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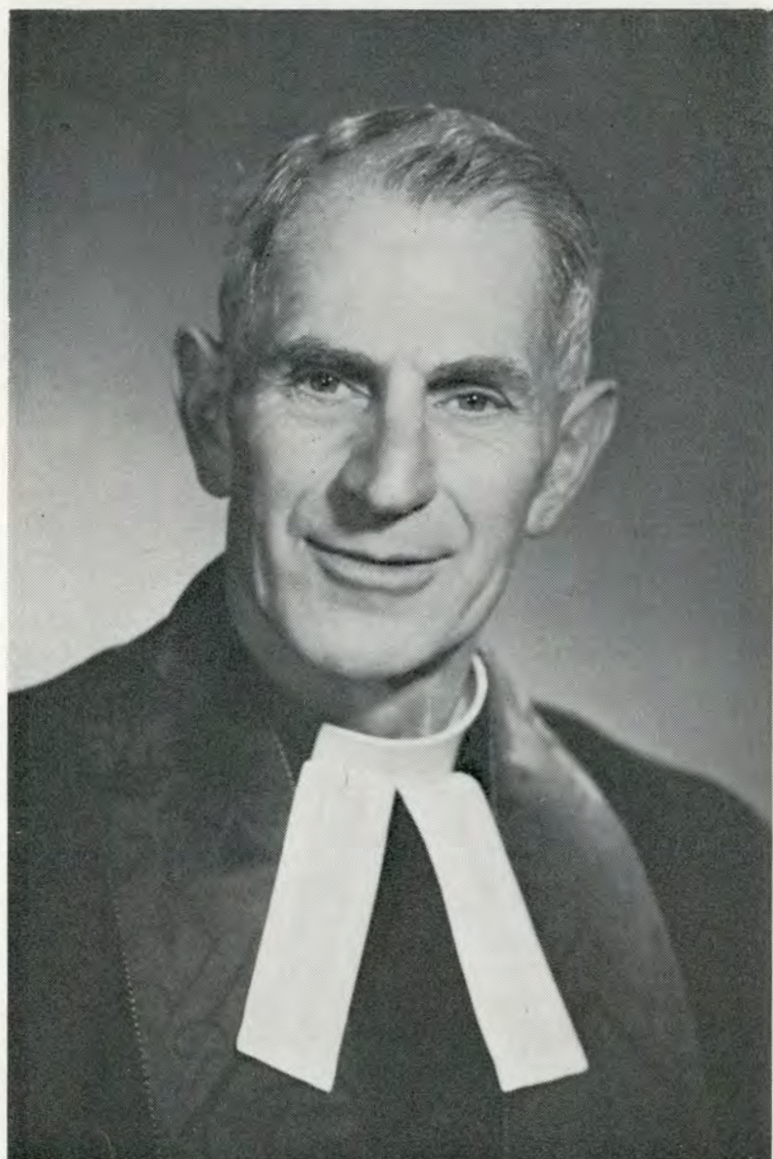
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Organised Methodism in Australasia, as a part of the Foreign Missions under the direction of the British Conference, dates from the appointment of the Rev. Samuel Leigh to New South Wales in 1815.—(Mins. Brit. Conf., 1814.)

"The Missions in Australia, Van Diemen's Land, the Friendly Islands and Feejee" were constituted by the British Conference of 1854 "a distinct Connexion, to be denominated 'The Australasian Wesleyan-Methodist Connexion,' with an Annual Conference, affiliated to the Parent English Conference."—(Mins. Brit. Conf., 1854).

The first Australasian Conference was held in Sydney in the year 1855.

A Scheme of Annual and General Conferences was determined by the Australasian Conference of 1873.

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### **THE FIRST NEW ZEALAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

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### **THE TWENTY-FOURTH NEW ZEALAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

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of the Methodist Church of New Zealand was held in 1913, separation from the General Conference of Australasia having become operative on January 1st of that year by declaration of the President of the General Conference.

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The Sessions of the Conference were opened on Wednesday, 30th October, 1963, at 7.30 p.m., in the Wesley Church, Taranaki Street, Wellington, by the retiring President, Rev. Robert Thornley, M.A. after which the Rev. Athol R. Penn was inducted to the Presidency.

Mr G. Cyril Burton, B.A., Vice-President, was welcomed to that office.

The Secretary, Rev. Howard E. Harkness, M.A., B.D., was welcomed to that office and took up his duties.



# LECTIONARY 1964-65

(FOR OPTIONAL USE OF PREACHERS)

APRIL, 1964		MORNING	EVENING
1st after Easter	5	Leviticus 23 : 1-14 Revelation 5 : 1-14	Job 19 : 1-9, 21-29 John 21 : 1-19
2nd after Easter	12	Exodus 19 : 1-11, 16-20 1 Corin. 15 : 1-11	Lamentations 3 : 22-33 John 11 : 1-16
3rd after Easter	19	Exodus 32 : 1-6, 15-24. 30-5 1 Corin. 15 : 12-28	Isaiah 43 : 1-13 John 11 : 17-28
4th after Easter	26	Exodus 33 : 5-23 1 Corin. 15 : 35-49	Isaiah 62 : 1-12 John 11 : 32-46
MAY			
5th after Easter (Rogation Sunday)	3	Daniel 9 : 1-10, 16-19 Revelation 3 : 7-22	Isaiah 65 : 17-24 Luke 11 : 1-13
Sunday after Ascension (Home & Family Day)	10	Magnificat (No. 7) Hebrews 2 : 1-10	Exodus 24 : 1-18 Luke 24 : 36-53
Whit Sunday	17	Ezekiel 37 : 1-14 Acts 2 : 1-13	Numbers 11 : 16-17, 24-29 John 14 : 15-31
Trinity Sunday (Aldersgate Sunday)	24	Amos 4 : 4-13 2 Peter 1 : 1-11	Isaiah 63 : 7-16 Revelation 4 : 1-11
1st after Trinity	31	Deut. 30 : 15-20 Matthew 11 : 2-19	Judges 4 : 1-22 Acts 9 : 1-19
JUNE			
2nd after Trinity	7	Job 5 : 8-27 Luke 7 : 36-50	Judges 5 : 1-12, 24-31 Acts 9 : 20-31
3rd after Trinity	14	Job 14 : 1-15 Matthew 12 : 22-37	Judges 6 : 1-6, 11-16, 33-40 Acts 14 : 8-27
4th after Trinity	21	Job 40 : 6-24 Matthew 12 : 38-50	Judges 7 : 1-8, 16-21 Acts 15 : 1-20
5th after Trinity	28	Job 42 : 7-17 Mark 4 : 21-41	Judges 14 : 1-18 Luke 8 : 26-39
JULY			
6th after Trinity	5	1 Sam. 8 : 4-22 Acts 5 : 33-42	Ruth 1 : 1-19a Matthew 9 : 27-10 : 1
7th after Trinity	12	1 Sam. 9 : 15-19, 25-10 : 1 Acts 6 : 1-15	Ruth 2 : 1-17 Matthew 10 : 2-15
8th after Trinity (Youth Day)	19	Proverbs 3 : 1-7, 11-17 Luke 2 : 41-52	Proverbs 6 : 6-19 Matthew 10 : 16-33
9th after Trinity	26	1 Sam. 12 : 1-5, 13-15, 23-5 Acts 7 : 51-8 : 4	Proverbs 10 : 1-12 Matthew 10 : 34-11 : 1



AUGUST		MORNING	EVENING
10th after Trinity	2	1 Sam. 15 : 10-23 Acts 8 : 26-40	2 Sam. 7 : 1-17 Mark 6 : 14-29
11th after Trinity (Lay Preachers' Day)	9	Proverbs 20 : 1-12 1 Peter 4 : 7-19	2 Sam. 12 : 1-10, 15-23 John 13 : 1-20
12th after Trinity	16	Proverbs 23 : 15-26 1 Peter 5 : 1-11	2 Sam. 18 : 5-15, 24-33 Acts 16 : 6-15
13th after Trinity	23	Proverbs 25 : 11-28 Mark 7 : 24-37	1 Kings 18 : 1-19 Acts 16 : 16-34
14th after Trinity	30	1 Kings 3 : 4-15 Matthew 15 : 32-16 : 4	1 Kings 18 : 20-46 1 Corin. 12 : 4-14, 26-31

### SEPTEMBER

15th after Trinity	6	1 Kings 10 : 1-13 Mark 8 : 13-26	1 Kings 19 : 1-18 1 Corin. 13
16th after Trinity	13	1 Kings 11 : 43-12 : 20 John 7 : 53-8 : 11	Jeremiah 1 : 4-15, 18-19 John 8 : 12-30
17th after Trinity	20	Isaiah 30 : 1-3, 7-17 Colossians 1 : 21-2 : 7	Jeremiah 2 : 1-13 John 8 : 31-45
18th after Trinity (Temperance Sunday)	27	Jeremiah 35 : 1-10, 18-19 Romans 13 : 1-14	Isaiah 5 : 11-12, 18-24 Matthew 19 : 1-12

### OCTOBER

19th after Trinity (World Commu- nion Day)	4	Psalms 40 : 1-11 (No. 31) John 17.	Malachi 3 : 10-18 Ephesians 2.
20th after Trinity	11	Isaiah 32 : 1-15, 16-18 Colossians 3 : 1-17	Jeremiah 5 : 1-3, 21-31 John 8 : 46-59
21st after Trinity	18	2 Kings 18 : 13-17, 28-37 1 Tim. 6 : 6-19	Jeremiah 6 : 9-16 Luke 13 : 22-24, 31-35
22nd after Trinity (Industrial Sunday)	25	Isaiah 58 : 1-8 Luke 4 : 14-22	Isaiah 35 (No. 69). Revelation 21 : 1-7, 10- 11a, 22-27

N.B.: The Social Creed should be read on this Sunday. (See Minutes, 1952, page 73)

### NOVEMBER

23rd after Trinity (All Saints' Day)	1	Isaiah 51 : 1-11 Matthew 5 : 1-12 (No. 77)	Daniel 12 : 1-4, 8-11 Revelation 7 : 9-17
24th after Trinity (Remembrance Day)	8	Wisdom 3 : 1-9 (No. 74) Revelation 14 : 13- 15 : 4	Isaiah 52 : 7-12 Rev. 19 : 6-16
25th after Trinity	15	Nehemiah 2 : 1-18 James 3 : 5-18	Ezra 1 : 1-8 John 7 : 14-19, 24-36
26th after Trinity (Next before Advent)	22	Micah 6 : 1-8 Hebrews 11 : 1-16	Eccles. 11 : 9-12 : 8 Hebs. 11 : 23-12 : 2
1st in Advent	29	Isaiah 1 : 1-14, 11-20 1 Thess. 4 : 13-5 : 11	Malachi 1 : 1-14 Luke 1 : 5-25

DECEMBER		MORNING	EVENING
2nd in Advent	6	Isaiah 2: 1-4 Romans 15: 4-13	Malachi 2: 17-3: 12 Luke 1: 26-38
3rd in Advent	13	Isaiah 25: 1-9 2 Tim. 3: 1-7, 14-17	Malachi 3: 16-4: 6 Luke 1: 39-56
4th in Advent	20	Isaiah 35: 1-10 Matthew 3: 1-17	Zech. 2: 1-5, 10-13 Luke 1: 57-80
Sunday after Christmas	27	Isaiah 40: 1-11 Luke 2: 21-40	Joshua 1: 1-11, 16-17 1 John 4: 7-21

### JANUARY, 1965

2nd after Christ- mas	3	Isaiah 40: 12-31 Phil. 2: 1-18	Isaiah 42: 10-17 John 1: 1-18
1st after Epiph- any	10	Isaiah 60: 1-9, 18-22 Matthew 2: 1-12	Isaiah 44: 6-20 John 1: 35-51
2nd after Epiph- any	17	Genesis 42: 1-20 Matthew 16: 13-28	Isaiah 49: 14-16, 22-26 1 Corin. 1: 1-17
3rd after Epiph- any	24	Genesis 45: 1-15 Matthew 17: 1-13	Isaiah 50: 4-10 1 Corin. 1: 18-31
4th after Epiph- any	31	Genesis 45: 16-46: 7 Mark 9: 14-29	Isaiah 54: 1-10 1 Corin. 3: 1-13, 16-23

### FEBRUARY

5th after Epiph- any	7	Genesis 48: 1-21 Matthew 17: 22-27	Isaiah 57: 15-21 Hebrews 12: 14-29
Septuagesima (Covenant Sunday)	14	Genesis 17: 1-9 Mark 14: 17-26	Jeremiah 31: 31-34 Romans 6: 1-14
Sexagesima	21	Exodus 17: 1-16 Matthew 7: 1-14	Genesis 13: 1-18 Matthew 7: 15-29
Quinquagesima	28	2 Chron. 28: 8-15 1 John 3: 13-24	Genesis 18: 20-33 Luke 10: 25-42

### MARCH

1st in Lent	7	Joel 2: 12-17 Luke 22: 1-23	Genesis 21: 9-20 Hebrews 4: 14-5: 9
2nd in Lent	14	Amos 7: 7-16a Luke 22: 24-46	Genesis 22: 1-18 Romans 6: 15-23
3rd in Lent	21	Amos 3: 1-6, 8-12 Luke 22: 47-71	Genesis 25: 19-34 Romans 12: 1-21
4th in Lent	28	Amos 5: 18-24 Luke 23: 1-25	Genesis 29: 1-20 1 Peter 2: 11-25

### APRIL

5th in Lent (Passion Sunday)	4	Amos 8: 1-12 Luke 23: 26-49	Genesis 32: 22-32 1 Peter 3: 8-22
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# ALTERNATIVE AND ADDITIONAL PASSAGES SUITABLE FOR SPECIAL DAYS

	MORNING	EVENING
Good Friday	Genesis 22 : 1-14 John 19 : 1-22	Isaiah 52 : 13-53 : 12 Luke 23 : 26-49
Ascension Day	Exodus 24 : 1-18 Acts 1 : 1-14	2 Kings 2 : 1-14 Luke 24 : 36-53
Church Anniversary	1 Kings 8 : 22-30; 1 Chron. 22; 1 Chron. 29: 1-2, 19-20; Haggai 2 : 1-9; Matthew 16 : 13-28; Colossians 1 : 1-20; 1 John 5; 1 Peter 1 : 22-2 : 10.	
Home and Overseas Missions	Exodus 19 : 1-8; Isaiah 11; 40; 60; Hosea 14; Matthew 16 : 13-28; John 3 : 1-21; John 12 : 20-36; Acts 17 : 16-34; Romans 1 : 1-17; Romans 10 : 1-17; Ephesians 4 : 1-16.	
Harvest Thanksgiving	Genesis 8 : 15-22; Deut. 16 : 9-17; Deut. 26 : 1-10, 16-19; Leviticus 26 : 1-13; Ruth 2 : 1-17; Neh. 10 : 32-39; Isaiah 55; Matthew 13 : 24-34; Mark 4 : 1-12; Luke 8 : 4-10, John 4 : 27-38; Galatians 6 : 6-10.	
Spring or Flower Service	Psalm 65; Psalm 126; Genesis 1; Matthew 13 : 1-9; Matthew 13 : 24-30.	
Lay Preachers' Sunday	Exodus 20 : 1-17; Isaiah 55; Psalm 111; Luke 10 : 1-20; John 1 : 35-51; Romans 10 : 1-15.	
A Dedication Service	Numbers 7 : 1-11 Romans 12	1 Chronicles 28 Matthew 10 : 1-23
Watchnight or End of Year	Psalm 90; Exodus 12 : 21-36; Ecclesiastes 3 : 1-15; Matthew 24 : 32-51; Luke 12 : 13-21.	
New Year	Psalm 91; Psalm 103; Matthew 6 : 19-34; 1 Thess. 5; Ephesians 5 : 1-21.	
Christmas Day	Isaiah 7 : 10-14; Isaiah 9 : 2, 6, 7; Neh. 8 : 1-3, 9-12; Isaiah 55; Matthew 1 : 18-25; Luke 2 : 1-20; 1 John 3 : 1-9.	

**QUESTION 1.—Who are the Members of this Conference?**

The List of Members of the Conference is according to the Agenda of Conference, pages 7-13, with such alterations as were reported through the Committees of Districts and duly recorded in the Journal of Conference.

**QUESTION 2.—Who are now admitted as Ministers in Full Connexion with the Conference?**

Bruce W. Edwards	Lawrence E. Salter
G. Kingsley Greening	Brian W. Sides
Arnold C. Hight	A. Kerry Taylor
Russell E. James	William L. Wallace, B.A.
C. Russell Marshall	

**QUESTION 3.—What Preachers remain on Probation?**

John B. Currie	Ian H. Robertson
Graham G. Hawkey	Maynard G. Rutherford
David L. Hines	Frederick G. Waine
Edgar R. Hornblow, L.L.B.	Walter J. D. Wakeling
Barry E. Jones	Alan K. Woodley
Harold C. Pomeroy, B.A.	

Who have travelled two years.

David H. Ansell	Paul A. Garside
David Armstrong	Derek G. Laws
Niven G. Ball	B. Keith Rowe, B.A.
Wallis F. Browne, B.A. (see	Kenneth L. Toomer
Quest. 6).	W. Geoffrey Tucker
Ian L. Clark (see Quest. 6).	John W. White
Ronald E. Fields	

Who have travelled one year.

**QUESTION 4.—What Preachers are now received on Probation?**

Maxwell L. Bruce.	Brian L. Olsen
Ludwig Felderhof	John H. Roberts
Hendrik Gerritson	Charles D. Shave
Michael Maguire	Stuart G. Slinn
Ronald G. Major	Neil E. Smith.
Barry W. Neal	Nelson W. Stockbridge

**QUESTION 5.—What Students are to continue to have Theological Training?**

William A. Chessum	Colin B. Herbert
Edwin B. Clarke	Bruce E. Mackie
Ronald C. Collingwood	Napi Waaka
John G. Hayhurst	Norman J. West

Who are continued for a third year.

Roy M. Alexander	Alastair D. Pain
Robert A. Allan	Te Taotahi John Pihama
A. Roy Bowden	Donald F. Prince
Daniel P. Harris	Keith J. Taylor
Richard J. Hendry	Robert Te Whare
John I. Manihera	Stanley J. West

Who are continued for a second year.

**QUESTION 6.—What candidates are now received for Theological Training?**

Wallis F. Browne, B.A. (see	William R. G. Loader
Quest. 3).	Laurie A. Michie
Ian L. Clark (see Quest. 3).	David C. Pratt
Bruce L. Hosking, B.Com.,	Enid J. Slaney, M.A.
A.R.A.N.Z.	Graeme Taylor.
Colin G. Jamieson	



**QUESTION 7.—Who are now admitted as Solomon Islands Ministers?**

Francis Bongbong.

**QUESTION 8.—Who remain as Solomon Islands Ministers on Probation?**

Leslie Boseto (see also Q.10).

Moses Mosusu.

Who have travelled two years.

**QUESTION 9.—Who are now received as Solomon Islands Preachers on Probation?**

Solomon Alu (see Q.10a).

George Maelagi (see Q.10a).

**QUESTION 10 (a).—Who are now received as Solomon Islands Students for the Ministry?**

Esau Tuza

John Pratt

Nathan Sipuda

Solomon Alu (see Q.9).

George Maelagi (see Q.9).

Luke Deukari (President's List of Reserve).

Elisha Ito (President's List of Reserve).

Joshua Montoru (President's List of Reserve).

**(b) Who are Continued as Solomon Islands Students for the Ministry?**

Matthew Beaso.

Misake Tarurava.

Leslie Boseto (see also Q. 8).

Who are continued for a third year.

Jechoniah Kaskas.

Luke Pitu.

Who are continued for a second year.

**QUESTION 11.(A) What Deaconesses are dedicated at this Conference?**

Lynette Bowker.

Barbara Miller.

Janet Evans.

Shirley Simpson.

Elva Harris.

**(b) What Students are to be received on to Deaconess Probation?**

Shirley Ungemuth.

**(c) What Students are to continue Deaconess Training?**

None.

**(d) What candidates are received for Deaconess Training?**

Marion Jean Alexander.

**QUESTION 12.—What Home Missionary Probationers are there, and have they passed their examinations in their respective years?**

**First Year**

**Second Year**

Owen P. Davies

Laurie A. Michie

Ronald W. Ferguson

E. Thomas Simpkin

Colin G. Jamleson

**QUESTION 13.—What Ministers or Probationers have died since last Conference?**

Frank Bateup  
Ernest O. Blamires  
Harry Cottom  
Herbert Ford  
Albert H. Fowles  
Frederick O. Prosser  
Arthur J. Seamer, C.M.G.  
John Cyril Robert Ashworth (Home Missionary)  
Huru Wiperi (Maori Home Missionary)

**FRANK BATEUP**

Frank Bateup was born at Patea on January 7, 1884, and moved to Richmond, Nelson with his parents soon afterwards. From his youth he was deeply interested in the life and activities of the Richmond Circuit, filling the posts of organist, Sunday School teacher, Local Preacher and Circuit Steward.

He married Miss Rose Lammas, of Richmond, and after serving three years as a Married Home Missionary at Havelock South was accepted as a Candidate for the Ministry and ordained in 1929. His appointments include Picton, Paeroa, Rotorua, Kaeo (Bay of Islands), Willowby and Karori. Ill-health necessitated his retirement in 1948.

Most of his retirement was spent in Thames, where improved health enabled him to take part in Circuit activities. His services included an active interest in the erection of the Puru Church (Thames Coast) which he helped to build and where he did effective pastoral work and held the post of organist.

Mr Bateup's gifts as a devoted pastor were outstanding. He took a keen interest in people and his warm personal affection made him greatly loved by both old and young. Noteworthy was his interest in his young people and his ceaseless concern to win them for Christ. The claims of the Ministry and of full-time Christian work were constantly stressed.

Among our Maori people he exercised a very valuable Ministry. Both in Rotorua and Kaeo he gave much time to visitation and Services in these Maori centres winning widespread affection and esteem.

Mr Bateup died in the Waikato Public Hospital on November 29, 1962 and following a service in St. John's Church, Hamilton East, was interred in the Hamilton Lawn Cemetery. He is survived by Mrs Bateup, 36 Campbell Street, Thames, and two sons and two daughters.

**ERNEST OSWALD BLAMIRES**

Ernest Oswald Blamires, son of the Rev. W. L. Blamires, a President of the Victoria and Tasmania Conference, and the youngest of five brothers, four of whom became Methodist ministers, the other dying when a candidate and Home Missionary, was born in 1881 at Warrnabool, Victoria, and educated at Wesley College, Melbourne. After five years in business life in Melbourne, he came to New Zealand in 1903 to act as supply for the late Rev. T. E. Thomas, at Port Chalmers, and was nominated as a candidate by the late Rev. C. E. Beecroft, at Napier, and after ordination in 1908, travelled in a number of important Circuits. In Dunedin he served for a year as Provincial Secretary of the Otago Branch of the Bible-in-Schools League, and was then appointed to the position of Dominion Organiser in 1928. By 1935 the work had increased to such



an extent that from 1935 he was released from Circuit appointments for the Bible-in-Schools organisation alone. His retirement from the active work of the ministry coincided with his retirement from the position of Organising Secretary of the Bible-in-Schools League, a position in which he served both Church and Community with conspicuous success and marked ability for some eighteen years.

Familiarly known as "E.O." on the cricket field, represented Wellington, Otago and New Zealand, and frequently found cricketers in his congregations. It is interesting to record that his was the privilege of holding the first Mothers' Day service in New Zealand, in Wellington in 1911, and of being one of the first ministers to deliver a sermon over the air in New Zealand at Christmas, 1924, when the idea of Church broadcasts was viewed with some uneasiness by the Churches, lest they should interfere with Church attendances. He also participated in Local Option Campaign in Scotland in 1921, representing the British Wesleyan Temperance Society. Following a fortnight's whirlwind campaign in Shetland, a large part of the island voted "No Licence".

Throughout a long and faithful ministry he had the loyal support and encouragement of his gifted and devoted wife, who herself gave able leadership in so many aspects of Church life. She pre-deceased him by some years.

In 1961 he married again and settling in Takapuna, took an active part in the worship of the local congregation. Until his death, he maintained a very keen and intelligent interest in the work of the New Zealand Council for Christian Education and the New Zealand Alliance. But his was a balanced interest. He was interested in people and while he never made an enemy, that did not mean a lack of passion in his beliefs. In all his dealings with people, i.e., the Roman Catholic hierarchy with regard to Bible-in-Schools, in Temperance work, he was a strong advocate of his cause. It was always the strength of a Christian conviction and in this way he had the confidence of all with whom he worked.

The Church acknowledges the long service of a devoted Servant and extends loving sympathy to Mrs Blamires and to his children.

### **HARRY COTTOM**

Harry Cottom was born in Birmingham in 1879. The loss of both parents by death compelled him, at the early age of 11, to go to work in a market garden. Thus began a life-long interest in horticulture. Fortunately, in his early days, he was attracted by the work of the Heath Street Mission, especially its open air services. After becoming a local preacher he entered the Training Home for Evangelists, which was then conducted by the Rev. Joseph Odell. Two fruitful years were spent in the Home. He was then appointed to the Connexional Mission Van, working in London and in the south of England. Then followed two years "Supply" work in Kent before he was accepted as a Candidate for the Ministry. During one of these years he saw 63 people received into Church membership.

He came to New Zealand in 1909 as a first year Probationer. Two years were spent at Dominion Road, Auckland and two years in Petone and he was ordained in 1913. His marriage to Miss Bertha Payne, of Petone, proved most felicitous. In every possible way Mrs Cottom devoted herself to Christ and the people. Always studious in habit, Mr Cottom kept himself informed on social, political and moral questions. Though of a retiring disposition, he proved himself an able advocate of good causes. His interest

in Prohibition never wavered, nor his zeal for Protestantism. He was a Past Grand Master of the Loyal Orange Lodge of New Zealand. On his retirement, after 40 years' travelling, he settled in Springston, his last appointment, in which he had spent 11 years. He continued to preach until his powers failed. He passed to his reward on February 10, 1963. To his daughter and two sons we extend the sympathy of the Church.

### HERBERT FORD

Herbert Ford was born in Latchford, near Warrington, England, in 1882 and died in Sumner, Christchurch, on November 28, 1962.

As a young man he responded to a call for preachers in Australia and served for some years as a Home Missionary under the Queensland Conference.

Crossing to New Zealand he served as a Home Missionary at Ohura, Te Hapara (Gisborne), Rehia (Northern Wairoa) and Whakataane, for one year in each place.

In 1919 he was a Candidate, and was received on probation, being ordained in 1923. He ministered in no fewer than fourteen circuits, Dunedin (North East Valley), Hamilton (supply), Christchurch (St Albans, Edgeware Road), Auckland Central (Kingsland), Otautau, Geraldine, Paparoa, Woodend, Port Albert, Waitara, Dannevirke, Sanson-Rongotea, Motueka, Westport, and as a Supernumerary Supply at Westport and Temuka. In 1948 he superannuated and resided at Sumner until his death.

Mr Ford was a man of great ability. He possessed unusual gifts. He had almost a genius for friendship and an amazing store of good humour. These gifts, along with a retentive memory, made him the best of company. His preaching kept close to life and betrayed his enthusiasm for social righteousness. He took a keen interest in the Scout Movement, but he reserved his deepest devotion for Christ and His Church.

In 1928 while in England, he met (and subsequently married) Miss Hilda Monks, of Bristol. She shared fully in Mr Ford's ministry, despite her sometimes indifferent health, through her writing gifts, her interest in young people and her pulpit work. To her and to her daughter Heather our sympathy and prayers were extended.

### ALBERT H. FOWLES

Albert H. Fowles was born in the village of Davenham, Cheshire, England, in 1885. He early felt the call to preach, conducting his first service when he was 16. On passing the Local Preachers' Examination, he was engaged for some time as a Hired Local Preacher. He came to New Zealand in 1909 with a view to entering the ministry, his first appointment being to Cambridge. In 1911 the way opened for him to return to England to study under Dr. A. S. Peake at Hartley College, Manchester. He always spoke of this period with appreciation and gratitude. Returning to New Zealand, he completed his Probation and was ordained in 1915. His wife, a very gracious lady, predeceased him two years ago. The greater part of Mr Fowles's ministry was spent in the North Canterbury District. His work was always marked by great thoroughness and attention to detail. For twenty years he was a Tutor at Deaconess House. Unfortunately, a recurring nerve trouble compelled his retirement after thirty years of active ministry, though he continued to preach, when his health permitted, in many city Churches. He was fond of tutorial work and did much to promote Local Preacher Training. He was a thoughtful Preacher and a



diligent Pastor. The end came suddenly on Sunday, April 7th, as he was about to enter the Linwood Church. He is survived by one son, Clarrie Fowles, of Christchurch, to whom we extend the sympathy of the Church.

### **FREDERICK O. PROSSER**

Frederick Oliver Prosser was born at Blaenavon, South Wales, on 26th July, 1883. He started work in the coal mines at 12 years of age and continued in such work for twenty-eight years, four of which were served in the mine at Millerton, Westland. In his early years he was nurtured in Primitive Methodism and to its spirit and traditions he remained loyal throughout his life. He became a Local Preacher at the age of 25.

He came to New Zealand in 1922, and four years later was accepted as a Home Missionary in our New Zealand Church. He gave outstanding service in this capacity at Riverton for eight years, at Island Bay for four years and at Geraldine for seven years. These long pastorates, unusual in Home Mission appointments, stand as a testimony to his effectiveness as a preacher, and to the personal esteem in which he was held by his parishioners.

The evidence of the reality of his Call to preach was recognised by the Church when, in 1943, he was ordained. In 1945 he was appointed as Superintendent of the Woolston Circuit. Owing to ill health he became a Supernumerary in 1948. He settled in Sumner, where he continued to give his service to the Church.

Fred Prosser never courted popularity. As a Christian Socialist all his years, and as a Christian Pacifist over the period of two world wars, his uncompromising and strongly expressed views brought him into disagreement with many. His convictions however, whether in politics or in Church affairs, always arose out of a sincere and earnest desire to find practical expression to his deep faith in Jesus Christ. He had the courage to stand for his convictions, alone if need be.

His deep concern for and interest in people won their love. His genial personality, his utter sincerity, his strong Christian convictions, his devotion as minister and pastor, have enriched the lives of many men and women, and the total life of the Church in consequence. He had a special influence with young people, and led many to fuller Christian service. Mr Prosser was loyally supported in his ministry by his wife, with whom he shared life and work for almost fifty-five years. After a period of increasing illness Frederick O. Prosser, loving husband and father, dedicated minister, loyal friend, doughty fighter, ended his earthly life on 26th March, 1963, in his 80th year.

### **ARTHUR JOHN SEAMER, C.M.G.**

The death in Hamilton on 17th September, 1963, of the Reverend Arthur John Seamer, C.M.G., has brought to an end a long and remarkable life of service.

Mr Seamer was born in Tongala, Victoria, in 1877, and until early manhood he lived in the land of his birth, being brought up in the Wesleyan Methodist Church.

When the Salvation Army called for volunteers for Missionary Service in Borneo, Mr Seamer commenced to train for this, but when he was available a new challenge opened to him to come to New Zealand to open Maori Mission work for them. He served with them for some years in Rahotu, Taranaki, and in the Urewera country, and became a Captain in their service. Here he gained a unique and intimate knowledge of the Maori life and language, and also of the great leaders of the day.

In 1902 he rejoined the Church of his youth, and became a Home Missionary at the Bay of Islands. In 1903 he was accepted for training as a Probationer, and he fulfilled all the study requirements for ordination. While on Probation, Mr Seamer opened our cause at Rotorua, and subsequently he served in Petone, Cargill Road, St Kilda and Addington Circuits, in all of which he made a strong contribution in policy as well as in pulpit and pastoral ministries.

For two terms Mr Seamer was President of the Methodist Y.M. Bible Class Movement, and during that time in 1915, although holding a Chaplain's Commission, he enlisted in the ranks and served overseas from 1916 to 1918, first as a combatant and later as a Chaplain. While serving in this latter capacity he was wounded on the Western Front.

Shortly after his return to New Zealand, just before the Armistice, he was sent to Addington, and then designated as Superintendent of the Maori Mission as successor to the late Rev T. G. Hammond. During his earlier service in North Auckland he had had some experience as a travelling assistant to the Rev Wm. Gittos wherein he had gained considerable knowledge of our Maori work and People.

He served as Maori Mission Superintendent from 1920-1923, and then became General Superintendent of the Home and Maori Mission Department as successor to the Rev T. G. Brooke. He became President of the Conference in 1933.

Mr Seamer served as General Superintendent until his retirement in 1939, when at the request of the Home Mission Board and the Conference he continued as Advisor to the General Superintendent on Maori matters.

In 1907 Mr Seamer married Miss Ida M. Nisbet of Kaeo, and they had three children, the first dying in infancy. His other son and daughter survive him. Mrs Seamer passed away in early life in 1921, and this left a sad gap in Mr Seamer's life. Only those who have been close to him know how deeply that sense of loss remained with him to his death.

In spite of continued illness and weakness from his war wounds, Mr Seamer maintained a tremendous programme of work throughout his life. He developed our Maori Mission on new lines, and in later years gave leadership in educational and institutional developments. Our Literature and Colporteur Society and Book-rooms owe their origin to his leadership and vision.

As a keen trained musician, Mr Seamer personally organised and trained the famous Waiata Maori Choirs, and scores of young people acknowledge a great debt to him for his fatherly counsel and encouragement.

Mr Seamer was a personal friend and confidant of the late T. W. Ratana, and throughout his life his counsel was frequently sought and readily given.

In the Waikato-King Country area he became a staunch friend of the Kingite leaders, and in the other Mission Districts of Northland and Taranaki and South Island his name is revered.

On his retirement in 1939, after a short period resting near Drury, Mr Seamer settled in Hamilton and made his home there until his death. He gave most valued leadership in the establishment of our two Hostels there, and his room became an honoured council room. In spite of increasing weakness, he gave fully of his friendship and advice to the many people who came to him for counsel from all walks of life, and from far and near.



In 1940 Mr Seamer was honoured by the King with the Order of C.M.G., a greatly deserved recognition of his widespread and effective Ministry.

Mr Seamer was a deep thinker and an omnivorous reader, and he kept abreast of movements in the thought and organisation of his day, with a clear mind to the last. There was little that ever passed his notice, and he was an exceedingly shrewd judge of human nature. As a Church statesman, he will not be easily surpassed. As a staunch strong independent Christian leader and friend he has left a wide circle of grateful people, Maori and Pakeha to mourn his loss. He now serves in the realm where the spirits of just men are made perfect.

### **JOHN CYRIL ROBERT ASHWORTH**

John C. R. Ashworth was born at Ohoka in 1898. He spent his childhood and youth at Cheviot, subsequently moving to Tokoroa, where his parents had taken up land. In 1918 he entered Military Camp without any Christian Background or knowledge of the Bible, but with an intense burden of sin. He came out with the burden lifted by Christ, having been introduced to the faith by an Anglican Clergyman. He likened his conversion to that of Christian in "Pilgrims Progress," and that clear assurance of salvation never left him, but became the keynote of all his preaching.

In 1926 Mr Ashworth left the farm at Tokoroa, moved to Christchurch, then to Timaru where he became associated with Bank Street Circuit. There, under the influence of the late Rev H. T. Peat, he heard the call to Home Mission Service, his first appointment being to Wakefield—Dovedale Home Mission Station. That appointment marked the commencement of twenty-six years service to our Church and five years to the Congregational Church, one of which was spent at Barmera, South Australia. He was a fine servant of the Church, using all his gifts to the full, a faithful preacher, a most diligent pastor, a tireless worker all his ministry. Mr Ashworth served in eight Home Mission Stations and Circuits, was Pastor of the Congregational Church in Timaru for four years, and finally assisted in the Woodlands St. Circuit. He had a good sense of property, and many places have better buildings because of his concern. All his congregations were greatly strengthened by his ministry.

Throughout a faithful ministry he has had the loyal support and encouragement of a devoted wife, who herself has given able leadership in many aspects of Church life.

John Ashworth died suddenly on July 16th. To Mrs Ashworth, and to the remaining sisters and brother we extend Christian love and sympathy.

### **HURU WIPERI: Maori Home Missionary**

Huru Wiperi was born at Utakura, Hokianga, in the year 1896, continuing to live there until 1934. He grew up in a farming community and became a good farmer himself, a man who was highly respected in the community for his industrious habits and concern for the welfare of the people of his settlement. In the year 1934 having done much local preaching, he was recommended and accepted as an Honorary Home Missionary, to serve in the Hokianga-North Maori district.

In 1937, because of need for workers in the Waikato-Maniapoto Maori Circuit Mr Wiperi offered and was accepted as a full time Home Missionary. He moved from Hokianga and served for two years in Tokaanu, working among Ngapuhi people engaged in Maori Land Development Schemes.

In 1939, he moved to Taumarunui, living in the settlement of Ngapuke. In 1942 he moved to live in Ongarue. In 1943 he was moved back into the Auckland Maori Circuit to help with Mission work among the ever increasing number of Maori people who had migrated to the city.

In 1946 however, he was recalled to Waikato-Maniapoto, living in Mangapehi, where he served a number of years before returning to Auckland again, where he served our Maori Mission until he became quite incapacitated by sickness.

Huru Wiperi passed away 30th August, 1963.

Mr Wiperi's gifts as a Pastor were good and he used them quietly to the full. For the last few years of his life he was greatly handicapped by failing health, yet he was always on the job to the best he was able.

We remember Huru, firstly as a conscientious house to house visitor. He was very highly respected, especially in bringing prayer to the sick and aged folk.

Secondly, for his very deep interest in the welfare of Maori people. He was attached to Maori Welfare Committees throughout the City.

Thirdly, and most important was his association with the Temperance Movement, under the Auckland Council of Temperance Education.

Mr Wiperi travelled and lectured throughout the North Auckland, Auckland and Waikato areas, winning widespread affection and esteem.

He served his people and his master to the best of his abilities.

#### **QUESTION 14.—What Ministers continue to be Supernumeraries?**

Henry L. Blamires  
 Arthur Hopper  
 R. Purcell Keall  
 Jonathan H. Haslam  
 George P. Hunt  
 Frank E. Leadley  
 Harry Ranston, M.A., Litt.D.  
 E. Percy Blamires  
 Henry Ryan  
 William Walker  
 Fred Copeland  
 Charles Blair  
 Edwin S. Harkness  
 Albert Blakemore  
 Walter J. Enticott  
 George B. Hinton  
 William Rowe  
 Robert B. Tinsley  
 Arthur A. Bensley  
 James W. Parker  
 William A. Burley, M.A.  
 Archer O. Harris  
 Charles H. Olds, B.A.  
 Percy I. Cooke  
 Arthur H. Scrivin  
 Wallace S. Neal  
 John Dennis  
 Alfred E. Jefferson

Charles H. Kendon  
 Ngatete K. Kukutai, M.B.E.  
 Eruera Te Tuhi, O.B.E.  
 Alfred M. Costain, Dip.Soc.Sc.  
 Ernest E. Sage  
 Cecil R. Taylor  
 John H. Bailey  
 George E. Brown  
 Ernest B. Chambers  
 Harry S. Kings  
 Thomas Skuse  
 Samuel J. Werren  
 Robert E. Fordyce  
 E. Thomas Olds  
 William T. Blight, B.A., B.D.  
 William M. Garner  
 William G. Slade, M.A., D.D.  
 A. Harry Voyce  
 A. Francis Attwood  
 Leslie A. G. Brooks  
 Ormond E. Burton, M.A.  
 Joseph C. Draper  
 D. J. Donald Hickman  
 L. Gordon Hanna  
 W. John Henderson  
 Eric W. Hames, M.A.

**James H. Hall.**



**QUESTION 15.—What Ministers now become Supernumeraries?**

Hubert G. Brown  
Herbert L. Fiebig, B.A.  
Harry V. Utting

**QUESTION 16.—What Supernumeraries Return to Regular Work?**  
None.

**QUESTION 17.—What Home Missionaries are to be—**

**(a) Retained on the Retired List?**

A. L. Witheford	W. J. Bryant
J. W. Bayliss	T. Steele
W. H. Wilson	D. I. Robertson
R. T. Alexander	H. Prowse
Roy Coombridge	H. R. Wright
Cyril Robinson	F. E. Trim

**(b) Placed on Retired List?**

**QUESTION 18.—(a) What Ministers or Probationers have Permission to Serve with Other Organisations During the Year?**

Leslie C. Clements (with permission to serve with the Justice Department as Adviser in Marriage Guidance).

Ernest S. Hoddinott (with permission to serve with the Justice Department as Senior Chaplain).

Wilf G. Eisner, B.A. (with permission to serve with the Justice Department).

Evan R. Lewis, M.Sc., B.A. (with permission to serve under the National Council of Churches as a Fraternal Worker in Indonesia).

Haddon C. Dixon, M.A., B.D. (with permission to serve with C.O.R.S.O.).

Lane M. Tauroa, B.A. (with permission to serve under the N.C.C. as a Fraternal worker in Indonesia).

**(b) What Ministers or Probationers have Permission "to Rest" During the Year?**

Leslie C. Clements	Wilf G. Eisner, B.A.
Haddon C. Dixon, M.A., B.D.	Ernest S. Hoddinott
Leslie A. D. Hayman, B.Sc. (Agric)	Evan R. Lewis, M.Sc., B.A.
Kenneth J. Keall	Lane M. Tauroa, B.A.
	Ralph E. Patchett

**QUESTION 19.—What Ministers are "left without Pastoral Charge"?**

Dorothea M. Noble, B.A. Clifford G. Brown.

**QUESTION 20.—Is any Minister or Probationer Designated for Overseas Missions?**

Brian W. Sides.

**QUESTION 21.—What Ministers or Probationers is it agreed to Transfer to or receive from any other Conference?**

Serupepeli Beraki, who is transferred from the New South Wales Conference.

**QUESTION 22.—Are there any objections to any Minister, Probationer, or Home Missionary?**

No.

**QUESTION 23.—What Persons who were in Full Connexion now cease to be recognised as Ministers of the Conference?**

None.

**QUESTION 24.—What are the arrangements for the Annual Examinations of Probationers, Students, Candidates for the Ministry, Home Missionaries, Deaconesses, and Local Preachers?**

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**(A) Examiners for Probationers**

Hebrew : Rev. E. W. Hames, M.A.

Greek, N.T.—1st year: Rev. W. Gust, B.A.

2nd year: Rev. P. P. Rushton, B.A.

3rd year: Rev. W. Gust, B.A.

English Bible (O.T.)—Rev. W. R. Francis, B.A., B.D.

English Bible (N.T.)—1st year: Rev. A. K. Petch, B.A.

2nd year: Rev. R. E. Patchett.

3rd year: Rev. L. Greenslade.

Theology: 1st Section: Rev. J. D. Grocott, B.A.

2nd Section: Rev. R. Thornley, M.A., Dip.Soc.Sc.

3rd Section: Rev. W. S. Dawson, M.A.

Wesley's Sermons—Rev. R. F. Clement, M.A.

Methodism—Rev. L. R. M. Gilmore, B.A.

Christian Education—Rev. W. F. Ford, B.A.

Religion and Psychology—P. A. Stead, B.A.

Social Ethics—Rev. W. W. H. Greenslade.

Comparative Religion—Rev. J. B. Dawson, B.A.

Maori 1 and 2—Rev. Ranginohooro Rogers.

Pre-Collegiate Course—

N.T.: Rev. A. K. Petch, B.A.

O.T. and Homiletics: Rev. W. A. Chambers, M.A.

Theology (Clarke's Outline)—Rev. V. R. Jamieson, M.B.E.

**CORRESPONDENCE.**

**Tutors in Theology.**

1st Section .. .. Rev J. Grundy, M.A.

2nd Section .. .. Rev. E. R. Le Couteur.

Third Section .. .. Rev W. J. Morrison, M.A.

**Tutor in Greek**

Rev. D. L. Kitchingman, B.A.

**(B) Examiners for Candidates.**

Bible Knowledge I .. .. Rev A. T. Kent

Bible Knowledge II .. .. Rev. C. B. Oldfield.

Theology .. .. Rev L. F. Bycroft



### (C) Examiners for Home Missionaries.

English .. .. .	Rev R. H. Allen, B.A.
Theology .. .. .	Rev C. H. Bell, B.A.
Bible Knowledge .. .. .	Rev H. A. Darvill
Church History .. .. .	Rev D. H. Burt
Homiletics .. .. .	Rev A. J. Johnston

### (D) Tutors in Bible Knowledge.

1st Year .. .. .	Rev H. I. K. Hopper, B.A.
2nd Year .. .. .	Rev B. H. Riseley
3rd Year .. .. .	Rev L. T. Norwell
4th Year .. .. .	Rev G. R. H. Peterson

### (E) Examiners for Lay Preachers.

Old Testament .. .. .	Rev O. T. Woodfield, B.A.
New Testament .. .. .	Rev. H. K. Brown
Theology .. .. .	Rev M. Jackson Campbell
Homiletics .. .. .	Rev D. B. Gordon, M.A.
The Church (History, Organization, and Mission) .. .. .	Rev C. D. Clark, M.A.

### (F) Examiners for Deaconesses.

Theology .. .. .	Rev H. D. Besant, B.A., B.D.
Church History .. .. .	Rev H. W. Payne
Old Testament .. .. .	Rev. G. V. Thomas, B.A.
New Testament .. .. .	Rev J. H. Woolford, M.A.
English .. .. .	Rev D. G. Sherson, B.A.
Psychology .. .. .	Rev P. A. Stead, B.A.
Homiletics .. .. .	Rev D. B. Gordon, M.A.
Christian Education .. .. .	Rev W. F. Ford, B.A.

## I—COURSE OF STUDY FOR PROBATIONERS

The Course of Probation is designed—

- (a) to consolidate the training and instruction given in College;
- (b) To provide a wide area of practical training for the work of the ministry.

With this aim in mind, the course of study on Probation should be so arranged as to develop the basic Biblical and theological studies which have been pursued in College, and to encourage each man possible to apply himself methodically to some particular subject in which he shall be required to produce a thesis of not less than 30,000 words by the end of the probationary period.

### Regulations:

1. The present probationary course of study is retained, for those not pursuing a thesis course and for non-Collegiate probationers.
2. Such Probationers, who in the judgment of the Board of Studies and of the Secretary of the Board of Examiners will benefit by such a course shall be required, on leaving College, to pursue individual courses related to their special interests and abilities, under the guidance of competent individual advisers leading to the production of a thesis before ordination. It shall be understood that the presentation of a satisfactory thesis is a prerequisite of ordination.
3. Each thesis shall have a satisfactory Biblical and theological basis.
4. The field of study shall be selected or confirmed at the conclusion of the College course by the Board of Studies in consultation with the Secretary of the Board of Examiners and with the Probationer concerned.

5. The Probationer shall submit at the March Synod of his first year on Probation an outline of his course of study and, at the August Synod of the same year, a draft of his thesis together with a list of books and articles consulted, these to provide the ground for an oral examination.

6. In the case of a three-year probationary course, at the August Synod of the second year, the Probationer shall submit a record of the year's reading together with a report from his supervisor concerning the progress of the research.

7. The completed thesis shall be submitted by the end of June of the year of ordination together with a total list of the books and articles consulted during the period of research.

8. At the oral examination at Synod each ordinand shall be examined, *inter alia*, in the field indicated by his book list and at Conference all ordinands shall be examined as at present.

9. A sub-committee of the Board of Studies shall be appointed to examine theses.

10. Copies of theses judged to make a contribution to research to be retained in the College Library for reference and with a view to possible publication.

#### **Note: Thesis Supervision:**

(a) **THESIS SUPERVISION:** The task of the Supervisor is not to produce the conclusions of the thesis, nor necessarily to be expert in the particular field of study.

His task is (a) to see that the work is being done; (b) to see that it is being done on lines of sound research; (c) to be a sounding board, to be available for discussion, to provide challenge, stimulus, correction.

#### **Course of Study for Probationers:**

The following is the alternative for Probationers not doing the Thesis Course:—

##### **1. Either—A. Hebrew Old Testament.**

1st year, as for N.Z. B.D. Stage I, Paper A, but including only the first of the two set passages and no unseen translation.

2nd year, as B.D. Stage I, Paper A, but no unseen translation.

3rd year, as B.D. Stage II, Paper A, but no unseen translation.

##### **OR—B. English Old Testament.**

1st year: Deuteronomy and Hosea.

2nd year: Ezekiel.

3rd year: Job and Psalms (Selection).

Study and Reading to be directed by Examiner.

##### **2. A. GREEK NEW TESTAMENT. Section for 1964 (from N.Z. B.D. Course Stage I).**

1st year: Mark 7-9, Acts 3-4, 1 Thess. 4.

2nd year: Mark 7-10, Acts 2-4, 1 Thess. 4 and 5.

3rd year: Mark 5-10, Acts 2-4, 1 Thess. 4 and 5, 2 Thess. 2.

#### **Note: All Chapters are inclusive.**

1st year: Translation, Grammar and Exegesis.

2nd year: As above with retranslation.

3rd year: As for second year, with greater emphasis on Exegesis.

##### **OR—B. English New Testament.**

1st year: St John's Gospel (Moffatt Commentary), and Wm. Temple's "Readings in St John."

2nd year: Romans. C. H. Dodd (Moffatt Commentary).

3rd year: Hebrews (Moffatt Commentary).



3. THEOLOGY A. for 1964. First Section: "God, Man, Sin, etc." As for B.D. Stage II, Paper A, with the addition of the word "systematic"—viz., "A branch of Biblical, Historical, and Systematic Theology"; with reading as follows:

1st section: God, Man, Sin. "The Christian Idea of God"—H. M. Hughes (Duckworth). "Christian Doctrine of Man," H. Wheeler Robinson; "Christian Estimate of Man," Cave (Duckworth); "The World and God," (Farmer (Nesbit); "Christian Doctrine," J. S. Whale. (Use relevant parts for each series.)

2nd section: The Person and Work of Christ. "The Person of Jesus Christ"—Mackintosh, Books 1 and 3 only; "Doctrine and Work of Christ"—Cave (London Theol. Lib.); "The Person of Christ"—Vincent Taylor; "Jesus and His Sacrifice"—V. Taylor (Macmillan).

3rd section: The Holy Spirit, Church, Ministry and Sacraments, Last Things.

"The Holy Spirit in the N.T."—Swete; "Christian Experience of the Holy Spirit"—Wheeler Robinson; "Jesus and His Church"—W. N. Flew; "The Christian Sacraments"—O. C. Quick; "World to Come and Final Destiny"—Leckie; "And the Life Everlasting"—J. Baillie.

- B. WESLEY'S SERMONS (with Lawson's Notes). Each section to be co-ordinated with A. above. For 1964—First section (a two-hour paper).

1st SECTION—Sermons on:

"Salvation by Faith". "The Righteousness of Faith".  
"The Almost Christian". "The Way to the Kingdom".  
"Scriptural Christianity". "The First-Fruits of the Spirit".  
"Justification by Faith".

2nd SECTION—Sermons on:

"The Spirit of Bondage and of Adoption".  
"The Witness of the Spirit".  
"The Witness of our Own Spirit".  
"The Means of Grace".  
"The Marks of the New Birth".  
"The Great Privilege of Those that are Born of God".  
"Sermon on the Mount (III)".  
"The Original Nature, Property, and Use of the Law".

3rd SECTION—Sermons on:

"The Nature of Enthusiasm".  
"A Caution Against Bigotry".  
"Catholic Spirit". "The New Birth".  
"Christian Perfection". "Self-Denial".  
"Original Sin". "The Use of Money".

4. GENERAL.

1st Year:

METHODISM. A general survey of the Evangelical Revival of the Eighteenth Century in its widest aspects; a detailed knowledge of the Wesleys and their closer associates; the origin and development of Methodism in England and America 1738-1800; the social impact of Methodism; Thomas Coke and the beginnings of Methodist Missions; outlines of New Zealand Methodism.

## RECOMMENDED READING:

- "The Life of Wesley," by Telford (or any standard "Life").  
"The Methodist Heritage," by Henry Carter.  
"John Wesley and the Eighteenth Century," by Maldwyn Edwards.  
"Centenary Sketches of N.Z. Methodism," by W. J. Williams.

## 2nd Year:

### ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

- (1) Religion and Psychology, as for B.D. (N.Z.) Theology Stage 1, A and B (one paper only): Textbook "Psychology of Religion" by Paul E. Johnson (Abingdon)—Revised Edition.
- (2) Social Ethics: "Christian Ideal for Human Society"—Garvie; "The Relevance of Christianity," Barry; "The Christian Way" (S. Cave, D.D.); "The Problem of Right Conduct" (Peter Green).
- (3) Comparative Religion (as for B.D. Theology II, paper b): "Comparative Religion"—Bouquet (Penguin); "History of Religions," E. O. James (Teach Yourself Series).
- (4) Christian Education: "The Teaching Ministry of the Church" by James D. Smart (Westminster Press), and "The Clue to Christian Education" by Randolph Crump Miller (Scribner).
- (5) Maori Language (for 2 years).

1st year: Principles of Maori Grammar, conversation, dictation and pronunciation. Translations — Maori into English, and English into Maori. Translation of unseen passages.

#### Text Books:—

- "Teach yourself Maori" by Harawira. Special attention to graded lessons at the back of the book.  
"First Lessons in Maori," by Williams.  
The Bible (Authorised Version); Maori Bible ("Paipera Tapu"); Maori Service Book ("Nga Ihoi me nga Himene")  
"He Konae Aranui" by Kohere.

Scriptural passages:—Psalms 1, 8, 23, 24, 95, 100 and 121.

Matthew 5/1-16; 13/1-12; Luke 14/1-11; 15/1-24.

2nd year: Maori Language; History; Culture; Comparison with other Polynesian areas.

#### Text Books:—

- St. John's Gospel, Psalms, Acts of the Apostles, Maori . . . for reading and translation at sight.  
Grey's Mythology (Polynesian) Nga mahi a nga Tupuna, for reading and translation at sight.  
Buck: "The coming of the Maori," especially Book 3.  
Keesing: "The changing Maori."  
Norman Smith: "The Maori People and Us."  
J. G. Laughton's paper "Maoritanga" (issued on request of R. Rogers).  
Beaglehole: "Some Modern Maoris."  
Piddington: "Introduction to Social Anthropology" (Chaps. 1-4; X and XI).

3rd year: One of the subjects for the second year not already taken, or taken to a further stage.

N.B.—Probationers on F.M. Field take in this section, "Methodism" and "Comparative Religion".

## REGULATIONS.

1. All Probationers who have completed the two-year Hebrew Course in Auckland University College shall take Hebrew Old Testament, provided that any Probationer taking a B.D. Course may substitute in lieu thereof the Hebrew prescribed in the B.D. Syllabus for that year.



2. Unless special exemption is granted by the Examination Committee, Greek New Testament shall be compulsory for all Probationers who have been through College, provided that any Probationer taking a B.D. Course, may substitute in lieu thereof the Greek prescribed in the B.D. Syllabus for that year.
3. Probationers, to whom (1) and/or (2) do not apply, shall be permitted to take the alternative English Old Testament and/or English New Testament in lieu of Hebrew and/or Greek respectively.
4. The Examination in Hebrew Old Testament and Greek New Testament shall be mainly on translation, grammar, and exegesis, and that in English O.T. and English N.T. shall be mainly on the exegesis of the sections specified.
5. (a) Greek and Theology shall be taken under Correspondence Tutors. Tutorial papers shall be done, marks being assessed as follows: Correspondence work, 40; Examination, 60. Each Tutor appointed shall send out study papers for four consecutive months beginning in mid-January and mid-May respectively. He shall mark the work sent in, return the corrected work together with suitable guidance. (Maximum marks for each study paper, 10). Each Tutor shall keep full records of every individual case, and, on or before October 1, forward a complete report to the Secretary of the Board of Examiners. N.B. Tutorials are required from all probationers by the due dates.  
(b) Any Probationer taking a Theological subject for a B.D. Course shall be permitted to substitute the same for that set down for his Probationary year.
6. Examinations, when not specifically limited to one particular text-book, shall be on the subject as a whole. Text-books are intended to provide a basis for wider and more thorough reading in the subject, and Probationers are encouraged to pursue the more extensive study, rather than limit it to one or two works.
7. Any Probationer pursuing a University Course shall be entitled to exemption from subjects (1) and (4) for two years of his Probation, but such exemption shall not be granted in his third year. Examination results shall be reported immediately to the Secretary of the Board of Examiners.
8. Examinations in the subjects 2, (Greek or English New Testament) and 4 (General) shall be conducted in May and in the subjects 1 (Hebrew or English Old Testament) and 3 (Theology) be conducted in September.
9. Book List. Every Probationer shall forward to his Chairman, not later than August 15th, a Book List as specified for the year, including all Text Books read. A small committee, appointed by the March District Ministerial Committee, shall conduct a private examination in books on the submitted list and report to the Ministerial Committee of Synod.

When University work is taken by a Probationer he shall report to the Secretary of the Board of Examiners the results as soon as they are known.

## II—COURSE OF STUDY FOR SOLOMON ISLANDS PROBATIONERS

### Theology—

Text Book: "What a Christian Believes, and Why." (Hunter.)

1st Year: God, Man, Sin. Chapters 1-3, 7, 8.

2nd Year: The Person and Work of Christ, the Holy Spirit. Chapters 4-6, 9.

3rd Year: Church Ministry and Sacraments, Last Things. Chapters 10-12.

4th Year: Selected Sermons from Wesley's Forty-four Sermons.

### Bible Knowledge—

Text Book: "The Bible, What it is, and What is in it." (E. Evans and T. H. Robinson).

1st year: A general study of the GOSPELS: how they came to be written and their content. Detailed study of a select passage or passages.

1st year 1963: The Last Week of Jesus' Life on Earth.

2nd year 1963: Romans, Chapters 1-12.

3rd year 1963: James to Jude.

4th year 1963: The Rise of the Kingdom of Israel from Samuel to Solomon.

### Homiletics and Methodism—

In each year of his probation the probationer shall prepare and present to his tutor not less than two written sermons (one in February and one in June) and the Tutor shall report on them to Synod. Each year the probationer shall conduct a trial service at a time and place to be arranged by the Chairman.

1st Year: The purpose of preaching, what to preach, and how to preach it.

2nd Year: More detailed study of textual and expository preaching, and a study of the sources and use of illustration.

3rd Year: The origin and growth of Methodism in 18th and 19th Centuries, having regard to its place in the Church Universal, and show how its special emphasis and type of organisation grew out of the needs of the work of God under the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

4th Year: Methodism in the 20th Century and its place in the ecumenical movement. Methodist law and polity with a special study of the Law Book, Part I, Sect. 1, 2, 4; Part II, Sect. 3, 4, 9; Part VIII, Sect. 3. District Constitution.

### Book Lists—

Each probationer shall submit to Synod a list of books he has read during the year, including text books and any special Bible study he has done during the year.

### Oral Examination—

Each year a probationer shall be orally examined on one book from his book list. In his final year he shall be orally examined in Theology.

### Tutors—

That the tutors for 1963-64 be:

Theology—Rev I. Buadromo.

Bible Knowledge—Rev P. F. Taylor.

Homiletics and Worship—

Methodism—

Book List—Rev J. Cropp.



## **SOLOMON ISLANDS CANDIDATES FOR THE MINISTRY**

1. English—All those who have not recently passed an exam. at Std. 9 level to sit a written paper in English.
2. Arithmetic—An exam to be set at Std. 7 level for those who have not recently passed Std. 9 Arithmetic.
3. Theology—A close study of the book GOD AND MAN by M. Temple. (Key Books).
4. Bible Knowledge—An elementary knowledge of the Bible—both Old and New Testaments and a knowledge of how we got it.  
Texts: How we got the Old Testament; How the New Testament came to us; The Greatest Book in the World; African Home Library.
5. History of the District—Candidates should write an essay on some aspect of the history of their own District.
6. Candidates must appear before Synod, conducting a trial service in English and pass an oral examination in theology.

### **III—COURSE OF STUDY FOR STUDENTS**

1. Old Testament.
  - (a) Elementary Hebrew. 1 period weekly.  
1st year—Structure of the language, elementary grammar and syntax, key biblical words.  
2nd year—Easy translation and exegesis.  
Advanced Hebrew at the University.
  - (b) Old Testament Introduction. 1 period weekly.  
1st year—Canon, text, archaeology, authority of the Old Testament.  
Introduction to Pentateuch and to Historical Books.  
2nd year—History and background of the prophetic movement.  
Introduction to the Prophetic Literature.  
3rd year—History of Hebrew People from 586 B.C. to A.D. 70.  
Judaism in the Hellenistic Period.  
Introduction to canonical Psalms and Wisdom Literature and selected works from the Apocrypha and Pseudepigrapha.
  - (c) Old Testament Theology and Exegesis. 1 period weekly.  
1st year—General Outline of Old Testament Theology.  
2nd year—The Teaching of the Prophets.  
3rd year—Development of Jewish thought in the Hellenistic Period.  
Teaching of the Psalms and of the Wisdom Literature.
2. New Testament.
  - (a) New Testament Greek.  
Junior Year—Grammar, two periods weekly.  
Intermediate Year—Grammar and Syntax, Easy Translation.  
Two periods weekly.  
Senior Year—Syntax, translation, unseen translation. Two periods weekly.
  - (b) Introduction.  
Junior Year—Literary and Form Criticism of the Synoptic Gospels.

Intermediate Year—Introduction to Acts, Pauline Epistles; Textual Criticism.

Senior Year—Introduction to Johannine literature and other epistles; History of the Canon.

(c) New Testament Exegesis

On selected passages from the Synoptic, Pauline and Johannine literature, one period weekly for each year. Senior exegesis on the Greek text, Junior on the English.

(d) New Testament Theology.

Junior Year—Synoptic Teaching.

Intermediate Year—Pauline Teaching.

Senior Year—Johannine Teaching.

One period weekly each.

3. **SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY**

1st year

God, Man, Sin.

2nd year

The Person and Work of Christ.

The Doctrines of Grace.

3rd year

Church, Ministry and Sacraments. The Last Things. Methodist Theology to-day.

Also, the 2nd and 3rd year students are taken together in a class devoted alternately year about to 1, Christian Ethics; 2, Worship, Special Services, Church Organization and Law Book.

**CHURCH HISTORY**

Combined class, 1 period weekly.

1st year. To 1500 A.D.

2nd year. 1500 to present time. Ecumenism.

3rd year. Methodism, origins and world development.

IV. **PASTORAL THEOLOGY**

Pastoral I—Religious Education. Teaching Method. Child Development. The All-age School. Adult Education. Group Process.

Pastoral II—Pastoral Visitation and Pastoral Care. Ministering to the Sick, the Bereaved, etc. Pastoral Counselling.

Pastoral III—Advanced Homiletics. The Gospel in the Modern World. Personality and Evangelism. Methods of Evangelism.

**IV.—COURSE OF STUDY FOR CANDIDATES.**

1. **OLD TESTAMENT.**

Text Book: "An Approach to the Old Testament," Horace Cleaver.

A general knowledge of the text of the O.T., particularly the sections dealt with in Cleaver.

2. **NEW TESTAMENT.**

Text Book: "The Approach to the New Testament" by Greville P. Lewis, B.A., B.D. (Epworth Press).

A general knowledge of the text of the N.T., particularly the sections dealt with in Lewis.

3. **THEOLOGY.**

Text Book: "An Approach to Christian Doctrine", edited by G. P. Lewis, B.A., B.D. (Epworth Press); Methodist Catechism (without Hunter); and selected passages from "Wesley's Notes on the N.T."



(At least one question on the passages and Wesley's Notes thereon will be compulsory).

#### SELECTED PASSAGES:

Matthew chapters 5-7.

Luke chapters 14-16

John chapters 14-17

Romans chapters 5, 8, 12, 14

Galatians chapter 5

Ephesians chapters 2 and 4

Hebrews chapter 11

I John chapters 3 and 4.

(Attention is drawn to "Selections from John Wesley's Notes on the New Testament" by John Lawson).

N.B.—In addition, Candidates are required by Conference to read carefully John Wesley's Forty-Four Sermons, and the N.Z. Methodist "Book of Laws".

### V—COURSE OF STUDY FOR HOME MISSIONARIES

(Three Hour Papers)

#### FIRST YEAR

1. English.—"A First Modern English Course" (J. Stanley Jones). Part I, Chs. 1-6.
2. Theology.—"What a Christian believes and Why?" Hunter. (Whole book).
3. Bible Knowledge.—"The Preparation for Christ in the Old Testament." Adam Welch.
4. Homiletics.—"Manual for Preachers." W. T. Blight, B.A., B.D. "The Craft of Sermon Construction." Sangster.

#### SECOND YEAR

1. English.—"A First Modern English Course" (J. Stanley Jones). Part I, Chs. 7-12.
2. Theology.—"An Outline of Christian Theology." W. N. Clarke. Pp. 1-181.
3. Bible Knowledge.—"The Life and Teaching of Jesus Christ." J. S. Stewart.
4. Church History.—"The Story of the Church." Church of Scotland Series.
5. Homiletics.—"Heralds of God." J. S. Stewart. "The Craft of Sermon Illustration." Sangster.

#### THIRD YEAR

1. English.—"A First Modern English Course" (J. Stanley Jones). Part II, Chs. 1-6.
2. Theology.—"An Outline of Christian Theology." W. N. Clarke. Pp. 182-368.
3. Bible Knowledge.—"The Religious Ideas of the Old Testament." Wheeler Robinson.
4. Homiletics.—"A Preacher's Handbook." Lewis. Book 1. (Epworth Press.)

#### FOURTH YEAR

1. English.—"A First Modern English Course" (J. Stanley Jones). Part II, Chs. 7-11.
2. Theology.—"An Outline of Christian Theology." W. N. Clarke. Pp. 369-427. "Christian Doctrine." J. S. Whale.
3. Bible Knowledge.—"Introducing the New Testament." A. M. Hunter. (S.C.M. Press.)
4. Homiletics.—"A Preacher's Handbook." Book 2. Lewis. (Epworth Press.)
5. Church History.—"Household of God," Newbiglin.

Bible Knowledge shall be taken under Correspondence Tutors, marks being assessed as follows: Correspondence work 50; Examina-

tion 50. Each tutor appointed shall send out study papers for five consecutive months beginning in mid-March. He shall mark the work sent in and return the corrected work with suitable guidance. (Maximum marks for each study paper, 10.) Each tutor shall keep full records of each individual case, and on or before 1st September shall forward a complete report to the Assistant-Secretary of the Board of Examiners.

## **VI—COURSE OF STUDIES—DEACONESSES**

### **ENTRANCE EXAMINATION**

Methodist Teaching.—“Our Fathers’ Faith and Ours,” C. T. Symons. Bible Knowledge—2 papers.

(a) General Knowledge of the Old Testament with detailed knowledge of I and II Kings, Amos, and Hosea.

(b) General Knowledge of the New Testament with detailed knowledge of Matthew and the Acts of the Apostles.

English.—“Everyday English” (Part 2), Smyth. (For Candidates who have not passed a Fifth form examination in English.)

### **STUDENTS—1964.**

Theology.—“An Approach to Christian Doctrine,” edited by Greville P. Lewis, pp. 1-114.

Old Testament.—“History and Religion of Israel” by W. L. Wardle (The Clarendon Bible, O.T., Vol. 1), Part 1. Supplementary textbook, “The Preparation for Christ in the Old Testament,” by A. C. Welch.

New Testament.—“Introducing the New Testament,” by A. M. Hunter, pp. 1-55. “St Mark,” by A. M. Hunter (Torch Bible Commentaries).

Church History.—“A First Church History,” by Vera Walker, pp. 1-202.

Pastoral Psychology.—“Psychology, Religion and Human Need,” by W. L. Carrington, chapters 1, 2, 13 and 18. Supplementary Textbook, “The Art of Ministering to the Sick,” by Cabot and Dicks.

Religious Education.—“Guiding Children in Christian Growth,” by Mary Alice Jones.

Students who have not passed the School Certificate examination will take an approved course in English at an outside college. All other students will read books from a specified list.

**Note.**—Lectures are given on Car Maintenance, Social Security Regulations, Vocational Guidance, Methodist Organisation, and Social Service, Home Nursing, etc.

## **VII—COURSE OF STUDY FOR LAY PREACHERS**

1. Old Testament: “An Approach to the Old Testament,” Horace Cleaver.

2. New Testament: “An Approach to the New Testament,” G. P. Lewis.

3. Theology: “An Approach to Christian Doctrine,” Ed. by G. P. Lewis.

4. Homiletics.—“Worship and Preaching,” T. W. Morrow.

5. The Church.—“History, Organization and Mission.” For textbook information write to Rev. D. H. Burt.

**Note.**—That the examination time for each subject is two hours.

**N.B.**—In addition to the Written Examinations, a Lay Preacher



must conduct not less than 10 services and a Trial Service and be orally examined before the Preachers' or Quarterly Meeting before he is granted status.

## VIII.—SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN WORKERS

### A. Curriculum—

#### OLD TESTAMENT—

Subject	Hours Weekly
1. History and Faith of Israel .. .. .	2
2. Elementary Hebrew .. .. .	1

#### NEW TESTAMENT—

3. N.T. Introduction and Teaching .. .. .	1
4. N.T. Exegesis .. .. .	1
5. Elementary N.T. Greek .. .. .	2

#### THEOLOGY—

6. Elementary Theology .. .. .	1
7. Wesley's Sermons and Notes .. .. .	1

#### HISTORY AND POLITY OF THE CHURCH—

8. Elementary Church History .. .. .	1
9. Practising the Faith (How Methodism Works. Membership and ethics) .. .. .	1

#### TRAINING FOR LEADERSHIP—

10. Worship and Preaching .. .. .	1
11. Understanding People (Training for Pastoral Care, Visitation Evangelism, etc.) .. .. .	1
12. Elementary Christian Education Course .. .. .	1

#### ENGLISH—

13. Grammar and Composition .. .. .	1
14. Literature .. .. .	1

Students who will be candidates for the ministry must take the full course. For the diploma course, under "Training for Leadership," at least one of 10, 11, 12 must be taken.

The school year will run from late February to mid-October, with the usual University vacations.

The course is designed so that including (10) it will give a thorough preparation for the written Examination for L.P. status. Including (12) it will prepare amply for the Certificate of Proficiency in Religious Knowledge of the N.C.C.

Those who expect to come forward as candidates for the ministry **must** give full time to the school. Work for the diploma may reasonably be combined with part-time employment, but students are advised to take a full course if possible. The core subjects for the diploma will if possible be taken in the evening. Individual evening lectures will be open to suitable people on application to the Principal.

### B. Regulations—

**Applications:** Applications for admission to the school shall be made to the Principal, with the support and approval of the Superintendent and the Quarterly Meeting of the Circuit to which the applicant belongs. Applicants shall be members of the Methodist Church. A satisfactory medical certificate shall be presented. The Board of Studies shall have the right to refuse any applicant considered unsuitable or unsufficiently prepared.

**Accommodation:** The student is responsible for the cost of his

board and lodging. Hostel fees are for the term and should be paid to the Resident Tutor in advance, unless otherwise arranged. Residents are expected to conform to the standards of the College. Application for admission to the school shall be made if possible at the September Quarterly Meeting, but in any case not later than the December meeting. Earlier notice is essential if the applicant wishes to live in the Hostel.

**Membership:** Students shall be encouraged to retain their membership in their home circuit. If candidates, they shall come forward in the usual way with the support of their local Quarterly Meetings.

**Diploma:** A suitable diploma shall be issued to all students who complete the course to the satisfaction of the Board of Studies.

**C. Terms for 1964—**

The terms for the School will be the same as University terms.

**DATES OF EXAMINATIONS.**

Examinations for 1964 shall commence on the following dates:  
Probationers—Tuesday, May 19th, and Tuesday, September 22nd.  
Tutorials for Probationers—Greek: Feb. 1st; Theology: June 1st.  
Candidates for Ministry—Tuesday, July 21st.  
Home Missionary Probationers—Tuesday, September 22nd.  
Bible Knowledge (For H.M. Probationers)—Tuesday, March 3rd.  
Deaconess Candidates—Tuesday, July 21st.  
Local Preachers—First week in June and December.

**RESOLUTIONS**

1. That the Oral Examiner for 1964 be Rev. J. Ziesler, M.A., B.D.
2. That the requirement for newly ordained ministers to prepare and submit a thesis after ordination, be rescinded.
3. That congratulations be extended to the following Ministers on securing the University degree indicated and that these be printed in the Minutes:—  
Rev. P. M. Guthardt, M.A., who received the Ph.D. (Cambridge).  
Rev. R. Graham Bell, M.A., B.D., who received the Theol.M. (Melbourne).  
Rev. I. H. McKenzie, M.Sc., who received the B.D. (N.Z.).  
Rev. P. P. Rushton, B.A., who received the B.D. (N.Z.).  
Rev. H. D. Besant, B.A., who received the B.D. (N.Z.).  
Rev. D. S. Mullan, who received the B.A. (Auckland).  
Rev. H. C. Pomeroy, who received the B.A. (Auckland).
4. That the post-Ordination thesis of Rev. G. D. Brough, B.A., submitted in 1962 be recorded as "Satisfactory".
5. That the requirement that candidates for the Ministry be fully accredited lay preachers be repealed.
6. That the following words be deleted from section 71, page 11 of the Law Book, "and a fully accredited Local Preacher, having ordinarily served as such for at least twelve months prior to the time of nomination."
7. That the committee be granted permission to continue its investigations concerning the length and nature of College and of Probationary courses.
8. That the present system of external Conference examinations be discontinued.



9. That there be substituted a system of Triennial Visitation by one minister and one layman appointed by Conference through the Examination Committee who shall receive their report.
10. That internal end of year examinations be conducted by the Staff of the College.
11. That the long range programme of using I.Q. tests with accepted theological students be continued and that a report be given at a later stage as to the value and the validity of using these tests for candidates.
12. That the suggested Course of Studies and regulations for Honorary Maori Home Missionaries and Lay Preachers be referred to the Board of Studies for consideration and report.
13. That Rev. R. Graham Bell, M.A., B.D., Theol.M., be appointed Secretary to the Board of Examiners.
14. That Rev. L. P. Schroeder, B.A., B.D., be thanked for his services and reappointed Assistant Secretary of the Board of Examiners.
15. That Conference place on record its deep appreciation of the long and outstanding service of the Rev. H. C. Matthews, B.A., who was for several years Assistant Secretary and for eleven years Secretary of the Board of Examiners. To this work, so demanding of time and energy, he has brought both ability and devotion. His leadership in all matters concerning the selection and training of the ministry has revealed soundness of judgment and integrity. For this service the whole Church expresses its gratitude.

**QUESTON 25—(a) Do we sanction the amalgamation alteration division of any District, Circuit or Home Mission Station, or do we originate any proposal having reference thereto?**

#### **WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY**

1. That the name of this District be changed from South Auckland to Waikato-Bay of Plenty.
2. **Opotiki Circuit:** That township of Waimana be included in the Opotiki Circuit and that the Circuit Boundary be at Stanley Road in Waimana Gorge and Stanley Road in the (Ohope) Wainui Road.

#### **TARANAKI-WANGANUI**

1. **Marton:** That the possibility of including the Marton Circuit in the Hawke's Bay-Manawatu District instead of Taranaki-Wanganui be referred to the Synod Standing Committees of both Districts through the Home Mission Board.
2. That a Committee of representatives of the Districts concerned be appointed to investigate and report on the relationships of the Circuits within the Wanganui sub-district, to the Taranaki-Wanganui, Hawke's Bay-Manawatu, Waikato-Bay of Plenty, and Wellington Districts with a view to inclusion in the Manawatu area, and report to Conference through the H.M. Board Con- venger-General Superintendent.

#### **OTAGO-SOUTHLAND**

1. That the Conference Authorise the establishment of a "Hillsborough Pattern" scheme of co-operation with the Presbyterian Churches at Port Chalmers and Sawyers Bay, on the following basis—
- (1) Methodist Members to be enrolled as reciprocal members on the roll of the Presbyterian Church in the Port Chalmers Parish.

- (2) That the Port Chalmers and Sawyers Bay Societies cease to exist as separate entities.
  - (3) That the Parish, including Methodist members, be under the control of the Port Chalmers Session and Minister.
  - (4) That the Churches in each place be titled "Presbyterian-Methodist" and that newspaper advertising and other publicity be undertaken in this name.
  - (5) That evening services in each place be held in the Methodist buildings.
  - (6) That should the Parish ever be in the position to support a second Minister, consideration be given to the possibility of appointing a Methodist minister to that position.
2. That Conference approve the establishment of a "Hillsborough Pattern" Church at Ravensbourne on the following conditions:
- (1) That the Church be known as "St. John's Church: Congregational-Methodist."
  - (2) That in the first instance this Church would share in the ministry of the United Congregational Church, Dunedin, the matter of subsequent ministry being subject to review in consultation with the Methodist District Synod Standing Committee, when the minister of United Congregational Church is due to leave.
  - (3) That once a month, worship be conducted in the combined Church by an approved Methodist preacher.
  - (4) That the combined Church recognise its obligation to the wider work of both denominations, and that payments to these be apportioned according to the relative number of Methodist and Congregational members, the actual level of giving to be that of the Methodist Connexional Budget allocation.
  - (5) That the buildings of the Congregational Church be used for the activities of the combined Church, and the Methodist property at Ravensbourne remain in the ownership of the Methodist Church, and be maintained in good repair by the Methodist Trustees until such time as its disposal is decided on.
- That the minister of Dundas Street Methodist Church be responsible for arranging for a Methodist preacher once a month, as set out in (3) above, and be available to conduct baptisms, weddings and funerals for Methodist folk as desired, and for other special pastoral situations and general consultation.
3. That the question of the staffing of Hillsborough Pattern and Union Parishes to prevent extended vacancies, be referred to the Joint Standing Committee on Church Union.

**QUESTION 25.—(b) What new Districts, Circuits or Home Mission Stations are now Constituted?**

SOLOMON ISLANDS Central Circuit to comprise the Gilbertese settlements at Titiana, Wagina and Shortlands.

**QUESTION 26.—(a) Do we sanction any change in the status or staffing of any Circuit or Home Mission Station?**

**AUCKLAND:**

**Takapuna:** That the staffing of the Takapuna Circuit be THREE ordained ministers.

**Papatoetoe:** That the staffing of the Papatoetoe Circuit be one ordained minister, one Probationer and a Deaconess.



**NORTH CANTERBURY:**

**Spreydon:** That the staffing of the Spreydon Circuit be two ordained Ministers.

**QUESTION 26.—(b) To what Circuits are additional Preachers to be appointed?**

Takapuna.  
Papatoetoe.  
Spreydon.

**QUESTION 26.—(c) From what Circuits are preachers to be withdrawn?**

**Auckland West:** That the staffing be one Ordained Minister.

**Temuka-Geraldine:** That the staffing be one Ordained Minister.

**North Dunedin:** That the staffing be one Ordained Minister.

**QUESTION 27.—What new Stations are now constituted?**

None.

**QUESTION 28.—What Circuits are due to provide a Parsonage for an Ordained Minister?**

**Tauranga (Greerton)** is prepared to fulfil its obligation.

**Taihape** is due, and seeks relief for a further year.

**Lower Hutt (4th)** is due but seeks relief for a further year.

**Spreydon (2nd)** is due and has fulfilled its obligations.

**St Kilda (2nd)** is due and is providing rented accommodation.

# LIST OF STATIONS OF THE Methodist Church of New Zealand

**President—REV. ATHOL R. PENN.**

**Vice-President—MR G. CYRIL BURTON, B.A.**

**Secretary—REV. HOWARD E. HARKNESS, M.A., B.D.**

## STATIONS OF MINISTERS, 1964

(N.B.—Each of the places mentioned in these Stations and numbered consecutively 1 to 145 and [1] to [18] for Maori and Overseas Mission Circuits is a Circuit. The Minister first named is the Superintendent, except in the case of a Probationer, in which instance the Chairman of the District is the Superintendent. The Superintendent or other Minister or Ministers stationed in or appointed to the several Circuits or Missions is or are appointed by the Conference to preach and perform all acts of religious worship and Methodist discipline in each and every one of the Methodist Churches already erected, or to be erected, in each Circuit respectively, during the current connexional year, at such time or times, and in such manner as to him or them shall be deemed proper, subject nevertheless to the Superintendent Minister and to the existing Laws and Regulations of the Conference.)

### I—NORTHLAND DISTRICT

1. **Mangonui**—Trevor L. Nicholls.
2. **Kaikōhe—Bay of Islands**—Harris Whitfield, Brian L. Olsen.
3. **Whangaroa**—C. Seton Horrill, William M. Garner (Sup).
4. **North Hokianga**—Maxwell L. Bruce.
5. **Hokianga**—George C. Hopkins.
6. **Hikurangi**—D. I. Alister McDonald.
7. **Whangarei**—William R. Francis, B.A., David H. Ansell.
8. **Dargaville**—Andrew G. Reid, Neil E. Smith.
9. **Ruawai**—Amos W. Burrough.
10. **Paparoa**—Frederick J. Climo.
11. **Port Albert**—Frederick D. Peterson, One Wanted.

### MAORI MISSION—

- [1] **Northland**—Te Awha W. Tahere, Eruera Te Tuhi, O.B.E. (Sup.). 6 Home Missionaries, 3 Deaconesses.

WILLIAM R. FRANCIS, B.A.

Chairman of the District.

R. HOWARD, Financial Secretary

### II—AUCKLAND DISTRICT

12. **Auckland Central**—R. Frederick Clement, M.A., Wesley Parker, M.A., B.D. (Kingsland), G. Raymond Harris (St. Jude's, Richmond Road), E. Thomas Olds (Sup.), A Deaconess.
- The Home Mission Department**—Bernard M. Chrystall, B.A. (Gen. Sup.), Ruawai D. Rakena (Asst. Sup.), Harold A. Darvill (Maori Missionary—residing at Hawera), Ranginohora Rogers, Senior Maori Supt.



**The Overseas Mission Department**—Stanley G. Andrews, M.A., Dip.Ed. (Gen. Sec.).

**Trinity Theological College**—David O. Williams, M.A., Litt.D., Tutor in Pastoral Theology, Principal; John J. Lewis, M.A., B.D., Ph.D., Tutor in Biblical Languages, Literature and Teaching, Resident Tutor, Vice-Principal; John A. Ziesler, M.A., B.D. (Bristol) (Tutor in N.T. Language, Literature, and Teaching); John Silvester, M.A. (Tutor in Systematic Theology); Eric W. Hames, M.A. (Sup.), Supply.

**Department of Christian Education**—Field Director (see Question 30).

13. **Auckland Central Mission**—A. Everil Orr, M.B.E., Sydney J. Spindler, Two Deaconesses.
14. **Auckland South**—E. Clarence Leadley, Reginald Grice (Roskill), Walter Parker (Sandringham), Douglas H. Burt, George P. Hunt (Sup.). Children's Home: Chaplain, Reginald Grice.
15. **Auckland West**—O. McLennan Olds.
16. **Auckland East**—Athol R. Penn (President of Conference), E. Raymond Le Couteur, David S. Mullan, B.A., Edgar R. Hornblow, LL.B., Edwin S. Harkness (Sup.), Arthur H. Scrvin (Sup.).
17. **Auckland (Orakei)**—Leonard P. Schroeder, B.A., B.D. (Chaplain to Winstone Lodge and Joint Chaplain to Seamer House), George R. Trebilco, Bruce W. Edwards, William Walker, E.D. (Sup.), Harry Ranston, M.A., Litt.D., Fellow of Trinity College (Sup.), James W. Parker (Sup.), George B. Hinton (Sup.), Eric W. Hames, M.A., Fellow of Trinity College (Sup.).
18. **Auckland (Avondale)**—Leonard C. Horwood (Chaplain to Astley House and Tyler House), Henry W. Kitchingman (Avondale-New Lynn), Frank E. Leadley (Sup.), Ernest E. Sage (Sup.), Albert Blakemore (Sup.), Percy I. Cooke (Sup.), Henry L. Blamires (Sup.).
19. **Auckland (Henderson)**—Arthur T. Kent, Harry Moore (Glen Eden), Lawrence E. Salter (Te Atatu), Thomas Skuse (Sup.), Fred Copeland (Sup.), Walter J. Enticott (Sup.), Ernest B. Chambers (Sup.).
20. **Auckland (Devonport)**—David L. Trebilco, E. Percy Blamires (Sup.).
21. **Auckland (Takapuna)**—John A. Penman, B.A., Bryan A. Walker, M.A. (who shall supervise Whangaparaoa and Mahurangi Circuits), Ludwig Felderhof, John Dennis (Sup.), A. Harry Voyce (Sup.), Joseph C. Draper (Sup.).
22. **Auckland (Birkenhead)**—Donald G. Sherson, B.A., Robert W. Widdup (Beach Haven), Basil J. Hilder (Northcote).
23. **Onehunga**—Herbert W. Payne (Joint Chaplain to "Kura-huna"), David Armstrong, J. H. Hall, (Sup.)
24. **Otahuhu**—Leslie R. M. Gilmore, B.A., Alfred E. Jefferson (Sup.).
25. **Papatoetoe**—Albert Jolly, Harold C. Pomeroy, B.A., A Deaconess wanted, L. Gordon Hanna (Sup.).
26. **Papakura**—Clarence T. J. Luxton, Harry W. Toothill.
27. **Pukekohe**—Thomas H. Carr, One Wanted. Wesley Training College, Paerata; Principal, Edward M. Marshall, B.A., Dip.Ed.

