Committee:

- 7 March

Council of Conference:

- 5-6 April
- 27-28 September

Tauiwi Strategy & Stationing:

- 16-17 March
- 8-11 September

Northland:

- TBA

Auckland:

- 1-2 March (combined Ministerial & Synod meetings)
- 8 June (Auckland Synod)
- 2-3 August (combined Ministerial & Annual Synod)
- 12 October (Auckland Synod)

Manukau:

- 8 March (Ministerial Synod)
- 9 March – (Synod)
- 8 June (Synod)
- 9 August (Ministerial Synod)
- 10 August (Synod)
- 12 October (Synod)
- 14 December (End of year function)

Waikato/Waiariki:

- 8 March (Tamahere Eventide)
- 7 June (St Clare's Church Hamilton)
- 2-3 August (Wesley Tauranga)
- 29 November (venue TBA)

Lower North Island:

- 30 March
- 2-3 August
- 16 November

Nelson/Marlborough/West Coast:

- 22-23 March (Richmond Stoke)
- 2-3 August – Combined Synod (Christchurch)
- 22-24 November (Blenheim)

Central South Island:

- 30 March
- 2-3 August – Combined Synod (Christchurch)
- 14 November (Canterbury)
- 16 November (South Canterbury)

Otago/Southland:

- 22-24 February
- 2-3 August
- November - TBA

Vahefonua Tonga:

- 25-28 April
- 19-21 July

Sinoti Samoa:

- 8-11 August

Wasewase ko Viti Kei Rotuma

- 23 March – Executive Committee
- 19-21 July (AGM takes place on 20 July)

Hui Poari:

- 15-16 February
- 10-11 May
- 26-27 July
- 6-7 September
- 29-30 November

COUNCIL OF CONFERENCE:

Membership for 2018 shall be:

Te Taha Māori: Keita Hotere (Co-Convenor), Gillian Laird, Rex Nathan, Hinga Ormsby, Alison Ranui, Shirley Rivers, Te Aroha Rountree, Harry Tawhai, Robina Wichman, Alamaine McGregor.
Substitutes: Laura Maruera, Tamati Rakena, Tiki Porima-Ryan.

Tauwiwi: Tony Franklin-Ross (Co-Convenor), Andrew Doubleday, Mataiva Robertson, Tevita Finau, Rachael Masterton, Ruta Fa'afuata, Asaeli Tulagi, Casey Fa'au, Metui Tafuna. **Resource People:** President, Vice President, General Secretary, Principal Trinity College, Directors of Mission Resourcing, Tumuaki.

Substitutes: Chosen from past members.

TAUIWI STRATEGY COMMITTEE:

Tauwiwi Strategy Committee for 2019 will be: Setaita Veikune (President), Nicola Grundy (Vice President), Trevor Hoggard and Siosifa Pole (Mission Resourcing Directors), David Bush (General Secretary), Nasili Vaka'uta (Trinity College Principal), Kuli Fisi'iahi and Rowan Smiley (Northland), Graeme White and Dilys Davies (Auckland), Peter Williamson and Jackie McGeorge (Manukau), Viv Whimster and Susan Thompson (Waikato Waiariki), Tony Franklin-Ross and Ian Harris (Lower North Island Synod), Jean Faithful and Kathryn Walters (Nelson Marlborough West Coast), Kathryn Walters and Richard (Dick) Clayton (Central South Island Synod), Rachael Masterton and Peter Taylor (Otago Southland Synod), Tevita Finau and 'Etuini Talakai (Vahefonua Tonga), Mataiva Robertson, Toleafea Tuimauga and Suiva'aia Te'o (Sinoti Samoa), Peni Tikoinaka and Simione Tarogi (Wasewase ko Viti kei Rotuma), and the current Tauwiwi members of Council of Conference not already named in the Tauwiwi Strategy Committee membership 2019 (Ruta Fa'afuata, Asaeli Tulagi, Casey Fa'au, Metui Tafuna, Andrew Doubleday).

TAUIWI STATIONING COMMITTEE:

Tauwiwi Stationing Committee for 2019 will be: Setaita Veikune (President), Nicola Grundy (Vice President), Trevor Hoggard and Siosifa Pole (Mission Resourcing Directors), David Bush (General Secretary), Nasili Vaka'uta (Trinity College Principal, Kuli Fisi'iahi and Rowan Smiley (Northland), Graeme White and Dilys Davies (Auckland), Peter Williamson and Jackie McGeorge (Manukau), Viv Whimster and Susan Thompson (Waikato Waiariki), Tony Franklin-Ross and Ian Harris (Lower North Island Synod), Jean Faithful and Kathryn Walters (Nelson Marlborough West Coast), Kathryn Walters and Richard (Dick) Clayton (Central South Island Synod), Rachael Masterton and Peter Taylor (Otago Southland Synod), Tevita Finau and 'Etuini Talakai (Vahefonua Tonga), Mataiva Robertson, Toleafea Tuimauga and Suiva'aia Te'o (Sinoti Samoa), Peni Tikoinaka and Simione Tarogi (Wasewase ko Viti kei Rotuma).

CONFERENCE BUSINESS COMMITTEE "A" Council of Conference

CONVENERS: Keita Hotere and Tony Franklin Ross

QUESTION 25: What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Council of Conference?
Report pp A1-3

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

1. That the report be received.
2. That the Council decision that the Methodist Church of New Zealand, Te Haahi Weteriana, apply for membership in the Pacific Council of Churches be endorsed.
3. That 'Let the Children Live', the Church's 10 Year Vision be included in agendas of all Parishes, Rohe, Synods, Hui Poari, Boards and Committees.
4. That the matter of a Policy Statement for Health and Safety be referred to Law Revision.
5. That the report of the Ethical Standards work group be circulated to Parishes, Rohe, Synods and Hui Poari. To report back to the September 2019 Council of Conference meeting.
6. Conference asks the President and Vice President to meet with the rangatahi/young people representatives from Tauwiwi and Te Taha Maori to continue the consultation process to explore ways in which rangatahi/young people might assert their right to meaningful representation at the local, regional and Connexional levels of the Church.
7. Conference asks Boards, Committees and Parish Councils to include rangatahi/young people at the decision-making tables.
8. Conference affirms the work of Parishes and Rohe who make space for young people to grow and flourish and share their gifts, and we challenge those who are yet to do so to make this space available.
9. Conference affirms the work of Parishes and Rohe who already engage in mentoring young people within the life of the Church and beyond. We challenge those who are yet to engage in mentoring for succession to do so now.
10. That Council of Conference membership for 2019 be: Te Taha Maori: Keita Hotere (Co-Convenor), Gillian Laird, Rex Nathan, Hinga Ormsby, Alison Ranui, Shirley Rivers, Te Aroha Rountree, Harry Tawhai, Robina Wichman and one other to be appointed. Substitutes: Alamaine McGregor, Laura Maruera, Tamati Rakena, Tiki Porima-Ryan. Tauwiwi: Tony Franklin-Ross (Co-Convenor), Andrew Doubleday, Mataiva Robertson, Tevita Finau, Rachael Masterton, Ruta Fa'afuata, Asaeli Tulagi, Casey Fa'au, Metui Tafuna. Resource People: President, Vice President, General Secretary, Principal Trinity College, Directors of Mission Resourcing, Tumuaki. Substitutes: chosen from past members.

