



**NZMWF Executive Committee with South Pacific and World Officers**

## A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT

Christmas greeting season to everyone. Trust that everyone is moving with the Spirit of Christmas and all the preparation to welcome the Messiah. I hope that everyone is looking forward to celebrate Christmas festive season with love ones, whanau and Church community as well. Wishing You a Safe and Happy Holiday Season. As we close the year, I want to extend my heartfelt gratitude and warm wishes to everyone in our New Zealand Methodist Women's Fellowship (NZMWF) community. We recently concluded our council, filled with meaningful discussions and decisions that will guide us forward. The new year promises to bring even more fantastic work as we continue to serve our mission together. Additionally, our conference has wrapped up, and it was a joy to showcase the impactful work of NZMWF to the wider connexion. Thank you to everyone who contributed to making this a moment of celebration and shared learning. I am deeply thankful for my executive team, whose graciousness and generosity of service have been instrumental to our achievements. To all district presidents, leaders, and the women of NZMWF, may you have a cheerful and wonderfully safe Christmas. I look forward to seeing you again in the new year as we step into the next chapter of our journey together.

To leave you with inspiration this season, here are verses from the hymn Each Christmastide:

"Each Christmastide gives us space for a journey,  
Journey to places that dwell deep within.  
There we find sparkles of night's silent stillness,  
Wombs where re-birthing of spirits begin.  
Wombs of our newness hold angels' sweet voices  
Singing the songs that the Cosmos still sings,  
Songs of the cattle and all of creation,  
Nurturing mangers that Nature still brings.  
Each Christmastide, we sing with joy  
Of peace, goodwill to all.  
May love abound and hope endure,  
With Christ, we hear the call."

May the peace of the season fill your hearts and homes.

Meri Kirihieme and blessings,  
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President, NZMWF