28. **Bombay-Tuakau**—Peter S. Barker, One Wanted.
29. **Waiuku**—Lewis A. Bowen.
30. **Kaipara**—William E. Moore.
31. **Whangaparaoa**—Paul A. Garside.
32. **Mahurangi**—John Churchill.
- [2] **Auckland—Ranginohoora Rogers** (Senior Maori Supt., Joint Chaplain to Seamer House and "Kurahuna"), Ngatete K. Kukutai (Sup.), 7 Home Missionaries, 3 Deaconesses.  
**COLPORTEUR WORK**—A Home Missionary.

ATHOL R. PENN, President of Conference, Chairman of the District.  
E. CLARENCE LEADLEY, Deputy Chairman.  
A. TURNER, Financial Secretary.

### III—WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY DISTRICT

33. **Thames**—Reginald Day (who shall supervise the Coromandel Home Mission Station).
34. **Hauraki Plains**—Charles D. Shave.
35. **Paeroa**—John H. Osborne, B.A.
36. **Waihi**—R. Leslie George, J. Francis Attwood (Sup.).
37. **Te Aroha**—V. Roy Jamieson, M.B.E., E.D.
38. **Morrinsville**—Francis H. Parker, G. Basil W. Bell (Waitoa), Robert B. Tinsley (Sup.).
39. **Cambridge**—Leonard Shapcott.
40. **Hamilton**—Ashleigh K. Petch, B.A., Archibald W. McKay, Phyllis M. Guthardt, M.A., Ph.D., Samuel J. Werren (Sup.), Leslie A. G. Brooks (Sup.).
- 40a. **Raglan Union Parish**—Presbyterian Appointment.
41. **Hamilton East**—Allan O. Jones, Derek G. Laws, One Wanted, William A. Burley, M.A. (Sup.), Charles H. Olds, B.A. (Sup.), John H. Bailey (Sup.), George Brown (Sup.).
42. **Huntly**—Eric R. Eastwood.
43. **Matamata**—Campbell P. Lucas.
44. **Putaruru-Tokoroa**—Frederick J. K. Baker, Frank H. Woodfield.
45. **Rotorua**—W. E. Allon Carr Nelson W. Stockbridge, One Wanted (Taupo).
46. **Tauranga**—Robert H. Allen, B.A., Arthur H. Ivory, LL.B. B.Comm. (Mount Maunganui), James H. Conway, Arthur A. Bensley (Sup.).
47. **Te Puke**—Geoffrey T. Gilbert.
48. **Whakatane**—Cuthbert F. Peart (who shall supervise the Kawerau Circuit).
49. **Opotiki**—One Wanted.
50. **Te Awamutu**—William J. Morrison, M.A., One Wanted.
51. **Otorohanga**—Hughan M. Craig.
52. **Te Kuiti**—Owen Kitchingman, B.A. (who shall supervise Ohura Circuit), a Home Missionary.
53. **Taumarunui**—Bruce Scammell.
54. **Ohura**—Stuart G. Slinn.
55. **Kawerau**—One Wanted.
- [3] **Waikato**—Charles E. Roke, 10 Home Missionaries, 4 Deaconesses.



- [4] **King Country**—George I. Laurenson, Lane M. Tauroa, B.A. (Resting, Fraternal Worker with N.C.C. in Indonesia), 12 Home Missionaries, 3 Deaconesses.  
**NGARUAWAHIA**—A Home Missionary.  
**KAWHIA**—A Home Missionary.  
**COROMANDEL**—A Home Missionary.

V. ROY JAMIESON, M.B.E., E.D.

Chairman of the District

S. V. LEACH, Financial Secretary.

#### IV—TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT

56. **New Plymouth**—William H. Greenslade (Joint Chaplain to Rangiatea Hostel), Keith C. Griffith, T. Ralph Benny, Robert E. Fordyce (Sup.), Charles H. Kendon (Sup.).  
 57. **Waitara**—Kenneth H. Russell, A Home Missionary.  
 58. **Stratford**—Alan H. V. Newton.  
 59. **Eltham-Kaponga**—Edward Baker, A Home Missionary.  
 60. **Hawera**—Colin D. Clark, M.A. (who shall supervise the Manaia Circuit), A Home Missionary (Patea).  
 61. **Manaia**—B. Keith Rowe, B.A.  
 62. **Opunake**—A. Peter Dorrian, Gordon A. R. Cornwell.  
 63. **Wanganui Central**—Charlie O. Hailwood.  
 64. **Wanganui North**—Albert A. Grundy, M.A.  
 65. **Wanganui West**—Geo. L. Bennett (who shall supervise the Raetihi-Ohakune Circuit).  
 66. **Taihape**—W. Geoffrey Tucker.  
 67. **Raetihi-Ohakune**—One Wanted.  
 68. **Marton**—Edward P. Boyd.  
 69. **Inglewood**—Mervyn L. Dine.
- [5] **Taranaki-Waimarino**—Harold A. Darvill (Hawera, Acting-Circuit Superintendent), One Wanted (New Plymouth), 12 Home Missionaries, 3 Deaconesses.  
 WILLIAM H. GREENSLADE, Chairman of the District.  
 J. P. HARDING, Financial Secretary.

#### V—HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU DISTRICT

70. **Napier**—Raymond Dudley, M.A., D.D., F.R.E.S. Clifford G. Brown (Superintendent Supply), Russell E. James, One Wanted, Henry Ryan (Sup.).  
 71. **Hastings**—John B. Dawson, B.A., John C. F. Mabon, Arthur Hopper (Sup.).  
 72. **Gisborne**—J. C. Aldwyn Williams, Alan K. Woodley.  
 73. **Wairoa**—Arnold C. Hight.  
 74. **Dannevirke-Norsewood**—Wilfred S. Gilbert, One Wanted.  
 75. **Woodville**—William C. Jenkin.  
 76. **Pahiatua**—Clifford L. Duder, Kenneth J. Keall (Resting).  
 77. **Palmerston North** (St Paul's)—Peter A. Stead, B.A., William L. Wallace, B.A., Harry I. Shaw, C.F.  
 78. **Palmerston North** (Trinity)—George H. Goodman, One Wanted.  
 79. **Ashhurst-Bunthythorpe**—J. Montgomery Blight.  
 80. **Feilding**—Leslie F. Bycroft (who shall supervise the Apiti Circuit, A Deaconess.

81. **Sanson-Rongotea**—William K. Abbott.
82. **Apiti**—Graham E. Hawkey.
83. **Waipawa-Waipukurau**—Stanley R. Goudge, B.A., W. J. Henderson (Sup.).
84. **Foxton-Shannon**—David G. Stubbs,  
GEO. H. GOODMAN, Chairman of the District.  
K. D. HUSE, A.R.A.N.Z., Financial Secretary.

#### VI—WELLINGTON DISTRICT

85. **Wellington Central**—Robert Thornley, M.A., Gordon D. Brough, B.A., Benjamin H. Riseley, A Deaconess, Leslie C. Clements (with Justice Department as Adviser in Marriage Guidance), Leslie A. D. Hayman, B.Ag.Sc. (Resting), Evan R. Lewis, M.Sc., B.A. (Fraternal Worker under N.C.C. in Indonesia), Ernest S. Hoddinott (Senior Chaplain to Justice Department), Wilf G. Eisner, B.A. (Chaplain with Justice Department).  
**Department of Christian Education**—Director, Wilfred F. Ford, B.A.
  86. **Wellington West**—Gordon R. H. Peterson, Wilfred J. Cable.
  87. **Wellington South**—Ian W. Reid, One Wanted.
  88. **Wellington East**—Lawrence Greenslade, J. Ainsley Daglish, Frank S. Rigg, William Rowe (Sup.).
  89. **Wellington North**—George R. Thompson, E.D., Roger M. Gibson.
  90. **Porirua**—Percy P. Rushton, B.A., B.D., Ivo M. Raynor, Ronald G. Major, William Rowe (Sup.).
  91. **Lower Hutt**—Leonard V. Willing, Ernest Heppelthwaite, Warwick Gust, B.A., John B. Currie, Haddon C. Dixon, M.A., B.D. (Resting), Dorothea M. Jones, B.A. (without pastoral charge), R. Purcell Keall (Sup.).
  - 91a. **Taita Union Parish**—Pres. Appointment.
  92. **Upper Hutt**—Trevor L. Bennett, One Wanted.
  93. **Petone**—Idris J. Ruck.
  - 93a. **Wainuiomata Union Parish**—Pres. Appointment, William Morrison (2nd).
  94. **Greytown-Featherston**—Charles H. Raynor.
  95. **Carterton**—Charles E. Dickens.
  96. **Masterton**—Howard E. Harkness, M.A., B.D. Secretary of Conference (who shall supervise Eketahuna Circuit), Kenneth Toomer. Masterton Children's Home: Chaplain, Howard E. Harkness, M.A., B.D.
  97. **Eketahuna**—Michael Maguire.
  98. **Levin**—Norman P. Larsen (who shall supervise the Otaki Circuit), Harry S. Kings (Sup.).
  99. **Otaki**—John W. White, Ormond E. Burton, M.A. (Sup.).
  100. **Paraparaumu**—Noel D. Billingham.
- ROBERT THORNLEY, M.A. Chairman of the District.  
GORDON R. H. PETERSON, Deputy-Chairman.  
T. M. PACEY, Financial Secretary.

#### VII—NELSON DISTRICT

101. **Nelson**—M. Alexander McDowell, D.D., Ian D. Grant (Stoke, who shall supervise the Murchison Circuit), Maynard G. Rutherford.
102. **Waimea**—Loyal J. Gibson, One Wanted.



103. **Motueka**—John R. Hall.
104. **Murchison**—Barry W. Neal.
105. **Blenheim**—Charles B. Oldfield, A. Kerry Taylor, One Wanted (Picton), John R. Hamlin, C.F., Alfred M. Costain, Dip.Soc.Sc. (Sup.).
106. **Reefton**—Ian H. Robertson.
107. **Westport**—E. Francis I. Hanson, B.A.
108. **Greymouth**—Alan Newman (who shall supervise the Reefton and Hokitika Circuits), One Wanted (Runanga).
109. **Hokitika**—Ronald E. Fields.  
                   M. ALEXANDER McDOWELL, D.D.,  
                                           Chairman of the District.  
                   ALAN NEWMAN, Deputy-Chairman.  
                   H. HOLLAND, Financial Secretary.

#### VIII—NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

110. **Christchurch** (Durham Street)—W. Selwyn Dawson, M.A., John E. Langley, A Deaconess, Archer O. Harris (Sup.), William T. Blight, B.A., B.D. (Sup.), William G. Slade, M.A., D.D. (Sup.), Charles Blair (Sup), Herbert L. Fiebig, B.A. (Sup.)  
                   CONNEXIONAL SECRETARY AND AUTHORISED  
                   REPRESENTATIVE—William R. Laws, M.A., B.D.  
                   FIELD DIRECTOR—(See Question 30).
111. **Christchurch Central Mission and Cambridge Terrace Church**  
                   —Wilfred E. Falkingham, David W. Edmonds, A Deaconess
112. **Christchurch East**—Harold K. Brown, Wesley A. Chambers, M.A. (Warden of Deaconess Order), Frank G. Glen, A. Wharton, E. Silvester (Medal of Merit, U.S.A.), John K. Watson, M.C., B.A., Wallace S. Neal (Sup.).  
                   METHODIST DEACONESS ORDER—Warden—Wesley A. Chambers, M.A.
113. **Christchurch (Woolston-Lyttelton)**—Leslie T. Norwell, G. Kingsley Greening (Opawa), One Wanted (Lyttelton).
114. **Christchurch (Sydenham)**—Gordon V. Thomas, B.A., Harry V. Utting (Sup.).
115. **Christchurch (Spreydon)**—M. Jackson Campbell, R. Russell Marshall, Hubert G. Brown (Sup.).
116. **Christchurch (Riccarton)**—John D. Grocott, B.A., David L. Hines,
117. **Christchurch (St Albans)**—R. Graham Bell, M.A., B.D., Theol.M., Herbert A. Cochrane, Philip D. Ramsay, Trevor Shepherd, Cecil R. Taylor (Sup.).
118. **Christchurch (Papanui)**—Howard C. Matthews, B.A., One Wanted. South Island Orphanage: Chaplain, Howard C. Matthews, B.A.
119. **Springston**—John S. Hosking, M.A., Dip.Mus., Walter J. D. Wakeling (Islington).
120. **Leeston**—Owen T. Woodfield, B.A.
121. **Kaiapoi**—J. Herbert Thompson.
122. **Rangiora**—Charles H. Bell, H. Ian K. Hopper, B.A.
123. **Greendale**—Irwin J. Fowler.
124. **Oxford**—Owen L. Christian.

HOWARD C. MATTHEWS, B.A., Chairman of the District.

H. T. FRANCIS, Financial Secretary.

### IX—SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

125. **Timaru (Banks Street)**—Norman W. Olds.
126. **Timaru (Woodlands Street)**—John Grundy, M.A., One Wanted (Kensington).
- 126a. **Marchwiell Union Parish**—Edmund D. Grounds.
127. **Waimate**—Ivan J. Clucas, Jonathan H. Haslam (Sup.).
128. **Geraldine-Temuka**—Neville Thornicroft.
129. **Ashburton**—Arthur R. Witheford, B.A., Graham Brazendale, D. J. Donald Hickman (Sup.).
130. **Willowby**—Geoffrey E. Scarr.
131. **Oamaru**—George W. Cramond.

ARTHUR R. WITHEFORD, B.A., Chairman of the District.  
A. MARSHALL, Financial Secretary.

### X—OTAGO-SOUTHLAND DISTRICT

132. **Central Church and Mission (Dunedin)**—D. Bruce Gordon, M.A., John H. Roberts, Warren Green, A Deaconess.
133. **North Dunedin**—Ian C. E. Ramage, M.A.
134. **Dunedin West**—Andrew J. Johnston, David L. Kitchingman
135. **Dunedin South**—H. David Besant, B.A., B.D., One Wanted, John W. Reddihough, F.R.G.S.
- 135a. **Corstorphine Union Parish**—Alan J. Handyside.
136. **Dunedin (St. Kilda)**—One wanted, Ralph E. Patchett (resting), Barry E. Jones.
137. **Milton—Lawrence**—Robert S. Andrews (who shall supervise the Roxburgh Circuit).
138. **Balclutha**—Maxwell A. Hornblow.
139. **Gore**—J. Henry Woolford, M.A.
140. **Invercargill Central**—W. Lloyd Divers (who shall supervise the Bluff Circuit), Ronald H. Wood.
141. **Invercargill (St. Peter's)**—J. Stanley Olds, One Wanted (Newfield).
142. **Western Southland**—Ian H. McKenzie, M.Sc., B.D., Niven G. Ball.
143. **Bluff**—Hendrik Gerritson.
144. **Roxburgh**—Frederick G. Waine.
145. **Cromwell-Alexandra**—Lewis H. Major.

ANDREW J. JOHNSTON, Chairman of the District.

S. S. HOLDEN, B.Com., A.R.A.N.Z., Financial Secretary.

### XI—SOLOMON ISLANDS DISTRICT

- [6] **Roviana**—James F. Cropp (Banga), Alexander C. Watson (Honiara), John V. Bitibule (Gizo), Solomon Alu, One Missionary Sister (Teacher), One Missionary Sister (Nurse).  
**Goldie College**—James F. Cropp, One Missionary Teacher.  
**Helena Goldie Hospital**—One Doctor, One Missionary Sister (Nurse).  
**District Headquarters**—George G. Carter, M.A., Dip. Ed. (Chairman of the District), One Lay Missionary Accountant, One Lay Missionary Engineer, One Administrative Assistant, One Plantation Manager, One Travelling Teacher Wanted.
- [7] **Marovo**—Aisake N. Vula, One Missionary Teacher.
- [8] **Vella Lavella**—Daniel Palavi (Bilua), One Wanted (Maravari), Timothy Piani (Ranongga), One Missionary Sister (Teacher), One Missionary Sister (Nurse).



- [9] **Choiseul**—One Wanted (Sasamungga), Job Rotoava (Sasamungga), Serupepli Beraki (Panggoe), One Missionary Sister (Teacher), One Missionary Sister (Nurse), One Missionary Sister (Deaconess).
- [10] **Central**—One Wanted (Wagina), Te Tekieru Teem (a minister of the Gilbert Islands Congregational Church Supply).
- [11] **Buin**—Philip F. Taylor (Tonu), One Wanted (Kihili), Samson Pataaku (Nagavisi), One Missionary Teacher Wanted, One Missionary Sister (Nurse), One Missionary Sister (Deaconess).
- District Girls' School**—Two Missionary Sisters (Teachers), One Missionary Sister (Deaconess) Wanted.
- [12] **Kieta**—John Taufu (Roreinang).
- [13] **Teop**—Francis Bongbong (Kekesu), One Wanted (Tearaka), One Missionary Sister (Teacher), One Missionary Sister (Nurse).
- Teacher Training Institution**—One Missionary Sister (Teacher), (seconded to Methodist Teachers' College, Namatanai).
- [14] **Buka**—Brian W. Sides (Skotolan), Moses Mosusu (Kunua), George Maelagi, One Missionary Sister (Teacher), One Missionary Sister (Nurse).
- N.B.—It is understood that the Chairman of the District shall have discretionary powers regarding new appointments.

GEORGE G. CARTER, M.A., Dip.Ed., Chairman of the District.

## **XII—PAPUA-NEW GUINEA HIGHLANDS DISTRICT**

- [15] **Mendi**—John D. Rees, B.Sc., Dip. For., A. Graham Smith, L.Th., Principal, District Pastor Training College, One District Sister, One Teacher, One District Agriculturalist.
- [16] **Tari**—John Atkinson, L.Th., Epineri Kopman (Magarima), One Teacher, One District Builder, Two Missionary Sisters.
- [17] **Nipa**—Clifford J. Keightley, One Minister Wanted, One District Secretary, One Teacher.
- [18] **Lai**—Libai Tiengwa.
- N.B.—John B. Rees, A. Graham Smith, John Atkinson, Epineri Kopman and Labai Tiengwa, are ministers and probationers of the New South Wales Conference.

CLIFFORD J. KEIGHTLEY, Chairman of the District.

## **OVERSEAS MEDICAL AND LAY MISSIONARIES**

- Ronald W. Pattinson, M.B., Ch.B. (Melb.), Munda, British Solomon Islands.
- John S. Gatman (Engineer), Munda, British Solomon Islands.
- Bruce D. Smith (Accountant), Munda, British Solomon Islands.
- Gordon T. Dey (Builder), Tari, Territory of New Guinea.
- Rodney C. Fleury (Plantation Manager), Munda, British Solomon Islands.
- David W. Eason (Builder), Munda, British Solomon Islands.
- Ovini Baleidaveta (Fijian Agriculturalist), Buin, Territory of New Guinea.

**QUESTION 30—How are the Home Missionaries employed by the Conference stationed for the ensuing year?**

**NORTHLAND DISTRICT—**

Port Albert (2nd) (Wellsford)—One wanted.

**Maori Mission:**

Mangamuka—Supply.  
Whirinaki—Supply.  
Punakitere—Te Hira Ratete.  
Kaihohe—Hotai Mita Hohepa.  
Taheke—Supply.  
Waima—Matu Makiha.  
Waioomio—Tawai Te Riri Kawiti.  
Kawakawa—Supply.  
Pokere—Para Piripi Livingstone.  
Totara North—Robert Taka.  
Whananaki—Himiona Waata.  
Hikurangi—Hohepa Hemara.  
Dargaville—Wiremu Paki Ihaka.  
Rangitane—Henare Kapa.  
Batley—Supply.  
Pakiri—Supply.

**AUCKLAND DISTRICT—**

Department of Christian Education, Field Director—Miss Mary Astley.

Auckland (Birkenhead)—R. Coombridge and D. I. Robertson (retired).

Auckland (Takapuna)—W. H. Wilson (retired).

Pukekohe (2nd) (Mauku)—One wanted.

Bombay-Tuakau (2nd) (Bombay)—One wanted.

**Maori Mission:**

Rewiti—Supply.  
Point Chevalier—Hone Wilcox.  
Auckland Suburban—Non-resident Student Supply (Napi Waaka).  
Auckland—Supply.  
Te Kohanga—Waaka Kukutai.  
Tuakau—Ngaweke Tuhimata (retired).

**SOUTH AUCKLAND DISTRICT—**

Opotiki—A. E. Tardif.  
Kawerau—Supply (A. W. Dickie).  
Whakatane—W. J. Bryant (retired).  
Coromandel—One wanted.  
Rotorua (3rd) (Taupo)—Supply (Rev. E. B. Chambers).  
Ngaruawahia—F. L. Johnson.  
Hamilton East (3rd)—One wanted, A. L. Witheford (retired).  
Kawhia—One wanted.  
Te Awamutu (2nd) (Pirongia)—One wanted.

**Maori Mission:**

Hamilton—Wiremu Tonga and Herehere Maihi Maaka.  
Rangiriri—Matene Hori de Thierry.  
Huntly—Supply.  
Ngaruawahia—Te Orahi Tonga and Tutu Keepa.  
Ngaruawahia Rural—One wanted.  
Frankton Junction—Supply.  
Whatawhata—Ngerungeru Tame Pihama and Hoera Whakaari  
Aramiro—Supply. Hakopa.  
Raglan—Tuteao Manihera.



Aotea Harbour—Roi Moke.  
 Makomako—Tumu Te Huia.  
 Maketu Pa—Waiwera Rangawhenua.  
 Kawhia—Paahi Moke (retired).  
 Rakaunui—Supply.  
 Te Kopua—Supply.  
 Mourea—Te Iwikau Waaka.  
 Taharoa—Taipua Te Uira.  
 Marokopa—Nguru Winikerei.  
 Ngutunui—Supply.  
 Mokau—Supply.  
 Aotearoa—Pukerau Rangitutia.  
 Otorohanga—Supply.  
 Waitomo—Supply.  
 Hangatiki—Supply.  
 Waimiha—Tame Ponui.  
 Hydro and Forestry Area—Morehu Te Whare.

#### **TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT—**

Waitara (Uruti)—One wanted.  
 New Plymouth—H. R. Wright (retired).  
 Eltham (Kaponga)—One wanted.  
 Hawera (Patea) Presbyterian-Methodist co-operation.  
 Raetihi-Ohakune—One wanted.  
 Marton—H. Prowse (retired).

#### **Maori Mission:**

New Plymouth—Te Akonga Pihama (Joint Chaplain to Rangiatea Hostel).  
 Urenui—One wanted.  
 Rahotu—Whaterau Ira Wharehoka.  
 Nukumarū—Supply.  
 Whenuakura—Supply.  
 Pariroa Pa—Supply.  
 Kai Iwi—Supply.  
 Wanganui—Supply.  
 Wanganui River—Supply.  
 Rangitikei—Supply.  
 Raetihi—Supply.

#### **HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU DISTRICT—**

Palmerston North (Trinity) (2nd)—(Mr I. A. Baber, Local Circuit Arrangement).  
 Napier (3rd)—One wanted. C. Robinson (retired).  
 Dannevirke-Norsewood (2nd) (Norsewood)—O. P. Davies.

#### **WELLINGTON DISTRICT—**

Wellington South (2nd) (Island Bay)—One wanted.  
 Upper Hutt (2nd)—Deaconess Appointment Sister Janet Evans.

#### **NELSON DISTRICT—**

Blenheim (3rd)—H. D. Kelly, B.A. (Picton).  
 Motueka—R. T. Alexander (retired).  
 Reefton—T. Steele (retired).  
 Greymouth (2nd) (Runanga)—One wanted.  
 Waimea (2nd)—One wanted.

#### **NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT—**

Department of Christian Education, Field Director—C. H. Couch.  
 Christchurch (Papanui) (2nd)—One wanted.

Rangiora—F. E. Trim (retired).  
Woolston-Lyttelton—One wanted.

**Maori Mission:**

Rapaki—Wera Couch.

**SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT—**

Timaru (Woodlands Street) (2nd)—One wanted.

**OTAGO-SOUTHLAND DISTRICT—**

Invercargill, St Peter's (2nd) (Newfield)—Ronald W. Ferguson.

**QUESTION 31.—How are the Deaconesses employed by the Conference stationed for the ensuing year?**

**1. HOME WORK**

**(a) In Circuits**

Sister Beverley Taylor, Auckland Central.

Sister Josephine Glasson. (A Deaconess on exchange from the N.S.W. Conference.) Wesley Church, Wellington.

**(b) In Institutions and City Missions**

Two Deaconesses wanted, Auckland Central Mission.

One wanted, Central Mission, Cambridge Terrace, Christchurch.

Sister Rona Collins, South Island Children's Home and Orphanage, Christchurch.

One wanted, Central Mission, Dunedin.

**(c) Ministerial Supply**

Sister Janet Evans, Upper Hutt.

Probationer Shirley Unguemuth, Feilding.

**2. MAORI WORK**

**(a) Maori Mission**

Sister Eleanor Dobby, South Island.

Sister Nicholls, Waikato.

Sister Airini Hobbs, Waikato.

Sister Heeni Wharemaru, Hamilton and Central Waikato.

Sister Anne Wilson, Hawera.

Sister Grace Clement, Auckland.

Sister Betty Yearbury, Te Kuiti.

Sister Joan Wedding, Hokianga.

Sister Edna Jenkin, Otorohanga.

Sister Lynette Bowker, Opunake.

Sister Barbara Miller, Dargaville.

Sister Shirley Simpson, Hamilton 2nd.

Sister Elva Harris, Auckland.

**(b) In Maori Hostels**

Sister Madeline Holland, "Kurahuna" Hostel, Auckland.

Sister Evelyn Marriott, Rangiata Maori Girls' Hostel, New Plymouth.

Sister Jean Miller, Seamer House, Auckland.

Sister Heeni Wharemaru, Matron, Te Rahui T., Hamilton.

**3. OVERSEAS WORK**

Sister Lucy Money, Choiseul, Solomon Islands.

Sister Pamela Beaumont, Buin, Territory of New Guinea.

**4. LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Sister Doreen Bulford.



## **5. WITHOUT APPOINTMENT**

Sister Rita Snowden, Auckland.  
Sister Gladys Thomas (on exchange with N.S.W. Conference).  
Sister Dorothy Pointon (with permission to serve with the B. and F. Bible Society).

## **6. IN TRAINING**

Marian J. Alexander (1st year).

## **7. SUPPLY APPOINTMENTS**

Mrs G. George (Sister Atawhai), Bay of Islands.  
Miss Connie Fell, Auckland Central.  
Mrs Eunice Bell, Hamilton.  
One wanted.

## **8. RETIRED DEACONESSES**

Sister Ruth Fawcett	Mrs C. B. Jones
Mrs W. J. Williams	Sister Olive Coleman
Sister May Barnett	Mrs H. Breed
Sister Annie Tocker	Mrs R. Venis
Sister Winifred Beaumont	Sister Olive Bott
Sister May Ralph	Sister Ivy Jones, M.B.E.
Sister Lily White	Sister Ruth Hilder
Mrs M. Tauroa	

## **9. OVERSEAS MISSIONARY SISTERS**

Sister Ada Lee, Buin, T.N.G.  
Sister Myra Fraser, Munda, B.S.I.P.  
Sister Edith James, Tari, via Goroka, T.N.G.  
Sister Mary Addison, Buin, T.N.G.  
Sister Lesley Bowen, Teop, Sohano, T.N.G.  
Sister Norma Graves, Namatanai, T.N.G.  
Sister Patricia Jacobsen, Buin, T.N.G.  
Sister Kathleen Shaw, Teop, Sohano, T.N.G.  
Sister Gladys Larkin, Munda, B.S.I.P.  
Sister Beryl Grice, Choiseul, B.S.I.P.  
Sister Patricia Hulks, Buka, Sohano, T.N.G.  
Sister Vivienne Parton, Bilua, B.S.I.P.  
Sister Janice Palmer, Buka, T.N.G.  
Sister Muriel McCormack, Munda, B.S.I.P.  
Sister Esther Watson, Teop, T.N.G.  
Miss Catherine Scott, Nipa, T.N.G.  
Miss Shona Couch, Munda, B.S.I.P.  
Sister Lynette Sadler, B.A., Munda, B.S.I.P.  
Sister Beverley Withers (All Saints' College, Sydney).  
N.B.: B.S.I.P.—British Solomon Islands Protectorate;  
T.N.G.—Territory of New Guinea.

## **10. RETIRED MISSIONARY SISTERS**

Sister Grace McDonald	Sister Merle Farland
Sister Edna White	Sister Effie Harkness
Sister Lina Jones	

## **LIST OF HOSPITAL CHAPLAINS**

The following List will be a guide to those wishing to notify ministers in the cities in particular of those from other areas who are patients in the various city hospitals. The List is not exclusive. It refers only to the main public institutions. In smaller centres, not listed, those concerned should write to the resident Minister.

## **AUCKLAND DISTRICT—**

Auckland, Greenlane, and National Women's Hospitals—Rev Walter Parker.

Middlemore—Revs. A. Jolly and L. R. M. Gilmore.

Oakley Hospital—Rev. L. C. Horwood.

Kingsseat Psychiatric Hospital—Rev. T. H. Carr.

Ravensthorp Psychiatric Hospital—Rev. P. S. Barker.

## **WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY DISTRICT —**

Waikato Hospital—Rev. P. M. Guthardt.

Queen Elizabeth (Rotorua)—Rev. W. E. A. Carr.

Tokanui Psychiatric—Rev. W. J. Morrison.

## **TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT—**

New Plymouth—Rev. Keith C. Griffith.

Wanganui—Rev. G. L. Bennett.

## **HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU DISTRICT—**

Napier—Rev. C. G. Brown.

Hastings—Rev. J. B. Dawson.

Palmerston North—Rev. P. A. Stead.

## **WELLINGTON DISTRICT—**

Wellington Public Hospital—Rev. F. S. Rigg.

Lower Hutt Public Hospital—Rev. E. Heppelthwaite.

Silverstream—Rev. T. L. Bennett.

## **NELSON DISTRICT—**

Nelson Public Hospital—Rev. M. G. Rutherford.

Ngawhatu Psychiatric—Rev. I. D. Grant.

Seaview Psychiatric (Hokitika)—Rev. R. E. Fields.

## **NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT—**

Christchurch Hospital—Rev. H. G. Brown.

Princess Margaret Hospital—Rev. H. V. Utting.

Burwood Hospital—Rev. A. W. E. Silvester.

Sunnyside Hospital—Rev. M. J. Campbell.

## **OTAGO-SOUTHLAND DISTRICT—**

Dunedin Public, and Private Hospitals—Rev. J. H. Roberts.

Dunedin Psychiatric Hospitals—Rev. W. Green.

## **QUESTION 32—(a) Authority to Administer the Sacraments.**

### **(1)—What Probationers are Authorised to Administer the Sacraments?**

Solomon Alu

David H. Ansell

David Armstrong

Niven G. Ball

Ronald E. Fields

Paul A. Garside

Graham E. Hawkey

David L. Hines

Edgar R. Hornblow

Ronald G. Major

John B. Currie

Derek G. Laws

George Maelagi

Moses Mosusu

Harold C. Pomeroy

Ian H. Robertson

B. Keith Rowe

Maynard G. Rutherford

Kenneth L. Toomer

W. Geoffrey Tucker

Walter J. D. Wakeling

John W. White

Alan K. Woodley

Ludwig Felderhof

John H. Roberts

Michael Maguire



**(2)—What Home Missionaries, Deaconesses, and Laymen are Authorised to Administer the Sacraments?**

**All Senior Home Missionaries**

G. B. Couch	Te Orahi Tonga
Wera Couch	A. Grahame Kahui
Sister Lucy H. Money	Catechist Mahlon Busiana
Sister Pamela Beaumont	Catechist Henry Moata
Pastor H. D. Kelly	Catechist Levi Papabatu
Matu Makiha	Catechist Timothy Pete
Hohepa Hemara	Catechist Timothy Poko
Tawai Te Riri Kawiti	Catechist Simon Rigamu
Henare Kapa	Catechist Maipenza Saeron
Te A Konga Pihama	Catechist Thomas Virivolomo
Herehere Maihi Maaka	Also: Te Tekieru Teem

**QUESTION 32—(b) Who are Elected as Chairman and Secretaries of Districts and Statistical Secretaries for the Ensuing Year?**

**1. CHAIRMEN OF DISTRICTS**

Northland—William R. Francis, B.A., B.D.  
Auckland—Athol R. Penn (President of Conference).  
Waikato-Bay of Plenty—V. Roy Jamieson, M.B.E., E.D.  
Taranaki-Wanganui—William H. Greenslade.  
Hawke's Bay-Manawatu—George H. Goodman.  
Wellington—Robert Thornley, M.A.  
Nelson—M. Alexander McDowell, D.D.  
North Canterbury—Howard C. Matthews, B.A.  
South Canterbury—Arthur R. Witheford, B.A.  
Otago-Southland—Andrew J. Johnston.  
Solomon Islands—George G. Carter, M.A., Dip.Ed.  
Papua-New Guinea Highlands—Clifford J. Keightley.

**2. DISTRICT AND STATISTICAL SECRETARIES:**

General Statistical Secretary—William C. Jenkin.  
Northland—Trevor L. Nicholls.  
Auckland—Leslie R. M. Gilmore, B.A.  
Waikato-Bay of Plenty—Robert H. Allen, B.A.  
Taranaki-Wanganui—T. Ralph Benny.  
Hawke's Bay-Manawatu—J. Montgomery Blight.  
Wellington—Lawrence Greenslade.  
Nelson—Charles B. Oldfield.  
North Canterbury—Harold K. Brown.  
South Canterbury—Neville Thornicroft.  
Otago-Southland—Alan J. Handyside.  
Solomon Islands—James F. Cropp.

**QUESTION 33—(1) Who are Elected as President, Vice-president, and Secretary of the Conference, 1964?**

President—Rev. George H. Goodman.  
Vice-President—Mr R. C. A. Marshall.  
Secretary—Rev. Howard E. Harkness, M.A., B.D.

**(2)—Have adequate arrangements been made for President's Supply?**  
Yes.

**QUESTION 34.—What is the Report of the General Statistical Secretary?**

## **Report of the Statistical Secretary**

### **General:**

This year 1963 is the Golden Jubilee of the Methodist Church of New Zealand as constituted in the year 1913.

In my report of 1961 I mentioned the fact and expressed the hope that "some fitting observance will be made to commemorate this fact." (See M. of C. 1961 Page 56 Par. 3.)

One or two lone voices also brought the matter before Conference but other than that our "Golden Jubilee" has passed unnoticed.

The District returns came in promptly after Synod and with one or two exceptions were correct. My appreciation is extended to the District Statistical Secretaries for their co-operation in this matter.

It is again necessary to point out that when once Conference has received and adopted the Statistical Returns in any given year, those figures thereon which have to be carried forward to the next year MUST be the starting point for the new compilation. Any adjustments must be made in the current year. This is an accepted practice in the question of Statistics and there can be no exception allowed.

### **Buildings:**

The number of Churches show a decrease of 2 in spite of the fact that two new churches are reported by the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee. The number now stands at 449.

Other Preaching Places returned at 258 show a decrease for the year of 9. So that the overall picture is that Methodism is witnessing in 11 less places than was the case last year.

Explanation of these withdrawals have been made to the appropriate Synods.

Schoolrooms at 328 reveal another increase of 12 for the year.

The total number of Parsonages have increased by 3 and now stand at 230. There were also some replacements made during the year.

### **Staffing:**

An increase of 5 Ministers and Probationers brings the total to 285. Home Missionaries show a decrease of 10 for the year their number now standing at 20.

Deaconesses at 7 reveal a decrease of 2 for the year.

As at the 30th June there were 697 Lay Preachers returned, a decrease of 14 for the year. District increases were Auckland 7; North Canterbury 8 and Otago-Southland 4, while all other Districts returned fewer Lay Preachers, 33 in all, giving a net decrease for the year of 14.

### **Membership:**

Membership has increase by a net figure of 316 and the total now stands at 32,389. This increase is the lowest figure since 1955.

New members received during the year amounted to 1476 there being 738 both in the under twenties and the over twenties.

Losses in transfers amount to 123 for the year. Those transferred to other Circuits were 2065 and those received were 1942. This is still a matter for concern. This represents a total loss of 2258 members in the last 18 years an average of 125 per year.



The item "Ceased to Attend" is still most unsatisfactory. 540 members come under this heading. Since 1946 when introduced we have recorded 8505, an average of 473 each year.

An interesting investigation on a Circuit basis was undertaken by the Auckland Synodal District on this question.

Circuits were asked to supply information on the following: (a) People ceased to be interested; (b) People joined another denomination; (c) People transferred overseas; and (d) People lost—gone no address.

In the year 1962 the results were: (a) 44; (b) 33, (c) 11; and (d) 26. In the year 1963 the results were: (a) 31; (b) 41; (c) 16; and (d) 26. The total for each year being 114.

This question of "Ceased to Attend" has been a vexed question for years and it is encouraging to see that at least one District has tackled the question constructively.

If we assume that the Auckland District is typical of New Zealand it means that loss of interest and folk failing to notify their removal amount to 55% of the total. In other words net average loss for the last 18 years is approx. 260, a total of 4680 in 18 years.

I appreciate being made aware of this investigation by the Statistical Secretary of the Auckland Synod. Others could well follow suit. It is only in this way that we can arrive at the position where something definite can be put into operation to counteract this leakage.

Four hundred and ninety-seven members have died during this year.

Eight Districts return Members on Probation. This shows a very healthy state and gives evidence of care being taken before admission in to full membership. One hundred and sixty-seven people are so returned this year.

#### **Youth Returns:**

Baptisms stand at 3163, a decrease of 163 for the year. The Cradle Roll at 8333 reveals an increase of 59 for the year.

In the Sunday Schools there are 10,277 scholars in the Primary section, an increase of 81 for the year.

The other sections show decreases namely Junior 187 and Intermediate 151. The totals being 8196 and 5564 respectively.

Sunday School Teachers again show a decrease this year of 117, the total number being 2696.

Junior Bible Classes show a net decrease of 120 there being 44 more young men and 164 fewer young women. The totals are 767 and 2113.

Intermediate Bible Class members with a net increase of 37 results in 11 more young men and 48 fewer young women. Totals 1171 and 1439.

The Senior Bible Classes show a net increase of 1 for the year. Twenty-nine more young men and 28 fewer young women. Totals for the year as follows: Young men 1063 and young women 850.

Bible Class Leaders at 527 men and 327 women reveal decreases of 4 men and 13 women leaders.

#### **Pastoral Care:**

The number of families under the Pastoral Care of the Church stand at 47,618 representing an increase 1120 for the year.

Persons now known to the Church total 143,732. There is a decrease of 591 people for the year so listed.

### **Stipends, etc.:**

Stipends paid for the year ending 30th June amount to £168,211 9s 5d, an increase of £6324 18s 5d for the year.

Travelling Expenses with an increase of £2,597 13s 7d have reached an all-time record of £37,999 12s 1d. This is largely due to the new minimum rates as authorised at last Conference.

Fifteen Circuits own cars, this being 2 less than last year while cars owned by Ministers have increased by 2 the number now being 216.

### **Finances:**

The position here is still unsatisfactory and at least one Synod has recommended to the Church Finance and Stewardship Committee that a standard set of Account Books be used in each Circuit and Home Mission Station. This has definite merit.

In the Circuit Accounts Credit Balances have decreased over the year by £5073 18s 11d, the total now being £23,132 14s 8d. Debit Balances have in the same period increased by £3402 7s, the total being £19,444 12s 9d.

Trust Account Figures again are unsatisfactory as the Balances shown on the Church Property Returns and the General Returns differ in quite a number of instances.

In the case of a Minister doing some local research on a given project the information would be of no use and would entail a waste of time in going to others for information which should be right on the spot.

Trust Credits, according to the figures submitted in the General Returns have increased by £22,217/10/3, the totals being £100,870/17/5. For the same period the Debit Balances at £104,509/2/7 show an increase of £13,922/7/-.

In addition to the Credit Balance mentioned above there is also a considerable sum amounting to over £500,000 as revealed in last year's returns. For the figure as at 30th June this year you will need to refer to your Minutes of Conference under the heading of 'General Report on Church Property'.

### **CONCLUSION:**

Information other than the fact that 173,838 people returned themselves as Methodists in the Census of 1961 will not be available until some time in 1964.

A comparison between the Census declared Methodists in 1961 and those who are members; plus Cradle Roll, Sunday-school scholars, Bible Class members and adherents show that there are approximately 22,861 people who call themselves Methodist having no contact with the Church. It is hoped that when the detailed figures issued by the Department of Statistics become available it will be possible to advise each District as to the position as it is seen on a District level.

My thanks are extended to District Statistical Secretaries and Circuit Superintendents for their co-operation this year.

WM. C. JENKIN, General Statistical Secretary.

### **"DECADAL" REPORT, 1963**

The Methodist Church as it is now constituted came into being in the year 1913.

It is interesting to note our progress during the last 50 years.



The following figures are of interest:

Year	Churches	Other Preaching Places	Schoolrooms	Ministers & Probationers	Parsonages	Home Missionaries	Local Preachers	Deaconesses	Senior Church Membership	Pastoral Roll	Census Declared Methodists
1913	339	594	133	189	152	48	873	10	20,992		94,827 (1911)
1923	437	430	163	181	175	50	773	10	23,451		112,344 (1921)
1933	443	448	203	195	183	53	786	9	25,390		121,012 (1936)
1943	440	352	228	213	188	53	687	4	25,706		130,220 (1945)
1953	438	336	260	235	201	38	674	11	27,114		156,077 (1951)
1963	449	258	328	285	230	20	697	7	32,389	143,732	173,838 (1961)

\* The figures in this column are from the Census nearest to each year under review.

It is interesting to note that though on the present summary it would appear that we have the greatest number of Churches for 50 years, the fact remains that in 1919, six years after union, the number was 452.

The number of Other Preaching Places is 56 per cent less in the 50-year period. Whereas we had 594 Other Preaching Places in 1913, to-day we have 258.

The number of school rooms have increased from 133 in 1913 to 328 as shown in this year's returns, an increase of 246 per cent.

The population of New Zealand has more than doubled itself in the last 50 years. Census declared Methodists in that period have increased by approximately 83 per cent, or 79,011 people, while the increase of Membership stands at 11,397, which represents an increase in 50 years of 53 per cent.

It is only since 1945 that we have kept a record of the movement of our membership and during the 18 years the Net increase of membership has been 7,074.

During this period we have lost by death 7,640 members; lost in the transfer of members 2,258 and a total Lapsed Membership of 8,505, a total of 18,403. If we add to this figure the net increase of 7,074 it means that for every 100 increase we have had to receive approximately 400 new members.

This fact is still true even when we make allowances for the various reasons of 'Members ceased to attend'.

It is hoped that when the next Census figures are available that information now being compiled will be in the hands of each Synod for consideration.

The number of Ministers and Probationers has increased by 96 over the past 50 years from 189 to 285. Against this Home Missionaries have decreased by 28, the number now being 20.

Allowing for Supernumerary Ministers and Home Missionaries we had in 1913 207 in the active work caring for 20,992 members, an average of 101 per Minister or Home Missionary. To-day we have 232 in the active work caring for 32,389 members, an average of approximately 140.

Deaconesses in the European work numbered 10 in 1913 and 7 in 1963. The highest number being recorded in 1919 at 15.

Local Preachers have dropped from 873 in 1913 to 697 in

1963, the lowest number being in 1950, when the number stood at 636.

The higher standards of qualification for Local Preachers and the now increasing numbers augur well for the future.

It is again pointed out that the First New Zealand Annual Conference of the Australian Wesleyan Methodist Church was held in 1874.

With the new vision of Pastoral Evangelism brought to the Church this year by Doctors Denman and Manning-Potts we should make even greater progress in the next decade which lies before us.

We thank God for all that is past and trust Him for all that is to come.

WM. C. JENKIN, General Statistical Secretary.

### **RESOLUTIONS**

1. That the Reports and Statistical Returns be received and adopted.
2. That the Rev. W. C. Jenkin be heartily thanked for his services as General Statistical Secretary, and that he be re-appointed.

### **MAORI MISSION RETURNS REPORT 1963.**

#### **General:**

The number of Churches remains the same at 18. Other Preaching Places number 156, an increase of 6 for the year.

Parsonages now number 9, an increase of 1 for the year.

The number of Ordained Ministers reported is the same as last year, the number being 7. Also the number of full-time Home Missionaries remains the same at 6, while 2 less Part-time Home Missionaries give us 23 for the year.

Deaconesses remain the same at 18 and an increase of 4 Local Preachers brings the total to 16.

#### **Membership:**

Membership this year shows a decrease of 47, the number now being 2120.

Thirty-one members were received into full membership in reception services during the year, an increase of 18 on last year's figures.

Methodist Adherents have increased by 237 for the year, the number now being 5639 as at the 30th June.

#### **Youth:**

There is an increase of 14 Sunday Schools reported for the year, the total number now being 135. While the Sunday School scholars show a decrease of 103, the number being 1947.

Twenty-three Bible Classes are returned, a decrease of 2 for the year, while the number of Bible Class members at 266 show a decrease of 92 for the year.

#### **Pastoral Care:**

The figures show an increase of 104 families and 524 persons for the year, the total being 2718 and 13,425 respectively.

#### **Regular Women's Organisations:**

There are 30 Women's Organisations meeting regularly, an increase of 9 for the year under this heading while the increase reported of 81 members brings the total to 316.

No Women's groups under the heading of "Devotional" have



been returned as such this year. It would seem that the whole of the Women's work is now under the one heading of Fellowships.

WM. C. JENKIN, General Statistical Secretary.

## **SOLOMON ISLANDS DISTRICT REPORT, 1963**

### **Introduction:**

The new format for the Islands' Synod has further been clarified and should now present a clear picture in the future as to what is being accomplished.

### **Buildings, Etc.:**

The number of Churches returned total 260, an increase for the year of 14.

Other Preaching Places number 17, an increase of 1.

### **Staffing:**

Nineteen Ministers are returned as at the 30th June, an increase of 2 for the year ending 30th June.

Two Deaconesses are returned this year while last year under the heading of "Deaconesses (Sisters)" 16 were returned.

There are 14 Missionary Sisters in the active work but from the figures as submitted they are not included in the Islands returns this year.

Catechists remain the same at 29, while an increase of 4 Pastors make the total 66. Pastor-teachers now number 159. Local Preachers are returned at 358, an increase of 42 for the year. Class Leaders now number 53.

### **Membership:**

Membership this year stands at 7448, an increase of 243 on last year. The Youth Roll with a decrease of 371 stands at 8254 while the number of adherents at 5111 reveals an increase of 654 for the year.

### **Young People's Work:**

Sunday schools have increased by 9 and now number 184. The teachers number 260. Sunday school scholars show a decrease of 123 for the year the total being 4824 as at the 30th June.

There are 69 Bible Classes with 79 Bible Class Leaders and 1394 Bible Class members.

There are 14 more Boys' Brigade Companies numbering 26 and 13 more Officers the total being 38. Members of the Boys' Brigade number 694, an increase of 296 for the year.

There are 3 less companies of the Girls' Life Brigade and 4 less Officers, the total being 10 Companies with 20 Officers. There are 414 girls in the various companies.

Girls' Life Brigade Cadets remain the same at 3 Companies, 6 Officers and 57 girls.

### **Educational:**

There are 157 Schools in the Islands under the Methodist Church staffed by 11 overseas trained Teachers, 83 locally trained and 215 untrained teachers. Scholars number 6212.

### **Medical Work:**

Seven Hospitals and 15 Aid Posts are returned this year. There is no doctor. The staffing under medical work shows 1 A.M.O., 8 Nursing Sisters, 3 Staff Nurses and Dressers, and 57 Medical Assistants.

### **Overseas Staffing:**

Under this heading 13 Ministers, 4 Laymen and 22 Laywomen are returned this year.

WM. C. JENKIN, General Statistical Secretary.

**QUESTION 35—What are the Resolutions of the Conference on the welfare of the Church?**

## **Welfare of the Church Committee**

**ANNUAL REPORT, 1963.**

### **Lectionary:**

The Committee has once again been appreciative of the services of Rev G. R. H. Peterson who has prepared the Lectionary for 1964-5.

**Appointment of Choirmasters and Organists:** (1962 Minutes, p. 59, Res. 5)

This matter was referred back to the Committee in view of possible legal difficulties. After further consideration and consultation with the Legal Adviser, the original resolution is again presented. In that our Laws make no provision regarding the method of appointing Choirmasters and Organists, this suggested resolution would clarify the position, without encroaching on the responsibility of Trustees to see that nothing is done on Church premises contrary to the Laws and Regulations of the Church and the decisions of Conference. There seems no necessity to transfer from the Trustees the responsibility to support financially the appointments, for conditions vary considerably, and, under Stewardship, revenue for the Trust Fund is being provided increasingly through the Circuit Fund.

**Synod and Conference Business:** (1962 Minutes, p. 59, Res. 11)

This matter has been considered in consultation with the Department of Christian Education. A wide and important field of enquiry is inevitably opened up, and the Committee has been aware that business referred to the Church Council regarding the size of Conference and even the Connexional structure is not unrelated to the problems being experienced in trying to make best use of the Synods and Conference. For these reasons, what follows is largely of a tentative and exploratory nature and no specific recommendations are appended.

The first consideration is the main purpose of Synods and Conference.

- (1) Their primary task is to make progress with the work of God in New Zealand and overseas, and accordingly, to legislate for the Connexion. This means:—
  - (a) Creative planning, at the top level, of strategy and new developments.
  - (b) Supervising the continuing programme of the Church on major points—but not in every detail.
- (2) To encourage the contribution of congregations, ministers and lay-representatives in that creative planning. This results in:—
  - (a) Conference decisions being better understood and accepted and being acted on with conviction.
  - (b) The development of a sense of belonging—the connexional spirit.
- (3) To enable representatives to relate, in a meaningful way, their findings and experience to their local church situation. Synods and Conference are not an end in themselves, but should be geared to the back-home realities of participants. This does not mean that "inspiration" should be the prime motive, but it should come as the by-product of the representatives meet-



ing, worshipping and working together on the mission of the Church, rather than be provided for in special sessions.

In practice however, a number of frustrations are experienced. The mass of business which must be handled in limited time is a major problem. Reports are very detailed and tend to include all activities, without always clarifying those issues on which the mind of the Church is sought. It must often appear to many Conference representatives that big issues become submerged in a mass of detail, or have been settled in principle before the Conference meets, or by the Committee of Detail. Standing Committees sometimes present only one side, and are reluctant to reopen the issue in the light of other points of view presented at Conference.

The large numbers involved, especially at Conference, also gives rise to difficulties in many quarters, especially among first-time representatives. This raises the question of the optimum size of the Conference. The inevitable formality impedes a real person-to-person encounter, even in committees. Very few participate in debate. There is not enough sharing of deep concerns, nor little opportunity to be really creative.

In addition, the duplication of procedure at Synods and Conference, advisable as it may be from the point of view of legislative safeguards, is often felt to be in need of some amendment. For instance, many wonder if there is some way round the inefficiency of reports being prepared in June, considered in Synods in August, decided in November, and published in March!

Some tentative suggestions aimed at improving procedures are now added:

Adequate documentation in advance is highly desirable, including perhaps a shorter account of the major issues on the agenda. The D.E.C.'s might even be able to assist representatives beforehand to prepare for a responsible participation. Where possible, it is desirable that representatives to Conference should have attended Synod also. Local churches could brief representatives on matters for which guidance would be appreciated.

On arrival large lapel cards should be issued. An optional orientation session at the beginning of the Conference, especially for first time representatives, could prove valuable. There should be maximum use of visual aids—blackboards, charts, etc., in presenting business. Better seating arrangements may be possible. Is a Church the best place to meet? A hall would allow a more relaxed, informal but still efficient gathering.

At times smaller groups might replace one or more of the large formal sessions at present exclusively favoured. (e.g. Devotional sessions, and the misnamed "Conversation" on the work of God). An opportunity for small group Bible Study, and Prayer, may well be welcomed as a chance to have personal and intimate fellowship. Stereotyped procedures need not be adhered to every year.

At Synods there may be greater opportunity for experiment and occasional use of smaller groups. Two tribunes are desirable. Should speaking from the floor be permitted? More authority on Circuit matters for Synods, and more business for the Standing Committees may help to lighten the load on Conference. Some local business might be dealt with finally by Synod.

A more radical alteration that might be considered is as follows: The Synods (reconstituted, if necessary) might meet bi-monthly

with Standing Committees the alternate months, or as required. Boards etc. wanting the mind of Synods could obtain it at any time of year. The annual meeting of Synod would be in August, preceded by Ministerial Session. All matters on which Synod wanted decision of Conference would be settled at this annual meeting, or earlier. Boards and Conference Committees would report direct to Conference and include in their reports the findings of Synods on matters referred to them.

If the Conference Committees of Detail were increased in number and given more time, it would allow thorough and less rushed handling of business. More people, especially laymen, could be used for introducing different reports or items of business. Small group discussion might be used on some vital issues. Where there is any strong division of opinion in the Committees of Detail this ought to be reported to the Conference.

In the Conference itself some list of priorities appears to be desirable. Adjourned debates are bothersome and inefficient. It might be preferable, if necessary, to appoint a Committee to conclude the minor matters of business, not handled at Conference. But more cognisance ought to be taken of consensus among the Synods. Also, some reports might be presented less frequently than at present.

Introductions of speakers and officials are often unduly drawn out. Credentials for the President and Vice-President could be printed in the Methodist Times prior to Conference, and formulas of introduction used during the Conference itself.

A set question time when representatives can put prepared questions to Boards, Committees, Connexional Officers etc., may be helpful. At the close of Conference, some specific reference to the relevance of material to local situations would be appreciated. A duplicated summary of each day's business, handed to each representative might prove a real advantage.

The Committee and the Department of Christian Education, feel that after wider discussion has taken place, some useful suggestions might prove acceptable next year.

**Committees and Other Meetings:** (1962 Minutes, p. 59, Res. 12)

In order to obtain objective data for a study of this situation the Committee prepared a questionnaire, covering a period of one month, for Leaders' Meetings in ten representative Circuits. This could not be done in time to get replies back and evaluate them for report this year. The Committee therefore seeks permission to report to Conference, 1964.

**Schools of Theology:** (1962 Minutes, p. 62, Res. 10)

The Committee considers that the type of organisation desired for future Schools of Theology, largely depends on what purposes the Ministers expect them to serve. A questionnaire was distributed at the South Island School, and a good cross section of ministers replied, giving their opinions on the main functions of the Schools, what changes, if any, were desirable, and what group or groups were considered to be best fitted to organise the Schools. The comments were varied and should be helpful when it comes to preparation for future Schools. One line of thought, however, emerged fairly strongly: that the Schools should mainly act as a refresher course on recent developments in theology, and that the College Staff should be involved in close liaison with the organising of the Schools, and if possible, assist in the actual programme. In the light of this, the Committee recommends that future schools



be organised by the Board of Studies, in consultation with the Synod Standing Committee in the area in which each School is to be held.

A. J. JOHNSTON, Chairman.

W. J. MORRISON, Acting-Chairman.

D. L. KITCHINGMAN, Convener.

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the Lectionary be adopted for optional use and printed in the Minutes of Conference, it being strongly urged that "The Methodist Times" and Circuit Magazines or Preaching Plans give it publicity, with the inclusion of the dates for the Home and Overseas Missions Sundays.
3. That the appointment of Choirmaster and Organist be made annually by the Trustees except in cases where remuneration is paid to professional organists, when the position shall be reviewed every 5 years.
4. That the report on Synod and Conference procedures be referred to Synod Standing Committees for their consideration, and that they be asked to report by May 1 to the Welfare of the Church Committee, which shall report to Synods and Conference, 1964.
5. That Quarterly Meetings, Leaders' Meetings, and any interested Church members be invited to make suggestions on Synod and Conference procedures to the Welfare of the Church Committee by May 1, 1964.
6. That in future the Schools of Theology be organised by the Board of Studies in consultation with the Synod Standing Committee in the area in which each school is held and that greater use be made during the Schools of teaching through seminars.
7. "That the law book, Part IV, Section II, No. 227, be amended to read after the words "votes of those present" as follows, "and shall not hold office more than five years consecutively." Last sentence as at present.
8. That the Committee for 1964 be as printed on page 9 herein.

### QUESTION 35.

## B--Spiritual Advance Committee

### ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1963

The committee has met regularly in Palmerston North, and from the beginning of 1963, monthly meetings have been held, opening with a period of worship in the Church. The committee has also adopted the practice of having a paper read at each meeting, with full discussion to follow. This has proved to be a very valuable part of the life and work of the committee and some of the subjects that have been discussed are referred to in the following report.

**Prayer Cells:** There are 110 cells registered with the committee, and reports indicate the value of this movement. Prayer Cells are being kept informed of Circuit Missions, so that these may be prayed for. It is hoped that regular material can be issued to prayer cells each quarter to replace the British Prayer Cell Messenger which is no longer being produced.

**Study On Holy Communion:** The Rev J. Grundy has prepared a study based on the findings of the questionnaire on Holy Communion. It is planned that this study will shortly be made available to Leaders' Meetings and other groups.

**Circuit Missions:** During the year the committee has been informed of 31 missions, in addition to the simultaneous missions on prayer in Christchurch in June, when 26 churches were involved.

Most of these have been teaching missions, and as such, successful. It is suggested that the fact that they are teaching missions should be stressed more; the average member often thinks of a mission as being chiefly evangelistic, and this has led to misunderstanding in some cases. A teaching mission does, however, offer an excellent opportunity for re-dedication.

A few evangelistic efforts have been made, such as meeting with non-church people in private homes, a series of special services over a particular month, Church Week, or Week of Witness, in co-operation with other churches.

Reports show that there is more place to-day for the informal approach, with panels, group discussions, question and answer sessions, etc., and in some cases an interest finder has been issued before the mission was held. Rev W. F. Ford has conducted several missions of this type, and the committee hopes to study this method and make recommendations to the Church.

**Evangelistic Appeals:** (See Minutes of Conference, 1962, page 62, res.8)

1. The Spiritual Advance Committee spent some time discussing the whole question of evangelism, and it soon became obvious that in the committee, as in the Church, there was a wide variety of opinion. There were some who wondered whether the church is ready to evangelise at all, or whether our greater need is the deepening of our own spiritual experience. Do we have anything to share? Are we prepared to make personal sacrifice (in terms of love, time and patience) to bring about redemption? Does our obedience to the known commands of our Lord make a significant difference to our living?

These and related questions could well be considered by congregations, especially those planning evangelistic efforts.

2. Generally speaking, evangelistic appeals are most effective in the setting of a local congregation where there is real care and concern for people and where personal evangelism is going on all the time. In this atmosphere an occasional appeal can be very effective.

There are periods even in the lives of regular churchgoers when they are glad of an opportunity for a decisive act of commitment or re-dedication. This could sometimes be offered in the Communion Service when, after a suitable address, such people were invited to come first to the rail. People must be told very clearly how and when they are to respond, e.g. during succeeding verses of a hymn; (a) first commitment, (b) rededication, (c) significant deepening or strengthening of devotion. Possibly each appeal should be phrased in more than one way to ensure that it is completely understood by people of different background and experience.

D. T. Niles has suggested that while we need to give people an opportunity of open decision and witness, we must recognise that the Spirit is doing something different with each one. One method



he suggests is that people write their own commitment, that these are gathered up and dedicated but not read.

Another method is a period of quiet when each makes his own commitment and is invited to share it with someone later, if he wishes. A variation of this is to invite people to witness to a sense of need, which is not necessarily a response to a call for conversion. Help can then be given in subsequent counselling.

A counsellor should be a sympathetic friend, taking his cue from the person involved, ready to listen rather than talk, having and maintaining a personal interest. The committee has spent a good deal of time this year studying the whole field of counselling, and hopes to be able to present a full report later.

**Advent and Lenten Leaflets:** The leaflets have been well received by the Church in the past year and we are grateful to the writers, Mrs A. B. Cochran and Rev. Dr H. Ranston. The 1963 Advent Leaflet is to be written by Mr G. E. Hill, and the 1964 Lenten Leaflet by Mr G. A. Leary.

**Retreat:** In April a number of members of the Committee went into a 36 hour retreat at Feilding House, under the leadership of Rev. O. E. Burton. The retreat was conducted on the traditional lines of Bible reading, meditation and prayer, and proved to be a stimulating experience. It is intended that further retreats will be held, and that others may be invited to attend. Subsequently, it is hoped to offer some guidance to the Church in this field of spiritual discipline and growth.

**Laymen's Handbook:** Arising out of a request from the Department of Christian Education, the Laymen's Handbook on the polity and administration of the Church, which is now out of print, is to be revised by the Rev. G. R. H. Peterson, and reprinted.

**Care of Non-Active Church Members:** The Committee has started to give serious attention to this problem, and hopes to be able to present a full report in the future. It is quite clear that this is a matter of concern, which opens up important issues.

**Overseas Visitors:** A great deal of time has been spent preparing the itineraries and making arrangement for visitors from overseas.

(1) **Rev. Prof. H. H. Trigg:** The visit of the President-General and Mrs Trigge in September 1962 was enjoyed by a large number of people in the Circuits which they visited. As Area President of the World Federation of Methodist Women, Mrs Trigge was able to bring greetings to the women of New Zealand.

(2) **Rev. Dr Eric W. Baker:** Dr Baker's main contribution during his month's visit to N.Z. was in the three Schools of Theology which he attended. Together with his wife, he was also able to visit a number of our Circuits and we are indebted to them both for the insights and stimulation they brought us.

(3) **Dr Harry Denman and Dr J. Manning Potts:** At the time of writing this report, Drs Denman and Potts have not yet arrived in New Zealand, but the Spiritual Advance Committee, and the Department of Christian Education, who have co-operated in planning their visit, are eagerly looking forward to their arrival, and to the four Schools of Evangelism that they are to conduct.

(4) **Prof. C. A. Coulson, F.R.S.:** The committee has begun to plan the itinerary for the three week visit of Prof. Coulson, from the 1-19 April, 1964. The committee feels that because of the limited

time available and the great variety of ways in which Prof. Coulson could be used, the committee itself should plan the full programme of activities in order to make the best use of the great gifts of our visitor. It is proposed to make him available to the academic and scientific community, as well as to the Churches.

G. H. GOODMAN, Chairman.

D. G. STUBBS, Convener.

### RESOLUTIONS:

1. That the report be received and adopted.
2. That our Methodist People be encouraged to form Prayer Cells, in consultation with the Minister and Leaders' Meeting.
3. That Circuits be encouraged to hold Missions, consulting with the Spiritual Advance Committee on the selection of Missioners and other arrangements, and sending to the Committee an appraisal after the Mission.
4. That the Committee make the complete arrangements for the visit of Prof. C. A. Coulson, F.R.S., in 1964, and that no additional engagements be planned without the approval of the Committee.
5. That a grant of £100 be made to the Committee from the Connexional Budget.
6. That Conference expresses deep appreciation of the stimulating and enriching contribution made by Dr Harry Denman and Dr Manning Potts during the recent schools of Evangelism.
7. That visitation evangelism be commended to our circuits as an urgent necessity.
8. That the Spiritual Advance Committee and the Church Finance and Stewardship Committee be asked to consider the relationship between visitation evangelism and stewardship lay visitation programme.
9. That the Spiritual Advance Committee investigate the organisation and operation of the Department of Evangelism and Social Services of the United Church of Canada to ascertain whether any of its features might be adapted to our New Zealand situation.
10. That the Committee for 1964 be as printed on page 8 herein.

### QUESTION 35.

## C—Lay Preachers' Association

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1963

The Dominion Executive met each month of the year in Auckland.

**Annual Meeting, 1962:** This meeting was held on Tuesday, November 6, 1962, at the Cambridge Terrace Central Mission, Christchurch. Fifty-five members were present including the Vice-President of Conference, F. M. Souster (Long Service Diploma of Association), the President, Rev R. Thornley, ex Vice-President E. A. Humphries, and Director of Christian Education, Rev W. Ford. A great number of young members were in attendance.

**Accreditation Certificates:** The following people were accredited during the year:

R. G. Rigby, D. Litto, L. H. Ingram, R. Bowden, M. B. Hetherington, C. S. Leadley, C. M. Buttimore, Joy Shaw, R. Alexander, Audrey Heath, Josua Sefuiva, G. A. Taylor, I. C. Norwell, N. E.



Brookes, D. C. Pratt, A. G. Rigby, H. Harris, B. C. Teague, Norma Yarr, R. Patchett, Joan Brooking, G. Schnell, W. Osborne, J. E. Brookes, R. Corlett, Muriel Clark, Margaret Woodhams, Janneka Gregorius, D. J. Archibold, W. Loader, B. H. Turner, H. Frazer, Gloria Shepherd, Enid Slaney, S. J. Groves, Margaret Walls, W. R. Storey, V. M. Clarke, B. L. Hosking, J. A. Evans, B. Murray, A. J. Johnson, G. M. McIvor, D. W. Hudson, N. E. Fraser.

#### Long Service Diplomas:

- No. 333 Herbert Pickering, Westport, 50 years' service.  
 No. 334 Frank M. Souster, Auckland (Vice-President Conference), 27 years.  
 No. 335 Harold Clifford Vince, Dunedin (Past Secretary of Association); 27 years.  
 No. 336 Frank Shepherd, Papatoetoe; 37 years.  
 No. 337 Dr E. H. Densem, Timaru; 35 years.  
 No. 338 Mervyn J. Greathead, Greytown; 35 years.  
 No. 339 Arthur Painter, Ashburton; 49 years.

#### Geographical Distribution of New Accreditations:

North Island		South Island	
Auckland	1	Christchurch	2
Auckland Suburbs	6	Christchurch Suburbs	12
Waiuku	1	Ashburton	2
Tuakau	1	Invercargill	1
Huntly	2	Motueka	2
Te Aroha	1	Nelson	1
Hutt	5		
Masterton	1		
Wanganui	1		
Ashhurst	2		
Stratford	1		
Greytown	1		
Wellington	1		
<hr/> 24		<hr/> 20	
		Total: 44	
		Last Year: 36	

**Merger of Studies:** In accordance with instructions from the 1962 Annual Meeting and Conference, the Executive has had discussions with the Department of Christian Education and the New Zealand Council of Christian Education. As the Department is operating full training courses in all Local Preacher subjects, except Homiletics for its Lay Leadership Course, it was felt that the merger of studies was only a technicality and with the texts on the new subject "Church History" being available through the Department, the Executive, during this year, availed itself of these excellent services. The Department has excellent facilities for study and it is prepared to help our Association, as well as provide the Homiletics subject. In view of this, the Executive has asked for favourable consideration of recommendation Number 1.

**Dominion Wide Schools:** Programmes for two schools were organised at Dominion Executive level, the first in March being an outstanding success. Several hundred members attended and it is expected that the September Schools will command even greater attendance.

**"The Preacher":** It has been found that the "Methodist Times" is not a fully effective vehicle for the dissemination of Association News. "The Preacher" is, therefore, to be continued quarterly.

**New Name:** The resolution to change the name of the Association from "Local" to "Lay," was received enthusiastically by members, the resolution being passed unanimously at the 1962 Annual Meeting. Communications from the Law Revision Committee, show that in its opinion, Conference gave approval to the change in 1962 and that full legal technicalities should be regularised at the 1963 Conference.

**Local Preacher and Candidates Requirements (Res. 4, Page 64, 1962 Minutes):** The Association met the Board of Studies and others required to consider the position where Local Preachers were endeavouring to raise standards, but this also affected the pre-requisites for candidature to the Ministry.

The Board of Studies was in agreement with the Association trying to raise standards, but felt that some aspects of this could delay a possible candidate. It was agreed that whilst the Association required "proof" of a member's **ability** to preach, the Theological College only required "proof" that a candidate had the **aptitude** to be trained in all matters of the ministry. After noting that the British Conference had also considered this problem and had acted accordingly, it was decided to recommend that this Association support Recommendation No. 2 (the same as that being presented by the Board of Studies).

**Raising Standards for Full Accreditation:** During the year, the Executive has given consideration to Branch reports that some Quarterly Meetings were not adequately fulfilling the requirements of testing local preachers for full accreditation. Whilst this Association does not deny the right of these meetings to appoint Preachers on trial to the Circuit, the Dominion Executive views with concern the fact that full accreditation is sometimes given because Quarterly Meetings are "pushing" local aspirants, rather than being an impartial Court of assessment. Recommendation No. 3 is given for consideration.

**Post Accreditation Studies.**—Your Executive has spent much time in investigation here and overseas on post accreditation studies. It is hoped to offer shortly, one or more of the following alternatives.

- (a) Divinity studies of a higher standard by correspondence.
- (b) Post Accreditation Reading Course with examinations held annually, resulting in a certificate acknowledging the higher studies.
- (c) Bulk purchase of "Preachers Studies" etc. for distribution to all members.

To do all this worthwhile work, the Executive must have greater funds and therefore, suggest an annual membership charge with a capitation charge for educational extension work.

The Executive reports that it is very interested in the studies provided by the General Conference of the American Methodist Church, to make better and more effective Lay Preachers. These investigations and negotiations are proceeding.

**Re Recommendation 5a and 5b 1962 Annual Meeting:** The Branches were circularised regarding the meagre finances available for work of the Dominion Executive. No clear indication of Dominion wide opinion has been gained. This problem could also be overcome by favourable consideration of Recommendation No. 5.

F. G. DAVIDGE, President.

IAN S. CLEWS, Secretary.



## RESOLUTIONS:

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That Conference approve the Department of Christian Education providing the studies for the Lay Preacher Course in preparation for the Lay Preachers' Examinations.
3. That in every Synodal district, the Synod Standing Committee appoint one or more committees, consisting in each case of two Ministers and two lay preachers. The duties of such committees shall be to orally examine any candidates for accreditation, hear their trial services, assess and decide on the fitness of such candidates to be accredited. The decision of the committees shall be reported for final decision to Preachers and Quarterly Meetings and for information, to the Dominion Executive of the Lay Preachers' Association.
4. That Conference requests the Board of Studies to provide a post accreditation reading and study course for Lay Preachers terminating in examination.
5. Conference hereby approves that the name of the Association be changed from "New Zealand Methodist Local Preachers' Association" to "New Zealand Methodist Lay Preachers' Association", and consents to application being made to the Registrar of Incorporated Societies for such change.

That the constitution of the Association be amended as follows—

  - (a) The following rules be amended by deleting the word "local" whenever it appears and substituting therefore the word "lay" in paragraphs 1, 2, 3 (c), (d), (e).
  - (b) That Rules 5 and 6 be repealed and that the following be substituted therefore:
- (5) The Executive shall consist of the President, two Vice-Presidents, Honorary Secretary, Honorary Treasurer, and a committee of not less than five and not more than ten, all of whom shall be elected at each annual meeting of the Association.
- (6) The Executive shall come into office on the first day of February following the Annual Meeting at which it is elected and shall continue until their successors take office.
  - (c) That Rule 30 be amended by deleting the words "31st December" and substituting therefore the words "30th June".

### Question 35

## D—Methodist Men's Fellowship

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1963

The Dominion Executive, now located in Christchurch, believes that there is a need to assess the present effectiveness of the Men's Fellowships in the Local Church. The Executive has met once a month since taking office, the last occasion being an all-day Study Conference. Careful consideration has been given to the past activity of the Fellowship when assessing the present need, and in developing the future policy set out below.

**Annual Meeting:** St Albans Church was the venue of the Annual Meeting attended by 70 men who paid a tribute to the service of the retiring President and Secretary for the untiring work during the previous four years. Mr S. Doug McHarg became President, and subsequently Mr Lester E. Armstrong accepted the position of Secretary. The Address "Point of View—Men and the Church" was given by Mr C. Couch, followed by useful discussion.

## DISTRICT ACTIVITIES

**.. Auckland:** Held a week-end camp, the deep and vigorous discussions of which can best be epitomized by Vice President Souster's comments "one of the most stimulating spiritual experiences of my life."

**Hawke's Bay/Manawatu:** Held a Rally at Woodville resulting in a deeper understanding of the role men could play in their Church.

**North Canterbury:** Arranged a Rally to meet Vice President Souster who reviewed all aspects of "Total Personal Stewardship."

**Other Districts:** No other reports have been received of activity organised on a District level.

**Local Church Activity:** The Executive Committee sought first to obtain information as to how many local fellowships existed, and who were the officers. A letter was sent to each known Fellowship with a questionnaire attached. Only 25% of these replied. Since this could have been caused in part by changes of Officers, another letter was sent, this time addressed to the Ministers, asking for details of the Fellowships, and any other activity of the men as a group. There was a much better response to this letter, and replies are still coming in, but we are as yet unable to find out what is happening as to the work of the men in one half of the Connexion. In some localities, effective work is being done. The greatest weakness appears to be in areas where there is no District Executive. It is pleasing to note that new Fellowships are still being formed though others have found it necessary to cease.

**Future Policy:** The Executive shares the widespread concern that the Men's Fellowship Movement as a whole does not now influence more than a small percentage of the men associated with New Zealand Methodism. That good work is being done in some areas, only sharpens the regret and strengthens the resolve to reshape our thinking and our acting. The aim of such thinking and acting must be to involve ALL the men of the local Church. The action must therefore be initiated by and through the Leader's Meeting (or its substitute). The Executive believes that its part in this process can be to provide or channel ideas, suggestions, information on what is happening, resource material, "how-to-do-it" information, speakers to help a local group, etc. etc. In all these the Executive plans to work with existing Departments of the Connexion, and particularly with the Department of Christian Education.

We believe that all the interests of men associated with the local Church can be met by programmes involving:

- (a) Service projects to the Church and the community
- (b) Recreational and Social Activity
- (c) Study and its expression in Christian Living.

Vigorous programmes of this kind will be made available by the Executive and will need the strong active support of Leader's Meetings which we suggest may best be done by appointing a Men's Work Sub-committee. Such sub-committee could include an existing Fellowship Executive.

To sum up, the Executive desires the general approval or amendment of a policy aimed at securing the participation of all the men of our Church in a meaningful programme of recreation, service, study and devotional activity.

S. D. MCHARG, President.

L. E. ARMSTRONG, Secretary.



## RESOLUTIONS:

1. That the Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted.
2. That general approval be given to the aims and policy outlined in the Report.
3. That the Dominion Executive develop its work as a Resource and Advisory Committee.
4. That the following be referred back to the Dominion Executive for reconsideration:  
"That Leaders or Quarterly Meetings or their substitute be asked to take the initiative in promoting men's activities in the local Church."

## QUESTION 35

# E—N.Z. Methodist Women's Guild Fellowship

## ANNUAL REPORT 1963

It is our privilege to present the Annual Report for 1963 of the N.Z. Methodist Women's Guild Fellowship.

The Annual Conference of the Fellowship was held in Dunedin from 8 to 11 October, 1962, when for the first time members received a report on the whole field of women's work and planned unitedly for the coming year. At the opening session, Rev Andrew Johnston's address related to "the vision that was for a season," and women were urged not to allow the vision to evaporate for lack of acceptance and action. The President of Conference, Rev E. C. Leadley, and other speakers dealt with the missionary policy of the church to-day and other forms of service.

Reports were received from World Federation of Methodist Women, National Council of Churches' Women's Committee, National Council of Women, Christian Education Department, M.S.S.A. and Deaconess House.

**Membership:** At July 1962 there were 325 affiliated guilds with 7018 members. Special attention this year has been directed to the drawing in of fireside groups. 150 guilds reported receiving an allocation from their local budget totalling £2324, but approximately £15,536 was raised for various objects.

**District Activities:** Reports from Districts show excellent attempts to train and guide guild members in new fields, and to this end leadership training and programme planning days have been held. Local group reports indicate a great widening in the service and study undertaken, with increasing attention to Bible study, prayer groups, visiting of homes and institutions, ecumenical activities, and participation in N.C.W. and other women's organisations.

**Programme Material:** In response to requests, we have prepared and distributed programme material to every affiliated group, and encouraging reports of its use have been received. Constant touch is kept with the Department of Christian Education, and we are grateful for much advice and information.

**Overseas Visitors:** N.Z. officers have taken the opportunity to meet with and learn from Methodist women from overseas, especially Mrs C. A. Meeker, Editor of "The Methodist Woman," U.S.A., Mrs H. H. Triggs, Area President of the World Federation of Methodist Women, Mrs O. Nall, World Federation of Methodist Women, and Mrs M. Anderson of Women's Division of Christian Service, U.S.A.

**N.Z. Women's Fellowship:** The main work of the N.Z. Guild Fellowship this year has necessarily been directed to preparations for the implementation of the Women's Fellowship, planned for 1 February, 1964. Regular meetings have been held with representatives of the M.W.M.U., when guidance has been given to Districts and advice prepared for formation of local Women's Fellowships. This advice has also been sent to all Ministers. Nearly all Districts plan to elect officers of their Fellowship District Council by the end of 1963. Many churches have formed Fellowships, varying in pattern, but suiting local circumstances, and usually regarded as an initial experiment to discover the most effective way of achieving real unity for all women. More worthy programmes seem to follow immediately upon the creation of a Fellowship with its wider vision.

Further attention has been paid to the draft constitution in consultation with the Law Revision Committee.

**Conclusion:** Since it is hoped that this will be the last report of the N.Z. Guild Fellowship, it is fitting to refer to the devotion and zeal for Christ and His church which has been evident in the service given by thousands of guild women since the earliest day of Methodism. Without their pastoral concern, their loyal support of local enterprises and their practical financial assistance, the continued existence of many churches may have been doubtful. Their ready adaptation to new patterns of work with the introduction of stewardship, and their eager acceptance of the wide Objects of the proposed Women's Fellowship, gives us confidence that in the future, as in the past, they will continue to care, to serve, love and honour the Church.

#### **For The N.Z. Methodist Women's Guild Fellowship**

JEAN RICKARD, President.

OLIVE WORBOYS, Secretary.

#### **RESOLUTIONS:**

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That Conference place on record its sincere appreciation of the outstanding and faithful work of the Women's Guild Fellowship and offers its prayerful good wishes for the continuing prosperity of the movement, within the new Methodist Women's Fellowship.
3. That Conference approve the holding of a "Christian Family Year" if possible in 1965, and that this be referred to the Department of Christian Education for implementation.

#### **QUESTION 35.**

## **F—Church Council**

### **REPORT TO SYNODS AND CONFERENCE, 1963**

The Church Council met at Wallis House, Lower Hutt, on Tuesday and Wednesday, 7th and 8th May, 1963, with the President of the Conference (the Rev. Robt. Thornley, M.A.) presiding.

The following matters were dealt with:—

#### **I.—CONNEXIONAL STRUCTURE AND ORGANISATION (Ref. 1962 Minutes, p. 69).**

The sub-committee of the Council appointed last year presented a Memorandum indicating the line their investigations had taken. Attention was drawn to the wide scope of the order of reference



given the Committee, and the factors which they must take into account. They suggested that the starting point should be (a) in the order of reference—the number and duties of the officers of the Connexional Departments. The Memorandum continued with an outline of a suggested re-organisation of the Departments.

A lengthy discussion led the Council to believe that more investigation and discussion were necessary before definite proposals could be placed before the Departments concerned and the whole Church. Therefore the following is the Council's recommendation:—

**Resolution:**

That the interim report be received and the Committee be asked to continue its investigations; in doing so, that it be empowered to discuss any aspects of its interim report with the Boards and Departments concerned, and report further to the next Church Council. The Committee to be the Revs. H. G. Brown (Convener), W. F. Ford, G. R. H. Peterson, W. R. Laws, Messrs D. A. White, S. N. Roberts, G. Hill.

**II.—LEADERS' MEETINGS, etc.** (Ref. 1962 Minutes, p. 72; 1961 Minutes, p. 75).

A report was received from the Committee which has been dealing with this matter, through its Convener (Rev. W. R. Laws).

**Lay Pastors:** The Committee reported as follows:—

"A Lay Pastor is a Church member who has been nominated by the Minister and appointed annually by the Leaders' Meeting to share in the pastoral visitation of a society or circuit. He may be assigned a special sphere of service, e.g., visitation of the elderly or the sick. His training should at least include attendance at group meetings conducted by the Minister at which instruction is given in prayer and methods of pastoral visitation. It would be an additional qualification if he could qualify for some of the subjects in the Methodist Christian Leadership Course. He should be set apart to the work of the pastorate at a service of dedication.

"The Committee does not recommend the establishment of an order of lay pastors because it believes that there are few members at present sufficiently qualified and experienced to occupy the office for life, and also that there is a good deal of valuable assistance that might be given by suitable lay people for a short period or in a limited sphere that might not be forthcoming if they were to be confronted with the requirements of an order of lay pastors. After all, the responsibility of the pastorate belongs to the entire membership."

**Resolution:**

That this definition and statement be adopted.

**Leaders' and Quarterly Meetings:** The Committee submitted a suggested definition of a Leader and new constitution and agenda for Leaders' and Quarterly Meetings. The Faith and Order Committee forwarded some possible amendments to the definition of a Leader.

Discussion of these matters by the Council revealed considerable difference of opinion in approach.

**Resolution:**

(1) That the Committee continue its work, taking note of the comments made and report to the Council again next year. (2) That the name of Mr L. A. Davis be added to the Committee, and that it have power to co-opt.

### **III.—SIZE OF CONFERENCE** (Ref. 1962 Minutes, p. 71. 1961 Minutes, p. 219).

The Secretary of Conference presented a summary of the findings of the various Synod Standing Committees, which indicated the following position:—

Only two Districts supported the first alternative, and both of those had some hesitation; one District favoured the second alternative; two of the largest Districts recommended no change; the other five Districts wished further information proving that a change in the method of representation was necessary before committing themselves, or else they considered that the function of Conference must determine its size.

#### **Resolution:**

That having considered the reports from the Standing Committees, the Council finds a widespread reluctance throughout the Connexion for a change, but desire for further investigation. The Conference resolves that no action be taken at present.

### **IV.—CHRISTIAN CITIZENSHIP DEPARTMENT** (Ref. 1962 Minutes, p. 70).

A letter from the Convener of the Public Questions Committee indicated that they required further time before reporting.

#### **Recommendation:**

That the Committee be granted an extension of time.

### **V.—NEUTRAL VOTES IN CHURCH COURTS** (Ref. 1962 Minutes, p. 236).

Considerable discussion took place on this matter, in the course of which the difficulty of the suggested procedure in the Law Revision Committee's report with reference to voting when persons are involved (as in the case of candidates for the ministry) was pointed out. It was also stressed by some that compulsion to vote could be involved. Conference resolves as follows:

#### **Resolution:**

"Where a vote is taken requiring a certain specified majority of those present and voting, 'neutrals' (although they may, and in some cases must be recorded, for information) shall be ignored in determining the majority . . ."

### **VI.—DUTIES OF CHAIRMEN OF DISTRICTS** (Ref. 1962 Minutes, p. 261, res. 11).

A Memorandum was received from Rev. E. W. Hames. It was agreed that the points made in this be summarised as follows:—

The duties of Chairmen of Districts are defined in the Book of Laws (pp. 27-29). It will be seen that these fall into two categories:—

(a) **Pastoral:** (1) Exercising general oversight of the Ministry, especially caring for the Probationers and Home Missionaries; and requiring to be available for consultation.

(2) Watching over ministerial appointments in the interests of the work of God, and advising Circuits regarding the ministry, and generally promoting pastoral harmony throughout the District.

(b) **Administrative:** Representing the Connexion in the community and amongst Methodist people; representing the District in seeking from the Conference through the Stationing Committee suitable appointments; and through the District courts being responsible for the leading of the people in accord with the policy of the Connexion.



### **Resolution:**

That the following be incorporated in the Book of Laws, Para. 159, as a Preamble:—

"A District Chairman is a minister in full Connexion who is appointed by the Conference to exercise general pastoral oversight of Ministers and people of a District and to carry out administrative duties as set out herein."

### **VII.—EXTENDED LEAVE FOR MINISTERS.**

(a) **Sabbatical Leave** (Ref. 1962 Minutes, p. 73). The Council favoured investigation of the necessary steps for implementing some such scheme and appointed a committee to make further enquiries, including study of schemes in the Australian Conferences.

(b) **Extended Leave for Ministers to Study Overseas** (Ref. 1962 Minutes, p. 56). The same Committee is to take into account the Welfare of the Church Committee's Report on the above and to report back to the Council. The Committee to be Revs. R. Thornley, G. R. H. Peterson, P. P. Rushton, Messrs Cyril Burton (Convener), S. N. Roberts, E. Heggie, and the Convener of the Welfare of the Church Committee.

### **VIII.—EXTENDED DEBATE ON MAJOR ISSUES** (Ref. 1962 Minutes, p. 275).

It was agreed to report as follows:—

The Council recognises the value of such debates, but believes they ought to arise out of the life of the Conference and not be legislated for.