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 25(c): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Connexional Budget?
Report pp A10-13

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

1. The report is received.
2. The membership of the Budget Task Group for 2019 is: President, Vice-President (Chair), General Secretary, the Tumuaki of Te Taha Maori, Saunoa Tulou, Rex Nathan, Hiueni Nuku, Kathryn Walters, Arapera Ngaha along with Connexional Staff in attendance

QUESTION 25(d): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the PAC
Distribution Group? *Report pp A3-9*

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

1. That the report be received.
2. That the PAC Distribution Group for 2019 be: Saunoa Tulou, Tara Tautari, Richard Biddle, Harry Tawhai, Hiueni Nuku, Catherine Petaia, Te Wehenga Laird, Prince Devanandan (Ex-President), David Bush (General Secretary).

CONFERENCE BUSINESS COMMITTEE “B(i)” Te Taha Maori

CONVENOR: Keita Hotere

QUESTION 26(i) What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the tangata whenua, Te Taha Māori?
Report pp B(i)1-4

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

1. The report is received.
2. That the Connexional Office, Accounts Staff are acknowledged for their considerable work with and on behalf of Te Taha Māori.
3. The 2019 membership of **Hui Pōari** shall be: Tumuaki Diana Tana, Rex Nathan, Keita Hotere, Arapera Ngaha; Tai Tokerau: Frances Rakena, Robyn McClintock; Tamaki: Gillian Laird, Te Aroha Rountree; Waikato: Doreen Wilson, Shirley Rivers; Te Rohe Potae: Hinga Ormsby; Taranaki: Alison Ranui; Laura Maruera; Poneke: Alamaine McGregor; Otautahi: Roslyn Wilkie; **Rangatahi**: Te Wehenga Laird, Tamati Rakena; and representatives for Waikato, Taranaki, Te Rohe Potae, Poneke and Otautahi-Te Waipounamu to be appointed by the President.
4. The 2019 **Liaison Persons** of the Rohe shall be: Tai Tokerau: Frances Rakena; Tamaki: Gillian Laird; Waikato: Doreen Wilson; Te Rohe Potae: Hinga Ormsby; Taranaki: Alison Ranui; Poneke: Alamaine McGregor and Otautahi: Roslyn Wilkie.
5. The 2019 membership of **Te Runanga Whakawhanaunga I Ngā Hāhi O Aotearoa** shall be Diana Tana, Rex Nathan, Te Aroha Rountree, and Tara Tautari.

QUESTION 26 (i) (a) What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Te Taha Maori Property Trust?
Report pp B(i)4-8

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

1. The report be received.
2. That Conference affirm the growing of conversations around the future of properties of great significance to our church’s history, such as Kaeo, encouraging our members to actively engage with these matters.
3. That Conference confirm that the Board members for Te Taha Māori Property Trust for 2018/2020 to be: Arapera Ngaha (Chairperson), Diana Tana (Tumuaki of Te Taha Māori), Rex Nathan, Tara Tautari, Keita Hotere

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)8-10

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

1. The report be received.
2. The membership of the Board for 2019 is: Trevor Dine, Motekiai Fakatou, Marten Hutt, Senorita Laukau, Danette Ngarewa, Neville Price, Diana Tana, Leatuavao Viko Aufaga, Matthew (Matt) Roberts (Chairperson), Myra Tautau (Secretary), and any others appointed by the President.
3. Note that John Willis is a co-opted member of the Board and Treasurer.

CONFERENCE BUSINESS COMMITTEE “B(ii)” Tauivi

CONVENERS: Trevor Hoggard

QUESTION 26(ii)(a): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Tauivi?

Report pp B(ii)1-13

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

1. That the report be received.
2. Tauivi Strategy Committee nominates the following people for the following positions: for Council of Elders: Rev Tovia Aumua; for the Conference Panel: Rev Marilyn Welch, Ruta Fa’afuata, Mataiva Robertson, Ngaire Southon, with Rev Tony Franklin-Ross as Co-Convenor and Rev Metui Tafuna as substitute.

Part B: Future Strategy

3. Tauivi Strategy Committee resolves to promote the marking throughout Tauivi parishes of the following dates in the calendar: Waitangi Day; Matariki; Parihaka Day. People with suitable resources are asked to send them to Mission Resourcing who, in consultation with Te Taha Maori, will make them available on the Mission Resourcing website.

QUESTION 26(ii)(b): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Evangelical Network?

Report pp B(ii)13-14

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

1. That the report of the Evangelical Network be received
2. That the current Evangelical Network Superintendent be thanked for his service.
3. That Mission Resourcing engage with those who might identify as evangelical and with the wider Church as to the future strategic direction.
4. That a progress report on this be brought to Conference 2020.

QUESTION 26(ii)(c): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the New Zealand Methodist Women’s Fellowship?

Report pp 14-15

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 C1-14

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

1. That the report be received.
2. That Clause 7.12.3.1 be amended to read: "Such community representatives shall not exceed 50% of the membership of the Board".
3. That Conference endorses the proposal of Law Revision to clarify decision making processes in the Laws and Regulations. To be reported to Synods and Hui Poari.
4. That the changes of the Laws and Regulations necessary to incorporate the Methodist Alliance to be adopted.
5. That the changes of the Laws and Regulations removing Candidates Convenors be sent back to Law Revision asking that it might better reflect the complex realities of providing a rigorous candidating process across synods with differing capacities and deficits.
6. That the revised Methodist Women's Fellowship constitution be adopted.
7. That the changes to the Law Book allowing Te Taha Maori to manage its accounts be adopted and be referred to Law Revision to finalise the wording.
8. That the Law Revision Committee for 2019 be: Ruby Manukia-Schaumkel, Jill van de Geer, Peter Williamson, Jan Tasker, Stuart Grant, Lynne Frith, Rowan Smiley, Kathleen Tuai Ta'ufo'ou, Janine Tuivaiti, Tanya Asa, 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?

Report pp C2

SUGGESTED DECISION:

1. That the report be received.

CONFERENCE BUSINESS COMMITTEE “D” Administration Division

CONVENER: Nan Russell

QUESTION 28: What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Administration Division? *Report pp D1-16*

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

1. That the report be received.
2. Conference thanks Rev Don Biggs for his 22 years of service on the Board of Administration, the last 4 years as Chair, recording its gratitude for his contribution to the life of the Board and the Church.
3. Conference affirms the continued appointment of Bruce Hansen and Rev Ray Coster as Complaints Officers.
4. That the members of the Board of Administration for 2019 be: Nan Russell (Chair), Ruby Manukia-Schaumkel, Digby Prosser, Rex Nathan, Paula Taumoepeau, Dale Peach, Marama Hotere, Tovia Aumua, Paul Wells and David Bush (General Secretary).

