

# Methodist Church Insurance Fund

## Earthquake Recovery Update

1<sup>st</sup> July 2011



*New Brighton Union Parish Church*

### ***This week's update***

- Christchurch North - the Hall has been “green stickered” but the engineer is continuing an assessment of the Church. A cherry picker is required for a closer inspection of the upper portion of the spire base to allow the engineer to ascertain the full extent of the damage. This inspection will be completed next week.
- Ashburton, an inspection by Structex was booked in for today to determine any further damage and any further work required. Once a detailed assessment is completed, work on the architectural drawings and costings for repairs can continue.
- Bryndwr and the Richmond Church we are expecting the engineers to complete a structural assessment in the next two weeks. This will enable the engineers to continue with the design for the repair of the St John's Bryndwr Church started prior to Feb 22<sup>nd</sup>.

- New Brighton Union Parish Church has suffered further significant damage with recent aftershocks in June. The Church has been assessed and it appears the property has now been so severely damaged it is no longer considered to be repairable. The engineers report is due to be completed next week.
- Minor and Moderately damaged properties have recently received updated Ignite reports, thank you to those who have returned these, for those who haven't, please send in as soon as possible, we did request these be returned by last Friday. If any damage that has been listed on the report has worsened, just note this on the report and this will be picked up and included in the tender process. We will be able to get the repairs tendered as soon as all reports are returned.
- Residential properties – there is one residential property in the red zone and two in the orange zone and several residential properties in the white zone still to be assessed. We will keep the Parishes concerned informed as we are advised of anything new.
- The Connexional Office and our Insurance consultants met with the Senior Claims Manager for our Insurers, Ansvar in Christchurch last week. Amstar confirmed that they are very comfortable with the Church's claims procedures and are fully supportive of repair work commencing as soon as possible.