### **IX.—CONNEXIONAL IMMIGRATION OFFICER.**

In view of the increasing number of enquiries from Methodist people overseas desiring to come as sponsored immigrants to New Zealand, the Conference resolved (1) That a Connexional Immigration Officer be appointed, and (2) that the Wellington Director of Social Services be appointed to this office."

### **X.—PRESIDENT'S SUPPLY.**

The President-elect reported that satisfactory arrangements were being made.

### **XI.—OVERSEAS VISITORS.**

On behalf of the Spiritual Advance Committee, the Rev. G. H. Goodman reported on arrangements for the visits of Dr. Harry Denman and Dr. Gordon Rupp this year and Professor Coulson next year; also on the success of the recent visit of Dr. Eric Baker.

### **XII.—CONNEXIONAL BUDGET.**

The Budget Treasurer presented a report on the progress of Budget payments to date.

### **XIII.—NEXT MEETING.**

That the next meeting of the Council commence at Wallis House, Lower Hutt, on Tuesday, 12th May, 1964, at 10 a.m.

ROBERT THORNLEY, President.

ATHOL R. PENN, Secretary.

### **RESOLUTIONS**

1. That the Reports be received and adopted.
2. That the following be referred to the Church Council:

#### **(a) Reading of Stationing Sheet**

That in the event of any change being made in the second reading of stations the sheet lie on the table for one hour after being brought back to Conference before being confirmed.

(b) That the Church Council examine Presidential and Vice-Presidential Duties, with a view to the more official District Functions, such as Church Openings and Jubilees being left in the hands of District Chairmen. The President and Vice-President would then be available to visit two or three Districts each year and as many Circuits as possible in those Districts.

N.B.: Vice-Presidential Duties also to be examined in light of previous resolutions of Conference.

(c) That the President be officially known as the President of the Methodist Church of New Zealand.

#### Question 35

## G—Spiritual Healing Committee

### REPORT TO SYNODS AND CONFERENCE, 1963

Membership of the Committee has been strengthened this year by the addition of the Rev. R. Graham Bell and the Rev. David L. Trebilco.

The Spiritual Healing Committee is reviewing the work done since its inception in 1953, thus endeavouring to get a picture of the way ahead.

With this in mind several projects have been started:—

1. In liaison with the Spiritual Advance Committee, Prayer Cell groups have been circularised with a questionnaire regarding intercession for the sick. Our Committee wishes to learn of practices and experiences which may help in the study of the subject this year. Such knowledge could then be passed on to the Church.

2. The Committee has been in touch with a number of ministers known to have an interest in this field. They have been asked to share with the Committee any relevant experiences and insights. The Committee is grateful to those who have already provided helpful material and would welcome any communication from other interested people.

3. It is planned to print a brief informative statement to guide people in their thinking on the subject of Spiritual Healing, thereby providing criteria by which they may evaluate the claims that are made in this field.

4. A second and longer publication will take the form of a study booklet based on the findings of the Committee since its inception. (This is a long-term project.)

5. The Committee has also spent considerable time studying the whole question of "Intercession and its Place in Worship." A report on its findings on this subject will be made later.

6. **Odic Force.** The Committee feels that a statement is necessary differentiating between what has become known as Odic Force and the Christian Service of the Laying on of Hands.

Odic Force is a name sometimes given to a power of healing and easing of pain. It is usually conveyed by the application of the hands for varying lengths of time to the body and preferably to or near the part where the pain is located. Several repetitions are sometimes necessary for the "treatment" to be effective. Like all other means of healing, odic force is a gift of God to be used and developed; it is sometimes used by believing Christians, but is not necessarily related to faith in Christ—indeed many non-Christians possess this gift and use it. Thus it must be distinguished from the therapeutic act of the Church in the faithful "Laying on of Hands" with prayer. This



is a ministry of believing Christians, whereas odic force is a natural endowment intensified in some by a special gift from God.

### **SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT TO CONFERENCE, 1963**

As a result of answers to the questionnaire sent out earlier this year to Prayer Cell Groups, the Committee is convinced that there is an urgent need for education in the field of Spiritual Healing and asks Conference to consider the following methods:—

(a) That material from the Committee's reports be included in the Christian Education programme of the Church, both for youth and adult groups.

(b) That the Publication's Board be asked to produce the Popular Statement prepared by the Committee for distribution to church members.

(c) That a suitable overseas qualified person approved by a medical and pastoral committee of the British Conference or the American Methodist Church be invited to New Zealand to address and advise the church at Synod Standing Committee or Circuit level, in conjunction with sister churches, on presnt day practice of Spiritual Healing, and the relationship between the Church and the Medical Profession.

JOHN GROCOTT (Pro-chairman).

(Mrs) JOY PEARCE (Secretary).

### **RESOLUTIONS**

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

2. That the Spiritual Healing Committee receive a grant of £10 from the Contingent Fund.

3. That the Department of Christian Education be asked to consider the inclusion of the reports from the Spiritual Healing Committee for study by the youth and adult groups of the church.

4. That the Board of Publications consider the publication of the popular statement prepared by the Committee for distribution to church members.

5. That a suitable overseas qualified person approved by a medical and pastoral committee of the British Conference or the American Methodist Church be invited to New Zealand to address and advise the church at Synod Standing Committee or Circuit level, in conjunction with sister churches, on present day practice of Spiritual Healing, and the relationship between the Church and the Medical Profession.

6. That Conference ask the Committee to look into the matter of colour therapy and bring down a statement on the spiritual implications of this matter.

7. That the Committee for 1964 be as printed on page 8 herein.

**QUESTION 36—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Christian Education?**

## **Department of Christian Education**

### **A. REPORT OF METHODIST COUNCIL OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION, 1963.**

The Council met at Wallis House, Wellington, 9th May.

**Christian Education Staff:** (1962 Minutes, P. 77). The Board submitted a memo which favoured the employment by Circuits or Churches of Christian Education specialists on a voluntary, part

or full-time basis. Such specialists would bring special insights and skills, be in a position to co-ordinate the work and be able to initiate creative developments.

The Council gave general approval to the report and asked for a supplementary report for consideration next year which would clarify the relationship to the Department of any workers which D.E.C.'s may employ.

Several Churches reported on the value of appointing a Church School Superintendent with general oversight of the whole Christian Education programme and who co-ordinates the work of Sunday School, Bible Class and Adult Dept. (if any).

Other duties of voluntary or employed Church School Superintendent or Christian Education workers would include:

- (a) Setting standards and recruiting staff as a whole.
- (b) Training teachers and leaders.
- (c) Reviewing grading and grouping of all Depts.
- (d) Planning better use of existing facilities.
- (e) Guiding any new developments such as all-age Church School.
- (f) Developing other forms of adult learning and fellowship such as House meetings, small Bible Study groups.

**Avenues of Full-time Sacrificial Service for Adults:** The Council recognised:

- (a) That some adults, either during their working days, or on early retirement, would be glad of established avenues of full-time unpaid service other than the "supply" ministry.
- (b) That while the Order of St Stephen is of value to the C.Y.M.M. and the whole church it should be reserved for youth and that adults should be able to give full-time service without the introduction of any Order. The absence of any order would allow more flexibility as to length and field of service, and the need to terminate the service because of changed circumstances.

The Board was asked to investigate the variety of avenues of Christian service available for lay people willing to give voluntary full-time service in the Church and the community.

This matter will be considered further at the next meeting of the Council.

**Youth and Sunday School Offerings:** The Council adopted a report for the guidance of local churches. The report recognised the educational value of offerings in Sunday Schools and Bible Classes and of the Local C.Y.M.M. Council having the responsibility of administering its own funds as an exercise in Christian stewardship.

All young people, as soon as they are wage earners should be approached to become pledged givers through the local church budget.

The report has been published in Christian Education Handbook. Copies may be obtained from the Department.

**Temperance Education in Youth Groups** (1960 Minutes, P. 109, No. 5): A report on the Young Abstainers' League and the Pioneer Total Abstinence Assn. of the Sacred Heart was adopted together with the following statement:

"It was felt that an appraisal of the value of these two orders in relation to our programme of temperance education would have to be made in the light of a review of our church's general approach



in this field, especially with youth. These factors presented themselves:

"1. We must start with people where they are and not where the church thinks they ought to be. A high-pressure negative approach tends to become self-defeating, since those who cannot immediately accept the standard of total abstinence feel that they are judged and lose interest in the temperance cause. There are spiritual dangers in setting up total abstinence as the mark of a 'first-class' Christian. Whatever be the individual's approach to this matter he should be guided by Christian insights and the Church should be offering this guidance.

"2. Research shows that preachment and advice giving have meagre results with regard to drinking—and may even be factors in producing problem drinkers. There is a need to help the individual to make up his own mind in the matter of temperance. This requires a dispassionate presentation of the physical, moral and social facts and implications of drinking. It also involves an acceptance of the social pressures that exist and the offering of positive guidance and encouragement in facing up to them.

"3. Because the church's approach to temperance education has been heavily loaded on the side of total abstinence, and many youth leaders and parents do not accept this approach, many young people are being denied guidance of any kind. Temperance education should be possible apart from a crusade for total abstinence, even though this may be offered as a personal Christian standard.

"4. There is a danger in the question of abstinence from alcohol becoming a pre-occupation, to the exclusion of real social concern for the evils of intemperance and the willing exercise of Christian responsibility, of which total abstinence may be one expression."

The Council adopted the resolution printed in the recommendations. It was agreed the following steps would be taken with regard to temperance education for youth:

- (a) Studies be approached on the "see, judge, act" principle.
- (b) A pamphlet for youth's guidance be prepared along the lines of "You Don't Have to Drink."
- (c) A week-end study be prepared where temperance is considered along with other aspects of personal discipleship.

**Adult Groups** (1962 Minutes, P. 77): A factual report was presented compiled from answers to a questionnaire related to adult groups meeting regularly as part of Church School.

Most Churches are providing 45 minutes for adult groups but a growing number allow 1 hour. The percentage of the adult congregations attending varies from 22% to 80%. (This percentage does not include adults leading in other Depts. of the Church School). The most used resource material is the A. and N.Z. Adult magazine, "Together", which is found especially suitable for the young to middle-aged adults.

Most Churches have avoided hard and fast division according to age or sex. There has often been a natural gravitation into young adults, middle-aged, and senior folk. Churches reported the main difficulties being a natural resistance to change and reluctance to enter into open discussion on what we believe. Some Churches have found that by starting Church School at 10 a.m. and Worship

Service at 11 a.m. there has been less difficulty with their Church School programme.

The main value to those attending and to the Church generally has been a deeper understanding of one another, more concern for people outside the Church, development of more lay leadership, more satisfaction out of their Christian faith, greater willingness for Senior Bible Class to continue as an adult group.

The chief lessons which the report has for Churches introducing Church School are: The need for thorough examination of all that is involved, careful and long-term preparation before beginning the Church School, well trained leaders, a basic amount of organisation in the adult department and continuing oversight of an able Church School Superintendent and L.E.C.

**Drama Committee** (1962 Minutes, P. 59, No. 6): It was agreed that the Drama Committee should report annually to this Council. The Board was asked to nominate the first Committee.

**Co-ordination Of Lay Training** (1962 Minutes, P. 64, No. 3): The Council received a report that the Dominion Executive of the Lay Preachers' Association and the Department were making plans for the training of candidates for the Lay Preachers' examinations practical requirements.

**Next Meeting:** Thursday, 16th May, 1964.

ROBERT THORNLEY, President.

W. F. FORD, Director of Christian Education.

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be adopted.
2. That Conference commend to Circuits and Churches the appointment of a Church School Superintendent as outlined in the report.
3. That Conference approve the principle of avenues of full-time unpaid service being provided for adults and authorise the Council to proceed.
4. That the Church embark on a programme of temperance education which shows a sympathetic understanding of youth's problems, recognises the social pressures under which they live and continues to commend total abstinence as a personal Christian standard.
5. That because of misunderstandings in the use of the word "Temperance," Conference asks the Christian Education Department, in consultation with the Temperance Committee, to explore alternative phrases to such as "Temperance Education," "Temperance Sunday."
6. The attention of Quarterly and Leaders' Meetings be drawn to the statement on youth and Sunday School offerings prepared by the Department and published in Christian Education Handbook.

### B REPORT OF BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION, 1963

The Board reports a full year for itself and the staff. We see our work mainly as assisting, guiding and supporting local churches in that part of their mission which involves the nurturing of children, youth and adults in the Faith. This assistance includes the offering of ancillary services such as leadership training courses, a consultation service, lesson materials, and a Youth Movement.



**1. ADULT WORK :** A special committee of the Conference reported to Conferences 1956 and 1957 on developments needed in Christian Education. Their recommendations (adopted by Conference 1957) asked the newly established Department of Christian Education to:

1. Continue the present work of the Youth Department in Nursery, Sunday School and Bible Class.
2. Co-ordinate Sunday School, Bible Class and week-day Church groups with the worshipping congregation.
3. Encourage families to share fully in the worship and work of the congregation.
4. Foster the C.Y.M.M. to meet the special needs of adolescents and young adults.
5. Provide a programme of adult education which will offer effective training for teachers and leaders, encourage and inform parents in carrying out their religious responsibilities and ensure the continuing growth of all in the Christian Life.

We believe we can report some progress in these assignments. As reported from the Methodist Council of Christian Education, Church School adult groups are in some cases providing the opportunities for adult nurture, study and fellowship which meet the needs of that congregation. In some congregations other provisions such as House Groups or House Churches may be called for.

The Board is convinced that the key age-group in building a strong effective Church is the adult. It suggests to Churches that they seriously consider how they can best provide the small group experience through which most of their adults can learn and grow in the faith.

## **2. YOUTH WORK:**

**C.Y.M.M. Officers:** Beverley Chirnside (Dunedin) and Alan Dryden (Lower Hutt) were elected President and Vice-President respectively. This is the first year in which a young woman has been elected to office. The C.Y.M.M. Officers have travelled widely, being accompanied in some North Island assignments by members of the National Council on a "team visit" basis.

**Holiday Service Projects:** The National C.Y.M.M. Council offers CYMMers a variety of worthwhile holiday opportunities each year, apart from the CYMM Conference and bus tours. A national work camp in the Nelson district campsite will supplement Beach Mission and Holiday Camp work over the 1963/64 holiday period.

**Youth Programme Targets:** The CYMM Convention initiated a scheme whereby annual targets would be set and allocated to selected District CYMM Councils for the development of youth programme. Targets undertaken for 1963 were a work camp, youth caravan, experimental training in youth evangelism, and the preparation of orders of service for various CYMM occasions.

**Joint Discussions:** Joint discussions have been initiated between the national councils of the youth movements of the four churches negotiating for union.

**Through-the-Week Programme:** While there is a significant trend towards the informal, relaxed programme with simultaneous activity options, "behind-the-scenes" leadership is still a key factor in purposeful club work. Training for club leaders is more readily available now that the Leadership Training Committee of the Y.C.N.C.C. has been able to appoint a full-time secretary (Miss Beth Hill, of Canada).

**Wider Developments:** During the year the CYMM has affiliated with the National Youth Council of N.Z., which has been established as a "mutual aid society" for all youth movements, and youth interests in New Zealand. The Government has appointed Youth Activities Officers in the four main centres to assist and co-operate with existing youth agencies in making better provision for youth within the community. The Council for Volunteer Service Abroad (V.S.A.) now offers opportunity for voluntary service in South East Asia and the Pacific for young people with a variety of qualifications and skills—trades as well as professions.

**"Operation Solomons":** Two teams of five members each were finally able to participate, including two young women. This was more than a building project—it was a venture in relationships. Good use has since been made of team members and their photography for missionary education purposes.

**CYMM Conference 1963/64:** To be held December 27th to January 6th at John McGlashan College, Dunedin.

**Order of St Stephen:** The following have been accepted for service during the year: John Taufu (Tongan minister, Solomons), Nancy Tiddy (teacher, Solomon Islands), Judith Marshall (teacher, Solomon Islands), Vivienne Craig-Parker (circuit assistant, Porirua), George Maelagi (teacher, Solomon Islands). The Board has also accepted Noel Jackson, Allan Rutter, Sakiri Ropete and Jonah Gege whose fields of service are still being arranged. The last three are Solomon Islanders.

**3. CHILDREN'S WORK:** The following matters have been attended to by the Committee on Children's Work: guidance for churches on the purpose of Sunday School Anniversaries; preparing theme services based on A. and N.Z. Graded Lessons; S.S. records; the possible amalgamation of the "Lotu" with a children's magazine; assistance in preparing the Children's Workers Course; and offerings in Sunday Schools. Christian Education Handbook publishes findings on these matters.

**4. HOME SUNDAY SCHOOL AND BIBLE CLASS:** This Correspondence Sunday School at present cares for 252 children from 130 isolated families. 111 teachers are on the staff. This very valuable work has been under the superintendency of the Rev W. A. Burley for the last twelve years. Mr Burley has put a tremendous amount of time and painstaking work into this avenue of voluntary service to Christ and His Church. It has been for him a labour of love. He now wishes to be relieved of this work.

The Home Bible Class for several years has been led by Miss Nancy Tiddy who is now teaching in the Solomons as a candidate for the Order of St Stephen. Our thanks go to Miss Tiddy also. The Rev Mrs Thea Noble has taken over. At present there are possibilities of a fruitful partnership with the Presbyterian Department in this work. The Home Bible Class has 34 members and 16 leaders.

**5. LEADERSHIP TRAINING:** The quality of a congregation's teaching work can never rise above the level of its teachers and leaders. The Leadership Standards adopted by last Conference (1962 Minutes p.76) set the direction for each Church. These are being printed for personal use.

**Methodist Christian Leadership Course:** The last of the basic subjects—"The Church"—is now ready. This Course covers the Church History including the Modern Ecumenical Movement, Methodism in New Zealand, Methodist Polity and the Mission of the



Local Church. At least twelve sessions are required. The Trainers' Notes have been written by Rev C. D. Clark who has done an excellent job.

The Board also confidently commends the further two practical options which are now available: "Children's Workers" and "Youth Leaders." Miss Mary Astley and Mr Cliff Couch have prepared these. Both options provide first-class leadership training with practical skills in teaching and leading. Qualified reviewers comment most favourably on the standard of these courses.

Four practical options are now available: Lay Pastors, the practical preparation in homiletics and conduct of worship for Lay Preaching candidates, Children's Workers and Youth Leaders. The one for Adult Leaders will be completed in 1964.

**District Training Organisers:** After considering the training methods of similar organisations the Board has adopted a recommendation from its Leadership Training Committee that D.E.C.s be asked to appoint District Training Organisers. Their duties will include recommending qualified trainers for local or circuit groups doing the Children's Workers, Youth or Adult Leaders practical options; selecting Sunday School or Bible Class departments, which inexperienced teachers or leaders can visit and observe before taking up their work; promoting Leadership Training in the District and Local Churches.

A Conference of D.E.C. Secretaries and District Training Organisers is being held early in 1964.

**Leadership Training Committee:** The Board gratefully acknowledges that it depends on this sub-committee which meets in Christchurch. The Rev D. L. Trebilco has been Chairman for several years and has given a good lead to this work.

**6. STAFF:** Miss Astley is at present overseas for further training. Her assignments are a W.C.C. Lay Training Course at Bossey; Sunday School Workers' Conference in Great Britain; a course at Syracuse University, U.S.A.; working on the staff of a Conference Christian Education Department and a local church in Syracuse; an N.C.C. U.S.A. Conference on Children's Workers; an Institute of Advanced Pastoral Studies led by Dr Reuel Howe; and work with the American Methodist and United Church of Canada Boards of Christian Education. Miss Astley returns to New Zealand in January, 1964. Her present term with the Department expires at the end of this year. The Board recommends her for re-appointment on the same terms as for Mr Couch's appointment. The Church is well served by these lay Field Directors. Their insights, skill, intelligence and dedication commend them to us all.

**7. CONSTITUTION:** Progress throughout the Connexion in implementing the new pattern of oversight of Christian Education in the Districts and Circuits is uneven but encouraging. Many churches are finding that the L.E.C., freed from the day-to-day organisation of the Sunday School and Bible Class, is able to do a more mature and creative review of the whole teaching programme of the Church. Memorandums guiding L.E.C.s and D.E.C.s in their work are available.

There are alternatives offered to smaller churches and circuits. It is better to adapt these alternatives to meet local circumstances than to have no oversight.

**8. N.Z. COUNCIL FOR CHRISTIAN EDUCATION:** The Council's work during the year has been largely governed by the "Religious

Instruction and Observances Bill." The failure of the Act to specify that the instruction should be in the Christian religion should be a cause of concern to all Christian Churches. It is disappointing to the Church and many Christian teachers that they are being pressed by the N.Z.E.I. not to give voluntary instruction. The Council recognises that it must maintain good relationships with the N.Z.E.I. and help that body understand the Churches' point of view on this whole matter. The most significant features of the Council's present work are: the decision to appoint Area Supervisors based in Auckland, Wellington, and Dunedin, in addition to the part-time ones in Taranaki and North Canterbury; steps to implement an accrediting system for all voluntary teachers; and work on the syllabus—especially a new approach to Forms I and II and a syllabus for Form III in Post-Primary Schools.

The General Secretary is to do some study and observation overseas later this year.

The Rev J. D. Grocott, who as General Secretary laid the foundation for the Council's work, has been elected as its new President—a well-deserved honour.

ROBERT THORNLEY, President of Conference.

W. F. FORD, Director.

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report and Financial Statements be received and adopted.
2. That Conference thanks the Rev. W. A. Burley for his devoted and gracious leadership of the Correspondence Sunday School over the last twelve years.
3. That Miss H. M. Astley be re-appointed Field Director as from 1st February, 1964. The appointment may be terminated by either side on six months' notice.
4. That the Department of Christian Education and the Secretary of Conference be asked to consult with a view to the same age group categories being used by the Department and for the compiling of Church statistics through the Annual Returns Schedule, even if it means reprinting the forms.
5. That the Department of Christian Education and the Spiritual Advance Committee be asked to consult and act together in the following matters:
  - (1) Making the Church fully aware of the discoveries made both overseas and within New Zealand of renewal of the Church through group study and fellowship.
  - (2) Sending to circuits such information and material as will demonstrate the practicability of such group life in one of its forms in almost all of our Churches.
  - (3) Consider how the Church can be brought to accept this as a normal part of its congregational life within the next few years.
  - (4) To survey experiments in Sunday evening programme and to advise Circuits on the more effective use of Sunday evening and that these matters be placed on the Agenda of March Ministerial Synods.
6. That Rev. J. D. Grocott be congratulated on his election as the new President of the New Zealand Council for Christian Education.
7. That Conference support the introduction of Biblical Studies as an optional subject for the Arts Degree at the University of Otago.



8. That the Board be as printed on page 5 herein.

**DISTRICT EDUCATION COUNCIL SECRETARIES, 1964.**

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**QUESTION 37.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference in regard to Public Questions?**

## **A—Public Questions Committee**

### **ANNUAL REPORT 1963**

During the year the Committee has considered the following matters and brings them to the notice of the Conference:

**1. Supply of Undesirable Literature:** The Committee has given further attention to this matter. A direct approach was made to a large firm of distributors specifically mentioned by correspondents. A consultation with the firm's principals produced no evidence that would support the complaints brought to the notice of the Committee. At least one complaint proved to be a distorted interpretation of the true facts. The firm made it clear, that where retailers find cause for complaints relating to the supply of literature, such complaints will be received without prejudice and given every consideration.

The report of this particular investigation has been made available to those who have written to the Committee.

**2. Aid To Prisoners On Release From Prison:** (1962 Mins. p. 95, Res. 6.) Opinions on how the Church and Christian people may best assist this section of the community are being sought from those most conversant with the problems involved in the rehabilitation of the ex-prisoner. The Committee continues its work in this matter.

**3. Publication of Accused Persons Names Prior To Trial:** (1962 Mins. p. 95, Res. 8.) This matter and a relevant memorandum from Mr A. E. Pontifex of Reefton, have been referred to the Committee's legal representative. This legal opinion is not yet available.

**4. Report on Gambling:** As requested by last Conference, the Committee has given considerable time to this matter, but is not yet ready to bring down a report.

**5. Questionnaire for General Election Candidates:** In response to requests, the Committee has made available to Quarterly Meetings, a statement on political trends, and a revised set of suggested questions that could be asked of candidates contesting seats at the next General Election.

**6. The Christian View of Marriage and Parenthood:** Marriage and parenthood are common to the majority of the human race, and much of our concern for these institutions is shared by all men of goodwill. But the Christian believes that his faith places him under a particular obligation. The command to love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, remains the first and greatest commandment in the intimate relationships of marriage and parenthood. Obedience to this command delivers these relationships from much of the tyranny, disillusionment, frustration and bitterness which so easily arises in a relationship lived on an exclusively human level. More positively, it opens up the possibility of the kind of reverence for the other person which has led Christians to see marriage and parenthood as signifying the intimacy and depth of the divine love for man. Both Old and New Testaments use the marriage metaphor; the Old Testament to express the nature of God and His attitude towards Israel (Hosea 2. 19F. Isaiah 54: 5. Ezekiel 16.), the New Testament to express the relation between Christ and the Church (Ephesians 5: 23-33).

This report treats three aspects of marriage which have always been important in the thinking of the Church. We do not consider that any of these aspects is subordinate to any other. To declare the pre-eminence of any one over the others may oversimplify and distort a complex human relationship.

(a) **The Companionship of Man and Woman:** The drive in life which brings man and woman together in "one flesh" is not merely the desire for sexual satisfaction—if it is the drive of sex, we must understand sex in its widest possible reference. Marriage is a lifelong relationship in which each complements and fulfills the life of the other in a way in which only male and female can. This relationship is the basis of domestic life in all its most intimate details. Marriage is a refuge from loneliness; it is life together. The marriage relationship becomes the 'home base' of life for each of the partners, and permanence is of its very essence. Sometimes we speak of faithfulness in marriage as if we meant only sexual faithfulness. But the man and the woman have just as important a duty to share with each other their hopes and anxieties, their thoughts, their feelings, and all the other ingre-



dients of which life is compounded. 'A man shall leave his father and mother, and be made one with his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.' (Mark 10: 7). It is only as marriage becomes a sharing of the whole of life, that the depths of married life are sounded and the beauty of its permanence is revealed.

(b) **Sexual Union.** It is within this relationship that Christians believe sexual intercourse finds its proper place in our lives. It becomes an expression and consummation of the commitment of the one to the other, and takes place within a context where each has accepted and promised full responsibility for the other, and where children are welcomed as a result of the union. In marriage, also, a couple come to understand and accept the disciplines which make coitus truly an expression of tender love for each other.

Outside of this context of full responsibility for each other, sexual intercourse is deprived of much of this symbolic content; it thus becomes an impoverished and self-defeating act, even destructive of reverence for the other person.

Sometimes couples engaged to be married mistakenly regard premarital intercourse as anticipating effectively the conditions of their intended marriage. It is easy to see how changing circumstances have made such anticipation as widespread as it is in our society. Young couples have had to learn to cope with earlier sophistication and greater financial independence. At the same time there is often parental opposition to early marriage. Also, those who advocate trial pre-marital intercourse are not without influence on the temper of society. But this anticipation is not condoned by the Church. It cannot provide a good start to married life. That which should be awaited with patience and reverence is in a sense despoiled. What should be a part of normal life together, entered into without fear, is turned into a covert action haunted by the fear of conception. Trouble and resentment are sometimes laid up for the future. The future may in any case not lead to the expected marriage, but to the breaking of the engagement, which means that the couple's union takes on the aspect of betrayal.

The Church may not have stressed adequately the need for discipline in physical contact during courtship; encouraged by what they take to be a permissive attitude, some engaged couples have found themselves taken far further than they at first intended to go. The Church needs to make it clear that there is a discipline involved in courtship. Sometimes couples may be imposing too long a period of engagement on themselves; they should perhaps marry earlier than they had intended. But earlier marriage is not advocated at the expense of reasonable self-discipline accepted for the sake of the marriage.

This report stresses the Christian teaching that it is only within marriage that sexual intercourse finds its proper place in our lives. In its pastoral counsel the Church also needs to show that the moral demand of the Gospel goes hand in hand with the grace and forgiveness of God. In particular, we have a clear duty to resist the profound sense of social humiliation which so often accompanies human failure in the field of sexual morality, especially when it leads to conception outside of marriage. Christian people should repent of any tendency in themselves to treat unchastity with undue severity. They should strive to show a sane, understanding attitude towards those who have conceived outside of marriage. We do well to remember Jesus' readiness to welcome people in this kind of situation.

The procreation of children is to be regarded as the normal consequence of sexual union between man and wife if it is not prevented by serious reasons, such as illness or the inability to conceive. A marriage in which man and wife do not desire to share their mutual love with children is endangering that love by making it a selfish thing, and is purposely separating sexual intercourse from one of the purposes for which it was intended.

The obligation to procreate does not rule out family planning. Not every act of sexual intercourse need intend to procreate. The responsibility of parenthood may be fulfilled without completely dominating the other purposes for which marriage was ordained. It is right for a couple to make the arrival of children a matter of choice as to the number and the interval between them. The form of control may vary for different couples; personal considerations will guide the conclusion arrived at. Birth control by contraceptive methods is acceptable to the Christian conscience as we understand it, so long as it does not involve the avoidance of the responsibility of parenthood nor open the way to an absence of discipline in the practice of coitus. It is not to be regarded as a second-best means of control nor as a concession to human weakness. Its so-called artificiality does not make it any more suspect than any of the artificial means by which men are raised from savagery to a civilised existence. This is not to say that a mutually agreed abstinence has no part in the life of a Christian couple: properly understood and freely chosen it may be a signal witness of their mutual love and the finest flower of their relationship.

(c.) **Family Life:** Marriage is designed to provide a secure environment for the upbringing of children. In the home which is based on a stable marriage relationship children learn many of the essential lessons of life, and are prepared for some aspects of the Christian life. They have experience of trusting others. Through their parents' love they may begin to understand what it means to be accepted by another without first having to merit that acceptance. If their parents are wise, children learn that there is a place in life for discipline, and begin to share in the essential tasks and responsibilities of the home. At the same time they enjoy the freedom which is granted by parents who see their children as made in the image of God. In a Christian home children will sense that their parents' lives (including their marriage) are founded on their love for God, and may thus be helped to discover the truth behind successful human relationships. In family prayers they will learn the naturalness of prayer. The Christian family will not be turned in on itself, but as a unit in a wider society will look outward to others, and to the possibilities of service in the Church. Children will thus be part of a group which is involved in the welfare of others, and be pointed away from selfishness towards concern for other people.

Society includes the unmarried and those whose marriages have been broken by death or separation. Such people have a special claim on the hospitality and friendship of the Christian home.

**Marriages That Fail:** Some marriages break down. Sometimes this is because the marriage has been entered into unadvisedly. Counsel by skilled people or marriage guidance courses for engaged couples can be of help here. These may help couples to realise before they begin, that a good marriage is something that must be worked at. In some cases they may reveal an incompatibility which can be faced up to before marriage. The conception of children outside of marriage does not necessarily mean that the



father and mother should marry; marriage is too serious an institution, too fraught with major consequences for several human lives, to be forced on an unwilling couple by their error or folly.

When an existing marriage is no longer working satisfactorily, the couple concerned should seek counsel as soon as possible. The development of marriage guidance centres is making this easier to find—and, perhaps more important, making it a more accepted thing that a couple should acknowledge their difficulties in the presence of a counsellor. Where the breakdown has become humanly speaking irreparable we do not regard separation or even divorce as absolutely forbidden; it is a concession to human frailty and no doubt the outcome of sin or error, but there are times when compassion permits what moral rigorism would deny. We cannot believe that the words of Jesus (Mark 10: 2-12) were intended to establish a new legalism to take the place of the old. However, the situation needs to be explored under the guidance of a wise counsellor before resort is made to this extreme way out. Many broken marriages can be mended if both husband and wife are willing that they should be.

The Methodist Church does not automatically refuse to remarry divorced persons. We believe that a blanket refusal to remarry such persons fails to recognise both the complexities and ambiguities of human life, and the possibility of the new beginning which God constantly offers His children. But any such remarriage must be the object of careful scrutiny, and the Church must be well satisfied of the serious intention of the couple, and their due recognition of the Christian standard.

**Conclusion:** It is within the complexities of life that marriage and parenthood must be lived out. It would be foolish to pretend that Christians find either of them easy, or that a domestic life free from strain and trouble is automatically their lot. But provided the Christian way of reverence and forgiveness is followed, Christians have found in marriage a vocation in which they and their children have been drawn closer to the love of God, and have found something of that love imparted to their relationship with one another.

**7. Interchurch Council on Public Affairs:** The Council has now completed twenty-one years of service to the Churches of New Zealand. During this period many outstanding churchmen and leaders have been willing to give of their time in order that the Church might put forward its views and efforts in the interest of justice for all and the upholding of Christian teaching in the affairs of the nation.

During 1962, matters considered by the Council include the following:

(a) **Freedom From Hunger Campaign:** An approach was made to the Prime Minister in an effort to urge the Government to make a considerable increase in the ensuing year in the amount it gives to the funds of the campaign. It was considered that such an increase would be an act of goodwill towards neighbouring nations where distress and poverty are a part of everyday life. The Council has agreed that this matter should be followed up with the Prime Minister.

(b) **Commonwealth Immigration:** Prompted by the provisions of the United Kingdom Immigrants Act 1962, the British Council of Churches asked certain church bodies throughout the Commonwealth to make approaches to their respective Governments in an effort to obtain a greater freedom of immigration within the

Commonwealth. The Inter-Church Council on Public Affairs appointed a committee which had a full discussion with the leading officials of the Department of Immigration. The committee is still investigating certain aspects of the immigration laws and procedure.

(c) **Hong Kong Orphans:** The agreement by the Government to allow fifty orphan children into this country for adoption met with widespread approval which was evidenced by the flood of applications for adoption which poured into the offices of the sponsoring bodies. The National Council of Churches and the Immigration Committee of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, are to be commended for the willing way in which they set about the task of selecting prospective parents, and making arrangements for the transporting of the children to this country when it was revealed that the Government did not propose to meet any of the costs involved, or to undertake the responsibilities of transport.

(d) **Off-Course Betting:** At the request of the Council of Churches in New South Wales, a committee was formed to meet Mr Justice Kinsella, the Royal Commissioner on gambling in New South Wales, who visited New Zealand on a fact finding tour concerning the administration of off-course betting facilities. While the committee was not formed for the purpose of presenting an official statement on off-course betting facilities, the meeting was an opportunity to share findings and views with the Commissioner and enable him to obtain a cross-section of church opinion on T.A.B. administration in this country.

(e) **Bulletin on Public Affairs:** A suggestion that there should be established a regular bulletin which would express the Christian view on current public questions is to be considered by a special committee representing affiliated churches.

(f) **Rating of Church Property:** The Council took the opportunity of a revision of the Rating Act 1925, to draw the attention of the Government to the fact that there was no provision in the Act for part only of a building to be exempt from rates where that part is used solely for religious purposes. The Minister of Internal Affairs assured the Council that its representation would be considered in making the revision.

(g) **Censorship of Films and Film Advertising:** The Council approached the Minister of Broadcasting on the question of the censorship of television films. It was discovered that films are placed in the programmes according to the type of certificate they attract, having in mind the general age of the viewers at certain times of the day. The Council agreed to keep this matter under observation and take action if the occasion warrants it.

An approach was made to the Minister of Internal Affairs when a case of the showing of horror films at midnight on Sundays was referred to the Council. The Minister stated that he would not introduce statutory restrictions on screening hours without definite evidence that such restrictions were essential in the national interest. He had, however, been informed that the screenings which were the subject of the approach had been discontinued.

**Conclusion:** The Committee wishes to express appreciation of the work of four members who will not be available for renomination. These are the Revs. C. O. Hailwood (chairman), and B. A. Walker, Miss L. Hodder and Mrs M. Gilling. All four have



made a fine contribution to the work of the committee during the years they have served.

I. J. RUCK, Convener.

C. O. HAILWOOD, Chairman.

### RESOLUTIONS:

1. That the report be received and adopted.
2. That a grant of £25 be made from the Contingent Fund.
3. That the representatives of the I.C.C.P.A. be the District Chairman, the Convener of the Public Questions Committee, and Mr G. C. Burton, B. A.
4. (a) That the material of the report on the Christian View of Marriage and Parenthood suitably edited be published and made available for distribution and study by the Church at local level. (b) That this be referred to the Board of Publications to handle publication for sale to Circuits.
5. That Conference reaffirm the interim statement on Golden Kiwi Lottery grants and resolution 10 sub-sections (c) and (d), 1962, Minutes pp. 95-96.
6. That Conference consider it improper for the Church or any Committee of the Church to ask Government to pay Golden Kiwi lottery profits into the Consolidated Fund.
7. That Conference commend the Inter-Church Council on its investigations regarding immigration and urge them to continue and to explore the possibility of including a quota of Asian non-Commonwealth immigrants.
8. That Conference reaffirms its belief that any form of segregation based on race, colour or ethnic origin is contrary to the gospel and is incompatible with the Christian doctrine of man and with the nature of the Church of Jesus Christ.
9. That Conference press for a consultation between representatives of sports bodies, the Government and Churches to clarify the present and future policy concerning representative teams travelling from South Africa to New Zealand and vice versa.
10. That the Committee be asked to continue their investigations into the rating of Church property and take such action as is necessary through the President.
11. That the following Statement on State Aid to Private Schools be received and adopted:—
  - (a) The Methodist Church of New Zealand is convinced that a healthy, complete system of education which is freely available to all children is essential to the welfare of a people. We therefore welcome steps recently taken or planned which will improve the standards of teacher-training and the conditions in the schools. We would like to see a higher percentage of our national income spent on public education, both for children and adults.
  - (b) We believe also that education is incomplete unless it can deal with such ultimate questions as the meaning and purpose of life in this world. In our opinion therefore, the Christian faith is basic to a healthy, complete education in our nation.
  - (c) We cannot be satisfied until more provision is made in the curriculum of public education at all levels for the Christian interpretation of life. The opposition of some educational organisations to this provision is likely to lead to mounting dissatisfaction with public education and to growing pres-

tures within denominations to establish a system of private and denominational schools.

- (d) In our democracy, denominations or groups of parents may choose to establish schools for their children, and we would maintain their freedom to do so. The costs of establishing and running such schools, however, should in general be met by those who establish them and who choose to send their children to them instead of to the public school.
  - (e) We hold that this complete education should be undertaken in public schools where the children of a community are educated together. It is in our public schools that free education is available for **all** children without regard to denomination, social status or financial position of the parents.
  - (f) The growing rapprochement between the Churches encourages us to hope that progress already made in producing an agreed basis and syllabus for religious instruction and observances will be extended to include all Churches. We support provision always being made for the exemption from religious instruction and observances of children whose parents so desire.
  - (g) We remain opposed to substantial state aid to private or denominational schools. The state should not encourage people to contract out of their responsibility to provide a complete education for the children of every creed, class and nationality.
- 12. That the above statement be forwarded to the Leaders of political parties, Minister of Education, Director of Education, N.Z.E.I. and N.Z.C.C.E.
  - 13. (a) That Conference affirms its belief in the democratic right of Christian teachers to participate in religious instruction in State Schools, if they so desire, but gives no support to any suggestion that the appointment of teachers should be influenced by their willingness to give religious instruction, or that any teacher should be asked to give such instruction unless he wishes to do so out of personal Christian conviction. (b) That this resolution be forwarded to the N.Z.C.C.E. and the N.Z.E.I.
  - 14. That the Committee for 1964 be as printed on page 8 herein.

#### QUESTION 37.

## B—International Affairs Committee

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For the first time since Committee's establishment in 1957 we make no direct reference to Peace-War issues. This is not to say that the Church can relax on its study and discussion programme, nor that the international situation is less tense. We believe that enough material is now before the Church. *Study groups are encouraged to use it.* It was with considerable pleasure the Committee noted the spirit in which the matter was debated last Conference. We draw the attention of all church members to the section "Preventing War and Making Peace" (Minutes, p.103ff) which was adopted by Conference. The Resolution (10, p.106) supporting a Southern Hemisphere free of nuclear weapons has an urgent relevance since France has announced her intention to conduct nuclear tests in the South Pacific. The Committee asks leave to continue its study before making a statement on possible non-military means of resisting aggression and political tyranny (1962 Minutes,



Res. 9, p.106). The report we now present has a bearing on the question in terms of positive peace making.

## 1. WORLD FOOD SUPPLY

A. Dr P. V. Sukhatme of the Food and Agricultural Organisation announced in May 1961 that 10-15 per cent of the people in the world are underfed and another 23-35 per cent suffer from mal-nutrition. On October 22, 1962 F.A.O. said the world food supply was roughly half of what was then required. Production is increasing but each month since then the world population has grown by some 4½ million people. We who belong to the "upper" class of the 415 million well fed find it difficult to appreciate the plight of the 500 million underfed and the 1,000 million who suffer because of incorrect diet. The situation of these people—who are also economically weak and unproductive—is our problem.

This food shortage is not inherent in the structure of the globe and its diversity of mineral, vegetable and animal wealth, nor need it be a permanent consequence of the population explosion that has occurred in this century. It rather reflects a multiplicity of accidents, shortcomings, and failings by man himself. Historically, the greatest single factor responsible is that the advance in medicine (e.g., treatment of plagues, and assistance in baby care) outstripped the production and distribution of food. To-day, man hinders the cure of starvation. On the one hand, some religions and customs ensure that people persist with an outmoded agriculture and diet. Some religions and customs resist medically approved programmes of birth control. On the other hand, will Christ's judgment be upon the Western nations for being less concerned with solving world problems than with raising their own high standard of living, with its unnecessary technological gadgetry?

## A—THE TASK OF THE CHURCH

The Church has two spheres in which to work on the problem of food supply:

- (a) **Within New Zealand** the Methodist Church has already applied itself to
  1. Calling on the Government to set aside at least 1 per cent of the National Income on overseas aid, even if this means an increase in the level of taxation. Many of our Committee would prefer to see church members set a stronger example of personal giving before pressing the Government. Others emphasise the present need of people overseas and would go to any lengths to help. The Committee recommends, in addition, that the Church be vigilant in matters of national policy and if necessary warn Government not to be selfish when making trade agreements, import policy, or annual budget estimates.
  2. Supporting CORSO, FAO programmes (especially the current Freedom From Hunger Campaign) and other international and national organisations with publicity, and the giving of money and men.
  3. Challenging its members to love their neighbours of Asia and Africa, and to serve them better, even if the means be costly and sacrificial. We on this Committee admit that we *could* give more money, more prayer, more support to our brothers in need.
  4. Encouraging the gifts of church folk to the various ecumenical programmes of aid. The increasing participation of congregations in the N.C.C. Christmas Appeal, and the significant amount raised, is a good sign of willingness to assume responsibility for the needy.

- (b) **Beyond New Zealand**, where the gifts of church folk are used both in allaying immediate crises and in endeavours to build more stable and broader economy in needy countries.

Food production is only part of the problem. Technological advances must take place on a much broader basis. Each country should develop its resources to best advantage, and so expand world trade. For technological advances there must be expert advisers—either permanently, or as men called in to perform a particular job. The shortage of trained experts and money to support them in needy areas is a key factor in the total problem. *And it is precisely here that the Church can help most* in providing trained individuals who also possess a true motive of compassion and service. Countries that no longer welcome Christianity as it is offered in its traditional forms may be inclined to accept the contribution of Christian helpers in agricultural and technological fields. Thus men and women in a variety of expert roles will augment the preacher/teacher/doctor missionary team. The Church need not entertain the fear of interference with present campaigns of relief and education. Indeed, the additional workers will be welcomed by their hard-pressed colleagues who are all too few in number at the moment. Such experts could work under the N.C.C. We would hope to encourage our sister denominations to work in with us, and so contribute to our unity of purpose.

The Committee believes there is room for more work by Christians in this field; i.e., in training and sending out experts in agriculture, mining, geology, etc., as well as in the social sciences, medicine, and administration. If this were done under the auspices of the Church it would encourage more giving by church members for specific projects about which they can learn, and in which they have a personal concern and a direct responsibility. It would satisfy young people (whose dedication was inspired within the Church's life) to know that after skills have been acquired they can find their true vocation of service with the Church's guidance and favour.

In our support of the multifarious projects undertaken by CORSO, FFHC, NCC, VSA, etc., and in other work of a more individual character, our Committee wishes to stress the personal and the particular. Each church member must feel involved and to some degree responsible. We must learn to see the massive appeals and world-organised programmes as the framework within which individual assists individual. Campaigns to alleviate hunger and malnutrition lose the personal element and therefore some of the reality. The national appeal, though worthy in aim, is impersonal.

The entire crisis of food shortage calls for compassion applied with a hard-headed, well informed realism. It is all too easy for us to use emotive language and to offer wildly impractical "solutions." For Christians, duty does not end with issuing appeals to the Government for help with more money or more efficient distribution of food surpluses. Nor can Methodists remain inert until union with our sister churches is consummated. Immediate action is required. However sympathetically we may urge the Government to spend more on overseas aid and less on defence (60 per cent were in favour, according to last year's Questionnaire) this will not solve the immediate problem. Although our Christian opinion may be that a better and fairer economy could be practised by our nation, we cannot easily nor quickly change Government behaviour. Therefore we see no more practical step than that of increasing our Methodist missionary work force overseas by an imaginative use



of these economic and technical adaptations. This enlargement of vision, of the task that needs urgently to be done, comes at a time when mission fields—in the accepted sense—are shrinking.

Finally, the task of the Church in proclaiming the Gospel overseas must be emphasised. In this present age of reticence about the glories of our Faith we tend to forget that our Western technology and science is closely linked with Jesus Christ, the Lord of this universe. Science, since its infancy, has been nursed by the Church and particularly by the Protestant branch of it. On the other hand, as Teilhard de Chardin has made clear in "The Phenomenon of Man," too many of the other religions of the world seem to be in a basic conflict with Western science and technology and especially with its underlying and equally important implications. Unless the Gospel is preached in conjunction with our technology the world stands under the threat of overcoming food shortages only to face yet another even greater danger—just as in the last 100 years we thought that in illness and disease lay the main problem to mankind. It is supremely the responsibility of the churches to integrate the means to live with the purpose for living.

## SUMMARY

We believe that the Methodist Church is proceeding in the right direction and only needs to move further and faster. Our Committee suggests that the increase in effort of assistance to overseas countries may be by producing publicity, money and manpower for particular projects. This is to be conceived as another vital phase of Christian evangelistic and medical missions work.

## B. DISTRIBUTION OF FOOD SURPLUSES

It is easy to point to the countries stockpiling grain (and perhaps paying farmers *not* to grow wheat) and say, "Share your surplus." The total grain surplus in 1959 was over 120 million tons; enough—in theory at least—to supply the full calorie needs of some 450 million people for a year, or furnish 200 calories a day to the Asian population for a period of more than 3 years. If widespread distribution of surplus were seriously considered it would face insuperable difficulties of transport, economic disturbance in receiver countries as for exporting countries, and the notoriously conservative food habits of rice-eating areas. It would require a major revolution in dietary pattern to enable a distribution of surplus grain that would appreciably affect their calorie levels. Moreover, the hand-out could not continue. This surplus has built up over 8-10 years. The world can only rely on an annual grain surplus of perhaps 10 million tons. To alleviate widespread malnutrition (no less serious than under-nutrition) it is the protein-rich foods, not cereals, that are required. The total surplus of condensed, evaporated, and dried milks in 1959 was only about 120 thousand tons. There is the possibility of bad seasons to bear in mind. One single bad grazing season in Europe in 1960 seriously menaced UNICEF's whole programme of supplementary feeding. Two or three successive bad seasons in surplus-producing countries could reduce grain stocks and provide no surplus at all.

This is not to say that food surpluses should not be used to provide short-term aid to deficient areas. One of the three objectives of the 5-year "Freedom From Hunger Campaign" is to ensure a better distribution of food, both within and between countries. Six years ago the more developed countries agreed upon the Principles of Surplus Disposal formulated by FAO, whereby surpluses were disposed of at concession rates or free. The World Food Programme is almost wholly concerned with the use of surpluses. The World Food Congress at Washington in June made

an international assessment of surpluses and sought means of distribution. These constructive means of surplus disposal deserve every encouragement, but we cannot suggest that they are the solution to world food supply problems. Even increased food production from their own acreage, unless combined with a diminished birth-rate, could nullify the best efforts to raise living standards in many parts of the poorer countries.

(See also 1961 Minutes, p. 102.)

### **C. PRACTICAL POINTS FOR CHRISTIANS**

1. Re-affirm your theology; that the fruits of the earth are God's; that God loves underfed people as much as he does us; that people who are starving are souls for whom Christ died; that they are our brothers and for them we must feel responsible.
2. Say that restraint on production for the sake of high prices is a denial of the Providence of God.
3. Believe that what is humanly necessary should be economically and politically possible—and proceed to tackle the problems accordingly.
4. Strive to achieve even greater relevance in proclaiming the Gospel both in developed and developing countries.
5. Eliminate the wasteful habits near at home (e.g., the embarrassing left overs after the "Ladies a plate please" appeal at church functions).
6. Continue to relieve distress, provide impartial and compassionate aid, and give leadership to the community in this regard.
7. Support the Government in all efforts to build up the productivity of the developing countries through Colombo Plan and similar avenues.
8. Urge upon the Government, when it is negotiating international commodity agreements, to consider the needs of the developing countries as having first priority.
9. Remind the Government, in formulating import policy, to remember that poor people cannot buy our goods unless they have a market for their goods.
10. Overcome the prejudice, when shopping, of resistance to cheap goods coming from low-wage countries. This is their effort to raise their standard; and not to buy could make poor people even poorer.
11. Publicise the poverty of some countries; the inadequacy of food either in quantity or quality or both. Make the facts vivid, real.
12. Support the "Colombo Plan," the "Freedom From Hunger Campaign," C.O.R.S.O. and N.C.C. appeals for aid, and Christian missions which are active in a broad programme of aid in underdeveloped countries. This involves study, discussion, and enthusiastic support in the local church groups such as Men's Fellowship, Women's Fellowship, senior CYMM groups, or special short-term studies called by L.E.C. or Leaders' Meetings under the best guidance available.

### **2. GIVING 1% OF INCOME TO APPROVED OVERSEAS AID**

The Annual Conference of 1960 recommended to the New Zealand Government the setting aside of at least 1 per cent of N.Z. National Income (a sum of at least £10 million) for the economic development of underdeveloped countries, even if this meant an increase in the level of taxation (Minutes, p.98). This was re-affirmed in 1961 (Minutes, p.105). The Methodist Church, as a member of the National Council of Churches, has supported NCC in similar resolutions to Government. In 1962 the members of



Leaders' Meetings who answered the Questionnaire were 84 per cent in favour of additional Government expenditure on Colombo Plan or similar overseas aid. However, only 36 per cent were in favour if this meant increased taxation. On this latter question 18 per cent were undecided.

If we pursue the matter of urging Government to act we should show a readiness to give from personal income at least in the same proportions. In the Questionnaire 66 per cent of our leaders stated their willingness to do this as a personal contribution to peace making. The negative vote was 15 per cent.

About £400,000 a year is given in response to CORSO and NCC appeals. Some 300,000 active members are on the rolls of the NCC-affiliated and Roman Catholic churches. Assuming the whole amount given in these appeals to be entirely from these members, they would be giving 1 per cent only if their private incomes were £134—an absurdly low average. We do not press the point with mathematical precision. The conclusion, however, is obvious: church members are giving nowhere 1 per cent of private income for overseas aid. Can they ask in good conscience that Government increase its budget allocation?

The attitude of political leaders seems to be that a contribution as urged upon Government by the churches would be impolitic and unpopular. Such a proposal would lose support at elections. It does not represent the will of the people. Government can say that its giving of roughly £3 million of an annual budget of £336 million on overseas aid is not selfish or small minded. (See Appendix.)

In consideration of the 66 per cent of our leaders who take seriously this proposal of 1 per cent of private income for approved overseas aid the Church would serve them well if it had a uniform procedure for registering such a commitment. Our Committee feels strongly on this: a definite opportunity for our people to commit themselves in this specific way, and that there be some recognition of this commitment. It is not for this Committee to suggest ways and means. There could be a variety of ways, each church adapting or creating for itself. It should not be difficult for a local Stewardship Recorder or Treasurer to note the facts, then collate (in general terms) the proportion of membership making and honouring such a commitment. Quarterly Meetings and Conference could ask for this information. It does not mean that members making the promise would channel the whole 1 per cent through Church funds.

The Committee recommendation is a change of emphasis from the plea for greater generosity by national organisations. It is the individual to whom we appeal, the Church member, not the Government.

## Appendix

Summary of Government assistance to overseas aid projects:		
Colombo Plan (annually)		£1,000,000
United Nations	Expanded Prog. of Tech. assistance	100,000
"	Special Fund .. .. .	50,000
"	Children's Fund .. .. .	75,000
"	Support and Resettlement of Refugees	70,000
"	World Health Organisation .. ..	32,800
"	Food and Agriculture Organisation ..	28,000
"	UNESCO .. .. .	22,500
"	International Labour Organisation ..	24,000
South Pacific Comm. (welfare Pacific Islands people)		35,000

Western Samoa (development grants) . . . . .	157,000
Cook, Niue, Tokelau Islands—the annual grants exceed	1,000,000
Volunteer Service Abroad (1962 grant) . . . . .	2,500
“ “ “ (annual grant, app. in principle)	2,000

There is, in addition, the contribution of £65,000 a year to the Commonwealth Education Scheme; £100,000 a year to the Special Commonwealth Aid to Africa Plan; the 1963 United Nations Budget of £137,120; the £798,842 contributed to the U.N. Congo operation and the United Nations Bonds Issue. Government has agreed to join in the World Food Programme, giving over a three year term £153,763 in kind and £27,135 in cash. New Zealand is now a member of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and the International Development Association, two organisations which are most active in the work of economic development.

### 3. VOLUNTARY SERVICE ABROAD (See 1962 Minutes, p. 103f; 1962 Minutes, pp. 97ff).

In the last two years the idea of volunteer service in the interests of peace, understanding and service has spread rapidly around the world. There are 20 national schemes in being, including New Zealand's "Volunteer Service Abroad." An International Peace Corps Secretariat began its work at the beginning of this year of fostering volunteer service programmes. Member Governments (of whom New Zealand is one) are to decide later this year whether they wish the one-year experiment to be continued. Meanwhile it provides a valuable link between the national volunteer organisations. In May it convened a conference in Washington to exchange ideas of plans and discussion of training methods. Representatives visited the Peace Corps bush camps in Puerto Rico and spent three days with Peace Corps workers in the Dominican Republic. Mr J. H. Hall, the executive officer of New Zealand's VSA, was one of the 17 representatives from 12 countries who attended. This was at no cost to VSA. Mr Hall was impressed by the size and range of other countries' volunteer programmes, and by the large measure of government support that many of them receive.

The Volunteer Service Abroad has received more than 150 requests for the help of volunteer workers from countries in South and South-east Asia. The offers were made in three categories:

- (1) Financed wholly by the host government;
- (2) Living allowance paid by the host government, with passages provided by New Zealand;
- (3) Financed wholly from New Zealand.

Some countries have not yet asked for specific sorts of help. Others have tended to ask for experts rather than the "middle level" workers VSA can more easily supply at this stage. Most requests have been for volunteers largely or wholly financed from New Zealand. The Council of V.S.A., by reason of its still meagre resources, has given first consideration to the requests in which overseas governments make a substantial contribution to costs.

Some 200 inquiries have been received from people with an interest in volunteering. About one-third of these have lodged preliminary application forms, and twenty of these have been invited to complete the full application form—a step taken only when a request is received that seems to fit the general qualification of an applicant on the preliminary waiting list. The first volunteers leave for Thailand in July, and others are being selected for service in Western Samoa and Malaya as we write.

The V.S.A. Council hopes to base its support on widespread public membership. The annual membership fee of £1 will,



roughly speaking, keep a volunteer on the job for a day. Some members already enrolled have chosen to contribute, not the one day's cost of keeping a volunteer, but the amount they themselves earn in a day. This spirit matches the financial sacrifices VSA volunteers are prepared to make. There is also a corporate membership fee of £5. The Government grant to assist in meeting administrative costs makes it possible for all subscription revenue to be spent in the work of selecting and training volunteers, placing them in the field, maintaining them there, and helping to re-establish them on their return home. Between the time Synods and Conference meet a public campaign for members will be launched by the V.S.A. President, Sir Edmund Hillary.

Group sponsorship is proving popular. For example, a rural development team of four New Zealanders and one Thai (who will have equal status) will be in Thailand by October or November of this year, equipped with a 4-wheel drive vehicle and essential tools. Volunteers will be chosen by V.S.A. procedure, but as the venture will be wholly financed by the Rotary movement the selection panel will include Rotary nominees. Other proposals so far made have come from organisations national or regional in scope. Sponsorship, however, could be achieved by community effort. These need not be V.S.A. programmes, although some will be. A Circuit or Synodal District, the Men's or Women's Fellowships could act as sponsor. A volunteer may offer from the Church's life. V.S.A.'s part will be to find openings for service, select volunteers (in association with the sponsor), train and dispatch them and to ensure their welfare in the field.

Methodists who desire overseas service under sacrificial conditions may continue to offer themselves to the Overseas Missions Department and the Order of St Stephen. The V.S.A. scheme widens the scope by the choice of countries in which one may serve, the type of work, the experience and age of the volunteer. Information is readily obtainable from V.S.A. (Inc.), P.O. Box 3564, Wellington, or from our Department of Christian Education.

#### **4. REFUGEES**

In 1960 we reported on the plight of refugees (Minutes, pp 101-103) and in 1962 something of WCC's assistance (Minutes pp. 96-97). We do not know the extent of New Zealand Methodist assistance to refugees as individual sponsors, congregations acting alone, or in ecumenical partnership. We have been encouraged by the news items that appear from time to time. Methodists are generous supporters of NCC appeals and CORSO money and clothes drives. This adds up to considerable help to the person who has fled from his country for reasons of political, racial, or religious persecution or fear of such persecution.

Interest in practical assistance has been stimulated by the opening of New Zealand's first home for aged refugees on May 30 at Lower Hutt. The United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, Dr Felix Schnyder—who declared the home open—said the hard core of refugees in the elderly group constituted a problem for him. "Everything being done at Nansen Home illustrates a practical policy to help other human beings. The White Russians coming to New Zealand have had a second experience of being refugees, and it is important that they should not lose their courage."

Several speakers at the opening ceremony expressed the hope that other communities in our favoured land may follow suit. The Minister of Immigration (Mr Shand) stressed the personal element in this aid and said it was the responsibility of the community to

look after refugees. He would consider it a tragedy, he said, if Government were persuaded to take over the responsibility. Mr O. Nansen, son of Fridjof Nansen after whom the home is named, and himself a member of the Norwegian Council for Refugees, disagreed with Mr Shand's statement. "In my opinion it would not be bad at all if the Government took over the responsibility as soon as this home is paid for, thus giving the community the opportunity of erecting a new home, until the Government took that over too, thus inspiring and increasing the public feeling of responsibility."

Nansen Home will provide a home for 25 elderly refugees, at an estimated annual running cost of £9,000. Grants by the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees (£8,500), the NCC (£4,000) and CORSO (£2,000) have made the venture possible, but a further £15,000 for capital purposes and £5,000 for the first year's running are being sought in a public appeal by the New Zealand Refugee Homes Board, P.O. Box 223 Lower Hutt, which administers the home. The Chairman of the Board is the Rev Dr. I. W. Fraser.

## **5. WORLD FAMILY YEAR**

"Recently, the nations of the world co-operated in an International Geophysical Year. It was a great success. The World Refugee Year was successful in helping to clean up some of the tragic aftermath of war. The present Freedom From Hunger Campaign is a worthy attempt to remove hunger, one of the basic causes of human misery. I wish to propose for consideration by the General Assembly of the United Nations, that it should sponsor a World Family Year. The time could be in 1965, the mid-year of the Development Decade and the twentieth year of the United Nations. It would be a year in which men and nations would concentrate and increase their efforts to seek for ways to build greater unity and understanding between them; to look for areas of agreement, rather than of difference; to build up fellowship and friendship; to encourage a greater exchange of persons and information between nations; to unite their efforts to solve the problems which all men share. . . . New Zealand could well be the primary sponsor of such an idea. At least we are in a favourable position to try. Let us do something constructive and do it now, to replace division by unity, fear by understanding, hate by forgiveness, war by reconciliation."

These words were spoken by Sir John Walsh in his Presidential address to the annual conference of the New Zealand United Nations' Association on February 22nd, 1963. The conference adopted his proposal and sent a formal letter to the Government. The Association has since learned that India's proposal of an "International Co-operation Year" in 1965 was already accepted. Further submissions have been made in favour of New Zealand's more appealing title, together with specific proposals such as the stepping up of UNESCO programme, interchange of students, particularly across the Iron Curtain, and a strong appeal to the major nations to get back to the basic tenets of the U.N. Charter and the hopes and aims of the United Nations' Organisation.

The Christian Church, together with many voluntary organisations whose work depends on peace and international co-operation, would support the proposal. The world is a family. There are men and women of goodwill in every country, seeking for opportunities to work together, to increase understanding, to break down fear and distrust. As stewards entrusted with a ministry of reconciliation, Christians will hope that this World Family Year proposal is adopted by U.N.O.



## 6. UNITED NATIONS AND OURSELVES (See 1961 Minutes, p. 100ff).

The United Nations Organisation is basically a gathering together of representatives of the world's family of nations for an exchange of views, negotiation, and co-operative effort. It must expect all the quarrels that can arise when families are brought together. It is a pity that headline publicity features this aspect, chiefly from the General Assembly and the Security Council, when it is the prime task to deal with the clashes usefully and constructively. As in a family, the decisions reached will be largely a compromise between the various demands. Willingness to reach useful compromise is not a bad element in family life provided it does not abandon basic principle in order to arrive at a peaceful conclusion to debate.

The United Nations is pledged to a broad humanitarian policy: Higher standards of living, full employment, economic and social progress, educational co-operation, the peaceful use of atomic energy, universal respect for human rights, and a fundamental freedom for all.

Christians should endorse these aims, rejoice in achievements so far, and use their influence to make easier the path of constructive action that lies ahead.

### WE PARTICIPATE

1. Through our representative Government and its direct participation in the work of U.N. and its agencies.

2. Through international associations having consultative status with the Economic and Social Council. Examples of these are:

(a) United Nations Associations. There is a N.Z. U.N.A., active through its national council and its various branches.

(b) Associations which may submit statements for circulation as official U.N. documents. Christians participate through the WCC Commission on International Affairs (with which the N.Z. C.C.I.A. keeps in touch), the World Alliance of YMCA's, World YWCA's, World WCTU's the International Red Cross, etc.

3. As individuals—members of a nation and of participant organisations. We are the United Nations, the participants. The agencies of UNO exist only as a means of bringing ourselves and the people of other nations and races together in mutual co-operation. As Christians we desire reconciliation among races and nations. As members of the Church we work and pray for the realisation of one family on earth.

### WHAT ELSE CAN WE DO?

1. Find out about local U.N. Association branch. Encourage your church and other local churches in having adequate representation on its committee and in its membership.

2. Encourage church groups to study world problems, learn about U.N. and its agencies, and to report back or find ways of sharing the information they have gathered.

3. Interest church members in the occasional opportunity to support U.N. Association members—e.g., help in community projects, displays in connection with FFHC, arrange the selling of UNICEF Christmas cards, giving hospitality to overseas students, etc.

4. Suggest that sessions on Christian participation in United

Nations affairs could be included in Church-sponsored educational programmes, or in W.E.A. courses.

5. Invite Local Education Councils to make a study of U.N. and its agencies, or encourage B.C. and adult groups to do so. The Department of Christian Education be asked to have suitable study material available and details of U.N. local branches from which enquirers may be able to gather information.

6. Propose the third Sunday in October as United Nations Sunday, with appropriate reference in the lectionary. This choice of date would avoid the clash of United Nations Day (October 24) with Labour Day week-end. It would complement World Communion Sunday by reminding Christians who gather by faith at the Table with their Lord that they must go out into a needy world to interpret the fellowship and mediate the grace by developing the spirit of reconciliation.

7. Remind preachers of a field of intercessory prayer and sermon topics or illustration. e.g.: One of our Ministers, during the Communion Service prays for "kings, presidents, governors, the Secretary General of United Nations and his staff, and especially Elizabeth our Queen . . ." on the grounds that U Thant needs guidance and wisdom for his task at least in the same proportions and intensity as for our Sovereign Lady.

### **Conclusion**

The type of action envisaged will develop U.N. consciousness in the devotional life and social expression of individual Christians and congregations. Active participation in U.N. Association branches would open up avenues of service as truly Christian as local church programmes. Christians who want to make their influence felt in the activities of U.N.A.'s would find an inter-church meeting point with each other, and with people of no church, as they addressed themselves to a study of the world's needs.

### **APPENDIX**

The Economic and Social Council of U.N. sets over-all policies and co-ordinates the activities of its related agencies in the economic and social field. This Council works through:

- (a) four regional economic commissions situated in Europe ((E.C.E.), Asia and the Far East (E.C.A.F.E.), Latin America (E.C.L.A.) and Africa (E.C.A.). These commissions help the countries in their particular areas to tackle common problems. Note: New Zealand is assisting under E.C.A.F.E. in the Makong River development scheme.
- (b) functional commissions dealing with technical questions such as population problems, statistics, human rights, technical assistance.
- (c) special bodies, e.g., Commissioner for Refugees, UNICEF.
- (d) inter-Governmental (specialised) agencies, e.g., W.H.O, F.A.O., U.N.E.S.C.O., I.L.O.

The Expanded Programme of Technical Assistance, started in 1950, consists in the international sharing of the technical knowledge and skills essential to supplement the efforts of the developing countries to raise living standards. More than 140 countries and territories have received aid. The U.N. Development Decade, launched last year, builds on the foundation laid by F.F.H.C., and calls on all member nations to unite in bringing the depressed two-thirds of the world to new levels of economic and social well-being.

The U.N. SPECIAL FUND helps to lay the groundwork for



capital investment and larger projects by helping in large-scale resource and preliminary surveys, in establishing training centres and centres for applied research.

The U.N. CHILDREN'S FUND (U.N.I.C.E.F.) assists governments to plan programmes of benefit to children. The twin aims are to combat disease in children and to train mothers in hygiene and child care. It provides equipment, insecticides, vaccines, drugs for campaigns against disease; it helps to build up milk supplies for children, to combat malnutrition.

REFUGEES: The Office of the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees has helped the resettlement of hundreds of thousands of refugees. Its assistance to refugees in some areas forms part of a co-ordinated effort with the related U.N. agencies to promote economic development there, e.g., in the Middle East, U.N.R.W.A. continues to aid nearly a million Arab refugees from the Palestine hostilities.

**Best known of the Inter-Governmental agencies are:**

THE FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL ORGANISATION (F.A.O.) which exists to improve the world's food supply. It helps nations to increase the output of farmlands, forests and fisheries and to raise nutrition levels. It is responsible for the 5-year "Freedom From Hunger Campaign" launched on July 1, 1960. Note: (1) New Zealand's "F.F.H.C." was officially launched on August 30, 1961. (2) F.A.O. assists F.F.H.C. agencies (such as C.O.R.S.O. in N.Z.) to find suitable projects under the campaign, so that the money may be effectively and efficiently used.

THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANISATION (W.H.O.) assists countries to fight widespread diseases such as tuberculosis and malaria. It helps in the training of urgently needed health workers. Note: W.H.O. is confident that malaria can be banished from the world. It has effectively controlled the disease in Italy and Greece and is fighting it successfully in Ceylon.

U.N. EDUCATIONAL, SCIENTIFIC, AND CULTURAL ORGANISATION (U.N.E.S.C.O.) is working in semi-illiterate countries to provide the groundwork for educational systems—so that, some day, every child may be given a chance to go to school. Note: Over 250 million children cannot attend schools. Among scientists, U.N.E.S.C.O. promotes international teamwork for solving big problems, e.g., research in earthquake zones. Culturally, it seeks better means of communication, and hence understanding, among peoples by newspapers, films, radio, travel.

THE INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANISATION (I.L.O.) works through government, employer, and worker representatives, that together they might improve labour conditions and living standards. Experts offer aid to governments in vocational training, workers' education, management development, and in other ways. As part of the U.N. Development Decade launched last year, the I.L.O. will expand its technical assistance activities.

"Peace is dependent not only on goodwill and reconciliation, but in the first place upon the emerging of effective international institutions under the rule of law. Therefore, Churches in their desire for peace must recognise the importance of the responsible use and development of the international institutions both in the United Nations and in regional affairs."

(The New Delhi "Service" report).

**7. Practical Aid to South Africa (see 1962 Minutes, p.99ff.):**

The need for money during the marathon Treason Trial (ended

in 1961) for legal defence and aid to accused's dependents, and again following the Sharpeville shooting incident in March, 1960, was apparent. We would remind the Church that the assistance to those who are victims of oppressive racialist legislation and their families continues to be a challenge to our charity. With the passing of the so-called Anti-Sabotage Acts, 1962, 1963, repression in South Africa has intensified.

"Christian Action" (2 Amen Court, London) is the organisation through whom we give practical aid to those who suffer the evil consequences of racial prejudice. We sent £10 through the year (£6 of this from Carterton Circuit). We should be pleased to learn of any congregations or individuals who sent aid direct, as we suggested in last year's report.

ROBERT THORNLEY, Chairman  
PHILLIP D. RAMSAY, Convener

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That a grant of £30 be made from the Contingent Fund.
3. That congregations be encouraged to continue and expand interest in and support of overseas aid, and that this be commended to quarterly meetings for consideration. (Note use of the special offering at Holy Communion, traditionally reserved as a gift to the poor, could make the expression "alms and oblations" meaningful. By calling its members to place a penny a person each meal on the table one congregation has already given £175 to the Freedom From Hunger Campaign).
4. That Conference recommend to the New Zealand Government the setting aside of at least one per cent of New Zealand National Income (a sum of at least £10 million) for the economic development of underdeveloped countries, even if this means an increase in the level of taxation. (1960 Minutes, P. 98 and 1961 Minutes, P. 105).
5. That the International Affairs Committee in conjunction with the Board of Christian Education suggest ways in which the material contained in the report be brought to the attention of the people.
6. That Methodists take every opportunity this general election year of making known to political candidates their advocacy of increased overseas aid as a means of positive peace making.
7. That the Finance and Stewardship Committee be asked to include in their stewardship education programme the need for Christian people to make a place in their total stewardship for support of voluntary agencies.
8. That Conference ask the International Affairs Committee to keep the church informed of the material it is considering month by month.
9. That Conference registers its support of our Government's action in lodging a strong protest to the Government of France concerning the place of nuclear tests in the South Pacific. We urge a renewal of this protest in the light of the test ban treaty signed by other nuclear powers. Conference urges the Government to explore practical ways of protesting against or preventing that nation's nuclear test plans.
10. (a) That the Government be urged by Conference to support the admission of the Government of the People's Republic of



China to the United Nations so that the United Nations may be more truly an international forum.

(b) That continued recognition also be given to the Government of the Republic of China (Taiwan).

11. That Conference convey greetings of the New Zealand Methodist Church to the South African Methodist Conference noting with joy their action in appointing Rev. Seth Mokitimi as President-elect.
12. That the International Affairs Committee act as agents to receive contributions for relief of victims of the South African Treason Trial.
13. That the Rev P. D. Ramsay be thanked for his services as Convener of the International Affairs Committee, during the formative years of the Committee's work and that Conference record appreciation of the enthusiastic leadership given during his six years of office.
14. That the Committee for 1964 be as printed on page 7 herein.

#### QUESTION 37.

## C—Temperance Committee

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1963

**Personnel:** There have been changes in the personnel of the Committee, during the year. The Rev. L. Shapcott was appointed as Convener in the place of the Rev. A. O. Jones, who has given several years of faithful service to the Committee.

We have welcomed the Rev. D. G. Laws and Messrs G. M. Jensen, A. L. Philip, and R. Peake, as new members.

We record with much appreciation the loyal and devoted service given over a number of years by Messrs T. E. Hutt, H. H. Fow, A. J. Heatherley, and P. G. Sims, who have retired from the Committee.

**Sympathy:** We regret the passing of the late Mr C. J. Freeman, of Wellington, who was a Methodist representative on the New Zealand Alliance. As a Church we express our gratitude for the service given by Mr Freeman.

**Statement on Alcoholism (1960 Minutes, pp. 106-8):** As requested by the last Conference, the statement on alcoholism has been re-examined and is considered to be still up to date. The statement was duplicated and sent to the Inter-Church Council on Public Affairs through our own Public Questions Committee, with the request that it be included in any public statement on the Temperance issue, made by the Council.

On request, the Temperance Committee has supplied sufficient copies of the statement for distribution among the Public Questions Committees of the affiliated denominations.

**Alteration of the Ballot Paper on Licensing:** Considerable time and thought has been given by the Committee to this important matter.

Mr Trevor Young, the General Superintendent of the New Zealand Alliance, appeared before the Parliamentary Petitions Committee and presented a petition containing 27,371 signatures. The signatories requested the Government to alter the present ballot paper on Licensing, from a vote on three issues (Prohibition, Continuance, State Control) to one on two issues (Prohibition and Continuance) with a second part containing a vote for or against Dominion Trust Control if Continuance is carried.

Mr Young has reported that only three members out of nine, of the Petitions Committee of Parliament, heard the submissions presented; the others being absent for various reasons.

The Petitions Committee had no recommendation to make but pointed out that at some suitable date, the Government should give consideration to reviewing the form of the ballot paper.

The Temperance Committee has circulated sister communions with a view to some further concerted action in the matter. While there is general agreement that some alteration is necessary, no concerted action has yet been arranged. Our own Committee has made an approach to the Ombudsman and the Constitutional Society concerning the manner in which the petition was dealt with by the Petitions Committee of Parliament.

This important issue is still being dealt with, but it must be expected that some considerable time must elapse before much progress can be reported.

**Temperance Education:** The great need for effective Temperance education in our Church has been felt strongly by our Committee.

The Convener was asked to conduct research into Temperance Committee reports for the last ten years and draw out material for study and possible publication. This has been done and much valuable material re-discovered.

The Rev. L. R. M. Gilmore has prepared an excellent study on "Methodist Temperance Policy Since 1950" together with suitable questions for the use of Church groups. Arrangements are being made for its publication and distribution.

The Director of the Department of Christian Education, Rev. W. F. Ford, agreed to publish suitable material on the Temperance issue in the July edition of the Christian Education Hand-book.

The Rev. R. Rakena also expressed his willingness to publish an article in "The Mission Message" and the Rev. I. C. E. Ramage was asked to prepare the material.

For all this evidence of support and co-operation we express our thanks and appreciation.

A request for Temperance material has been made to the Methodist Church in the United States and Great Britain and also to the Queensland Temperance League. They have all favourably replied and a parcel of Temperance material from Queensland is at present being studied with a view to distribution.

Earlier in the year a list of Temperance Films was received from the New Zealand Alliance. This list was duplicated and sent to all corresponding members, as well as to the "Methodist Times" for publication. Before it could confidently recommend any particular film to our Circuits, the Committee felt it necessary to review a number of films. This has been done and we are indebted to the National Film Library and the Religious Film Society for their co-operation. The opinion of the Committee regarding various films is circulated to corresponding members from time to time.

During the year, a circular letter was sent to Circuit Superintendents reminding them that this was election year and urging all Church groups to study and discuss the Liquor Question.

It was suggested that the statements in the Temperance reports of 1953-54 could be a basis of study.

It is obvious that a number of our people are influenced by the changed social climate and the general present-day approach to drinking. The education of our people in a right and positive



approach to this whole question calls for a vigorous and continuous programme over many years, and the use of the best teaching aids possible.

**Temperance Sunday:** All Circuits are urged to observe Temperance Sunday on the Fourth Sunday in September. The Rev. A. K. Petch has prepared a suggested programme for the use of our churches. We commend the widespread use of this programme, together with the study by the Rev. L. R. M. Gilmore.

The Committee specially recommends that during the month of September, films, booklets, and speakers from such organisations as Alcoholics Anonymous, be used by Men's and Women's Fellowships and Bible Classes.

**Seminar on Alcoholism:** The Seminar on Alcoholism was arranged by the National Society on Alcoholism and held at Massey College on May 19th-22nd. The Rev. B. H. Riseley attended as the Methodist representative.

The Seminar was not concerned with the Temperance Question as such, but rather with the study of alcoholism, which is estimated to affect 25,000 persons in New Zealand. Mr Riseley has sent an interesting report on the proceedings.

**Objectives of the New Zealand Alliance:** The Temperance Committee was asked by the New Zealand Alliance to give its opinion on the objectives of the Alliance; especially with regard to the most effective methods of attaining those objectives.

While prohibition was desirable, the whole social climate to-day made prohibition seem further off than it was 30 or 40 years ago. We were asked to give, especially, an opinion on the Alliance varying its advocacy in attaining prohibition, by including the advocacy of a more gradual elimination of liquor from society through reduced hours of sale and reduced outlets of distribution such as Trusts publicly owned and operated.

After much thought and discussion by the Committee it is felt that we could support Trust control being included in clause 2(b) of the Alliance Objectives which reads:

"To obtain from Parliament such legislation as will give the people effective control over the liquor traffic."

**Methodist Representative on the New Zealand Alliance:** The Rev. G. R. Thompson has consented to become a Methodist representative on the Alliance and the Temperance Committee recommends his appointment by the Conference.

D. H. PAYNE, Chairman.

L. SHAPCOTT, Convener.

### RESOLUTIONS:

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. (a) That as a normal part of the Church's programme of Christian Education and social action, our people be helped and encouraged to study the question of intemperance, in every aspect of human behaviour. This should include a worthy observance of Temperance Sunday.
- (b) That Conference continues to affirm and commend total abstinence as a personal Christian Standard, while acknowledging that Methodists who do not adopt this standard can contribute to the expression of social concern for the evil of intemperance.
3. That while maintaining our traditional position, Conference confirms the action of the Temperance Committee in supporting

the objectives of the N.Z. Alliance whereby Trust Control is regarded as a method of securing more effective control over the liquor trade.

4. That Mr C. L. Worboys and the Rev. G. R. Thompson be appointed as the Methodist representatives on the New Zealand Alliance.
5. That a grant of £35 be made from the Contingent Fund.
6. That Conference commends the Department of Health for publishing pamphlet 128 "Alcohol and Health".
7. That the Committee consider ways in which pastoral help can be given to non-abstaining members and report to Conference.
8. That the Committee for 1964 be as printed on page 8 herein.

**QUESTION 38.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Church and other properties?**

## A—General Report on Church Property

The financial operations of Church Trusts for the year ended 30th June, 1963, are summarised herein.

### 1.—TRUST ACCOUNTS

#### RECEIPTS

	£
Credit Balance from last year—General Account	93,837
Balance from last year held for Special Purposes	557,605
Loans from Church Building and Loan Fund	30,029
Loans from other sources	539,884
All other Receipts	454,322
Total Receipts	1,675,677
Debit Balances	94,693
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,770,370</b>

#### EXPENDITURE

Debit Balance from last year	57,615
Loan Fund Instalments	16,293
Other Loans repaid	56,550
Interest on Loans and Bank Overdraft	20,951
Purchase of Land, Erections or Additions to Buildings	633,128
Rents, Rates, Cleaning, Lighting, Repairs, etc	183,297
Total Expenditure	967,834
Credit Balances	109,613
Balances held for Special Purposes	690,923
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,768,370</b>

**2. TOTAL OF FIRE INSURANCES** 5,098,369

#### 3. DEBT

Mortgage Debt at end of previous year	506,517
Add New Loans received during year	181,459
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>687,976</b>
Deduct Loans repaid during year	73,354
Amount of Mortgage Debt at end of year	614,622

The above Schedule should be read in conjunction with the report from the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee where details are given of individual property undertakings.

A comparison of main items reveals the following position:—

- (a) General trust income:—a decrease of £10,422.
- (b) Amount held for special purposes:—an increase of £132,863.
- (c) Amount spent on new projects of various kinds:—an increase of £258,441.



The steep increase in (c) is accounted for mainly by expenditure by the Auckland Central Mission in connection with its large Church and commercial building project in Queen Street.

H. L. FIEBIG,  
General Secretary for Church Property.

### **RESOLUTIONS:**

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That where there is only one auditor of accounts his qualifications be indicated with the signature.
3. That where monies are raised for special purposes they should not be used even temporarily for other purposes as such breach of trust involves the trustees in personal liability.
4. That the question of deleting the question concerning Trust credit or debit balances on the General Returns be considered by the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee in consultation with the General Statistical Secretary.
5. That the Law Revision Committee act to clarify the regulations in regard to monies held in special accounts (such as appeal accounts) so as to ensure their inclusion in Circuit or Trust returns.
6. That the Church Building and Loan Committee be asked to consider the pleas of amputees for ramps instead of steps at church buildings.
7. That District Property secretaries be thanked for their services and that appointments for 1964 be as under.

### **District Secretaries for Church Property**

#### **NORTHLAND:**

Mr A. G. Kelly, 6 Nixon Street, Whangarei.

#### **AUCKLAND:**

Mr F. M. Souster, 408 Richardson Road, Auckland.

#### **WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY:**

Mr W. B. L. Williams, 214 River Road, Hamilton.

#### **TARANAKI-WANGANUI:**

Mr A. L. Fox, P.O. Box 78, Stratford.

#### **HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU:**

Mr C. B. Radcliffe, 220 Victoria Street, Palmerston North.

#### **WELLINGTON:**

Mr J. B. Lyth, 18 Knights Road, Lower Hutt.

#### **NELSON:**

Mr A. C. Barrington, Riverside Community, R.D.2, Upper Moutere.

#### **NORTH CANTERBURY:**

Mr N. Hillary, Box 552, Christchurch.

#### **SOUTH CANTERBURY:**

Mr P. G. Woodnorth, P.O. Box 254, Timaru.

#### **OTAGO-SOUTHLAND:**

Mr A. J. Ganderton, 141 Forfar Street, Clyde Hill, Dunedin.

**QUESTION 38.**

## **B—Church Building and Loan Fund Committee**

### **ANNUAL REPORT, 1963**

#### **SALE OF PROPERTIES**

The Committee has sanctioned the sale of properties as under. If not acted on by January 31st, 1965 the sanction lapses. In some cases final sale price has not been determined (X).

**Northland District:**

Kaikohe Parsonage (£3700).

**Auckland District:**

Epsom Tennis Courts (£2200). Tripoli Road, 26 perches (X).

**Taranaki-Wanganui District:**

Hawera Parsonage (£1600).

**Hawke's Bay-Manawatu District:**

Havelock North, 1 rood 17 perches (X).

**Wellington District:**

Featherston Factory (£650).

**Nelson District:**

Havelock Parsonage (£1670). Redwoodtown, 1 rood (X).

**North Canterbury District:**

Sydenham Dwelling £2150).

**Otago-Southland District:**

Dunedin Mission (1) Farm (£13,500), (2) Flats (£2900). St Clair Church (£3000). Tomahawk, 14 perches (£100).

#### **LAND PURCHASES**

The following purchases of land have been approved.

**Northland District:**

Kaikohe, 1 rood (£465).

**South Auckland District:**

Frankton Junction, 3 roods 19.2 perches (£2250). Otumoetai (Tauranga), 2 roods 16 perches (£3400). Greerton (Tauranga), 1 rood 8.7 perches (£800).

**Wellington District:**

Levin, 2 roods 26 perches (£2320). Cottle Block (Upper Hutt), 33.53 perches (£800).

**Nelson District:**

Redwoodtown (Blenheim), 3 roods (£1600).

**North Canterbury District:**

Somerfield Street, 20.04 perches (£100).

#### **BUILDINGS**

**(Purchases (P); Erections (E); Additions and Alterations (A).)**

Plans and/or purchases have been approved as under. (In some instances approximate cost only can be given at date).

**Northland District:**

Te Kopuru Parsonage (P), 1 rood 36 perches (£1300). Kawakawa Church (A) (£X). Redhill Camp Dwelling (E) (£3000). Wellsford Parsonage (E) (£4000).

**Auckland District:**

Central Mission Dwelling (P) and 2 roods 34.4 perches (£12,250). H.M. Department (1) Hostel (A) (£4200); (2) Parsonage, Dwelling, etc. (A) (£1500). Pakuranga Parsonage (E) (£4600). East Tamaki Class-



rooms (E) (£2000). Waiake Church (A) (£X). Takapuna Parsonage (A) (£1000). Waiuku Parsonage (E) (£4500). Omana Camp Buildings (E) (£60).

#### **South Auckland District:**

Rotorua Shops (E) (£14,000). Rototuna Church (A) (£540).. Huntly Parsonage and 27.2 perches (P) (£3000). Te Puke Church (E) (£10,000). Ngaruawahia Dwelling (P) (£4000). Te Awamutu Classrooms, etc. (A) (£4500). Te Uku Lounge (E) (£2500). Waihi Sunday School (E) (£X). Taupo Classrooms (E) (£X).