Stipends Committee

Report pp D2

1. That the report be received.
2. Conference agrees that full-time stipend ministry uses 40 hours as the standard working week, and that this decision be referred to the Administration Division to resolve the implementation details.
 - Necessary changes are made to the leave request form which reflects 40 hours per week; is leave to be requested in hours or days?
 - Clarify the annual leave entitlement in hours and days in the situation of 5 weeks annual leave at 40 hours per week. Is it the case at present 6 days a week for 5 weeks leave is the equivalent of 30 days?
 - Development and implementation of a communications plan to inform Parishes of the change in the average expected working hours; that this change is in the interests of the health and wellbeing of the Presbyterian (and family, if applicable).
 - Change other forms, e.g. Covenant Agreement, to reflect the change of full-time hours and pro-rata for less than full-time.
 - Engage with our Partners in Co-operative Ventures so there is no perception in Parishes that Methodist Presbyters will be working less hours than those from other Denominations.
3. That Conference asks Mission Resourcing to address the question of ministry and Parish structure and to report to Parishes, Rohe, Synods, Hui Poari and Conference 2020.

Connexional Financial Review Committee

Report pp D8

1. That the report be received.
2. That the members of the Connexional Financial Review Committee for 2019 be: David Bush (General Secretary), Paul Wells, Rex Nathan, Craig Fisher, Setaita T. K. Veikune (President), Nicola Teague Grundy (Vice President), with Connexional staff in attendance.

Caring for Our People Manaakitia ā Tātou Tāngata

Report pp D11

1. That the report be received.
2. That Conference notes the obligations and responsibility of complying with the Health and Safety in the workplace Act.
3. That Caring for Our People Manaakitia ā Tātou Tāngata is acknowledged and accepted for inclusion in the Laws and Regulations of The Methodist Church of New Zealand Te Hāhi Weteriana o Aotearoa.

Methodist Connexional Property Committee

Report pp D16

1. That the report be received
2. Conference acknowledges the committed service of Keith Taylor, Michael Greer and Iakopo Fa'afuata to the Methodist Connexional Property Committee and wish them well.

3. That in respect of the Scattering of Ashes Conference agrees that: the following Policy be adopted:
 - (a) *“Ashes should only be interred or scattered in properly designated cemeteries or burial grounds or in areas specially constructed to contain ashes.” In the view of MCPC, the Methodist Church of NZ policy should be no scattering and internment of ashes on Methodist Church property unless this is in formally designated areas”*
 - (b) *“That Conference asks the Board of Administration to have further conversations regarding scattering of ashes and burial of placenta.”*
4. That in respect of Property Leases where the property is in the name of the Board of Administration:
 - (a) Leases are required to be signed by Board of Administration and the affixation of the seal.
 - (b) Conference notes that this is a legal requirement and relates to both holding of title and that the Board acts as the legal entity for the Conference.
 - (c) Leases for terms of more than 7 years (including rights of renewal) require the additional step of approval of the Methodist Connexional Property Committee.
 - (d) MCPC may seek further advice from the Investment Advisory Board for Commercial or Investment leases and the Methodist Alliance for leases related to Social Services.
5. That in respect of Connexional Boards and Committees – Approval Processes
 - (a) That to establish clarity across the church properties a clause to be included in Section 9 of the Law Book requiring Connexional Boards (Boards, Committees and Parishes) to have approval of the Methodist Connexional Property Committee for all work requiring consent, mortgage or borrowing funds from outside New Zealand over \$25,000 in value. Future increases to be applied on the basis of capital price index. This will be reviewed every 3 years.
 - (b) That to establish clarity across the church properties this matter is referred to the Law Revision Committee
6. That in respect of the approval process for property projects:
 - (a) The \$20,000 limit is increased from to \$25,000
7. That in respect of Asbestos Management Plans:
 - (a) Conference acknowledges the need to manage asbestos risk in our older buildings and agrees that local property committees place a priority on completing their asbestos management plans.
 - (b) Conference notes the requirement that all property decisions have been made with due consideration of asbestos.
 - (c) All property applications approved by MCPC or the Board of Administration to include an Asbestos Management Plan.
8. The Board of Administration records that it has appointed the following members to the Methodist Connexional Property Committee: Norman West (Chair), David Ayers, Carol Dale, Edwin Talakai, Janet Chambers, Andrew Doubleday, Trevor Hoggard, Peter Moss, Jill van de Geer, Joshua Robertson, David Bush.

QUESTION 28(a): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Investment Advisory Board? *Report pp D37-47*

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

1. That the report be received
2. That the Responsible Investment Policy, as adopted by the Investment Advisory Board be ratified.
3. That the 2019 Investment Advisory Board be: Chris Gregory, David Johnston, David Cleal, David Hunt, Jane Davel, Jill van de Geer, Richard Devereux, Meleane Nacagilevu, David Bush (Secretary).

QUESTION 28(b): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Methodist Trust Association? *Report pp D27-35*

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

1. That the report be received

2. Conference thanks Rev Michael Greer and Hugh Garlick for their service to the Church through their membership of the Methodist Trust Association Board.
3. That the 2019 Board of the Methodist Trust Association be: Chris Gregory, David Johnston, David Cleal, David Hunt, Jane Davel, Jill van de Geer, Richard Devereux, Meleane Nacagilevu, David Bush (Secretary)

QUESTION 28(c): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Connexional Trusts?
Report pp D27

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 D36

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

1. That the report be received.
2. That the 2019 Board of PACT 2086 Trust be: Chris Gregory, David Johnston, David Cleal, David Hunt, Jane Davel, Jill van de Geer, Richard Devereux, Meleane Nacagilevu, David Bush (Secretary).

QUESTION 28(e): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Robert Gibson Trust?
Report pp D47-48

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

1. That the report be received.
2. That the R.G.M.T Board for 2018-19 be: Preston Bulfin, Rev Tony Bell, Rev David Bush (General Secretary), John Chittenden, Ian Harris (Synod Representative), Mark Hughson, John Lefleming, Susan Malthus, Steve Nicholas, Mataiva Robertson and Bill Yateman.

QUESTION 28(f): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Statistics?
Report pp N1-5

SUGGESTED DECISION:

1. That the Report be received.

QUESTION 28(g): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Wesley Historical Society?
Report pp D48-50

SUGGESTED DECISION:

1. That the report be received.

Bicentenary Planning Group

1. That the report be received.
2. That Conference affirms the direction outlined in the report.

QUESTION 28(h): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Professional Development Grants Committee?
Report pp D50-54

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

1. That the report is received.
2. That Conference notes the priorities for funding for 2018-20.
3. That Conference refers the discussion paper contained in this report to Synods and Hui Poari for discussion and comment, with report back to the committee by 15 May 2019.

4. That committee membership for 2018-20 shall be: 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 two additional names to be brought to Conference.

CONFERENCE BUSINESS COMMITTEE "E" Ministry

CONVENER: Trinity College: Richard Biddle
Mission Resourcing: Marilyn Welch

QUESTION 29: What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Ministry Trinity College? *Report pp E1-5*

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

1. That the report is received.
2. Conference notes and agrees the strategic plan for Trinity College Council for 2018 – 2021.
3. That Trinity College Council members for 2019 are: Arapera Ngaha (Chair), Nāsili Vaka'uta (Principal), Richard Biddle, Lynne Frith, Tovia Aumua, Rex Nathan and Steven Hargreaves.

