

# Conference Staff

Wesley College, Auckland

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# Conference Day to Day

Wesley College, Auckland

## Venue Locations

**Wesley College:** State Highway 22, Paerata

### *Friday 30 September* - Wesley College: State Highway 22, Paerata

11:00am – 5:30pm	<b>Registration open in foyer of Recreation Centre</b>
10:00am	Stationing Committee ( <i>Day Room</i> )
1:00pm	<b>Lunch</b>
2:00pm – 5:00pm	Tauwi Strategy ( <i>Day Room</i> )
2:00pm – 5:00pm	Te Taha Maori ( <i>TBA</i> )
5:30pm	Wesley Historical Society AGM/Dinner (\$32.20 incl. GST) registration required ( <i>Chapel</i> )

### *Saturday 1 October* - Wesley College: State Highway 22, Paerata

	<b>Registration open 9:00am to 10:45am &amp; 1:00pm to 4:15pm in Recreation Centre</b>
6:45am	Karakia for new Subdivision 'Wesley New Town'
9:30am	Ground Breaking Ceremony for new Subdivision 'Wesley New Town'
8:30am – 9:30am	Evangelical Network Breakfast ( <i>Dining Room</i> )
9:00am	Introduction to Conference ( <i>TBA</i> )
10:15am	<i>Families of the Deceased meet with Tumuaiki (Lounge – Recreation Centre)</i>
10:30am	Powhiri / Welcome – Please wait in the car park to be called in. ( <i>Recreation Centre</i> )
11:30am	Service to Honour Those Who Have Died ( <i>Whole Conference</i> )
12:30pm	<b>Lunch for all attendees (Dining Room)</b>
12:30pm	Presidential Lunch with Families of the Deceased ( <i>Lounge – Recreation Centre</i> )
2:00pm	Induction Service for President and Vice President
3:30pm	<b>Afternoon Tea</b>
4:15pm	Recognition of Retirees / End of Ministries
5:30pm	Ordination Service Practice
6:30pm – 10:00pm	<b>Evening Meal - with guest speaker</b> ( <i>\$32.20 for those not registered for Conference</i> )

### *Sunday 2 October* - Wesley College: State Highway 22, Paerata

9:30am	Conference Worship ( <i>Recreation Centre</i> )
10:00am	Te Taha Maori & Tauwi Meetings
1:00pm	<b>Lunch</b> ( <i>for Conference Representatives only – Dining Room</i> )
1:00pm	Lay Preachers meeting and meal ( <i>Venue TBA</i> ) ( <i>registration required – no cost</i> )
2:30pm	Ordination Service ( <i>Recreation Centre</i> )
4:30pm	<b>Afternoon Tea</b>
	<b>Free time and own arrangements for Dinner</b>
6:00pm	Dinner at Wesley College ( <i>Registration essential</i> )
6:00pm	Liberal Society/Evangelical Network Meeting/Dinner ( <i>registration required, Petals &amp; Pots Café, 25 Paerata Road, Pukekohe - \$39 incl. GST</i> )
6:30pm	Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual & Transgender Network & Friends Dinner (GLAM) ( <i>all are welcome</i> ), Paasha Turkish Cafe, Pukekohe <a href="http://www.paashaturkishcafe.co.nz">http://www.paashaturkishcafe.co.nz</a> RSVP Nan Russell <a href="mailto:nan@ohug.com">nan@ohug.com</a> or (027) 239 2185