#### **Taranaki-Wanganui District:**

Opunake Church (A) (£450). Kaponga Sunday School (E) (£600). Wanganui (Trinity) Church and Hall (E) (£50,000). Gonville Church (A) (£700). Aramoho Church (A) (£275).

#### **Hawke's Bay-Manawatu District:**

Havelock North Dwelling and 1 acre 1 rood 19 perches (£6500). Palmerston North (Trinity Hall) (E) (£13,000). Foxton Parsonage (A) (£300). Jamieson Hostel (P.N.) (A) (£3550).

#### **Wellington District:**

Avalon (Hutt) Church (A) (£1000). Plimmerton Classroom (A) (£300). Raumati Beach Church (A) (£325).

#### **Nelson District:**

Nelson Camp Trust Hall (Gift). Motueka Parsonage (A) (£700). Springlands (Blenheim) Parsonage (E) (£5255). Reefton Hall (A) (£600).

#### **North Canterbury District:**

Cambridge Terrace Church (A) (£1100). Wairakei Road Parsonage (E) (£4200). Masham Hall (E) (£2850). Sumner Parsonage (E) (£4500). Hawarden Church (A) (£700). Linwood Hall (E) (£9000).

#### **South Canterbury District:**

Woodlands Street Dwelling and 1 rood (P) (£2500).

#### **Otago-Southland District:**

Mornington Dwelling and 31 perches (P) (£950). Central Mission Parsonage (E) (£6000). Port Chalmers Parsonage (A) (£70). Dundas Street Parsonage (A) (£35). Milton Parsonage (E) (£5000). Otatara Hall (A) (£250).

#### **Summary**

In brief, property projects undertaken during the year are as follows:—

Sites (new)	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4
Sites (additional)	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1
Sites (replacements)	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3
New Churches	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2
New Halls	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9
Parsonages (including 4 replacements)	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10
Extensions	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20
General (shops, dwellings, camps, etc.)	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9

The cost of the above projects aggregates approximately £201,500.

#### **Loans**

Loans (interest-free) — **Current** (a) As at 31st May, 1963 there were (174) Loans current amounting to £106,974/9/3.

**New Loans** (b) amounting to £30,297/10/- have been advanced to 31 Trusts as under:—

#### **Auckland District:**

Mission Bay, £1000; Glen Innes, £1000; Otara, £1000; Pakuranga £1000; Papakura, £1000; Northcote, £1000; Walmsley Road, £1000.

**South Auckland District:**

Thames, £1000; Putaruru, £1000; Ohura, £1000.

**Taranaki-Wanganui District:**

Waitara, £1000; Stratford, £1000.

**Hawke's Bay-Manawatu District:**

Napier, £1000; Norsewood, £1000; Hastings, £1000; Mangapapa, £1000.

**Wellington District:**

Waiwhetu, £1000; Masterton, St John's, £1000; Greytown, £1000.

**Nelson District:**

Richmond, £1000; Reefton (additional), £297/10/-.

**North Canterbury District:**

Papanui, £1000; Wairakei Road, £1000; New Brighton, £1000; Greendale, £1000.

**South Canterbury District:**

Ashburton, £1000.

**Otago-Southland District:**

Dundas Street, £1000; Milton, £1000; Mornington Church, £1000; Mornington Dwelling, £1000; Otatara, £1000.

(c) **Loans Promised.** At date loans have been promised to 50 trusts totalling £49,300. The special provision by last Conference in the Connexional Budget for the next three years should provide for this loans fund some £48,000. With that extra revenue plus loan moneys repaid in that period, the last of the promised loans on the present list will be paid within two years. We should be able to anticipate the time when there should be no waiting list at all—that is on the present basis of a maximum loan of £1000. As soon as possible, however, we should aim at a maximum of £1500 or £2000. The Committee expresses appreciation of the action of Conference in thus securing additional capital for the Fund which means assistance to trusts being rendered more speedily.

**Sites Funds**

The following Trusts have received a grant for the purchase of a new site:—Otumotai (Tauranga), £225; Greerton (Tauranga), £150; Havelock North (additional), £50; Cottle Block (Upper Hutt), £150.

**Grants for New Areas (Church Extension)**

The amount carried forward from last year was £18/2/8. The sum of £13,944 was received from the Connexional Budget, bringing the account up to £13,962/2/8. Grants totalling £13,959 have been made as under, leaving a balance of £3/2/8.

**Auckland District:**

Glendowie, £1000; Northcote Central, £1500; Pakuranga, £1000; Otara, £1000; East Tamaki, £1000; Walmsley Road, £500; Massey, £500.

**South Auckland District:**

Tokoroa, £1000.

**Hawke's Bay-Manawatu District:**

Waipukurau, £325 (Supplementary).

**Wellington District:**

Porirua, £2234; Upper Hutt, £1000; Cottle Block, Upper Hutt, £500; Te Marua, Upper Hutt, £500.

**North Canterbury District:**

Wairakei Road, £1500; Wainoni, £300 (interim).

**Procedure re Correspondence**

On previous occasions the Committee has had to call attention



to the way in which correspondence is dealt with in some instances within circuits. It must be emphasized that every letter that goes out in the name of the Committee is an official letter to the trust and not merely a communication to the trust secretary or minister as the case may be. Every such letter must be tabled, read in full, and filed as part of the proceedings of the trust. The Committee has been made aware of the fact that often this is not done with two results:—

(a) The Trust is not aware of the attitude or decisions of the Committee and the reasons for same.

(b) There is nothing on file for future guidance of trust officials.

Circuit superintendents are requested to see that the proper procedure is observed in all trusts within their circuits.

#### **District Property Committees:**

The function of these committees was a matter referred by last Conference to the Committee for investigation, with particular reference to making these committees consultative advisers to trusts and circuits as well as to the Central Committee.

The Committee has studied the question very fully. It points out that since District Property Committees were appointed many years ago there has come about a great change in the nature and function of Synod Standing Committees as distinct from the former District Executives. The Committee therefore considers that the time has come when there should be a merging of the functions of District Property Committees with those of a property sub-committee which is operating with most, if not all, Standing Committees of Synod. It therefore recommends a change in the law dealing with the appointment of District Property Committees. Only one comment is made. The Committee considers that the District Chairman should be the Convener, as hitherto. He is the official representative of the Conference in his district. The Committee through its Secretary has to consult him on many matters and it is felt that it is desirable that past procedure be continued in this respect.

#### **Replacement of Buildings:**

A glance through the report submitted above reveals the fact that of an anticipated expenditure this year by Circuits of over £200,000, about 90% of that amount has been for replacements of one kind and another for undertakings to make for more effective work in established Churches. This is a continuing pattern which the Committee considers must be anticipated right through the Connexion. Well-established Churches are being forced to provide more adequate premises to cope with their task. Steadily increasing the capital of the Loan Fund will be a most effective means of rendering adequate assistance to trusts in dealing with this situation.

For the Committee,

H. G. BROWN, Chairman.

H. L. FIEBIG, Secretary.

#### **RESOLUTIONS:**

1. That the report and financial statement be received and adopted.
2. That Paragraph 15 (page 154) of the Law Book be amended to read: A Property Advisory Committee shall be appointed for each District. Its function shall be to act as a consultative adviser on policy matters to the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee and to Trusts and Circuits within the district as requested.

It shall consist of the District Chairman, District Secretary of Church Property and at least two other ministers and two laymen to be nominated by the District Synod. The District Chairman shall be Convener.

3. That the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee be asked to prepare a booklet of plans of Parsonages of general types.
4. That as soon as the Committee deems it practicable the policy be discontinued of requesting an annual contribution from trusts.
5. That the Committee for 1964 be as printed on page 5 herein.

#### **DISTRICT ADVISORY COMMITTEES**

That District Advisory Committees be as named, together with the District Property Secretary and District Chairman in each case. Convener: Chairman of the District.

##### **NORTHLAND:**

Messrs A. G. Kelly, W. J. Court and R. Howard.

##### **AUCKLAND:**

Revs. E. C. Leadley, R. F. Clement, E. W. Hames and L. R. Gilmore; Messrs A. M. McKerras and K. J. Rosser.

##### **WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY:**

Revs. R. H. Allen and A. O. Jones; Messrs W. B. Young and A. A. Lilley.

##### **TARANAKI-WANGANUI:**

Revs. W. H. Greenslade and G. L. Bennett; Messrs P. Mercer and J. P. Harding.

##### **HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU:**

Rev. Dr R. Dudley, Mr A. H. Fisher.

##### **WELLINGTON:**

Rev. G. R. H. Peterson and Mr T. M. Pacey.

##### **NELSON:**

The Synod Standing Committee.

##### **NORTH CANTERBURY:**

Nil.

##### **SOUTH CANTERBURY:**

Mr H. C. B. Withell, with District Chairman and Property Secretary.

##### **OTAGO-SOUTHLAND:**

To be appointed.

#### **QUESTION 38.**

## **C—Custodian of Deeds**

#### **ANNUAL REPORT, 1963.**

##### **1. Titles.**

For the year ended 30th June, the following Certificates of Title have been received and acknowledged:—

**Auckland:** Auckland Mission (dwelling); Hamilton Eventide Settlement (Auckland Mission); Manurewa (dwelling); Richmond Avenue (Parsonage); Kaukapakapa (Parsonage site); Manly (additional); Papakura (shops).

**South Auckland:** Hillcrest (Church); Whakatane (Church and Parsonage); Taupo (Parsonage).

**Wellington:** Cottle Block (Parsonage).

**Nelson:** Punakaikai (camp); Lower Moutere (Church).

**North Canterbury:** Central Mission (Parsonage); Beckenham (additional); Somerfield Street (additional).

**South Canterbury:** Willowby (Parsonage).



## 2. **New Trusts:**

New trusts have been registered as under and certificates issued:—

**Northland:** Port Albert Circuit Parsonage.

**Auckland:** Whangaporoa Circuit Parsonage.

**South Auckland:** Otumoetai.

**Hawke's Bay-Manawatu:** Palmerston North Hostel; Havelock North.

**Otago-Southland:** Dundas Street Circuit Parsonage; Milton Circuit Parsonage.

## 3. **Trustees:**

Changes in the personnel of Trusts have been registered as under and certificates issued:—

	Trusts	Deletions	Registrations
Northland District	9	16	27
Auckland	32	67	72
South Auckland	12	22	33
Taranaki-Wanganui	12	24	19
Hawke's Bay-Manawatu	13	23	43
Wellington	16	32	30
Nelson	14	27	12
North Canterbury	25	53	62
South Canterbury	6	22	17
Otago-Southland	14	32	45
	<hr/> 153	<hr/> 318	<hr/> 360

H. L. FIEBIG,  
CUSTODIAN OF DEEDS.

## **RESOLUTION**

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

## **QUESTION 38.**

# **D-Commission on Proposals relating to Church Properties and the Investment of Church Funds**

## **REPORT**

This Commission was set up by the 1962 Conference. Its order of reference is contained in Resolutions 24 to 26 on pages 229-230 of Minutes of that Conference. With the idea of providing facilities for the internal investment of funds (both Church and personal) and to provide a means of making funds more readily available for Church extension and development the following proposals, as submitted to Conference, were referred to the Commission for examination and report.

- That all Church properties be held by one corporate body instead of by many individual Trusts as at present.
- That there be set up an Investment Trust Board with which Trusts, Circuits, Committees and Departments could deposit funds for investment.
- That there be established within the Connexion an Investment Society through which members and others could lend money to the Church.

The Commission has met and has broadly reviewed the proposals in the light of present law and practice, the likely needs and

trends and the steps necessary to implement the proposals if adopted. It found that much further enquiry and investigation was necessary and has requested certain individuals and committees to consider and report on various aspects which could involve a number of major changes in present procedure and practice. The Commission accordingly requests further time in which to complete its investigations and make its recommendations.

In the meantime the Commission draws the attention of the Connexion to the facilities already provided by the General Purposes Trust Board and the Home Missions Department with both of whom monies held by Trusts, Departments, individuals etc., and not immediately required, may be deposited at call. In particular, attention is drawn to a resolution of the 1953 Conference (Para. 6, page 133 of Minutes) as under:

"That the law of the Church concerning the right of Trustees in the investment of monies be altered to enable them to make deposits with the Methodist Home Missions and Church Extension Investment Fund Board to be used through its Special Loans Account in loans to Trusts undertaking building projects."

ROBERT THORNLEY, President, Chairman.  
T. M. PACEY, Convenor.

#### RESOLUTIONS:

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That additional time be granted to the Commission to enable it to present its findings to Synods and Conference 1964.
3. That Messrs A. R. Low, D. M. Hay and T. M. Stephens be added to the personnel of the Commission.
4. That the Contingent Fund make a grant of £50 towards the expenses of the Commission.

**QUESTION 39.—What is the condition of the various Mission, Educational and General Connexional Properties and Investments?**

### 1—The Probert Trust Board

The Trustees have pleasure in submitting the Annual Report for the year ended 30th June, 1963.

The Annual Financial Statement shows that increases have been maintained in Rentals, also in Interest on Investments.

Maintenance and upkeep on the Houses and the 3 blocks of Shops have received careful supervision throughout the year. The Board's properties have been maintained in good order and condition.

The increased annual allocation for the Building Renewal Reserve of £2500 has been provided, bringing the total for that fund to £22,000.

The appropriations for the year were as follows:

£1500 to Trinity College, £2500 to Building Renewal Fund.

The Special Grant of £1000 authorised last year for the Trinity College Conference Appeal is held in reserve.

The members of the Board are: Dr. D. O. Williams, Revs. E. W. Hames and E. C. Leadley, Messrs E. A. Astley, J. H. Blackwell, A. L. Caughey, P. Dellow, T. L. Hames, W. E. Lewisham, G. C. Riddell and W. F. Winstone.

J. H. BLACKWELL, Chairman.  
F. M. IZZARD, Secretary.



## RESOLUTION

That the Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted.

## 2—Prince Albert College Trust

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1963

Trust assets have been maintained in good condition during the year with full utilisation of all lettable assets and Trust funds.

Details of trust administration are as follows:

1. **Hotel Property:** The main building and the former "Stadium" building are under a 10-year lease to Mr P. J. Ruessen. The lease expires in 1970. The annexe building is also leased to Mr Ruessen on a monthly tenancy.

The property is operated as the "Rembrandt Private Hotel" and is providing accommodation of a good standard, fully acceptable to the Trustees.

2. **Shops:** The 17 shops fronting Queen Street have been fully occupied. New rental agreements have been negotiated with the tenants during the year and this has increased the annual income from the shops by £628.

Maintenance has been carried out as required and due to replacement of the floors of several shops, has been a little heavier than 1962, totalling £750 for the year.

3. **Funds:** Full use has been made of the increased short-term money market facilities to obtain maximum ruling interest rates on Trust Funds. Although not a large amount of income, interest received by careful use of the funds totalled £579/11/- this year.

4. **Grants:** The Trust again contributed £200 to Trinity Theological College.

5. **Nett Income:** After deducting all expenses the nett Income of the Trust for the year totalled £6,530. This has been added to the accumulated funds of the Trust making a total of £21,900 available to the Trust for its development projects.

6. **Development of Property:** Tentative plans of a building to be erected on the Turner Street frontage of the Trust property have been drawn. This building would consist of three floors, and would provide lettable office space of approximately 8,800 square feet and basement car-park space for 20 cars.

This plan has been drawn as a basis of negotiations with likely tenants and it is pleasing to report that very definite interest has been shown in the project by a likely tenant of high repute.

The trustees have decided that this particular project should be completed before moving on with the development of the remainder of the property.

R. F. CLEMENT, Chairman.

R. A. BARFOOTE, A.R.A.N.Z. A.C.A.I.,  
Secretary.

## RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted.
2. That appreciation be expressed of the work of the Trustees.

### **3—THE JAMES AND MARTHA TROUNSON BENEVOLENT FUND TRUST BOARD**

#### **CONFERENCE REPORT FOR 1963**

Grants amounting to £328 have been made during the year. The Board depends upon our Ministers to make applications for financial assistance on behalf of needy Methodists of good standing for whom inadequate provision is made by any other fund of the church or elsewhere. Application forms are made available on request from any circuit in the Dominion, and all information is given sympathetic and confidential consideration.

The Board rejoices in the privilege of disbursing these gifts, which cheer the way for the numerous beneficiaries who thus are blest by the generous provision of the founders—the late Mr and Mrs James and Martha Trounson.

The Board is as follows:—Mr L. W. Peak (Chairman), the Revs. Dr H. Ranston, A. H. Scrivin, W. Walker, F. Copeland, G. I. Laurenson, E. W. Hames, M.A., E. E. Sage (Secretary), Messrs J. S. Caughey, K. M. Griffin, G. S. Gapper and C. K. Wigglesworth.

L. W. PEAK, Chairman.

E. E. SAGE (Secretary).

#### **RESOLUTION:**

That the Report and Financial Statements be received and adopted.

### **4.—THE BOARD OF THE WELLINGTON METHODIST CHARITABLE AND EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENTS.**

#### **ANNUAL REPORT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1963**

We have pleasure in presenting to the Conference our report of the Board's activities for the year ended 30th June, 1963.

#### **Masterton Children's Home:**

The Board endorses the report which the Home Committee has presented direct to the Conference and the recommendations made therein for the personnel of the Committee for the coming year. It will be noted that the number of children now resident in the Home is the lowest on record, and in view of prospective changes in the care of orphaned and needy children, it has not been considered appropriate to proceed further with the transfer to the Committee of complete control of the Home. In the meantime the interim scheme is working well, and the Board expresses its grateful thanks to the members of the Committee and Staff for their untiring efforts on behalf of the children.

Special mention must be made of the services rendered to the Home by Dr N. H. Prior who has served the Committee faithfully since its foundation in 1921 and who is not seeking re-appointment. To have served the children as Honorary Physician for over forty years is an outstanding record, for which the Board is truly grateful.

Reinvestment of funds has resulted in increased interest being received on behalf of the Home's capital, whilst an improvement in the Board's income has also resulted in a greater share being available for the running of the Home, with the result that income exceeded expenditure by £339 5s 8d. This sum has been transferred to the Home's capital account, which has been further augmented by legacies totalling £771 13s 0d and now stands at £25,516 14s 2d.

#### **Rangiatea Maori College Trust:**

Members of the Board who visited New Plymouth recently give enthusiastic reports of the progress of the important work which



the College Trust Board is enabled to do for the girls under its care. It is felt that the work is making a valuable contribution towards better racial understanding and it has the enthusiastic support of this Board, which continues to devote one half of its net income towards the cost of maintaining the work.

#### **Financial:**

Interest on investments has increased by £114, and ground rents by £73, whilst a reduction in general expenses of £37 and the halving of Land Tax has resulted in an increase in net revenue of £288.

The large bank balance is accounted for by Government Stock which matured on 15th June and repayment of a mortgage just before balance date, and not reinvested until the current year.

#### **Kelburn Properties:**

Two further leases of the Clermont Terrace properties have been acquired by the Ministry of Works for the ultimate expansion of Victoria University of Wellington. All possible action has been taken to ensure that the proposed development has no adverse effect upon the Board's income. As far as can be ascertained it will be many years before the University will proceed with the proposed expansion in this area, and in the meantime normal ground rents are received, but we cannot foresee what effect this development may have on future rentals.

#### **General:**

The Board regrets to report that it has received the resignation of Mr A. Eaton Hurley who has been a member since 1930.

Mr Hurley has made an outstanding contribution to the work of the Board, and his wide legal knowledge has been of inestimable value. His vision and drive played an immense part in the foundation and development of the Rangiatea Maori Girls Hostel, and our sincere thanks are extended to him for all that he has done to further the work of the Board.

On behalf of the Board.

ROBERT THORNLEY, Chairman.

J. A. KELLOW, Secretary.

#### **RESOLUTIONS:**

1. That the Report and Financial Statements be received and adopted.
2. That the Rev. Robt. Thornley be re-appointed Chairman.
3. That Messrs G. C. Burton, A. D. Priestley and T. M. Pacey be appointed as representatives of this Board on the Board of the Rangiatea Maori College Trust.
4. That the resignation of Mr A. Eaton Hurley be accepted with regret and he be thanked for his services.
5. That the persons nominated in the Annual Report of the Masterton Methodist Children's Home be appointed as the Committee for the current year.

#### **5.—THE EMSLY TRUST BOARD.**

##### **RESOLUTION**

That the Financial Statement be received and adopted.

#### **6.—GREY INSTITUTE TRUST.**

##### **Chairman's Report for the Year Ending 30th June, 1963.**

We have suffered the loss by death of two highly esteemed Trustees, R. L. Cooper who was appointed a Trustee in 1943, and K. N. Andrews in 1952.

Both were well versed in the affairs of the Trust and their places will be hard to fill.

Very little movement in Trust property has taken place during the year. Fourteen transfers and six other documents have been dealt with. Matters connected with the renewal of leases; renovations to buildings under our care; and Rangiatea property, have received attention.

A Grant of £750 was made to the Rangiatea Maori College Trust.

New sub-divisions still continue to feel the effect of a restricted market for loans on leasehold properties. Your Trustees are endeavouring to restore what they feel is a temporary lack of confidence.

Much time and thought is being given to formulating a policy in regard to the amended rentals which will operate from December, 1965.

W. GREENSLADE, Chairman.

#### **RESOLUTION**

That the Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted.

#### **7.—KAI IWI MISSION ESTATE.**

During the year the rental value of the farm has been reassessed at £1045 p.a., an increase of £470. This has enabled the Trustees to increase the amount of repayments of a private loan generously made by the lessee over 7 years ago for building the new homestead; also to increase the annual payment to the Depreciation Reserve Account from £100 to £150. The question of increasing the amount of the grant to Rangiatea was held over pending the decision of Conference on recommendations to be submitted by the Home Mission Department concerning the policy re future use of surplus rentals of Historic Maori Educational Trusts. However, to keep faith with the Rangiatea Trust an ex gratia payment of £100 was made.

B. M. CHRYSTALL, Chairman.

E. L. F. BUXTON, Secretary.

#### **RESOLUTION**

That the Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted.

#### **8.—GIBSON ESTATE TRUST.**

##### **REPORT OF THE ADVISORY TRUSTEES FOR THE ROBERT GIBSON ESTATE**

The Two Farms of the Robert Gibson Estate near Manaia are in excellent order, and are being well farmed by the present share-milkers. The Committee acknowledges its indebtedness to Mr O. T. Parry for the supervision he gives to the property. The total butter-fat production from the two herds totalling 235 cows for the year ending the 30th June, 1963, amounted to 76,255lb, an increase of 3650lb over that of the previous year. The net profit totalled £3101.

The Estate Account now stands at £4558 18s 2d; while the Devise Account administered by the Public Trustees now stands at £39,125, there having been added during the year (1) the net profit from the farms, £3101, and (2) Interest from the Public Trust on funds held, amounting to £1453. From the 1st January, 1963, the Public Trust has been crediting the account with interest at the increased rate of 4½ per cent.



With regard to the alteration of the Terms of the Bequest. During the year the Legal Adviser submitted the completed draft of the Scheme and supporting documents to the Advisory Trustees for their perusal and comment. After examining the scheme in detail the Trustees requested the approval of the Church Building and Loan Fund to certain amendments that now appear to be desirable. The Trustees desired that the Trust Board should have power to mortgage but not sell the lands, and that it should also have power to secure additional land or lands with the approval of the Conference. It also asked that the amount of the Reserve Fund should not be fixed at £10,000 but that the amount of the Reserve should be left to the discretion of the Trustees with the approval of the Conference. These and other minor amendments have been agreed to by the Church Building and Loan Fund, and are now being submitted to the Crown Counsel and the Attorney-General.

With the possibility of the Scheme being submitted to the Supreme Court in the near future, the Advisory Trustees are of the opinion that Conference should now take steps to have "The Robert Gibson Memorial Trust Board" incorporated under the provisions of the Charitable Trusts Act 1957, and submits a recommendation to this effect below. This will enable the Trust to operate when the Scheme is finally approved by the Supreme Court.

B. M. CHRYSTALL, Chairman.

### RESOLUTIONS:

1. That the Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted.
2. That the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee be authorised to take all steps which are necessary for the appointment and incorporation under the provisions of the Charitable Trusts Act 1957 of a trust board to be called the "Robert Gibson Memorial Trust Board" which shall administer the Estate of the late Robert Gibson in accordance with trusts and provisions of the scheme approved by the Supreme Court.
3. That the members of the Board be: The Chairman of the Taranaki-Wanganui District from time to time, the Superintendent Minister of the Manaia Circuit, and Messrs L. M. Moss, M. G. Hughson, O. T. Parry, S. W. Bailey, A. E. Williams, J. P. Harding and H. L. Donald.

**QUESTION 40—What is the Report of the Board on Connexional Insurance?**

## Connexional Fire Insurance Fund Board

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1963

The annual financial statements for the year ending 31st May, 1963, are presented to Conference with this report. They reveal a very satisfactory year's operations.

INCOME	£	£
Premiums and Commission amounted to	4,649	
With interest from Mortgages, Debentures and		
Deposits amounting to	3,393	
the total earned income was		8,042
Deducting administration costs		1,200
the amount left to be transferred to Profit and		
Loss Appropriation Account was		6,842
Adding to this the amount carried forward from		206
last year.		
the total herein was		7,048

After provision for Fire Loss Reserve	3,504
and Grants	3,500
the balance carried forward was	44
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	7,048

## CLAIMS.

(a) **Fire Insurance:** 15 Claims amounting to £217/16/6 were received and paid in full, our Fund not having to accept any share of these particular losses.

(b) **Employers' Liability Insurance:** 7 claims amounting to £223/6/4 were sustained and paid in full with no charge upon our Fund.

## Fire Loss Reserve:

This year the sum of £3500 has been added to this Reserve, which now stands at £39,750.

## Investment Contingency Reserve:

This now stands at £3178/17/8.

## Grants:

For the past four years the Board considered that because of the urgent necessity to build up its Fire Loss Reserve it had to restrict its policy in respect to making grants to Church departments. The position is now somewhat altered and it has been decided that half of its net income can be made available to the Connexion in the form of grants as specified below.

## New Insurance:

New and additional insurance written up during the year amounted to £398,935.

## Connexional Public Liability Insurance:

This matter was the subject of a special report sent to Synods for information and comment. The Board was gratified with the response to its proposal in that all ten Synods approved of the scheme in principle and requested the Board to bring down a complete scheme next year. The substance of that report is set out herein.

In consultation with our re-insuring agents the Board has been giving attention to the above matter.

There is a growing realisation of the need for adequate protection of Trustees in regard to any claim that might be lodged respecting injury (or death) sustained by a person, or persons, in or about Church property. (It needs to be remembered that any claim must be based upon alleged, or proven negligence, on the part of the Trustees and could be considered only on that basis.)

At present 57 separate Trusts have this type of policy. New policies are being written up steadily.

It is obvious that the time has come for the Church to consider having a Connexional Policy which would include all Trusts and provide complete coverage as far as all our properties are concerned.

The advantages of having a compulsory Connexional Policy are briefly listed:—

- (a) It brings this important aspect of insurance into line with our compulsory Employers' Liability insurance for all full-time workers as well as for voluntary workers and workers paid by trustees.
- (b) It would ensure definite cover for every property throughout the Connexion, instead of having some insured in this respect and others not so covered.



(c) It would effect a definite saving in pro rata premium costs.

(d) It would make for simplified accounting at all stages.

The proposal under consideration is for Churches, Halls and Parsonages which would be comprised in one policy.

There would be a separate policy which could include all Social Service and allied institutions.

The Board at this stage seeks the approval in principle of such a scheme with authority to work it out in detail for submission to Synods and Conference of 1964. A scheme also will be submitted to the M.S.S.A.

In respect to procedure and charges the following statement is made for information.

(a) An account would be sent to each trust with its ordinary annual Fire Insurance renewal and demand.

(b) There could be a minimum premium (say) of 10s p.a. for small congregations, rising to (say) £3 p.a. for the larger congregations. These figures are tentative and are given to indicate the way in which the scheme would work. This will have to be worked out in detail and accurate figures submitted in due course.

A. A. DINGWALL, Chairman.

E. R. CAYGILL, Lay Treasurer.

H. L. FIEBIG, Managing Treasurer.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT, 1963**

##### **RE-INSURANCE CONTRACT**

Since the Annual Report was prepared for presentation to Conference this year, consultations have concluded between our Re-insuring Agents and the Board in regard to the renewal of its Re-insurance Contract.

It is timely to point out that this Contract has been with the same Company for some 50 years and has always given the utmost satisfaction to the Board. Seeing that the whole question of re-insurance was coming under review, the Board took the opportunity during the year of adequately testing the market, the result being that it was confirmed in its conviction that no advantage would accrue to the Church by any change of re-insuring Agents.

When the matter was being reviewed, certain propositions came under consideration. As a result of decisions mutually agreed upon, the new Contract that will operate from the 1st June, 1964 will, inter alia, provide for a change in policy as far as the Board is concerned. It means that our Board will cease participation in the Underwriting of fire and other related business and our Agents will become the total Underwriter. An adequate quid pro quo has been given to the Board in respect to resultant loss of direct premium income. The Board is gratified to think that the Fund has been of great assistance to the Church in past years. It is confident that under the new policy its usefulness in the life of the Church will be even greater in the future.

For the Board,

A. A. DINGWALL, Chairman

E. R. CAYGILL, Lay Treasurer.

H. L. FIEBIG, Secretary.

#### **RESOLUTIONS:**

1. That the Reports and Financial Statements be received and adopted.

2. That the following Grants be approved—  
Overseas Mission Board £1000, Church Extension Appeal £1000, Church Sites Fund £500, Ministers' Home Acquisition Fund £500, Wesley Social Services Trust £500; total £3500.
3. That Conference approve in principle the proposal to provide compulsory Public Liability Insurance for every Trust in the Connexion on the basis of a Connexional policy outlined in the report.
4. That the Board for 1964 be as printed on page 5 herein.

**QUESTION 41.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting the Connexional Secretaryship?**

## Connexional Secretaryship Committee

**ANNUAL REPORT 1963.**

### Office and Staff:

The work of the office is covered in detail in the reports of the six departments administered.

In referring to the impending retirement of the Rev H. L. Fiebig who has acted as Connexional Secretary for the past eighteen years, tribute is paid to the loyal co-operation of staff members. Miss R. Brandon has served for seventeen years; Miss S. Leatham for fifteen years and Mrs E. M. Baxter for thirteen years. Miss C. Kent joined the staff early this year. As required during the year the office can also call upon certain past members of the staff who always assist very willingly. This continuity of service and interest in the work has been of inestimable value in carrying out the varied tasks of the office.

**Connexional Secretary** (a) Rev H. L. Fiebig. Reference is made in the recommendations to the retirement of the present Secretary.

(b) Rev W. R. Laws. The Conference of 1962 designated the Rev W. R. Laws, M.A., B.D., as Connexional Secretary as from 1st February, 1964, and the appropriate recommendation is attached. The Committee welcomes this appointment and assures him of the full co-operation of all Board members concerned.

**Budget:** The following departmental appropriations are budgeted for the ensuing year: Supernumary and allied funds, £900; Fire Insurance Fund, £900; Church Building and Loan Fund, £600; Methodist Times, £600; General Purposes Fund, £500; Contingent Fund, £400.

For the Committee,  
R. A. MARSH, Chairman,  
H. DE R. FLESHER,  
Lay Treasurer.

### RESOLUTIONS:

1. That the Report and Financial Statements be received and adopted.
2. That the Rev. W. R. Laws, M.A., B.D., be appointed Connexional Secretary as from 1st February, 1964.
3. Retirement of Rev. H. L. Fiebig:  
That Conference place on record its deep sense of gratitude for the outstanding work of the retiring Secretary, the Rev. H. L. Fiebig, B.A., over the past eighteen years. When Mr Fiebig came to the office shortly after passing the half-way mark in his ministry, he brought with him a wide experience gained in Circuit work in different parts of the Dominion. This experience,



together with his natural aptitude for secretarial work, his meticulous attention to detail, his understanding of people, and his almost unique gift for seeing to the heart of a problem, combined to make him a leader, counsellor, and executive of outstanding calibre, enabling him to serve the whole Connexion in a most effective manner. The Conference wishes for him and Mrs Fiebig many years of happy and useful retirement.

4. That the Committee for 1964 be as printed on page 6 herein.

**QUESTION 42.**—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Trinity Theological College and Hostel?

## Trinity Methodist Theological College

### ANNUAL REPORTS 1963

#### A PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Thirty-two divinity students, twenty-five of whom are in residence, have taken lectures in the College this year. The Hostel is full and we have paid to the married students the living-out allowance as directed by Conference. The School for Christian Workers numbers only seven this year. Four are men and are living at Buttle House; the three women live out.

Instruction in the College is being based increasingly on the single year class. Mr Hames in Systematic Theology, Dr Lewis in Old Testament Studies and the Principal in Pastoral Theology are teaching single year classes and Mr Ziesler plans to complete the transition in another year. This means that the whole curriculum tends to be covered by the tutors each year and consequently there are very few spare periods for anyone.

This year all the men have taken preliminary Hebrew. In this course Dr Lewis has sought to impart some idea of the basic structure of the language and to deal with some of the common roots. In subsequent years only the first year men will take this course and more advanced classes will be available for those who pursue the subject further.

We have also established a weekly lecture for all students in which we use the voluntary services of Auckland Ministers. It is our hope that the changing pattern of circuit life may be brought vividly before the men by this means. Our thanks are due to those who have already helped us—Dr Ranston two lectures on "The Preacher and the Old Testament," Rev A. E. Orr one lecture on "M.S.S.A.," Rev R. LeCouteur two lectures on "The Church School in a Rural Setting," Rev J. Penman five lectures on "Stewardship." Rev D. Burt has started a series of five lectures on "The Rural Ministry."

Rev Rangī Rogers has lectured in Maori to an elementary Class while some of his more advanced students are taking the senior course in Maori with the Adult Education classes. Rev L. C. Horwood has given weekly instruction to the first year students and the Schoolers in Sermon Construction.

The Students under the leadership of Stuart Slinn the Senior Student, and Ron Major, the Vice-senior Student, have been most co-operative and have helped in every possible way to ensure the smooth running of college life. The devotional life of the men is healthy and vigorous, the weekly fellowship meetings with the staff being specially fruitful. The Chapel continues to be the centre of our life together and this year we have used it as a rallying place for the theological students of Auckland when overseas

speakers have visited us. In this way we have united with other colleges to hear Rev Arnold Orchard, Rev Dr E. Baker, and Rev Prof G. Rupp.

My personal thanks are due to the members of the staff who have cheerfully shouldered extra responsibilities and have greatly smoothed the way for my first year of principalship. Mr Hames has continued his full lecture programme and has been a willing source of good counsel and encouragement. Dr Lewis has been as my right hand and Mr Ziesler has shouldered the burden of the accounting.

We have been able to work together as a team and our various functions are exercised in complete amity.

D. O. WILLIAMS.

## **B COUNCIL REPORT:**

The opening service of the College on February 28th, 1963, was of particular significance this year, as it included the induction of the Rev Dr D. O. Williams, M.A., to the position of Principal. The induction was conducted by the President of Conference, the Rev R. Thornley, M.A., who was also the guest preacher for the occasion. At this service, opportunity was taken to present members of the College Council, the Theological students and Schoolers to the President by the Chairman of the Council. Members of the Council attended the service as a Body, and academic or ecclesiastical gowns were worn. The whole occasion was most impressive and a fitting way of marking both the commencement of the Ministry of Dr Williams as Principal and also the beginning of another year of College activities.

With the retirement of the Rev E. W. Hames from the position of Principal at the end of last year, there followed a number of changes of abode for the Teaching Staff and their respective families. The Rev J. A. Ziesler is now occupying the house in Grafton Road previously occupied by Dr J. J. Lewis. This means that the permanent Teaching Staff are now all housed on the College premises; although, with the possibility of another member being added to the permanent teaching Staff in the near future, another residence will need to be obtained.

The Rev E. W. Hames, M.A., continues to serve the College as Lecturer in Systematic Theology and associated subjects, and this means that for the present the full teaching course is being maintained. Mr Hames has agreed to offer his services in this capacity for 2 years from the date of his retirement, and the Council and other members of the Teaching Staff are most appreciative of this valued contribution that he continues to make to the life and work of the College.

Arrangements have been made for a special meeting of the Council to be held, at which the Rev E. W. Hames will be installed as "Fellow of Trinity College." The Council also recommends to Conference that Dr J. J. Lewis be designated as Vice-Principal. Such designation will have a number of very practical advantages, e.g., when the Principal is absent from the College.

The Council paid tribute to two men who passed away during the year; the late Mr W. Browne, and the late Mr F. E. Sutherland. Thankfulness was expressed for the very fine service these men had rendered to the College Council over the years.

### **Tutor in Theology:**

A committee of the College Council has given earnest consideration to this appointment, has been in correspondence with



Methodist leaders in other parts of the world as well as receiving valuable advice from visitors such as Dr Eric Baker and Professor Gordon Rupp. The basic decision facing the Conference is whether to appoint a New Zealander to such an important post, or to accept an appointee from overseas with all the advantages and risks associated with such an appointment. If the appointee were from overseas, it is evident that we should have to settle for a Theologian who was available to come to New Zealand, rather than accepting one of the numerous openings in Colleges and Universities in the Old World and the U.S.A. The other possibility, that we might consider a short-term appointment of a younger man from overseas who would then return to his own Conference, has also been canvassed.

The College Council invited all ministers of the connexion to express their mind on two possible lines of action, and has been greatly assisted by the replies received. Forty-three ministers took this opportunity seriously enough to reply, some of them at length and with several names suggested, the result being that the names of thirty-one New Zealand ministers were brought for consideration. Three or four of these were more consistently supported than the rest, and the committee has weighed these names against information supplied from other countries. It was found that the preponderance of opinion amongst those who wrote to the Council was in favour of a New Zealander for this position, provided that he be given the opportunity of study and Theological encounter overseas.

The College Council brings forward the nomination of the Rev John Silvester, M.A., to be designated for appointment as Tutor in Systematic Theology. In the belief that in terms of the Resolution of the 1962 Conference he is "the best man available" it brings this nomination whole-heartedly and unanimously.

The College Council plans to have the Rev E. W. Hames to continue serving the College as visiting lecturer in 1964 and during 1965 while Mr Silvester is overseas, and then for Mr Hames to continue as visiting lecturer in Church History.

#### **Proposed Halls of Residence:**

Behind Trinity College there is an area of land which is undeveloped except for four tennis courts and a pavilion, some other parts of it being rented to adjoining residents who keep them weed-free and in order. For a period this land was "under proclamation" with the possibility that it may be taken for Public Works or Hospital extension, and although this restriction was recently lifted it may be re-imposed unless the church makes use of the land. The responsibility of Trinity College Council has always included the provision of accommodation in its Hostel for students attending University and Training College, and a large unsatisfied demand for such accommodation exists.

The Presbytery of Auckland has also been seeking buildings or land for this purpose, and with the example of similar ventures elsewhere, representatives of the College Council were appointed to meet with representatives of the Presbytery of Auckland with a view to possible co-operation. The Congregational Union has also been invited to participate.

Proposals are being considered by which the land may be developed by erecting Halls of Residence comprising two multi-storey blocks accommodating a total of 320 residents, with a central administration and dining block to serve both. The proposed

standard would be to meet requirements to secure University participation and to qualify for Government subsidy available for this purpose.

The Trinity College Council seeks consent from the Conference to make the said land available by long-term lease to a duly-appointed and incorporated Foundation which would be representative of the churches concerned and of the University. The Foundation would be responsible for raising money by public subscription to qualify for the Government subsidy which would enable the Halls of Residence to be erected. It is understood that financial responsibility for the capital costs of the Halls of Residence would be borne by the Foundation without approach to the churches concerned. The Connexional Budget would not be affected. Donations and gifts would be sought from the public, including members of the churches as private citizens.

Together with approval for the formation of the Foundation, the College Council asks the Conference to appoint three Methodist representatives to the Foundation (of a total of 12). Members will be appointed for three-year terms, with a limit of three terms' service. The Chairman will be appointed by the Foundation on three-year terms, with a limit of service as Chairman at two three-year terms.

#### **Renovations of College Buildings:**

The extensive renovations which began with the renewal of most of the window-frames and the restoration of the brick-work and stone-facings of the College exterior, have continued this year with much interior work being completed. The bathroom and toilet facilities at the end of the Carlton Gore Road wing of the building have been renewed and modernised, and damage which had been caused to the Library by leaking pipes has been restored.

A College office has been built into the front vestibule, resulting in enhancement of the vestibule's appearance rather than otherwise. Several more rooms have been renovated and re-furnished. Provision of accommodation for bicycles has given hope for the early removal of the shed that has been built against "the Wall" which was erected when the College was used, during the War, as a Nurses' Home.

In all this work the College Council has been appreciative of the skilled oversight given by the Principal, and of the co-operation received from the building firm with which the Vice-President, Mr F. M. Souster, is associated.

#### **Classroom Accommodation:**

The increase of staff members to four, together with the inauguration of the School for Christian Workers, has rendered acute the shortage of class-room accommodation at the College. Various schemes were proposed to meet this need, and ultimately a plan was accepted by the Council which will be extremely satisfactory when completed.

The plan provides for a two-storey block of four classrooms, plus an extension to the Library and a Basement, to be erected at the end of the Carlton Gore Road wing, between the College buildings and the Chapel. The addition will harmonise with the existing architecture, and with the provision of a covered way across the quadrangle will make a pleasing and useful completion to the college block.

The addition will leave a gap of 14 feet for the entry to the Chapel.



Classrooms are of equal size, each being 22ft 6in x 13ft. Heating and air-conditioning will be provided so that windows will not need to be opened to the street, thus eliminating much of the traffic noise which is a major distraction in the present classrooms. Architect's estimate for the cost of these classrooms is approximately £16,000, which will be met from the balance held from the previous Trinity College Appeal.

R. F. CLEMENT, Chairman.

E. R. LeCOUTEUR, Acting-Secretary.

### **C.—TREASURER'S REPORT—TRINITY THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE**

#### **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1963.**

It gives me pleasure to report on the College accounts as follows:

#### **Statement of Receipts/Payments for the Year Ended 30th June, 1963**

The College is going through a period of considerable expansion with Tutorial Staff, building programme and repairs to existing premises. This makes the problem of budgeting two years ahead more difficult.

#### **Income**

Income followed fairly closely the budget figures and we wish to express our thanks to the Connexional Budget and the Trusts for their regular financial support which enables us to plan our work.

#### **Expenditure**

This year our expenditure was under budget in a number of major items. This enabled us to carry out two important repair jobs at the College and to pay for them out of the General Account.

These two items were:—

Alteration and enlargement to the College office and repairing and remodelling of students' facilities, cloak room, toilets, etc., and a new lot of sinks in the staff houses.

Builder's account, £496; plumber's account, £443.

An important new piece of office equipment—a photostat machine—was purchased for £120.

After meeting these expenses we finished the year with a small debit balance of £16/4/3 in our General Account.

#### **Building Fund**

Donations received during the year amounted to £255/7/10. Interest earned during the year amounted to £840/13/3 and the fund now stands at £16,331/0/7. We hope to proceed with the erection of four new classrooms and to have these ready for next year.

#### **Organ Fund**

This fund at the 30th June, 1963, stands at £1,784/11/1 (n.b. there are 720 South British shares of £1,440 and the remainder is dividend and interest).

#### **Budget**

The budget as approved for 1963/64 is attached and the proposed budget for 1965/66 will go forward to Finance and Stewardship Committee. Working two years ahead we are forced to try and predict far more than in the past and hence it cannot be so accurate.

May I thank Dr Williams, the new Principal, for his close co-operation in all the financial matters that have arisen in the administration of the College, also Dr Lewis and the Rev. Ziesler, who have supervised the House and Service Accounts. We are most fortunate to have Staff who not only excel in teaching but give so much of their own time to the careful administration and the everyday running of the College.

W. F. WINSTONE, Hon. Treasurer.

### RESOLUTIONS:

1. That the Reports and Financial Statements be received and adopted.
2. That the Rev J. J. Lewis, M.A., B.D., Ph.D., be designated for appointment by Conference 1964 for a further 6 years.
3. That the Rev J. J. Lewis M.A., B.D., Ph.D., be appointed Vice-Principal of Trinity Theological College.
4. (a) That the Rev. John Silvester, M.A., be appointed by Conference as Tutor in Systematic Theology as from 1st February, 1964.  
(b) That the Church Finance and Stewardship Committee be asked to investigate its financial resources and indicate to the College Council what amount if any, it is able to make available to assist in the costs of overseas travel of the Rev. J. Silvester, and in the housing of his family in N.Z.
5. That approval be given to the formation of a Foundation to erect and administer Halls of Residence on part of the Trinity College property.
6. That Conference permit the College Council to lease to the Foundation the land comprising approximately 2 acres situated within the Grafton Road, Carlton Gore Road, Seafeld View Road, and Park Road, frontage sections; the rent to be nominal and the lease conditional upon the Foundation continuing to fulfil the objects set out in the Constitution. In the event of failure therein the land to revert to the College Council.
7. Conference hears with pleasure the appointment of the Rev. E. W. Hames, M.A., as a Fellow of Trinity College.
8. Conference expresses its appreciation of the work of the Principal and staff in their educational and administrative responsibilities to the College.
9. That the College Council for 1964 be as printed on page 9 herein.

## D—Special Committee on Students and Candidates for the Ministry

The Committee consisting of the Board of Studies together with appointed corresponding members has given attention to matters raised by the Examination Committee of Conference, as set out in the Minutes of Conference, 1962, p.34.

### (a) Candidature for the Ministry and its relation to Local Preacher status:

The Committee discussed this question on two occasions with representatives of the Executive of the Lay Preachers' Association. The Association is concerned that frequently young men are hastened through the Lay Preachers' course without proper equipment as Lay Preachers and is anxious to raise standards generally. This



would mean an extension of the period of training which, on the other hand, could hold up unduly theological training for accepted candidates. The Committee feels that it is desirable to separate the two courses and to distinguish between Lay Preachers and Candidates for the Ministry.

**(d) Candidature for Married Men:**

Of the present company of students, four were accepted as married men while three others have been granted permission to marry during the period of College training. A living out allowance for the College terms is being paid to six men, the seventh being granted a house by the Maori Mission Department. Some of the married men are finding the position still extremely difficult financially. If Conference accepts married men with families, greater assistance will need to be given e.g. in the provision of a house. When married men offer as candidates, they should provide detailed information concerning their financial position. Assurance is needed that, should they have a family, they can still meet the financial demand.

**(e) Conference Examination for Students:**

The Committee was guided in its discussions on this question by two factors, first the necessity for Conference to keep the life and work of the Theological College under scrutiny and second the growing feeling that a system of external examinations is not the best method of achieving this end. On the one hand it is difficult for external examiners to keep in touch with the rapidly changing field of biblical and theological studies and on the other much more is involved than academic efficiency. In England, Methodist Theological Colleges have replaced the external examination system with a system of regular visitation, in each case by a specially appointed layman and minister, a report being sent directly to the Staff and to the Conference. The Committee feels that this system would prove helpful in the New Zealand situation.

**(f) I.Q. Tests for Candidates for the Ministry:**

The Committee has discussed the question whether all candidates should be required to undergo preliminary intelligence tests. It was felt that the matter should be approached with caution and that the results of such tests should always be held in the strictest confidence and kept in the hands of very few. Such tests are being given now to first year students and evidence as to their usefulness is gradually being built up.

D. O. WILLIAMS, Chairman.

J. J. LEWIS, Convener.

**RESOLUTIONS**

1. That the requirement that candidates for the Ministry be fully accredited local preachers be repealed.

2. That the following words be deleted from section 71, page 11, of the Law Book, "and a fully accredited Local Preacher, having ordinarily served as such for at least twelve months prior to the time of nomination."

3. That the committee be granted permission to continue its investigations concerning the length and nature of College and of Probationary courses.

4. That the present system of external Conference examinations be discontinued.

5. That there be substituted a system of Triennial Visitation by

one minister and one layman appointed by Conference through the Examination Committee who shall receive their report.

6. That internal end-of-year examinations be conducted by the Staff of the College.

7. That the long-range programme of using I.Q. tests with accepted theological students be continued and that a report be given at a later stage as to the validity of using these tests for candidates.

8. That the following be referred back to the committee for further consideration:

(1) That each candidate be required to sit a special Candidates' Examination in two sections, one in biblical and theological subjects as at present and one in general subjects.

(2) That a special report be furnished for each Candidate on his experience and capacity as a preacher.

(3) That married men offering as candidates be required to present detailed information concerning their financial position.

(4) That all married candidates be interviewed by a special committee appointed by the Examination Committee.

(5) That Conference make special financial provision for married men with families accepted as candidates.

**QUESTION 43.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Connexional Colleges and Hostels?**

## **(1) Wesley Training College**

### **A—REPORT OF THE BOARD 1963**

It is with gratitude that the Board reports the completion of yet a further stage in its objective of providing education of the highest standard within a Christian atmosphere with the occupation of the new Dormitory Wing.

One of the most happy occasions in the life of Wesley College was the opening ceremony of Harding Hall by the Governor-General, Brigadier Sir Bernard Fergusson, in March of this year. Many Church folk and other well-wishers of the College gathered for the ceremony and our thanks go to those people as well as His Excellency and Lady Fergusson for making this function the undoubted success it was. The new Dormitory Wing was named Harding Hall in memory of the late Maurice Harding whose endowment of his property at Mt. Wellington has meant so much to the present sound base of the finances of the Trust. Each year the income derived from this property contributes largely to the funds available for administering the Trust as well as providing a major source of capital receipts over the years.

With the improved amenities now available the School roll is approaching the maximum which can be accommodated by existing classrooms and other facilities. A most pleasing feature of the increase in the School roll is the number of Maori boys now attending the College and it is to be hoped that these increased numbers will be at least maintained in the future. From our experience it would appear that the Maori Education Foundation is achieving a worthwhile contribution by encouraging Maori boys to continue with their school studies.

From the accounts submitted with this report it will be noted that the College deficit for the year ended 31st December 1962



was the large sum of £9341 which was brought about by a temporary decrease in the roll while unavoidable increases in expenditure had to be met. As was anticipated the farm result for the year was only a fraction of that obtained in previous years but it is hoped that improved results will hold for the future. The income from the Maurice Harding Park was maintained at its usual level despite the falling off of receipts from scoria royalties because of the gradual development of this property on lease rentals.

Since our last report the Board has been most fortunate in receiving many donations from well-wishers of the College and the opportunity has been taken to improve the Library facilities and to build up the Library to a higher standard. The Trustees of the Auckland Savings Bank have continued their Scholarship for Maori boys and with the funds made available by the Board many opportunities exist for pupils to win a place in the College at small expense to themselves.

During the last long vacation the W.E.A. Summer School was held at Paerata and arrangements are being made for the N.Z. Students Christian Movement Annual Conference to be held during the summer vacation this year.

It is recommended that Rev. B. M. Chrystall B.A. be appointed to fill the available vacancy on the Board.

J. STUART CAUGHEY, Chairman.

G. C. B. MINOGUE, Secretary.

### **B—REPORT OF PRINCIPAL 1963**

The roll of the College has now reached between 190 and 200. It fluctuates from Term to Term, but the number in the Intermediate Department may be taken as approximately 25, the number of Maoris 31, of Islanders 6, of others from overseas 5 (including 1 Chinese-Malayan). There is likely to be another record Roll in 1964. Of the Maori boys, 7 are Maori Government Scholars and 9 are receiving help from the Maori Education Foundation.

**Staff:** All Departments are adequately staffed, and very faithful service is being given. Mr F. Parks, M.A., has been appointed as Assistant Headmaster; Mr J. L. Browning, Farm Manager for seven years, is now Farm Supervisor, doing full-time teaching in Agriculture and Science subjects; Mr M. Snook is Farm Foreman; Mr B. Smyth is Manager of the Produce Department (orchard, poultry, and gardens); the Matrons are Mrs A. Haddock, Miss E. Senn, and Mrs J. Pitman.

**Harding Hall** is now occupied by 50 senior boys, and is fulfilling all expectations. The erection of this Dormitory Block is indeed a major step forward in the life of the College. Facilities for all boys in the hostel have never been better, particularly in recreational and leisure-time amenities.

**Examination Successes** (1962) included 12 who passed School Certificate, 5 the University Entrance, and 8 who passed in various grades in Music. Recent successes by Old Boys in the Academic field include M. Sc. (1st Class Honours), LL.B., and B. Com. Degrees.

**Gifts:** We wish to record our very sincere thanks to those who have generously remembered the College during the past year. Amongst the gifts received are the Filtration Plant for the baths, given by the Old Boys' Association; books and cash for the Library; and £100 from Mr Josiah Vaea, the first Tongan student to be

enrolled at the College. Mr Vaea wished to express his appreciation in this practical way, and the Board have decided to use the money for the purchase of reference books for the Library.

**Scholarships:** We wish to commend to the Church the idea of providing Scholarships to be used by the Board to encourage boys to attend the College and qualify at the highest level in the Academic field. There have been, until recently, three in use, valued at £90 each per year. An anonymous gift has now increased the number to four. It is valued at a much higher figure and will enable the College to offer encouragement to boys of Junior University Scholarship quality. Such gestures are of great importance and are very heartening.

**General:** The life of the College in sport, hobbies, social activities, and Choir, Band and Divinity groups continues to flourish. Staff are assiduous in giving attention to all the many and varied demands made on them in Boarding School; and to them and the Board should go the grateful thanks of the whole Church.

E. M. MARSHALL, Principal.

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Reports and Financial Statement be received and adopted.
2. That Conference express appreciation to the Principal and Staff of Wesley College.

### QUESTION 43

## (2) Rangiatea Maori College Trust

### CHAIRMAN'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30th JUNE, 1963.

It is my pleasure to report that Rangiatea continues to prosper.

The Hostel is full to capacity with sixty-six Boarders and four staff members living in. In addition to the forty-three Maori girls from all parts of New Zealand, there are fourteen Pacific Islanders drawn from Solomon Island, Nuie, Western Samoa, Raratonga, Gilbert and Ellice Islands and nine European girls. The demand for accommodation is acute and the Maori roll increases each year.

It has been interesting to note the development of official thinking over the past few years, on the fostering of the integration of the races. The Maori Affairs Department strongly recommends and follows this policy. The Commission of Education advocates the establishment of more hostels to accommodate Maori students but adds that purely Maori hostels are not to be recommended. Mr C. M. Bennett, the recent N.Z. High Commissioner to Malaya stated: "Our objective is integration. That is an ideal that most of us would subscribe to. But that ideal doesn't necessarily mean physical or cultural integration—but it does mean educational, occupational and social integration. The Maori people should not be afraid that their culture will become a casualty of integration." Bishop Panapa, has expressed similar views.

At Rangiatea the aim is to develop character, with special emphasis on the understanding of each others way of life. The girls are kept busy not only with school responsibilities but with the maintenance of their home surroundings; sewing and mending their own clothes; attending home nursing and mothercraft classes; participating in sports competitions; practising for entertainments;



learning to conduct services of worship. All so busy and happy and generating a good spirit.

The Principals of the schools our girls attend are most helpful and co-operative. Thirty boarders attend the Spotswood College and thirty-six attend the New Plymouth Girls' High School.

Girls of all denominations have participated in morning worship at Whiteley. Maori service is occasionally held, and Sunday evenings have been occupied by leadership training, slides or counselling sessions. Five Church of England girls were confirmed at St. Mary's (Anglican Church) and five Methodist girls at Whiteley.

**Maori Foundation:** Nine girls are assisted from Maori Foundation while three others have Maori Foundation scholarships.

**Employment:** Positions and alternative employment have been found for all but two of those leaving school. The majority have been placed with the P. & T. Department to train in Wellington. One Islander went to Dental School in Auckland; three Islanders and one Maori girl entered Teachers' Training College; one Maori girl went to Wellington Free Kindergarten Union; one Maori girl joined the local hospital staff as a nurse trainee; another Maori girl went to the Whatuwhatu Research Station, while another found employment in the Social Security Department, Wellington.

Every endeavour is made to find suitable employment for girls as they leave school.

**Sport:** Several of the girls play in their school teams. During winter months matches are played on the Spotswood College courts. The girls are somewhat at a disadvantage, however, through not having a sports area within the Hostel grounds, and it is hoped that funds will soon permit tennis and basketball courts being formed on our own property.

**Maori Poi Party:** Rev. Pihama has devoted considerable time to training a Maori poi party which has given much enjoyment at various functions, especially at their respective schools. Competitions in various forms have been carried out among different groups at the Hostel.

**Staffing:** After Miss N. Stewart left to be married, Miss M. Teague came from Hamilton as a sub-Matron and she has settled happily with the other members and the girls. We have been well served by the staff as a whole, although a few changes have taken place, more particularly in the part-time domestic section, yet the smooth running of the Hostel has not been disturbed.

**Finances:** The Statement of Income and Expenditure and the Balance Sheet are presented separately. The overall position is considered as satisfactory. The overdraft at the Bank has been substantially reduced. We are indebted to the various Trusts who make grants, namely Grey Trust, Kai Iwi Farm Trust and the Wellington Methodist C. & E. Board.

**Thanks:** We are unable to speak too highly of the service rendered throughout another year by Sister Evelyn Marriott and the sub-Matrons associated with her. Without team-work this splendid result could never be achieved. Nevertheless, for the developing of this team-spirit and for the wise and dedicated leadership we are indebted to Sister Evelyn Marriott.

To members of the Executive we express our thanks for service rendered throughout the year. Nothing has arisen to disturb

the smooth working of the Hostel and the work of the Executive and the Board has in consequence been enjoyable.

W. H. GREENSLADE,  
Chairman, Rangiatea Maori College Trust.

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted.

2. That Conference commend the action of the Rangiatea Board in admitting to the Hostel groups of European and Pacific Island girls as a means of preparing both Maori and Pakeha girls for entry into the wider community.

3. That the Matron, Sister Evelyn Marriott, be thanked for her devoted service.

4. That the Board for 1964 be as printed on page 8 herein.

**QUESTION 44.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference on the Supernumerary Fund?**

## Supernumerary Fund Board

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1963.

The audited financial statements for the year ending 30th June, 1963, presented to Conference with this report indicate the following position:—

**Income** was received as under—

Fund contributions .. .. .	13,555
Interest and Commission .. .. .	8,928
Less paid to Allied Funds .. .. .	2,270
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	6,658
Freehold Property .. .. .	4,313
<b>A Net Total of .. .. .</b>	<b>£24,526</b>

**Expenditure** was:

Administration costs .. .. .	1,274
Annuities and Furniture Grants .. .. .	12,110
Provisions made .. .. .	1,100

<b>A Total of .. .. .</b>	<b>£14,484</b>
Giving an Excess of Income over Expenditure of .. .. .	10,042

**Accumulated Fund:**

The amount last year was .. .. .	149,546
To this was added surplus from Revenue Accounts .. .. .	10,042

	<hr/>	£159,588
Less Subscriptions Refunded .. .. .	140	
Making the Fund at date .. .. .	159,448	

**£159,588**

**Investments** are as follows:

(a) Mortgages .. .. .	128,366
(b) Debentures and Government Stock .. .. .	40,039

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Less Fluctuation Reserve .. .. .	4,271	
	<hr/>	<b>164,134</b>



(c) Freehold Property (Epworth Chambers) after provision for depreciation of £14,750	40,409
(d) Current Assets in the form of bank deposits and accruals .. .. .	15,308

<b>A total of</b> .. .. .	<b>£219,851</b>
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(Of this figure £58,060 is held on behalf of allied funds.)

**Interest Earnings:** From invested capital a return of 6.56% has been earned on the actuarial formula.

**General:** The Board reports that the Fund is in a sound position. Investments are very satisfactory having respect to current interest trends. Its largest investment is Epworth Chambers. The property is in good condition, and necessary maintenance and renovations are carried out on a systematic basis. While taken into the accounts at book value revenue is on the basis of present-day value.

**Annuitants and Contributors:** At date, Annuitants number 95 (97). Supernumeraries 46 (50). Widows of supernumeraries, 49 (47). Contributors total 242 (235).

#### ALLIED FUNDS:

Additional funds administered (Allied Funds) are as follows:

a. Ministers' Home Acquisition Fund accounts for 242 contributors .. .. .	£31,345
b. Deaconess Retiring Fund accounts for 34 contributors .. .. .	£20,436
c. Home Missionaries' Retiring Fund accounts for 9 contributors. All these are in the nature of personal deposit accounts .. .. .	£846

For the Board,

R. H. SMITH, Chairman.

G. S. SALTER, Lay Treasurer.

H. L. FIEBIG, Managing Treasurer.

#### RESOLUTIONS:

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the following Financial Statements be received and adopted; Supernumerary Fund; Benevolent Fund; Ministers' Home Acquisition Fund; Deaconess' Retiring Fund; Home Missionaries' Retiring Fund.
3. That the Board for 1964 be as printed on page 8 herein.

**QUESTION 45.—**What are the Resolutions of the Conference on the Methodist General Purposes Trust Fund?

## Methodist General Purposes Trust Board (Inc.)

### Annual Report 1963

The audited financial statements for the year ended 30th June, 1963 are presented to Conference with this report.

The Board administers 102 trusts and deposit accounts, totalling £128,356 11s 6d. These consist of (a) 61 accounts operating on behalf of Church trusts; (b) 31 accounts the proceeds from which are for

the benefit of various Churches and organisations; (c) 10 Trusts operating on behalf of the Connexion generally.

#### **Winstone Memorial Trust Fund.**

In terms of the Deed of Trust the sum of £1019 has been paid this year to ministers who had not received the minimum stipend from their circuits.

This trust was created by members of the Winstone family in Auckland in the direct interests of and for the benefit of Ministers, Probationers, and Home Missionaries in the full-time service of the Church. Since its establishment in 1942 the magnificent sum of £10,944 has been distributed.

#### **Newbold Trust.**

Last year the Board reported the up-to-date position herein, namely that in terms of the Deed of Trust the capital sum (now £10,614 5s 5d) is available to the appropriate authority for use in accordance with the general wishes of the testator.

The position is being investigated as to the best way to use the resources of this Trust in connection with the care of needy children in and around Dunedin.

For the Board,

R. H. SMITH, Chairman.

G. S. SALTER, Lay Treasurer.

H. L. FIEBIG, Managing Treasurer.

#### **RESOLUTIONS**

1. That the Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted.

2. (a) **W. F. Walters Trust:** That Conference learns with pleasure and gratitude of the gift to the Church of a farm property to be vested in the Methodist General Purposes Trust Board (Inc.). The purpose of the gift is to establish a Trust, the objects of which will be to assist with grants the work of the Church in the following ways:

Trinity College Bursary to assist married candidates.

Northland District to assist minister's travelling expenses.

South Auckland District, Otorohanga Church Trust.

2. (b) That Conference approve the application of the settlor to vary the Deed of Settlement to allow for a distribution to be made out of the distributable income for the purposes of the Methodist Eventide Home, Tamahere, Hamilton.

3. **J. H. Oldham Trust:** That Conference receive with gratitude the bequest of the late Mr J. H. Oldham of a capital sum to be used to subsidise the travelling expenses of young ministers who may proceed overseas to further their studies and gain fuller experience in ministerial duties.

4. That the Connexional Secretary and General Purposes Trust Board consider necessary steps to establish specific funds into which grants from the above Trusts may be transferred, so that other donors may be enabled to contribute to the same objectives.



**QUESTION 46.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference on the Methodist Children's Fund?**

## **Children's Fund**

### **ANNUAL REPORT 1963**

The opinion expressed in last year's Report that the upward trend in the number of claimants on the Children's Fund appeared to be levelling off, has not been borne out and during the present year it has been necessary to provide for a further increase.

For the calendar year 1963, a total of 393½ allowances have had to be provided for, each at £10—which means that the total distribution for the present year will amount to £3932 10s.

The amount made available to the Fund from the Connexional Budget is £4000, so that it will be appreciated that there is little reserve in the fund for absorbing increased claims. The long-term forecasting necessary under the new budgeting system does raise problems with this particular fund. Because of this it can become an increasing difficulty if there continues, in spite of appeals to the contrary, to be a delay in ministers reporting the arrival of additions to their families.

It will shortly be necessary to advise the Church Finance and Stewardship Committee the Fund's requirements from the Fourth Connexional Budget, which will apply for the year commencing July 1, 1964. Thus, if the present upward trend continues, the present allocation of £4000 per annum may be exceeded, and as the Fund is without any resources of its own, it may be necessary to ask for increased assistance.

ROBERT THORNLEY,  
T. M. PACEY,  
Hon. Treasurers.

### **RESOLUTIONS**

1. That the Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted.
2. That the Treasurers, Rev. R. Thornley and Mr T. M. Pacey, be thanked for their services and be reappointed.

**QUESTION 47—What are the Resolutions of Conference on the Contingent Fund?**

## **Conference Contingent Fund**

### **ANNUAL REPORT YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1963**

This year receipts and expenditure have worked out practically the same. We finished the year with a credit balance of £1345 against £1310 the previous year.

Unfortunately there are one or two accounts for Connexional printing which did not come in during the year. In particular the account for printing Synod Reports has just come to hand amounting to £208. This will have to be paid in addition to next year. This means that we are really down by nearly £200, a credit balance of only £1137.

I would like to see the credit balance held at about £1500 to allow a safe margin. In view of the amount we have asked for from the Connexional Finance and Budget Committee for the next two years I do not see this coming about. I estimate at this stage that with no further expenditure than that which we already know about, we

should come out about square for the current year but down a few hundred more in the year 1964-65. In view of this it is important that no unnecessary demands are made on the fund during the next couple of years.

In regard to the accounts for the year I would draw attention to the following:

First, Conference printing costs have risen steeply. Agendas from £400 to £500. Minutes from £724 to £828 and general items from £50 to £100. An increase of about £250.

As from this year the cost of Synod Standing Committees will be taken over by the Districts themselves and not charged to the Contingent Fund. This amounted last year to £330. In addition certain grants will be paid out direct from the Connexional Budget, viz.:

Methodist Times .....	£500
World Council of Churches .....	£250
Connexional Secretary's Expenses	£400

These savings have, however, been allowed for in Contingent Fund Budget or have been taken up by the following extra grants asked for this year:

Faith and Order Conference, N.C.C.	£250
Commission on Place of Women in the Church .....	£75

ALAN H. WINSTONE, Treasurer.

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted.

2. That Consultative Committee be Revs. E. W. Hames, Dr. D. O. Williams, W. Walker, Secretary of Conference, the Connexional Secretary, Messrs J. H. Blackwell, G. S. Gapper and the Treasurers.

3. That Mr J. C. Wigglesworth, B.Com., A.P.A.N.Z., A.C.I.S., be thanked for his services as Honorary Auditor, and be re-appointed.

4. That the Treasurers, Rev. L. P. Schroeder and Mr Alan H. Winstone, be thanked for their services and be re-appointed.

**QUESTION 48.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference on the Removal Expenses Fund?**

## Removal Expenses Fund Committee

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1963

During the year 40 removals were carried out compared with 57 in 1962 and 47 in 1961, at an average cost of £79 compared with £67 in 1962 and £74 in 1961.

The number of removals was the least for many years but the relatively large number of inter-island removals (14) was the main factor in the increase in the average cost.

The financial accounts show an excess of income over expenditure of £878 compared with £219 in 1962. This has enabled the capital of the fund to be increased to £1,105 which, although satisfactory, is not a large reserve should there be a large number of removals in one year. Although costs are continually rising, the committee is budgeting for the usual £4,000 levy.

For the committee,

H. G. BROWN, Chairman.

H. L. FIEBIG and W. E. CLOTHIER, Treasurers.



## RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted.
2. That the maximum for removals be—Inter-island £125, within the island £75.
3. That the Treasurers, Rev. H. L. Fiebig and Mr W. E. Clothier, be thanked for their services.
4. That the Treasurers for 1964 be the Rev. W. R. Laws and Mr W. E. Clothier.
5. That Mr F. M. Sowden, Hon. Auditor, be thanked for his services and be re-appointed.
6. That the Committee for 1964 be as printed on page 8 herein.

**QUESTION 49.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Overseas Missions?**

## Methodist Overseas Missions Department

### ANNUAL REPORT 1963

A further report will be compiled when the reports and recommendations from the overseas district synods and the Melanesian United Synod have been received. This report covers the work of the Department within New Zealand.

#### Staff:

After his year in the Highlands, builder Alan Penny has returned to New Zealand. Miss Joyce Rosser has married Mr Gordon Dey, the District Builder. Her place as Secretary to the Chairman of the District will be taken by Miss Catherine Scott of Auckland, who recently entered All Saints' College. Meantime, Miss A. E. King of Auckland is giving eight months of honorary service.

With the dramatic growth in the Church in the Highlands, the need for extra workers is apparent. Several new Australian appointments have been made. It is time for the New Zealand Church to increase its Highlands staff. A call has come for a teaching sister; a further ministerial appointment should be made within two years. Each of these will require extra missionary finance from this country.

As might be expected, there has again been considerable movement among the larger roll of workers in the Solomon Islands District. The Rev. Seru Beraki has been received from the Church in Fiji, and is temporarily supplying in the Marovo Circuit, whose minister, the Rev. Aisake Vula, is being assisted through a religious education course at Brisbane. From New Zealand, Teop Circuit received the Rev. Peter Barker. The Church will share his disappointment and ours that ill health so soon intervened to terminate his ministry in the Islands. We confidently anticipate restored health and a full ministry for him in this country.

Very soon, the Revs Alister McDonald and Gordon Cornwell will return to New Zealand. We expect that they will be available for appointment in New Zealand. The Rev George Carter advises the need for him to return to New Zealand in 1965. All these withdrawals of senior and experienced workers are caused by family circumstances. The Board is in consultation with the District and urgently seeking suitable nominations to Conference of ministers to serve overseas. The prayers of the synods are requested that right decisions may be made.

Sister Janice Palmer (nursing sister) went to Buka last October. After All Saints' College training, Sister Muriel McCormack reached the District in June. Sister Audrey Highnam leaves in November with a view to marriage. The acceptance of Sister Esther Watson of Hokitika (now at All Saints' College) keeps our team of New Zealand nursing sisters at full strength. Miss Vivian Mamupio, who did maternity training in New Zealand under Council of Organisations for Relief Services Overseas auspices, is now on the staff of the District. We have gratefully accepted the gift of a year of honorary service by Sister Margaret Lavelle of England.

The withdrawal of Dr Gerald Hault on medical grounds was a grievous disappointment to him and to the Board. Mr John Wesley Kere of Roviana, a graduate of the Central Medical School in Fiji, is temporarily in charge of our medical work. Failure to appoint a new fully qualified missionary doctor, however, will jeopardise our nursing training school and some other activities. We continue to advertise this post and are in touch with one enquirer in Australia.

The delayed resignation of Sister Thelma Duthie has now taken effect. Troublesome vacancies in our educational programme still continue. Miss Lynette Sadler has been accepted for overseas teaching service in 1964. The District is seeking an itinerant male organising teacher. Some of the women teachers' posts have been temporarily and acceptably filled by honorary workers, under the Order of St Stephen. The Board is grateful to Mr W. L. Jenkin who completed a year of service at Goldie College and to Misses Judith Marshall (Goldie College) and Nancy Tiddy (Roviana Circuit) who are serving this year. Several Voluntary Service Overseas (V.S.O.) workers from Britain have served with acceptance.

Two of our missionary laymen have set terms to their service. After six years, Mr John Gatman will leave us in 1964 for family reasons. Mr Bruce Smith, whose efforts with the District accounts and business management are greatly appreciated, has concluded that he should not continue permanently in that work.

Mr David Eason has commenced service as a missionary carpenter. Having completed his term under the Order of St Stephen, Mr Ken Skinner is continuing meantime as builder at the new United District Theological College at Rarongo, New Britain.

**United Synod:** The resolutions set out on pages 156-7 of the 1962 minutes were approved by the General Conference of the Methodist Church of Australasia also. The first United Synod is meeting in August of this year.

**Samoa and Fiji:** The same General Conference accorded Conference status to the Methodists of Samoa and Fiji, whose first Conferences will meet during 1964.

**Scripture Translation:** Assisted by the British and Foreign Bible Society, the Rev Allen Hall is continuing to translate the Old Testament into Roviana. It is clear now that this work cannot be completed in 1963. The immigration authorities have now granted a permit for Mr Lazarus Pania to come as consultant to Mr Hall. Thanks are due to Methodist people in the Bombay-Tuakau Circuit for their general helpfulness with this project.

**Inter-Church Consultations:** Messrs Carter, Tuza and the General Secretary were included in the Methodist team who shared in the E.A.C.C. Consultation at Christchurch. C.O.M.I.C.A. has recently shared in prolonged inter-church discussion of the motiva-



tion of mission. Board representatives met the Rev Ronald Orchard of the staff of the World Council's Commission on World Mission and Evangelism. Mr Orchard proceeded afterwards to Honiara, where Anglican and Methodist representatives shared in fruitful inter-church talks. The Solomon Islands were represented at an inter-church Bible Study Conference at Lae in January. Helped by the World Council of Christian Education and by the camp missionary offerings in New Zealand, Mr Leslie Boseto and Sister Lucy Money have been sharing in a Pacific Churches' Curriculum Conference and Writers' Workshop in Fiji. With so large a proportion of youthful people in the Islands, the quality of Christian Education material for them is of very great importance.

**Fraternal Workers' Fund:** This fund was established by Conference and handed to the Department to administer. For one year the appeal flourished, but since then the response has declined. The immediate need which it was designed to meet will soon cease. While there is no doubt that the fund could serve a valuable purpose, the Board regrets that the response of the Church has been so halfhearted that Conference should seriously consider whether the fund ought to continue.

**Retired Missionary Sisters:** As directed by Conference, the Board has considered this matter and appends a recommendation.

**General Secretaryship:** During the year the Board has continually considered the selection of a suitable successor to the present General Secretary. An invitation was given to one minister to accept nomination. New factors, however, now preclude submitting a nomination to the Synods. The present General Secretary is available for re-appointment for one year. The board is continuing its attempt to find a successor.

C. T. J. LUXTON, Chairman.

S. G. ANDREWS, General Secretary.

G. S. GAPPER, Treasurer.

### **SUPPLEMENTARY ANNUAL REPORT: 1963**

This report is based on the reports and recommendations of the overseas district synods.

#### **Papua New Guinea Highlands District**

Membership of the Church has quadrupled during the year. There are now strong indications that we confront a massive "people movement" towards the Gospel. The District reports 1063 confirmed members and 1370 new converts being trained for baptism. The first decisions for Christ in the Nipa Circuit have taken place. Strong local evangelistic effort is apparent. Bible training schools for illiterates operate in Mendi and Tari Circuits, their graduates supplying the infant church with pastors and evangelists. The flow of literate graduates from the pastor training college is yet to commence. The voluntary offerings of the people have increased. Local Church members are beginning to share in Church government. Four circuit representatives went to Synod this year, and one continued to the United Synod at Rabaul.

Matters of faith and order have had close attention, the District seeking advice from the committees in both Australia and New Zealand. Baptism and Church membership have been the main topics for study. An attempt has been made to relate membership to the culture and social structure of the people. The local Church leaders are themselves to be drawn into these discussions.

More workers to nurture the growing membership are the

great need of the District. For the second year the Synod calls on the New Zealand Church to play a greater part. We are asked for a teacher this year for Nipa, and should shortly be increasing our ministerial staff.

### **Solomon Islands District**

As recorded in the main report, staff vacancies have continued to trouble the District. The President has, however, appointed the Rev B. W. Sides to the vacant Buka Circuit, and the Board has designated Miss Lynette Sadler, B.A., to the District. The prospect of losing Mr B. D. Smith next August leads to a request for two workers; one, a typist-secretary, may be appointed in the near future, but an accountant (man or woman) is urgently needed. New educational developments, both in the British Solomon Islands and Bougainville, call for further teachers. Their appointment will attract larger government grants than hitherto; therefore, the extra financial burden is not great.

The Board hopes shortly to proceed to the appointment of a new medical superintendent in succession to Dr Hoult.

The Islands Church faces more than its share of dissident movements. In Roviana Circuit, the movement led by Silas Eto has spent some of its force, and there is new evidence of life and vigour among the loyal Methodists. At the opposite end of the District, however, in North Buka, the politically motivated "Hahalis Welfare Society" has attracted numbers of Roman Catholics and Methodists.

These movements, however, seem to have had a salutary effect on the faithful Methodists. "The Church can no more wait for its overseas missionaries to initiate and carry through the work entrusted to us," writes the Chairman. "It can no longer depend on outside influences to guard it from danger. In His strength, it must gird up its loins and be about the Master's business . . . There is every sign that where this challenge is presented it is being accepted."

So there are real signs of progress in the Solomons also, in the towns of Honiara and Gizo, in the eight accepted candidates for the Islands ministry, in offers by Islanders under the Order of St Stephen, and in a growth of stewardship in relation to the district budget.

One new task is to welcome and integrate the Protestants among the 1500 Gilbert Islanders being re-settled in the Solomons. Their own church in the Gilberts and the parent London Missionary Society desire that there should be union for the immigrants with the Methodists of the Solomons. The language barrier is a considerable obstacle.

The Methodist Women's Fellowship has made enthusiastic progress during the year, moving now towards a full-time local organiser. Since more than half the population are under 18 years of age, youth work grows annually in importance. Mr Ron Dickey has completed fifteen months of Boys' Brigade organising work, giving place now to Mr Gordon Siama. The success of the B.B. movement has stimulated a request for a similar organiser for the Girls' Life Brigade work, which has made less progress up to date.

In collaboration with the New Guinea District, books of Bible Class and Sunday School lessons have been published. The "Operation Solomons" work camps made a welcome and worthwhile impact.



## **United Synod of Melanesia**

Authorised by the 1962 Conference and by the Australasian General Conference, the first meeting of this Synod duly took place in August at Rabaul, the Rev G. G. Carter presiding. Unless special needs arise, the next meeting will take place in 1965, under the Chairmanship of the Rev Salmon Gaius, a minister of the New Guinea District. The Rev F. A. S. Kemp, of Port Moresby, is to take over earlier the Secretaryship and organise towards the proposed Conference of 1966.

Three amendments to the regulations approved at our last Conference are proposed, and the Board will append recommendations concerning them.

Otherwise the main concerns of the United Synod were Christian education and the Rarongo Theological College. The Rev R. G. Williams, B.A., B.D., of Victoria, who has been on post-graduate study in the United States, is to arrive in January to take up his work as principal. In 1964, eight of the eighteen students will be Solomon Islanders. We stand committed to help our overseas districts find £2333 towards the capital cost of the college. The United Synod requests us to consider a direct grant also to bring our Church into direct association with the project.

C. T. J. LUXTON, Chairman.

S. G. ANDREWS, General Secretary.

### **RESOLUTIONS**

1. That the Reports be received and adopted.

2. That the Treasurer's Report, Statement of Income and Expenditure and Balance Sheet be received and adopted.

3. That the estimates of income and ordinary and special expenditure for 1963-64 be received and adopted.

4. That Conference be associated with the greetings sent by the Board to the overseas workers and the Churches in the Solomon Islands and the Papua New Guinea Highlands Districts.

5. **Retirements:** That Conference be associated with the expression of appreciation extended by the Board to retiring workers: Rev. G. A. R. Cornwell (15 years), Dr Gerald Hoult (14 years), Sister Thelma Duthie (12 years), Rev. D. I. A. McDonald (11 years), Sister Audrey Highnam (7 years) and Miss Bernice Birch (3 years).

6. That Conference receive with pleasure the news of the appointment of Dr R. W. Pattinson of Victoria as Medical Superintendent of the Solomon Islands District.

7. That greetings be sent to the new Conferences in Fiji and Samoa when they assemble first in 1964.

#### **8. Fraternal Workers' Fund:**

(a) That Conference authorise the Ecumenical Committee, in consultation with the Ecumenical and Missions Committee of the Board of Christian Education, to organise and give publicity to the Fraternal Workers' Fund.

(b) That the Fund be held by the Overseas Missions Department and administered by the Board in consultation with the Ecumenical Committee.

#### **9. United Synod of Melanesia:**

(a) That Resolution 8 (f) in Minutes of Conference, 1962, P. 156, be rescinded and the following substituted:—

"The Synod or the District Committee (or equivalent committee) of any district shall have the right to object to any resolution of the United Synod; in the case of any such objection the resolution shall

not apply to the objecting district until the matter has been referred to the Board or Boards with which the district is connected and until agreement has been reached."

(b) That Resolution 8 (i) in Minutes of Conference, 1962, P. 157, be rescinded and the following substituted:

"The Synod shall only incur expenditure which is provided from funds at the disposal of the District Synods or in the budget of the Boards."

(c) That if any action of the United Synod conflicts with any clauses of any District's Constitution or its by-laws or its Authorised Regulations, they shall, with the consent of the District concerned, be waived as far as such action is concerned.

**10. Retired Missionary Sisters:** That the matter of the proper recording of the names of retired missionary sisters be referred back to the Board for further consideration during the year.

**11. Stipends of Ministers Overseas:** That the Overseas Missions Board be given authority to adopt a scale of stipends for ministers serving overseas, the scale to be based on the following principles:—

- (a) relation to living costs in the area of service;
- (b) general parity with the scale applicable to Australian missionaries serving in the same or adjacent districts.
- (c) expression of the scale in Australian currency;
- (d) payment to such ministers whilst temporarily in New Zealand the New Zealand basic stipend plus children's allowance.

**12.** That we approve the annual inclusion for the next three years in the budget of the Department of £300 as a grant towards the achievement of the South Pacific Christian Education curriculum.

**13.** That during the year the Finance and Stewardship Committee consult with the Overseas Mission Department, concerning the proposal to open a fund to receive special gifts for extension purposes overseas; e.g.,

- (a) the establishment of the proposed new Melanesian Conference;
- (b) extension work in the overseas districts.

**14.** That Conference note with pleasure the grant from the Methodist Women's Missionary Union guaranteeing for a three year period the appointment of a teaching sister to the Nipa Circuit.

**15.** That approval be given to the appointment, when available, of a further New Zealand minister to the Papua New Guinea Highlands District.

**16. General Secretaryship:**

- (a) That the Rev. S. G. Andrews, M.A., be reappointed as General Secretary of the Department for the connexional year 1964.
- (b) That the Rev. George G. Carter, M.A., Dip. Ed., be designated for appointment by Conference 1964 as General Secretary to take office on February 1, 1965, it being understood that during 1965 he will continue in the Solomon Islands District and be relieved of administrative duties at the Head Office.
- (c) That Mr William E. Donnelly be designated for appointment by 1964 Conference as Executive Officer of the Department for 1965, to fulfil the normal duties of the General Secretary.
- (d) That for his term of office the Executive Officer be a member of the Board.

**17.** That the representatives to C.O.M.I.C.A. be the General Secretary and Mr S. N. Roberts.



18. That the Board for 1964 be as printed on page 6 herein.

### **DISTRICT OVERSEAS MISSION CONVENERS**

NORTHLAND: Rev. A. W. Burrough.

AUCKLAND: Rev. G. R. Trebilco.

WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY: Rev O. A. Kitchingham.

TARANAKI-WANGANUI: Rev. K. H. Russell.

WANGANUI SUB-COUNCIL: To be nominated.

HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU: Rev. W. K. Abbott.

WELLINGTON: Rev. I. M. Raynor.

NELSON: Rev. E. F. Hanson.

NORTH CANTERBURY: Rev. T. Shepherd.

SOUTH CANTERBURY: Rev. G. W. Cramond.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND: Rev. R. E. Patchett.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT, 1963**

In the realm of Overseas Missions Finance, the unexpected has now become a habit. The surplus in the 1963 Income and Expenditure Account is the latest example.

The financial policy is now operating under which the Solomon Islands District Synod administers all funds locally derived, except Government grants in respect of overseas staff, and is responsible for the support, in all respects, of agents locally appointed. The absence of familiar details in the Income and Expenditure Account is the result of the implementing of this policy.

It was anticipated that under the new order the Solomon Islands District would require a subsidy of £NZ6267 to meet the deficiency in the district accounts. The subsidy of £3434 was £2833 less than the estimate. The causes of this happy end were increased income in the Islands District and reduced expenditure. Vacancies and economies where posts were supplied by honorary workers also resulted in reduced expenditure under the heading of Support of Overseas Staff.

Expenditure in the Papua New Guinea Highlands District increased considerably over previous years. We may now anticipate a regular higher level of costs. As income in this field is restricted to small Government grants, the New Zealand share of the expenditure is almost wholly met by the Department.

The Accumulated Fund now stands at £14,256. Unfortunately this is not matched by the cash in the current account which is frequently in overdraft. During the year it seemed that the Connexional Budget would yield no more than 90 per cent of the Department's allocation. We were pleasantly surprised to receive 95 per cent. We could make very good use of the remaining 5 per cent.

We are as usual indebted to the M.W.M.U. for their continued contributions, and to the Lepers' Trust Board whose regular and special grants amounted to £15,000. Their various unexpended grants are shown in the Balance Sheet.

The Board has decided to review the position regarding some of the minor funds with a view to their amalgamation.