QUESTION 29(a): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Wesley College Trust Board? *Report pp E5-9*

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

1. The report is received.
2. The 2018/2019/2020 membership of the Wesley College Trust Board is: Diana Tana, Colin Telford, Norman Johnston, Gillian Laird, Wesley Mansell, Meleane Nacagilevu, Harvey O'Loughlin, Barry Shuker, Patisepa Tala'imanu, David McGeorge, and Andrew Caughey.

QUESTION 30: What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Mission Resourcing? *Report pp E9-12*

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

1. The report is received.
2. Conference asks Mission Resourcing in consultation with the Enabling Ministry Team of Te Taha Maori in liaison with the Council of Conference to engage in further conversations about developing a framework for the future and purpose of Connexionalism and report progress back to Conference 2020.
3. Conference refers the matter of the Sexuality Workgroup to the Taiwi Strategy Group to resolve and report back to Conference 2020.
4. Conference appoints the following members of the Human Sexuality Work Group: Jill van de Geer, Susan Thompson, Opeta Amani, Barbara Peddie, Mary Caygill, Melanaite Taumoefolau, Michael Lemanu, David Poultney, Mataiva Robertson, Ikilife Pope, Paul Ieli, Eseta Penaia, Martin Oh, and the Directors of Mission Resourcing.
5. Members of the Board of Mission Resourcing for 2018-2020 shall be: Marilyn Welch (Chairperson), Freddy de Alwis, Graeme White, Sireli Kini, Chris Johnston, Tovia Aumua.

James & Martha Trounson Benevolent Trust

Report pp E12

1. That the report be received.
2. That Methodist Alliance becomes a resource contact as and when needed.
3. That the Members of the James & Martha Trounson Benevolent Trust for 2019 be: Mary West (Convenor), Metui Tafuna, Judy Pope, Colin Telford, Trevor Hoggard (Corresponding Member).

QUESTION 30(a): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to The Churches Education Commission? *Report pp E13-15*

SUGGESTED DECISION:

1. That the report be received.

QUESTION 30(b): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Diaconate Task Group?
Report pp E15-16

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

1. That the report be received.
2. Task Group Membership 2018-19: Co-convenors – Dcns Margaret Birtles & Edna Evans along with Sesi Hafoka, Brenda Fawkner, and Megan Alley.
3. We thank Rachel Tregurtha for her contribution to the Task Group over many years.

QUESTION 30(c): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to The Methodist Lay Preacher's Network?
Report pp E16-17

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

1. That the report be received.
2. That the New Zealand Lay Preachers' Association Executive be thanked for providing resources and processing certificates.
3. That the Methodist Lay Preachers Network Convenors be: Viv Whimster (Convenor), Syd Easton, Ngaire Southon (Co-Convenors).

QUESTION 30(d): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Taiwi Youth?
Report pp E24-26

SUGGESTED DECISION:

1. The report is received

QUESTION 30(e): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Uniting Congregations of Aotearoa New Zealand?
Report pp E17-18 & 27-60

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

1. That the report be received.
2. That the amendments to sections 2-7 of the Procedures for Cooperative Ventures (2012) be ratified by this Conference.
3. That the current Partner Support Fund be terminated at the end of June 2019 and financial assessments from 1st July 2019 by the Convening Partners be compulsory.
4. That UCANZ Standing Committee undertakes a review of these arrangements by July 2023.

QUESTION 30(f)(i): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Tertiary Chaplaincy?
Report pp E18-20

SUGGESTED DECISION:

1. That the report be received.

QUESTION 30(f)(ii): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Hospital Chaplaincy?
Report pp E20-21

SUGGESTED DECISION:

1. That the report be received.

QUESTION 30(f)(iii): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Defence Force Chaplaincy?
Report pp E21-22

SUGGESTED DECISION:

1. That the report be received.

QUESTION 30(f)(iv): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Prison Chaplaincy? *Report p E22-23*

SUGGESTED DECISION:

1. That the report be received.

Grafton Downs Limited

Report pp E8

SUGGESTED DECISION:

1. The report is received.

CONFERENCE BUSINESS COMMITTEE "F" Faith & Order

CONVENER: David Poultney

QUESTION 31: What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Faith & Order?
Report pp F1-10

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

1. That the report be received.
2. That membership of Faith and Order for 2018-20 consist of; Rev David Poultney (Convener,) Rev Robyn Allen-Goudge, Rev Norman Brookes, Rev Jan Fogg, Rev Tony Franklin-Ross, Rev Andrew Gamman (2018-19 only) Mrs Cathie Hoggard, Rev Dr Trevor Hoggard, Mr Peter Lane, Rev Paulo Ieli, Rev Falaniko Mann Taito, Rev Goll Manukia, Rev Ikilifi Pope, Mr Rowan Smiley, Mr Paula Taumoepeau, Rev Alivereti Uludole.
3. That membership of the Methodist team in the Methodist-Catholic dialogue consist of; Rev Dr Trevor Hoggard (Co-convener), Rev Tony Franklin-Ross, Rev Keita Hotere, Rev Setaita Kinahoi-Veikune Rev David Poultney, Rev Tovia Aumua, Rev Dr Terry Wall.
4. That membership of the Methodist team in the Methodist-Anglican dialogue consist of: Rev Tony Franklin-Ross (Co-Convenor), Rev Dr Trevor Hoggard, Rev David Poultney, Rev Dr Terry Wall, Rev Prince Devanandan, plus one other appointed by the President.
5. We thank the Rev Utumau'u Pupulu – who is no longer a member of the committee – for his service and contribution.
6. Conference request Faith and Order complete the report on leadership for Conference 2020 submitting a provisional report to August synods in 2019.
7. That Conference expresses its support for the ongoing work of dialogue engaged in with both the Roman Catholic and Anglican churches.
8. That Conference, following the invitation made by the Anglican General Synod, approve a two year period of consultation and conversation around the Church on the possibility of moving towards a more clear recognition of the personal and enduring nature of the episcopate held by those chosen for the presidency.

CONFERENCE BUSINESS COMMITTEE "G" Social Services

CONVENER: Carol Barron

QUESTION 32: What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Methodist Social Services: *Report pp G1-18*

- (a) Methodist Alliance Aotearoa
- (b) Airedale Property Trust
- (c) Christchurch Methodist Mission
- (d) Hamilton Methodist Social Services (Methodist City Action)
- (e) Methodist Mission Northern
- (f) Methodist Mission Southern (Dunedin)
- (g) Ministry with the Deaf Trust
- (h) Palmerston North Methodist Social Services
- (i) Sinoti Samoa Methodist Mission
- (j) Tamahere Eventide Home Trust
- (k) The Lifewise Trust
- (l) Vahefonua Tonga Methodist Mission Charitable Trust
- (m) Wesley Wellington Mission (Wesley Community Action)

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

1. The report is received.
2. The membership of the following boards for 2019 be:

Methodist Alliance Steering Group

Jill Hawkey (Convenor), Kim Penny, Peter Norman, one of the Mission Resourcing Directors, Catherine Hodges, Kathleen Tuai-Ta'ufo'ou, Olive Tanielu, Moira Lawler, David Hanna, Arapera Ngaha, Marion Hines, and Rex Nathan. Further members to be appointed by the President once their Methodist Alliance membership is finalised.

