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TAUIWI STRATEGY & STATIONING COMMITTEE

The Mission Statement shall guide the Tauwi Strategy and Stationing Committee:

“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.”

1. TAUIWI STRATEGY AND STATIONING COMMITTEE FUNCTIONS AND RELATIONAL LINKS

- (a) The Tauwi Strategy and Stationing Committee will, within the terms of the Mission Statement and the functions outlined below, act for the Tauwi Church.
- (b) Specifically the Tauwi Strategy and Stationing Committee will:
 - dialogue with the Council of Conference on matters of policy.
 - develop a cohesive Tauwi Strategy for ministry and mission in consultation with the appropriate units and Ecumenical Agencies.
 - develop the bicultural understanding and practice of Tauwi.

- attend to Taiuiwi Stationing.
 - deal with general matters relating to Taiuiwi staff.
 - attend to such other matters as may from time to time be requested by Conference.
- (c) In terms of relationships the Taiuiwi Strategy and Stationing Committee will:
- consult with Council of Conference regarding matters of policy.
 - report annually to Conference and make recommendations relating to stationing, strategy and policy implementation.
 - report to Synods and Advisory Committees as appropriate.
 - consult with the Ministry Education and Mission Resourcing, Mission & Ecumenical Committee, Wesleycom and other Methodist and ecumenical agencies on matters affecting the mission of the Church.
 - The Taiuiwi Strategy and Stationing Committee will appoint two people to act as Facilitators for the Conference meeting of the Taiuiwi Caucus and meeting.

2. CRITERIA FOR MEMBERSHIP OF THE TAIUIWI FORUM

- (a) The nominating groups (Synods, Advisory Committees, Evangelical Network) will take into account: skills, gender, age, geography, lay ordained, and theological perspectives, of those they are nominating;
- (b) ideally have 2-3 years Synod experience;
- (c) an ability to be objective, reflecting on the needs of the church as a whole, rather than tied into parochial intents;
- (d) an ability to hold together Parish, District, Connexional, and personal needs;
- (e) a person who enjoys the trust and the respect of the District or Connexion in relation to this kind of task;
- (f) the following will be used in selecting members for the Taiuiwi Strategy and Stationing Committee:
 - membership of the Methodist Church or a Partner Church in a Co-operating Venture.
 - an understanding and commitment to the Mission Statement and the Bicultural Journey;
 - ability to think creatively and theologically;
 - able to work in groups;
 - understanding of society and the Church - of how it is in Aotearoa at present;
 - an awareness of the place of Co-operating Ventures in the life of the Church;
 - a commitment of communicating with the wider Church.

3. MEMBERSHIP

The membership of the Tauivi Strategy and Stationing Committee be: Two people from each District/Synod (one lay, one ordained, at least one of whom will be District Superintendent), the leader and one other from Bose ko Viti e Niu Siladi (one lay, one ordained), the Superintendent Evangelical Network (with the option of a lay representative), the Director Mission Resourcing, Director Ministry Education (Principal), General Secretary, President, Vice President and any Tauivi member of Council of Conference not otherwise attending.

The Director of Mission Resourcing will be the Executive Officer.

4. TAUIVI STRATEGY & STATIONING will meet three times a year as follows:

- February-March, this meeting will come before the first meeting of the Council of Conference.
- August/September, this meeting includes Stationing.
- Thursday prior to Conference.

5. STATIONING COMMITTEE

- (a) The August/September Tauivi Strategy and Stationing Committee will prepare its Provisional Matchings for stationing Presbyters moving and parishes seeking appointment may attend this meeting.
- (b) In preparing the Provisional Matching, the Tauivi Strategy and Stationing Committee draw on the information in its Presbyter and Parish Profiles and District Strategies.
- (c) Tauivi Strategy and Stationing Committee will give priority consideration to the District Strategy for Stationing.
- (d) Profile preparation is the responsibility of the Coordinating District Superintendent in consultation with Mission Resourcing.
- (e) Following the Tauivi Strategy and Stationing Committee meeting, Face-to-Face meetings are arranged by the District Superintendent.