The Rehabilitation Fund has been reduced to £702. We trust that this will be its last appearance. With the Boat Insurance Fund stabilised at £30,000, the diversion of interest to the Boat Replacement Fund has helped that Fund to reach £1629.

G. S. GAPPER, Treasurer.

# Methodist Women's Missionary Union of N.Z.

## FORTY-NINTH INTERIM REPORT FOR SYNOD 1963

The figures given in this interim report of the work of Methodist Women's Missionary Union are for the year ending 31 August, 1962; a membership of 6125 (which includes 1325 gleaners) 226 auxiliaries in our nineteen districts; a steadily increasing income (£17,829) and increased activity in all departments.

Missionary information is distributed by means of 3000 newsletters each month, and the visit of Sister Mary Addison, a nurse on furlough from Tonu in the Buin Circuit of the Solomon Islands, has been warmly appreciated by Nelson-Marlborough, Wellington, Manawatu and Wanganui women.

The President has attended the dedication of three nurses, Sisters Janice Palmer at Levin, Muriel McCormack at Masterton and Esther Watson at Hokitika, prior to their leaving for All Saints' College and eventual service in the Solomons. The M.W.M.U. was represented by Mrs Handisides, Auckland D. Sec. when Miss Catherine Scott was dedicated at Waterview Church for service in the New Guinea Highlands.

At requests from Wanganui, West Coast and Nelson-Marlborough, the Dominion Executive has arranged visits to these districts.

Links have been made by means of gifts and letters with fraternal workers in Germany, Fiji, Tonga, Indonesia, and regular communication is maintained by the same means with our friends in the Solomons and New Guinea Highlands. An introduction by C.O.R.S.O. has resulted in friendship shown to Asian nurses here on Postgraduate courses.

The M.W.M.U. is fortunate in its committees, particularly those serving Kurahuna Girls' Hostel and Smethurst House.

The hundreds of parcels packed by our Box organiser, Sister Effie Harkness, and the shopping done by her have been of inestimable value to overseas workers, and the Executive arranges a steady stream of necessary goods for the use of Home Sisters in their work.

The combined conference of the Guild Fellowship and M.W.M.U. is to be held at Palmerston North in October. Much time continues to be spent in preparation for the new movement, the revised constitution of which is before Synods and Conference this year. It is expected that the Methodist Women's Fellowship, the 'legal successor' of the two women's organisations, will come into being on February 1, 1964.

Although the Executive has been privileged to serve only for a few months, we have been made aware of much prayerful support. For this, and for the loving service given by Auxiliary women at all times, we give thanks to God.

B. BRUCE, President.

B. WILLIAMS, Secretary.

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. Conference records its thanksgiving to God for the zealous and effective programme of Missionary service, promotion and education maintained through the past sixty-one years by the Methodist Women's Missionary Union. In particular the outgoing



Dominion Executive be thanked for its careful and wise leadership during the past year.

**QUESTION 50.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference on the Home Mission and Church Extension Fund?**

## Home Mission Department

### ANNUAL REPORT—1963

**The Board:** New members who took a seat on the Board this year are Mrs L. W. Moore who replaces Mrs Handisides, and the Revs. R. Grice and E. R. Le Couteur who replaced the Rev R. F. Clement and the Rev. E. W. Hames as ministers in the active work. The Rev. E. W. Hames continued on the Board as one of the Supernumerary Ministers replacing the Rev. W. Walker who retired after 34 years of wonderful service on the Board.

**The Staff:** At last Conference Mr H. D. Kelly, B.A., as a senior layman was granted status as a fully accredited Home Missionary. Mr Ian Barker was appointed as a Home Missionary Probationer. Messrs P. A. Garside, R. E. Fields, D. H. Ansell, K. J. Keall, D. Armstrong, W. F. Browne, D. Prince and J. W. White were accepted as Candidates for the ministry. During the year, after many years of very acceptable supply service in several circuits, the Rev. Wm. M. Isitt, a Congregational minister retired to Geraldine. The Rev. J. C. R. Ashworth a former Senior Home Missionary was welcomed back into status as a Retired Home Missionary.

**The Rev. and Mrs T. G. Brooke Memorial Fund:** Again this year, Mrs Gladys Treadgold has made further gifts to the Fund which she established in memory of her parents. With interest this Fund now stands at £1000 at the end of the financial year now closing.

**Appointment Of New General Superintendent:** In accordance with the designation by last Conference we submit a recommendation herewith that the Rev. B. M. Chrystall, B.A. be appointed by Conference 1963 as General Superintendent of this Department for an initial period of three years. A recommendation is attached.

**Assistant Superintendent:** We have pleasure in recommending that the Rev. R. D. Rakena be designated by Conference 1963 for re-appointment at the Conference of 1964 for a further term of three years as Assistant Superintendent. A recommendation to this effect is attached.

**Retiring General Superintendent:** At the forthcoming Conference the Rev. G. I. Laurenson relinquishes his office of General Superintendent of the Department. He joined the Department as Assistant Superintendent in 1931 and was appointed General Superintendent in 1939. The Board has given considerable thought to the most suitable sphere of service for Mr. Laurenson for the remaining three years of his active ministry and a recommendation is appended hereto.

**Quarters For Probationers and Deaconesses:** Minutes of Conference 1960, page 78 and 1961 page 149. Circuits are reminded that Conference 1961 resolved that by 1964 the Church should work towards providing quarters for Deaconesses and Probationers. This should take effect in next Connexional year. The Department is providing this for those members of the staff employed directly by the Department through the Home Mission Fund. With some seventeen Deaconesses and full time 'supplies' on the staff, it is ob-

vious that this will inevitably be reflected in the Department's application to the Connexial Budget.

**Policy Re Home Mission Grants:** As some circuits have expressed concern at the reduction of their Home Mission Grant it is evident that there is need to clarify the position. Home Mission Grants are not a source of permanent income for Circuits. They are considered annually and it is the policy of the Department that when special grants are made for new extension work, these should normally reduce in each subsequent year as the new appointment is consolidated, unless there are special new commitments entered into or new factors emerge.

**Stewardship Canvasses In Aided Circuits:** Mins. of Conf. 1962 page 227 Res. 9. Our attention has been drawn to several instances where aided circuits have decided against holding Stewardship Canvasses conducted by experienced trained Directors, claiming that they preferred to hold a self-run canvass. We would point out that it is not fair for such Circuits to do this and at the same time to look to this Board for a Home Mission Grant, when our Funds come largely from the circuits which have accepted the self discipline of a directed canvass and are in many cases contributing to the Budget at considerable sacrifice.

**The Town and Country Planning Act:** We recommend that Synod Standing Committees in making Triennial Visitations to circuits should examine specially the present area of land held by our local trusts, or the area of land being purchased for new causes. The provisions of the Code of Town and Country Planning Act now being applied by Local Bodies are very demanding and in many old established causes the Trustees will strike severe problems if they seek Building permits to make any alterations or additions to present buildings. In all such cases they should now be considering seeking an option on adjoining land for future rebuilding programmes. In seeking land for a new cause, a minimum of three normal residential sections is necessary to satisfy the demands of the Code. This matter is becoming more urgent every day and we append a recommendation on the matter.

**Church Extension Appeal:** In consultation with Synod Standing Committees a schedule of approved grants from the Church Extension Fund has been drawn up. This will absorb the whole of the sum available from the Fund from the next three Connexional Budgets, and new requests are emerging every year. We urge the importance of maintaining a worthy sum for this work in each Budget period, and of ensuring that the Budget is honoured in full. This is the only medium through which the whole Connexion can assist the areas of special need as far as Church Extension is concerned in new buildings.

**Methodist Literature and Colporteur Society:** The Literature and Colporteur Society reports a satisfactory year of trading. In the Auckland Epworth Bookroom the new Manager, Mr Walsh, has taken over as Senior Manager of the Society's Shops. Miss J. Hicks left our employment at the end of the year to proceed overseas. Business has continued to grow, and preparations are well in hand for taking over the new shop in the arcade of our new Central Mission Building at about Conference time.

The Hamilton shop is still having a difficult time in becoming established. Trade is growing but it will not be making a profit this year. We believe the venture is warranted, but it is too early yet to assess the full potential there. The work is handicapped



by limited capital, and further gifts and loans to assist the firm establishment of the branch are needed.

We commend our shops and the New Plymouth Agency under the Rev. H. R. Wright to the loyal support of our Methodist people.

**Loans And The Home Mission Investment Funds Board:** The transactions by way of deposits on loan at call, and loans from the Investment Funds Board to assist in new buildings, have increased steadily during the year. We have been able to assist several new projects by acting as the holding trust giving security to local lenders who have wished to assist a specific local building project.

In this connection the Investment Funds Board by its constitution and with Conference approval can receive deposits on loan at call for various terms either free of interest or at not more than National Savings Rates. To provide a very necessary buffer in case of a run of requests for repayment of such loans on deposit, one third of the deposited sums are invested by the Board in negotiable securities at the best possible rates of interest. Two thirds are advanced as special loans on ten or twenty-year table mortgage rates at 3½ per cent interest. If loans are interest free as deposits, the benefit of this is passed on to the specific trusts in whose interest the deposit at call was made.

We commend this procedure to our people as a means of releasing more urgently needed loan money for new causes.

**Matter Referred by Conference:**

**Commission On Otago Methodism:** Mins. of Conf. 1961 page 149 No. 16. Mins. of Conf. 1962 page 271 No. 4 and Agend of Conf. 1962 pages 244-246.

At the request of Conference the Board has considered the report of the Commission and the resolutions of the Otago-Southland Synod 1962.

**(A) SPECIFIC ITEMS**

**(1) Regional Church at Kew**

While we understand that difficulties re sale of existing properties have arisen, causing a review of the original plan, we feel that a new strong cause at Kew is the wise objective. If Caversham is to continue until the present property is sold, it will be essential also to continue some unit of work in the old "Wesley" area, but the original plan for a central cause should be implemented as soon as possible.

(2) **Milton:** We are glad to learn of the erection of the new Parsonage as an earnest of our Connexional policy to maintain a good unit of work in that centre.

(3) **Broad Bay:** We also endorse the District decision to proceed with the erection of a new church at Broad Bay as a Centennial project. While endorsing the request of the District that this be made a special project for consideration when Church Extension Grants are made, we would urge that some additional District effort be made to assist this locally.

(4) **New Dunedin-West Circuit** and establishment of Psychiatric Hospital Chaplaincy in the Waitati-Waikouaiti-Palmerston area as a ministry of the Central Church and Mission. This dual project has our endorsement, but we would emphasise that the double proposal was endorsed only on the assurance that the Psychiatric Hospital Chaplaincy would be based on a pastoral unit with the Chaplain residing in the most suitable point in the

Waitati-Waikouaiti-Palmerston area. It was the strong plea for that from the officials from that area that was one main factor in the decision of the commission to approve of the major proposal.

**(B) OTHER MATTERS:**

We agree with the Otago-Southland Synod that Ecumenical factors should always now be taken into consideration when planning Church extension and we commend the relevant clauses of the Church Union report this year to the Synod and the Connexion generally.

This still needs the reminder that simply letting the position lapse by default is not true ecumenism. While our separate denominations continue and are in consultation together, there is everything to be said for using our existing structure to create a strong living unit which will contribute something worthy to the larger church which must come in the future.

Our people can do this and take their share in the total pattern. With strong encouragement to those who loyally support our work, and are willing to follow a forward looking lead, there can be a deepening of the spiritual life of the people and the effectiveness of our present congregations, and the sharing in the establishment of the new causes that are needed in the growing areas of Otago. Methodism can surely be represented in these areas somewhere, as specific units of Methodist witness. We would like to see the suggestion of the commission put into effect that a District-wide series of teaching and preaching missions be held. We are sure many of our leading ministers throughout the Dominion would be glad to share in such a campaign by concentrating in one or other of the Otago Circuits as members of a team. It is this note that is needed, and is already being struck in other Districts.

E. C. LEADLEY, Chairman of the Board.

GEO. I. LAURENSEN, General Superintendent.

D. G. SHERSON, Secretary of the Board.

**RESOLUTIONS**

1. That the Report, Financial Statements and Estimates for 1964 be received and adopted.

2. That the thanks of the Conference be tendered to Mrs Treadgold for the creation of the Rev. and Mrs T. G. Brooke Memorial Fund.

3. That the Rev. B. M. Chrystall, B.A., be appointed General Superintendent of the Department, for an initial term of three years.

4. That the Rev. R. D. Rakena be designated for appointment by Conference 1964 as Assistant Superintendent for a further term of three years.

5. That Synod Standing Committees when consulting with Circuit officials at Triennial visitations, examine the matter of the adequacy of the existing land in our various causes, in the light of the demands of the Code of the Town and Country Planning Act, and that the attention of the Connexion be drawn to Page 275 of the Minutes of Conference, 1962.

6. That Conference commend to our people the matter of depositing loans at call with the Home Mission Investment Funds Board to assist in the provision of more loan money for church buildings.

7. Conference and the whole Church pays its tribute, and expresses its sincere gratitude to the Rev. G. I. Laurensen, as he concludes 34 years of service in the Home Mission Department,



for 25 years of which he has been General Superintendent. Mr. Laurenson's undoubted gifts as preacher and pastor, his breadth of vision, his qualities of leadership and organisation, all offered in unsparring devotion and selflessness to his Lord, have been of incalculable value to the church.

The years of his service—through the depression and war, with consequent staff shortages and other problems—have been very difficult and critical ones. He may not always have been understood, but he has always been respected and loved. He has always maintained a personal interest in all workers and ministers and their families and who, in a sense, have been his pastorate. He is highly esteemed by the Maori people in the Connexion, honoured not only for his position, but in his own right as leader, preacher and friend.

Mr Laurenson's interests have always been wider than the Department, and indeed than the Methodist Church, and his counsels respected in inter-church discussion.

Conference is very conscious that in all these years of service, Mrs. Laurenson and family have supported him at great sacrifice, and to them we acknowledge a great debt of gratitude.

In thanking God for this service, we also pray His blessing upon Mr. and Mrs. Laurenson in the remaining years of active work and the years which follow.

8. That in Circuits where no directed Stewardship Campaigns have been undertaken, the Home Mission Board consider providing such Circuits with the assistance necessary by way of a grant to have a pledged canvass conducted by the Connexion's Stewardship Directors.

9. **Devonport:** That this Circuit be considered as a special case when grants are being made from the Church Extension Fund.

10. That Conference refer to the Church Council for consideration, the establishment of a policy to station experienced ministers in new housing areas.

11. That the Home Mission Board notify Circuits and Synod Standing Committees concerned, of cases where Circuit grants are made on the understanding that a directed stewardship canvass will be conducted.

12. That the question of proportioning the Church Extension Fund in the 4th Budget, so as to allow for an increase in the amount available for grants, be referred to the Home Mission Board and Church Building and Loan Fund Committee for consideration and report to next Church Council.

13. That Conference express its gratitude of the work done by the operators of the Probationers' Trust Account and their report and statement of accounts be recorded in the Conference journal.

14. That the question of all church extension in New Zealand being directed and financed from the Connexion through the Home Mission Department, be referred to the Commission on Church Structure and Organisation.

15. That the General Superintendent of Home Missions (Convener), the Connexional Secretary and the Principal of the College be asked to consult together and report to the Church Council on the following matters:

(1) The estimated average number of candidates required to be received for training for the ministry over the next six years.

(2) The estimated number of Circuits likely to require additional appointments over the next six years.

(3) The estimated number of ministers likely to become supernumeraries over the same period.

(4) Any adjustments in staffing procedures that may be needed in the light of the above estimates.

16. Treasurers for 1964: Rev. R. D. Rakena and Mr. B. O. Stokes.

17. That the Home Mission estimates be approved subject to the increases occasioned by the new stipend scale.

18. That the Board for 1964 be as printed on page 6 herein.

### **DISTRICT HOME MISSIONS CONVENERS**

NORTHLAND: Rev F. J. Climo.

AUCKLAND: Rev. H. W. Kitchingman.

WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY: Rev. G. T. Gilbert.

TARANAKI-WANGANUI: Rev. A. H. V. Newton.

WANGANUI SUB-DISTRICT: Rev. G. L. Bennett.

HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU: Rev. W. K. Abbott.

WELLINGTON: Rev. G. R. Thompson.

NELSON: Rev. I. Robertson.

NORTH CANTERBURY: Rev. C. H. Bell.

SOUTH CANTERBURY: Rev. G. Cramond.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND: Rev. R. S. Andrews.

**QUESTION 51.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference concerning Maori Work?**

## **Maori Mission**

### **ANNUAL REPORT, 1963**

The work of this side of our church life has proceeded steadily during the year. Our staff is facing many difficult problems but the general tone of the work is developing with some real encouragement and our staff and people are seeing the worthwhileness of the simple pattern of Mission organisation worked out in recent years.

**Staff:** With a staff vacancy developing at our Hamilton Maori Girls' Hostel (Te Rahui W.) and also recent losses in part time Circuit Home Mission Staff, it became necessary during this year to appoint the Rev and Mrs Herehere Maaka to Waikato. Mrs Maaka is now Matron of Te Rahui (W.) and Mr Maaka is on the staff of the Circuit.

During the year the Rev Te Awha W. Tahere, Superintendent of the Northland Maori Circuit entered hospital and the condition of his health necessitated bringing him nearer to medical oversight. In addition, the movement of a number of families to the Whangarei area for employment has made it a better centre for oversight of the general pattern of the Circuit. An urgent decision was made to procure a new Parsonage for the Circuit Superintendent in Kamo, and Mr and Mrs Tahere and family have taken up residence there. Mr Matu Makiha, an Honorary Maori Home Missionary has been taken on to the full-time Staff and appointed to Waima. By this means a much better programme of Circuit work can now be maintained with due regard to Mr Tahere's health.



**The Deaconess Staff:** At the end of last Connexional year, Sister Mary Sealey sought a year's leave of absence to travel abroad. Sisters Ruth Hilder, Norma Yarr, and Kathleen Rogers resigned from our Field Staff to be married. We were grateful to welcome on to the staff Probationers Shirley Simpson, Lynn Bowker, and Elva Harris. All these new workers have settled in very well into their appointments. A Deaconess Cottage has been purchased in Dargaville where Probationer Barbara Miller has resumed her appointment after a year in Deaconess House.

**The Hostels:** Our church is making a big contribution to Maori life through its Hostels. The M.W.M.U. Hostel "Kurahuna", maintains its fine record at Onehunga for School Girls. "Seamer House," Auckland, is now under the Leadership of Mrs N. W. Gilling as Matron and the work is proceeding very encouragingly. Plans are being prepared for an addition to provide better spacing for the bedrooms for the girls, and more suitable bedroom and sittingroom arrangements for the staff.

The two "Te Rahui's" in Hamilton are continuing their fine service. A strong Maori Committee is taking great interest in the general welfare of these Hostels and is in many ways contributing to their support.

"Rangiatea," New Plymouth is now well established and fulfilling our expectations and hopes.

A special word of tribute is due to the Christchurch Central Mission for their service to Maori Apprentices at "Rehua" in that city.

**Visit of The Rev. R. Rogers to Cook Islands:** At the invitation of the Cook Islands Congregational Churches our Senior Maori Superintendent visited Rarotonga and other parts of the Island groups as representative of the National Council of Churches of New Zealand at the celebrations in connection with the establishment of the Congregational Church which is successor to the London Missionary Society Mission in the area. We were glad to release Mr Rogers for this important trip, and we are sure he will bring much to our Mission life from his experience.

**Course of Study for Maori Workers:** In consultation with the Board of Studies, a course has been worked out for our Maori Lay Preachers and Home Mission Staff. A year of special reading and study will prepare these folk for taking thereafter the normal course of study for qualified Lay Preachers. The studies will be taken and examined either in English or Maori, on the same standard of examination as the Course for Lay Preachers in English.

**Special Grants for Hostel Work:** We are grateful for the following grants received for our different Hostels during the year.

Auckland Savings Bank—£100 for Seamer House.

Waikato Savings Bank—£50 for Hamilton Hostels.

Sargood Trust—£200 for Seamer House.

J. R. McKenzie Trust—£300. (£100 each for Seamer House and Hamilton Hostels.)

**Historic Maori Educational Trusts Policy Re Future Use of Nett Revenues:** Our church holds in trust three properties (among others) which were procured in the early days of our Maori Mission work.

The first is the Grey Institute property in New Plymouth purchased by our church from the local Maori people for a centre for Maori Mission activities and Educational work.

The second is the Kai Iwi Farm Trust near Wanganui, a property purchased for the establishment of a Maori Farm School.

The third is the Wellington Methodist Charitable and Educational Endowments Trust, deeded in the church for Educational and Charitable work among the Maori and nearby Island peoples and the care of the children of indigent Europeans.

For many years the first two of these paid their nett surplus rentals to the Home Mission Board for the assistance of the Maori Mission programme. The Wellington Trust gave regular support to the Masterton Children's Home, and for a few years assisted with grants for the support of Deaconess work in the Taranaki area.

With the establishment of Rangiatea Maori Girls' Hostel, New Plymouth, the Home Mission Board resolved to relinquish any further claim upon the Funds of these three trusts for general Mission work and agreed that the first claim on surplus nett rentals should be the consolidation and support of the work at Rangiatea.

Recognising that progressively these three properties will face increasing rentals with periodic revaluations, it is felt that the time has come when our Conference should define a policy for the guidance of the Trustees.

The Home Mission Board having considered this matter now appends to this Annual Report a series of recommendations with this purpose in view.

**M.W.M.U. and the new Methodist Women's Fellowship:** Once again in the past year the M.W.M.U. continued its splendid help of our work through its grant for Sisters' salaries, and also through the special objective gift for the Deaconess Car Fund. We are very grateful for the wonderful record of the M.W.M.U. and we ask Conference to place on record a special resolution of appreciation.

As the work is now being merged in the larger Women's Movement of the church we pray for the blessing of God upon the officers and members who will be establishing the pattern of the new movement and trust that the Missionary vision of the M.W.M.U. will extend to every woman of the church.

**The Maori Policy Committee of the Board:** The second meeting under the new pattern of Maori Mission organisation was held this year at Campbell's Bay, and it was very evident that this is fulfilling a great purpose. Together with the Annual "Hui" at Ngaruahia on Queen's Birthday Week-end, this is resulting in a greater sense of sharing in the privileges and responsibilities of the church on the part of our Maori members.

**Missionary in the Maori Work:** At this Conference, Mr Darvill is due for reappointment for a further term as "Missionary in the Maori work" and we gladly append a recommendation to this effect.

**Future Service of the Rev G. I. Laurenson:** On the unanimous recommendation of the Maori Policy Committee, the Board believes that if the way becomes open for this to be done, Mr Laurenson's services for his last three years in the active work of the Ministry should be used in the field work of the Maori Mission and we recommend accordingly.

**Motueka Visit:** (Minutes of Conference, 1962, page 168, Res. 2)

In accordance with the direction of last Conference, the Rev R. D. Rakena paid visits to the Motueka area and to other areas in the South Island during the year. We learn of the appreciation of his visits to them from the local people.



**Maori Membership Returns:** As the Maori Circuit Superintendents prepare their Statistical returns it is found that it will take time to work out a clear policy with respect to the method of recording membership. The situation at present is so fluid that the returns are not sufficiently stable to provide a reliable basis of comparison from year to year. It is therefore our mind that these returns should be forwarded to the Board, but not to the Statistical Secretary for a period of two years until the whole situation is clarified.

**Auckland N.C.C. Branch—United Mission of Witness:** During the year a week of special services of United Witness was held at the Maori Community Centre, Freeman's Bay, under the auspices of the Maori Section of the N.C.C. representing the Anglican, Presbyterian and Methodist Churches. It was felt to be a very well justified experiment and will be followed by similar joint activity there and in other areas in subsequent years.

**Kaikohe Maori Centre and Youth Block:** In 1957-58 the Methodist Youth Conference at Blenheim made a drive for funds to assist the Maori work and the Youth equipment at Kaikohe. As a result some £1715 was donated for this project and the Home Mission Board added a further £214 9s 8d towards the purchase of a site, this amount having been raised by Sister Eleanor Dobby for Maori work in the area.

This project is now taking shape. The Rev R. D. Rakena laid the foundation-stone on March 31, last.

We trust that this joint venture of a Maori Centre and a Youth Block under combined auspices of the Maori Circuit and the local Trust will be a pointer to further acts of co-operation in the field work of our church.

**Memorial Functions:** We were very glad to see two early Maori Mission sites marked during the year by suitable memorials.

**At Karitane—**Otago, a Cairn was erected to mark the site of the first Christian Mission in the South Island at the settlement earlier known as Waikouaiti.

**At Te Kopua—**In the King Country another Cairn marked the site of a Mission Station where for many years our Mission had a strong centre of work and witness.

We are grateful to the local folk who organised and supported these functions. On each occasion, the Assistant Superintendent, the Rev. R. D. Rakena, was able to attend and take a significant part.

We commend our work to the whole Church.

E. C. LEADLEY, Chairman of the Board.

R. ROGERS, Senior Maori Superintendent.

GEO. I. LAURENSEN, General Superintendent.

D. G. SHERSON, Secretary of the Board.

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the following be referred back for further consideration by the Home Mission Board in consultation with the three Trusts concerned.

### Historic Maori Educational Trusts:

In view of the decision of the Home Mission Board to waive any further claims on the nett rentals of the Grey Institute; Kai Iwi and Wellington Methodist Charitable and Educational Endow-

ment Trusts for the general work of the Mission, the following declaration of policy be approved by the Conference:

(a) A reasonable proportion of the increasing rentals from the three trusts named should go as subsidy to Rangiatea Maori Hostel Trust for the work of the Maori Girls' Hostel in New Plymouth.

(b) That the proportion of increased rentals be used to establish a Reserve Fund to be deposited with the Home Mission and Church Extension Investment Fund's Board, with the ultimate purpose of establishing Maori institutions or establishments to serve the area covered by the three named Trusts.

(c) Some portion of Grey Institute surplus new rentals should be used to provide and maintain a residence in New Plymouth for a Maori minister in consultation with the Home Mission Board.

(d) In the case of the Wellington Trust the just claims of the work of the Masterton Children's Home and its associated child-care programme should continue to be recognised in the use of the Trust Income.

### **3. Methodist Women's Missionary Union and the new Methodist Women's Fellowship.**

(a) That Conference record and extend to the officers and members of the N.Z. M.W.M.U. sincere thanks for the great record of Missionary service maintained by the Union since its inception. Again this has been maintained during the year in support of Sisters' Salaries and the special objective for the Deaconess Car Fund.

(b) On the establishment of the new Women's Fellowship as the co-ordinating movement for the special Women's activities in the Church, Conference trusts that the Missionary programme at home and overseas will receive even greater support in the future from the women of our church.

### **4. Missionary in Maori work**

That the Rev H. A. Darvill be appointed for a further term of three years as Missionary in the Maori work.

### **5. Maori Statistical Returns:**

That for the next two years Maori statistical returns be forwarded to the Home Mission Board only, and not to be included in the report of the Dominion Statistical Secretary during that period.

6. That as a step toward the integration of the European and Maori Church, it be a recommendation to the Waikato and King Country Maori Circuits (acting in consultation with Circuits) that earnest endeavours be made to hold Maori Services of Worship and other activities in churches conveniently situated for such purposes.

7. That recognising the increasing number of Maori families in Hamilton and Te Awamutu, it be a recommendation to the Home and Maori Mission Board and the Maori Policy Committee that consideration be given to a Maori Home Missionary (or other suitably qualified Maori worker) being appointed to those Circuits and that such appointments be supported by the Department.

8. That Conference confirm that the Kaikohe Centre be known as the "Te Rongopai Centre."

9. That Conference thank the J. R. McKenzie Trust for the considerable financial assistance it has rendered to the Auckland



and Hamilton Methodist Maori Hostels, especially its latest grants of £600 for the Department's Hostels.

10. That Conference request the Home Mission Board to consider a more adequate provision than £125 per annum for Deaconesses' cars being made to cover all emergencies, viz., the payment of normal running expenses, depreciation and replacement.

**QUESTION 52.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Central Missions?**

## **N.Z. Methodist Social Services Association**

### **ANNUAL REPORTS 1963**

#### **I—M.S.S.A.**

The Annual Meeting was held at Wallis House on the 6th and 7th May, 1963. The President of the Conference, Rev R. Thornley, M.A., presided.

#### **VISIT OF MINISTER OF HEALTH—HON MR D. M. MACKAY.**

The Minister paid a tribute to the Social Service work of the Church.

#### **Government Survey:**

The Minister outlined briefly the report of the survey recently held on Care of Aged which revealed that a definite need existed for Pensioner Flats and perhaps a further 500 hospital beds.

He believed that Churches and kindred organisations were doing the work of caring better than the Government could do, and expressed thanks on behalf of the Government and promised assistance where ever possible. He outlined a scheme to train Nurses for Geriatric work which he hoped would overcome shortages.

The Minister recognised the real difficulty of some Churches who refused to accept Lottery money and hoped that a way could be found to overcome this problem.

#### **REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CARE OF DEPENDENT CHILDREN**

Last Conference adopted the policy recommended by the Commission and instructed the Boards of the Children's Homes to implement the policy.

The Commission was continued as a national committee of the N.Z.M.S.S.A. on the Care of Dependent Children, to guide the Boards in implementing the policy. Certain matters were specified on which the Boards were required to have the agreement of the N.Z.M.S.S.A. before taking action. (See 1962 Minutes, p. 187 Nos. 2 and 3).

The Committee has met each of the three Boards to discuss the new policy and help the Boards to decide what initial steps should be taken.

**Administration:** It is recommended that in the meantime there should be four centres from which the new policy operates: Auckland, Wellington, Christchurch, Dunedin. In each case the area covered would follow M.S.S.A. boundaries.

In each of these centres a special committee of the Area M.S.S.A. Care of Dependent Children is being established. The National Committee has prepared a memorandum to guide the present Boards and/or Area M.S.S.A. Committees in setting up these Committees. The committee envisaged would consist of

approximately nine members chosen for their professional experience: social workers, ministers, doctors, teachers, businessmen.

The funds of the present Boards will be available for the new policy as it is a continuation of the Church's concern and care for these children. Although large institutional "Homes" will not be visible, the Church will still be caring (we believe more effectively) for these children and providing much needed service to families. It is hoped that our people, in making their bequests, will continue to provide for this Christ-like work.

**Methodist Social Workers (or Caseworkers):** The National Committee has considered the function of these social workers on whose appointment the success of the policy largely depends. A statement setting out the qualifications desired, their duties, and conditions of employment, has been submitted to the Boards or Committees concerned.

At the time of reporting the Auckland committee is advertising the position. It is expected that the other three centres will each be taking the same action in due course.

We believe that these appointments open up a most worthwhile field of service for Christian folk possessing the desired qualifications and experience, or who are willing to train for this work.

Discussions with the Boards revealed that a Casework service should meet a long-felt need for the Church to employ its own social workers in various fields of family counselling.

**The Committee:** During the coming year the National Committee will continue to guide and assist the Boards and/or Area Committees as they proceed to implement the policy. A further grant from the Contingent Fund will be required for this purpose.

#### **CITY MISSIONS**

**Maori Work and Children's Homes:** Reports were received from the constituent bodies which are reported elsewhere in the Synod Agendas. It was reported that "Panama House" in the Wellington district was being considered for an Old Peoples' Home. A Government Subsidy had been applied for "Jamieson Hostel," in Palmerston North which would hold 12 students. There was room for further development.

#### **SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCE**

Resolved we do some research into the possibility of the Church providing some kind of Bursary to help candidates to qualify for the Social Science Diploma. Also to enquire what Government assistance was available. Mr Cyril Burton be requested to make these enquiries and report to the next meeting.

**Staff Superannuation:** Resolved that Conference be asked to establish through the Connexional Office an overall scheme of Superannuation for employed lay servants of the Church. Such scheme to be opened to all applicants who, with the approval of their employing board, desired to become contributors. Such scheme to incorporate the present superannuation schemes of the Home and Overseas Missions Boards with the A.M.P. Society and to provide for those who may prefer to contribute to the National Provident Fund or a simple subsidised scheme of compulsory saving.

#### **THE METHODIST GUILD OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE**

A letter was received from the Faith and Order Committee approving of the draft Constitution except for the word "Extension" in the first line of the aim be changed to "work." Resolved



that the Constitution now be adopted and forwarded to Conference for approval.

**Aim:** For the work of the Kingdom of God through dedicated continuous lay service within the various institutions of the Methodist Church of New Zealand.

**Membership:** Generally they should be members in good standing with the Methodist Church of New Zealand. They should be recommended by the Quarterly Meeting and should have had some service within institutions of the Methodist Church or their equivalent. There shall be provision for associate members and full membership.

**Associate Membership:** Trained persons or non-Methodists who desire to retain a relationship with the Guild shall be eligible for associate membership.

**Full Membership:** Shall be open to those:

1. Who have already proved themselves in existing Methodist Institutions or their equivalent.
2. Associate members who have completed a satisfactory period of 2 years.

**Training:** There shall be a period of probation for associate members and full membership after an agreed period of service.

**The Guild of Service should be Vested in the Conference:** The controlling body should maintain a classified roll of workers who are full time or on a part time basis. This roll shall be kept and shall be reviewed periodically.

**Conditions of Service:** There should be a service of recognition containing vows of loyalty and some form of emblem.

Facilities should be provided for arranging transfers and exchanges within the life of the Church.

Wages and emoluments shall be the concern of the individual institution.

There should be a subsidised contributory provision for retirement.

Continuity of employment and gratuitous service will depend on suitability and continuing dedication.

Wherever possible, arrangements should be made for accommodation in life's eventide for those who have given long years of service to the Church.

**Proposed University Hostel:** It was noted with approval that there were negotiations between the Methodists and Presbyterians to establish a Students' Hostel in Auckland on the Methodist site near Trinity College.

**Constitution:** Resolved that the Constitution of 3 City Missions, Auckland, Christchurch, and Dunedin, be further studied and reported at the next Meeting.

**Levy for 1964:** Be increased to £30.

**Connexional Budget Leaflets:** Resolved that the matter of Brochure be raised at the meeting of the Budget Committee in October.

**Hospital Chaplain:** See Minutes of Conference 1962, Page 172 No. 3. Resolved that each Convener seek information in his area of Chaplains named in the Minutes of Conference and forward them to the Dominion Convener who would make a report at the next meeting.

**Hard-core Refugees:** The Convener reported that the N.C.C., through Rev. Brash, had stated that the Government desired one home for these refugees. The President reported that the Nansen Home had been established in Lower Hutt by an Inter-Church Group led by Dr. I. Fraser. It was suggested that our Wellington representative, Rev. Riseley, keep in touch and report at the next meeting.

**Church Rating:** A letter from the Inter-Church Council on Public Affairs stating that the matter was still receiving consideration.

**Community Nurses:** Resolved the Minister of Health be requested to advise if any arrangements could be made for selected women approved by the Church to be trained as Community Nurses under one of the Existing Schemes. Also, if men and women at present on our staff and working in Hospitals be considered eligible for registration after suitable testing is made.

**Information for immigrants:** Rev Riseley was asked to organise an Immigration Centre in Wellington where information could be obtained.

ROBERT THORNLEY, M.A., President.

A. EVERIL ORR, Convener and Official Representative.  
NEW ZEALAND METHODIST SOCIAL SERVICES  
ASSOCIATION

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted.

2. That a grant of £50 be made from the Contingent Fund to the National Committee on the Care of Dependent Children.

3. That the National Committee be: Miss L. M. Hodder, Mrs D. Burton, Messrs G. C. Burton (Convener), D. Morris, Revs B. H. Riseley, W. F. Ford, Mr J. A. Hendry.

4. That the matter of district representation on area committees of the M.S.S.A. be referred to the M.S.S.A. annual meeting for direction as to future policy.

5. That the following be referred to the M.S.S.A. for implementation: That a Methodist Guild of Service be established for lay workers in full-time service in the institutions of the Church, and that the constitution as submitted be approved.

6. That Synod Standing Committees remind Circuits that they have responsibilities to City Missions beyond the token contribution through the Connexional Budget.

### QUESTION 52

## II—Central Missions

### A—AUCKLAND CENTRAL MISSION

The building programme now gathering momentum, is calculated to make a greater moral and spiritual impact on the City's life. In the meantime, under restricted conditions, Sunday Services, work among the elderly folk and young people has been well maintained.

#### New Building

Though there was delay with the laying of the foundations, the Contractors are up to schedule—circumstances necessitated a new programming of the contract. Over 1000 people attended the laying of the Foundation Stone by the Superintendent on June 8, 1963, and proceeded to the Town Hall for the reception. The Office



Block has now reached the seventh floor and it is expected that the actual structure will be completed and covered in with windows glazed by September. The Electrical and Air conditioning services are well advanced.

After long and patient negotiations, the Trustees are pleased to report that tenants in our existing buildings and the adjacent shops are happy with the following arrangements: In November all tenants in "Probert Chambers" will move into the new buildings; the Central Mission will temporarily occupy the Counselling Centre, and the needs of those in the City Council Building (corner of Wakefield and Queen Street) have been met.

It is anticipated that the National Bank will move into the Ground Floor in November with portion of the pavement laid, for access to the Civic Square. As part of the development of the Square, the City Council will lay out that portion of land on which Robinson's building now stands. Demolishing of "Probert Chambers" shall commence in November when the Church and Mission facilities which are now well advanced, can be completed. A new Goodwill Store has been erected.

The Inland Revenue Department should be in occupation at the latter end of January when the Office Block will be officially opened. The Church and Mission facilities should be ready for dedication about May 1964.

Early in the year, after a Trust Deed had been approved by the Church Building and Loan Fund and agreed to by the New Zealand Insurance Company, a Loan Stock Issue of £450,000 was floated and was over subscribed in three weeks. The certificate states: "Issue of £450,000 First Mortgage Loan Stock created and issued under the authority of the Methodist Model Deed of New Zealand 1887 and a resolution of the Mission passed on the 13th day of November, 1962, and approved by a resolution of the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee of the Conference of the Methodist Church of New Zealand passed on the 16th day of November, 1962." It is most gratifying that Church Members, financial institutions and the public co-operated. The Trustees still have difficulties to face including increased costs in wages, and interest rates, but they have been greatly inspired by many public spirited Citizens.

### **Stained Glass Window**

As the window of the Church will be prominent, in height 22ft and width 16ft, the Trustees have asked a Committee to give a report of the possibility of a Stained Glass Window as a memorial to the Pioneers with a large figure of Christ as the dominant feature.

### **Homes and Hospitals**

**New Wesley Geriatric Hospital:** The Contract has been let to McKerras Bros., who have almost completed the preliminary work. The new hospital provides for 16 single beds and 6 ward rooms of 4 beds. It is hoped to operate the present hospital until the patients can be transferred to the new hospital when the present building will be converted to a Nurses' Home. The cost of the construction, architects fees, furnishings and further staff quarters will cost approximately £140,000 and £15,000 is still needed to erect the hospital free of debt. We are grateful to the Auckland Savings Bank for a further £2000 and to all other subscribers. Sister Arline Preece who has been Matron since its inception, still serves us well.

**Astley House:** Mrs I. W. Palmer with her devoted staff, cares for 56 ladies. The Christian content of the "House" is of a high order. The guests are grateful and need no planned occupational therapy, as those who are able, continue to make articles for good causes and generally assist in the Home. We are grateful to the Lions' Club for a Television Set.

**Tyler House, Thomas Ashby Memorial Hospital and Leigh Haven Cottages:** These units serve 56 men and women. The well equipped hospital gives security to the men and provides temporary care for some ladies. The cottages meet the need of any who are able largely to care for themselves with the help of the mid-day meal and nursing attention. Sister Margaret Frampton's sacrificial service is a worthy contribution and we record our thanks to Mr J. C. Lewis for the gift of a television set.

**Purchase of the late Mr Marsden Caughey's residence—63 Allendale Road:** This fine property was offered to the Trustees at market valuation, £12,250. We anticipated using the house to accommodate more men, but on account of fire hazard regulations of the Health Department, who do not allow a wooden floor in a double storied building for housing of the aged, the Trustees propose to use the existing Nurses' Home to accommodate a further eight ladies and to use the new property for a Nurses' Home. This is acceptable to the Government. Alterations, fire escapes, furnishing etc., will involve an expenditure of at least £5000 over and above the subsidy.

**South Auckland Project:** Sketch drawings have been approved by the Health Department and a subsidy of £70,335 has been agreed to by the Cabinet. Mr J. A. Davys has given many sacrificial hours in raising funds and the Hamilton Committee is organising to raise further monies—Mr C. Burgess serves well as Hon Secretary.

**Future Needs:** As anticipated, the recent "Survey of the Aged," reveals that the greatest need is for single accommodation and hospital units. We have long had the provision of "Flatettes" in mind.

The expansion of the City and growth of the aged population demands further provision in this field.

The Church would be wise in acquiring land on the outskirts of the city or any place adjacent to a settlement which can be developed for this purpose. Some folk moved by the spirit of God and blessed materially could make a distinct contribution to the Kingdom of God and to the life of the Community, in making such land available.

**Campbell's Bay Health Camp and Waiheke Holiday House:** The camp is constantly used and is an increasingly valuable plant for the upbuilding of Christian Citizenship. Many children benefit and many church groups go into residence. The sewerage system is about to be installed throughout the area. Improvements are being made and equipment replaced. A full time caretaker will help in rendering greater service to the Community. We record our grateful thanks to the Auckland Savings Bank and the J. R. McKenzie Trust for financial help.

The property at Waiheke has been surveyed. A number of families enjoy their holidays in the two cottages.

**Hostel—Winstone Lodge:** This has been a particularly good year with a fine group of 30 girls of many denominations in residence. In a Christian atmosphere girls are expected to work hard and qualify for their chosen career.



Mrs R. Butterworth, who has faithfully served the Church for so long, retires as Matron later in the year, and will be succeeded by Miss M. Dalziel.

Applications should be made as early as possible in the year.

**Court and Prison Work:** Sister Ivy Jones, J.P., M.B.E., serves well as Welfare Officer at the Magistrate's Court and is well supported by Rev S. J. Spindler, who also regularly visits the Mt Eden Prison and conducts services in conjunction with the Prison Chaplain.

**Case Work:** For many years, Mrs I. Crawely, a trained Nurse and Welfare Worker, has handled the confidential difficulties of many folk and is always ready to help with valuable experience at her command.

**Counselling Centre:** The Centre will comprise three counselling rooms, a Typist's and a Waiting room, on the first floor of the Office Block. The partitions will be of such material that the whole area will be sound proof and thus suitable for confidential work. A Committee of experts in this field is already working on the project. The Director, Dr D. O. Williams, will also conduct a training class and these students will gain practical experience at the centre. This work should make a valuable contribution to the life of the Community.

**General:** There have been experiments with Teenage Services.

An increasing number of Pacific Islanders look to us for guidance when they arrive in the city. Many hours have been spent in helping with personal and domestic problems. The Board of Management is grateful to its Board of Trustees, Officers, Youth Workers, consecrated staff in its Homes, Hospitals, Office, Auditors, Solicitors, Economic Advisers, Choirmaster, Organists, Women's Committee, and all other helpers and contributors.

**Staff:** The Mission Congregation appreciates the consecrated services of Rev S. J. Spindler. The Opening of the New Building, the erection of the New Wesley Hospital, extensions at Mt Albert, will demand increased staff. The minimum staff required at the centre is Superintendent, Assistant Minister, Deaconess, Qualified Counsellors, a qualified General Secretary, a Bookkeeper, Typists, Karitane Nurse, Caretaker, Engineer for Air Conditioning plant and a host of voluntary workers.

**Legacies:** Legacies received during the year were William Astley £3448 10s 2d; John Topham £1037 1s 11d; Mary Ashton £328 0s 11d; Elizabeth McN. Wallace £340; H. D. Buddle £100; A. A. Burgess £90 0s 9d; and E. E. Prince £23 16s 9d.

**The Future:** The past 112 years have seen many changes on the old site, which was originally covered with scrub and was once described as "a little out of the Town."

As the new building rises opposite the Town Hall as part of the Civic Square, the Mission prepares to meet the next Century with the same dauntless spirit as the pioneers. We record our grateful thanks to Almighty God and all who have contributed in so many ways.

Signed: A. EVERIL ORR, Superintendent.  
G. TOOTILL, Circuit Steward.  
F. M. SOUSTER, Circuit Steward.  
R. T. GARLICK, Hon. Secretary.  
E. A. ASTLEY, Hon. Treasurer.

## **B—WESLEY CHURCH (WELLINGTON CENTRAL) SOCIAL SERVICES TRUST BOARD (INC.)**

### **REPORT TO SYNOD AND CONFERENCE, 1963**

#### **Wesleyhaven**

With the completion at the end of July of the new 48 bed-sitting-room wing, it has been possible to commence the admission of new residents. By the end of August or early September, it is estimated we will have a total of eighty senior citizens under our care. The building of this new addition will enable us to care for the more dependent type of applicant and should prove a great asset to the community.

**Staff**—Matron Miss M. Brewin resigned at the end of June and Miss M. Rawlings has been appointed to fill the position as Matron in Charge. Miss W. Griffiths is to continue as assistant Matron. With the resignation of Miss P. Clark as cook, Mr M. Lewis has been appointed to the position. Mrs Lewis may assist in domestic duties and they, with their family, are to occupy the cottage at Wesleyhaven. We welcome this Methodist family from Otorohanga. Mr T. H. Galbreath is Property Supervisor. We are grateful for the services rendered by the domestic staff, permanent and casual, especially the many voluntary helpers who come to assist either in a private capacity or from our Methodist Guilds, and who give unstintingly of their labours.

**Deckston Wing**—The contractors have the new building well in hand and by the end of this year completion is planned. This new addition to Wesleyhaven will give us a further 24 beds to be made available for allocation first to Jewish applicants and thereafter to any other applicant.

The total capacity of Wesleyhaven Eventide Homes will then be 104, plus residential staff of 12, and part-time staff of 4.

**Finance**—The estimated cost of Wesleyhaven new building, together with furnishings at £150,000, appears to be very near to actual costs, although the final accounts are not yet available. It is anticipated that the new wing will be opened free of debt. We desire to express our grateful thanks to all donors for their generous support. To the Women's Guilds, who have donated the cost of furnishing a bedroom, we express our thanks for their interest and support, especially in view of those circuits who have large commitments.

#### **Epworth House Hostel**

This Hostel continues to meet a steady demand from young women for accommodation. It caters for students and working girls, mostly under 21 years of age. The Hostel is full to capacity, and we are grateful to Mr and Mrs F. Dodge who act as Master and Matron, and who give splendid service and make a wonderful home for the 21 young women under our care.

#### **Panama Home, Masterton**

Negotiations are still in progress for the legal transfer of this property to the Methodist Church of New Zealand. The legal requirements and consent of the Supreme Court are a lengthy business. The Wairarapa Hospital Board has notified the Wesley Social Services Trust Board that the transfer of the Whatman Bequest is to be made as soon as the legal formalities are completed, subject to certain terms stipulated by the Trust. This means that an additional eventide home at Masterton will enable us to minister to the senior citizens of the Wairarapa.



### **Social Service Work**

We seek to render aid to all in genuine need in the name of Christ and His Church. We are involved with the concerns of the Pacific Islanders, Court work, Counselling, Marriage Guidance, Immigration and Housing.

### **Finance**

Grants Received.—£400 from J. R. McKenzie Trust; £200 from C. H. Izard Trust; £300 from W. H. Denton Trust; £500 from Wesley Circuit; £303 from Postal Appeal; £696 from Ladies Guilds for furnishings of bed-sitting-rooms; £2330 from General donations and Estates.

### **Conclusion**

We desire to express our gratitude to God for His continuing grace and guidance in our work. To Miss A. M. Little in the office and to all staff members, and to all trustees for their devotion to the work and loyal support, we tender our grateful thanks. To all donors and supporters we express our sincere gratitude. There has been gradual, even if not spectacular progress—but there is still much to do.

ROBERT THORNLEY, Chairman.

B. H. RISELEY, Director.

T. M. STEPHENS, Secretary.

## **C—CHRISTCHURCH CENTRAL MISSION**

In submitting this Report, we are mindful of the privilege of representing the Church in our Social Service work in the Community.

With thanksgiving we acknowledge the blessing and guidance of God in our various services and activities. We are convinced that a City Mission should always be geared to "break through" to the Community by word and deed with the Gospel. This conviction has been the main motive in many of the Services and unorthodox ministries established over the years.

### **Telephone Ministry:**

This is a new medium of witness and service that will be established this year. Six recording units will provide a daily message and prayer continuously both day and night, and a follow-up Counselling service will be provided for callers who desire personal help. A Committee representing the Synod Standing Committee and the Mission Board of Management has been set up to plan and operate this service.

Member Churches of the National Council of Churches have been advised of this proposal, and we have indicated that ultimately, inter-church co-operation may be necessary if the work is to be an effective witness of the Church.

### **Coffee Club:**

Up to two hundred young people crowd into Friendship House every Sunday night for our Teenage Coffee Club. We are aware that this is a controversial youth experiment but would remind those who are apt to criticise the Club that by providing activities along the lines of youths' interests, the popularity of the Club has increased over the past eighteen months.

These young people are off the city streets, sharing in a wholesome, happy atmosphere. But most important of all, we are bringing the Church to them. In "Christian Viewpoint" which is a feature of every programme, the Mission Ministers, Committee members,

or visiting speakers present the Christian Faith in clear and challenging terms, and many of the members are asking searching questions about life and religion.

Miss Lyn Sadler, who has been accepted as a Missionary teacher, relinquished the position of Chairman of the Committee, and the vacancy has been filled by Miss Kay Jackson. Mr Jack Yarr is the Secretary.

#### **Friendship House Extensions:**

In view of the numbers attending the Coffee Club and our desire to provide facilities for week night activities, as well as to make possible further developments of the Darby and Joan Club for Senior Citizens who use Friendship House during the day, the matter of extending the premises is one of urgency. We can almost double the size of the building by an extension at the back and a foyer at the front. The cost of this work is estimated to be £3000.

#### **Darby and Joan Club:**

This Club for Senior Citizens, led by Miss O. G. Searle, maintains a membership of one hundred. There is a need for people who can assist on the committee with planning the work of the Club, particularly in view of the proposed extension of the Club's activities when Friendship House is enlarged.

#### **Rehua Hostel:**

There is need for further accommodation at the Hostel because of two new Maori apprentices' Trade training courses which are to commence in Christchurch next year. The Trustees have prepared a plan for a thirty-bed dormitory, the estimated cost being £25,000. As a 50 per cent subsidy applies, the Mission would require to find £12,500.

In the light of our present finances and other developments in our Social Service work, the Trustees reluctantly decided that we could not proceed with the scheme on the 50 per cent basis. However, we have agreed to give the necessary area of land to the Government if it will erect the building and hand it back to us to administer. The Trustees have entered into negotiations with the Department of Maori Affairs on this matter.

Mr and Mrs T. R. Ellison continue to serve as Master and Matron, and we thank them for their services.

#### **Wesley Lodge and Hospital:**

Eight Wesley Lodge beds have now been registered, bringing our total number of hospital beds to twenty-six. There is a continuing need for trained sisters and extensive enquiries have been made in New Zealand and overseas. Salaries have been increased during the year in line with the new Award. 416 patients have been cared for in the hospital during the past six years. 115 names are on the waiting-list for admission, 55 being for the hospital and 60 for the Eventide Home.

#### **Wesley House:**

Mrs E. S. Brookes relinquished the position of Matron of our Picton Home this year, and Mrs V. Burgess was appointed to the position.

We congratulate our Hon. Secretary and Treasurer, Mr A. E. Greig, on being elected Mayor of the borough.

The Home has been painted during the year, and is a pleasing sight in its lovely setting. On account of facilities required for the "Aromoana" the small boat harbour is to be made in the inlet im-



mediately in front of the Home. When established, this will provide a source of interest for the Home residents. We are always impressed by the family-like atmosphere in which our fourteen residents live at Wesley House.

#### **Conversion of Children's Home:**

The Minister of Health has advised that our proposal to convert the South Island Methodist Children's Home into a Hospital for the Aged cannot be approved.

The main reason given for this decision is that the Public Hospital must carry the major part of the hospital geriatric load, and therefore there is need for it to provide more long-stay beds.

In the past, we have been encouraged to provide hospital care for the aged sick, and it has frequently been stated by the Ministers and officials of the Health Department that it was uneconomic for infirm, aged folk requiring nursing care only to occupy beds in hospitals. Now apparently, there has been a reversal of policy, and we cannot help but wonder what effect the new policy will have on hospitals administered by religious and welfare organisations in the future.

We have advised the Minister that there are sixty people on the waiting-list for Wesley Lodge and Hospital, as evidence of the need for further hospital beds. His reply is, that these waiting-lists tend to reflect demand rather than need, and cannot be always taken as a dependable criterion.

#### **Supervised Flats:**

As the proposed flats for the aged are envisaged on the Children's Home site, no further progress has been made, pending the Government's decision on the hospital proposal.

#### **Goodwill Store:**

This year has seen a marked increase in the numbers seeking good used clothing. A nominal charge is made and thus, those who benefit from the service need not feel that they are accepting charity.

After the expenses of operating the Store are deducted, any surplus is devoted to the Social Service work of the Mission. Gifts of clothing, household articles, books etc., are most welcome, and we thank the many people who have made gifts during the year.

This Department could not operate without the willing voluntary service of our staff. We thank them for their service during the year.

#### **"Enterprise":**

This social Service magazine has proved a valuable means of keeping our many supporters in touch with the work. We express thanks to our Editor, Mr Robin Mitchell, and to Rev W. T. Blight, who contributes the devotional column.

We are indebted to the many business firms who sponsor the magazine. Without their help, the publication would not be possible.

#### **Finance:**

During the year, legacies amounting to £4039 were received for various Social Service activities of the Mission.

We gratefully acknowledge an anonymous gift of £2500 and grants from the J. R. McKenzie Trust of £125 for Wesley Lodge and £125 for Social Service work. We express our sincere thanks to business firms, organisations and individuals who have contributed finance and goods.

Although Central Missions are not financed from the Connexional Budget, except for a token payment of £3000 for the four cities, there has been a marked decline in circuit giving since the Connexional Budget came into operation.

Furthermore, our canvasses in some circuits have not been so successful because the people had been told that their stewardship pledge represented their total giving to the Church.

We would urge circuits to recognise their responsibility and either encourage their people to make personal contributions toward the Social Service activities of the Church, or to allow for a Social Service grant in their budgeting.

#### **Social Service:**

Requests for Counselling, emergency relief, accommodation, help in the home, clothing, groceries etc., have shown a marked increase during the year.

#### **Staff:**

The Board expresses thanks to our many paid and voluntary workers who by their loyalty and devotion enable the Mission to express the Faith in deeds of love and mercy.

We are also grateful to all who give their time as Conveners or members of the Trust and Finance Committee, the Rehua Hostel Committee, The Wesley Lodge and Hospital Committee and the Wesley House Committee.

W. E. FALKINGHAM,

D. W. EDMONDS,           Ministers.

H. G. STEWART,           Secretary.

A. A. DINGWALL,        Treasurer.

### **D—CENTRAL METHODIST CHURCH AND MISSION**

#### **DUNEDIN**

**Circuit Life:** We began the second century of Trinity Church with the establishment of a Family Church Programme. This has meant increased attendance at our morning service while the numbers at evening worship in the Octagon Hall have been well maintained.

Our Architects are at present working on plans for the renovations of Trinity Church, and when these are completed this Church will become the venue for both morning and evening services.

As a result of the recommendations of the Commission on Methodism in Otago, St Philip's Church, Waverley, was transferred to the St Kilda Circuit at the beginning of the Connexional Year and the country Churches of Waikouaiti, Palmerston and Waitaiti came into the Central Circuit.

The Trust has been concerned for some time with the condition of the Parsonages and as a result, plans are almost completed for a new Parsonage for the Superintendent, while the Associate Minister's Parsonage has had extensive renovations. The matter of a suitable Parsonage for the Hospital Chaplain is under consideration.

**Staff:** After six years of faithful and effective service as Associate Minister, the Rev E. Heppelthwaite has accepted an invitation to another circuit. We are most grateful for the devotion of Mr and Mrs Heppelthwaite and pray for them every blessing in the future. Mr I. A. Skene continues to show tireless energy in his many duties as Administrative Officer. We have welcomed to our Staff this year the Rev Warren Green, who has come as Hospital Chap-



lain for the Psychiatric Hospitals and Minister of the country area of the Circuit. His gifts in this specialised field of Hospital work have been recognised by the authorities and are greatly appreciated.

**Social Service Work:** At the Octagon Centre in the heart of Dunedin, Methodist witness continues. Counselling help is given to many in need. The Goodwill Store, staffed by volunteer ladies, provides good used clothing at reasonable prices. Our Teenage Club, now meeting on a Sunday evening after Church, is establishing a bridgehead for evangelism among young people, many of whom are at least two generations away from the Church. Ladies of the Dunedin Methodist Women's Guild Fellowship are looking after our Lunch Rooms, which provide a social centre for Methodists and their friends in the City.

The Dunedin Citizens' Day Nursery, which is controlled by the Central Mission, offers daily care for thirty children under the supervision of a qualified Matron and staff. Special consideration is given to the children of widows, unmarried mothers, and deserted wives.

**Eventide Homes:** At Company Bay we are at present caring for 65 elderly ladies. The Staff position has been much improved this year. Plans are being prepared, on the recommendation of the Chief Fire Protection Officer, Ministry of Works, for the installation of a sprinkler system for which the Health Department has granted a special subsidy.

**Wesley Manor:** Our Home for elderly men at Andersons Bay has had a full complement of 18 men for over a year. There are also a number on the waiting list.

At Timaru the erection of a 21 bed Hospital, run by a combined Anglican Methodist Trust Board, is well on the way. An appeal for £15,000 to meet the estimated difference between the capital cost and Government Subsidy has been held in the Timaru District.

**Wesley Residential Hall:** This Hostel for male students is still in its infancy. With 13 students it is still too small to be an economic unit and suffers greatly from not having a Resident Warden. We hope to remedy this by extensions as soon as possible.

Annesley Flats have been sold and the proceeds placed in the Wesley Hall Extension Fund. To this we plan to add the money received from the sale of the Dickison Estate, a most desirable property which was left to us and which is being sub-divided for residential purposes.

**Kawarau Falls Holiday Camp:** This Camp on the Frankton Arm of Lake Wakatipu is being made use of all the year round, both by family groups and organisations.

**Eventide Farm:** After careful consideration, the Trustees have decided to sell the Eventide Farm.

**Finance:** We are grateful for the many well-wishers who have helped us financially during the past year and to the J. R. McKenzie Trust Board and the Dunedin Savings Bank for their continued support. We acknowledge the following legacies received: Estate Mrs Janet Jones £100, estate Mr E. R. Cridland £87 12s 3d, estate Mrs Elizabeth McLeary £59 2s 3d, estate Mrs M. C. Findlater £25, estate Mrs F. J. Allen £1569 1s 3d, estate Mr Jasper Bryce £500, estate Mr G. B. Smith £1126, estate Mrs L. S. V. Walton £1294 10s 7d.

**Octagon Building Site:** The Trust has recommended the appointment of an Architect. The financial position is satisfactory according to our planned budget and we hope that plans for the new building will be ready to present to Conference 1964.

**Thanks:** We are grateful to those members of our staff and voluntary workers who have given long hours of devoted service to Jesus Christ through the Central Methodist Church and Mission and to the many people, particularly in South Canterbury, and Otago-Southland who are showing such interest in our work. We are grateful to God for the privilege which is ours to serve in this sphere.

D. B. GORDON, Superintendent,  
G. F. PASCOE, H. C. VINCE,  
Circuit Stewards.

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Reports of Auckland, Christchurch and Dunedin Central Missions and Wesley Church (Wellington Central) Social Services Trust be received and adopted.

2. That the following be referred to the Finance and Stewardship Committee for further consideration:

(a) That stipends for Hospital Chaplains, from the Connexional Budget, be placed on the same basis as Church Departments.

(b) **Hospital Chaplaincy.** That Conference call on the whole Church to recognise the present and the growing urgency of Hospital Chaplaincy work. We are gratified to learn that the M.S.S.A. has a special survey in hand, but we urge that the matter of appointment of at least one full-time chaplain in the Auckland District be hastened as a part of Dominion Connexional Policy, not later than 1964.

3. That Conference express its appreciation of the magnificent progress and accomplishment of the Auckland Central Mission Superintendent (Rev. A. E. Orr) and Trustees in the development of the new building project now nearing completion.

4. That Conference learns with pleasure of the extension of the Counselling Centre Programme to allow the Anglican, Presbyterian, Baptist and Congregational Churches to participate in the work, and confirm the action of the Auckland Central Mission in making these arrangements.

5. That Conference congratulates the Wesley Social Service Staff and Trust on the completion of Wesleyhaven free of debt, and assures them of the continued interest of the Church.

#### 6. Boards of Management:

Auckland—Superintendent of Central Mission (Chairman), General Superintendent of Home Missions, Chairman of District, Rev. E. W. Hames, M.A., Rev. L. R. Gilmore, B.A., Dr. D. O. Williams, Dr. H. Ranston, Rev. Wesley Parker and the Ministers of the Takapuna, Mount Eden and Remuera Churches, Mesdames M. Spurge, I. Sweetapple, E. Mills, and Miss E. Booth, Messrs C. K. Wigglesworth, J. S. Caughey, W. Woodward, L. Moor, A. H. Winstone, R. Simpson, N. Mee, C. W. Firth, R. T. Garlick, LL.B., A. E. Hayman, E. A. Astley, J. Trenwith, A. N. West, and K. Clark, together with the Circuit Officials and Trustees of the Mission properties.



Christchurch—The Chairman of the District, Revs. H. G. Brown, H. K. Brown, W. T. Blight, G. V. Thomas, W. S. Dawson, R. G. Bell, C. R. Marshall, T. Shepherd, P. D. Ramsay, Messrs N. G. Hillary, A. Southey, A. Clark, W. A. Hadlee, F. T. Bartley, R. Thomas, T. J. Chamberlain, G. D. Miskimmin, L. J. Butler, R. Anderson, W. Couch, G. S. Salter, B. C. Bascand, W. T. Lill, G. M. Couch, Drs. S. C. Peddie, N. F. Greenslade, T. Hurrell and T. Enticott, Mesdames M. Leask, W. T. Blight, W. S. Dawson, R. Anderson, W. Couch, R. G. Bell, G. N. Couch, J. Yarr, and Miss P. Caukwell, together with the Mission Officials and Ministers.

#### QUESTION 52—

### III—Children's Homes

#### A—AUCKLAND

We are glad to submit this 50th annual report of the work for the children under the care of the Auckland Methodist Children's Home Board. We acknowledge the guiding of our Heavenly Father and His continued goodness through the many folk who take an interest in the children.

During the year we have cared for 41 children and at present there are only six children actually in residence at Wesleydale. There are five others at Rangiatea Maori Girls' Hostel, Kurahuna Maori Girls' Hostel, Wesley College, and Trinity College Buttle House and one on a farm. Also one boy and one girl are at special schools at Otekaieke and Richmond and they return to Wesleydale in their school holidays. In addition 18 children are living in 13 foster homes in Auckland suburbs, Tauranga, Morrinsville, Hamilton, and Matakana, a total of 32 under our control. It should be realised that the majority of children under our care have been from broken homes.

As a result of wise counselling of parents by our Superintendent Mr Riley, in conjunction with our Methodist ministers, many of the parents have been brought together and the children have returned to live with them. In other cases where there is just one parent, advice and practical help have been given to re-establish their own home units and the children have now returned to their care. We feel that this is a good thing and is due mostly to the increasing interest of ministers in counselling of parents.

Until his leaving Auckland, Mr Riley kept in touch with the foster families and also with many of the parents of children who have returned to their care. At present ministers are keeping in touch with the families on our behalf.

The appointment of a full time experienced case worker to take over this duty of visiting and giving advice and counsel is under action by the Board. A special committee responsible to the Board has now been appointed to keep in touch with the children and to control the activities of the case worker. This committee consists of experienced community welfare workers and ministers who specialise particularly in this type of work.

The policy of placing many of our children in Methodist foster homes has been continued and many of our children are happily settled with their foster parents and are receiving loving care in their upbringing.

The health of the children on the whole has been very good except for the usual mild ailments taking their toll for a few days

at a time. The children of Brigade age attended and enjoyed Brigade activities at Dominion Road Methodist Church. During the year many folk have continued to take an interest in organising worthwhile activities for the children.

The annual accounts are under action and we expect that they will be in a satisfactory condition mainly due to grants from the Connexional Budget, Government capitation fees, family benefit receipts and grants from the Auckland Savings Bank, the McKenzie Trust Inc., and the Ladies Committee.

We appreciate the very practical interest of many folk who have continued to support the children's work with monetary donations, and with gifts of clothing. We acknowledge the many gifts of produce and food and sewing materials from Church folk and Sunday Schools. We receive help from the general public via the Auckland Community Chest through the Auckland United Orphan-ages Council.

As usual many kind church folk offered their homes for holidays for the children during the long Christmas vacation. All our children were catered for in this way and they were well catered for. After coming back from the holidays some children returned to their parents to live and others have been placed in foster homes.

At the end of 1962 Mr and Mrs Riley who have been Superintendent and Matron respectively returned to Gisborne to take up work with the Hospital Board in regard to elderly peoples' homes. We are very grateful to them for their untiring work and devoted service at Wesleydale during the last few years. Many of the children will look back to the wise guidance and kindly instruction that these two gave them during their impressionable years.

Many staff changes have caused temporary difficulties but these were overcome without any disruption to the well being of the children.

The Ladies Committee continued to take an interest in the Home and especially in the way of keeping the furnishings up to date and providing replacements where necessary. We are very grateful to the ladies on the committee for their interest over many years. Also to those ladies from the different churches who regularly have visited the Home to do sewing and repairs to clothing.

Wesleydale Home opened in 1956, is a very fine building, and it has been the policy of the Board during the year to keep it in good condition by regular maintenance and painting so that the appearance of the buildings is always good. The grounds are in good condition. We acknowledge with gratitude the interest and help of those who have supervised the grounds and the buildings.

The Board is considering what use should be made of the Wesleydale buildings and property now that so few children are actually in residence.

We look forward with confidence to the continued support of Christian folk in caring for the children through the foster homes and in special hostels and schools. Funds will still be needed for this work and to maintain a smaller base family home for the children not placed in foster homes.

G. C. RIDDELL,  
Chairman.



## **B—MASTERTON**

The number of children under our care, at present 19, is probably the lowest since the early years of the Home. This could be accounted for by a falling off in applications for admission and also by the return of a family of five to their parents. This action of course being the policy of the Committee when they are satisfied that it is in the best interests of the children concerned.

### **Management Committee:**

At the Annual Meeting Dr N. H. Prior intimated that he did not wish to act again on the Committee. This intimation was received with sincere regret as Dr Prior was an original Committee Member when the Home was established. It was resolved that the Committee place on record its sincere and deep appreciation of the long and faithful services given by Dr Prior and its gratitude for his unflinching counsel and professional attention to the children.

### **Staff:**

Although there have been one or two changes in the staff Mr and Mrs Jolly have proved themselves most capable as Manager and Matron and have proved to be efficient organisers. The Committee does indeed appreciate the work being done by this dedicated couple.

### **Maintenance:**

The maintenance of the Home has been carefully watched and the Committee has over the last few years done much to improve the comfort of the children and staff.

### **Future of the Home:**

The Policy adopted by Conference could possibly mean the closing of the Home in its present capacity. Discussions have taken place between the Committee of Care of Dependent Children and the Home Committee and it has been agreed that when the new Area Committee is appointed further consultations will be held.

The Committee would again express appreciation to all who have in any way assisted with the work, gifts of clothing, produce and especially the provision of Holiday Homes for the Children. Financial support from the J. R. McKenzie Trust Board and the Trust Lands Trust has helped relieve the heavy burden of expenses in connection with the Home while a substantial donation from the Police Charity Day has helped to provide additional amenities for our large family.

This report could not conclude without a very special word of thanks to Mr and Mrs Jolly and the staff for the love and care bestowed on the children and for the example and influence they are expressing in the life of the Home.

C. E. ARCHER, Chairman,  
W. H. SAUNDERS, Secretary.

## **C—THE SOUTH ISLAND CHILDREN'S HOME**

We have proved that the care of dependent children is still a growing need in the community and we are fully extended in all spheres of child care.

66 children have been admitted of which 37 were of a temporary nature. At the end of June the number in the home was 47. Highlight of the year has been the establishment of 5 family units within the existing buildings. These have proved an outstanding success and the adjustment of the children to this new venture

and the improvement in their behaviour, attitude to schooling and general happiness has been remarkable.

**Play Centre:** The centre caters for 12 or more children from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. each school day and is fulfilling a useful educational need. The two ventures, family units and Play Centre have been closely watched by institutions similar to our own as being worthwhile developments.

**Temporary Care:** The need for temporary care of families where the mother has entered hospital has filled a real and urgent need. The Board agreed to the policy of receiving such children on a temporary basis and the wisdom of this has been proved in practical situations where a real service has been rendered.

**Counselling Service:** The Master has continued to exercise a ministry of counselling, and much time and thought has been put into this sphere of work. Placing children back with their parents has been a priority and 49 children have been reunited with their parents and many homes re-established, bringing happiness and security to the children and unity to the family. These results have not been achieved without much patient endeavour, and the follow-up work of the counselling service has been most important. When it is realised that 25 children representing 8 families have been kept within their families when otherwise the homes would have been broken up and the children placed in the Children's Home, it can be seen how effective the Counselling Service has been.

**Foster Homes:** The most significant development has been the Foster Homing of children, and we have 18 children happily placed in Foster Homes and during the year we have used 37 Foster Homes and of these 14 are permanent Foster Homes. Many of the others have been temporary homes caring for three year olds who are not admitted into our Home.

**Adoptions:** We have played our part in adoptions, one having been completed and two are pending. We have also successfully boarded-out some of our children and this year one was boarded in what had been one of our earlier Foster Homes.

**General:** For the year we have cared for 116 children through our several avenues of service and child care. Old boys and girls keep a continual contact with the Home. As the different spheres of Child Care develop we can foresee much good work being carried out. At the present time we are hopeful of placing 24 children back with their parents and another 10 children into permanent Foster Homes.

**Deputation Work:** This work has been fully sustained this year, and visits paid by Mr Scott to Nelson, Motueka, Blenheim, Richmond, Timaru, Temuka, Ashburton and in many local areas, and opportunity taken to explain the new policy and to feature the ever changing pattern of our work.

**The New Policy:** The Board has held a consultation with the National Committee on the care of dependent children, and all details of the new policy have been considered. We await the decision of the Government on the transfer of the buildings to the Christchurch Central Mission for the establishment of a Geriatric Hospital, and until such decision has been reached, we continue to develop the new policy within our present buildings, and to do so with both effectiveness and success.

**Jubilee:** The Golden Jubilee of the Home will be celebrated



on 11th April 1964 and the occasion will record a history of achievement and a record to be proud of.

**Appreciation:** We record the Board's appreciation of the outstanding service of the Master and Matron, Mr and Mrs E. J. Scott, the Assistant Matron, Sister Rona Collins, and the staff. This has been a year of high achievement and we are grateful for the service being rendered in the Name of our Lord and of His Church.

H. G. BROWN, Chairman.

H. A. COCHRANE, Secretary.

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Reports and Financial Statements be received and adopted.

2. That Conference expresses its appreciation of the work of the Manager, Matron, Staff and Committee of the Masterton Children's Home.

3. That the Boards of Management be as printed on page 7 herein.

**QUESTION 53.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference with regard to (a) The Order of Deaconesses? (b) The Training of Deaconesses?**

## Methodist Deaconess Board

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1963

The Board has continued its work this year under the capable leadership of its chairman, Rev. H. C. Matthews. With only one student in training, it was decided that she should not live in the House, and arrangements for accommodation were made at the Children's Home in Papanui. This has proved to be an excellent arrangement for all concerned, the practical work undertaken by the trainee being of great benefit to her development during the year. A full course of lectures has been carried through under the supervision of Rev. W. T. Blight, with the assistance of Rev. R. G. Bell. Circuit work has been done in the Papanui Circuit.

At the House, the Lady Superintendent has supervised a full hostel, which has provided needed accommodation for a number of young women Training College students. The Board is pleased to see a strong group of Methodist girls in the Hostel this year.

**House Committee Report:** The valuable financial assistance of the many Guilds, who contribute so generously to our Renewals Fund appeal, has made possible the replacement of necessary furniture. New wooden beds, each with a colourful candlewick bedspread, give the rooms a bright and cheerful appearance; while, in the study, chesterfield suites have been given a new look with gay loose covers. Additional chairs have been purchased for the Chapel.

Our special objective this year is the replacement of the hall carpet.

**Appreciation:** The Board expresses its good wishes to Mrs Gauntlett in her recovery from illness, and its deep appreciation of her continued service to the House over many years.

We join with the Church in recognising the good work being rendered by Deaconesses serving in the many fields of the Church's work in New Zealand and overseas.

**Deaconesses in the Field:** Four probationers are at present serving in the Maori Mission and one in a Circuit. It is expected that all will be dedicated at this Conference.

In general this year, four Deaconesses are serving in Circuits, and one in the South Island Children's Home. Three are appointed to Maori Hostels, and fourteen (including probationers) are working in the Maori Mission. Two are working in the Overseas Mission Field.

It is expected that the appointment of a Warden will see more young women offering for training, and the Board feels that Circuits throughout New Zealand should be aware of the valuable work that can be done by a Deaconess as the colleague of a Minister. A trained woman worker can in many ways be a valuable assistant to a Circuit minister.

During the year, Sister Gladys Thomas was given permission to exchange with Sister Josephine Glasson of the Sydney Central Mission. The experience afforded Sister Gladys in such an appointment will be of great benefit in her work and to the Order. Sister Dorothy Pointon was given leave during the year to serve with the British and Foreign Bible Society, while Sister Mary Sealey received permission to travel overseas.

**Candidates for Deaconess Work:** We are pleased to report that since last Conference no fewer than seven enquiries have been received from young women interested in training for service in the Deaconess Order. Our appreciation is due to the Department of Christian Education for the interest shown by its Executive Officers in assisting the Board to publicise the Order among the young women of the Church.

**Warden:** The appointment of Rev. Wesley A. Chambers as Warden of Deaconess House will strengthen Deaconess training, and set the Order in a more fitting relationship to the whole Connexion. With this end in view, the Board is re-assessing the nature and function of the work of a Deaconess. We expect to see a broadening of the conception of the place and work of Deaconesses in the life of the Church.

In due course the Board will bring to Conference recommendations regarding necessary changes in the Law in respect to the relationship of the Warden to the Deaconess Institution.

**Arrangements with Christchurch East Circuit:** Very satisfactory arrangements have been made with Christchurch East Circuit with regard to the part-time service of the Warden at Wesley Church, Fitzgerald Avenue. Through the Warden's serving in this dual capacity in the initial stages of his appointment, the cost of such an appointment to the Connexion will be small.

We conclude our report in the confidence that under the Warden's leadership, Deaconess House will make an even worthier contribution to the life and work of the Church.

H. C. MATTHEWS, Chairman.

G. V. THOMAS, Secretary.

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted.
2. That Rev. Wesley A. Chambers, M.A., be appointed Warden of the Deaconess Order.
3. That the Warden of the Deaconess Order serve as part-time Minister in Christchurch East Circuit, and be stationed in Wesley Church, Fitzgerald Avenue.
4. Conference expresses its appreciation to Rev. W. T. Blight, B.A., B.D., for his work as supervisor of studies for the past two years.



5. That the Board for 1964 be as printed on page 5 herein.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT TO CONFERENCE, 1963**

**Deaconess Accommodation** (see **Minutes of Conference 1961, page 149, para. 18 (1.)**):

The Board has considered the above matter and submits the undermentioned recommendations for consideration:—

H. C. MATTHEWS, Chairman.

G. V. THOMAS, Secretary.

#### **RESOLUTIONS**

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That Deaconesses employed in Maori work be provided with a flat or mission house, fully furnished according to parsonage standards, in consultation with the Boards concerned.
3. That Deaconesses engaged in institutional work be provided with a fully furnished single bed-sitting-room study.
4. That Deaconesses employed by Circuits or City Missions be provided with a fully furnished flat or bed-sitting-room study.
5. That Standing Committees be requested to include Deaconess Accommodation in schemes of Triennial Visitation.
6. The foregoing resolutions shall not apply to Deaconess Probationers, but lodgings shall be provided in their case by the employing body.
7. **Quarters for Probationers (Group A) and Deaconesses:** That Conference having resolved to provide quarters for all Deaconesses and Probationers from the 1st February, 1964, now requires the appropriate courts of the Church to make these quarters (to a standard satisfactory to the Chairman of the District) available free on the understanding that the present standard rate of stipend of Deaconesses and of Probationers who were unmarried at the time of their acceptance for training be reduced by an amount of £78 per annum.

**QUESTION 55.**—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Connexional Literature?

## **Methodist Times Committee**

### **ANNUAL REPORT, 1963**

#### **Circulation:**

There are two ways in which Church papers generally are financed. One is to make the cost a charge on a central budget to which all members contribute, whether they want to read the paper or not. The other is on a subscriber basis in which case the paper has to pay its way and rest on its own merits. A recent world survey of Church papers published on this latter basis indicates that the average circulation is 15 per cent. of the Church membership. Our figure is 16.4 per cent. This is no cause for complacency. It does indicate, however, that we are not falling behind in what is a difficult field in a day of fierce competition for the interest and attention of even devoted Church members.

#### **Finance:**

Last year we reported an accumulated deficit of £1090 8s 6d. To meet the situation it was necessary to publish monthly instead of fortnightly, on the other hand providing 36 pages instead of 24 pages as previously. By this means we have reduced the deficit by £605 16s 5d. Last Conference indicated its support of an increase

in the subscription rate from 15s to £1 p.a. presupposing a return to the fortnightly basis. It became apparent that even then we would incur further losses. It is imperative that we not only balance our finances but also build up again our reserve fund which we were once able to maintain. To do this it will be necessary to continue on a monthly basis and the subscription rate continued at 15s per annum.

#### **Editorial:**

Mr H. W. Beaumont, M.A., Dip. Ed., has completed two years of devoted service as Editor. He has sought to maintain a balance of material that will meet as wide a range of interests as possible. Devotional, missionary, theological and topical themes have been given a central place. The Church at home and abroad is featured as fully as possible. The following list of topics in a typical issue will illustrate the point.

Preview and Comment.

Getting something out of Sunday (The Home Circle).

Thinking aloud (Modern Trends).

Missions—Tonga and pages from a Missionary Sister's diary.

Home Life—problems and solutions (Erica's Family).

Student Christian Movement Conference.

Church Union—Revised Basis and Inter-Church Discussions.

Theological terms in common use in the Church.

Notes from a Pew.

Review of School of Theology for Ministers.

Men's Fellowship activities.

Singapore Conference—East Asia Conference.

Leper Work in the Pacific and financial aid to Missions by the Lepers Trust Board.

Conference Devotional Topic—An experience of Salvation.

Circuit news, and special features concerning the work of several Churches.

Ecumenical Outlook and News.

Children's Page.

General items of Home and Overseas News.

To Editors and all who have served the Church so well with regular articles the Committee conveys its best thanks. It also expresses its appreciation of the efforts of our circuit agents who seek to maintain and increase interest in the paper among our Church members.

#### **Commission:**

The Commission appointed by Conference will be presenting its second report to Synods and Conference this year.

Our Committee has noted with interest the main conclusion reached by the Commission that any proposals which would make possible a greater outreach in any way are definitely dependent upon financial assistance from the Connexion to an extent far in excess of anything that was ever possible or even contemplated in the past under our previous method of local and connexional finance.

For the Committee,

BRIAN C. BASCAND, Chairman.

H. L. FIEBIG, Business Manager.

#### **RESOLUTIONS**

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the Committee for 1964 be as printed on page 7 herein.



# **"Methodist Times" Commission**

## **REPORT TO SYNODS AND CONFERENCE, 1963**

During the year, a number of meetings were held in Auckland and Christchurch of local members of the Commission with additional members in correspondence. All the members of the Commission, except one, met together in Wellington on one occasion and gave close consideration to proposals concerning a Connexional Journal. Wide divergences of opinion were expressed and reflected in the discussions particularly concerning distribution and finance. There was a common desire, however, to find some acceptable proposal which would enable the Commission to submit to the Church a forward-looking Connexional-paper scheme.

The report presents a synopsis of the thinking of the Commission rather than a scheme which is unanimously commended by all members. It is presented to Conference in this form with definite recommendations which carry the support of the Commission in the sense that the Commission feels that these should now be presented to the Church for examination.

**A**—A proposal is therefore submitted for the consideration of Synods and Conference which embodies the thinking of the Commission as set out in the undermentioned recommendations:

1. That on a date to be decided a fortnightly magazine be produced which would be distributed free to every family under pastoral care (approximately 50,000).
2. That the basic purpose of the magazine be missionary, but as this would be the Connexional paper, it should also serve those Methodist needs which cannot adequately be dealt with by local or Circuit news sheets.
3. That a recommendation be made to Synods and Conference of 1964 of a suitable name for the new magazine.
4. That the publication begin on a date to be determined by Conference 1964, subject to Circuits having first committed themselves to the distribution of not fewer than 30,000 copies per issue.
5. That the attached estimate be accepted as the basis for the financing of the new publication.
6. That to implement the scheme, a sum approximately equal to the estimated nett cost of one year's publication be raised by direct levy on the Connexional Budget of £4,500 in 1964-5 and £4,500 in 1965-6.

**B**—The Commission recognises that the major task associated with this project will be distribution, which will have to be handled by the local churches or circuits. Thorough organisation will be imperative.

While Circuits must be free to devise their own method of distribution the following suggestions are offered:—

1. Each Church might appoint a committee representative of the men's groups, the women's groups, and the young people, which would be responsible for their work.
2. One member of this group to pick up from the Circuit Headquarters the local Church's quota and pass them on to individual distributors not later than prior to Sunday morning's service.

3. Each local distributor to have a list of persons (preferably not more than 10-15) to whom the paper is to be handed either at the Sunday's service or elsewhere—or placed in the letter box—or posted. Copies could be distributed even by responsible Sunday School children.
4. It would be necessary to have one or two persons as "emergencies" to step in and take over the distribution of a particular bundle in the event of sickness, etc. It would be of primary importance that every copy be distributed by the Monday evening.

**C**—One proposal made recently to the Commission was that publication of the magazine might be undertaken by a company (of which the capital would be subscribed by Methodist people and/or by Conference and on the Directorate of which Conference would hold a majority). This is an interesting suggestion but it has not been followed through to the point where a recommendation can be made.

**D**—This proposal as it is presented to Conference involves a departure from the personal subscription basis of finance to a basis by which the required finance is made a charge on the Connexion as a whole. This will mean that each year a considerable grant will be required from the Connexional Budget.

[These points might be noted—Donations could be sought from readers (through the paper itself). Arrangements might be made whereby the new paper will make certain Departmental publications unnecessary (Budget Bulletins, etc.). Also, in many cases present Circuit and District publications would be unnecessary and the rise in Connexional Budget Levies would be balanced in some cases by a cut in other Circuit expenses. (e.g. Circuit savings on the present Auckland Methodist would be over £600 per year.) We have not been able to assess this figure of possible savings for the whole Connexion. Similarly the Methodist Times costs our people, in one form or another, approximately £4,500 per year at the present time.]

**E**—The Commission believes that the Church is failing in its responsibility for the "ministry of the printed word" until the Connexional Journal becomes an integral part of the Church's total missionary outreach. Whatever useful purposes may be served by the "Times" at present it does not measure up to this requirement.

The organisation and staffing which is in mind (and which can be glimpsed from the estimate proposals), would ensure, we believe, the publication of a paper which would provoke enthusiasm and support throughout the Connexion. It is possible to hesitate because of the cost of publication and difficulties in distribution, but it is relevant to ask, whether, under these proposals, we could produce a publication worthy of the Church and its task in the world and which will deserve the enthusiastic backing of Methodist people.

For the Commission,  
J. D. GROCOTT.



