

TONGAN DISTRICT NZMWF

President Mataiva and two executive members, Leu Pupulu and Naofetalaiga Etimani had the wonderful opportunity to attend the Tongan District Rally in Auckland on the 23rd to 25th September 2011. This visit coincided with the Tongan Choral services at the same time so the ladies got to experience first hand the choir of angels.

This was an extra bonus for our President as her special birthday celebrations were shared with our fellow Tongan sisters and she was truly blessed by the whole weekend. Thank you to Rev Setaita Veikune, President Selila and her Executive team for this wonderful gathering. The presentation of Tongan treasures such as Tapa Cloth, fine mats and beautiful handmade accessories made these women feel like Royalty—a truly memorable event.

May God bless you all tenfold for your wonderful hospitality and beautiful gifts.

Upcoming Presidential visits

Nelson/Marlborough	23.02.2012
North Canterbury	12.03.2012
South Canterbury	13.03.2012
Waikato/Thames	16.04.2012

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NATIONAL COUNCIL 2011

National Council this year was held in New Plymouth from 30th September to 2nd October 2011 at the Belt Road campsite.

For all those delegates who attended, I'm sure you will agree that we all had a fantastic time of engaging and sharing together. From the opening ceremony in which we shared of our beloved sisters who have passed on before us to join our Lord and Saviour to the inspirational morning devotions in which we learnt about positive open communications and the importance of engaging together is vital to successful relationships. Relationships with our Lord and Father, and relationships within our NZMWF.

We also had the opportunity to go sight seeing around our beautiful city. In this time we were able to take some beautiful photos as memories of our time spent together.

Photo taken at the Te Wera Wera bridge, New Plymouth.



Christmas Meringue Roulade

Preparation time: 25 minutes serves 6-8

Cooking time: 25 minutes

Ingredients:

1 tsp. cornflour

1 tsp. vanilla essence

1 tsp. white wine vinegar

4 eggs

3/4 cup caster sugar

3/4 cup cream (lightly whipped)

1 x 410g can Watties peaches (sliced, drained and diced)

Raspberry and Maple Coulis

500g bag frozen raspberries, thawed or 2 cups fresh

2 Tbsp. Cottee's Maple flavored syrup

Preheat oven to 160°C fan bake or 180°C conventional

Line a 23cm x 32cm Swiss roll tin with baking paper

Mix together cornflour, vanilla essence and white wine vinegar.

Beat egg whites in a clean bowl until stiff peaks form. Continue beating adding sugar a little at a time alternatively with the cornflour mix. Continue beating until the meringue is stiff and glossy. The meringue will hold its shape when the beaters are lifted out of the bowl.

Spoon the meringue into the prepared tin and roughly spread out to fill the tin. Bake for 20-25 minutes. The meringue should be a pale golden colour and the top should feel crisp and dry to touch. The center will still be soft. Remove from the oven. Place a clean dry tea towel over the meringue and leave to cool in the tin.

Lay a piece of baking paper onto the work surface and turn the meringue onto it with the shortest side closest to you. Spread with whipped cream, to within 10cm from the top of the meringue.

Top with the diced Watties peaches. Carefully roll the meringue away from you to enclose the filling, using the baking powder to help you. The meringue may crack slightly as you roll. Transfer to a serving platter. Dust with icing sugar. Serve with raspberry and maple coulis.

Puree the raspberries in a processor. Push puree through a sieve to remove seeds. Stir through the cottee's maple syrup. Store in the fridge until you're ready to serve.

**We want to wish you a Merry Christmas
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From the bottom of our hearts!!!**

Thank you for all your love, support and prayers for our President Mataiva as she has travelled through her first year as President of the NZMWF. She has enjoyed All the visits and opportunities she has had in her role and looks forward to the Coming New Year.

Also thank you all so much for remembering our Executive Team in your thoughts And prayers. It has been a full on year, but now it is time to sit back and reflect on The highlights of all the events that have taken place within our first year of service As your NZMWF Executive team.

We are all looking forward to seeing and hearing of how your holidays have been And working in service for our Father above in the coming new year 2012.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR TO YOU ALL!!!

Remember all the favourite songs that you can sing on Christ eve with our wonderful Children, friends and families.

In our own church here in New Plymouth, we hop on a bus and go choral singing On Christmas eve to the local resthomes and visit the elderly folk in our community.

We all dress in white clothes and red santa hats and have a wonderful time engaging Together. This truly helps us feel the love of Christ at Christmas and helps others Experience a little of what it is like to be embraced in his holy love as well.

If you know of any one who can't get out and experience these kinds of events, please go to them and share and engage with them. This will help them to feel the blessings Of Christmas and know that someone cares for them.



Greetings from the Liaison Officer

Greetings to all our sisters in Christ

Welcome to our fourth and final newsletter for 2011. On behalf of our President Mataiva Robertson and the NZ Executive Committee, I bring you Christmas wishes and pray for a safe and happy holiday this season. This is such a special time as we all celebrate our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ birth. We trust that our Father above is keeping you all well and safe, especially now that the busyness of the holidays has set in. May Gods many blessings be upon you all.

Report from Wairarapa District

Since our last liaison link, the Wairarapa ladies had their AGM on the 11th of August 2011.

Devotions were led by Barbara Hewson, who read a story from "WALKING WITH GOD AIN'T FOR WIMPS". The District decided to have two meetings a year, which will be on the 2nd Monday's of the month of March and August 2012. March's meeting will be in Martinborough. At the meeting, reports were shared by Martinborough and St Luke's. The ladies shared of the highlights within their fellowships and of the joy they share as they meet together. Guest speaker of the day was Jenny Fleury, from Wairarapa Primary Health Org. She spoke about community services provided and her particular role.

Report from Waitemata District

The Waitemata ladies have enjoyed having their meetings on 8th August and 13th September 2011. The first meeting was at Warkworth. The President shared that the love and fellowships within the groups means that there are very strong bonds within their district, even though numbers are slightly down. There has been interesting programmes throughout the year including:

Rally Day at Manurewa where a number of Ladies could share with the President & Vice President of the MWF, Hostess days, travel talks, learning more about Habitat for Humanity, CWS on special projects, Quiet day at Point Wells and sharing in the World Day of Prayer.

Annette concludes her 4 year term as President of the District and was thanked for her sensitive and creative leadership. Also Barbara Miller Taylor retires from her 30 years for the Kurahuna Committee and was also thanked for her service by the group.

The second meeting was held at Takapuna Methodist Church. The opening devotions were led by Margaret Martin and was taken from the book, 'Don't write my Obituary just yet' by M Buchanan. From this were thoughts of giving encouragement to others. Inside the Missions report, interesting information was shared on recent Ecumenical and Mission developments. This included that the computer lab at Goldie College in Solomon Islands is now in action and that a recent bequest will be put towards the building of the Chaplains house there.

Wanganui / Manuwatu District

President Mataiva and Naofetalaiga Etimani had the opportunity to take part in the District rally which was held on the 21st November 2011 at the Trinity Church, Wanganui.

It was a wonderful gathering where both exec shared the wonderful experience they had whilst visiting this awesome group.

It was great to have gentlemen of the District attend the Rally including Rev. Tony Bell to show their support for their beautiful ladies. Remember folks, behind every good woman is a strong and supportive man. We can all learn from this and realize the importance of engaging and working together. This will be the secret of success as we reach our dreams and follow our aspirations for the NZMWF in the future.