Airedale Property Trust

John Murray (Chairperson), Warren Chapman, Mel Easton, Hedy Huang, David Hunt, Prof Keith Hooper, John MacDonald, Sue McKinnon, Christina van Bohemen, Greg Wright, and further members to be appointed by the President.

Christchurch Methodist Mission

Garth Nowland-Foreman (Chairperson), Pam Sharpe, Martin Hadlee, Ngaere Dawson, David Caygill, Rev. Andrew Donaldson, Roz Wilkie, Siu Williams-Lemi, Andrew Hercus.

Hamilton Methodist Social Services Trust

Rev. John Murray, Rev. Metuisela Tafuna, Rev Tania Shackleton, Faye Blossom, Martine Radidi and further members to be appointed by the President.

Methodist Mission Northern

Marion Hines (Chairperson), Rev Prince Devanandan, Keith Hopner, David Hunt, Rev John MacDonald, Rev Rex Nathan, Aarif Rasheed, Tara Solomon, Rev Marilyn Welch, Greg Wright and further members to be appointed by the President.

Methodist Mission Southern

Julie Pearse (Chairperson), Austen Banks, Keith McKenzie, Natalie Karaitiana, Rachael Masterton, Nigel Pitts, Richard Devereux, one other to be approved by the President, and Laura Black (Director).

Ministry with the Deaf Trust

Norman Brookes (Chairperson), John MacDonald (representing MMN), Glen Schischka (representing the Auckland Deaf Fellowship), Kathy Hohepa (Treasurer), Peter Grundy (Secretary).

Palmerston North Methodist Social Services

Cathy McCartney (Chairperson), Jill White, John Ross, Philip McConkey, Carla na Nagara, Better Flagler, Helen Simmons.

Sinoti Samoa Methodist Mission

Filo Tu-Faleupolu (Chair), Malavai P-Misikei, Faleatua Faleatua, the Sinoti Samoa Executive and two others to be named.

Tamahere Eventide Home Trust

Neville Jack (Chairperson), Beverley Attrill, George Diprose (Deputy Chair), Ken Olsen, Shane Vanin, Emma Falconer, John Walsh, Peter Schaare, Leeanne Wilson, Carole Fleming.

The Lifewise Trust

Marion Hines (Chairperson), Vaughn Davis, Peter Glensor, Tayyaba Khan, Rev John MacDonald, Rohan MacMahon, Rev Rex Nathan and further members to be appointed by the President.

Vahefonua Tonga Methodist Mission Charitable Trust

Rev Tevita Finau (Chairperson), Dr. Melenaite Taumoefolau, Paula Taumoepeau, Edwin Talakai, Rev Moi Kaufononga, Seniorita Laukau, Viliami Liava'a (Secretary)

Wesley Community Action

Peter Glensor (Chairperson), David Hanna (Director), Trish Hall, Seniorita Laukau, Colin Hamlin, Hiueni Nuku, Murray Wu, Rev. Motekiai Fakato, Dr Roger Blakeley, and Leah Haines.

3. Thanks be given to those who have retired from boards:

Methodist Alliance Steering Group: Anne Preston, Rachael Masterton, Litia Bitu, Una Tikoinaka, and Bruce Stone.

Christchurch Methodist Mission: David Poultney.

Hamilton Methodist Social Services Trust: Rev. Anne Preston, Rachael Caldwell, and John Lockley.

Methodist Mission Northern: Rev. Uesifili Unasa.

Methodist Mission Southern: Siosifa Pole.

Ministry with the Deaf Trust: Barry Neal, and Jean Masters.

Palmerston North Methodist Social Services: Russell Bell, Jane Julian, and John Ross.

Sinoti Samoa: Malesala Maalesala.

The Lifewise Trust: Mark Gosche, Dr Katherine Ravenswood, Dr Julia Ioane, and Rachael Jones.

Wesley Community Action: Fuailalagi Saleupolu, Kena Duignan, and Dr Jeremy Robertson

4. Conference supports the work of the Methodist Alliance on housing and asks all parishes and boards of the church to work with the Methodist Alliance on the provision of warm, safe, and affordable homes for all.
5. Conference encourages all parishes to participate in Neighbours Day Aotearoa (NDA) in 2019 and 2020 and asks Mission Resourcing and the Methodist Alliance to provide resources/ideas for Churches to contribute to NDA.

CONFERENCE BUSINESS COMMITTEE "H" Mission & Ecumenical

CONVENER: Jackie McGeorge

QUESTION 33(a): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Mission and Ecumenical Affairs?
Report pp H1-8

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.

Ecumenical

4. Conference affirms its commitment to foster unity through National Dialogue for Christian Unity in Aotearoa New Zealand.
5. Conference affirms that the President, Director Mission and Ecumenical, Cornelia Grant and Rex Nathan be the representatives of Methodist Church of New Zealand in the National Dialogue for Christian Unity.
6. Conference affirms the role of Methodist Mission and Ecumenical as a stakeholder in the Religious Diversity Centre.
7. Conference reaffirms its membership in the Christian Conference of Asia and its continued support for Christian Unity in the Asian region.
8. Conference congratulates the World Council of the Churches on its 70th anniversary and reaffirms the membership of the Methodist Church of New Zealand Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa in the WCC.
9. Conference notes with delight the growth in the number of member churches of the WCC from 147 in 1948 to 349 in 2018.

M&E Board 2019 – 2020

10. The Mission and Ecumenical Board membership for 2019 be: Rev. Uesifili Unasa, (Chairperson), Linda Hall, Rev. Ian Faulkner, TeRito Peyroux, Lesieli Samiu, Jackie McGeorge, Te Aroha Rountree, Maungorongoro Tito, Rev. Abhishek Solomon, Rev. Dr. Terry Wall and Casey Lita Fa'au, and Rev Prince Devanandan (Director, Ex officio)

QUESTION 33(b): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Christian World Service?
Report pp H8-12

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

1. That the report be received.
2. That Conference familiarises itself with the 17 Sustainable Development Goals adopted by the United Nations in 2015. Conference challenges congregations/rohe to focus on at least 3 goals for further study and find ways to contribute to their achievement in Aotearoa and overseas, including through support of the CWS Christmas Appeal.
3. Conference notes that the New Zealand Methodist Women's Fellowship adopted Goals 13,14 and 15 at the South Pacific Area Seminar of the World Federation of Methodist and Uniting Church Women in Fiji in July 2018 and will be making available study material on these goals.
4. That all boards and committees in Te Haahi Weteriana consider their priorities in the light of the 17 Sustainable Development Goals and intentionally make connections with them.

CONFERENCE BUSINESS COMMITTEE "1" Communications and Organisations

CONVENER:

QUESTION 34(a): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Methodist Publishing Board? *Report pp 11-3*

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

1. That the report be received.
2. That Conference thanks Paul Titus for his 17 years as Editor of Touchstone, acknowledging the significant contribution he has made to the Church.
3. That Conference thanks Pieter van den Berg for his contribution as Advertising Manager.
4. That Conference welcomes Ady Shannon as Editor of Touchstone.
5. That the Methodist Publishing Board for 2019 be: David Bush (General Secretary), Barbara Peddie (Chair), Kathryn Walters, Ady Shannon (Editor), Mele Molitika, Valerie Marshall, Alec Utting and Jim Stuart (Corresponding Members).