# **APPENDIX** **INTERIM ESTIMATE OF PROPOSED PUBLICATION** **OUTGOINGS.**

Printing—50,000 copies, 24 issues per year. 12 pages 17" x 12". Actual quotation .. .. .	£9,000
Distribution—(Bundles to individual circuits) .. .. .	£960
Photos, Block, etc. .. .. .	£360
Editor's Salary—Full-time appointment, OR possibly two appointments, one man with general journalistic ability and knowledgable in Theological studies, etc, (£1,000) and another part-time man with more technical journalistic and layout experience (£500)	£1,500
Office Assistant—(Shorthand-typist) .. .. .	£520
Part-time Business Manager .. .. .	£208
Payments to Contributors .. .. .	£240
Rent of Office .. .. .	£312
Telephone and Tolls .. .. .	£50
Postages .. .. .	£65
Stationery .. .. .	£35
General Expenses .. .. .	£70
	£220
Travelling Expenses .. .. .	£100
Exigencies .. .. .	£180
	<hr/> £13,600

## **INCOME.**

Advertising Revenue (£150 per issue) .. .. .	£3,600
Diversion of Existing Departmental Publications .. .. .	£1,000
Donations (Individuals, Special Trusts, etc.) .. .. .	?
Grant from Connexional Budget .. .. .	£9,000
	<hr/> £13,600

## **RESOLUTIONS**

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That Conference recommend:
  - (a) That on a date to be decided a fortnightly magazine be produced which would be distributed to every family under pastoral care. (Approximately 50,000.)
  - (b) That a Committee be appointed charged with the task of implementing this scheme at the earliest possible date.
  - (c) That the Auckland Members of the Commission be the Committee with the rest of the commission as corresponding members with power to co-opt in consultation with the President. Auckland members to nominate convener to the President.
  - (d) That the estimate as outlined be submitted to the Finance and Stewardship Committee.
  - (e) That the Finance and Stewardship Committee be empowered to receive the application of the Committee for finance to supplement the scheme and to add the amount or amounts to the Connexional Budget.
  - (f) That the publication begin on a date to be determined by Conference, 1964, subject to Circuits having first committed themselves to the distribution of not fewer than 30,000 copies per issue.
  - (g) That Conference authorise the Committee to send the proposal down to Circuit Quarterly Meetings and Synod Standing

Committees for consideration, and report back to the Commission by June 30, 1964.

3. That the members of the Commission be thanked for their work.

#### **QUESTION 55**

## **B—Board of Publications**

### **ANNUAL REPORT, 1963**

The work of the Board continues to be hampered by the inability of busy voluntary staff to do justice to the volume of work required. This fact underlines the necessity of finding ways and means to appoint a full time Director of Publications. Such a Director would be able to seek out and commission from specialist writers, a constant flow of useful booklets and pamphlets.

However, the Board has been able to publish some material which we hope will prove useful to our Church:—

#### **“Teaching the Faith.”**

We are delighted with the reception given to the Rev E. W. Hames's “Teaching the Faith.” Reports have been received of its use in Confirmation classes, Senior Bible Classes, after church Discussion Groups and Weeknight Fellowships. Circuits who have not yet introduced this book into their Christian Education programmes are urged to do so.

#### **Membership Preparation Handbook:**

The manuscript of the Rev R. H. Allen's handbook has now reached us, (June 1963), and will be published as soon as possible. With so important a publication, the Board has been obliged to seek the approval of both the Faith and Order Committee and the Department of Christian Education. Modifications suggested by these bodies may delay publication a little; but we must make the Handbook as effective as possible.

#### **Other Publications:**

Among other publications shortly to appear are the Rev John Silvester's booklet on baptism “What Does it Mean?” Mrs Joan Cochran's “Our Baby” (a Wesleydale leaflet), and a pamphlet by the Rev Selwyn Dawson about sectarian callers, “The Knock on the Door.”

We are also investigating the possibility of publishing a further leaflet about “Mormonism.”

### **MATTERS REMITTED BY CONFERENCE**

#### **A. Printing Press: (1962 Minutes, page 195, Res. 2)**

The Board was requested by last Conference to give serious consideration to the question of “establishing a Methodist printing plant to do all Connexional printing and such general printing as may be possible.”

In reaching a decision on this matter, the Board has been greatly helped by the advice of some of its specialist members, and particularly by consultations with Dr Dickinson, the head of the Publishing House of the United Church of Canada.

After taking all factors into consideration, we do not recommend this proposal for the following reasons:—

- (a) Our New Zealand Church is too small to support such a printing house. There would be insufficient Connexional printing to keep it fully engaged and it would be difficult to find sufficient general printing in what is already a highly competitive market.



- (b) The limited capital available for such a project would inevitably mean that only a small plant could be established, lacking the variety of type-faces, presses and other facilities necessary to produce quality printing. We are convinced that only quality printing will command a market, and that could be produced only by a plant much larger than the Church with her present capital commitments in other directions, could possibly afford.
- (c) The difficulty of finding and retaining suitable staff in a Church printing house would be considerable. It was mainly for this reason that the printing house of a sister Church society was recently closed down in Auckland.
- (d) The Church is fortunate in having a number of leading printing houses in New Zealand with Methodist connections and our experience is that these firms can give us quality printing at reasonable rates. In addition there is at least one non-profit printing house specialising almost wholly in religious literature, which has given the Methodist Church very satisfactory service.
- (e) Owing to the heavy cost of specialised plant necessary to produce a connexional paper, we cannot recommend the setting up of a press for this purpose only.
- (f) In the event of Church Union, we believe that this matter should be reviewed, as the resultant Church would be of sufficient size to make such a project feasible.

We therefore have no recommendation to make.

**B. Methodist Publishing Policy:** (1962 Minutes, page 194, Res. 3)

The constitution of the Methodist Board of Publications was adopted at a time when the immediate appointment of a Director of Publications was envisaged. Because this did not happen at the time, it has been found impossible to implement all its aims and objects (Law Book, par. 518, sections 1, 2 and 3).

In practice, we have never carried out our function as "approving authority for all manuscripts submitted for publication in the name of the Methodist Church of New Zealand, or any of its Departments or Institutions." A measure of consultation has been maintained, however, and this has prevented any one Department publishing material that overlaps with the work of another. All Departments publishing books or pamphlets in connection with their work should note the necessity of such consultation.

Apart from a temporary excursion into the field of tape-recordings, we have concentrated for several years past wholly on a limited production programme of books and pamphlets.

Ideally, the Board should have full-time staff of sufficient number and experience to make it possible for all Methodist printing (with the exception of routine office supplies) to pass through its hands. Even the appointment of one full-time Director would not make such a practice immediately possible.

We have endeavoured in the past to sell direct to Circuits so as to keep prices down, but it now seems desirable that the Epworth Bookrooms should increasingly become the Board's retail outlet. These Bookrooms should, as is suggested below, eventually come under the Board's supervision.

Printing, we believe, will be done more economically and efficiently by using existing firms rather than by establishing our own printing plant. We are fortunate in having a number of specialists on our Board who have been most helpful in doing the

greater part of our art work and planning of layouts free. An endeavour is being made to enlist others so that the burden does not fall too heavily on the few.

Distribution has been our weakest point throughout. Advertising has been restricted almost wholly to circulars to ministers and bookrooms, and we get plenty of evidence that much, even of our older material, is not known and used throughout the Church. A full-time Director would be able to give the needed time and thought to improve things from this angle.

We have given consideration to the suggestion that various church periodicals should be consolidated into one widely circulated connexional paper.

A list of deletions from our Church's current publishing programme, might include:—

- (a) "The Open Door" and "The Lotu."
- (b) Christian Education Handbook.
- (c) Conference "Forward Moves."
- (d) Budget Bulletins.

While this scheme has some advantages, it also has some drawbacks. For instance "The Open Door" and "Christian Education Handbook" both present specialised material. Missionary and educational news should still continue to appear in "The Methodist Times," but neither of the Departments concerned would be happy to relinquish their own special media for reaching people.

In the same way, Budget Bulletins, if continued as such, would, for maximum effectiveness, have to appear as separate leaflet inserts in "The Methodist Times." Only if they were dropped altogether and the material included in the news columns of the paper itself, would any real saving be effected.

"The Open Door," "Christian Education Handbook" and to a lesser extent "The Methodist Times" are supported by voluntary subscriptions. If they are dropped, the revenue from subscriptions would tend to diminish, and finance for the new "Methodist Times" would have to be met from Connexional Budget funds. (e.g. the cost of "The Open Door" is met, not from Connexional Budget funds, but from voluntary subscriptions).

#### C. Control of Bookrooms (1962 Minutes, pages 195-196)

The preliminary report in the 1962 Minutes lays down essential principles which must be observed in any final solution of this matter.

At the present time we have three Epworth Bookrooms in the North Island, and an agency in New Plymouth. Two of the Bookrooms—Auckland and Hamilton—are controlled by the Literature and Colporteur Society (a sub-committee of the Home Mission Department), while the Wellington Bookroom is administered by the Department of Christian Education.

Eventually, no doubt, it would be desirable for all bookrooms to come under the control of the Board of Publications, but this would be quite impracticable under present circumstances. Only when a full-time Director of Publications has been appointed, could this be considered.

The question would then arise whether such Director could be also General Manager of Bookrooms, with a shop-manager under him in each centre. However, should the Director also become Editor of "The Methodist Times," it may well be that his time would be then fully engaged.

Until the Director has been appointed and settled into his



position, it seems to us wise that the control of Bookrooms should remain as at present.

We have been in consultation with the three Managers of Epworth Bookrooms, and following on this, we make the following recommendations:—

(a) Policy on New Bookrooms. The Literature and Colporteur Society by its constitution has trading rights throughout New Zealand. By arrangement the Department of Christian Education controls Epworth Bookroom (Wellington). It would be wise when any proposals to establish new Bookrooms are being considered for the Literature and Colporteur Society to consult with the Department of Christian Education, thus taking advantage of the specialised knowledge of both. In the meantime, any new Bookrooms established should be under the control of the Literature and Colporteur Society.

(b) Co-operative Steps. Some of the advantages of central management could be achieved now if there were regular meetings of managers. These meetings could begin by:—

1. Comparing stock-lists and arranging transfers of stock if so required, at a mutually agreed discount rate.

2. Co-ordination of sales.

3. Co-ordination of advertising so that all Bookrooms and agencies are represented. This would result in better advertising at a cheaper rate, as expenses could be shared.

4. Pooling of ideas re shop displays and selling methods.

5. Consultation about ordering so as to make the best use of available funds.

6. Arranging with the Connexional Office and the Board of Publications to stock all material at present held for sale by them.

### **Safeguarding Special Interests.**

It seems wise that certain traditional interests should be safeguarded:—

(a) A. and N.Z. Graded Lessons. These should remain as at present under the control of Epworth Bookroom (Wellington). The Department of Christian Education has a traditional right to the profits on Graded Lesson material, providing funds which would otherwise have to be found from the Connexional Budget. Further, orders for this material are frequently accompanied by queries which only the Department of Christian Education is qualified to answer.

Again, the present system of centralised ordering and supplies being mailed direct from Australia is both efficient and economic. (N.B.: This method is followed by the Presbyterian Church.)

(b) The Methodist Hymn Book. Ever since John Wesley's day there has been a tie-up between hymn-book profits and the Supernumerary Fund, so Connexional Office interests should remain as at present. Any change would present an unwarranted departure from long-established Methodist practice.

(c) The Colporteur Van. Although it has been in recess for some time, this work is obviously part of the outreach of the Home Mission Department, which holds certain assets with a view to re-commencing this work when the time is propitious. These assets should remain the property of the Home Mission Department.

E. P. SALMON, Chairman.

L. R. M. GILMORE, Secretary.

## RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the control of Bookrooms remain as at present, to be reviewed after the appointment of a full-time Director of Publications.
3. That co-operative measures outlined under section C in the report be implemented.
4. That the following be referred back to the Publications Board: That Conference re-affirm its policy of appointing a Director of Publications.
5. That the Board for 1964 be as printed on page 7 herein.

**QUESTION 56.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference concerning Chaplaincy Matters?**

## Armed Services Chaplaincy Committee

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1963

The 1962 Conference expressed its thanks for the service rendered to the church by the Rev V. R. Jamieson, M.B.E., E.D., for the previous fifteen years. Since assuming the office of Senior Chaplain on February 1, 1963, his successor now appreciates the responsibilities which Mr Jamieson carried, and the efficiency with which he discharged them.

#### 1. REGULAR FORCE CHAPLAINS:

There are two Methodist Chaplains serving at present, the Rev R. John Hamlin and the Rev Harry I. Shaw. Both are representing our church well.

**The Rev R. John Hamlin** is Chaplain at Woodbourne, R.N.Z.A.F. Station. In compliance with the Conference Resolution (Minutes 1962, p. 198 Res. 7) by which approval was given to his acceptance of an extension of his contract with the R.N.Z.A.F., this has now been approved. The extension of his service to expire on January 15, 1967, has been published in the Gazette No. 33, Page 773, of June 6, 1963.

During the year he spent three weeks at Changi Station as chaplain attached to personnel on overseas service. The rest of the year he has been busy at the important Woodbourne Station, much of his work being with the Boy Entrants. He writes: "My task continues to be primarily teaching, preaching and pastoral ministration. I can report a quickening interest in spiritual matters during this year, with improved attendances at services and meetings and greater participation of all ranks . . . We have begun a new venture this year, commencing by request a Sunday evening song service based on song and evangelism . . . the Chapel renovations are now complete."

**The Rev Harry I. Shaw** spent most of the past year as Chaplain at Linton Army Camp where he increased the chaplaincy services offered to the troops and received a warm recommendation from his C.O. He was posted to the 2nd Battalion and moved to Burnham Camp on April 30, to share the preparations for the Battalion's service in Malaya. He has a regular schedule of Padre's Hours and services.

He writes: "I have every unit or sub-unit once a fortnight for a Padre's Hour, resulting in 8-9 such periods per week depending on the number of recruit platoons in training . . . Once again I find a large number of counselling situations developing and there is no apparent reticence in making an approach on the part of those who



are looking for help. I am more than satisfied with the opportunities and assistance which have been given to me both in Linton and in the Battalion."

**Additional Nomination:** Because another church was temporarily unable to supply a chaplain to fill a vacancy at Papakura Camp, a request that the Methodist Church endeavour to assist was received sympathetically by the President of Conference. At Mr Goudge's consent, and with the approval of the President, a nomination of the Rev S. R. Goudge was made, nomination to be effective until January 31, 1964. This nomination was ultimately not accepted by the Army Department because of the brevity of the term offered, and because another church offered to supply a chaplain for a 3-year appointment.

## **2. CHAPLAINCY ORGANISATION:**

A Chaplains' Dominion Advisory Council meets regularly in Wellington, consisting of Senior Chaplains of the churches concerned. The Chairman is the Rt Rev F. O. Hulme-Moir, Bishop of Nelson.

The three Military Districts are each served by a Chaplains' Advisory Committee, Methodist representatives being the Rev R. F. Clement (Northern), Rev L. Greenslade (Central), and the Rev W. S. Dawson (Southern). Active chaplains in the Northern District are the Revs G. T. Gilbert and D. S. Mullan; in Central Districts the Revs M. L. Dine and P. P. Rushton, and in the Southern District the Revs. J. S. Hosking, I. J. Clucas, A. Newman and F. G. Glen. On the nomination of the Central Advisory Committee the Rev D. S. Mullan was commissioned to complete the Methodist establishment in the Northern Military District and approval of this is sought.

R. F. CLEMENT, Senior Chaplain.

## **RESOLUTIONS**

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That Messrs A. J. Johnston and E. C. D. Watson be thanked for their services and re-appointed as Treasurers.
- 3 That the Rev. R. F. Clement be re-appointed Senior Chaplain.
4. That the greetings of the Conference be extended to Chaplain Harry I. Shaw as he leaves for overseas service with the N.Z. Battalion.
5. That the nomination of the Rev. D. S. Mullan for commissioning as a Territorial Force Army Chaplain be approved.
6. That the Central Methodist Advisory Committee be: The Revs. R. F. Clement, L. Greenslade, R. J. Hamlin, P. P. Rushton, G. R. Thompson, Messrs T. M. Pacey, H. J. Steptoe, A. J. Johnston, E. C. D. Watson, J. McKinney and H. F. Hart.
7. That Conference approve the appointment of an additional full time Chaplain if required during the coming year.

## **QUESTION 56 A.—What Ministers are to serve as whole or part-time Chaplains during the ensuing year?**

R. J. Hamlin (R.N.Z.A.F.).

H. I. Shaw (Army).

## QUESTION 57.

# C—Wesley Historical Society (New Zealand)

## ANNUAL REPORT, 1963

To facilitate the work of the Society, last year's Annual Meeting appointed interested members of the Board of Publications to be the Council of the Society.

This year has been remarkable for a number of outstanding gifts to the Society. Members of the Winstone family paid the full cost of printing the brochure about the Rev J. B. Richardson; members of the Pollard family have agreed to meet a considerable portion of the cost of a brochure about the Rev James Wallis; and a legacy of £25 came to us from the estate of the late Mr C. J. Freeman. We express grateful thanks for these generous gifts.

Several interesting projects, initiated by the Society recently, will add considerably to the Society's ability to assist research students:

(a) The Rev W. T. Blight is seeking permission to publish the New Zealand material from "The World Methodist Dictionary" as a separate booklet.

(b) The Rev G. I. Laurenson has agreed to undertake the task of writing a comprehensive history of the early Maori Mission period. This will entail a great amount of work extending over several years.

(c) An attempt is being made to compile a complete bibliography of historical source materials relating to New Zealand Methodism, both in libraries and held in private hands.

### Future Proceedings:

Shortly we shall be publishing the Rev H. L. Fiebig's lecture on "The History of the Connexional Funds." In course of preparation are "The Voyage of the Triton," by Miss Nora Buttle, and "The Life of the Rev James Wallis," by the Rev C. T. J. Luxton. Mr Bernard Gadd, of Pukekohe, is working on a brochure about the Rev Dr William Morley. Many other people are working on projects which will be considered for publication later on.

### Historic Photographic Record:

We pay tribute to the work of Mr D. P. Thomson, a member of the West Street Church of Christ, Auckland, who has completed a series of coloured slides covering the story of the development of our Maori Mission from 1822 to the Maori Wars. The Council has decided to apply the Freeman bequest to securing a duplicate set of these valuable slides.

### Speaker for the Annual Meeting, 1963:

The Rev C. T. J. Luxton, who will lecture on "The Life of the Rev James Wallis."

E. W. HAMES, President.

L. R. M. GILMORE, Secretary.

### RESOLUTIONS:

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That a grant of £10 be made from the Contingent Fund.



**QUESTION 58.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference on matters previously remitted to Synods or Committees?**

## **1 (A) Church Union Committee**

### **ANNUAL REPORT, 1963.**

A meeting of the full committee was held on 8th May, 1963, with an attendance of twenty seven members. The Executive Committee has met twice. It has been a demanding year for the Joint Standing Committee which has held eight meetings in order to complete its programme of work.

#### **Revision of the Draft Basis of Union:**

The chief task of the committee and of its representatives on the Joint Standing Committee has been the revision of the Draft basis of Union. In order to keep the churches informed, a revision of the Sections on Membership and Polity and Organisation was included in last year's report of the Joint Standing Committee to the Chief Courts of the Churches. The remaining sections of the Basis, when revised, were published in church papers. Copies of this revision were also made available to members of the Church of England Commission for information only. The revised Basis was then referred to a series of Conferences of representatives of the negotiating churches for their study and comment. These conferences were held in Auckland, Wellington, Christchurch and Dunedin. Representatives of the Joint Standing Committee were present at each conference to assist in the interpretation of the Basis. In the light of comments received the Joint Standing Committee has undertaken an exhaustive revision of the Basis and will report direct to Conference on completion of the task. Any decision concerning a vote on the revised Basis will need to be made by the chief courts of the four churches.

#### **Meeting With the Rev. Dr. Eugene Carson Blake:**

Members of the Joint Standing Committee, together with members of the Anglican Commission and of the Faith and Order Commission of the National Council of Churches, met with the Rev. Dr. Eugene Carson Blake, the Stated Clerk of the United Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), at Feilding House on the 14th and 15th November, 1962. A factual survey of church union negotiations in New Zealand had been prepared by the J.S.C. Convener, the Rev J. E. Stewart, and made available to Dr. Blake. With this background information of the New Zealand situation, Dr Blake expounded his proposals, made on 4th December, 1960 at the opening service in Grace Cathedral, San Francisco, of the annual meeting of the National Council of Churches in the U.S.A. These proposals were that the Protestant Episcopal Church, together with the United Presbyterian Church, should invite the Methodist Church and the United Church of Christ to formulate a plan of Church Union, containing both catholic and reformed elements. This consultation proved most stimulating and worthwhile, especially in the light of the conversations between the four negotiating churches and the Church of England, and a report of the meeting was published in the Church papers.

#### **Conversations With the Church of England:**

At the request of the Convener of the Church of England Commission, Bishop A. H. Johnston, the next meeting between the Commission and the four churches represented in the Joint Standing Committee has been deferred until after the General Synod of

the Church of England which meets in April 1964. This year a great deal of discussion has taken place in all dioceses of the Church of England as to whether the Church of the Province of New Zealand should decide, through its General Synod, to enter into official negotiations with the four churches at present negotiating for organic union. Certain Dioceses have already passed resolutions urging the General Synod to take such action. The General Synod will have the support of the prayers of the leaders and people in all four negotiating churches, and its decision will be awaited by them with deepest interest.

#### **Annual Meeting of the Maori Section of the National Council of Churches:**

At the invitation of the Maori Section of the National Council of Churches representatives of the Union committees of the four negotiating churches and of the Church of England Commission attended the Annual Meeting of the Section in Papatoetoe from 21st-24th February, 1963 to discuss with members of the Section issues affecting church union negotiations in New Zealand. Representatives of the negotiating churches expounded The Declaration of Faith and the Draft Basis of Union. This was the third occasion on which the Maori Section has issued a statement on Unity to their parent churches. The following quotation is an indication of the deep yearning for unity which exists among members of the Section and among the Maori members of the three churches they represent:

"Once more we are constrained to look at the question (of our divisions) as many factors are forcing us to realise the harmful hindrance to the work of the Christian Church as a whole that is caused by our present divided state. We are persuaded that a united church in New Zealand is possible . . . Above all we express our certainty that unity is the intention of Christ for His Church. His High Priestly Prayer will always rebuke our divisions and stab our consciences. Is Christ divided? . . . The "green light" for union among our Maori members must come from the parent churches. We are sure we are more united in many important factors than we are ready to acknowledge, and the frank recognition of the major areas of agreement should increase the tempo of our negotiations for organic unity for which our people yearn."

#### **Conference on Policy Re The Establishment of Further Union Churches:**

At the request of the chief courts of the negotiating churches the Joint Standing Committee called in Wellington on 28th June, 1963 a conference of representatives of Church Union Committees, Church extension departments and of Union Churches, to review policy concerning the establishment of further Union Churches and other forms of co-operation. Each church was strongly represented and discussion was frank and rewarding. The following resolutions resulted:

1. That this Conference recommend to the Supreme Courts of the Churches represented, that the present situation calls for more acts of unity and co-operation in local areas.

To this end we recommend that in the establishment of new causes and where other local situations warrant such action, after mutual consultation and agreement of the responsible committees and courts, permission be granted for one of the following lines of action:

- (a) The establishment of denominational churches on a basis of comity.



- (b) The establishment of congregations on the basis of reciprocal membership, e.g. Hillsborough pattern.
  - (c) The formation of further union churches where strong local desire for this exists.
2. That the J.S.C. review the constitution and authority of Joint Regional Committees and make necessary recommendations to the Supreme Courts.
  3. That the J.S.C. give consideration to more adequate ways of recording, and providing for periodic review, of mutual arrangements and agreement for co-operation in local areas.
  4. That the matter of more satisfactory methods of ministerial appointments to Union Churches be considered by the J.S.C. in its revision of the Model Constitution.
  5. That J.S.C. approach the Church extension departments of the churches with a view to mutual consultation in regard to the supply of funds for the development of Union Churches.

#### **Anglican-Methodist Proposals for Union in Great Britain:**

This report would be incomplete without reference to the dramatic proposals for Union arising from the Anglican-Methodist conversations in Great Britain.

The Church of England and the Methodist Church of Great Britain have jointly issued a proposal that they be united in one Church. The proposal is the result of six and a-half years of official conversations by a committee of twelve Anglicans and twelve Methodists. Four of the Methodist representatives have signed a minority report in which they express doubts of the proposals.

The proposal is that union take place in two stages—one, lasting some years, in which the two Churches would be in full communion with each other while still retaining their distinct life and identity, and the second, when complete organic union would take place. During the first stage there would be a service of reconciliation, at which there would be a formal reception of the members and the ministers of each church by accredited representatives of the other. It would be performed in such a way as would enable each member to communicate and each bishop, priest and minister to officiate in either church.

The convocations of Canterbury and York and the British Methodist Conference have received and referred these proposals to the local courts for study and discussion with a view to a vote being taken in 1965.

A. K. PETCH, Convener.

#### **RESOLUTIONS**

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the Rev. A. K. Petch be heartily thanked for his services, and that he be reappointed Convener.
3. That the Methodist representatives on the Joint Standing Committee for 1964 be: Revs. G. H. Goodman, R. Thornley, W. F. Ford, R. G. Bell, P. A. Stead, A. K. Petch and Messrs R. H. Ellis and G. G. Slater.
4. That a grant of £12 from the Contingent Fund be made to the Joint Standing Committee for 1964.
5. That Conference express the deep sense of urgency of our people that the issues of Church Union should be brought to decision at earliest possible date.
6. That Conference express its thanksgiving for the friendly progress of conversations between the representatives of the negoti-

ating Churches and those of the Church of the Province of New Zealand, and its sense of satisfaction that an early decision which may result in participation on Church Union negotiations is likely to be taken.

7. That the following be referred back to the Committee and the Home Mission Board for consideration:

Having affirmed its desire for an early decision on the Basis of Church Union, this Conference believes that further specific steps towards the unification of the Church may be taken before, during and after the present negotiations.

THEREFORE . . . Believing that action towards and resulting in a greater degree of visible unity of the Body of Christ is of paramount importance to enable the Church to fulfil her mission in a divided world; and believing that certain specific acts can assist towards this end, Conference be urged to take action along the following lines:

- (1) To declare its willingness to co-operate with other Churches in the formation of Union Parishes in newly developed areas where no settled patterns of Church work or boundaries have yet been established.
- (2) To declare its willingness to co-operate with other Churches in the formation of Union Parishes in City, Town or Country areas where the patterns of Church work and boundaries are established, but where local desire and/or good commonsense would indicate that a united work and witness would be in the best interests of both the Church as a whole and of the congregations concerned.
- (3) To declare its willingness to co-operate with other Churches in the formation of "Hillsborough Pattern Churches" where this procedure is preferred at the local level or is determined to be the right line of action in the circumstances.
- (4) To declare its willingness to abide by the decisions of any Commission which may be appointed by any or all or more than the present Churches negotiating for Church Union, to determine the number, location and denominational responsibility of Churches to be established in new housing areas.
- (5) To declare its willingness to abide by the decisions of any Commission which may be appointed by any or all or more than the present Churches negotiating for Church Union, to determine where in City, Town or Country, areas are "Over-churched" and which Church or Churches should continue to function in such areas.
- (6) To declare its willingness to share in any temporary or otherwise transfer of ministers or other arrangements whereby congregations without a minister could be assisted in the Ministry of Word and Sacraments as well as in pastoral care.
- (7) To the ultimate furtherance of these purposes in co-operation with other Churches, or otherwise, this Synod urges Conference to request Synod Standing Committees:
  - (a) To survey the situation in every Circuit within its boundaries and to report, during 1964, to the Church Union Committee on any possible or desirable lines of action which could be taken in terms of 1-6 above.
  - (b) To encourage Circuit Officials to initiate conversations with other Churches in the area that could lead to action in any of the ways outlined above.
  - (c) To encourage congregations to consider any forms of uni-



lateral action in City, Town or Country Circuits that could lead to a greater visible demonstration of the unity of the Church and strengthen the effectiveness of her work and witness in any given area.

- (8) That Conference request the Church Union Committee to formulate and initiate proposals to establish a Commission of the Churches to carry out any or all or more than the functions envisaged in the foregoing resolutions.

8. Conference notes and welcomes the growing development of friendly relationships with the Roman Catholic Church.

9. That the following be referred to the Ecumenical Committee: Believing that hymn singing is one of the most significant ways in which people participate in Public Worship, and being persuaded that many worshippers are disquieted when unfamiliar hymns and tunes are included in Services, we request that a New Zealand Hymn Book be compiled for the use of member Churches of the New Zealand National Council of Churches. Such a hymn book should help to make it possible for New Zealanders to worship together more effectively and should prepare the way for the easier uniting of congregations when Church Union takes place.

10. That Conference approve in principle the scheme for Anglican co-operation and participation in a section of the Wainuiomata Union Parish, and authorise the Wellington Synod Standing Committee, in consultation with the Church Union Committee, the Joint Standing Committee and the Home Mission Board to act for the Methodist Church in the negotiations.

11. That the Committee be as printed on page 5 herein.

## QUESTION 58.

# 1 (B) Report of The Joint Standing Committee

The Committee has met on eight occasions during the year: December 5, 1962, February 26, May 10, June 4, 18, 28, July 31 and September 5 and 6, 1963.

Attention has been given to the following matters:

### A. THE DECLARATION OF FAITH

I. With the Committee's report last year, the Draft Declaration of Faith as revised during 1962 was transmitted to the Churches for adoption. As was repeated in the report, "the intention is that such a declaration be formally adopted by each of the four negotiating Churches before the Basis of Union is submitted for vote." It was expected that each Church would deal with it according to its own methods of procedure.

During the year, the Church Union Committee of the Presbyterian Church of New Zealand advised that, following consideration of replies from Presbyteries on the Declaration in its revised form, it wished to have the following amendments brought before the representatives appointed by the Churches to draft the Declaration:

1. Section 3, Man, third paragraph, the last line to read: "It is an offence to God, who, being holy, hates sin and judges and condemns sinners even while He loves them and seeks to reconcile them to Himself."

2. Section 4, New Life in Christ; the first paragraph to read: "Men are unable to reconcile themselves to God, but God by His grace reconciles them to Himself through Jesus Christ when they respond to His calling in faith."

The order of the two sentences in the second paragraph to be changed so that the paragraph begins "This faith means . . ."

3. Section 5, The Church; delete the words "the sense" from paragraphs 2, 3, 4, 5 so they read: "The Church is one in that..."

4. Section 6, Worship and Sacraments; the fourth paragraph, first sentence to read: "The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, in the context of the Word of God, is the fullest expression of Christian worship."

5. Section 8, The End; the third last sentence to read: "The destiny of those who reject Christ remains in the hands of the just and merciful Judge who is not mocked."

These were submitted to the representatives and approved.

At a later stage, a further letter was received from the Presbyterian Church Union Committee asking that certain additional amendments be brought before the representatives.

The Joint Standing Committee has therefore advised the Church Union Committees that it is probable that further revision of the Declaration of Faith will be necessary before it can be submitted for adoption. It is anticipated that a further communication will be received from the Presbyterian Church Union Committee early in 1964.

II. The question of the necessity of the Preface to the Declaration of Faith was raised by the Presbyterian Church Union Committee, and a possible alternative was mentioned. However, in view of the possibility of a misunderstanding of the purpose of the Declaration, the Committee decided that a preface should be retained and considered the form submitted last year to be the most suitable.

## **B. THE DRAFT BASIS OF UNION**

The Committee has continued the revision of the Draft Basis of Union in the light of the replies made at June 30, 1961. The sustained consideration of the revised form of the Basis which has been given has made it apparent that in certain matters, further consultation will be necessary.

The first draft of the revision, having been referred to Church Union Committees at various stages, was completed in February.

In last year's report, it was stated that when this first draft was completed, it would be subjected to examination "by a widely representative group, including a good proportion of persons not members of the Church Union Committees." Instead of one group, it was decided to have four regional conferences and these were convened as follows:

Auckland: The Rev Principal H. G. Nicholas.  
Wellington: The Rev M. H. Johnston.  
Christchurch: The Rev D. J. Inglis.  
Dunedin: The Rev J. M. Bates.

The membership of each was about 25-30 and every endeavour was made to ensure that they included a wide range of viewpoints. The replies were considered at the May meeting and subsequently. Certain alterations were suggested to Church Union Committees,



and when approved, incorporated. The resultant second draft, called "The Revised Draft Basis II" is appended to this report.

In this process of considering the replies from the Regional Conferences and referring alterations to Church Union Committees, it became clear that with regard to three matters, the provisions made were not as satisfactory as had first appeared. These were: the nature of the office of the ministry of Word and Sacraments; the extent to which there would be a continuance of the celebration of the Lord's Supper by others than regular ministers; the nature of the provisions concerning those baptised in infancy who may come to doubt whether they have really been baptised. As discussion on these proceeded, it became evident that it could not be assumed that a degree of common conviction had been reached which would be adequate ground for the various related provisions in the Basis of Union. It was therefore decided to submit the revision as it stands at present, for the information of the Churches, on the understanding that the paragraphs numbered 24, 40, 57 and 58 which are distinctively marked, have not yet been agreed upon and will be the subject of study by a specially constituted group more widely representative than the membership of the Joint Standing Committee. The Committee is making every endeavour to have this completed by March 31, 1964, and Church Union Committees will therefore seek authority to have the Revised Draft Basis sent to Church Courts for consideration and report during 1964.

Attention is drawn to the addition to the Draft Basis of Section VII relating to legal matters. Various points were referred to the Legal Committee, of which the Rev S. C. Read is Convener, and as a result of their consultations, paragraphs 65, 66, 67 were added. In addition, on the recommendation of the Legal Committee, Appendix II has been added, outlining "matters requiring enabling legislation of Parliament."

### **C. CONVERSATIONS WITH THE CHURCH OF THE PROVINCE OF NEW ZEALAND**

I. On November 14 and 15, 1962, at Feilding House, a special meeting was held with members of the Commission of the Church of the Province of New Zealand. The purpose of this meeting was to meet with the Rev Eugene Carson Blake, Stated Clerk of the United Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A., who was visiting New Zealand in response to the invitation of the Presbyterian Church acting jointly with the National Council of Churches. Members of the N.C.C. Faith and Order Commission were invited to attend. Five members of the Anglican Commission attended, and twenty-two members of the Committee, one of whom (the Rev J. M. Bates) is Chairman of the Faith and Order Commission.

Dr. Blake shared the concerns that led to his call to unity in the sermon preached in 1960 and outlined the basic convictions which shaped his suggestions. Periods of questioning and discussion provided a most valuable opportunity of learning of those recent developments and of relating them to our own situation.

II. On November 16, Archbishop Lesser advised that the Bishop of Dunedin, the Right Reverend A. H. Johnston, would be the convener of the Commission. The Committee recorded and expressed to Archbishop Lesser its deep appreciation of the way that he had as convener facilitated and enriched the Joint Meetings.

III. Following the request of the Commission at the November meeting, the Committee furnished a factual survey of the negotiations for union for circulation by the Commission.

IV. The Committee was advised by Bishop Johnston that the Commission was making certain proposals with the object of obtaining from the General Synod a more specific commitment to the cause of union. Bishop Johnston stated:

1. "It is our desire to seek from the General Synod in April, 1964, a more specific statement of commitment to the cause of Union, and to obtain for the Commission a more particular function regarding its future relationship with the Joint Standing Committee.

"In order that General Synod may be assisted in this matter, each diocese is being asked to give consideration to a report of what has so far been done by our Commission, and, in order to secure an understanding of the whole movement towards union in New Zealand, to study the Basis of Union and Declaration of Faith now prepared by the Joint Standing Committee for the Churches already in negotiation.

"We do realise that these Churches have reached a very important stage in their negotiations, and that any desire of the Church of the Province of New Zealand to be more closely associated with them in this concern will require some careful consideration at this particular time when more definite decision may be contemplated regarding the existing Basis of Union.

"The conversations with the Joint Standing Committee have given to us an opportunity for fellowship and understanding that has been of inestimable benefit to us. We are sure that this experience has enabled us to seek the further step to which I have now referred."

V. The Committee has been advised that some of the Dioceses have already expressed approval of the desire of the Commission. The matter will come before the General Synod which is to meet in Auckland on April 11, 1964.

If the General Synod should agree to accept the invitation to enter negotiations for union, it is anticipated that it would convey this acceptance to each of the four Churches negotiating at present. This would be done without delay and with the object of its being received by the supreme court of each church at its meeting later in the year.

It is clear that this would create a new situation which would yet be directly related to the present. It is therefore desirable that if such an acceptance should come before the supreme courts, there should have been adequate opportunity for consideration of the complex issues involved. It seems also clearly desirable that this consideration should take place by representatives of the five Churches meeting together. It is therefore proposed that the Joint Standing Committee should consult with the Commission that may be appointed by the General Synod and report to each Church Union Committee so that recommendations may be made in the appropriate way.

#### **D. UNION CHURCHES**

##### **I. The General Policy re Development of Union Churches.**

The Conference on matters relating to future policy in the development of union churches and other methods of co-operation in church extension as authorised last year was held on July 28. There was a good attendance, all Union Churches being represented, also the Hillsborough and Burwood congregations, as well as the churches' executive officers concerned with development of new areas.



The Rev A. K. Petch read a paper outlining the factors which made the conference necessary:

- (1) the frustration experienced where united action is believed to be necessary in the best interests of the Kingdom of God but where there is confusion as to the form such united action should take.
- (2) the absence or ineffectiveness of Joint Regional Committees.
- (3) the absence as yet of any official commitment to union.

After considerable discussion of the whole situation, it was agreed that development along these lines was required: (a) union parishes; (b) reciprocal membership; (c) comity; and a resolution expressing this was referred to the Joint Standing Committee.

There was also consideration of the functioning of committees designed to promote understanding and co-operation in local areas. It was felt to be fundamental that district courts should feel responsibility for consultation and co-operation, and should exercise a continuing oversight of arrangements that may be made.

Questions relating to the provision of funds for the development of the work of union churches were considered and it was agreed that it would be beneficial to have consultation between the various church extension departments.

It was agreed that the following resolutions be transmitted to church union committees for recommendation to the Church courts.

1. That this conference recommend to the supreme courts of the churches represented that the present situation calls for more acts of unity and co-operation in local areas. To this end we recommend that approval be given for one of the following types of action:

- (a) the establishment of denominational churches on the basis of comity.
- (b) the establishment of congregations on the basis of reciprocal membership, e.g., Hillsborough pattern.
- (c) the formation of further union churches where strong local desire for this exists.

Any such action should be taken only after mutual consultation and agreement by the responsible committees and courts at local and district level. The establishment of a union church under the model constitution requires the approval of the supreme church courts.

2. That in view of the fact that most regional joint committees have found it difficult to function effectively, the opinion of the Joint Standing Committee is that District Courts must take full responsibility for co-operation at the district level. We therefore recommend that the supreme courts request district courts of the negotiating churches to hold annually a combined meeting to consider the mission of the churches in their area, making provision for regular consultation on church extension and other co-operative activities.

3. That District Courts be requested to ensure that where specific forms of co-operation are agreed upon, an official agreement is drafted, approved and adequately recorded, such agreement to include provision for periodic review.

4. That the church extension departments be requested to consult with corresponding departments of the negotiating churches in regard to the supply of funds to help meet the development needs of union churches.

## **II. Reports from Union Churches.**

Reports of the work of the five union churches reveal continued progress.

It should be noted that the Rev R. McD. Durham has left the Raglan Union Church for Papatoetoe. We understand that arrangements for new appointments to Raglan and Taita are being made. The Rev W. J. Morrison (Methodist) has taken up his appointment as second minister at Wainuiomata, working with the Rev R. W. Fowler (Presbyterian).

### **E. THE MAORI SECTION—N.C.C.**

The Committee appreciated the invitation extended by the Maori section of the N.C.C. for certain members to attend the annual meeting at Papatoetoe in February together with representatives of the Anglican Commission. The Rev J. M. Bates interpreted the Basis of Union and the Declaration of Faith, and members of the Section presented a Statement on Unity expressing their deep concern for action which would assist their mission to the Maori people.

J. E. STEWART,  
Convener.

### **RESOLUTIONS**

1. That the report be received and adopted.
2. That Conference, recognising that the present situation calls for more acts of unity and co-operation in local areas, approve any one of the following types of action, any such action to be taken only after mutual consultation and agreement by the responsible committees and courts at local and district level.
  - (a) The establishment of denominational churches on the basis of comity;
  - (b) The establishment of congregations on the basis of reciprocal membership, e.g., Hillsborough pattern;
  - (c) The formation of further Union Churches where strong local desire for this exists.
3. That Conference request Synod Standing Committees, in consultation with the district courts of the other negotiating churches, to hold annually a combined meeting to consider the mission of the church in their area and to make provision for regular consultation on church extension and other co-operative activities.
4. That Conference request Synod Standing Committees to ensure that where specific forms of co-operation are agreed upon, an official agreement be drafted, approved, and adequately recorded, such agreement to include provision for periodic review.
5. That Conference request the Home Mission Department to consult with the corresponding departments of the other negotiating churches in regard to the supply of funds to help meet the development needs of Union Churches.
6. That Conference authorise the Church Union Committee to send down during 1964 to district and local courts for discussion and report the Draft Basis of Union when revision is completed.

### **"THE REVISED DRAFT BASIS"**

**Note:** Certain paragraphs are still under review and are marked \* (Paras No. 24, 40, —, 57, 58).

### **PREAMBLE:**

1. The Churches now proposing to unite do so believing that they are carrying out God's will as expressed in the prayer of Jesus:



"that they all may be one that the world may believe." There are two reasons for this belief of the Churches. One springs from the nature of the church and the other from its function.

2. Man's salvation, according to the Bible, is in Christ. To be saved is to be joined to Christ by faith, to be "in Christ," to be a member of His Body. If we are joined to Christ, we are thereby joined to one another. This means that Christ and those who are His, form a family or fellowship and are therefore a unity. It is clear that this unity is of the very nature of the Church, and is a basic conception in the minds of the New Testament writers, e.g. I Cor. 1: 10 — 3: 23; John 10: 1-18, 15: 1-11, 17; Eph. 4: 1-14.
3. The function of the church is to be the reconciled brotherhood of believers who witness to all men that God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself. This it does as it makes evident, through what it is and what it says, that God is love. Therefore the Church must give the fullest possible visibility to its essential unity. It must not only be one; it must be seen to be one.
4. It is with this conviction that the negotiating churches propose the following basis of union as a means of giving outward and visible expression to the inward unity which originally brought the four churches to the point of negotiation and without which their mission to society is gravely handicapped.

5. **INTRODUCTION.** The ..... will be the Church constituted by the Union of The Associated Churches of Christ in New Zealand, The Churches of the Congregational Union of New Zealand, The Methodist Church of New Zealand, and The Presbyterian Church of New Zealand, to be consummated upon agreement being reached on the following basis:—

#### **SECTION I—THE FAITH OF THE CHURCH:**

6. 1. The ..... Church holds the faith which the one holy, catholic and apostolic Church has ever held in Jesus Christ, the Redeemer of the world, in whom men are saved by grace through faith. In accordance with the revelation of God in Jesus Christ, Himself God Incarnate, the Church worships one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
7. 2. The ..... Church acknowledges the Word of God, which is contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, to be the supreme rule of faith and life.
8. 3. The ..... Church accepts the Creeds commonly called Apostles' and Nicene as witnessing to and safeguarding that faith which is continuously confirmed by the Holy Spirit in the experience of the Church.
9. 4. (a) The ..... Church accepts and adopts as an expression of its faith, the Declaration of Faith which was adopted by each of the four uniting Churches before the union and which is annexed to this Basis as Appendix I.
10. (b) The Westminster Confession of Faith, John Wesley's Forty Four Standard Sermons and Notes on the N.T., and the Savoy Declaration will continue to be held in honour as embodying traditions which are now merged in the ..... Church. The tradition of the Churches of Christ is not to use supplementary doctrinal standards.
11. (c) The act of union will not debar any teacher from using for instruction any confession of faith which has been recognised

as authoritative in any of the uniting Churches before the union, provided that the teaching is not inconsistent with the doctrinal standards officially set forth by the ..... Church.

12. 5. The ..... Church has the inherent right, in dependence on the promised guidance of the Holy Spirit, to formulate, adopt, modify and interpret supplementary doctrinal statements, always in agreement with the Word of God and the fundamental doctrines of the Christian faith, of which agreement the Church itself shall be sole judge. The Church recognises liberty of opinion on points of doctrine which do not enter into the substance of the Christian faith.

#### **Section II—THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE CHURCH:**

13. 1. Members in full standing of the uniting Churches will be recognised as communicant members of the ..... Church.
14. 2. The ..... Church believes that God cares for all men and that the Church must always seek their salvation in His name. It believes, however, that those who have covenanted with Christ, together with their children, stand in a particular relationship to God, being within the family of the Church.
15. 3. In the ..... Church members in full standing, who share in the full privileges and obligations of membership, are those who:  
have been baptised in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, whether as believers or as infants, and have openly confessed their faith and been admitted to Holy Communion.
16. 4. The ..... Church recognises that baptised children or children who have been brought to a service of presentation belong within the family of the Church. Together with the believing parents it accepts responsibility for their Christian nurture and instruction.
17. 5. The ..... Church acknowledges the responsibility to exercise discipline of life and teaching for the welfare of its members and the purity of the Church.

#### **Section III—THE POLITY AND ORGANISATION OF THE CHURCH:**

##### **A. The Polity of the Church:**

18. 1. The ..... Church affirms that the Lord Jesus Christ is the only King and Head of the Church.
19. 2. The ..... Church accepts the congregational, presbyteral, and episcopal elements in historic Church order as means through which the Lordship of Christ in His Church has been, and may be, expressed.

##### **B. The Organisation of the Church:**

20. The ..... Church shall function in
1. The parish;
  2. The district, comprising a natural grouping of parishes;
  3. All districts together, comprising the whole area of New Zealand,
- and each of the three shall have an appropriate council.
1. THE PARISH.
21. (a) The parish will be a defined area within which the Church



recognises Christian responsibility for its total mission. It may comprise one or more worshipping communities.

22. (b) Within the parish, all the communicant members and adherents of the ..... Church will be the congregation (or congregations). Adherents are those who regularly share in the worship and work of the congregation but who have not yet accepted the obligations and privileges of communicant membership.
23. (c) The congregation shall meet regularly to consider the life and work of the Church and to receive reports from the Parish Council. It shall have power to make recommendations to the Parish Council on all matters. All members and adherents shall have the right to speak, but only communicant members shall have the right to move resolutions and to vote.
24. (d) Oversight of the parish shall be exercised by the Parish Council which shall comprise the minister or ministers and elders.  
\*The minister as pastor and counsellor of his people shall preside over the Parish Council. He shall not move resolutions nor exercise a vote other than a casting vote. He shall, however, have responsibility for the exposition and clarification of doctrine.
25. (e) (i) Elders shall be communicant members of the congregation and persons of spiritual maturity with gifts fitting them to assist in the oversight and administration of the parish and in the pastoral care of the people. Such persons having been approved by the Parish Council shall be elected by the communicant members of the congregation.
26. (ii) Elders shall be ordained and inducted to the office, being solemnly set apart by prayer at public worship and authorised to perform the functions of the eldership as prescribed by the Church. Elders may be elected for life or for a stated term of not less than five years as the communicant members of the congregation shall decide. On election for another term or to office in another congregation, elders shall be inducted to office at public worship.
27. (f) (i) By active interest and participation in the different aspects of the life of the congregation, the elders will enable the Parish Council to maintain a close and realistic oversight of the life of the parish in relation to the total mission of the Church.
28. (ii) The Parish Council shall receive and consider recommendations from the congregation. The Parish Council shall report to the meetings of the congregation in such a way as to give full information and enlist the responsible participation of the congregation.
29. (iii) The Parish Council shall have power to co-opt members or adherents to assist its work in committees with reference to particular aspects of the life of the parish. Such co-opted members may attend meetings of the Parish Council at the request of the Council but shall not have the right to vote.
30. (iv) In its administration of matters concerning property and finance, the Parish Council shall act through a Property and Finance Committee consisting of representatives of the Parish Council together with members or adherents elected annually by the congregation.
31. (v) The Parish Council shall be responsible to the District Council for the discharge of its duties.

## **2. THE DISTRICT COUNCIL**

32. (a) The District Council shall consist of the Ministers of the parishes within the district, and other stated persons, together with an equal number of representatives elected by the Parish Councils from their own members.
33. (b) The District Council shall have oversight of the parishes within its area through regular consultation, exercising authority in the interests of both the local congregation and the whole church, which authority shall be defined by the ..... Church.

## **3. THE NATIONAL COUNCIL:**

34. (a) The National Council shall consist of representatives of the District Council chosen in such a way as to provide equal numbers of ministers and elders and also as wide a representation of parishes as possible.
35. (b) The National Council shall meet annually to consider the life of the ..... Church in all its aspects and shall be its supreme court exercising its rule under the Lordship of Christ.
36. (c) There shall be right of appeal from the Parish Council to the District Council and from both to the National Council. The decision of the National Council shall be final.

## **Section IV—THE MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH:**

### **A—THE CHURCH**

37. The ..... Church believes that it is called to a ministry which derives from its fellowship with Jesus Christ, Himself the Servant of all and recognises that in this it is the duty and privilege of every member to share. This worship includes the worship of God both in private and in public, loving service within the family of the Church and to the community at large, and the spread of the gospel of Jesus Christ through witness of life and work.
- Within this ministry the Church recognises and welcomes a rich diversity of gifts to both men and women, for the exercise of which it will seek to provide, as in the work of deaconesses and lay preachers. It is a prime concern of the Church that all its members should contribute fully to its life of worship, witness and service.

### **B—THE MINISTERS OF THE WORD AND THE SACRAMENTS:**

#### **1. Introduction**

38. The ..... Church believes that the office of the ministry within the Church was instituted by Jesus Christ, the only King and Head of the Church, for the perfecting of the saints, the upbuilding of the Body of Christ and is a gift of God to the Church in the service of the Word and the Sacraments and the care of souls. This ministry does not exclude, but presupposes, the priesthood of all believers to which all Christians are called as the redeemed of Jesus Christ.

#### **2. Recognition of Existing Ministers**

39. (a) The ..... Church recognises as ministers of the ..... Church those already ordained to the ministry of the whole Church by any of the uniting Churches.
40. \* (b) In congregations where there has been the practice of the administration of the sacraments by others than regular ministers—  
(1) the practice at present followed will be continued, any alteration to be made with the agreement of the District Council;



- (2) those already authorised to administer the sacraments may continue to do so;
- (3) provision for continuing this practice may be made by further persons being ordained after they are approved by Parish and District Councils. This ordination is to the ministry of the Word and Sacraments to be exercised within this particular sphere. Should such an ordained person offer for the regular ministry he would submit to the ..... Church's training before recognition but further ordination would not be required.

### 3. Ordination

41. (a) In the ..... Church, the District Council, in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, shall ordain to the ministry by prayer and the laying on of hands. It will be the custom for ordained ministers to lay on hands, though this does not signify that the ministry is an order apart from and over the Church. It will also be customary for a representative of the National Council of the ..... Church to be present at the service.

### 4. Training

42. (a) A candidate for the ministry of the Church shall be a communicant member of the ..... Church. After union, the acceptance of women candidates for the ministry will be determined by the ..... Church. Normally, training shall involve university studies, practical work in preaching and pastoral care, visitation done under supervision and at least three years at a Theological College, as the ..... Church may direct.
43. (b) The National Council of the ..... Church shall have right to receive into the ministry a minister from another Church.

### 5. Settlement of the Ministry

44. (a) There shall be a National Committee for Settlement of the Ministry (National Settlement Committee) appointed by and responsible to the National Council with an associate committee (District Settlement Committee) in each district appointed by and responsible to the District Council. District Settlement Committees shall act in consultation with the National Settlement Committee.
45. (b) Any minister shall feel free at any time to discuss with representatives of the District Settlement Committee the question of whether he should seek a change of parish. The District Settlement Committee shall also have the right to raise this question with any minister, and if necessary to urge that he seek a change. If a minister then decides to seek a change of parish, his name shall be forwarded from the District Settlement Committee to the National Settlement Committee.
46. (c) When a parish is about to become vacant representatives of the parish shall consult with the District Settlement Committee with a view to making a recommendation to the congregation. The National Settlement Committee shall supply the District Settlement Committee with a short list of men considered suitable to fill the vacancy. The parish representatives acting with the District Settlement Committee may select one of these names. If they wish to call some other person, they must consult the National Settlement Committee which shall advise with the best interests of the whole Church in mind. The name of the person recommended shall be brought before the communicant members of the congregation for their decision.

47. (d) The District Settlement Committee shall approach the person chosen to discover whether he would be willing to consider a call. On receipt of a favourable answer, a call shall be prepared, signed by communicant members of the congregation, and when confirmed by the District Councils, presented to the minister.
48. (e) In the case of new charges or other special appointments (e.g., chaplaincy appointments) a direct appointment may be made by the National Settlement Committee.

#### **6. Discipline**

49. A Minister shall be responsible to the District Council for the discharge of his ministry.

### **Section V. THE SACRAMENTS OF THE CHURCH:**

50. The ..... Church believes that the sacraments of baptism and the Lord's Supper proclaim and communicate the gospel. These sacraments were ordained by Christ Himself as means of grace by which we are united to God and through which God works in us.

#### **A. THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM:**

##### **Doctrine.**

51. 1. The sacrament of baptism is a sign and seal of the covenant of grace, of union with Christ in His Body, of forgiveness of sins by His blood, and of resurrection to eternal life through Him. By this sacrament we are solemnly admitted into the household of faith and are engaged to be the Lord's.

##### **Practice.**

52. 2. All within the ..... Church acknowledge that this is the meaning of baptism but three of the uniting churches administer baptism to believers and the children of believers, while the other administers it to believers only and by immersion.
53. 3. In the latter case those who respond to the gospel, confess their faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour, and promise to follow and serve Him in the fellowship of the church, are publicly baptised. In the former case believing parents publicly confess their faith and bring for baptism their children as sharers in the covenant of grace. The congregation and the parents of those baptised in infancy promise to bring their children up in the household of faith. This initiation into membership of the church is completed in the confirmation of their baptism where they make a public confession of Christ and the Church prays that the Holy Spirit will confirm them as Christ's faithful servants to their life's end.
54. 4. All who have thus confessed their faith are received into the communicant membership of the church.
55. 5. Baptism shall be administered with water in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit according to the practices of the uniting Churches.
56. 6. When a minister who has conscientious scruples about baptising infants is requested by believing parents to baptise their children, he shall refer the request to the District Council, which shall appoint a minister to do so.
57. \*Re-baptism is contrary to the order of the ..... Church; there may, however, be cases calling for special pastoral care. Matters of conscience concerning the baptism of believers



baptised in infancy should be referred to the District Council, which may appoint a person to undertake the pastoral counsel involved and to arrange what further action may be necessary.

#### **COMMENTARY ON PARAGRAPH 57**

58. \*If a believer baptised in infancy comes in later life to have doubts about whether he has really been baptised, every effort should be made to set his mind at rest. The most satisfactory way of achieving this is through talking it over with the Minister who should be able to lead the person to theological clarity and renewed assurance of faith. In such instances more profound understanding will resolve the difficulty. When the doubts seem particularly deepseated, some Minister other than the person's own pastor should be appointed by the District Council to advise and make a decision as to the proper course to pursue. It is envisaged that if the grounds of a request are found to be adequate he will grant it but if the grounds are not found to be adequate he will not grant it. Both possibilities exist. He will decide as God guides him and not as a committee instructs him. The Minister on whom this responsibility is laid by the Church should therefore be one of judicial mind, having the confidence of the whole Church as one who will consider wisely the factors in the case and the well-being of the Church.

#### **B. THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER OR HOLY COMMUNION.**

59. 1. The sacrament of the Lord's Supper in the context of the Word of God is the supreme act of Christian worship.
60. 2. Provided that bread and wine are set apart with Christ's words of institution and with thanksgiving, forms of service in use in any of the uniting Churches may be used in the ..... Church.
61. 3. It shall be the rule of order in the ..... Church that the administration of the Lord's Supper shall be entrusted only to those who have, by ordination, received authority thereto. (Note: See para. 40.)
62. 4. To the Lord's Supper are welcome all whom the Church receives in Christ's name. The normal conditions of participation in the Lord's Supper are baptism and reception into communicant membership.

#### **Section VI. WORSHIP:**

63. 1. The ..... Church recognises that the essential elements in Christian worship are embodied in the forms of worship of the uniting Churches.
64. 2. Forms of worship which before the union were in use in any of the uniting Churches may be continued in the ..... Church which will undoubtedly develop its own forms.

#### **Section VII. LEGAL MATTERS:**

65. 1. The ..... Church has the right to legislate and to adjudicate finally in all matters concerning its doctrine, worship, discipline and government, including the right from time to time to frame, alter, add to, or modify its laws and regulations but subject to such conditions and safeguards as may be determined by the National Council.
66. 2. The ..... Church by virtue of its right to legislate and to adjudicate finally in respect of its doctrine, worship, discipline and government, has the right to unite with any other church or churches without loss of its identity upon such terms as it may find to be consistent with the Basis of Union or any amendment thereof made by the National Council.
67. 3. When the uniting Churches have adopted this Basis of Union it will be necessary to draw up regulations for the government of the ..... Church in its spheres of administration,

and for the definition of the procedure to be adopted in giving effect to other sections of the Basis. These regulations will require to be adopted by the uniting Churches.  
(For matters requiring enabling legislation by Act of Parliament, see the Appendix on this subject.)

#### **APPENDIX I: THE DECLARATION OF FAITH.**

#### **APPENDIX II: LEGAL MATTERS.**

1. When the Basis of Union has been adopted by the uniting Churches an Act of Parliament will be necessary to give legal effect to the union.
2. The Act of Parliament should contain, inter alia, provisions for the following matters.
  - (a) Ratifying and confirming the Basis of Union which would appear as a schedule to the Act.
  - (b) Defining the legislative rights of the ..... Church as set out in sections 65 and 66 of the Basis of Union.
  - (c) Vesting all property and trust funds of the uniting Churches in the ..... Church, the Church or trustees to be incorporated as a body corporate and politic.
  - (d) Determining the conditions under which property and trust funds so vested, or which thereafter shall be vested, shall be held and administered.
  - (e) Safeguarding special trusts of the uniting Churches.
  - (f) Merging in the ..... Church all incorporated bodies or societies previously working under the jurisdiction or within the framework of the uniting Churches.
  - (g) Fixing the date on which union shall be effected and the date of the first meeting of the National Council of the ..... Church; defining the membership of this meeting and matters to be dealt with until a National Council is convened in accordance with the regulations of the ..... Church.
  - (h) In the event of claims arising following the decision to unite, providing for the equitable settlement of the same.

#### **RESOLUTIONS**

1. That the Revised draft basis be received only.
2. That the Joint Standing Committee decide the manner in which the draft basis is to be presented to District and local Courts.

#### **QUESTION 58.**

## **2—Transport Trust Board, Inc.**

#### **ANNUAL REPORT, 1963**

#### **Availability of Motor Cars:**

There has been reported a few instances during the past year of difficulty in obtaining suitable car transport and it has, in some cases, been necessary for ministers and others to acquire second-hand vehicles. The position, however, should ease during the coming year, as provision is being made by the Government for increased importations, and it is considered that all needs will then be adequately met.

#### **Financial Assistance for the Purchase of Motor-cars:**

This has continued to be the Board's main operation, 16 new advances to a total value of £5327 having been made. There are



39 loans now current to a total value of £11,265. All obligations under these loans are generally being satisfactorily met. The hire purchase restrictions imposed by Government regulation continue to operate and again it has been necessary to rely on the support of guarantors for the making of new advances. The Board again expresses its appreciation of the valuable assistance being given to the Church by the guarantors.

#### Annual Accounts:

The Annual Accounts for the year ended 30th June, 1963, show an excess of Income over Expenditure of £117, thus bringing the Accumulated Fund up to £1161. It has been possible to operate during the past year with a substantially reduced usage of bank overdraft due to valuable and much appreciated assistance given by various Church Departments and Trusts as under:—

General Purposes Trust Board .....	£7,000
Wesley Church (Wellington Central)	
Social Services Trust .....	£1,000
Wellington Methodist Charitable and	
Educational Endowment Trust ....	£500
Department of Christian Education ....	£750
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	£9,250

Because of this assistance it has been possible to keep the rate of interest down to 4 per cent, which is under to-day's circumstances a very favourable rate. It is hoped to maintain this rate in the meantime, although it must be stated that the bank overdraft rate was recently increased. If it becomes necessary to again become dependent on the substantial use of bank overdraft, it will be necessary to raise the interest rate.

The last Conference on the Board's recommendation adopted a scale of travelling allowances which included a minimum annual payment which was subject to certain conditions. Based on the absence of unfavourable comment from either districts or individuals, it is considered that the basis approved by last Conference is now satisfactorily meeting the need and no further amendment is now proposed. This means that the Church will continue to adopt the present Public Service scale subject to the specified minimum payments. The current scale is stated hereunder for convenience:—

Miles per Annum	Small Car (Under 1000c.c. Cyl. Capacity)	Medium Car (1000-2000c.c. Cyl. Capacity)	Large Car (Over 2000c.c. Cyl. Capacity)
	d.	d.	d.
0-1000	8.50	10.00	11.25
1001-2000	7.50	8.75	9.75
2001-3000	7.00	8.25	9.25
3001-4000	6.50	8.00	8.75
4001-5000	6.25	7.50	8.25
5001-6000	5.75	7.00	7.75
6001-7000	5.75	6.75	7.50
7001-8000	5.50	6.75	7.25
8000 and over	5.50	6.50	7.25

When more than two passengers are carried the foregoing rates for motor-cars shall be increased by one penny per mile.

The minimum payments as adopted by the last Conference and subject to the conditions then specified are:—

Small Car	£120 p.a.
Medium Car	£135 p.a.
Large Car	£150 p.a.

### **Car Insurance:**

The need for ensuring that all cars used for Church work be adequately insured is again stressed. Most insurance companies are now offering a Comprehensive Policy which adequately meets the need, except in the case of passenger insurance. Most Comprehensive Policies now include a passenger cover of £5,000 without additional cost. Ministers generally are called upon frequently to carry passengers, and it is very definitely considered that the £5,000 passenger cover is inadequate. There have been recent cases where damages in excess of £20,000 have been awarded in Court actions brought by injured passengers, and church workers generally are urged to ensure against the passenger risk to the extent of £10,000, and preferably £20,000. The additional premium payable is not heavy, especially when compared with the responsibilities involved.

### **Depreciation Fund:**

The last Conference directed the Board to investigate the possibility of establishing a compulsory depreciation fund for ministers who operate their own motor-cars. The Board has no recommendation to make at this stage. It hesitates to recommend the suggested compulsory action because of varying circumstances. The scale of allowances if fully paid provides an adequate contribution towards depreciation and this should be used either for the making of repayments where finance has been borrowed for the purchase of a car, or for providing an eventual replacement. Wherever possible, therefore, it is urged that ministers set aside regularly an amount for eventual car replacement, and in assessing the amount to be so set aside, private running as well as church running should be allowed for. Proposals are under investigation at the present time in other directions which could provide facilities within the church for promoting Deposit Accounts which could be used for this purpose. In the meantime both the Home Missions Board and the General Purposes Trust Board would be willing to accept on deposit monies which are being set aside for car replacement.

ROBERT THORNLEY, Chairman.

T. M. PACEY, Secretary.

D. TAYLER, Treasurer.

### **RESOLUTIONS**

1. That the Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted.
2. That the scale of travelling allowances including the stated minimums be as set out in the report, and that they be loyally adhered to by circuits.
3. That the Board for 1964 be as printed on page 9 herein.

### **QUESTION 58.**

## **3—Connexional Music Council**

### **ANNUAL REPORT, 1963**

The Council has met four times during the year. Its work to date was reported fully in the Methodist Times of June 1, together with a list of specimen anthems available for inspection.

Action on Conference resolutions regarding district branches and corresponding members has been held over meanwhile, but the resolutions are not being overlooked.

J. A. DAGLISH, Chairman.

W. ROY HILL, Convener.



## RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted.
2. That Conference recognises the need for and the value of the Music Council to continue as a Committee advising the Connexion on all musical matters.
3. That the Council be asked to place high on its priorities guiding D.E.C.'s in the planning of music schools in their area for, e.g., organists, choir masters, leaders of children's and youth groups.
4. That the Council for 1964 be Rev. J. A. Daglish, Messrs W. Roy Hill (Convener), A. Johnston, J. Knox, M. A. Rickard. Corresponding Member: Rev. W. E. Moore.

### QUESTION 58

## 4—STIPEND COMMITTEE

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That Conference accept the figure of £850 p.a. as the minimum stipend for an ordained minister, necessary to bring the stipend into proper relationship to other forms of remuneration, and that the new minimum be reached in three stages, namely: £790 from 1st July, 1964; £815 from 1st July, 1965; and £850 from 1st July, 1966.
2. That other stipend minima be adjusted proportionately over the same three-year period.
3. That the above adjustments be made quite apart from any increases that may be warranted as a consequence of the granting of general wage increases by the Arbitration Court.
4. That the Parsonage Allowance (at present £12 10s p.a.) be increased to £15 from 1st July, 1964, and that it be paid to the minister along with the stipend, but still retain its separate identity as a home furnishings and replacement grant.
5. **Quarters for Probationers (Group A) and Deaconesses:** That Conference having resolved to provide quarters for all Deaconesses and Probationers from the 1st February, 1964, now requires the appropriate courts of the Church to make these quarters to a standard satisfactory to the Chairman of the District, available free on the understanding that the present standard rate of stipend of Deaconesses and of Probationers who were unmarried at the time of their acceptance for training be reduced by an amount of £78 per annum.
6. That the Committee for 1964 be as printed on page 8 herein.

### QUESTION 58:

## 6—Finance and Stewardship Committee

### ANNUAL REPORT TO SYNODS AND CONFERENCE

1963

#### Appointment of Field Directors:

Shortly before Conference 1962 Messrs H. N. Wansbrough and W. B. Wotherspoon offered themselves for the positions of Field Directors, and in view of the excellent qualifications of both these men the Church Finance and Stewardship Committee had no hesitation in recommending to Conference that they be appointed. This recommendation was accepted and the work done by these men so far this year has justified the decision. This now means that with two Field Directors, and the Executive Officer also available for a limited number of canvasses, there is not the

same need for Circuits and Churches to engage organisations or other Directors outside of the Connexion to conduct stewardship campaigns.

### **Stewardship Promotion and Lay Visitation:**

The Victorian Department of Stewardship Promotion, Victoria Methodist Conference, directed five canvasses in New Zealand during the early part of this year, but apart from one canvass arranged for next year, it is not their intention to continue working in this country. We are deeply indebted to our Victorian brethren, in particular Mr Milton Gloster and his staff, for their valuable assistance so gladly given to our Circuits, and also for the training of our Field Directors.

The Committee has promoted Lay Visitation programmes to follow canvasses and these are now playing a significant part in the life of our Circuits and Churches. This, combined with the work of the Department of Christian Education, is enabling the Church to undertake the duties of lay visitation on a scale and with a spiritual depth new to its life.

It is well that the Committee should clearly state the real aim and purpose of Canvasses conducted by its Directors. The ultimate objective is a deepening of the spiritual life of the Church and its members manifested by better giving habits, an improved sense of stewardship of other talents and resources, increased Church interest and a greater sense of concern for others—in short, a new spiritual life in individual families and new leadership in the life of the Church.

The increasing demand for the Church's own Directors during the past twelve months reflects a continuing and growing confidence in their endeavours. Nevertheless, the Committee points out to Synods and Conference the fallacy of the contention put forward in some quarters that "self-run" canvasses are just as effective as "directed" canvasses. All evidence points to the fact that these dedicated Directors (fully trained, experienced, able to devote themselves full-time to the task, and coming from outside the circuit), are able to secure better financial results and also a quickening of spiritual interest.

The increased expense should not be a major factor in making a decision between a "directed" canvass and a "self-run" canvass.

Such is the demand for the Directors that Circuits and Churches considering engaging the Directors must be prepared to do so at least twelve months ahead. The committee stresses the necessity for early arrangements to be made to meet the Executive Officer to discuss a possible programme, with the assurance that this does not commit them to a canvass.

### **Second Connexional Budget:**

Payments to the Second Budget have been slightly better than was the case with the first budget, but on this occasion the Church Extension Fund is not bearing the brunt of our shortcomings and the result this year may be less satisfactory in many quarters. The Funds to which payment is guaranteed have been paid in full for the whole period. All other Funds are being paid as money comes to hand, and some payment has been made to them for June, but present indications are that they will all finish about 7 per cent short for the year. (In spite of this shortage, all these Departments and Funds are better off than under the old system, as the money now flows into their Bank accounts with a regularity never experienced before, and many of them will be experiencing



a record year's income. When in the past has the Church Extension Fund received £21,900, all paid into its account before the close of the year?)

One hundred and eleven circuits out of 154 had paid their allocations in full by June 30, and 33 of these had made every payment in the month in which it was due. As was the case last year the accounts are being kept open for a period for the convenience of those circuits which have not yet achieved this degree of regularity. It is pointed out, however, that this is not good accounting procedure, and last year it led to one or two misunderstandings. Last Conference decided to peg the Third Budget at the same amount as the Second one, although all the facts and figures were crying out for it to be increased. In view of this consideration and also because by next June they will have had 3½ years to become accustomed to the Connexional Budget, circuits are urged to make sure that next year there will be no necessity to keep the books open after June 30.

The Budgeting procedure adopted by Conference, 1960, provides for this Committee to ask for 2½ per cent to be added to the third and subsequent budgets to provide a general reserve fund. Because of a wide-spread desire to keep the figure as low as possible, the matter was not pressed for the Third Budget, but in view of the facts outlined above, the Committee will certainly ask for it in the Fourth Budget. Without such a reserve fund there is no possibility of meeting the needs of Departments in full when the circuits do not respond in full.

The latest figures show that the Second Budget is 94.38 per cent filled, and the District percentages are as follows:

Northland .. ..	82.92%	Wellington .. ..	100.0%
Auckland .. ..	91.18%	Nelson .. ..	98.76%
South Auckland ..	95.8%	North Canterbury ..	93.92%
Taranaki - Wanganui	99.64%	South Canterbury ..	97.78%
Hawke's Bay - Manawatu .. ..	96.93%	Otago-Southland ..	82.27%

There is still time for these percentages to be improved before we report to Conference.

#### **First Budget Arrears:**

Conference 1962 directed that these arrears were to be referred to Synod Standing Committees for appropriate action in consultation with this Committee. Accordingly early this year the Synod Standing Committees were circularised setting out this Committee's attitude, but the results, with one notable exception, have been negligible. In the Nelson district, one circuit had withheld £50 of First Budget money to finance a stewardship campaign, with the intention of making it good as soon as possible, and this it promptly did in October, 1962.

The only other district to show results is South Canterbury and this Committee is glad to be able to congratulate this district most heartily on its attitude. At the close of the First Budget period, two circuits in this district which had been experiencing lean times were both completing stewardship campaigns, too late to affect their budget payments. Both circuits immediately promised their Synod Standing Committee that they would pay off their considerable arrears, though one intimated that it would take some time. It is pleasing to be able to record that one circuit, while paying every Second Budget payment as it fell due, has completely paid off its arrears of £335, while the other one, also keeping the Second Budget fully paid, has reduced its arrears by £300. This

Committee feels that the Connexion will warmly applaud these efforts. South Canterbury's response to the First Budget shown in the 1962 Minutes as 86.77 per cent is now increased to 92.41 per cent. As a further happy footnote to this, it may be added that another South Canterbury circuit, hearing recently that Departments and Funds were being short-paid from the Budget, generously produced £58 10s over and above its allocation to help relieve the shortage.

This Committee is aware that there are some circuits which cannot hope to pay their arrears, but we are also aware that there are several circuits which have had campaigns quite as successful as these in South Canterbury, and we await tangible evidence of this fact.

#### **Method of Apportioning Budget Among Districts:**

A suggested new method of apportioning the Budget was before the Conference Committee of Detail last year, and Conference directed this Committee to explain it fully to Synod Standing Committees with a view to taking a decision on it this year. The Committee did this early this year in such a way that the information could be passed on to all circuits if desired. It is therefore not necessary to repeat the explanation in this report, as the Synod Standing Committees can produce the information at Synods if thought necessary. Nine Synod Standing Committees have reported on it, and as eight of these favour the suggested method, this Committee is now recommending Synod and Conference to adopt it for the allocation of future budgets. Some districts had reservations about using the new method to apportion the District allocation among circuits: While maintaining that it is good as a general principle, this Committee points out that the method used within each District is entirely at the discretion of the Synod Standing Committee.

Synods are urged to spend some time considering the foregoing paragraphs relating to the Budget, in conjunction with their own District Financial Secretary's report on the state of the circuits, so that every circuit representative may return home knowing the true position.

#### **General**

##### **Res. 22 (page 228), Minutes of Conference, 1962:**

The recommendations contained in this Resolution were referred to the Committee for consideration during the year and for report to Synods and Conference, 1963.

(a) **Tax Exemption on Charitable Gifts:** On enquiry being made from the Connexional Secretary, the Committee was advised that full information on this subject was to be published in the Methodist Times (see March, 1963 ed.)

(b) **Winstone Memorial Trust Fund:** The Connexional Secretary advises that under the Deed of Trust it is not possible for Circuits to draw on this Fund to meet any deficiency in payments to the Connexional Budget. The Standing Committee has no recommendation to make.

(c) **Definition of 'Stewardship':** In response to the request of Conference for a definition of "Stewardship," the Standing Committee recommend the following for consideration by Synods and Conference, 1963—"Christian Stewardship is the practical acknowledgment that — God is Creator and Ruler and that we hold all we have and are as trustees who are responsible to Him; and that God in Christ has reconciled us to Himself and that this is an undeserved gift we receive from Him. Christian Stewardship is the glad



giving of our time, abilities and material possessions systematically and proportionately in gratitude to God for His gifts to us."

**(d) Self-denial efforts for urgent Church Extension:** The legislation for Budgeting procedure adopted by Conference 1960 makes provision, in section 5 on page 210 of 1960 Minutes, that Synods, before apportioning the District allocation to circuits, may add to it the amount approved for Hospital Chaplains in the District and also an amount to cover its own administrative expenses. It further provides that nothing else is to be added without Conference approval and then adds "there is nothing to prevent a Synod Standing Committee from issuing an appeal to its circuits for some special local objective, **provided it is kept entirely clear from the Budget.**" There is therefore, already permission for Synods to do what is suggested in this recommendation, but if the cause is local Church Extension, keeping it entirely clear from the Budget would be a matter of great difficulty, seeing that Church Extension is one of the three major items in the Budget. For this reason only the Committee regrets that it cannot give the suggestion whole-hearted support.

**(e) Provision of educational material on Connexional and Budget needs:** A sub-committee has been appointed to study this resolution, and it is hoped that material will be available in 1964.

**(f) Financial support for work at Dunedin Psychiatric Hospitals:** The Committee considered that before taking action the Otago-Southland District should confer with South Canterbury District. The Otago-Southland District was informed of this decision but as yet no reply has been received.

**Alterations to Quarterly Meeting Agenda:** After consultation with the Law Revision Committee the Church Finance and Stewardship Committee has agreed to the following alteration to the Law Book and this will be a recommendation from the Law Revision Committee—

Sub-section 3 of Section 290 (Law Book, page 53) to read as follows—

(3)a. What is the income and expenditure for the quarter?

b. Have all payments to the Connexional Budget been made in full by the end of the month in which they become due?

Sub-section 6 to be amended by deleting the second question, commencing with the words "what amounts have been raised," etc.

**Status of Field Directors:** It is considered desirable that Field Directors be members of the Standing Committee.

**Appreciation:** The Committee would again thank the Wellington Wesley Church Trust for the provision of rooms which have been converted into a suitable office for the Executive Officer and staff.

Members of the Committee and the Field Directors wish to acknowledge the excellent secretarial services given by the wife of the Executive Officer. Mrs Flyger works almost full-time on a voluntary basis. The quality of her work and the spirit in which it is done are greatly appreciated.

**Sympathy:** The Committee records with regret the passing of Mr Steve Roberts shortly after his resignation from the Committee. The late Mr Roberts was a foundation member of the Committee and rendered valuable service in its formative days.

E. G. HEGGIE, Chairman.

E. C. FLYGER, Executive Officer.

## REPORT OF THE BUDGET TREASURER

During the year of the Second Budget £662 was paid on account of the First Budget arrears, and this was distributed, £467 to Trinity College and £195 to Church Building and Loan Fund for grants. (Authority: Res. 14 on page 228, Mins. of Conf., 1962.)

When the accounts were closed, and the Statement of Receipts and Payments drawn up, the Second Budget was 95.22% paid. All guaranteed funds had been paid in full. It was decided to pay the other funds up to 95% before closing the accounts, although the receipts were still about £1,000 short of the amount which would justify the payment. To do this, the Finance and Stewardship Committee contributed its final payment of £217, and no contingencies having arisen during the year, the amount to the credit of the Contingencies Fund, £475, was also used.

Since closing the accounts a further £857 6s 1d has come in, making the Budget 95.85% paid. This has replaced the Contingencies amount, so that the balance brought forward from the First Budget, £881 11s 11d, is now increased to £1,449 4s 3d.

The amounts since paid, the percentage now paid, and the amounts still outstanding are shown in District totals below.

	Since Paid		Percentage Paid	Amount Outstanding	
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Northland .....	89	0 0	86.26%	653	0 6
Auckland .....	243	0 0	92.78%	1,913	0 9
South Auckland .....	265	13 4	98.32%	274	0 0
Taranaki - Wanganui .....	—		99.64%	38	18 0
Hawke's B.-Manawatu .....	135	0 0	98.21%	258	0 0
Wellington .....	—		100%	—	
Nelson .....	26	10 0	99.09%	75	0 0
North Canterbury .....	90	0 0	96.88%	673	10 0
South Canterbury .....	—		97.78%	166	12 0
Otago-Southland .....	8	2 9	84.82%	1,678	6 5
	<u>£857</u>	<u>6 1</u>		<u>£5,730</u>	<u>7 8</u>
Paid on Statement	131,424	6 3			
Since Paid .....	857	6 1			
	<u>132,281</u>	<u>12 4</u>	95.85%		
Outstanding .....	5,730	7 8			
	<u>£138,012</u>	<u>0 0</u>			

The Third Budget is receiving slightly better support. At October 25th, the first quarter, up to 30th September, was 94.5% paid.

District percentages were as follows:

Northland .....	76.7%	Wellington .....	99.5%
Auckland .....	93.27%	Nelson .....	100%
South Auckland .....	95.27%	North Canterbury .....	92.39%
Taranaki-Wanganui .....	93.84%	South Canterbury .....	100%
Hawke's B.-Manawatu .....	96.05%	Otago-Southland .....	92.18%

G. G. SLATER, Budget Treasurer.



METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND

### Details of Connexional Budget:

Details of Connexional Budget.		3rd Budget	4th Budget
		£	£
Supernumerary Fund	.....	8,640	8,910
Home Missionaries' Retiring Fund	.....	485	270
Deaconess Retiring Fund	.....	1,125	1,087
Removal Expenses Fund	.....	4,000	3,500
Children's Fund	.....	4,000	4,350
Contingent Fund	.....	6,855	6,400
Connexional Secretary	.....	365	365
Methodist Times	.....	500	500
Overseas Missions Department	.....	31,600	34,675
Home Mission Department	.....	32,600	35,371
Department of Christian Education	.....	5,864	6,000
Trinity College	.....	6,256	7,088
Church Extension	.....	20,000	20,000
Children's Homes—			
Auckland	.....	2,250	1,000
Masterton	.....	1,750	1,500
South Island	.....	2,000	2,000
Social Services	.....	3,050	2,600
Deaconess Board	.....	791	1,100
Church Finance and Stewardship Committee	.....	1,030	750
<b>Miscellaneous Causes:</b>			
National Council of Churches	.....	375	560
(Television)	.....	400	400
World Council of Churches	.....	250	250
N.Z. Council of Christian Education	.....	400	400
N.C.C. Prison Chaplaincy Fund	.....	30	30
Armed Forces' Chaplaincy Fund	.....	75	75
New Zealand Alliance	.....	200	200
National Society on Alcoholism	.....	25	25
Religious Film Society	.....	50	50
University Chaplaincy—			
Auckland	.....	150	150
Wellington	.....	100	120
Christchurch	.....	100	120
Local Preachers' Association	.....	60	60
Spiritual Advance Committee	.....	150	100
Board of Publications	.....	105	105
Overseas Travel Fund	.....	525	525
Contingencies	.....	500	—
Reserve Account	.....	—	640
		<b>£136,656</b>	<b>£141,060</b>

## RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted.
2. That the Budget Treasurer's Report be received and adopted.
3. That the Stewardship Field Directors be members of the Standing Committee of the Church Finance and Stewardship Committee.
4. That Conference thank the Victorian Methodist Department

of Stewardship Promotion for its help and guidance in establishing our Stewardship Department.

5. That the definition of "Stewardship" be—"Christian stewardship is the glad giving of our time, abilities and material possessions sacrificially and systematically in gratitude to God for His gifts to us in Creation and Redemption. It is the practical acknowledgment that God is Creator and Ruler; that He has redeemed us freely in Christ, and that we hold all that we have as trustees who are responsible to Him".

6. That the word "Church" be deleted from the title of the Standing Committee so that it become the "Finance and Stewardship Committee".

7. That in 1964 in the initial allocation of the Connexional Budget to Districts by the Finance and Stewardship Committee, the total figure be allocated in such a manner that the amount per member required to pay the combined total of stipends, travelling expenses and Budget allocation be approximately the same in all Districts. These allocated District figures shall then be subject to adjustment by negotiation between Districts in the Committee of Detail.

8. That the Connexional Budget for the period 1st July, 1964—30th June, 1965, amounting to £141,060, be adopted.

9. That the Connexional Budget District allocations for 1964-65 be as under:

	3rd Budget	4th Budget
	£	£
Northland	4,704	3,984
Auckland	26,304	28,392
South Auckland	16,428	17,868
Taranaki-Wanganui	10,800	10,980
Hawke's Bay-Manawatu	14,556	15,228
Wellington	16,152	17,664
Nelson	8,352	8,040
North Canterbury	21,996	23,328
South Canterbury	8,004	8,040
Otago-Southland	9,360	8,436
	<hr/> £136,656	<hr/> £141,060

10. That the balance of £1449 4s 3d in the Budget ending 30th June, 1963, plus any further payments to that account be transferred to the Budget ending on 30th June, 1964, as a reserve.

11. That further consideration of the basis of allocation of the Connexional Budget be given at a special meeting of the Committee during 1964. In preparation for this meeting all Districts be asked to submit memoranda covering capital and service costs together with information of the giving achievements of the Circuits.

12. That Conference urges the Synod Standing Committees to use the method outlined in Recommendation No. 7 as a starting point in making Budget allocations to Circuits.

13. That this Conference considers that a major reason why Circuits fall short of meeting allocations is their comparatively low standard of giving and therefore resolves that, as an educational measure, there be an annual tabling of Circuit standards of giving at Synod Standing Committees and of District standards of giving at the Committee of Detail.

14. That the Conference records its appreciation of the work



done by the Budget Treasurer, Executive Officer and the Field Directors.

15. That the right of District Financial Secretaries to be members of Conference be referred to the Church Council, 1964, for consideration and report.

16. That the following be referred to the Standing Committee of the Finance and Stewardship Committee for consideration during the year and report to Synod and Conference, 1964:

(a) That before any more printing of bank pay-in slips is done by the Budget Committee, consideration should be given to printing these in triplicate in booklet form, with full particulars of the method of making out the slips on the cover.

(b) That Conference stimulate discussion of the following issues at District, Circuit and Conference levels: **Honourable Stewardship**—The contention is that the Methodist Church from the local to Connexional level should face up to the awful responsibility of the honourable stewardship of money received. Situations which appear to have arisen, which seem to be contrary to Christian Stewardship, are:

(1) The building of costly parsonages.

(2) The building of costly churches in close proximity to other churches, sometimes Methodist and sometimes of other sister churches.

(3) The installation of costly extras whilst H.M. grants are still being received.

(4) The loading of assessments on Circuits committed to Stewardship because others refuse it.

(5) The cost of Maori work as against the income.

(c) That the Finance and Stewardship Committee be asked to consider the provision of material setting out the basis of Christian Stewardship suitable for the use of laymen in follow-up work.

(d) That Conference requests the Committee to continue its thinking in the search for a more adequate formula. (e.g., When the Connexional Budget is based on membership there is serious danger that the pastoral significance of membership is prejudiced: an attempt to find a way of including necessary capital development in the formula should still be made.)

17. That the Finance and Stewardship Committee, in conjunction with the Secretary of Conference, during the ensuing year, consider and report to Conference, 1964, the methods to be adopted to enable Conference to be free to consider all matters of finance before the Budget is finally adopted.

18. That the Committee for 1964 be as printed on page 5 herein.

#### **QUESTION 59.—Who are Members of the Standing Committees?**

##### **A. Committee of Privileges:**

The President, Vice-President, Secretary, Connexional Secretary, President's Legal Adviser, Revs. C. O. Hailwood, E. S. Hoddinnott, W. F. Ford, Messrs S. N. Roberts, T. M. Pacey, G. G. Slater, C. H. Hain. Convener: Secretary of Conference.

##### **Committee of Exigency:**

Wellington members of the above committee.

##### **B. President's Committee of Advice:**

The ex-President (Rev. R. Thornley), President-elect (Rev. G. H. Goodman), Secretary of Conference (Rev. H. E. Harkness), Connexional Secretary (Rev. W. R. Laws), Vice-President (Mr G. C.