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

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

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

# Business Committees

Wesley College, Auckland

**A. COUNCIL OF CONFERENCE**

*Convenors: Gillian Laird and Opeta Amani*

Council of Conference  
PAC Distribution Group  
Budget Task Group

**B(i) TE TAHA MAORI**

*Convenors: Keita Hotere and Shirley Rivers*

Te Taha Maori  
Wellington Charitable & Educational Trust

**B(ii) TAUWI**

*Convenors: Opeta Amani and one TBA*

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

**C. LAW REVISION**

*Convenor: Ruby Manukia-Schaumkel*

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

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

**E MINISTRY:**

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

**F. FAITH & ORDER**

*Convenor: David Poultney*

**G. SOCIAL SERVICES**

*Convenor: Peter Glensor*

Methodist Alliance Establishment Working Group

Methodist Mission Aotearoa

Social Services

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

**H. MISSION & ECUMENICAL**

*Convenor: Terry Wall*

Methodist Mission & Ecumenical

Ecumenical - National

Ecumenical - International

Christian World Service

**I. COMMUNICATIONS**

*Convenor: Paul Titus*

Methodist Publishing Board

Media & Communications Endowment Fund

**J. SOCIAL ISSUES**

*Convenor: TBA*

Public Questions Network

Interchurch Bioethics Council

# Mission Statement

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

Ko te putake a to tatou Hahi Weteriana i Aotearoa nei, he whakakite atu, he kauwhau hoki i te aroha whakatahuri o te Atua, he mea whakaatu mai i roto i a Ihu Karaiti, me nga Karaipiture. Ko te Wairua Tapu e whakakaha ana i a tatou kia tu maia ai hei tuari ma te Atua i roto i te ao. Otira, ko Te Tiriti o Waitangi te kawenata e whaka o rite ana i ta tatou noho hei tangata whenua, hei 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) Tauwiwi 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 Tauwiwi Strategy Committee each nominate five members for the Conference panel from the membership of their respective Council of Conference members.
2. The Panel is not the Council of Conference (Council membership is a convenient way of selecting Connexionally experienced people).
3. The first task of the panel is to choose two Convenors, one from each of the groups of five.
4. The five members of Taha Maori and the five from Tauwiwi bring to the panel the names agreed by their caucus groups as being appropriate people to lead Te Haahi for the following Connexional year.
5. In conversation as a group, the panel's task is to come to a consensus as to the names of the President and Vice President Elect. Only those names which are common to both caucus groups are to be considered. The panel does this as a Conference panel, having listened into the discussions in their respective caucus groups as to both the task of the Presidency and the qualities required in this coming year.
6. The Panel should, from the names acceptable to both caucus groups for Presidency, select the President, having regard to the qualities and skills necessary for that office. The panel should then, from the names acceptable to both caucus groups for the Vice Presidency, select the Vice President, having regard to the qualities and skills necessary for that office and the person whom the Panel believes would be able to work in a complementary manner with the President as a Presidential team.
7. If there are no names in common for either President or Vice President, the two caucus groups shall reconvene to enquire whether any names not previously forwarded to the 5+5 from the list of nominations in the Conference agenda, would then be acceptable. If additional names are agreed upon, the panel meets again and follows the process from paragraph 4 above.
8. (a) In the event that it is still not possible to have any names in common for the presidency, then the current President and Vice President remain in office for a further year.  
(b) In the event that there is a commonality which enables the selection for President but not the Vice President the existing Vice President will remain in office with the newly elected President for a further year.
9. If the panel members at any point in their conversations require any assistance that may help them reach a consensus they may call on the General Secretary and the Legal Advisor.
10. The request for assistance is conveyed to both parties by one or other of the Convenors.
11. The request for assistance, noting the specific reasons for the assistance, is to be put in writing by the panel.
12. The assistance given by General Secretary and Legal Adviser is also noted in writing by the two Convenors and checked for accuracy prior to the General Secretary and Legal Adviser leaving the panel.
13. Having come to a consensus, the Convenors report to the General Secretary that the appropriate process has been followed, and name the President and Vice President for the next year.
14. At an appropriate time the General Secretary reports to President that this is the decision of the panel.
15. The names of the duly appointed President and Vice- President Elect are then announced by the President.

# Guidelines for...

## Conference Decision Making

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

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

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

### **PRINCIPLES**

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

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

### **DECISION-MAKING STRATEGIES**

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

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

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

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

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

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



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

## **MEMBERS' RESPONSIBILITIES**

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

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

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

## **PROCESSES**

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

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

#### **Discussion**

Contribution which assists decision is about

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

#### **Consensus**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Conference then divides into Taha Maori and 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:** Jan Tasker and Opeta Amani
- **Te Taha Maori:** Will choose their facilitators at their pre-conference meeting

The facilitators will then take what action they feel is appropriate

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

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

- **Step One: Starting together**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

to be taken "En-Bloc"

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

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

### **FUNCTION – COUNCIL OF ELDERS**

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

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

# Members of Conference

Wesley College, Auckland 2016

<b>President of Conference:</b>	Prince Devanandan
<b>General Secretary:</b>	David Bush
<b>Ex-President of Conference:</b>	Tovia Aumua

NOTE: The following lists are for registrations as at 29 August 2016. Updates will appear in the supplementary papers.

## Presbyters

Ahn, David	Nicholas, Mary
Amituana'i, Ieremia Amani	Norman, Peter
Aoina-Salesa, Ali'itasi	Paea, Holakitu'akolo
Biggs, Don	Peach, Dale
Boddy, Ian	Peddie, Barbara
Caygill, Mary	Petaia, Neti
Chandra, Suresh	Pole, Siosifa
De Alwis, Freddy	Poultney, David
Doubleday, Andrew	Preston, Anne
Faafuata, Iakopo	Pupulu, Utumau'u
Fakatou, Motekiai	Shackleton, Tania
Faleatua, Faleatua Fa'atoafe	Solomon, Abhishek
Faulkner, Ian	Subhan, Augusten
Finau, Tevita	Sundberg, Leigh
Fisi'iahi, Kuli	Tana, Diana
Fogg, Jan	Taufa, Saikolone
Franklin-Ross, Tony	Taufalele, Tevita
Frith, Lynne	Taunga, Simote
Greer, Michael	Taylor, Peter
Han, Hui Young	Teo, Suiva'aia
Havea, Manoa	Thompson, Susan
Hoggard, Trevor	Tupou, Hosea
Hotere, Keita	Tuwere, Ilaitia Sevati
Ieli, Paulo	Unasa, Uesifili
Isaia, Limu	van de Geer, Jill
Kaisa, Kalo	Wall, Terry
Mann-Taito, Falaniko	Walters, Kathryn
Manu, Tavake	Williamson, Peter
Misilei, Misilei	
Molineux, Alison	
Molitika, Melema'u	
Mudavanhu, Jannet	
Muzondiwa, Amos	
Nathan, Rex	
Ngahe, Vaituulala	

**Deacons**

Alley, Megan  
Birtles, Margaret  
Fawkner, Brenda

**Lay Ministers****Members of Other Churches in Full Connexion**

Vaka'uta, Nasili  
Welch, Marilyn

**Ministers from Other Churches Serving the Conference**

MacDonald, John

# Lay Representatives

Wesley College, Auckland 2016

**Vice President of Conference:** Viv Whimster  
**Ex-Vice President of Conference:** Arapera (Bella) Ngaha  
**Legal Advisor:** Ruby Manukia-Schaumkel

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Council of Conference	Tito, Sharon
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NZ Methodist Women's Fellowship	Tanielu, Olive
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Trinity College Council	Biddle, Richard
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Manukau  
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Otago Southland Synod  
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Papatoetoe Samoan Parish  
Sinoti Samoa  
Sinoti Samoa

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Akeripa, Maureen  
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