QUESTION 34(b): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Media & Communications Endowment Fund? *Report pp 13-4*

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

1. The report be received.
2. The Media & Communications Endowment Fund Committee for 2019: Trish Moseley Taylor (Convenor), Gillian Laird, Te Rito Peyroux, Robyn Allen-Goudge and one member (to be advised and approved by the President).

CONFERENCE BUSINESS COMMITTEE "J" Social Issues

CONVENER: Viv Whimster

QUESTION 35(a): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Public Issues Network? *Report pp J1-5*

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

1. That the report be received.
2. Climate Justice: The Methodist Church, Te Haahi Weteriana adopts the Climate Justice Policy submitted to Conference as a living document.
3. Membership of the PIN Oversight Group for 2018-2020 to be: Prince Devanandan, Viv Whimster, Arapera Ngaha, Soana Muimuiheata, Elisapesi Havea, Mataiva Robertson, Marion Hines, David Bush, Asaeli Tulagi, Joeli Ducivaki, Betsan Martin, Peter Lane. Others may be appointed by the President.

QUESTION 35(b): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Interchurch Bioethics Council? *Report pp J5-6*

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), Julie-Anne Barney Katene, and Filo Tu.

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: Manukau, Auckland and Northland Synods

- (a) Given the widespread concern throughout society regarding sexual harassment and abuse in institutions, the Manukau, Auckland and Northland Synods commend the Boundaries Workshop pioneered by Rev Marilyn Welch and request Conference to make attendance at a Boundaries Workshop to become a required part of professional development for all employed by the Church and encouraged for Lay Leaders, especially those offering pastoral care and those working with children and young people.
- (b) That Conference commends to all members of the Church the WCC's Programme "Thursdays in Black" which seeks, through prayer and action, to draw attention to gender based violence. The campaign aims to promote a "World without rape and violence".

Decisions:

1. Conference thanks the Manukau, Auckland and Northland Synods for raising the issues of sexual harassment and abuse and refers 1(a) of the Memorial to Mission Resourcing and Hui Poari for further consideration.
2. Conference commends to all members of the Church the World Council of Church's programme "*Thursdays in Black*", which seeks, through prayer and action to draw attention to gender based violence.

What is the Thursdays in Black Campaign?

Thursdays in Black grew out of the World Council of Churches (WCC) Decade of Churches in Solidarity with Women (1988-1998), in which the stories of rape as a weapon of war, gender injustice, abuse, violence, and many tragedies that grow outward from such violence became all the more visible. But what also became visible was women's resilience, agency and personal efforts to resist such violations.

The campaign was inspired by:

- The **Mothers of the Disappeared** in Buenos Aires, Argentina who on **Thursdays** protested at the Plaza de Mayo, against the disappearance of their children during the violent dictatorship.
- The **Women in Black** in Israel and Palestine, who up to now protest against war and **violence**.
- **Women in Rwanda and Bosnia** who were protesting against the use of **rape** as a weapon of war during the genocide.
- **Black Sash** movement in South Africa protesting against apartheid and its use of violence against black people.

Thursdays in Black: Resistance and Resilience

The campaign is simple but profound. **Wear black on Thursdays**. Wear a pin to declare you are part of the global movement resisting attitudes and practices that permit rape and violence. Show your respect for women who are resilient in the face of injustice and violence. Encourage others to join you.

Often *black* has been used with negative racial connotations. In this campaign *Black* is used as a color of resistance and resilience.

2. Memorial: Vahefonua Tonga

1. As the position of the General Secretary is a significant leadership position within the life of Te Haahi, the person appointed must have the support within the diversity of Te Haahi Weteriana.
2. As there is no consensus within Tauwi regarding the leadership of Gay and Lesbian persons the 4+4 appointing the General Secretary is asked to take this into consideration.

Decision:

1. That Conference refers this Memorial to the Board of Administration for consideration.

3. Memorial: Northland, Auckland, Manukau Synods

Excerpt from the minutes of the Northland, Auckland and Manukau Synod meeting:

Memorial to go to Conference from Northland, Auckland and Manukau Synods

1. That the report of the Evangelical Network not be received.
2. That the Evangelical Network be placed in recess and the current Superintendent be retired with grace and thanks.
3. That the Evangelical Network consult with its constituency as to its future during this 2 year period between Conferences.
4. That a report on the Evangelical Network's future be brought to Conference 2020.

Information:

1. The Evangelical Network's role is more than a single issue opposition to the controversy over human sexuality. It has, throughout its history of the Methodist Revival Fellowship, Aldersgate Fellowship, Methodist AFFIRM, looked to a wider programme – it has always provided educational and inspirational events and material.
2. With the Evangelical Network in recess, the consultation will be undertaken by Evangelical Network members in consultation with the General Secretary.

Decision:

1. See B(ii) Tauwi, Q26(ii)(b): Decisions 2,3 &4.

CONFERENCE 2018 - BOARDS & COMMITTEES

QUESTION 25: What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Council of Conference?

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

10. That **Council of Conference** membership for 2019 be: Te Taha Maori: Keita Hotere (Co-Convenor), Gillian Laird, Rex Nathan, Hinga Ormsby, Alison Ranui, Shirley Rivers, Te Aroha Rountree, Harry Tawhai, Robina Wichman and one other to be appointed. Substitutes: Alamaine McGregor, Laura Maruera, Tamati Rakena, Tiki Porima-Ryan. Tauwiwi: Tony Franklin-Ross (Co-Convenor), Andrew Doubleday, Mataiva Robertson, Tevita Finau, Rachael Masterton, Ruta Fa'afuata, Asaeli Tulagi, Casey Fa'au, Metui Tafuna. Resource People: President, Vice President, General Secretary, Principal Trinity College, Directors of Mission Resourcing, Tumuaki. Substitutes: chosen from past members.

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

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

2. The membership of the **Budget Task Group** for 2019 is: President, Vice-President (Chair), General Secretary, the Tumuaki of Te Taha Maori, Saunoa Tulou, Rex Nathan, Hiueni Nuku, Kathryn Walters, Arapera Ngaha along with Connexional Staff in attendance

QUESTION 25(d): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the PAC Distribution Group?

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

2. That the **PAC Distribution Group** for 2019 be: Saunoa Tulou, Tara Tautari, Richard Biddle, Harry Tawhai, Hiueni Nuku, Catherine Petaia, Te Wehenga Laird, Prince Devanandan (Ex-President), David Bush (General Secretary).

QUESTION 26(i) What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the tangata whenua, Te Taha Māori?