Burton), ex-Vice-President (Mr F. M. Souster), Legal Adviser (Mr H. deR. Flesher), Revs. E. C. Leadley, E. W. Hames, B. M. Chrystall, D. O. Williams, Messrs L. W. Peak, A. Turner, K. J. Rosser, R. T. Garlick.

**QUESTION 60.—Who are the Members of the Synod Standing Committees?**

**NORTHLAND:**

All ministers, pastors and Deaconesses in active work in the District. Messrs C. H. Burton, W. Grounds, L. H. Parlane, L. Hayes, B. Cole, G. W. Barke, E. Lloyd, A. G. Kelly, C. V. Berridge, H. Lendrum, A. L. Hutching, L. M. Hames, L. W. Bennett, W. J. Court, Secretary.

**AUCKLAND:**

All ministers in active work in the District, also Rev. E. W. Hames, plus a lay representative of each Circuit and major Department Secretary, Rev. L. R. M. Gilmore.

**FRANKLIN:**

All ministers in active work in the Area, plus a lay representative of each Circuit. Secretary: Rev A. Jolly.

**WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY:**

The Superintendent Ministers of all Circuits (including Maori Circuits) in the District: Messrs W. B. L. Williams, W. B. Young, G. E. Simpson, F. J. E. Baillie, S. V. Leach, I. J. Baker, H. Roberts, P. Rushton, J. Davys, R. E. Williams, W. F. Walters, D. H. Payne, K. Balme, N. A. Millar, B. H. R. Davey, H. Watson. Convener: Secretary of the District.

**TARANAKI:**

All ministers in active Circuit work, and Messrs W. F. Liley, F. S. Hallett, P. Mercer, O. Sutton, S. C. Graham, L. C. Jago, A. L. Fox, J. P. Harding, W. Oliver, T. H. Robins, T. F. Davis, D. R. Andrews and E. H. Donald.

**WANGANUI:**

All Ministers in active Circuit work, and Messrs D. Wansborough, M. Whitlock, S. G. Laurenson, N. Dixon, H. Queree and R. E. Bibby.

**HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU:**

Revs G. H. Goodman, J. M. Blight, W. S. Gilbert, C. L. Duder, W. C. Jenkin, P. A. Stead, B.A., L. F. Bycroft, W. K. Abbott, G. E. Hawkey, D. G. Stubbs, Mesdames S. R. Shailer and R. W. Barnes (Methodist W/S. Fellowship), Messrs F. Ansell, MacGregor Donald, J. Skipper, J. O. Jones, A. Olsson, B. F. White, T. M. Henson, W. T. Pratt, R. L. Irvine, H. W. Wood (Men's Fellowship), R. Harford (Lay Preachers' Association), C. B. Radcliffe (District Property Secretary), J. R. Grigg, M.A. (D.E.C.), K. D. Huse (District Financial Secretary), I. G. Baber (Social Services). Convener: Rev J. M. Blight.

**HAWKE'S BAY SUB-COMMITTEE:**

The Ministers of the Napier, Hastings, Gisborne, Wairoa and Waipawa-Waipukurau Circuits with two Lay Representatives from each of the Napier and Hastings Circuits, and one from each of the other Circuits, together with a Representative each from the Methodist Women's Fellowship, Lay Preachers' Association, Hawke's Bay D.E.C., and the Wairoa-Gisborne D.E.C. Chairman: Rev Dr R. Dudley. Secretary, to be appointed.



## WELLINGTON:

All ordained Ministers, one lay representative from each Circuit in the District, one lay representative for each additional ordained Minister in each Circuit, a representative from each district organisation, and all Conference officials. Convener: The District Secretary.

## NELSON:

The ministers of Nelson, Waimea, Blenheim and Motueka Circuits, Messrs R. C. A. Marshall, G. B. Trathen, S. V. Everett, J. S. White, C. G. Parker, V. H. Smart, A. C. Barrington, J. K. Woodley, H. R. Holland (Financial Secretary), Mesdames L. G. White, M. R. Best, M. V. Humphreys, J. Trathen. Convener: Rev. L. J. Gibson.

## WEST COAST SUB-DISTRICT:

Ministers of Westport, Reefton, Greymouth and Hokitika Circuits, Messrs N. Leadley, B. Williams, F. Lindbom, P. Wilkins, P. Tregurtha, Mrs M. Petherbridge, Mr T. Pontifex and Mrs V. Smith. Convener: Rev. F. Hanson.

## NORTH CANTERBURY:

The ordained Ministers in the active work in the District, Messrs J. Pryor, J. H. Yarr, G. E. Hill, H. Falkingham, N. G. Hillary, C. M. R. Manhire, D. A. White, H. W. Beaumont, J. E. Horrell, E. Ridgen, P. A. le Brun, A. C. Bowis, N. P. Alcorn, F. Bartley, E. J. Legg, W. F. Ashe, H. F. K. Hayman, H. G. Smith, C. C. Ayers, J. Pitman, Dr J. Fergusson, The President Lay Preachers' Association, The President Men's Fellowship, The President of the Women's Fellowship, Mrs N. G. Dalley, Mrs G. Armitage, and Miss Jean Hay.

## SOUTH CANTERBURY:

All ministers and probationers in the District, Miss R. M. Hodson, Messrs R. Barnett, K. Fowke, S. F. McIntosh, R. Come, O. Neutze, F. Prestidge, E. D. Walker, M. A. Bull, W. Simmons, G. G. C. Thomas, District Financial Secretary (Mr A. Marshall), District Property Secretary (Mr P. Woodnorth), Secretary of Standing Committee (Rev. N. Thornicroft).

## OTAGO-SOUTHLAND:

**QUESTION 61.—1 (a) What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting the Laws and Regulations of the Church?**

# Law Revision Committee

## ANNUAL REPORT

1963

The Committee submits its annual report and its recommendations on the various matters referred to it by the Conference.

1. Last Conference adopted new Constitutions for the Overseas Mission Department and the Department of Christian Education. Quite a number of consequential amendments to various provisions in the Laws and Regulations are required to give full effect to the new Constitutions. (See Recommendations 2 and 3.)

### 2. Covenant Service

1962 Minutes, Page 58, Resolution 3.

Last Conference decided that wherever possible the Annual Covenant Service be held on the second Sunday in February simultaneously. To give effect to this decision Section 67, Page 10, must be amended. (See Recommendation 4.)

### 3. Official Meetings

(1) 1962 Minutes, Page 58, Resolution 4.

There is no definition relating to Official Meetings in the Book of Laws.

The Committee accordingly recommends that such a definition be adopted. (See Recommendation 5.)

(2) To give effect to resolution passed by last Conference in regard to Chairmanship of meetings the Committee recommends that further amendments be adopted. (See Recommendation 6.)

The Committee wishes to draw the attention of Conference to the confusion resulting in the use of the term "Church Meeting" as an official meeting and "Church Meeting" as an "official meeting of members." The same term is also used to describe any meeting held in connection with a local church. The Committee is of the opinion that it might be more appropriate to call the official church meeting "Members Meeting."

### 4. Agenda for Quarterly Meetings

During the year the Committee had correspondence with the Church Finance and Stewardship Committee in regard to a request by the latter that a question be included in the Agenda for Quarterly Meetings relating to the Circuits Contributions to the Connexional Budget.

The proposed amendments set out below have been approved by the Church Finance and Stewardship Committee. The reference to the raising of funds for Home or Overseas Missions in Section 290 (6) Law Book, Page 53, are now redundant and should be repealed. (See Recommendation 7.)

### 5. New Zealand Methodist Women's Fellowship

A separate report has been submitted relating to the Constitution of the Women's Fellowship. If the constitution is approved it will be necessary for the Committee to ascertain what consequential amendments are required to other provisions in the Church Law. It will submit any necessary amendments to next Conference.

H. de R. FLESHER, Convener.

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted.

#### 2. Amendments relating to Overseas Mission Department:

(i) That the sections set out hereunder be amended by deleting the word "Foreign" and substituting therefor the word "Overseas."

Page 17 Section 111	Page 66 Section 340 (37) (a)
Page 18 Section 115	Page 75/76 Section 379 (20) (49)
Page 23 Section 140	Page 79 Section 388
Page 26 Section 154 (y)	Page 81/82 Section 409-411
Page 49 Section 273 (3)	Page 86 Section 445 and 447
Page 50 Section 277 (i)	Page 92 Section 490a (2)
Page 53 Section 290 (6)	Page 122 Section 506 (25)
Page 61 Section 323 (h)	Page 146 Section 514 (5) (9)
Page 63 Section 337 (9) (f)	Page 147 Section 514 (17)

(ii) That the subtitle (b) on Page 81 of the Law Book be amended by deleting the word "Foreign" and substituting therefor the word "Overseas."

#### 3. Amendments relating to Department of Christian Education.

The Committee submits the following recommendations:



(i) Page 23 Amend Section 140 by deleting the words "Youth Department" and substituting therefor the words "Department of Christian Education."

(ii) Page 48 Amend section 268 (6) by adding the words "Church Schools or" after the words "officer in."

(iii) Amend the following sections by deleting the words "Local Youth Council" and substituting therefor the words "Local Education Committee."

Page 48 Section 269 (8)

Page 50 Section 277(h) (1) (2) (3)

Page 53 Section 290 (5) (b)

(iv) Amend the following sections by deleting the words "Youth Board" and substituting the words "Board of Christian Education."

Page 27 Section 157 (2)

Page 53 Section 290 (5) (d)

Pages 69/70 Sections 358 and 359

(v) Amend the following sections by deleting the word "District Youth Council" and substituting therefor the words "District Education Council."

Page 60 Section 323 (f)

Page 61 Section 326

(vi) Page 73 amend section 371 (g) by deleting the word "youth" and substituting therefor the words "Christian Education."

(vii) Page 75 amend section 379 (36) by adding the words "Christian Education" after the word "respecting."

(viii) Amend the following sections by deleting the words "Senior Youth Director" and substituting therefor "the Director of Christian Education."

Page 79 Section 388

Page 92 Section 490A (2)

(ix) Page 88 Repeal the title "G. Committee on Youth Work" and substitute therefor "G. Committee on Christian Education."

(x) Amend section 459 by deleting the word "youth" and substituting therefor the words "Christian Education."

#### **4. Covenant Service**

That Page 10, Section 67 be amended by deleting the words "the first Sunday of the year" in the first sentence thereof and substituting therefor the words "on the second Sunday in February each year" and by repealing the last sentence thereof.

#### **5. Official Meetings. Page 40 Add:—**

226 (a) The following shall be deemed to be Official Meetings in the local Church and in the Circuit: Preachers' Meetings, Leaders' Meetings, Quarterly Meetings, Trustee Meetings, Church Meetings.

6. (i) That Page 26 Section 154 (o) be amended by adding the words "or any other local Church Meeting" after the words "Leaders Meeting."

(ii) Page 26 add Section 154 (oo). If he deems it expedient appoint a Church Member to preside at any local Church Meeting except Official Meetings. Any such appointment shall be made annually and no appointee shall hold office for more than three years consecutively.

Agenda for Quarterly Meetings:

7. That Subsection (3) of Section 290 (Law Book, page 53) be repealed and the following substituted therefor:

- (i) 3. (a) What is the income and expenditure for the quarter?
- (b) Have all payments to the Connexional Budget been made in full by the end of the month in which they become due?
- (ii) Amend Subsection (6) of Section 290 (Law Book, Page 53) by deleting the second sentence thereof.
8. That Page 60, Section 1, Para. 323 (p) of the Law Book be repealed and the following be substituted:  
"Two representatives from each District Education Council."
9. That the Committee for 1964 be as printed on page 7 herein.

## **18. THE NEW ZEALAND METHODIST WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP**

Last Conference approved of a draft Constitution for the New Zealand Women's Fellowship in principle and referred it to the Law Revision Committee for final drafting. This was done and the final draft was submitted to the combined Executive and the Guild Fellowship and Missionary Union.

The constitution as re-drafted has been approved by the combined Executive.

The Law Revision Committee now recommends that the following constitution be approved and adopted.

H. de R. FLESHER, Convener.

- 519 1. There shall be a New Zealand Methodist Women's Fellowship under the control and direction of the Conference.
2. The objects of the Women's Fellowship shall be:—
  - (a) To promote by worship, study and service, the spiritual and social life of its members so that they may make a Christian witness in home, church and community.
  - (b) To support the work of the Church at home and abroad.
3. Membership shall be open to all women who desire to further the objects of the Fellowship.

### **LOCAL WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP**

4. In each Church where practicable there shall be a local Methodist Women's Fellowship.
5. The officers of each Local Women's Fellowship shall be the President, 2 Vice-Presidents, Secretary and a Treasurer. There shall be an Executive Committee consisting of the officers and such other members as shall be required.
6. An annual meeting shall be held in July at which shall be held the election of officers and executive committee and representatives to the District Council. The Minister of the Church shall have the right to preside thereat. It shall receive the annual report and financial statements duly audited and shall submit the same to the District Council and to the Quarterly Meeting.

### **DISTRICT COUNCIL**

7. In each Synodal District there shall be a District Council or Councils of the Women's Fellowship which shall have the oversight of the work of the Women's Fellowship within such District. Where there is more than one District Council the area which each District Council shall operate shall be as from time to time determined by the Annual Convention.
8. The District Council shall consist of the officers, the mem-



bers of the District Executive Committee, the President and Secretary of each local Women's Fellowship, two representatives for the first 25 members or fraction thereof of each local Women's Fellowship and an additional representative for each 25 additional members or fraction thereof of such local Women's Fellowship.

9. The Officers of the District Council shall be a President, 2 Vice-Presidents, a Secretary and a Treasurer and such other officers as may be required. They shall be elected at the annual meeting and shall hold office for a period not exceeding three consecutive years.

10. There shall be a District Executive Committee consisting of the officers of the District Council and at least three other members who shall be elected at the annual meeting. It shall have the general over-sight of the work of the Women's Fellowship in the District.

11. The annual meeting of the District Council shall be held in each August. It shall receive the annual reports and financial statements, duly audited for each local Fellowships and hold an election of officers, District Executive Committee and representatives to the annual Convention. It shall submit an annual report and financial statements duly audited to the Annual Convention and an annual report to the District Synod.

### **ANNUAL CONVENTION**

12. There shall be held an Annual Convention which shall determine and direct the general policy of the Women's Fellowship. It shall submit an annual report and financial statement duly audited to the Conference.

13. The Annual Convention shall consist of the officers, the members of its Executive Committee, the President, Secretary and Treasurer of each District Council, one representative for the first 200 members or fraction thereof of each district and an additional representative for each additional 200 members or fraction thereof of such District.

14. The officers of the Annual Convention shall be:—A President, 2 Vice-Presidents, a Secretary, a Treasurer and such other officers as may be required. They shall be elected at the Annual Convention and shall hold office for a term of three years.

15. There shall be an Executive Committee of the Annual Convention which shall consist of its officers and 8 other members who shall be elected at the Annual Convention and shall hold office for three years. It shall implement the decisions of the Annual Convention and have general over-sight of the work of the Women's Fellowship. The Executive Committee shall be stationed in a District for three years.

### **GENERAL**

16. (a) All officers of the Annual Convention and District Councils shall be members of the Church. (b) Officers of a local Women's Fellowship, where practicable shall be members of the Church.

17. Substitute representatives to the Annual Convention and District Councils as required shall be appointed by the President of the respective Council and local Women's Fellowship, whose duly elected representative cannot attend.

18. There shall be an annual membership fee as from time to time determined by the Annual Convention. The Annual Convention may fix fees payable to it and to District Councils.

19. The Annual Convention shall have power to amend the Constitution of the Women's Fellowship by a three-fifths vote at its annual meeting provided three months' written notice of its intention so to do has been given to all District Councils and local Women's Fellowships. Before coming into force such amendments shall receive the approval of the Conference.

20. The New Zealand Methodist Women's Fellowship shall be the legal successor of the New Zealand Women's Guild Fellowship and the Methodist Women's Missionary Union.

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the N.Z. Methodist Women's Fellowship come into operation as from February 1st, 1964.

2. That it be recommended that the following amendments be made to the Law Book:

Amend Section 359 (11) to read: New Zealand Women's Fellowship—its President; (15) New Zealand Women's Fellowship—additional member.

Amend Section 323 by repealing (m) and (p) and substituting therefor: (m) Two representatives of the N.Z. Women's Fellowship, who shall be appointed by the District Council of the Fellowship.

Amend Section 277 by repealing (k) and (l) and substituting therefore: (k) Two representatives of the N.Z. Women's Fellowship, as under:

(i) The President of each Local Fellowship or an elected substitute.

(ii) One representative for each 25 members or fraction thereof.

3. That the National President of the Women's Fellowship be a member of the Synod of the District in which she resides.

4. (a) That the N.Z. Guild Fellowship and the M.W.M.U. be directed to arrange for the transfer of all funds and assets held for and on behalf of the separate organisations or any part thereof to the N.Z. Methodist Women's Fellowship subject to any Trusts affecting the same.

(b) Upon a Certificate being forwarded by the Executive Committee of the Annual Convention that the transfer of such funds and assets has been completed, the President of the Conference shall be empowered to declare that as from a date to be determined by him, the N.Z. Guild Fellowship and M.W.M.U. shall cease to function, notice of such determination shall be given in the "Methodist Times".

5. (a) That the matter of local representation be referred to the Committee of the Church Council dealing with Leaders' Meeting Agenda for report to Synods and Conference.

(b) That in the interim Women's Fellowships shall be represented on the Leaders' and Quarterly Meetings by the President or her elected substitute and one other representative.

6. That the following suggested definition of a "Member" of the Methodist Women's Fellowship be referred to the Committee of the Church Council dealing with the constitution of the leaders' meeting: "That for the purpose of representation on the Circuit Quarterly Meeting a member of the Methodist Women's Fellowship be defined as a woman who has been accepted as a member by the local fellowship, except that in the case of members who are associated with Churches other than the Methodist Church, these should not be reckoned in the count of membership as a basis for representation".



**QUESTION 61—(b) Who is appointed the President's Legal Adviser?**

Mr H. deR. Flesher, M.A., LL.B.

**QUESTION 62—What is the Report of the Ecumenical Committee?**

## Ecumenical Committee

### ANNUAL REPORT, 1963

#### **East Asia Christian Conference Consultation:**

The Consultation was held in Christchurch in November 1962. 26 men and women, ministerial and lay, represented our Church in a company of 175 people from all member churches of the N.C.C. The President of Conference, as President of the N.C.C., presided over the sessions.

It was a reappraisal of the mission of the Church in New Zealand viewed from its relationship to the E.A.C.C. The delegates looked at the witness of the Church and the image of the Church held by the nation. In the light of this what evangelical procedures should be followed by the Churches?

The Consultation was led by four able Christian leaders: The Revs. A. A. Brash (N.Z.) Dr. D. T. Niles (Ceylon), Dr. J. Fleming (Singapore) and Mr M. M. Thomas (India). Revolution is under way in Asia. People are wanting and are finding liberty and equality. God is working out His purpose in history. Christ is Lord of the Asian revolution, and there is promise of a richer human life for the Asian man. But alongside of this is the possibility of tragedy—the danger of the process of de-humanising life. Only in Christ is this tragedy averted. And here is the opportunity and task of the Church within the revolution. The Church is to be not only a prophet but also a participant.

In New Zealand also there is revolution, although not so intense as in Asia. Is the Church relevant to these times or is it expressing the past which our forefathers brought from the other side of the world? The Church is called to humanise the process and to redeem the revolution in our midst. Men should see us as a sign of God's rule. The judgment of Christ is upon us. It begins with the household of faith. We must think again about what it means to be the Church in New Zealand to-day, and how best to use the resources available.

**Laymen must find their place more definitely in the mission of the Church in redeeming society. The layman has to come to terms with his work and daily environment and try to find out how it can all be brought into harmony with God's purpose.**

This Consultation stirred all delegates to deep thought, and to resolve by God's help to express the inspiration in witness and more realistic encounter with the forces in the world of our day.

**'Break Camp and Move On'**—an evaluation of the Consultation by the Rev John S. Murray—is commended to the notice and study of our Church people.

**E.A.C.C. Situation Conferences:** Three regional Conferences held in Madras, Tokyo and Singapore were attended by nearly 200 Asian Church leaders, with a few from the World Council of Churches and Western Mission Agencies. The President of Conference attended the Singapore Conference as a delegate from the N.C.C. These people came together to discuss their overall situation as Churches in the various countries, to face certain

basic questions defined in Bangalore, 1961, and to seek the guidance of the Holy Spirit. There was an amazing unanimity in the three Conferences in giving utterance to a clear call to repentance and a challenge to common obedience among the Churches. This could affect profoundly the shape of the Christian enterprise in Asia and beyond.

There is need for the Churches in each area to review together their total Christian task, and to define at least some of the main priorities within it. The task, the opportunities and resources must be viewed by the Churches in every area, **acting together.**

The need too, is for the Churches to **plan unitedly and to share their resources in action.** This would mean being more concerned, at the policy making and money spending level, with the mission of Jesus Christ than with the extension of one's own denomination.

**There is the call for Joint Action:** The Asian leaders are thinking of the central tasks of the Churches, in the whole life of those Churches, and pleading that they be made 'joint actions' unless matters of conscience prevent it. This will mean approaching work in industrialised areas, in new cities, among students, in village work and in the witness in politics on a joint basis. In other situations it will mean that by common consent one particular church will undertake a specific task, and others will, if necessary, support it, without any denominational increment.

The issues for us are clear. Are we able to respond in obedience to our Lord, to be one people in action even up to the point of our present theological agreements? Are we willing in our outreach or total mission to be as flexible and charitable and as free of denominational self-interest as the cry from Asia demands? These and other such questions challenge us.

**Proposed Visit of Dr. Billy Graham:** All member Churches have agreed that an invitation should be extended to Dr. Billy Graham to conduct an evangelistic campaign in New Zealand. The invitation was issued on behalf of the Churches by the Executive of the N.C.C. Owing to the recent illness of Dr. Graham the acceptance of the invitation for 1965 has been deferred. However, it **has been emphasised that the campaign should be part of the ongoing work of the Churches and not just an isolated event.** After consulting with the member churches the N.C.C. Executive has decided that the interchurch agency for the Billy Graham crusade should be located in Auckland, and that this committee should be composed of three representatives from each of the member churches and three from the Open Brethren.

**Prison Chaplaincies:** The Prison Chaplaincy service on its present basis had its commencement eleven years ago. There are now nine full-time appointments, seven of them exclusively chaplaincy and two, chaplain-welfare positions. In addition there are six part-time chaplains. The Ecumenical nature of the service has continued to work with an increasing measure of acceptance in the Justice Department and in the institutions. The same could generally be said of the relationship of the service to the constituent churches. There linger reservations in limited areas.

The service increases in experience and efficiency, but the need for specialised training becomes increasingly evident. The Senior Chaplain is visiting Great Britain, Canada and United States to study chaplaincy services and will investigate training methods.



**Theological Students' Conference:** This was held at Lincoln College during the May vacation under the leadership of the Rev. John Garrett. It was for Theological students of all member churches, but **only four of our students were present.** The Conference agreed to a number of matters to be presented to the N.C.C. and to the Churches. Amongst these were suggestions for a combined N.Z. and Australian Theological Students' Conference in Australia, with 25 from each country; that an endeavour be made to arrange more frequent communication between Theological colleges in N.Z. in the form of reading week-ends in theology; that seeing the strong sense of unity at the Conference was undermined by members being unable to join in Holy Communion the **Church leaders be urged to attempt to resolve the problems of intercommunion and the reunion of the Church.**

**'Ecumenical Outlook'.—**We are grateful to a member of our Committee for supplying to the 'Methodist Times' a regular feature—'Ecumenical Outlook'—and to the Editor for the accommodation granted.

**Faith And Order Conferences:** The Rev. L. P. Schroeder, in Canada on exchange for a year, represented our Church at the W.C.C. Faith and Order Conference in Montreal in July.

A National Council of Churches Faith and Order Conference will be held at Massey College from 4th-11th February 1964. Our Church is invited to appoint 24 delegates out of a total of 174 from member churches. The intention is to bring together people from a variety of backgrounds; ministers and laymen; men and women; Maori and pakeha; and of varying age groups.

A pre-conference study book: **'What is our Gospel?'** is a valuable stimulus to thinking, preparatory to the Faith and Order Conference.

**Overseas Travel Fund:** In harmony with the mind of Conference, grants have been made from the Overseas Travel Fund to the President of Conference towards his visit to East Asia at the time of the Singapore Situation Conference, and to the Rev. L. P. Schroeder for expenses involved in his attendance at the Montreal Faith and Order Conference.

The Committee has considered Res. 5 (b) Minutes of Conference, 1962, Page 246. An increasing number of Ecumenical Conferences are being held and representation at some of them is important for our Church and its place in the Ecumenical movement. It is the mind of the Committee that the order of priority of representation should be:

- (a) South East Asia and the Pacific
- (b) World Council of Churches
- (c) World Methodist Conference.

**Ecumenical Questionnaire:** This was referred to in the last report. Since then further replies have been received from the 850 copies issued making the total replies about 270. The sub-committee has studied them and certain observations and recommendations are made. There is a general participation in straightforward forms of encounter, i.e. worship, special services, united evangelism and service within and beyond the community. However, frustrations are experienced through—

- (a) lack of lay support and interest, and lack of ministerial and top level lead;
- (b) unwillingness of other denominations to co-operate;

(c) **Fullness of own church programme** (the most widespread one).

A typical reaction, was doubt whether high level negotiations are being supported by any significant action at local level. As the Ecumenical Report stated last year, we ought to make the attempt to get beyond elementary forms of fraternisation and attempt imaginative Christian service and mission together locally.

While recognising that frustrations are inevitable until organised union is achieved the Committee urges experiments at local level in terms of the Lund Principle. The Lund statement, 1952 (note date) is: 'Christians ought always to seek to do together everything which conscience does not compel them to do separately'. Delhi, 1961, said: 'In the life of our Churches at local level, we are still far from being together, in all those ways in which, with a good conscience we might be.'

As an outcome of the lead given by the Questionnaire the Committee recommends (a) That our people be urged to experiment at local level in terms of the 'Lund Principle'; (b) That the Ecumenical Committee convey to the highest courts of member churches the desire of Methodists to put the 'Lund Principle' into action; (c) That there should be an inter-church committee at local level to explore ways of putting the 'Lund Principle' into action in that area. e.g. inter-church newsletters could be used locally to publicise open meetings of all churches willing to co-operate.

**The Maori Section Of The N.C.C.:** Canon M. Cameron is the new Chairman of the Section. The Annual Meeting was attended by representative members of the Joint Standing Committee on Church Union, and Church of England Consultants. They expounded the Proposed Basis of Union and the Declaration of Faith, and also heard a statement of the Maori Section's attitude to Union.

A Mission, directed to the Maori people of Auckland, was conducted under the auspices of the Section.

The Whanaungatanga Hostel Rotorua, continues to serve the Church and community well, and the visits of Maori clergy to borstals and prison camps have been extended to include Waikune, Rangipo and Hautu.

The Section is asking for amendments to the Constitution to make provision for a limited number of Life Members, and also for the inclusion of the South Island as an area to have a representative on the Executive.

**The Women's Committee Of The N.C.C.** Conference and Annual Meeting. This was held in Christchurch in June. Responsibility has been accepted for £100 towards a New Zealand delegate to the East Asian Churchwomen's Conference in Thailand. The Secretary, Mrs R. H. T. Hamilton, attended this Conference, and the Consultation on the Christian home in changing society.

World Day of Prayer. There was increase in every aspect of this day. 25,100 orders of service were used in N.Z. and Fiji. £3054 was received in offerings, of which £2240 is used for sending a Japanese Christian doctor to Indonesia, and £566 to the British and Foreign Bible Society towards a printing press in Indonesia.

The sixteen Branches report growing interest in Churchwomen's Days, Ecumenical Schools and Days of Fellowship. Increased awareness of one another is found in worshipping and working together.

**Youth Committee of N.C.C.:** Some worthwhile united functions have been held during the year. However, some bold effort must



be made to carry the unity further, particularly among youth at the local level. Questions based on a statement from the W.C.C. Youth Department have been sent to constituent Departments of Christian Education. In many areas there is grave weakness in ecumenical youth work at the local level. It is hoped shortly to arrange for a person to visit local groups and encourage and assist them in their planning.

There is a growing interest of youth in voluntary service. The first long-term Work Camp arranged by the W.C.C. in Kenya has in its team Don Martin, a young carpenter from Waihi who is serving for ten months. The Team represents more than a dozen countries. Don Martin could address church groups after his return in October. Another long-term Camp will start in Thailand in September. It is hoped that N.Z. will be represented in the team.

The first Asian Youth Assembly will be held in the Philippines in December 1964. N.Z. is invited to send 20 youth to this Assembly, which is commended to our prayerful support and interest.

ROBERT THORNLEY, Chairman.

GORDON R. H. PETERSON, Convener.

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. (a) That the following grants be authorised:  
£375 to the Budget of the N.C.C.  
£25 to the World Methodist Council.  
£10 to the Ecumenical Committee.

(b) That in view of the fact that the increased amount to the W.C.C. was paid in advance in 1963 (being £250 instead of £145), that the amounts for 1964-67 be £145 per year and for 1968—£156.

3. That the N.C.C. Christmas Appeal be commended to the Circuits over signature of the President of Conference.

4. (a) That 24 Methodist delegates be appointed to the Faith and Order Conference, 1964.

(b) That the travelling costs and half of the Conference fees be paid by the Contingent Fund.

(c) That the 24 delegates be—The Revs. S. G. Andrews, B. M. Chrystall, C. D. Clark, L. R. M. Gilmore, L. J. Gibson, E. D. Grounds, H. E. Harkness, E. W. Hames, D. L. Kitchingman, O. Kitchingman, Dr. J. J. Lewis, J. C. F. Mabon, T. L. Nicholls, A. R. Penn, R. D. Rakena, R. Rogers, J. Silvester, Dr. D. O. Williams, Mrs I. G. Baber, Sister Grace Clement, Mr G. C. Burton, Dr. C. Gibson, Mr G. E. Hill, Dr. O. W. Parnaby. Alternate: Rev. L. P. Schroeder.

### 5. Ecumenical Action:

(a) That the Church be urged to experiment at local level in terms of the "Lund Principle".

(b) That the Ecumenical Committee convey to the highest courts of the constituent churches of the N.C.C. the desire of Methodists to put the "Lund Principle" into action.

(c) That encouragement be given to the setting up of local inter-church committees to explore ways of putting the "Lund Principle" into action in local areas.

6. That the representatives of the Church on the following committees be:

N.C.C.—Revs. R. Thornley, J. D. Grocott, R. Rakena, W. S. Dawson. Alternate: Mr G. E. Hill.

**Y.C.N.C.C.**—Messrs C. H. Couch, R. J. Patchett and Miss Wendy Crossan.

**W.C.N.C.C.**—Mesdames J. R. Maddren, A. Pratt, H. Matthews, with Mrs L. Haycock as a corresponding member.

**Maori Section N.C.C.**—Revs. B. M. Chrystall, R. D. Rakena, R. Rogers, H. A. Darvill. Associates: Revs. E. Te Tuhi, G. I. Laurenson, W. Tahere, and L. Tauroa.

**Council of Religious Film Society**—Revs. B. M. Chrystall and A. Jolly, Miss M. Astley and Mr S. Eady. Executive: Revs. B. M. Chrystall and A. Jolly.

7. **Invitation to Chinese Church:** Recognising the importance of closer ties between Christians throughout the world, Conference recommends that an approach be made to the National Council of Churches urging that an invitation be issued to the Christian Church (Protestant) of China to send one or two representatives to visit the Church in New Zealand.

8. That the N.C.C. be asked to give consideration to the possibility of a united Dominion-wide campaign similar in structure to the Campaign for Christian Order of some years ago.

9. That as the Rev. Alan Brash concludes his work as General Secretary of the National Council of Churches, the Methodist Church of New Zealand wishes to pay tribute to the thirteen years of strong and prophetic leadership which he has given to the Christian Church.

During the years of this leadership, the ecumenical ideal has been accepted, the desire for unity has become part of our prayer for the Church, and our awareness of our place in the world family of Christians has been deepened.

We believe that it is largely through his vision, enterprise and wise statesmanship that this has come about.

As he takes up his task with the East Asia Christian Conference we thank God for his service, assure him of our deep regard, and pledge our prayerful interest in the demanding work to which God has called him.

10. **Maori Section of N.C.C.: Change of Constitution.**—That Conference recommend the following changes:

(1) That life membership be provided for giving right to appoint life members in strictly limited numbers.

(2) An enlargement of the Executive by three persons, namely, one Anglican, one Presbyterian, one Methodist.

11. That Conference request the Ecumenical Committee in consultation with the Dominion Executive of the Men's Fellowship, to prepare a study or series of studies on "What It Means to Be a Christian Layman at the Place of Daily Work" for discussion by men's groups in local churches, preferably in fellowship with representatives of sister churches.

12. That the Committee for 1964 be as printed on page 6 herein.



**QUESTION 63.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference on Other Questions?**

# **1—Faith and Order Committee**

## **ANNUAL REPORT, 1963**

### **ORDER FOR THE INDUCTION OF MINISTERS:**

This Order was studied by the Schools of Theology in March of this year. Careful attention was obviously given to this work, and valuable reports were furnished to the committee. On the basis of these reports the committee now recommends the following amendments to the original draft:

(1) That the opening rubrics read:

(a) When the minister to be inducted is the Superintendent of the circuit, the Chairman of the District, or his deputy shall preside.

(b) In all other cases the Superintendent of the circuit shall preside. It is desirable that the Chairman of the District, or his deputy, should be present and take an appropriate part in such service.

(2) That the suggestions of hymn numbers be retained, and the words "or other suitable hymn" be added in each case.

(3) That before The Call to Worship, The Prayer of Invocation, The Prayer of Thanksgiving for the Church and The Prayer of Intercession for the Church suitable rubrics be inserted.

(4) That in The Prayer of Intercession for the Church, the response be:

"Lord hear our prayer, and let our cry come unto thee."

(5) That after The Prayer of Intercession for the Church a rubric giving direction for silent prayer be inserted.

(6) That the rubrics re scripture lessons direct that Old and New Testament passages be selected from . . . or other suitable passages.

7. That after the Presentation of the Minister being inducted the questions and responses be:

**Rubric:** The presiding Minister shall then say:

My Brother, we rejoice that God has called you to the Ministry of His Church; that He has equipped you for this high calling, and given you the power of the Holy Spirit to fulfil your vocation. Seeing that the grace of God and the choice of the Church have called you to minister in this place, and in order that this Congregation may understand your mind and will concerning this, we ask of you,

**DO YOU ACCEPT AND TAKE UPON YOURSELF THIS SACRED CHARGE?**

*I DO, GOD BEING MY HELPER.*

**WILL YOU STRIVE EARNESTLY TO FIT YOURSELF YET MORE FULLY FOR THE WORK OF THE CHRISTIAN MINISTRY; TO BE CAREFUL FOR YOUR OWN DEVOTIONAL LIFE, TO READ YOUR BIBLE AND PURSUE SUCH STUDIES AS WILL ASSIST YOU IN THE GREATER UNDERSTANDING THEREOF?**

*I WILL EARNESTLY TRY TO DO SO, BY GOD'S GRACE.*

**HAVING BEEN APPOINTED BY THE CONFERENCE AS SUPERINTENDENT OF THIS CIRCUIT, WILL YOU EXER-**

CISE OVERSIGHT OF ITS AFFAIRS IN ALL DILIGENCE,  
WISDOM AND LOVE?

*I WILL DO SO, THE LORD BEING MY HELPER.*

WILL YOU ENDEAVOUR TO BE FAITHFUL TO YOUR HIGH  
CALLING IN CHRIST JESUS; TO PREACH THE WORD OF  
GOD WITH DILIGENCE (\*TO ADMINISTER THE SACRA-  
MENTS AS REQUIRED), TO CARE FOR THE FLOCK OF  
CHRIST, TO FULFIL THE DUTIES OF A METHODIST  
MINISTER?

*I WILL, GOD BEING MY HELPER.*

\* These words are to be omitted in the case of a probationer  
unless he is authorised to administer the Sacraments.

(8) That after the questions to the Minister being inducted the  
rubric be as follows:

**Rubric:** Here the Minister being inducted shall kneel, and the  
presiding Minister shall call the Congregation to observe a period of  
silent prayer. After a space the presiding Minister shall say:

Almighty God who hath given you the will . . . .

(9) That after the rubric, "The inducted Minister rising . . ." the  
questions to the Congregation be:

AS YOU RE-DEDICATE YOURSELVES TO THE SERVICE  
OF GOD, DO YOU AFFIRM YOUR LOYALTY TO CHRIST THE  
GREAT HEAD OF THE CHURCH, WHO CALLED YOU BY  
HIS GRACE, AND HAS MADE YOU STEWARDS OF THE  
GOSPEL?

*WE DO, GOD BEING OUR HELPER.*

DO YOU PLEDGE LOYALTY TO THE CHURCH BY FAITH-  
FUL AND REGULAR ATTENDANCE AT DIVINE WORSHIP,  
AT THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION, AND AT  
OTHER MEANS OF GRACE?

*WE DO, GOD BEING OUR HELPER.*

DO YOU, AS MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH OF CHRIST, WEL-  
COME THIS OUR BROTHER IN CHRISTIAN LOVE AS  
MINISTER (AND SUPERINTENDENT) IN THIS CIRCUIT?  
DO YOU PROMISE HIM DURING HIS TIME OF SERVICE  
HERE, YOUR SINCERE FELLOWSHIP, YOUR LOYALTY  
AND YOUR CONSTANT PRAYERS,

*WE DO, GOD BEING OUR HELPER.*

(10) That after the prayer for the Congregation, the rubric  
be:

**Rubric:** The Congregation being seated, the presiding Minister  
shall call the people to observe a period of silent prayer. After a  
space he shall say:

Let us pray for the Methodist Church . . . .

#### **Printing of Orders of Service:**

It was decided to print the Order for Confirmation and the  
Order for the Baptism of those of Maturer Years in pamphlet form  
similar in set-up to the Minutes of Conference. These will be held  
at strategic points in each District, and will be available for use  
by circuits as required. The Order for the Baptism of Infants is  
being printed in the same form as the Order for Holy Communion.  
In this case some delay has been caused through the efforts of the  
printers to improve the type. All this printing work is at present  
in the hands of the Connexional Secretary.



### **Revision of Book of Offices:**

It is the intention of the committee to proceed with revision of The Order for the Burial of the Dead. The Department of Christian Education has asked that work be put in hand for The Order for the Dedication of Christian Education Workers. The Department has been asked to submit a draft of such an Order, and it is hoped that this may be completed in 1964.

### **Certificates of Confirmation and Baptism:**

The committee makes the following recommendations:

1. That the certificates of Infant Baptism and Confirmation be printed together in the form of a folder similar to that employed by the Methodist Church in the U.S.A. At the baptism of an infant the Certificate of Baptism would be completed, and the whole handed to the parents. This would be held until Confirmation, when the certificate would be completed and handed to the candidate. It is proposed that the wording of the Certificate of Infant Baptism be:

"I hereby certify that ..... was baptised  
at ..... on .....  
(Signed) ....."

This form of wording would make it possible for such certificate to be completed at the time of Confirmation if necessary.

2. That a Certificate of Reception into Full Communion by Baptism and the Laying-on of Hands be prepared and printed.

It is the view of the committee that these certificates should be printed in attractive form, and a certain amount of preparatory work has been done. In this connection the valuable assistance of Mr Philip Hames is acknowledged. The committee seeks approval in principle for the production of these certificates, and if this is granted asks leave to proceed with the wording, design and printing of same.

### **General Rules for the Guidance of Members (Law Book Section II, Paras. 15-26):**

The following revised form of the General Rules is submitted:

**Preamble.**—Methodists are a people under the authority of Jesus Christ as Lord, committed to the total mission of the Church. They are called to participate in the encounter of Christ with the world, and to remember Christ's word "Love one another as I have loved you." In obedience to the revealed word of God the Christian, guided and empowered by the Holy Spirit, finds his true freedom.

#### **Statement of Standard:**

We believe that we are called to keep festival on the first day of the week as the Day of Resurrection. We remember that all our days belong to God; and with joy we endeavour to participate regularly in Christian Worship, the observance of the Sacraments of the Church, and in Christian Fellowship.

We believe that courtship, marriage, and family life and the general relationships between men and women should involve respect for personality and must be brought under obedience to Christ.

We are accountable to our Lord for the stewardship of our powers, our time, talents and money.

We believe that the whole of life should be brought under the Word of God in Christian citizenship. We recognise further that

we are our brother's keeper and that we are called to seek right relationships and to witness against contemporary social evils.

We believe that we are called to the exercise of integrity in daily work and to the offering of all such work as a service to God.

We believe that Christ claims the whole world for His own, and that we are called both to active participation in civic and national affairs and to service directed toward the attainment of world peace and justice.

**ORDAINED MINISTERS WITHOUT PASTORAL CHARGE: (Res. 7, p.216, Mins. 1961).**

The committee has given due consideration to this matter, and submits the statement in substantially the same form, but with some slight amendments and changes in setting out which it believes will make its intention clear.

**Order of Reference:** Attention is specially directed to res. 7, p.216, Mins. 1961. It is clear from this that the question to be considered is the relationship of ordained ministers who are without pastoral charge to the legislative functions of the Church in Synod and Conference. Is it right and proper that an ordained minister without pastoral charge who has gone into employment which is not a ministry of the Word and Sacraments should, as of right, have a seat in Synod and Conference and with it power to legislate in matters which affect the work of the ministry?

**The present position:** The position with respect to the ministry is governed by Law Book, paras. 119 and 123 (1), (2) and (3), and statement in Mins. 1954, p.181-4.

Ordination is related to full time service in the Ministry of the Word and Sacraments, and availability to itinerate.

Such a ministry should also be related to the pastorate, or to some appointment where the status of the ministry is desirable for the fulfilment of a service to the church or in the name of the church.

Every minister seeking permission to serve outside the church while maintaining ministerial status, must seek permission of Conference annually for this status to be continued.

A minister who thus has Conference permission to accept such outside appointment, while continuing to hold his full ministerial status, retains all his privileges which include—

Full membership, of right, in District Synod, District Ministerial Committee and Annual Conference.

This membership involves certain legislative functions such as—

Full right to share in the examination, training, discipline and appointment of Candidates for the Ministry, Students, Probationers and Ministers. Also Deaconesses and Home Missionaries.

Full voice and voting rights in Synod and Conference in the moulding and deciding of Church Policy, legislation for the conditions under which the Ministry of the Word and the Sacraments will be exercised, and the programme of the church year by year.

If a Minister is serving under an outside organisation and Conference has ruled that his service comes within the category that can be approved by the Conference as a true ministry of the Word and Sacraments, then he retains as of right all the privileges that go with such recognition.



However, the onus is on the Minister when making his application, to produce evidence that his work is of such a character and to satisfy the Conference annually that this is being sustained.

**Ministers who "enter into business":** In those cases where the Conference is not able to be persuaded that the application does fulfill the requirements of the full ministry of the Word and the Sacraments, the minister concerned has two courses of action open to him.

- (1) He may resign from the ministry (as in para. 123 (1), (2) and (3)).
- (2) He may elect to be treated as a minister without Pastoral Charge who has "entered into business" (para. 119). The effect of this, under this regulation, would be:—
  - (a) He would be considered as an accredited Local Preacher only.
  - (b) His name would not appear in the printed Minutes of Conference.
  - (c) His name would be retained on the Conference Journal.
  - (d) He would have the right to attend the District Synod, but not the Ministerial Committee (see para. 321).
  - (e) He would not be a member of the Conference unless elected as a Lay Representative of some Circuit or Department.

**Ministerial status under existing legislation:** The position at the present time may be summarised as follows:—

An ordained Minister may be:

- (1) In full connexion and with full rights.
- (2) Without Pastoral Charge but with full rights.
- (3) Without Pastoral Charge and "entered into business", with his name on the Journal only and no ministerial rights.

**The need for a new category:** It now becomes necessary, however, to look at one category which might be considered a special case. It is dangerous to legislate for special cases, but the developments of modern society and the new relationships of Church and State are creating situations where avenues of service other than chaplaincies are open to ministers, in which they are not in a true ministry of the Word and Sacraments, and are in no sense in a pastoral situation, but the exercise of their functions is greatly assisted by a recognition that they were appointed because they were ministers.

**Provision for this new category:** It may be contended that there is a case for such men being permitted to remain on the list of ministers of the Church in the printed Minutes, not on the Conference Journal only. This means the recognition of a new category, namely, ministers who have "entered into business" and are without Pastoral Charge, but who for special reasons have their names retained on the list of ministers.

In terms of the existing regulations these ministers would have certain definite limitations of their rights and privileges within the Connexion, but it should be noted that the creation of this new category is an extension of privilege, not an increase of limitation.

The onus would be on the man to apply for such recognition and to satisfy the Conference that his case warranted such special recognition.

In terms of para. 119 he would continue to be subject to the discipline of the church, including the usual inquiries as to character and doctrine, but he would relinquish his seat as of right in the District Ministerial Committee and Conference, unless appointed to the latter as a lay representative of some circuit or Department.

Under the new provision his name would appear in the printed Minutes of Conference.

This means, in effect, that he is publicly recognised as an ordained Minister of the Methodist Church, although he is without pastoral charge and has limited rights.

The implication and outworking of this would be that while his ordained status remains, most of his rights and privileges granted by "reception into full connexion" would be in suspense. The way would always stand open to his return to full connexion.

**Necessary changes in the Law:** The following changes in the law would be necessary:—

- (1) The case of such a minister would be considered under a new question in Synod agenda:—

**Question (7) (b):** Does Synod recommend that any minister be permitted to serve with other organisations during the year with limited rights in the use of his ministerial status?

- (2) In the Conference agenda:—

**Question (18) (c):** What Ministers or Probationers have permission to serve with other organisations during the year with limited rights in the use of their ministerial status?

- (3) A new form of para. 120 would be required to cover such a case.

#### **COMMISSION ON THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN:**

The Commission, under the guidance of the Faith and Order Committee, has proceeded in the following manner:—

Early in the year, a group of selected members were asked to submit memoranda on the order of reference. When these came to hand a draft statement was prepared and forwarded to all members of the Commission and comment thereon invited. There was a very satisfactory response to this invitation, a considerable number of replies, all indicating careful thought and much work, being received. It was the intention of the committee to prepare a further draft statement in the light of these replies, and to call the Auckland members of the Commission together to consider this. The necessity to postpone the meeting at which this would have been done has made further work impossible.

After giving the matter further consideration this committee is of the opinion that progress can be made only on the basis of the study of the ministry of women in the light of the New Testament and the practice of the Catholic Church. It has taken steps to prepare a statement on this basis. It asks leave to continue this work next year.

**Statement on Laying-on Of Hands:** Owing to pressure of other work the committee has been unable to deal with this, and asks leave to continue its work next year.

**Sundry Business:** During the year the committee co-operated with the Rev. W. R. Laws in shaping the programme for the Schools of Theology, with the Committee on the Leaders' Meeting



in formulating a definition of a leader, with the Board of Publications in reading the manuscript of a Manual for Confirmation Classes and with the Ecumenical Committee in making nomination for the forthcoming Faith and Order Conference.

**Overseas Contacts:** During the year the committee has had valuable contacts with the Faith and Order Committee of the British Conference, with Faith and Order work in the United Church of Canada (through the Rev. L. P. Schroeder) and the Faith and Order Committee of the New Guinea Highlands (through the Rev C. J. Keightley).

E. W. HAMES, Chairman.

J. SILVESTER, Convener.

### **LAYING ON OF HANDS:**

The committee submits to Conference the following tentative statement, and seeks authority to send it to March Ministerial Committees, 1964, for study and comment.

The laying-on of hands is used in the New Testament for several different purposes; while there is a characteristic use of this practice, there is no single form of the rite which can be considered as normative. In a general sense this rite is deeply rooted in the life of the primitive Church, and must be regarded as a significant Christian symbol. The Methodist Church of New Zealand, therefore, has warrant for the use of this rite.

While there is no fixed prescription binding the Methodist Church of New Zealand to-day in faith and practice with respect to the laying-on of hands, there are certain general principles by which she should be guided. The laying-on of hands does not automatically confer the grace of God: it symbolises an action of God in and through the Church. It has a sacramental character, and therefore cannot be fully rationalised; there is always an element of mystery.

Being a rite of the Christian Church, the laying-on of hands must always be related to one or more of the acts of God in and through the Church. It should not be private or indiscriminate.

The laying-on of hands is related most intimately to the priestly functions of the Church in healing, ordination and confirmation. While such actions are not amenable to complete definition, certain elements are apparent in each case.

**In healing** it is associated with that ministry which, in the name of Christ and His Church, brings to bear divine compassion and power, and with prayer that bodily and spiritual wholeness may be conferred.

**In ordination** the Church, acting under divine guidance and empowerment, seals the call of her ministers, gives them authority, assures them of the prayer of the Church and the blessing of the Holy Spirit, and commissions them to share in the apostolic ministry.

**In confirmation** the Church places its seal upon the decision of the candidate to make his own that which was vouchsafed in baptism; receives the candidate into full communion; recognises and ratifies the candidate's act of self-dedication; and, in a manner similar to ordination, commissions the candidate to share in the lay apostolate. In the laying-on of hands there is focussed the blessing of the Church and its confident prayer for the help of the Holy Spirit. It is therefore, a most significant moment both in the life of the confirmand and the Church.

E. W. HAMES (Chairman).

J. SILVESTER (Convener).

## QUESTION 63

### 1-B Commission on the Ministry of Women

Since Synod a meeting of the Auckland members of the Commission has been held. In the course of a lengthy discussion the following points emerged:—

1. That the decision of the Church to admit women into the ordained Ministry of the Word and Sacraments is not under question, though there is need for thought and experiment to determine the forms which this ministry is to take in the future.
2. The ministry of women should be a ministry of women, developing and using the distinctive gifts and qualities of women. It should not be a replica of the ministry of men. The Church could be greatly enriched by such a ministry.
3. The outstanding problem is that of the Deaconess Order. This problem is accentuated by the admission of women into the ordained Ministry. There is wide agreement that the standard of training should be improved and the status of the deaconess raised. If this is done, how is the deaconess to be distinguished from the ordained woman minister? Is the Deaconess Order lay or ministerial?
4. A further set of questions emerges in relation to the challenge to give a life time of service, the question of marriage and the recognition of service.

As a result of this discussion the commission came to feel that it is getting to grips with the situation in respect of the ordained Ministry of the Word and Sacraments and the Deaconess Order, but is not yet ready to report.

E. W. HAMES (Chairman),

J. SILVESTER (Convener).

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted, except for section "Ordained Ministers Without Pastoral Charge", which is received only.
2. That the Order for the Induction of a Minister be adopted, edited by the Faith and Order Committee and printed.
3. That a double certificate for the Baptism of Infants and Confirmation be designed by the Faith and Order Committee and printed.
4. That a Certificate of Reception into Full Communion by Baptism and the Laying-on of Hands be prepared by the Faith and Order Committee and printed.
5. (a) That the title be "Standards for the Guidance of Members".  
(b) That the standards be given general approval and referred to Synods and Conference, 1964, for adoption.  
(c) That the Rules dealing with the use of Methodist property (Law Book, Section II, 17, 18, and 19) be included in Section XIII, Part I, p.57, Trusts and Trustees.
6. That the statement on Ordained Ministers Without Pastoral Charge be referred back to the Committee for further study of such matters as ministerial status, and ministers with limited rights, with a view to further definition.



#### **7. Laying-on of Hands:**

(a) That the statement be received, given general approval, and sent to the March Ministerial Committees, 1964, for study and comment.

(b) That the Committee be granted leave to continue its work on the Laying-on of Hands.

#### **8. Commission on the Ministry of Women:**

(a) That the Commission be reappointed and granted leave to continue its work during 1964.

(b) That the Deaconess Convocation be officially represented on the Commission.

(c) That the Deaconess Board be officially represented on the Commission.

(d) That the name of the Rev. Phyllis Guthardt be added to the Commission.

(e) That the Commission be given permission to meet during 1964, the expenses to be borne by the Contingent Fund.

(f) That the following meet in Wellington during 1964: Four representatives of Faith and Order Committee, four representatives of Deaconess Board, one representative of Deaconess Convocation, Sister Rita Snowden, Rev. Phyllis Guthardt, members of the Commission resident in Wellington.

9. That the Committee be granted £10 from the Contingent Fund.

10. That the Committee for 1964 be as printed on page 6 herein.

### **QUESTION 63**

## **2—Radio and Television Committee**

### **REPORT TO SYNODS AND CONFERENCE 1963**

#### **Consultation on Sound Broadcasting**

Representatives of the Broadcasting Churches met in July of last year to discuss the question of Sound Broadcasting in relation to the Corporation. Following a day of discussion positive resolutions were passed urging a widening of the scope and personnel of the N.C.C. Commission on Television to include those aspects of Sound Broadcasting which the consulting churches wish to commit to the Commission, and urging the C.R.A.C. to consult with the Corporation with a view to getting religious programmes on ZB stations.

#### **Visit of Supervisor to District Committees**

Conference directed the supervisor to discuss aspects of Sound and Television broadcasting and to further the churches' aims in Sunday evening broadcasts. So far this year I have been able to visit Christchurch and Auckland committees. In Christchurch Sunday evening broadcasts have been centred on Durham Street to give continuity and maintain a consistent attempt to reach those not associated or familiar with the church's life and faith.

It is evident that if the Methodist church is going to maintain its share of contributions to N.C.C. programmes on Television at a high level and include a variety of approach some of our Ministers are going to be asked to dedicate a great deal of time to preparation of programmes. In most cases those involved are already heavily committed and the supervisor feels that the church may need to discover ways in which some men can be relieved of other commitments in order to concentrate on giving of

their best to this important area of our work. From Auckland men contributing to Television programmes brought a strong resolution that creative criticism of programmes and scripts by the corporation would be welcomed by script writers in order to help them raise their standards and make adequate use of the medium.

#### **C.R.A.C. Broadcasts on Commercial Stations**

The resolution of the Consultation on Sound Broadcasting regarding Commercial Station religious broadcasts was presented to the Corporation, and a report prepared by officers of the Corporation was referred to the May meeting. It was a very fair statement covering all aspects of such a move and gave reasons for refusing the request which members of the C.R.A.C. saw as reasonable at the present stage of our discussions.

#### **Radio Hymn Book**

Conference Resolutions 7 and 8.

A special meeting of the C.R.A.C. in December 1962 discussed the whole question of the Radio Hymn Book. A comprehensive resolution was passed which included the statement that the C.R.A.C. was prepared to advise the Director-General of Broadcasting to permit references to the Radio Hymn Book within the advertising limitation imposed by the act, for a period of 12 months. This was subject to undertakings accepted by the Trust and also to other conditions being met.

The C.R.A.C. are aware of the official position of the Methodist Church regarding the Radio Hymn Book. At the August meeting of the Committee it will have resolution eight before it for consideration.

#### **N.C.C. Commission on Television**

For nearly three years the Churches have worked together in the N.C.C. Commission on Television in an inter-faith presentation of the Gospel. The Commission gets its material in two ways: from ideas and scripts offered by Ministers, Church groups and significant visitors; and from the results of requests by the Commission for appropriate people to prepare scripts for special occasions. Sometimes overseas programmes are used, especially those which could not be produced here. Over two hundred religious programmes have been presented in the name of the N.C.C. so far.

Some able talent has been revealed and Television Clergy schools in the four main centres have discovered a high potential, but the process of translation from initial thought to studio presentation is long and arduous and more than a bright idea is needed to produce a telling programme. Viewers are becoming more selective and critics are getting past the obvious comments about a new thing. Our religious programmes remain in the same time slots and suffer the same handicaps as a year ago, but the Word of Christ is for all men in their need and, while in its presentation, we might not escape the offence of the Gospel, yet it is our responsibility to see that the offence comes from the challenge of the Saviour, and not from our dullness of utterance or inadequacy of forethought.

Already Television is within the reach of approximately a quarter of the population of New Zealand. There is a likely viewing audience of 200,000 for every programme we present, considerably more than all the Methodists attending Church in the whole country. We may not present less than the best, the most effective the Church has to offer in this important medium of communica-



tion. With the introduction of mobile Television vans, direct relay of Church services has been commenced and the Methodist Church will have the responsibility of televising its services in due proportion.

ROBERT THORNLEY, Chairman.

IAN W. REID, Secretary.

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the Contingent Fund make a grant of £30 to the Radio and Television Committee.
3. That a grant of £400 be made from the Connexional Budget to the Budget of the N.C.C. Commission on Television.
4. That the Methodist representatives on the N.C.C. Commission on Television be the Rev. R. Thornley and Rev. I. Reid.
5. The Methodist representative on the C.R.A.C. be the Rev. I. Reid.
6. That the Corporation be informed that creative criticism of scripts for presentation on television would be welcomed by Methodist contributors.
7. That the National Council of Churches' Television Directors be advised by the Methodist Supervisor of the visits of important Christian leaders from overseas, in order that television interviews may be arranged, and that the Spiritual Advance Committee supply detailed itineraries to the Methodist representative at an early date.
8. That the Committee for 1964 be as printed on page 8 herein.

## MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

### RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Methodist Revival Fellowship submit its constitution for approval by next Conference with a view to its being granted permission to use the title "New Zealand Methodist Revival Fellowship".

2. That the following be referred to the Church Council:

**Reading of Stationing Sheet**—That in the event of any change being made in the second reading of stations the sheet lie on the table for one hour after being brought back to Conference before being confirmed.

**Official Designation of President**—That the President be officially known as the President of the Methodist Church of New Zealand.

### QUESTION 64

(a) **When Shall the District Synods be held?**

During the week ending August 29, 1964.

(b) **When and Where Shall the Next Conference be held?**

On Wednesday, November 4, 1964, at St. Paul's Church, Hamilton.

## PASTORAL LETTER

### FROM THE 1963 CONFERENCE TO THE CHURCH

The Conference sends greetings to all within the fellowship of our Church—at home, in the Solomons and the New Guinea Highlands.

This year we met in Wesley Church, Wellington. The beautifully re-designed interior of the church helped to create a devotional approach to our work. It was a large Conference—about 380. This is not the place to review every detail of business. We want you, if possible, to catch with us the spirit and emphasis in some of the major matters.

#### **The Theme:**

A call to Direction, Dedication and Discipline was the emphasis of the Conference. The Rev. J. A. Ziesler helped to underline this in his morning devotional talks, under the general title of "Disciplined Christian Living" as related to the Call of Christ, the Body of Christ, the Mission of Christ, and the Cross of Christ. And in the "Conversation" session we were further challenged strongly by the ex-Vice-President as he spoke of "The Urge of Methodism" and the Rev. M. J. Campbell with his address on "For Such a Time as This". The public function on the Saturday evening was entitled "The Lord Jesus Christ" and here again, through music and drama, we were brought face to face with the challenge of the Lord Himself.

#### **Connexional Changes:**

This Conference noted a number of changes in Connexional officers: The Rev. W. R. Laws' appointment as Connexional Secretary; the Rev. B. M. Chrystall as General Superintendent of Home and Maori Missions; and the Rev. Wes. Chambers as Warden of the Deaconess Order were confirmed. At a special function tribute was paid to the Revs. H. L. Fiebig and G. I. Laurenson for their long years of great service. The Rev. John Silvester was appointed to Trinity College as tutor in Theology. The Rev. Lane Tauroa goes to special work in Indonesia.

Seven candidates for the ministry were received for training; nine men were ordained and five deaconesses were dedicated.

#### **Overseas Missions:**

Considerable changes are taking place in the Overseas Field. Two of the senior ministers and two sisters as well as the doctor are retiring from the field, the two ministers to take up work with the home Church. Rev. Brian Sides was sent forward to the Field and we took note of the appointment of Dr. Pattison of Victoria and of Miss Shona Couch. Rev. George Carter has been designated as the new General Secretary, to take up office in 1965, though he is to remain in the Field for that year, with Mr W. E. Donnelly acting for the year as executive officer for the Board. Conference was joyed to hear of the developments in the Highlands.

#### **Stewardship:**

Though all requests submitted to the Committee for the Budget for 1964-65 were carefully examined and some pared down, the total figure shows a rise of some £4000. This is due to increasing costs, both at home and overseas. This is inevitable under present conditions. But it is right that the Church should be aware that this increase does not meet the depreciation in our currency, that it is allowing the amount for Church extension to remain static, and that other forward work cannot be undertaken until our income is



increased. Conference issues a strong challenge to all our people to think earnestly and prayerfully as to where their commitment leads in meeting the needs of the Church in stewardship of money as well as of other talents.

#### **Membership:**

We are confronted with the fact that we are not keeping pace with the country's population increase, so far as our Church membership is concerned. The total increase last year was 136 members. We cannot allow it to remain there. This is a matter which must be laid upon the heart of every member. Conference stressed the importance of the personal approach in evangelism in meeting this situation.

#### **Church Union:**

Conference has agreed that the revised Basis of Union be sent down this year to local courts. In the light of their comments revision will be completed and the Joint Standing Committee will decide the question of the vote of the negotiating Churches on this basis. We await with interest the decision of the General Synod of the Church of England in April, 1964, which could well mean that the Anglican Church comes into full negotiation with the other four Churches.

#### **New Women's Fellowship:**

The Constitution of the new Women's Fellowship was approved by Conference and the women assured of the interest and prayers of the whole Church. We were pleased to receive Mrs I. G. Baber, the first Dominion President of the Fellowship.

#### **Stationing:**

We have reached the stage where the supply of ministers is sufficient to meet the demand. In spite of this, for other reasons, the Stationing Committee this year was involved in very long sessions.

#### **The Way Ahead:**

We commend all our people to God. We pray that you may catch the spirit of urgency that was in the Conference. We must shake off any spirit of lethargy. The most important thing each of us has to do is to put Christ and His service at the top of our priorities. We all need to come back to the place of commitment, for it is conviction that makes us willing to serve.

Will you join with us in offering the prayer with which we who were at Conference faced new dedication at the opening session?

"Lord, Thou wouldst do high business in our souls. We commit ourselves anew to Thee. Take us—empower us—inspire us—transform us—discipline us—and send us forth with joy. Amen".

ATHOL R. PENN, President.

G. CYRIL BURTON, Vice-President.

HOWARD E. HARKNESS, Secretary.

# AMENDMENTS TO LAW BOOK

ADOPTED BY CONFERENCE 1963

## CHANGE OF TITLE

New Zealand Lay Preachers Association

Page 199. The name of the "New Zealand Local Preachers Association" shall be changed to the "New Zealand Lay Preachers Association." (1963 minutes page 70.)

## COVENANT SERVICE

Page 10 Section 10 is hereby amended by deleting the words "the first Sunday of the year" in the first sentence thereof and substituting therefor the words "on the second Sunday in February each year" and by repealing the last sentence thereof.

(1963 minutes page 224.)

## MINISTERIAL DUTIES

(b) Superintendents of Circuits

Page 26 Section 154 subsection (o) is hereby amended by adding the words "or any other local Church meeting" after the words "Leaders' Meeting" and also by adding subsection (oo) "If he deems it expedient, appoint a Church member to preside at any local Church meeting, except official meetings. Any such appointment shall be made annually and no appointee shall hold office for more than three years consecutively."

(1963 minutes page 224.)

## DISTRICT CHAIRMAN

Page 27 Section 159 is hereby amended by deleting the first sentence thereof and substituting therefor the following: A District Chairman is a Minister in full connexion who is appointed by the Conference to exercise general pastoral oversight of a District and to carry out administrative duties as set out herein.

(1963 minutes page 76.)

## LOCAL OFFICERS ORGANISATIONS AND COURTS

Page 40. Add 226(a) The following shall be deemed to be official meetings in the local Church and in the Circuit, Preacher's meetings, Leaders' meetings, Quarterly meetings, Trustee meetings and Church meetings.

(1963 minutes page .)

## CIRCUIT STEWARDS

Page 40 Section 227 is hereby amended by deleting the word "two" in the third paragraph and substituting therefor the word "five."

## CIRCUIT QUARTERLY MEETING

Representation of Local Women's Fellowship

Page 50. 1963 Conference referred the question of the basis of representation of Local Women's Fellowships at Circuit Quarterly Meetings to the Committee of the Church Council on Leaders' Meeting and decided that in the meantime each Local Women's Fellowship shall be represented at Circuit Quarterly Meetings by two members, one of whom shall be the President or her elected substitute.

(1963 minutes page 227.)

## AGENDA FOR QUARTERLY MEETINGS

Page 53 subsection (3) of Section 290 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:

3 (a) What is the income and expenditure for the quarter?

(b) Have all payments to the Connexional Budget been made in full by the end of the month in which they became due?



Subsection (6) of Section 290 is hereby amended by deleting the second sentence thereof. (1963 minutes page 224.)

### **TRUSTS AND TRUSTEES**

Page 57 add the following:

302 (b) The appointment of a Choirmaster and/or organist shall be made annually by the Trustees except in cases where remuneration is paid to professional organists, when the position shall be reviewed every five years. (1963 minutes page 64.)

### **VOTES AT OFFICIAL MEETINGS**

Page 59 Section 316 is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following: "Provided always that where a vote requiring a certain specified majority of those present and voting is taken "neutrals" (although they may, and in some cases must be recorded for information) shall be ignored in determining the majority. (1963 minutes page 75.)

### **DISTRICT SYNOD CONSTITUTION**

Page 60 Section 323 is hereby amended by adding the following: (cc) The National President of the New Zealand Methodist Women's Fellowship if she resides in the District.

Section 323 is also hereby amended by repealing sub-section (f) and substituting therefor:

(f) Two representatives of each District Education Council in the District.

Section 323 is hereby further amended by repealing sub-sections (m) and (p) and substituting therefor:

(m) Two representatives of the New Zealand Methodist Women's Fellowship who shall be appointed by the District Council of the Fellowship.

(1963 minutes page 227.)

### **THE CONFERENCE CONSTITUTION**

Page 70 Section 359 is hereby amended by repealing (11) Methodist Women's Missionary Union and (15) New Zealand Guild Fellowship and substituting therefore: (11) The National President of the New Zealand Women's Fellowship (15) New Zealand Women's Fellowship (additional member). (1963 minutes page 227.)

### **CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND COMMITTEE**

Page 154 Section 517—Repeal sub-section (15) and substitute therefor: (15) A Property Advisory Committee shall be appointed for each District. Its function shall be to act as a consultative adviser on policy matters to the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee and to Trusts and Circuits within the district as requested.

It shall consist of the District Chairman, District Secretary of Church Property and at least two other ministers and two laymen to be nominated by the District Synod. The District Chairman shall be Convener. (1963 minutes page 114.)

### **DEPARTMENT OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

Amendment to various sections following the adoption of the new constitution of the Department in 1962.

(i) Page 23 Amend Section 140 by deleting the words "Youth Department" and substituting therefor the words "Department of Christian Education."

(ii) Page 48 Amend section 268 (6) by adding the words "Church Schools or" after the words "officer in."

(iii) Amend the following sections by deleting the words "Local Youth Council" and substituting therefor the words "Local Education Committee."

- Page 48 Section 269 (8)  
 Page 50 Section 277(h) (1) (2) (3)  
 Page 53 Section 290 (5) (b)  
 (iv) Amend the following sections by deleting the words "Youth Board" and substituting the words "Board of Christian Education."  
 Page 27 Section 157 (2)  
 Page 53 Section 290 (5) (d)  
 Pages 69/70 Sections 358 and 359  
 (v) Amend the following sections by deleting the words "District Youth Council" and substituting therefor the words "Local Education Council."  
 Page 61 Section 326  
 (vi) Page 73 amend section 371 (g) by deleting the word "youth" and substituting therefor the words "Christian Education."  
 (vii) Page 75 amend section 379 (36) by adding the words "Christian Education" after the word "respecting."  
 (viii) Amend the following sections by deleting the words "Senior Youth Director" and substituting therefor "the Director of Christian Education."  
 Page 79 Section 388  
 Page 92 Section 490A (2)  
 (ix) Page 88 Repeal the title "G. Committee on Youth Work" and substitute therefor "G. Committee on Christian Education."  
 (x) Amend section 459 by deleting the word "youth" and substituting therefor the words "Christian Education."  
 (1963 minutes page 224.)

### THE OVERSEAS MISSION DEPARTMENT

Amendments to various sections following the adoption of the new constitution of the Department in 1962.

(i) That the sections set out hereunder be amended by deleting the word "Foreign" and substituting therefor the word "Overseas."

Page 17 Section 111	Page 66 Section 340 (37) (a)
Page 18 Section 115	Page 75/76 Section 379 (20) (49)
Page 23 Section 140	Page 79 Section 388
Page 26 Section 154 (y)	Page 81/82 Section 409-411
Page 49 Section 273 (3)	Page 86 Section 445 and 447
Page 50 Section 277 (i)	Page 92 Section 490a (2)
Page 53 Section 290 (6)	Page 122 Section 506 (25)
Page 61 Section 323 (h)	Page 146 Section 514 (5) (9)
Page 63 Section 337 (9) (f)	Page 147 Section 514 (17)

(ii) That the subtitle (b) on Page 81 of the Law Book be amended by deleting the word "Foreign" and substituting therefor the word "Overseas."  
 (1963 minutes page 223.)

Page 156 add:

### 18. THE NEW ZEALAND METHODIST WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

- 519 1. There shall be a New Zealand Methodist Women's Fellowship under the control and direction of the Conference.
2. The objects of the Women's Fellowship shall be:—
- To promote by worship, study and service, the spiritual and social life of its members so that they may make a Christian witness in home, church and community.
  - To support the work of the Church at home and abroad.



3. Membership shall be open to all women who desire to further the objects of the Fellowship.

#### **LOCAL WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP**

4. In each Church where practicable there shall be a local Methodist Women's Fellowship.

5. The officers of each Local Women's Fellowship shall be the President, 2 Vice-Presidents, Secretary and a Treasurer. There shall be an Executive Committee consisting of the officers and such other members as shall be required.

6. An annual meeting shall be held in July at which shall be held the election of officers and executive committee and representatives to the District Council. The Minister of the Church shall have the right to preside thereat. It shall receive the annual report and financial statements duly audited and shall submit the same to the District Council and to the Quarterly Meeting.

#### **DISTRICT COUNCIL**

7. In each Synodal District there shall be a District Council or Councils of the Women's Fellowship which shall have the oversight of the work of the Women's Fellowship within such District. Where there is more than one District Council the area which each District Council shall operate shall be as from time to time determined by the Annual Convention.

8. The District Council shall consist of the officers, the members of the District Executive Committee, the President and Secretary of each local Women's Fellowship, two representatives for the first 25 members or fraction thereof of each local Women's Fellowship and an additional representative for each 25 additional members or fraction thereof of such local Women's Fellowship.

9. The Officers of the District Council shall be a President, 2 Vice-Presidents, a Secretary and a Treasurer and such other officers as may be required. They shall be elected at the annual meeting and shall hold office for a period not exceeding three consecutive years.

10. There shall be a District Executive Committee consisting of the officers of the District Council and at least three other members who shall be elected at the annual meeting. It shall have the general oversight of the work of the Women's Fellowship in the District.

11. The annual meeting of the District Council shall be held in each August. It shall receive the annual reports and financial statements, duly audited for each local Fellowships and hold an election of officers, District Executive Committee and representatives to the annual Convention. It shall submit an annual report and financial statements duly audited to the Annual Convention and an annual report to the District Synod.

#### **ANNUAL CONVENTION**

12. There shall be held an Annual Convention which shall determine and direct the general policy of the Women's Fellowship. It shall submit an annual report and financial statement duly audited to the Conference.

13. The Annual Convention shall consist of the officers, the members of its Executive Committee, the President, Secretary and Treasurer of each District Council, one representative for the first 200 members or fraction thereof of each district and an additional representative for each additional 200 members or fraction thereof of such District.

14. The officers of the Annual Convention shall be:—A President, 2 Vice-Presidents, a Secretary, a Treasurer and such other officers as may be required. They shall be elected at the Annual Convention and shall hold office for a term of three years.

15. There shall be an Executive Committee of the Annual Convention which shall consist of its officers and 8 other members who shall be elected at the Annual Convention and shall hold office for three years. It shall implement the decisions of the Annual Convention and have general oversight of the work of the Women's Fellowship. The Executive Committee shall be stationed in a District for three years.

#### **GENERAL**

16. (a) All officers of the Annual Convention and District Councils shall be members of the Church. (b) Officers of a local Women's Fellowship, where practicable shall be members of the Church.

17. Substitute representatives to the Annual Convention and District Councils as required shall be appointed by the President of the respective Council and local Women's Fellowship, whose duly elected representative cannot attend.

18. There shall be an annual membership fee as from time to time determined by the Annual Convention. The Annual Convention may fix fees payable to it and to District Councils.

19. The Annual Convention shall have power to amend the Constitution of the Women's Fellowship by a three-fifths vote at its annual meeting provided three months' written notice of its intention so to do has been given to all District Councils and local Women's Fellowships. Before coming into force such amendments shall receive the approval of the Conference.

20. The New Zealand Methodist Women's Fellowship shall be the legal successor of the New Zealand Women's Guild Fellowship and the Methodist Women's Missionary Union.

(1963 minutes page 225.)

#### **NEW ZEALAND METHODIST LAY PREACHERS ASSOCIATION**

Page 199-200. Paragraphs 1, 2, 3 (c), (d) and (e) be amended by deleting the word "Local" wherever it appears and substituting therefor the word "Lay."

(1963 minutes page 70.)



1. The officers of the Annual Convention shall have the honor to call the attention of the members of the Convention to the fact that the Convention is held in the city of New York, New York, on the 1st of December, 1900, at the Hotel New York, New York, at the corner of 42nd Street and 5th Avenue, New York, New York.

#### GENERAL

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# SUPPLEMENT TO LAW BOOK

## CORRECTIONS AND AMENDMENTS TO THE BOOK OF LAWS SINCE 1st OCTOBER, 1951.

### PREAMBLE TO LAW BOOK

The Methodist Church of New Zealand is that communion of Christian believers which came into being as a result of the union of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, the Primitive Methodist Church and the United Methodist Free Church—all such Churches having their origin in the Evangelical Revival of the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries. These finally united as one community in New Zealand in 1913.

The Methodist Church claims and cherishes its place in the Holy Catholic Church which is the Body of Christ. It rejoices in the inheritance of the apostolic faith and accepts the fundamental principles of the historic creeds and of the Protestant Reformation.

The doctrines of the Evangelical Faith which Methodism has held from the beginning, and still holds, are based upon the divine revelation recorded in the Holy Scriptures. The Methodist Church acknowledges this revelation as the supreme rule of faith and practice. These evangelical doctrines, to which the preachers of the Methodist Church, both ministers and laymen, are pledged, are contained in Wesley's Notes on the New Testament and in the first four volumes of his sermons. Under its constitution the Conference has no power to alter or to vary in any manner these doctrinal standards. The Conference is the final authority within the Methodist Church on all questions concerning the interpretation of its doctrines.

The Methodist Church holds the doctrine of the priesthood of all believers, and consequently believes that no priesthood exists which belongs exclusively to a particular order or class of persons. In the exercise of its corporate life and worship, special qualifications for the discharge of special duties are required. The preachers, ministerial and lay, are examined, tested and approved before they are authorised to minister in holy things. For the sake of church order, and not because of any priestly virtue inherent in the office, the Ministers of the Church are set apart by ordination to the Ministry of the Word and Sacraments. Those who are ordained perform acts as representatives of the whole body.

It is the universal conviction of the Methodist people that the office of the Christian Ministry depends upon the call of God; it is not a profession to be chosen but a vocation accepted from God Himself, who bestows the gifts of the Spirit, the grace and fruits which indicate those whom He has chosen.

Those whom the Church recognises as called of God, and whom it receives into its Ministry, are ordained by the imposition of hands, as expressive of the Church's recognition of the minister's personal call and seal of the Church on that call.

All persons are welcomed into membership who sincerely desire to be saved from their sins through faith in Jesus Christ, evidence the same in their life and conduct, seek to have fellowship with Christ Himself and His people, and are prepared to take up the duties and privileges of the Methodist Church by accepting its discipline.

The governing body of the Methodist Church is the Annual Conference, consisting of all ministers in Full Connexion and an equal number of laymen as provided by the Constitution. Its



decisions are final and binding upon both the ministry and laity. Within the Methodist Church, its Conference and its subsidiary courts, the ministry and laity together possess certain powers and privileges, including the exercise of discipline. These powers and privileges are exercised at every stage under the judgment of God. Ministers and laymen are responsible to Him as they seek to interpret His mind and will in every situation.

(1958 Minutes, Page 198.)

#### I. Corrections:

(a) Page 38. Section 218—**The Vice-President**: Add the following: "He shall have some part in the conduct of the Ordination Service at the Conference at which he is elected."

Section 219—Delete the last sentence.

(b) Page 46. Section 254 (d)—**Preachers' Meeting and Local Preachers**: In line three delete the word "by" and substitute the word "to."

(c) Page 54. Section 9 (E)—**Invitation to Minister**: Read (June meeting).

(d) Page 60. Section 321—**District Ministerial Committee**: Delete the word "Probationers."

Section 323—**Synod Representative Session**: After the word Committee in (a) insert the words "and Probationers whose names appear on the station sheet for the District."

(e) Page 79. Section 388—**Examination Committee**: After line 5, insert the words: "Board of Examiners as may be attending Conference and ten other ministers" . . .

(f) Page 165.

Appendix I. **The General Rules of the Society**. In line 21, after the words "as we would" insert the word "not."

#### II. Change of Title

##### **Synod Standing Committee**

Page 68. Section II.

The name of the "District Executive Committee" shall be changed to the "Synod Standing Committee." (1955 Minutes, p. 69)

Page 106, Section 3, **OVERSEAS MISSION DEPARTMENT**.

The name of "The Foreign Missionary Society" shall be changed to the "Overseas Missionary Department."

(1960 Minutes, Page 156)

New Zealand Lay Preachers Association

Page 199. The name of the "New Zealand Local Preachers Association" shall be changed to the "New Zealand Lay Preachers Association."

(1963 minutes page 70.)

#### III. Amendments and Additions:

##### **Members' Rolls**

Page 2. Section 7 is hereby amended by adding the following:

"All Members' Rolls and Circuit Schedules shall be submitted by the Superintendent Minister to the March Meeting of the Ministerial Committee which shall make suitable arrangements for the examination of the same."

(1956 Minutes, p. 194)

##### **Dancing on Church Property**

Page 3, Section 18 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:

18. Dancing on Methodist premises is permitted when arranged by Church Societies and groups.

(1959 Minutes, P. 205)

### **Young People and Church Membership**

Pages 7 and 8, Sections 47, 48 and 49 are hereby repealed and the following substituted therefore:—

**47. Baptismal Roll.** A record of all baptisms shall be kept by the Minister and a certificate shall be given by him to the parents or guardians of each child. The certificate shall set forth: (a) That the child is received into the congregation of Christ's flock, and (b) the responsibilities undertaken by the parents or guardians to bring up the child in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.

**48. Young People's Rolls.** Rolls shall be kept for each department in the Church's educational work as under:—

- (a) Nursery—From birth to four years.
- (b) Beginner-Primary—From five to seven years inclusive.
- (c) Junior—From eight to ten years inclusive.
- (d) Intermediate—From eleven to twelve years inclusive.
- (e) Bible Classes—
  - (1) From thirteen to eighteen years inclusive.
  - (2) Nineteen years and over.

**49. Family Pastoral Roll.** A Family Pastoral Roll which is to be in card form shall be kept by the Minister. (1957 Minutes, page 81.)

### **Covenant Service**

Page 10 Section 10 is hereby amended by deleting the words "the first Sunday of the year" in the first sentence thereof and substituting therefor the words "on the second Sunday in February each year" and by repealing the last sentence thereof. Church meetings. (1963 minutes page 224.)

### **Ministry: Section I—Candidates.**

Page 13. Section 79 is hereby amended inserting before the words "Wesley's Notes" in the third line thereof the words "the required passages in" (1954 minutes, page 33).

Page 14, Section 88 is hereby repealed and the following substituted:—

88. "An accepted Candidate for the Ministry shall be required to undergo a course of training at the Theological College and serve a term on probation in a Circuit or Department prior to ordination. The normal term of training shall consist of three years on probation provided that in the case of a candidate who is a graduate of a University College or is a married Home Missionary or a married Home Missionary Probationer, the period of training may be reduced to five years." (1952 Minutes, page 31.)

### **Probationers**

Page 15. Section 95 is hereby amended by deleting the third and fourth sentences thereof and substituting therefor the following sentence:—"Each Probationer shall conduct a trial service in each year of his probation." (1954 Minutes, page 33.)

### **Women Ministers and Marriage**

- 123 (a) (1) A Woman Minister intending to marry shall notify the Chairman of the District of her intention. At the end of the current Connexional year, unless otherwise determined by Conference, she shall be left without an appointment.
- (2) Where Conference is satisfied (inter alia) that marriage will not interfere with the appointment of a Woman Minister it may on the recommendation of the General Purposes Committee continue her in the active work provided always that in the Committee and in the Conference at least two-thirds



of those present vote for her continuance in the active work. Each such case shall be reviewed annually.

- (3) A Woman Minister who marries and who has not been continued in the active work shall be given the status of a minister without pastoral charge.

(1959 Minutes, page 222)

### **Section VII—Appointment of Ministers—Invitations**

Page 20, Sections 126 to 129 inclusive are hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

126. A Minister or Probationer may be appointed by the Conference to any Church or Premises year by year for any number of years successively without limit.

126A. No question concerning the pastoral tie shall be raised by either the Minister or by the Quarterly Meeting until the Minister has completed three years in his appointment.

126B. A Minister seeking a change of appointment shall notify the Circuit Stewards and the Chairman of the District to that effect at least twenty-eight days before the date of the June Quarterly Meeting.

126C. If the Circuit Stewards intend to raise the question of a change of appointment they shall notify the Minister and the Chairman of the District to that effect at least twenty-eight days before the date of the June Quarterly Meeting.

126D. If the Circuit Stewards do not take any action as provided in the previous section then any five members of the Quarterly Meeting may give written notice to the Circuit Stewards of their intention to move that consideration be given to a change of appointment. Such notice shall be given at least twenty-one days before the date of the June Quarterly Meeting to the Circuit Stewards. Upon the receipt of same the Circuit Stewards shall thereupon notify the Minister and the Chairman of the District.

126E. Seven days previous notice in writing shall be given of any June Quarterly Meeting at which the matter of the change of appointment is to be considered, such notice shall state the business to be discussed at the meeting.

126F. If a Superintendent Minister is involved the Chairman of the District or his nominee shall preside at the Quarterly Meeting where a change of appointment is being discussed.

126G. The voting shall be by secret ballot. In the case of an appointment for a fifth or sixth year a bare majority only is required, thereafter a two-thirds majority is necessary.

127. A Quarterly Meeting having decided to seek a change of appointment may stand adjourned or may arrange for a Special Quarterly Meeting for that purpose to be held not later than the 15th September in each year.

127A. Where a Probationer or a Home Missionary continues in an appointment after reception into Full Connexion his term on his appointment shall be deemed to have commenced as from the date of the original appointment.

127B. The Chairman of the District shall not later than the 31st July in each year forward the names of all Ministers not remaining in circuits in his District to the Secretary of Conference who shall thereupon communicate with all District Chairmen thereon.

128. Circuit Stewards shall forward particulars of all Invitations to Ministers to the District Chairman who shall notify the Secretary of Conference thereof before the 30th September in each year.

129. No circuit shall engage any agent without the sanction of the Conference or during the interval between Conference without the consent of the President of the Conference acting in consultation with the Home Mission Board.

(1962 Minutes, page 234)

#### **Appointment of Ministers—Engagement of Agent between Conferences**

Page 21. Section 128 is hereby amended by adding the following: "Acting in consultation with the Home Mission Board."

(1956 Minutes, Page 197.)

#### **Ministerial Duties**

##### **(b) Superintendents of Circuits**

Page 26 Section 154 subsection (c) is hereby amended by adding the words "or any other local Church meeting" after the words "Leaders' Meeting" and also by adding subsection (oo) "If he deems it expedient, appoint a Church member to preside at any local Church meeting, except official meetings. Any such appointment shall be made annually and no appointee shall hold office for more than three years consecutively."

(1963 minutes page 224.)

Page 26, Section 154 (t) is hereby amended by adding after the words "Circuit Stewards" the words "personally or by deputy."

(1960 Minutes, Page 221)

Page 26, Section 154 (bb) is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the words "and that an audited financial statement be submitted to the annual meeting thereof."

(1960 Minutes, Page 222)

#### **District Financial Secretary**

Page 27, Section 158 is hereby repealed.

(1960 Minutes, Page 221)

#### **District Chairman**

Page 27 Section 159 is hereby amended by deleting the first sentence thereof and substituting therefor the following: A District Chairman is a Minister in full connexion who is appointed by the Conference to exercise general pastoral oversight of a District and to carry out administrative duties as set out herein.

(1963 minutes page 76.)