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

3. The 2019 membership of **Hui Pōari** shall be: Tumuaki Diana Tana, Rex Nathan, Keita Hotere, Arapera Ngaha; Tai Tokerau: Frances Rakena, Delwyn Beckham; Tamaki: Gillian Laird, Te Aroha Rountree; Waikato: Doreen Wilson, Shirley Rivers; Te Rohe Potae: Hinga Ormsby; Taranaki: Alison Ranui; Laura Maruera; Poneke: Alamaine McGregor; Otautahi: Roslyn Wilkie; Rangatahi: Te Wehenga Laird, Tamati Rakena; and representatives for Waikato, Taranaki, Te Rohe Potae, Poneke and Otautahi-Te Waipounamu to be appointed by the President.
4. The 2019 **Liaison Persons** of the Rohe shall be: Tai Tokerau: Frances Rakena; Tamaki: Gillian Laird; Waikato: Doreen Wilson; Te Rohe Potae: Hinga Ormsby; Taranaki: Alison Ranui; Poneke: Alamaine McGregor and Otautahi: Roslyn Wilkie.
5. The 2019 membership of **Te Runanga Whakawhanaunga I Ngā Hāhi O Aotearoa** shall be Diana Tana, Rex Nathan, Te Aroha Rountree, and Tara Tautari.

QUESTION 26(i)(a): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Te Taha Maori Property Trust?

SUGGESTED DECISION:

3. That Conference confirm that the Board members for **Te Taha Māori Property Trust** for 2018/2020 to be: Arapera Ngaha (Chairperson), Diana Tana (Tumuaki of Te Taha Māori), Rex Nathan, Tara Tautari, Keita Hotere

QUESTION 26(i)(b): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Wellington Methodist Charitable and Educational Endowments Trust?

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

2. The membership of the **Wellington Methodist Charitable and Educational Endowments Trust Board** for 2019 is: Trevor Dine, Motekiai Fakatou, Marten Hutt, Seniorita Laukau, Danette Ngarewa, Neville Price, Diana Tana, Leatuavao Viko Aufaga, Matthew (Matt) Roberts (Chairperson), Myra Tautau (Secretary), and any others appointed by the President.
3. Note that John Willis is a co-opted member of the Board and Treasurer.

QUESTION 27(a): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Law Revision?

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

8. That the **Law Revision Committee** for 2019 be: Ruby Manukia-Schaumkel, Jill van de Geer, Peter Williamson, Jan Tasker, Stuart Grant, Lynne Frith, Rowan Smiley, Kathleen Tuai Ta'ufo'ou, Janine Tuivaiti, Tanya Asa, The General Secretary, Donald Phillipps (Corresponding member).

QUESTION 28: What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Administration Division?

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

4. That the members of the **Board of Administration** for 2019 be: Nan Russell (Chair), Ruby Manukia-Schaumkel, Digby Prosser, Rex Nathan, Dale Peach, Marama Hotere, Tovia Aumua, Paul Wells and David Bush (General Secretary).

Connexional Financial Review Committee

2. That the members of the **Connexional Financial Review Committee** for 2019 be: David Bush (General Secretary), Paul Wells, Rex Nathan, Craig Fisher, Setaita T. K. Veikune (President), Nicola Teague Grundy (Vice President), with Connexional staff in attendance.

Methodist Connexional Property Committee

8. The Board of Administration records that it has appointed the following members to the **Methodist Connexional Property Committee** for 2019: Norman West (Chair), David Ayers, Carol Dale, Edwin Talakai, Janet Chambers, Andrew Doubleday, Trevor Hoggard, Peter Moss, Jill van de Geer, Joshua Robertson, David Bush (General Secretary).

QUESTION 28(a): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Investment Advisory Board?

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

3. That the 2019 Board of the **Investment Advisory Board** be: Chris Gregory, David Johnston, David Cleal, David Hunt, Jane Davel, Jill van de Geer, Richard Devereux, Meleane Nacagilevu, David Bush (General Secretary).

QUESTION 28(b): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Methodist Trust Association?

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

3. That the 2019 Board of the **Methodist Trust Association** be: Chris Gregory, David Johnston, David Cleal, David Hunt, Jane Davel, Jill van de Geer, Richard Devereux, Meleane Nacagilevu, David Bush (General Secretary).

QUESTION 28(d): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the PACT 2086 Trust?

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

2. That the 2019 Board of **PACT 2086 Trust** be: Chris Gregory, David Johnston, David Cleal, David Hunt, Jane Davel, Jill van de Geer, Richard Devereux, Meleane Nacagilevu, David Bush (General Secretary).

QUESTION 28(e): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Robert Gibson Trust?

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

2. That the **Robert Gibson Trust Board** for 2018-19 be: Preston Bulfin, Rev Tony Bell, Rev David Bush (General Secretary), John Chittenden, Ian Harris (Synod Representative), Mark Hughson, John Lefleming, Susan Malthus, Steve Nicholas, Mataiva Robertson and Bill Yateman.

QUESTION 28(h): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Professional Development Grants Committee?

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

4. That **Professional Development Grants Committee** membership for 2018-20 shall be: Sonia Faulkner, Lynne Frith (Convenor), Jackie McGeorge, Suiva'aia Te'o, Mary West (Secretary), Diana Tana (Tumuaki), Nasili Vaka'uta (Principal, Trinity College), David Bush (General Secretary/Corresponding), a Mission Resourcing Director, and two additional names to be brought to Conference.

QUESTION 29: What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Ministry Trinity College?

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

1. That **Trinity College Council** members for 2019 are: Arapera Ngaha (Chair), Nāsili Vaka'uta (Principal), Richard Biddle, Lynne Frith, Tovia Aumua and Steven Hargreaves.

QUESTION 29(a): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Wesley College Trust Board?

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

1. The 2018/2019/2020 membership of the **Wesley College Trust Board** is: Diana Tana, Colin Telford, Norman Johnston, Gillian Laird, Wesley Mansell, Meleane Nacagilevu, Harvey O'Loughlin, Barry Shuker, Patisepa Tala'imanu, David McGeorge, and Andrew Caughey.

QUESTION 30: What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Mission Resourcing?

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

1. Conference appoints the following members of the Human Sexuality Work Group: Jill van de Geer, Susan Thompson, Opeta Amani, Barbara Peddie, Mary Caygill, Melanaite Taumoefolau, Michael Lemanu, David Poultney, Mataiva Robertson, Ikilife Pope, Paul Ieli, Eseta Penaia, Martin Oh, and the Directors of Mission Resourcing.
2. Members of the **Board of Mission Resourcing** for 2018-2020 shall be: Marilyn Welch (Chairperson). Freddy de Alwis, Graeme White, Sireli Kini, Chris Johnston, Tovia Aumua, Trevor Hoggard (Director English Speaking Ministries), Siosifa Pole (Director Pasifika Ministries).

Trounson Trust

3. That the Members of the **James & Martha Trounson Benevolent Trust** for 2019 be: Mary West (Convenor), Metui Tafuna, Judy Pope, Colin Telford, Trevor Hoggard (Corresponding Member).

QUESTION 30(b): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Diaconate Task Group?

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

4. **Diaconate Task Group** Membership 2018-19: Co-convenors – Dcns Margaret Birtles & Edna Evans along with Sesi Hafoka, Brenda Fawkner, and Megan Alley.

QUESTION 30(c): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to The Methodist Lay Preacher's Network?

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

3. That the **Methodist Lay Preachers Network** Convenors be: Viv Whimster (Convenor), Syd Easton, Ngaire Southon (Co-Convenors).

QUESTION 31: What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Faith & Order?

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

2. That membership of **Faith and Order** for 2018-20 consist of; Rev David Poultney (Convener,) Rev Robyn Allen-Goudge, Rev Norman Brookes, Rev Jan Fogg, Rev Tony Franklin-Ross, Rev Andrew Gamman (2018-19 only) Mrs Cathie Hoggard, Rev Dr Trevor Hoggard, Mr Peter Lane, Rev Paulo Ieli, Rev Falaniko Mann Taito, Rev Goll Manukia, Rev Ikilifi Pope, Mr Rowan Smiley, Rev Alivereti Uludole.
That membership of the Methodist team in the **Methodist-Catholic dialogue** consist of; Rev Dr Trevor Hoggard (Co-convener), Rev Tony Franklin-Ross, Rev Keita Hotere, Rev Setaita Kinahoi-Veikune Rev David Poultney, Rev Tovia Aumua, Rev Dr Terry Wall.
That membership of the Methodist team in the **Methodist-Anglican dialogue** consist of: Rev Tony Franklin-Ross (Co-Convenor), Rev Dr Trevor Hoggard, Rev David Poultney, Rev Dr Terry Wall, Rev Prince Devanandan, plus one other appointed by the President.

QUESTION 32: What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Methodist Social Services?

- (a) Methodist Alliance Establishment Working Group
- (b) Methodist Mission Northern
- (c) Wesley Wellington Mission (Wesley Community Action)
- (d) Christchurch Methodist Mission
- (e) Methodist Mission Southern (Dunedin)
- (f) Palmerston North Methodist Social Services
- (g) Hamilton Methodist Social Services (Methodist City Action)
- (h) Vahefonua Tonga Methodist Mission Charitable Trust
- (i) Sinoti Samoa Methodist Mission

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

2. The membership of the following boards for 2019 be:

Methodist Alliance Steering Group

Jill Hawkey (Convenor), Carol Barron (National Co-ordinator), Kim Penny, Peter Norman, one of the Mission Resourcing Directors, Maxine Campbell, Kathleen Tuai-Ta'ufo'ou, Moira Lawler, David Hanna, Arapera Ngaha, Marion Hines, Rex Nathan, Anne Preston, Rachael Masterton

and Olive Tanielu. Further members to be appointed by the President once their Methodist Alliance membership is finalised.

Airedale Property Trust

John Murray (Chairperson), Warren Chapman, Mel Easton, Hedy Huang, David Hunt, Prof Keith Hooper, John MacDonald, Sue McKinnon, Christina van Bohemen, Greg Wright, and further members to be appointed by the President.

Christchurch Methodist Mission

Garth Nowland-Foreman (Chairperson), Pam Sharpe, Martin Hadlee, Ngaere Dawson, David Caygill, Rev. Andrew Donaldson, Roz Wilkie, Siu Williams-Lemi, Andrew Hercus.

Hamilton Methodist Social Services Trust

Rev. John Murray, Rev. Metuisela Tafuna, Rev Tania Shackleton, Faye Blossom, Martine Radidi and further members to be appointed by the President.

Methodist Mission Northern

Marion Hines (Chairperson), Rev Prince Devanandan, David Hunt, Rev John MacDonald, Rev Rex Nathan, Aarif Rasheed, Tara Solomon, Rev Marilyn Welch, Greg Wright and further members to be appointed by the President.

Methodist Mission Southern

Julie Pearse (Chairperson), Austen Banks, Keith McKenzie, Natalie Karaitiana, Rachael Masterton, Nigel Pitts, Richard Devereux, one other to be approved by the President, and Laura Black (Director).

Ministry with the Deaf Trust

Norman Brookes (Chairperson), John MacDonald (representing MMN), Glen Schischka (representing the Auckland Deaf Fellowship), Kathy Hohepa (Treasurer), Peter Grundy (Secretary).

Palmerston North Methodist Social Services

Cathy McCartney (Chairperson), Jill White, John Ross, Philip McConkey, Carla na Nagara, Bette Flagler, Helen Simmons.

Sinoti Samoa Methodist Mission

Filo Tu-Faleupolu (Chair), Malavai P-Misikei, Faleatua Faleatua, the Sinoti Samoa Executive and two others to be named.

Tamahere Eventide Home Trust

Neville Jack (Chairperson), Beverley Attrill, George Diprose (Deputy Chair), Ken Olsen, Shane Vanin, Emma Falconer, John Walsh, Peter Schaare, LEEANNE Wilson, Carole Fleming.

The Lifewise Trust

Marion Hines (Chairperson), Vaughn Davis, Peter Glensor, Tayyaba Khan, Rev John MacDonald, Rohan MacMahon, Rev Rex Nathan and further members to be appointed by the President.

Vahefonua Tonga Methodist Mission Charitable Trust

Rev Tevita Finau (Chairperson), Dr. Melenaite Taumoefolau, Edwin Talakai, Rev Moi Kaufononga, Senorita Laukau, Viliami Liava'a (Secretary).

Wesley Community Action

Peter Glensor (Chairperson), David Hanna (Director), Trish Hall, Senorita Laukau, Colin Hamlin, Hiueni Nuku, Murray Wu, Rev. Motekiai Fakato, Dr Roger Blakeley, and Leah Haines.

QUESTION 33(a): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Mission and Ecumenical Affairs?

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

5. Conference affirms that the President, Director Mission and Ecumenical, Cornelia Grant and Rex Nathan be the representatives of Methodist Church of New Zealand in the **National Dialogue for Christian Unity**.
10. The **Mission and Ecumenical Board** membership for 2019 be: Rev. Uesifili Unasa, (Chairperson), Linda Hall, Rev. Ian Faulkner, TeRito Peyroux, Lesieli Samiu, Jackie McGeorge, Te Aroha Rountree, Maungorongongo Tito, Rev. Abhishek Solomon, Rev. Dr. Terry Wall and Casey Lita Fa'aui, and Rev Prince Devanandan (Director, Ex officio)

QUESTION 34(a): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Methodist Publishing Board?

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

5. That the **Methodist Publishing Board** for 2019 be: David Bush (General Secretary), Barbara Peddie (Chair), Kathryn Walters, Ady Shannon (Editor), Mele Molitika, Valerie Marshall, Alec Utting and Jim Stuart (Corresponding Members).

QUESTION 34(b): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Media & Communications Endowment Fund?

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

1. The **Media & Communications Endowment Fund Committee** for 2019 be: Trish Moseley Taylor (Convenor), Gillian Laird, Te Rito Peyroux, Robyn Allen-Goudge and one member (to be advised and approved by the President).

QUESTION 35(a): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Public Issues Network?

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

3. Membership of the **Public Issues Network Oversight Group** for 2018-2020 to be: Prince Devanandan, Viv Whimster, Arapera Ngaha, Soana Muimuiheata, Elisapesi Havea, Mataiva Robertson, Marion Hines, David Bush, Asaeli Tulagi, Joeli Ducivaki, Betsan Martin, Peter Lane. Others may be appointed by the President.

QUESTION 35(b): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Interchurch Bioethics Council?

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

2. The Methodist members of the **InterChurch Bioethics Council** for the 2019 will be: Barbara Peddie (Co-chair), Julie-Anne Barney Katene, and Filo Tu.

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