#### **Chairman of Districts and Deputy Chairmen.**

Page 27. Add the following:

159a. Each Chairman may appoint a Minister in Full Connexion to act as Deputy Chairman of his District. Such Minister shall perform the duties assigned to him by the Chairman.

Page 28. Section 161 is hereby amended by deleting the words "a deputy" in the second sentence thereof and substituting therefor the words "the Deputy Chairman or a Minister in Full Connexion."

(1959 Minutes, page 206)

#### **Election of Vice-President**

Page 38, Section 213 is hereby amended by repealing the last sentence and substituting therefor the following:—

"He shall be elected at the opening session of the Conference preceding that at which he is to take office by a majority of the votes cast, the voting being by ballot."

Section 217 is hereby amended by deleting the words "the election of his successor" in the first line thereof and substituting therefor the words "until his successor takes office."



Section 218 is hereby amended by deleting the words "he is elected and at the succeeding Conference" in the second sentence thereof and substituting therefor the words "at which he takes office and at the next succeeding Conference."

Section 218 as amended by 1956 Conference is further amended by deleting the words "he is elected" wherever they appear and substituting therefor the words "he takes office."

Section 214A. If for any reason the member elected as Vice-President is unable to take office the Conference at its first session shall proceed to fill the vacancy.

Section 214B. Should the Vice-President die, become incapable of acting or resign while the Conference is in session the Conference shall proceed to elect a Vice-President in his stead.

(1958 Minutes, Page 200.)

#### **Vice-President of the Conference**

Page 39, Section 221 is hereby amended by adding after the word "Privileges" the words "the Synod Standing Committee in his District."

(1960 Minutes, Page 79)

#### **Local Officers Organisations and Courts**

Page 40. Add 226(a) The following shall be deemed to be official meetings in the local Church and in the Circuit, Preacher's meetings, Leaders' meetings, Quarterly meetings, Trustee meetings and Church meetings.

(1963 minutes page 224.)

#### **Circuit Stewards**

Page 40 Section 227 is hereby amended by deleting the word "two" in the third paragraph and substituting therefor the word "five."

Page 41, Section 228 (b) is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

228(b) Pay all stipends and allowances to Ministers by not later than the 20th day of the month for which they are due. Inability to make such payment shall be reported immediately to the Chairman of the District.

228(bb) Pay the amounts due to Connexional Funds and all other claims upon the Circuit Funds.

(1962 Minutes, Page 236)

Page 41, Section 228 (c) is hereby amended by repealing the last sentence thereof and substituting the following therefor: "Such furniture shall include curtains and shall exclude linen, blankets, cutlery, crockery and kitchen utensils."

(1956 Minutes, page 197)

#### **Ministerial Invitations and Circuit Stewards**

Page 41, Section 228 is hereby amended by adding the following Sub-section:—" (j) Confer with Leaders' Meeting and District Chairmen in respect to the appointment of a Minister." (1953 Minutes, page 181).

#### **Society Stewards**

Page 41, Section 236 is hereby amended by deleting the word "twelve" in the second to last line thereof and substituting therefor the word "eighteen."

(1960 Minutes, Page 220)

### **Society Stewards—Leaders and Leaders' Meeting**

Page 42, Section 237 is hereby amended by repealing Sub-Section (j).

Page 47, Section 268 (1) is hereby amended by deleting the words "one of the Society Stewards" and substituting therefor "one of its members." (1957 Minutes, page 194.)

### **Preachers' Meeting and Local Preachers.**

Page 45, Section 253 is hereby amended by adding after the words "on probation" the following:—

"He shall also do such practical work in respect of the preparation of sermons and conduct of services of worship as may from time to time be determined by the Conference." (1952 Minutes, p. 55)

Page 45. Section 254 is amended by repealing sub-section (a) and substituting therefor the following:

(a) Every Local Preacher on Probation, before being accredited, shall take the written examination prescribed by the Board of Examiners, conduct a trial service and be orally examined in the Preachers' Meeting by the Superintendent or other duly appointed person provided always that in the case of a Local Preacher on Probation who is at least 40 years of age and has given at least 10 years' continuous preaching service, he may be excused the written examination.

(1959 Minutes, page 205)

Section 254 (c) is hereby amended by deleting the words "should such examination and trial service" and substituting "should the reports on the above." (1952 Minutes, page 55.)

### **Circuit Quarterly Meeting**

#### **Representation of Local Women's Fellowship**

Page 50. 1963 Conference referred the question of the basis of representation of Local Women's Fellowships at Circuit Quarterly Meetings to the Committee of the Church Council on Leaders' Meeting and decided that in the meantime each Local Women's Fellowship shall be represented at Circuit Quarterly Meetings by two-members, one of whom shall be the President or her elected substitute. (1963 minutes page 227.)

#### **Audit of Accounts.**

Page 52, Section 288 is hereby amended by deleting the words "registered accountant" and substituting therefor the words "member of the New Zealand Society of Accountants."

Page 88, Section 462 is hereby amended by deleting the words "public accountant" and substituting therefor the words "member of the New Zealand Society of Accountants."

(1953 Minutes, page 181.)

### **Agenda For Quarterly Meetings**

Page 53 subsection (3) of Section 290 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:

3 (a) What is the income and expenditure for the quarter?

(b) Have all payments to the Connexional Budget been made in full by the end of the month in which they became due?

Subsection (6) of Section 290 is hereby amended by deleting the second sentence thereof. (1963 minutes page 224.)



### **Circuit Quarterly Meeting—Order of Business.**

Page 54, Section 290 is hereby amended by adding the following question between sub-section 9 (d) and (e):—

(dd) Invitation of Minister for an extended term. (March Meeting.)

(1958 Minutes, Page 204.)

Page 54, Section 290, is hereby further amended by adding the following

(9) (o) Provisions of adequate transport for Ministers and/or Home Missionaries (June meeting).

(1952 Minutes, page 167)

Page 54, Section 290 is hereby amended by adding the following question:—

“(10A). What are the reports of the men’s organisations in the Circuit?” (1953 Minutes, page 58.)

Page 55, Section 290 (11) is hereby amended by deleting the words in brackets “(third Sunday in September)” and substituting therefor the words “(fourth Sunday in September).” (1957 Minutes, page 98.)

Page 55. Section 290 is hereby further amended by adding the following question: “(15A) Are there any matters remitted by the Synod Standing Committee to this Meeting?”

(1956 Minutes, page 65)

### **Trusts and Trustees**

Page 57. Add the following:

302a. The Trustees shall see that no trust premises are used for any purpose forbidden by the Laws of the Church or for any purposes, entertainments or amusements which conflict with the spiritual purpose for which the Church was called into being or which are likely to bring reproach upon the Church.

(1959 Minutes, page 205)

Page 57 add the following:

302 (b) The appointment of a Choirmaster and/or organist shall be made annually by the Trustees except in cases where remuneration is paid to professional organists, when the position shall be reviewed every five years.

(1963 minutes page 64).

### **Votes at Official Meetings**

Page 59 Section 316 is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following: “Provided always that where a vote requiring a certain specified majority of those present and voting is taken “neutrals” (although they may, and in some cases must be recorded for information) shall be ignored in determining the majority.

(1963 minutes page 75.)

### **Part V, Section I—District Synods**

#### **Boundaries**

Page 61. Section 318 is hereby amended by adding the following: “Conference may for the purposes of administration subdivide a district into areas”

(1956 Minutes, page 198)

#### **District Synod Constitution**

Page 60 Section 323 is hereby amended by adding the following: (cc) The National President of the New Zealand Methodist Women’s Fellowship if she resides in the District.

Section 323 is also hereby amended by repealing sub-section (f) and substituting therefor:

- (f) Two representatives of each District Education Council in the District.

Section 323 is hereby further amended by repealing sub-sections (m) and (p) and substituting therefor:

- (m) Two representatives of the New Zealand Methodist Women's Fellowship who shall be appointed by the District Council of the Fellowship.

(1963 minutes page 227.)

Page 61 add the following:—

Section 323 (q): The District Financial Secretary, if a layman.  
(1962 Minutes, page 233)

#### **District Ministerial Committee**

Page 62, Section 337 (2A): Are there any Theses due from Ministers stationed within the District? (1955 Minutes, pages 173, 174.)

#### **District Synods—Agenda**

Page 66, Section 340, Question 38 (a) is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the words "Connexional and District."  
(1958 Minutes, Page 202.)

Page 66. Section 340 is hereby amended by adding the following:  
"(42A) What is the report of the Synod Standing Committee?"  
(1953 Minutes, page 62)

Section 340 is hereby further amended by adding the following:  
"(47A) Who is nominated as lay representative to the Church Council?"  
(1956 Minutes, page 66)

#### **Section II—Synod Standing Committees**

##### **Personnel of Synod Standing Committees**

Page 68, Sections 351 and 352 are hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

351. Each Synod shall appoint a Standing Committee suitable to its needs, consisting of Ministers and Laymen, provided always that the number of Ministers shall not exceed the number of Laymen. The Standing Committee shall submit an annual report to its District Synod.

352A. The Chairman of the District shall be ex officio Chairman of the Committee.

352B. The Vice President of the Conference shall be ex officio an additional member in his District.

352C. Each Committee shall determine its own quorum.

Page 68, Sections 354 (a) and (b) (1956 Minutes, page 198) are hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

354a. Where a District is subdivided into one or more areas pursuant to Section 318 the District Synod shall appoint an area sub-committee consisting of an equal number of Ministers and Laymen.

354b. The area sub-committee shall within its area carry out the duties of the Synod Standing Committee and shall submit an annual report and any recommendations to the District Synod.

(1962 Minutes, page 236)

354c. The Chairman of the district shall be ex officio Chairman of the area sub-committee. Conference may, on the nomination of the Chairman, appoint a Minister to act as his Assistant and when required act as his deputy within the area."

(1956 Minutes, page 198)



Page 68 — Add the following:—

**Section—III District Financial Secretary**

Section 355a. When deemed necessary a Financial Secretary to a District may be appointed by the Conference on the nomination of the Chairman. He shall keep the District accounts.

(1960 Minutes, Page 221)

**Constitution of Conference**

Page 69, Section 356 (b) is hereby amended by adding after the word "including" in the first line thereof the words "the Vice-President-elect and."

(1958 Minutes, Page 200.)

Page 70, Section 359 add the following after (4) Fire Insurance Fund:—

4a. Church Finance and Stewardship Committee, in the event of no Minister being appointed an officer thereof.

(1961 Minutes, Page 207)

Page 70. Section 359: Add the following:

(16) The Deaconess Order (additional two members).

(1959 minutes page 206.)

Page 70 Section 359 is hereby amended by repealing (11) Methodist Women's Missionary Union and (15) New Zealand Guild Fellowship and substituting therefor: (11) The National President of the New Zealand Women's Fellowship (15) New Zealand Women's Fellowship (additional member).

(1963 minutes page 227.)

Page 71. Section 366 is hereby amended by deleting the words "and no Home Missionary."

(1959 Minutes, Page 206)

**Conference Agenda**

Page 75. Section 379 is hereby amended by repealing (18) and substituting therefor the following: "(18a) What Ministers or Probationers have permission to serve with other organisations during the year? (18b) What Ministers or Probationers have permission 'to Rest' during the year?"

(1956 Minutes, page 195)

Page 75, Section 379 is hereby amended by repealing (25) to (27) inclusive and substituting the following therefor:—

25 (a) Do we sanction the amalgamation alteration or deviation of any District, Circuit or Home Mission Station or do we originate any proposal having reference thereto?

(b) What new Districts, Circuits, or Home Mission Stations are constituted?

26 (a) Do we sanction and change in the status or staffing of any Circuit or Home Mission Station?

(b) To what Circuits are additional preachers appointed?

(c) From what Circuits are preachers to be withdrawn?

27. What new Circuits or Home Mission Stations are now constituted?

28. What Circuits are due to provide a parsonage for a married Minister?

(1961 Minutes, Page 208)

Section 379 is hereby further amended by repealing (28) and substituting therefor the following: "(28) What Circuits are due to provide a parsonage for an Ordained Minister?"

Section 379 is hereby amended by repealing Question 33 and substituting therefor the following:

"33 (1). Who are elected as President and Secretary of the Conference for the ensuing year?"

(2) Have adequate arrangements been made for President's supply?" (1953 Minutes, page 61.)

Page 76, Section 379, is hereby amended by adding the following: "56 (a) What Ministers are to serve as whole or part time chaplains during the ensuing year?" (1955 Minutes, page 173.)

Page 77. Section 379 is hereby amended by adding the following: "63A. When shall the next District Synods be held?"

(1956 Minutes, page 66)

#### **Examination Committee**

##### **(a) Probationers:**

Page 81. add Section 406A. A tutor shall be appointed by the Conference for each Probationer who has not been through the Theological College. Such tutor shall guide and assist the Probationer in his studies. (1954 Minutes, page 33.)

##### **(c) Theological Students:**

Page 83, Section 423 is hereby amended by deleting the word "annually" and inserting after the words "trial service" the words "in his first and third years." (1952 Minutes, page 32)

##### **(d) Candidates:**

Page 83, Section 424 (b) as amended by Conference, 1955, is hereby repealed and the following is hereby substituted therefor:—

(b) The minimum academic qualification for all candidates except Home Missionaries who are over twenty-five years of age shall be either the University Entrance Examination or its equivalent or the Diploma of the School of Christian Workers.

(1958 Minutes, Page 124.)

Page 84, Section 427, is hereby repealed. (1955 Minutes, page 173)

#### **Theses**

Page 85, Section 440A. Each Minister within two years from the date of his reception into full connexion shall prepare and submit a Thesis to the Secretary of the Board of Examiners who shall arrange for its assessment. The subject of the Thesis shall be first approved by the Board of Studies. (1955 Minutes, pages 173, 174)

#### **Stationing Committee**

Page 86, Section 444 is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following:

"Unless appointed in another capacity the General Superintendent of the Home Mission Department shall attend all meetings of the Committee as a consultant." (1953 Minutes, page 182)

#### **Standing Committees of the Conference**

##### **Central Finance Committee**

##### **Connexional Appeals**

Page 90, Section 480 is hereby amended by the following addenda:

480A: All general appeals made on behalf of various funds and organisations, whether Methodist or otherwise, authorised by the Conference, except those for Home and Foreign Missions, Children's Homes and the Youth Department and any other specially authorised by the Conference, shall be made under the supervision of the Central Finance Committee.

480B: The Central Committee shall inquire of the treasurers of such funds and organisations their requirements, prepare a budget, and submit the same for the approval of Conference.

480C: The amount to be raised shall be allocated by the Central Committee throughout the Districts on a membership basis. District Com-



mittees shall allocate the District Quota to the circuits on a similar basis.

480D: The amounts raised in each District shall be remitted by the District Chairman to the General Purposes Trust Board, which Board, under the direction of the Central Committee, shall distribute the same.

480E: A special Sunday in August or September in each year shall be set apart when the amounts required in the Circuit shall be received and dedicated. Consequently retiring collections shall not be taken for the above appeal.

480F: No new appeal shall be allowed during the year unless it receive the previous consent of the President and the Central Finance Committee. (1951 Minutes, page 165)

#### **Faith and Order Committee**

Page 91, Section 488A. Add the following: "A Faith and Order Committee shall be appointed at each Conference. The Committee shall consider matters relating to the doctrine and policy of the Church, and report thereon to Synods and the Conference. (1952 Minutes, page 171).

#### **World Peace Committee**

Page 91 X b. A World Peace Committee shall be appointed at each Conference. It shall give leadership to the Church on all matters relating to world peace and shall report thereon to Synods and to the Conference.

(1956 Minutes, page 195.)

#### **International Affairs Committee.**

Page 91, Xb. An International Affairs Committee shall be appointed at each Conference.

(1957 Minutes, page 90.)

#### **Church Council**

Page 92, Section 490a (2) be amended by inserting the word "President-Elect" after the word "Ex-President" and the words "a representative of the Methodist Social Service Association" after the words "Senior Youth Director." (1955 Minutes, page 69.)

Page 92, Section 490a (2) (b) is hereby amended by adding after the words "Vice-President" the words "Vice-President-elect."

(1958 Minutes, Page 201.)

#### **Trinity Theological College**

Page 97, Section 502 is hereby amended by deleting the word "eight" in the first line of sub-section (13) and substituting therefor the word "eleven." (1957 Minutes, page 120.)

### **2. Department of Christian Education**

Page 101, Section 503, including subsections (1) to (42) and all amendments thereto are hereby repealed.

503. 1. There shall be a Department of Christian Education established under the control and direction of the Conference.

2. The object of the Department shall be to guide and supervise the Christian education programme of the Church.

3. There shall be a Methodist Council of Christian Education representative of all organisations in the Church promoting Christian education. The Council shall be appointed annually by the Conference and shall meet annually. It shall formulate the policy of the Church with respect to Christian education for consideration by the Conference and report thereon to the Conference. The Council shall consist of the President, Vice-President, Secretary of Conference, President-elect, Director of Christian Education, Field Directors of Christian Education, and such representatives of

Synod and other organisations engaged in Christian education as Conference may from time to time determine. The Director of Christian Education shall be Convener.

4. The Department of Christian Education shall be administered by the Board of Christian Education which shall be appointed annually by the Conference and shall consist of—

- (a) Chairman of the District in which the Board is located.
- (b) Director of Christian Education.
- (c) Field Directors.
- (d) Four Ministers.
- (e) Four members experienced in children's work.
- (f) Four members experienced in youth work.
- (g) Four members experienced in adult work.
- (h) Two representatives of the National C.Y.M.M. Convention.

5. There shall be a Director of Christian Education appointed by the Conference. He shall be the chief executive and administrative officer and adviser to the Department. He shall be responsible to the Board and to Conference.

6. The officers of the Department shall be the Chairman of the Board of Christian Education, the Director of Christian Education, and a Lay Treasurer who shall be appointed by the Board from its members.

7. Field Directors, as required for the Department's work, shall be appointed by the Conference on the nomination of the Board of Christian Education.

8. In each District there shall be one or more District Education Councils which shall be appointed annually by the District Synod. Each Local Education Committee in the area shall have the right to submit nominations. The area in which each District Council shall operate shall be as determined by the District Synod. Each Council shall consist of—

- (a) The Chairman of the District or his nominee.
- (b) Three Ministers.
- (c) Three members experienced in children's work.
- (d) Three members experienced in youth work.
- (e) Three members experienced in adult work.
- (f) One representative from each Local Education Committee in the area.
- (g) District C.Y.M.M. Chairman and Secretary.

9. The Chairman of the District or his nominee shall be Chairman of the District Council. A District Education Secretary shall be appointed by the District Council from one of its members.

10. The District Education Council shall:

- (a) Promote in the District the objectives and programme of the Department of Christian Education.
- (b) Supervise and evaluate all Christian education activities—children's, youth, and adult.
- (c) Act as advisory committee of the Board of Christian Education and of the Director working in the area.
- (d) Guide and assist local Churches in all aspects of their Christian education programme.
- (e) Promote leadership training.
- (f) Arrange other district activities such as rallies, camps, and beach missions.

11. The District Education Council shall be responsible through



the District Synod to the Board of Christian Education and shall report annually to the Board through the Synod.

12. There shall be a Local Education Committee in each Church in a Circuit, subject to the right of the Quarterly Meeting to group several smaller Churches under one Council.

13. The Local Education Committee shall be appointed by the Leaders' Meeting. It shall consist of:—

- (a) The Superintendent Minister and the Minister or Probationer of the local Church.
- (b) The Superintendent of the Church School.
- (c) The Leader of each Department of the Church School, such departments being as from time to time determined by the Board.
- (d) Local Christian Youth Movement Methodist Chairman and Secretary.
- (e) One representative of such other groups engaged in Christian education as the Board shall from time to time approve.
- (f) Not more than six additional representatives appointed by the Leaders' Meeting on the basis of two for the first 50 Church members and one for each additional 50 or part thereof.

Provided always that in cases where the Church School is not yet functioning the Sunday School Superintendent, the Leader of each Department of the Sunday School and two representatives appointed by and from the Leaders of the Bible Classes shall be members of the Local Education Committee..

14. The Local Education Committee shall be responsible to the Leaders' Meeting of the Local Church. The Superintendent Minister or one of his colleagues shall be the Chairman of the Committee or it may on the nomination of the Superintendent Minister annually elect from its members as Chairman a layman. One of its members shall be elected Local Education Secretary.

15. The Local Education Committee shall:

- (a) Promote and carry out in the local Church the whole programme of Christian Education according to the policy of the Department.
- (b) Recruit, appoint (subject to Section 16 hereof) and train Church School staff, including leaders of through-the-week activities.
- (c) Ensure that all members of the staff of the Church School and other leaders in the Christian education programme, where practicable, be members of the Methodist Church, but if not, that they accept and follow the Christian faith and are sympathetic with the doctrines and discipline of the Methodist Church.
- (d) Approve of lesson materials to be used in any Department of the Church School.

16. The Superintendent of the Church School or Sunday School and the Leader of each Department shall be appointed annually by the Leaders' Meeting on the nomination of the Local Education Committee.

17. Where it is impracticable to set up a Local Education Committee the Leaders' Meeting shall perform all the duties and exercise the functions of the Local Education Committee.

18. Each Church School, Sunday School, and all their respective Departments shall be conducted in distinct and avowed connection

with the Methodist Church of New Zealand in accordance with its laws and regulations.

#### **CHRISTIAN YOUTH MOVEMENT METHODIST**

19. There shall be a Christian Youth Movement Methodist under the authority of the Board of Christian Education. It shall consist normally of persons between the ages of thirteen and thirty who attend any youth group of the Methodist Church. Youth Leaders over 30 years of age may become honorary members, but shall be ineligible for election as Councillors.

20. The objects of the Christian Youth Movement Methodist are:

- (a) To win youth for Jesus Christ as their Leader, Saviour, and Lord.
- (b) To bring youth into membership of the Methodist Church.
- (c) To relate Christianity to the whole life of youth—physical, mental, moral, and spiritual.
- (d) To apply Christianity to all human relationships—personal, social, national and international.
- (e) To seek the unity of the world family of Christians.

21. The Officers of the Movement shall be the National President and Vice-President. A Director of the Department shall be Executive Officer and a member of the Council.

22. There shall be a National Council consisting of the President, Vice-President, ex-President, the Executive Officer, and eleven ordinary members of whom at least four shall be young women and four young men.

23. All Council members with the exception of the ex-President and the Executive Officer shall be elected at Convention, the annual meeting of the Movement. Normally the location of the Council shall change every three years.

24. The Council shall be responsible to the Board of Christian Education.

25. In each area in which a District Education Council operates there shall be one or more District Councils of the Christian Youth Movement Methodist each consisting of its chairman, secretary, three representatives of the District Education Council experienced in youth work, and up to ten other members of whom at least four shall be young men and four young women.

26. All District officers and Council members with the exception of the representatives from the District Education Council shall be elected annually by the members of the Christian Youth Movement Methodist in that District or area. The election shall be held in such time and in such manner as shall be decided by the District Council.

27. The District Council shall be responsible to the District Education Council and shall act as its Youth Committee.

28. In each Church where practicable there shall be a Local Council of the Christian Youth Movement Methodist. The Quarterly Meeting may group several smaller Churches under one Local Council. Such Local Councils shall be responsible to and shall act as the Youth Committee of the Local Education Committee. It shall be representative of the Youth groups in a Church or Circuit. The Local Council may appoint a delegate to attend the District Council. Each such delegate shall have both a voice and, at the discretion of the District Council, a vote.

29. Each Local Council of the Christian Youth Movement Methodist,



with the exception of the Minister and Counsellors, and its officers shall be elected annually by the members of the Christian Youth Movement Methodist in the Church or Circuit. The Local Council shall consist of the Superintendent Minister and/or the the Minister of the local Church, two adult counsellors appointed from and by the Local Education Committee, the Chairman and the Secretary and up to ten other members. The Chairman, Secretary, and other elected members shall be members of the Christian Youth Movement Methodist.

### **ORDER OF ST. STEPHEN**

30. There shall be an Order of St. Stephen which shall consist of those members of the Christian Youth Movement Methodist who are at least eighteen years of age and who have given a year of service to the Church without remuneration.

31. The conditions governing the acceptance of candidates, fields of service and reception into the Order shall be as determined by the Conference on the recommendation of the Board of Christian Education.

(1962 Minutes, page 81)

### **Department of Christian Education**

(i) Page 23 Amend Section 140 by deleting the words "Youth Department" and substituting therefor the words "Department of Christian Education."

(ii) Page 48 Amend section 268 (6) by adding the words "Church Schools or" after the words "officer in."

(iii) Amend the following sections by deleting the words "Local Youth Council" and substituting therefor the words "Local Education Committee."

Page 48 Section 269 (8)

Page 50 Section 277(h) (1) (2) (3)

Page 53 Section 290 (5) (b)

(iv) Amend the following sections by deleting the words "Youth Board" and substituting the words "Board of Christian Education."

Page 27 Section 157 (2)

Page 53 Section 290 (5) (d)

Pages 69/70 Sections 358 and 359

(v) Amend the following sections by deleting the word "District Youth Council" and substituting therefor the words "District Education Council."

Page 61 Section 326

(vi) Page 73 amend section 371 (g) by deleting the word "youth" and substituting therefor the words "Christian Education."

(vii) Page 75 amend section 379 (36) by adding the words "Christian Education" after the word "respecting."

(viii) Amend the following sections by deleting the words "Senior Youth Director" and substituting therefor "the Director of Christian Education."

Page 79 Section 388

Page 92 Section 490A (2)

(ix) Page 88 Repeat the title "G. Committee on Youth Work" and substitute therefor "G. Committee on Christian Education."

(x) Amend section 459 by deleting the word "youth" and substituting therefor the words "Christian Education."

(1963 minutes page 223.)

### 3. The Overseas Mission Department

Page 106, Section 504 including subsections (1) to (42) and all amendments thereto are hereby repealed.

504. (1) There shall be an Overseas Missions Department established under the control and direction of the Conference.

(2) The Department shall be managed by a Board called the Overseas Missions Board (hereinafter called "the Board") which shall be appointed annually by the Conference.

(3) The officers of the Department shall be the Chairman of the Board who, unless otherwise appointed by Conference shall be the Chairman of the Auckland District, a General Secretary who shall be appointed in pursuance of Part II Section VIII hereof and a Lay Treasurer who shall be appointed annually by the Conference.

(4) The objects of the Department shall be:—

(a) To represent the Methodist Church of New Zealand in Christian evangelism among non-Christian peoples in countries overseas to which its missionaries are or may be appointed.

(b) To organise Christian witness, education, medical and pastoral care and economic and social welfare within such countries.

(c) To co-operate with Churches in overseas countries where the missionaries of the Methodist Church of New Zealand are or may be at work.

(d) To negotiate with governments and other official bodies on matters pertaining to the work of the Department, as the Board may consider necessary.

(e) To organise and promote missionary education within New Zealand in collaboration with interested Church Departments and other bodies.

(5) The funds of the Department shall be derived from the following sources:—

(a) Offertories, subscriptions and donations.

(b) Gifts and legacies.

(c) Grants from governments and public bodies.

(d) Grants from connexional funds.

(e) Income from properties and investments.

(f) Other sources as from time to time may be determined by the Conference.

(6) The Board shall comprise; the President of the Conference, the Officers of the Department, resident members, being members resident in the Auckland District, and non-resident members, being resident in other Districts.

(7) The resident members of the Board shall comprise:— (a) The Chairman of the Auckland District (if not an officer of the Department), (b) Six Ministers and six laymen, (c) The General Superintendent of the Home Mission and Church Extension Department, or in his absence the Assistant Superintendent thereof, (d) one representative of the Department of Christian Education, (e) the President of the Methodist Women's Missionary Union (if resident in Auckland District), (f) two representatives of the Methodist Women's Missionary Union nominated by the Union Conference.

(8) The non-resident members shall comprise: (a) Four Ministers and four laymen, (b) the President of the Methodist Women's



Missionary Union (if not resident in the Auckland District), (c) Two representatives of the Methodist Women's Missionary Union, nominated by the Union Conference, (d) the Chairman of the Solomon Islands District, (e) One representative, ministerial or lay respectively from the Solomon Islands District and the Papua-New Guinea Highlands District Synods, such representative to be nominated by the respective Synod.

(9) An annual meeting of the Board shall be held at which the work of the Department shall be reviewed, its financial position considered and its policy determined.

(10) A special meeting of the Board, called by the General Secretary shall be held when recommended by the officers of the Department or when requested by a majority of the non-resident members of the Board.

(11) The Board shall submit an annual report and financial statement duly audited to the Conference.

(12) The President of the Conference shall be chairman of all meetings of the Board and in his absence the chairman of the Board shall preside. If neither is present those members present shall elect a chairman.

(13) In the event of any member notifying the General Secretary of his inability to attend any meeting of the Board the President of the Conference may appoint a substitute from the appropriate category.

(14) The Board shall have power to make and amend rules, regulations and conditions governing (i) the selection and training of all persons, except Ministers, employed by the Department, (ii) the service, medical examinations and furlough of all persons employed by the Department, (iii) the allowances other than the stipends of ministerial missionaries appointed from New Zealand, (iv) the stipends and allowances of ministerial missionaries received from other Conferences for service in our mission Districts, (v) the employment, remuneration and allowances of all other agents employed by the Board.

(15) The non-resident members shall normally attend only the annual and special meetings of the Board. They shall receive all reports submitted to the Board and Minutes of all meetings.

(16) At meetings other than annual and special meetings of the Board, the officers of the Department and the resident members shall have full power to conduct the business of the Department provided however that no alteration in the general policy determined by the Board shall be made unless any proposed alteration shall have been first submitted to all members of the Board and unless the same shall have been sanctioned by a majority of Board members.

(17) A Candidate for missionary service, not being a minister, shall be a local preacher or shall be required to pass an examination in Methodist doctrine and polity before a committee appointed for that purpose.

(18) Lay Missionaries shall be under the direction of the Superintendent of the circuit to which they are appointed.

(19) The Board, after obtaining the consent of the President of the Conference, may recall a missionary provided that this power shall not be exercised except by a vote of an absolute majority of the Officers of the Department and resident members of the Board, the other members having been previously notified.

(20) Any Minister transferred by an Australian Conference to the New Zealand Conference for appointment as a missionary under the jurisdiction of the Methodist Church of New Zealand shall have the right to return to the Conference to which he formerly belonged.

(21) An Overseas Missions Committee shall be appointed by the Conference in each District to co-operate with the Board in furthering the work of the Overseas Missions.

(22) The Overseas Missions Department shall be the legal successor of the Methodist Foreign Missionary Society of New Zealand.

#### **PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE SOLOMON ISLANDS DISTRICT**

(23) The membership in the Solomon Islands District shall comprise the ministers and probationers stationed in the District, and such persons as shall satisfy the Minister and Leaders' Meeting of their personal faith in Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord, their lives being in harmony with their profession. In accepting membership, they become pledged to seek fellowship with Christ and with His people, and they accept the duties and enter upon the privileges of the Methodist Church.

(24) The Church Meeting of each Society which shall be held quarterly . . . shall consist of all those whose names are on the Members' Roll at the time the meeting is held, but only those who are eighteen years of age, and who have been in continuous membership in the Church for twelve months shall have the right to vote or to be elected to office.

(25) The Church Meeting shall as far as practicable follow the provisions of Part IV Section IX provided that the questions to be asked at such meetings shall be decided by the District Synod.

(26) The Leaders' Meeting shall be held quarterly under the chairmanship of the Superintendent Minister or his deputy.

(27) The Leaders' Meeting shall, as far as practicable, follow the provisions of Part IV Section VIII, provided that the questions to be asked at such meetings and the qualifications for membership thereof shall be decided by the District Synod.

(28) The Quarterly Meeting shall meet under the chairmanship of the Superintendent Minister, or one of his colleagues appointed by him for this purpose.

(29) The Quarterly Meeting shall, as far as practicable, follow the provisions of Part IV Section X provided that questions to be asked at such meetings and the qualifications for membership thereof shall be decided by the District Synod.

(30) The District Synod shall be held annually and shall comprise (a) the Ministerial Committee, and (b) the Representative Session.

(31) The District Ministerial Committee shall comprise all Ministers whose names are on the stationing sheet of the District.

(32) The Representative Session shall comprise:—

(a) All members of the Ministerial committee.

(b) All Probationers.

(c) The Medical Superintendent if a member of the Methodist Church.

(d) The District Accountant if a member of the Methodist Church.



(e) Not more than two missionary laymen elected by the missionary laymen serving in the district.

(f) Four missionary sisters. Such sisters shall be elected by the sisters serving in the District.

(g) One lay representative of each Circuit appointed by the Quarterly Meeting.

(33) The questions to be asked at the ministerial committee and the representative session shall be as decided from time to time by the Conference.

(34) The Synod shall receive reports from each circuit and each District institution, receive financial statements and prepare District statements of income and expenditure and of assets and liabilities and present these, duly audited, to the Board and the Conference.

(35) (a) The Synod shall prepare estimates of Income and Expenditure for the ensuing year. These shall cover income locally derived and income by way of grants from New Zealand.

(b) The Synod shall administer all funds locally derived (except Government grants in respect of overseas staff).

(c) The Synod shall be responsible for the support of all agents locally appointed.

(d) The Synod shall prepare a sheet of stations and present these for consideration and adoption by the Board and Conference.

(e) Any circuit or worker affected by the decision of the Synod shall have the right to appeal against such decision to the Board and from the Board to the Conference, whose decision shall be final.

(f) The Synod may submit to the Conference through the Board the name of a minister as its nominee for the office of District Chairman.

(36) The Chairman of the District, when the Conference or the Board shall so direct, or when he deems it advisable, shall visit any Circuit within the District and take such action as in his judgment may be required in regard to the work carried on in the said Circuit, provided however that the Superintendent of such Circuit or any of his colleagues affected thereby shall have the right of appeal to the Board against any such action, and provided further that in regard to matters of character and disciplinary action in connection therewith, the rights of Ministers and Probationers shall in no way be affected.

(37) No member of the staff shall leave the District without the consent of the Chairman of the District.

(1962 Minutes, page 151)

#### **Amendments Relating to Overseas Mission Department**

(i) That the sections set out hereunder be amended by deleting the word "Foreign" and substituting therefor the word "Overseas."

Page 17 Section 111	Page 66	Section 340 (37) (a)
Page 18 Section 115	Page 75/76	Section 379 (20) (49)
Page 23 Section 140	Page 79	Section 388
Page 26 Section 154 (y)	Page 81/82	Section 409-411
Page 49 Section 273 (3)	Page 86	Section 445 and 447
Page 50 Section 277 (i)	Page 92	Section 490a (2)
Page 53 Section 290 (6)	Page 122	Section 506 (25)
Page 61 Section 323 (h)	Page 146	Section 514 (5) (9)
Page 63 Section 337 (9) (f)	Page 147	Section 514 (17)

(ii) That the subtitle (b) on Page 81 of the Law Book be amended by deleting the word "Foreign" and substituting therefor the word "Overseas." (1963 minutes page 223.)

#### **4. The Home Mission Department** **Payment of Home Mission Grants**

Page 115, Subsection (19) of Section 505 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

(19) All grants shall be paid by the General Treasurer direct to the Circuits except in those cases where the Synod Standing Committee, in consultation with the Circuits concerned, requests that the grant for particular Circuits be paid through District accounts.

(1962 Minutes, Page 164)

#### **Circuit Organisation**

Page 115, Section 505, Sub-section (24). Add: "The provisions of (a) and (b) Sub-Section (13) of Section 504 (page 108) shall mutatis mutandis apply." (1952 Minutes, page 171).

Page 115, Section 505 (24) as amended (1952 Minutes, page 171) is hereby further amended by inserting the word "and subsection (14)" after the words "sub-section 13." (1955 Minutes, page 129.)

#### **Home Missionaries**

Page 117, Section 505, sub-section 37 is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following sentence:—

"In the event of the marriage of a woman employed as a Home Missionary her employment shall be terminated."

(1958 Minutes, Page 203.)

#### **Order of Deaconesses**

Page 121, Section (b) including sub-sections (12) to (17) inclusive of section 506 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

##### **(b) Candidates for Deaconess Work**

(12) A Candidate shall be a baptised member of the Church, of proved ability, and character, and of mature outlook. School Certificate or equivalent shall be regarded as the normal academic qualification. It is desirable that a Candidate should possess a teacher's or nurse's certificate. A Candidate is normally required to offer herself for the general work, but a preference for a particular sphere may be expressed.

(13) At the March Quarterly Meeting, upon the nomination of the Circuit Stewards and the Minister, a Committee shall be set up to interview the prospective Candidate, consider her application and report thereon to the June Quarterly Meeting. This Committee shall ascertain her acquaintance with and belief in the doctrines of the Church, and her approval of its discipline, and shall assure itself of her acceptability and general fitness for the work.

(14) At the June Quarterly Meeting, the Committee shall report on the prospective Candidate, who shall present herself to the Meeting. The prescribed questionnaire having been previously completed and signed by Superintendent Minister shall be presented and read. If in his judgment these preparatory tests have been satisfactorily met, the Superintendent Minister may then nominate the Candidate, and the vote on such nomination shall be taken by ballot.

(15) If the nomination be sustained by the Quarterly Meeting, the Superintendent Minister shall forward the same to the Chair-



man of the District, who shall present it to a Representative Committee of Synod.

(16) A Candidate approved by the Quarterly Meeting shall present to the Synod through the Superintendent Minister a Medical Certificate on the prescribed form.

(17) On the nomination of the Chairman of the District, the Synod at its opening session shall appoint a Committee of not fewer than ten members, to interview the Candidate, and to satisfy itself as to her general fitness for the work of a Deaconess. The Committee shall report through the Synod to the Deaconess Board.

(17a) Each Candidate shall sit the prescribed examination arranged for by the Board of Examiners.

(17b) If the Deaconess Board is satisfied as to the suitability of the Candidate, it shall nominate her to the Conference through the Examination Committee to Conference. (1962 Minutes, page 234)

Page 123, Section 506 is hereby amended by adding at the end of Sub-section 30 the following:—"and shall thereupon become members of the order of Deaconesses." (1953 Minutes, page 180).

Page 123, Section 506 (31) as amended by 1956 Conference is hereby further amended by repealing the last sentence thereof and substituting therefor the following:

"(31) The appointment shall be made by the Conference on the recommendation of the Deaconess Board. The Board shall present to the Stationing Committee its list of recommended appointments, and the Stationing Committee shall make its recommendations to Conference for the stationing of Deaconesses during the Second Reading of Stations." (1958 Minutes, Page 161.)

#### **Removal Expenses Fund**

Page 126, Section 508 (11) is hereby amended by deleting all the words after the words "two removals" and substituting therefor the following: "be as from time to time determined by the Conference."

(1956 Minutes, page 124)

#### **Contingent Fund**

Page 129, Section 510 (8) (e) is amended by adding after the words "second class railway fares" the words "for journeys up to and including 100 miles, first class railway fares for journeys in excess of 100 miles."

(1959 Minutes, page 140)

#### **The Supernumerary Fund**

Page 135, sub-section 23 (a) of Section 511 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

"23 (a) Each Candidate for the Ministry, before being accepted by the Conference, shall undergo the prescribed medical and chest X-ray examination, the report on same to be submitted by a practitioner approved by the Board."

Sub-section 23 (b) is hereby repealed.

(1958 Minutes, Page 201.)

Page 136, Section 511 is hereby amended by repealing sub-section 27.

(1953 Minutes, page 117)

(27) a. That when a Home Missionary who has served for more than three years as such is received as a Probationer he may exercise the option of buying into the Fund for the number of years in excess of three for which he thus served as a Home Missionary. In the case of a Home Missionary who proceeds to Trinity College for three years, the proviso concerning the three-year limitation shall not apply.

b. Such payment shall be at the ruling rate of annual personal

contribution and annual Circuit subsidy plus compound interest for the number of years involved.

c. In the case of Probationers received after 1st February, 1958, such option must be exercised not later than three months after the applicant has been received on Probation. (1957 Minutes, page 134.)

Page 137, sub-section 33 of Section 511 is hereby amended by inserting after the words "shall receive an annuity" the words "or commuted sum."

Sub-section 34 of Section 511 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

"(34) When the application of a Minister to become a Supernumerary has been approved by the Conference, then the Board shall offer to him the option either of receiving an annuity according to scale, or of commuting a specified part of his interest in the Fund. Such interest shall be determined by the Board's Actuary as at the date of such retirement." (1958 Minutes, Page 132.)

Section 511 (35) is hereby amended by adding the following: "Provided that in the case of a Minister who is in receipt of a War Veteran's Pension he may commute in full his interest in the Fund. This proviso shall not apply to the remaining annuity of the widow of such War Veteran." (1956 Minutes, page 121)

Sub-section 36 (b) of Section 511 is hereby repealed.

(1958 Minutes, Page 132.)

Sub-section 37 (e) of Section 511 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

"(37) (e) Decide as to the amount of annuity to be commuted and as to the amount or amounts of the annuity or annuities remaining to be paid in respect to the applicant's interest in the Fund." (1958 Minutes, Page 132.)

Page 138—add the following sub-section:—

(37a) A Minister who does not exercise the option of commutation may apply to the Board for permission to exercise the option of surrendering part of his own annuity in order to increase that of his wife should she survive him. In no case shall the amount surrendered be such as to make his widow's annuity greater than his own annuity. Each case shall first be reported on by the Actuary. (1962 Minutes, page 143)

Page 138, Sub-section 42 is hereby amended by deleting the words "In case" and substituting therefor the words "In the case of" and inserting the word "who" after the word "Minister".

(1961 Minutes, Page 132)

Add the following:—Sub-section 42A. In the case of a woman Minister who marries and is left without appointment the Board under actuarial advice shall compound her claims upon the Fund by the payment of a lump sum and thereupon her interest in the Fund shall cease and determine. (1961 Minutes, Page 132)

Page 139, Section 46 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

(46) (a) The annuity payable to the widow of a Minister who has been made a supernumerary shall be according to the scale in force for the time being but shall be only for the years for which her husband has paid his subscription.

(b) The annuity payable to the widow of a Minister who dies in the active work shall be according to the scale in force for the time being and shall be for the years of service that her husband would have given had he lived to age 65.



Sub-Section 47 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

(47) If the widow of a Minister re-marries any annuity being paid to her by the Board shall cease three months after the date of such marriage, provided always and it is hereby declared that the repeal of the previous sub-para. 47 shall not affect any annuity being paid to such a widow at the date of such repeal.

(1960 Minutes, Page 142)

Page 140, Sub-section 49 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

(49) The following persons shall have no claim upon the Fund:—

(a) The wife of a Minister who marries while he is a Supernumerary.

(b) The husband of a woman Minister (except in his own right as a Minister).

(1961 Minutes, Page 132)

Page 140, Sub-Section 50 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

(50) A Minister on becoming a Supernumerary shall be entitled to receive a furniture grant of such amount as may from time to time be determined by the Conference.

The widow of a Minister who dies in the active work shall receive a furniture grant based on the years of service her husband would have received had he survived to age 65.

(1960 Minutes, Page 142)

#### **Ministers' Home Acquisition Fund**

Page 144, Sub-section 9 of Section 512 is amended by adding after the words "35 years' service" the words "or 5 years prior to reaching the retiring age of 65 years." (1953 Minutes, page 117).

Page 145 add the following:—

15 (a) (1) A woman Minister who marries and is left without appointment shall not contribute to the Fund during the period for which she is left without pastoral charge.

(2) A woman Minister who marries and is left without appointment shall be entitled to a refund of the amount standing to her credit in the books of the Fund and upon receiving such amount credit in the books of the Fund and upon receiving such amount her connexion with the Fund shall cease and determine.

(3) The husband of a woman Minister shall have no claim on the Fund (except in his own right as a Minister).

(1961 Minutes, Page 132)

Sub-paragraph 16 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

16. On request a certificate shall be issued to a Minister showing the amount standing to his credit.

(1961 Minutes, Page 132)

#### **Deaconess Retiring Fund**

Page 147 add the following:—

18 (a) On request a certificate shall be issued to a Deaconess showing the amount standing to her credit in the Fund.

(1961 Minutes, Page 132)

#### **Home Missionaries' Retiring Fund**

Page 149, Sub-section (19) is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

(19) On request a certificate shall be issued to a Home Missionary showing the amount standing to his credit in the Fund.

(1961 Minutes, Page 132)

### **Church Building and Loan Fund**

Page 152. "Special Loans Fund." (1953 Minutes page 95).

Page 153—add to sub-section 5 (b) of sub-section 517 the following:—

Plans for a new building or for alterations costing £3500 or more must be prepared by a registered architect, but in the case of parsonage plans may be prepared by a member of the Master Builders' Association as approved by the District Property Committee. (1962 Minutes, page 115)

Page 154 Section 517—Repeal sub-section (15) and substitute therefor: (15) A Property Advisory Committee shall be appointed for each District. Its function shall be to act as a consultative adviser on policy matters to the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee and to Trusts and Circuits within the district as re-Convener. (1963 minutes page 114.)

It shall consist of the District Chairman, District Secretary of Church Property and at least two other ministers and two laymen to be nominated by the District Synod. The District Chairman shall be Convener. (1963 minutes page .)

### **Women's Guild Fellowship District Guild Fellowship**

Page 156. Section 519 (7) is hereby amended by deleting the words "one other person" in the second sentence thereof and substituting therefor the words "two other persons." (1959 Minutes, page 72)

Page 156, Section 519, is hereby amended by adding the words "or Guilds" after the words "A Women's Guild" in the first line of sub-section (1).

Page 157, Section 519 is hereby further amended by repealing sub-section (11) and substituting therefor the following:—

(11a) The New Zealand Guild Fellowship shall consist of:—

(a) The Presidents of District Guild Fellowships.

(b) Members of the Executive Committee holding office prior to the annual meeting of the Fellowship.

(c) Representatives from District Guild Fellowships.

(11b) Each District Guild Fellowship shall be entitled to one representative for each fifteen or fraction of fifteen guilds in the District.

(11c) In the event of a District President being unable to attend she may appoint a substitute.

Section 519 is hereby also further amended by adding to sub-section 13 the following:—

"and shall consist of the officers of the New Zealand Guild Fellowship together with the President of the District Guild Fellowship of the District in which this Executive Committee is stationed." (1957 Minutes, page 192.)

Page 156 Add:

### **18. The New Zealand Methodist Women's Fellowship**

519 1. There shall be a New Zealand Methodist Women's Fellowship under the control and direction of the Conference.

2. The objects of the Women's Fellowship shall be:—

(a) To promote by worship, study and service, the spiritual and social life of its members so that they may make a Christian witness in home, church and community.

(b) To support the work of the Church at home and abroad.



3. Membership shall be open to all women who desire to further the objects of the Fellowship.

#### **Local Women's Fellowship**

4. In each Church where practicable there shall be a local Methodist Women's Fellowship.

5. The officers of each Local Women's Fellowship shall be the President, two Vice-Presidents, Secretary and a Treasurer. There shall be an executive Committee consisting of the officers and such other members as shall be required.

6. An annual meeting shall be held in July at which shall be held the election of officers and executive committee and representatives to the District Council. The Minister of the Church shall have the right to preside thereat. It shall receive the annual report and financial statements duly audited and shall submit the same to the district Council and to the Quarterly Meeting.

#### **District Council**

7. In each Synodal District there shall be a District Council or Councils of the Women's Fellowship which shall have the oversight of the work of the Women's Fellowship within such District. Where there is more than one District Council the area which each District Council shall operate shall be as from time to time determined by the Annual Convention.

8. The District Council shall consist of the officers, the members of the District Executive Committee, the President and Secretary of each local Women's Fellowship, two representatives for the first 25 members or fraction thereof of each local Women's Fellowship and an additional representative for each 25 additional members or fraction thereof of such local Women's Fellowship.

9. The Officers of the District Council shall be a President, 2 Vice-Presidents, a Secretary and a Treasurer and such other officers as may be required. They shall be elected at the annual meeting and shall hold office for a period not exceeding three consecutive years.

10. There shall be a District Executive Committee consisting of the officers of the District Council and at least three other members who shall be elected at the annual meeting. It shall have the general over-sight of the work of the Women's Fellowship in the District.

11. The annual meeting of the District Council shall be held in each August. It shall receive the annual reports and financial statements, duly audited for each local Fellowship and hold an election of officers, District Executive Committee and representatives to the annual Convention. It shall submit an annual report and financial statements duly audited to the Annual Convention and an annual report to the District Synod.

#### **Annual Convention**

12. There shall be held an Annual Convention which shall determine and direct the general policy of the Women's Fellowship. It shall submit an annual report and financial statement duly audited to the Conference.

13. The Annual Convention shall consist of the officers, the members of its Executive Committee, the President, Secretary and Treasurer of each District Council, one representative for the first 200 members or fraction thereof of each district and an additional representative for each additional 200 members or fraction thereof of such District.

14. The officers of the Annual Convention shall be:—A President, 2 Vice-Presidents, a Secretary, a Treasurer and such other officers as may be required. They shall be elected at the Annual Convention and shall hold office for a term of three years.

15. There shall be an Executive Committee of the Annual Convention which shall consist of its officers and 8 other members who shall be elected at the Annual Convention and shall hold office for three years. It shall implement the decisions of the Annual Convention and have general oversight of the work of the Women's Fellowship. The Executive Committee shall be stationed in a District for three years.

#### **General**

16. (a) All officers of the Annual Convention and District Councils shall be members of the Church. (b) Officers of a local Women's Fellowship, where practicable shall be members of the Church.

17. Substitute representatives to the Annual Convention and District Councils as required shall be appointed by the President of the respective Council and local Women's Fellowship, whose duly elected representative cannot attend.

18. There shall be an annual membership fee as from time to time determined by the Annual Convention. The Annual Convention may fix fees payable to it and to District Councils.

19. The Annual Convention shall have power to amend the Constitution of the Women's Fellowship by a three-fifths vote at its annual meeting provided three months' written notice of its intention so to do has been given to all District Councils and local Women's Fellowships. Before coming into force such amendments shall receive the approval of the Conference.

20. The New Zealand Methodist Women's Fellowship shall be the legal successor of the New Zealand Women's Guild Fellowship and the Methodist Women's Missionary Union.

(1963 minutes page 225.)

#### **Methodist Social Service Association**

Page 159. Add the following:

##### **20. Methodist Social Service Association**

Section 520a (1). The Methodist Social Service Association of New Zealand shall be the Methodist Church of New Zealand as organised for the promotion of social service work in New Zealand. It shall be under the control of the Conference and shall be directed by a General Committee appointed annually by the Conference.

2. The objects of the Association shall be:

- (a) To initiate, develop, and co-ordinate the social service work of the Methodist Church of New Zealand.
- (b) To provide adequate publicity for the social services of the Church with a view to stimulating interest and ensuring practical support.
- (c) To receive and administer funds and assets given for the general social work of the Church.

3. The General Committee shall consist of:

The President of the Conference, the Connexional Secretary, the Vice-President of the Conference, two representatives (one Ministerial and one lay) each from the Home Mission Department, the Auckland and Christchurch City Missions, the Wesley Church (Wellington Central), Social Service Trust Board (Incorporated),



the Central Methodist Church and Mission, Dunedin, one representative from the Board of Management of each Children's Home, one representative from each such other Social Service organisation as may from time to time be duly approved by the Conference and one layman not engaged in Social Service work from each area, nominated by the District Standing Committee.

4. The President of the Conference shall be Chairman of the General Committee, but if he is not present the members present shall elect a Chairman. There shall be an Official Representative and a Convener appointed annually by the Conference.

5. There shall be an Executive comprising the President of the Conference, the General Superintendent of the Home Mission Department or his substitute, and the Superintendents of the City Missions in Auckland and Christchurch, the Chairman of the Wesley Church (Wellington Central) Social Services Trust, the General Superintendent of the Central Methodist Church and Mission, Dunedin. The Convener and Official Representative is not a Superintendent of a City Mission shall be ex officio a member of the executive.

6. The Executive shall meet when necessary and shall deal with matters of urgency.

7. For the purpose of organising its social work the Conference may from time to time divide New Zealand into areas, one or more Synodal Districts may be joined into one area.

8. In each area there shall be appointed by the Conference an Area Committee which shall generally initiate, develop and co-ordinate social service work in the area. Each area committee shall submit an annual report to the General Committee.

9. Each Area Committee shall consist of the District Chairman stationed in the Area, one representative from each Synod Standing Committee in the area, one representative from each Children's Home in the area, four representatives from each City Mission or Social Service Trust in the area, one representative from any other social service organisation in the District which has been duly approved by the Conference and, in areas in which the Home Mission Department is actively engaged in Social Service work, a representative from that Department.

10. Each Area Committee shall elect its own officers.

11. Conference may for the purposes of administration subdivide an area and may on the nomination of the area committee appoint sub-committees which shall within the sub-area carry out such duties as are allocated to it by the area committee to which it shall report and make recommendations.

12. There shall be established a General Social Service Fund which shall be operated through the General Purposes Trust Board or otherwise as directed by the Conference. Any moneys given or bequeathed to the said Fund shall be distributed by the Conference on the recommendation of the General Committee.

13. No new or major extension of Social Service activity involving major capital expenditure or requiring continued support shall be commenced without the prior approval of the Area Committee, the Executive and the Conference.

14. In cases of urgency between Conferences the approval of the Conference may be given by the President of the Conference on the recommendation of the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee provided the approval of the Area Committee and the Executive be first obtained.

15. An Annual Report and Financial Statement shall be submitted by the General Committee to Synods and to the Conference.  
(1959 Minutes, page 205)

#### **Standing Orders of Conference**

Page 161, Section 521 Sub-section (10) is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

(10) (a) Unless Conference shall otherwise determine by a vote of a majority of those present, no person shall speak for more than three minutes at any time in any debate of the Conference, provided always that the mover of a motion when introducing such motion may speak for five minutes.

(b) Nothing contained in the preceding sub-paragraph shall apply to or prevent any explanation in response to a question being made with the consent of the President by any member moving the adoption of any report and such explanations shall not be deemed to be speeches within the meaning of this paragraph.

(1960 Minutes, Page 220)

#### **Connexional Funds and Trusts**

##### **13. Rangiatea Maori College Trust Board Constitution.**

(1945 Minutes, page 129)

For amendments to constitution see 1957 Minutes, page 126, 1959 Minutes, page 133, 1962 Minutes, page 136.

Page 170, Add 17 Auckland Youth Opportunity (Wesley) Board (1953 Minutes, page 181).

18. Wesley Historical Society (New Zealand) (1954 Minutes, page 155.)

#### **Women's Missionary Union**

Page 193, Section 5 is hereby amended by repealing sub-section (4).

Page 195, Section 6 (g) is hereby amended by repealing sub-section (3).

Page 198, Section 9 is hereby amended by repealing sub-section (b). (1957 Minutes, page 147.)

#### **New Zealand Methodist Lay Preachers Association**

Page 199-200. Paragraphs 1, 2, 3 (c), (d) and (e) be amended by deleting the word "Local" wherever it appears and substituting therefor the word "Lay." (1963 minutes page 70.)

Page 200. Section 5 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor.

5. The Executive shall consist of the President, two Vice-Presidents, Honorary Secretary, Honorary Treasurer and not less than 5 or more than 10 other members all of whom shall be elected at the annual meeting of the Association.

Section 6 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:

6. The executive shall come into office on the 1st day of February following the Annual Meeting at which it is elected and shall continue in office until its successor takes office.

(1959 Minutes, page 69)



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# APPENDIX

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# THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND

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PLACE	YEAR	PRESIDENT	VICE-PRESIDENT	SECRETARY
Wellington	1913	Samuel Lawry	Hon. C. M. Luke	Charles H. Laws, B.A.
Dunedin	1914	Samuel J. Serpell	E. Rosevear	Charles H. Laws, B.A.
Christchurch	1915	John Dawson	H. Holland	William A. Sinclair
Auckland	1916	Albert C. Lawry	G. Winstone	William A. Sinclair
Wellington	1917	William A. Sinclair	John Veale	Edward Drake
Dunedin	1918	Thomas A. Joughin	Edwin Dixon	Edward Drake
Christchurch	1919	Harold E. Bellhouse	J. H. Blackwell	Edward Drake
Auckland	1920	Edward Drake	E. H. Penny	Arthur Ashcroft
Wellington	1921	William Grigg	W. Dobbs	Arthur Ashcroft
Auckland	1922	Charles H. Laws, B.A.	L. M. Isitt, M.P.	Arthur Ashcroft
Dunedin	1923	Benjamin F. Rothwell	H. Field	Arthur Ashcroft
Christchurch	1924	Arthur Ashcroft	F. Thompson	Adolphus N. Scotter, B.A.
Wellington	1925	Thomas R. Richards	H. P. Mourant	Adolphus N. Scotter, B.A.
Dunedin	1926	Percy N. Knight, B.A.	Sir Donald Cameron	Adolphus N. Scotter, B.A.
Auckland	1927	Harry Ranston, M.A., Litt. D.	J. A. Flesher, O.B.E.	Adolphus N. Scotter, B.A.
Christchurch	1928	William J. Elliott	J. W. Shackelford	Adolphus N. Scotter, B.A.
Auckland	1929	John F. Goldie	T. P. Hughson	Adolphus N. Scotter, B.A.
Wellington	1930	Adolphus N. Scotter, B.A.	Arch. Peak	Jonathan H. Haslam
Dunedin*	1931	Ernest D. Patchett	Wm. S. Mackay	Jonathan H. Haslam
Christchurch	1932	M. A. Rugby Pratt	J. Voss	Jonathan H. Haslam
Auckland	1933	Arthur J. Seamer	S. T. S. Martin	Jonathan H. Haslam
Wellington	1934	Clarence Eaton	J. T. Johnson	William A. Burley, M.A.
Dunedin	1935	Jonathan H. Haslam	W. Charles Francis	William A. Burley, M.A.
Christchurch	1936	E. Percy Blamires	Richard Hampton	William A. Burley, M.A.
Auckland	1937	Fred. Copeland	Henry R. French	William A. Burley, M.A.
Wellington	1938	Percy R. Paris	John C. Tietjens	William A. Burley, M.A.
Christchurch	1939	Angus McBean	Mark Kershaw	William A. Burley, M.A.
Dunedin	1940	Leslie B. Neale, B.A., F.R.G.S.	David J. Wesney	William A. Burley, M.A.
Auckland	1941	William A. Burley, M.A.	Frank Penn, N.D.H.(NZ)	William G. Slade, M.A.
Wellington	1942	William Walker	G. H. B. Lill	William G. Slade, M.A.
Christchurch	1943	Charles H. Olds, B.A.	Hedley Oldham	William G. Slade, M.A.



PLACE	YEAR	PRESIDENT	VICE-PRESIDENT	SECRETARY
Auckland†	1944	Robert B. Tinsley	Charlie E. Bellringer	William G. Slade, M.A.
Dunedin	1945	Arthur H. Scrivin	William E. Burley, B.A.	William G. Slade, M.A.
Auckland	1946	William T. Blight, B.A., B.D.	James Tyler	William G. Slade, M.A.
Wellington	1947	William G. Slade, M.A., D.D.	Gordon S. Gapper	Herbert L. Fiebig, B.A.
Christchurch	1948	E. Thomas Olds	Harry H. Johnson	Herbert L. Fiebig, B.A.
Wellington§	1949	E. Thomas Olds	Harry H. Johnson	Herbert L. Fiebig, B.A.
Napier (Nov.)	1949	Henry J. Odell	John B. Beeche	Herbert L. Fiebig, B.A.
Dunedin	1950	Eric W. Hames, M.A.	Sidney E. Chappell	Herbert L. Fiebig, B.A.
Auckland	1951	George I. Laurenson	James H. Oldham	Herbert L. Fiebig, B.A.
Nelson	1952	J. Henry Allen	Francis H. Southgate	Herbert L. Fiebig, B.A.
Wellington	1953	Herbert L. Fiebig, B.A.	Hugh M. Patrick, M.V.O.	Gordon R. H. Peterson
Christchurch	1954	Charlie O. Hailwood	E. Laurence F. Buxton	Gordon R. H. Peterson
Dunedin	1955	M. Alexander McDowell, D.D.	Leonard A. Davis	Gordon R. H. Peterson
Auckland	1956	Raymond Dudley, M.A., D.D., F.R.E.S.	Sister Rita F. Snowden	Gordon R. H. Peterson
Palmerston North	1957	David O. Williams, M.A., Litt.D.	Philip A. LeBrun, J.P.	Gordon R. H. Peterson
Christchurch	1958	Gordon R. H. Peterson	Allen A. Dingwall	Athol R. Penn
Wellington	1959	A. Everil Orr, M.B.E.	Magnus S. Hughson	Athol R. Penn
Invercargill	1960	Bernard M. Chrystall, B.A.	Hubert de R. Flesher, M.A., LL.B.	Athol R. Penn
Auckland	1961	E. Clarence Leadley	Eric A. Humphries	Athol R. Penn
Christchurch	1962	Robert Thornley, M.A.	Frank M. Souster	Athol R. Penn
Wellington	1963	Athol R. Penn	G. Cyril Burton, B.A.	Howard E. Harkness, M.A., B.D.

\*William Greenslade, President-Elect, because of illness was unable to assume Office. Died 19th August, 1931

†For Validating Regulations see 1944 Minutes, page 10      § February, Exec. Comm. of Conference.

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## METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND

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| <p>1896—Blamires, Henry L. (Sup.)</p> <p>1899—Keall, Robert P. (Sup.)</p> <p>1900—Blamires, E. Percy (Sup.)</p> <p>    "    Haslam, Jonathan H. (Sup.)</p> <p>    "    Hunt, George P. (Sup.)</p> <p>    "    Leadley, Frank E. (Sup.)</p> <p>1901—Ranston, Harry, M.A., Litt.D.<br/>(Fellow of Trinity College)<br/>(Sup.)</p> <p>1905—Copeland, Fred. (Sup.)</p> <p>1906—Ryan, Henry (Sup.)</p> <p>1907—Blair, Charles (Sup.)</p> <p>1908—Tinsley, Robt. B. (Sup.)</p> <p>1910—Burley, William A., M.A. (Sup.)</p> <p>    "    Harris, Archer O. (Sup.)</p> <p>    "    Olds, Charles H., B.A. (Sup.)</p> <p>1911—Enticott, Walter J. (Sup.)</p> <p>    "    Hopper, Artheur (Sup.)</p> <p>    "    Rowe, William (Sup.)</p> <p>    "    Te Tuhi, Eruera, O.B.E. (Sup.)</p> <p>1912—Hinton, George B., (Sup.)</p> <p>    "    Scrivin, Arthur H. (Sup.)</p> <p>    "    Walker, William, E.D. (Sup.)</p> <p>1913—Bensley, Arthur A. (Sup.)</p> <p>1914—Werren, Samuel J. (Sup.)</p> <p>1915—Cooke, Percy I. (Sup.)</p> <p>    "    Olds, E. Thomas (Sup.)</p> <p>    "    Slade, William G., M.A., D.D.<br/>(Toronto) (Sup.)</p> <p>1916—Brown, George E. (Sup.)</p> <p>    "    Fordyce, Robert E. (Sup.)</p> <p>    "    Harkness, Edwin S. (Sup.)</p> <p>    "    Kendon, Charles H. (Sup.)</p> <p>    "    Sage, Ernest E. (Sup.)</p> <p>1917—Blight, William T., B.A., B.D.<br/>(Melb.) (Sup.)</p> <p>    "    Chambers, Ernest B. (Sup.)</p> <p>    "    Dennis, John (Sup.)</p> <p>1918—Costain, Alfred M., Dip.Soc.Sc.<br/>(Sup.)</p> <p>    "    Neal, Wallace S. (Sup.)</p> <p>    "    Parker, James W. (Sup.)</p> <p>    "    Skuse, Thomes, E.D. (Sup.)</p> | <p>1919—Jefferson, Alfred E. (Sup.)</p> <p>1922—Brooks, Leslie A. G. (Sup.)</p> <p>1923—Blakemore, Albert (Sup.)</p> <p>    "    Hames, Eric W., M.A (Fellow<br/>        of Trinity College) (Sup.)</p> <p>1924—Bailey, John H. (Sup.)</p> <p>    "    Brown, Hubert G. (Sup.)</p> <p>    "    Fiebig, Herbert L., B.A. (Sup.)</p> <p>    "    Kings, Harry S. (Sup.)</p> <p>    "    Taylor, Cecil R. (Sup.)</p> <p>1925—Peterson, Gordon R. H.</p> <p>1926—<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Hall, James H. (Sup.)</span></p> <p>    "    Harris, G. Raymond</p> <p>    "    Voyce, A. Harry (Sup.)</p> <p>1927—Larsen, Norman P.</p> <p>    "    Laurenson, George I.</p> <p>    "    Penn, Athol R.</p> <p>    "    Raynor, Ivo M.</p> <p>    "    Silvester, A. Wharton E., (M.M.)</p> <p>    "    Utting, Harry V. (Sup.)</p> <p>1928—Grocott, John D., B.A.</p> <p>    "    Hailwood, Charlie O.</p> <p>1929—Dickens, Charles E.</p> <p>    "    Horwood, Leonard C.</p> <p>    "    Kent, Arthur T.</p> <p>    "    Parker, Walter</p> <p>1930—Blight, J. Montgomery</p> <p>    "    Draper, Joseph C. (Sup.)</p> <p>    "    Leadley, E. Clarence</p> <p>    "    McDowell, M. Alexander, D.D.<br/>(Mt. Union, U.S.A.)</p> <p>    "    Parker, Wesley, E.D., M.A.,<br/>        B.D.</p> <p>1931—Carr, Thomas H.</p> <p>    "    Carr, W. E. Allon</p> <p>    "    <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Dudley, Raymond, M.A., D.D.<br/>(Dickenson, U.S.A.) F.R.E.S.</span></p> <p>    "    Greenslade, William W. H.</p> <p>    "    Moore, William E.</p> <p>    "    Payne, Herbert W.</p> <p>    "    Williams, David O., M.A., Litt.D.</p> <p>1932—Day, Reginald</p> <p>    "    Hickman, D. J. Donald (Sup.)</p> <p>    "    Jamieson, V. Roy, M.B.E., E.D.</p> <p>    "    Jenkin, William C.</p> |
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- 1933—Chryshall, Bernard M., B.A.  
" Daglish, J. Ainsley  
" Orr, A. Everil, M.B.E.  
" Patchett, Ralph E.
- 1934—Goodman, George H.  
" Johnston, Andrew J.  
" Matthews, Howard C., B.A.
- 1935—Burton, Ormond E., M.A. (Sup.)  
" Duder, Clifford L.  
" Hanna, L. Gordon (Temp. Sup.)  
" Luxton, Clarence T. J.  
" Thornley, Robert, M.A.  
" Dip.Soc.Sc.  
" Witheford, Arthur R., B.A.
- 1936—Hopper, H. Ian K., B.A.
- 1937—Churchill, John  
" Francis, William R., B.A., B.D.  
(Lond.)  
" Norwell, Leslie T.
- 1938—Harkness, Howard E., M.A.  
" B.D. (Melb.)  
" Hoddinott, Ernest S.  
" Laws, William R., M.A., B.D.  
(Melb.)  
" Petch, Ashleigh K., B.A.  
" Silvester, John, M.A.  
" Whitfield, Harris, E.D.
- 1939—Cochrane, Herbert A.  
" Grice, Reginald  
" Hayman, Leslie A. D., B.Agr.Sc  
" Lucas, Campbell P., L.Th.  
" Oldfield, Charles B.  
" Watson, John K., M.C., B.A.
- 1940—Dawson, John B., B.A.  
" Dixon, Haddon C., M.A., B.D.  
" Gilmore, Leslie R. M. B.A.  
" Greenslade, Lawrence  
" Jones, Alan O.
- 1941—Bell, Charles H. B.A.  
" Brown, Harold K.  
" Darvill, Harold A.  
" Thomas, Gordon V., B.A.  
" Woolford, Henry J., M.A.
- 1942—Clement, R. Frederick, M.A.  
" Ivory, Arthur H., LL.B.,  
" B.Com.
- 1942—Lewis, John J., M.A., B.D.  
(Melb.) Ph.D., (London)  
" Morrison, William J., M.A.  
" Rogers, Ranginohora  
" Willing, Leonard V.  
" Williams, J. C. Aldwyn
- 1943—Andrews, Stanley G., M.A.  
" Dip.Ed.  
" Brown, Clifford G.  
" Cramond, George W.
- 1943—Dawson, W. Selwyn, M.A.  
" Falkingham, Wilfred E.  
" Grounds, Edmund D.  
" Jolly, Albert
- 1944—Allen, Robert H., B.A.  
" Bell, R. Graham, M.A., B.D.,  
" Theol.M. (Melb.)  
" Bycroft, Leslie F.  
" Chambers, Wesley A., M.A.  
" Dorrian, A. Peter  
" Sherson, Donald G., B.A.
- 1945—Green, Warren  
" Shapcott, Leonard
- 1946—McDonald, D. I. Alister  
" Moore, Harry  
" Olds, Norman W.  
" Shepherd, Trevor  
" Thompson, George R., E.D.
- 1947—Attwood, A. Francis  
" Campbell, M. Jackson  
" Clements, Leslie C.  
" Divers, W. Lloyd  
" Hall, Allen H., M.A.  
" Parker, Francis H.  
" Riseley, Benjamin H.
- 1948—Eisner, Wilf. G., B.A.  
" Hilder, Basil J.  
" Marshall, Edward M., B.A.,  
" Dip.Ed.
- 1949—Baker, Edward  
" Benny, T. Ralph  
" Burt, Douglas H.  
" Cornwell, Gordon A. R.  
" Ford, Wilfred F., B.A.  
" Garner, William M., (Sup.)  
" Hopkins, George C.  
" Keightley, Clifford J.  
" Olds, J. Stanley  
" Ramage, Ian C., E. M.A.
- 1950—Clark, Colin D., M.A.  
" Gordon, D. Bruce, M.A.  
" Ramsay, Phillip D.  
" Schroeder, Leonard P., B.A.,  
" B.D.  
" Woodfield, Frank H.  
" Woodfield, Owen T., B.A.
- 1951—Besant, H. David, B.A., B.D.  
" Burrough, Amos W.  
" Carter, George, M.A.  
" Dip.Ed.  
" Lucas, Ivan J.  
" Gilbert, Geoffrey T.  
" Raynor, Charles H.  
" Ruck, Idris J.  
" Stead, Peter A. B.A.  
" Toothill, Harry W.  
" Olds, O. McLennan

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- 1952—Edmonds, David W.  
" George, R. Leslie  
" Gibson, Loyal J.  
" Hall, John R.  
" Handyside, Allan J.  
" Penman, John A., B.A.  
" Reid, Ian W.  
" Shaw, Harry I.  
" Spindler, Sydney J.  
" Thompson, John H.  
" Trebilco, George R.
- 1953—Baker, Frederick J. K.  
" LeCouteur, E. Raymond  
" Craig, Hughan M.  
" McKay, Archibald W.  
" Newman, Alan  
" Osborne, John H., B.A.  
" Stubbs, David G.
- 1954—Billinghurst, Noel D.  
" Boyd, Edward P.  
" Dickie, Arthur W.  
" Eastwood, Eric R.  
" Grundy, John, M. A.  
" Heppelthwaite, Ernest  
" Newton, Alan H. V.  
" Rakena, Ruawai D.  
" Rushton, Percy P., B.A., B.D.  
" Tahere, Te Awa W.  
" Trebilco, David L.  
" Watson, Alexander C.
- 1955—Abbott, William K.  
" Bennett, Trevor L.  
" Cable, William J.  
" Peart, Cuthbert R.  
" Rigg, Frank S.  
" Tauroa, Lane M., B.A.  
" Thornicroft, Neville  
" Wood, Ronald H.
- 1956—Andrews, Robert S.  
" Bennett, George, L.  
" Grant, Ian D.  
" Kitchingman, Owen  
" Nicholls, Trevor L.  
" Scammell, Bruce  
" Ziesler, John A., M.A., B.D.,  
(Lond.)
- 1957—Bell, G. Basil W.  
" Brough, Gordon D., B.A.  
" Cropp, James F.  
" Fowler, Irwin J.  
" Guthardt, Phyllis M., M.A.,  
Ph.D. (Camb.)  
" Kitchingman, Henry W.  
" Mabon, John C. F.  
" Reddihough, John W., F.R.G.S.  
" Russell, Kenneth H.  
" Scarr, Geoffrey E.  
" Taylor, Phillip F.  
" Walker, Bryan A., M.A.
- 1958—Climo, Frederick J.  
" Gilbert, Wilfred S  
" Glen, Frank G.  
" Hamlin, John R.
- 1959—Barker, Peter S  
" Bowen, Lewis A.  
" Dine, Mervyn L.  
" Gibson, Roger M.  
" Goudge, Stanley R., B.A.  
" Greening, G. Kingsley  
" Griffith, Keith C.  
" Hosking, John S., M.A., Dip.Ms.  
" Kitchingman, David L., B.A.  
" Morrison, William  
" Noble, Dorothea, B.A.  
" Salter, Lawrence E.  
" Widdup, Robert W.
- 1960—Brazendale, Graham  
" Grundy, Albert W., M.A.  
" Christian, Owen L.  
" Conway, James H.  
" Gust, Warwick, B.A.  
" Hanson, E. Francis I., B.A.  
" Henderson, W. John (Sup.)  
" Hornblow, Maxwell A.  
" Horrill, C. Seton  
" McKenzie, Ian H., M.Sc., B.D.  
" Major, Lewis H.  
" Mullan, David S., B.A.  
" Peterson, Frederick D  
" Reid, Andrew G.  
" Roke, Charles E.
- 1961—Edwards, Bruce W.  
" James, Russell E.  
" Langley, John E.  
" Marshall, C. Russell  
" Sides, Brian W.  
" Taylor, A. Kerry  
" Wallace, William L., B.A.
- 1962—Currie, John B.  
" Hawkey, Graham E.  
" Hight, Arnold C.  
" Hines, David L.  
" Hollman, Derek G.  
" Hopkins, George C.
- 1962—Hornblow, Edgar R., LL.B.  
" Jones, Barry E.  
" Pomeroy, Harold C., B.A.  
" Robertson, Ian H.  
" Rutherford, Maynard G.  
" Waite, Frederick G.  
" Wakeling, W. J. Douglas  
" Woodley, Alan K.
- 1963—Ansell, David H.  
" Armstrong, David  
" Ball, Niven G.  
" Brown, Wallis F., B.A.  
" Clark, Ian L.



## CHRONOLOGICAL LIST—*Continued*

- „ Fields, Ronald E.
- „ Garside, Paul A.
- „ Keall, Kenneth J.
- „ Laws, Derek G.
- „ Rowe, Brian K., B.A.
- „ Toomer, Kenneth, L.
- „ Tucker, W. Geoffrey
- „ White, John W.
- 1964—Bruce, Maxwell A.
- „ Felderhof, Ludwig
- „ Gerritson, Hendrik
- „ Maguire, Michael
- „ Major, Ronald G.
- „ Neal, Barry W.
- „ Olsen, Brian L.
- „ Roberts, John H.
- „ Shave, Charles D.
- „ Slinn, Stuart G.
- „ Smith, Neil E.
- „ Stockbridge, Nelson W.

### **Maori Minister—**

1941—Kukutai, Ngatete K. (Sup.)

### **Solomon Islands District Ministers—**

(including Tongan and Fijian missionaries)

- 1944—Piani, Timothy
- „ Taufu, John
- „ Palavi, Daniel
- 1950—Vula, Aisake
- 1955—Bitibule, John Veo
- „ Baudromo, Ilesia
- 1957—Pataaku, Samson
- „ Zio, Joel
- 1960—Beraki, Serupepeli
- 1961—Bongbong, J. Francis
- „ Boseto, Leslie
- 1962—Mosusu, Moses
- „ Rotoava, Job
- 1964—Alu, Solomon
- „ Maelagi, George

# AN ALPHABETICAL LIST OF THE MINISTERS and PROBATIONERS

*in connection with the*  
METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND

1. The figures in the first column mark the year in which each Minister entered on his work; those in the second column the year of Annual Appointment. S denotes that the Minister is a Supernumerary, the year in which he became a Supernumerary being in parenthesis immediately after his address. The number of the Circuit in the Station Sheet is denoted in the right hand column. The Overseas Mission and Maori Mission Stations are distinguished by numbers in square brackets.

2. H.M.—Home Missions  
M.M.—Maori Missions  
C.E.D.—Christian Education  
Dept.

O.M.—Overseas Missions  
C.S.—Connexional Secretary  
Th.C.—Theological College

Ent.	Years	Name and Address	Circuit
1955	.. 2	Abbott, William K., Parsonage Road, Rongotea ..	81
1944	.. 3	Allen, Robert H., B.A., 112, 13th Ave., Tauranga ..	46
1963	.. 2	Ansell, David H., 22 Clarke St., Kamo, Northland ..	7
1956	.. 2	Andrews, Robert S., 33 Johnson St., Milton ..	137
1943	.. 13	Andrews, Stanley G., M.A., Dip.Ed., 16 Atherton Road, Epsom, Auckland, S.E.3 ..	O.M.
1963	.. 1	Armstrong, David, 1 Waterview Road, Mangere, Auckland, S.E.3 ..	23
1947	.. S	Attwood, A. Francis, High Street, Katikati (1959) ..	36
1924	.. S	Bailey, John H. Cambridge Rd., Hillcrest, Hamilton (1946) ..	41
1963	.. 2	Ball, Niven G., 6 Hastings Street, Ohai, Southland ..	142
1949	.. 3	Baker, Edward, King Edward Street, Eltham ..	59
1953	.. 4	Baker, Frederick J. K., 33 Clothier St., Putaruru ..	44
1959	.. 1	Barker, Peter S., 3 Buckland Rd., Tuakau ..	28
1941	.. 2	Bell, Charles H., B.A., 162 King Street, Rangiora ..	122
1957	.. 1	Bell, G. Basil W., Waitoa, Waikato ..	38
1944	.. 2	Bell, R. Graham, M.A., B.D., Theol.M., 82 Murray Place, St. Albans, Christchurch, 1 ..	117
1956	.. 6	Bennett, George L., 8 Cambridge St., Gonville, Wanganui ..	65
1955	.. 1	Bennett, Trevor L., 11 Redwood St., Upper Hutt ..	92
1949	.. 3	Benny, T. Ralph, 63 Tukapa St., Westown, New Plymouth ..	56
1913	.. S	Bensley, Arthur A., 29, 13th Ave., Tauranga (1950) ..	46
1951	.. 1	Besant, H. David, B.A., B.D., 80 Wesley St., Dunedin ..	135
1954	.. 4	Billinghurst, Noel D., Kapiti Road, Paraparamu ..	100
1907	.. S	Blair, Charles, 7 Hackthorne Road, Cashmere Hills, Christchurch, 2 (1947) ..	110
1923	.. S	Blakemore, Albert, Leigh Haven, Mt. Albert, Auckland S.W.2. (1946) ..	18
1900	.. S	Blamires, E. Percy, 43a Church Street, Devonport, Auckland, N.I. (1944) ..	20
1896	.. S	Blamires, Henry L., 15 Gladstone Rd., Mt. Albert Auckland (1930) ..	18
1930	.. 5	Blight, J. Montgomery, Ashhurst ..	79
1917	.. S	Blight, William T., B.A., B.D., 76 Halton Street, Papanui, Christchurch, 5 (1957) ..	110
1959	.. 1	Bowen, Lewis A., Queen Street, Waiuku ..	29
1955	.. 2	Boyd, Edward P., Cuba Street, Marton ..	68
1960	.. 1	Brazendale, Graham, Cavendish Street, Ashburton ..	129
1922	.. S	Brooks, Leslie A. G., 3 Heather Place, Melville, Hamilton (1959) ..	40



Ent.	Years	Name and Address	Circuit
1957	.. 2	Brough, Gordon D., B.A., 7 Cleveland St., Brooklyn Wellington, S.W.1	.. 85
1943	.. 1	Brown, Clifford G., 151 Kennedy Road, Napier	.. 70
1916	.. S	Brown, George E., Cates Rd, R/D Rototuna, Hamilton (1956)	.. 40
1941	.. 1	Brown, Harold K., 88 Linwood Ave, Christchurch, 1	.. 112
1924	.. S	Brown, Hubert G., 27 Cobham St., Spreydon, Christchurch 2	115
1964	.. 1	Bruce, Maxwell A., Kohukohu, Hokianga	.. 4
1910	.. S	Burley, William A., M.A., 54 Albert St., Hamilton (1950)	.. 40
1951	.. 3	Burrough, Amos W., Box 12, Ruawai, Northland	.. 9
1949	.. 3	Burt, Douglas H., 28 Marion Ave., Mt. Roskill, Auckland	.. 14
1935	.. S	Burton, Ormond E., M.A., Lupin Rd., Otaki	.. 99
1944	.. 2	Bycroft, Leslie F., 100 West St., Feilding	.. 80
1955	.. 4	Cable, Wilfred J., 18 West Road Northland, Wellington	.. 86
1947	.. 3	Campbell, M. Jackson, 336 Selwyn St., Addington, Christchurch, 2	.. 115
1931	.. 4	Carr, Thomas H., 12 Wesley St., Pukekohe	.. 27
1931	.. 5	Carr, W. E. Allon, 42 Malfroy St. Rotorua	.. 45
1951	.. 14	Carter, George, M.A., Dip.Ed., Methodist Mission, P.O. Munda, British Solomon Islands	[6]
1917	.. S	Chambers, Ernest B., P.O. Box 20018, Glen Eden, Auckland (1956)	.. 19
1944	.. 1	Chambers, Wesley A., M.A., 170 Fitzgerald Ave, Christchurch	.. 112
1960	.. 2	Christian, Owen L., Park Avenue, Oxford	.. 124
1933	.. 1	Chrystall, Bernard M., B.A., 11 Kakariki Ave, Mt. Eden, Auckland, S.I.	H.M.
1937	.. 1	Churchill, John, Neville St., Warkworth, Northland	.. 32
1950	.. 5	Clark, Colin D., M.A., 104 Manawapou Rd., Hawera	.. 60
1942	.. 8	Clement, R. Frederick, M.A., 130 Grafton Road, Auckland, C.3	.. 12
1947	.. 9	Clements, Leslie C., 5 Rodrigo Rd., Kilbirnie, Wellington	85
1958	.. 5	Climo, Frederick J., Paparoa	.. 10
1951	.. 5	Clucas, Ivan J., 67 Searman Street, Waimate	.. 127
1939	.. 5	Cochrane, Herbert A., 15 Verran Place, Bryndwr, Christchurch, 5	.. 117
1915	.. S	Cooke, Percy I., 70 Blockhouse Bay Rd, Avondale, Auckland, S.W. 3 (1952)	.. 18
1960	.. 1	Conway, James H., 2 Lincoln Tce., Greerton, Tauranga	.. 46
1905	.. S	Copeland, Fred., 40 Abbotleigh Ave., Te Atatu Auckland (1947)	.. 19
1949	.. 1	Cornwell, Gordon A. R., Okato Taranaki,	.. 62
1918	.. S	Costain, Alfred M., Dip.Soc.Sci., 11 Sutherland Tce., Blenheim (1955)	.. 105
1953	.. 1	Craig, Hughan M., Methodist Parsonage, Otorohanga	.. 51
1943	.. 7	Cramond, George W., 24 Eden Street, Oamaru	.. 131
1957	.. 3	Cropp, James F., Munda, British Solomon Islands	[6]
1962	.. 3	Currie, John B., C/o Epuni Methodist Church, Brees St., Lower Hutt	.. 91
1933	.. 2	Daglish, J. Ainsley, 39 Strathavon Street, Miramar, Wellington, E.4	.. 88
1941	.. 20	Darvill, Harold A., 107 Waihi Road, Hawera	H.M.
1940	.. 4	Dawson, John B., B.A., 801 E Queen St., Hastings	.. 71
1943	.. 3	Dawson, W. Selwyn, M.A., 54 Chester St. W., Christchurch, 1	110
1932	.. 2	Day, Reginald, 211 Sealey Street, Thames	.. 33
1917	.. S	Dennis, John, 8 Rothesay Bay Rd., Rothesay Bay, Auckland (1954)	.. 21
1929	.. 2	Dickens, Charles E., 274 High Street, Carterton	.. 95
1954	.. 4	Dickie, Arthur W., 173 River Road Kawerau	.. 55
1959	.. 3	Dine, Mervyn L., 17 Mahoe St., Inglewood	.. 69
1947	.. 4	Divers, W. Lloyd, 5 Chapman St., Invercargill	.. 140

Ent.	Years	Name and Address	Circuit
1940	.. 8	Dixon, Haddon C., M.A., B.D., P.O. Box 2500, Wellington..	91
1944	.. 1	Dorrian, A. Peter, 18 Tennyson St., Opanake ..	62
1930	.. S	Draper, Joseph C., 203 Glenfield Road Birkenhead (1959) ..	22
1935	.. 2	Duder, Clifford L., 62 Albert St., Pahiatua ..	76
1931	.. 5	<u>Dudley, Raymond, M.A., D.D., F.R.E.S.,</u> 151 Kennedy Rd., Napier ..	70
1954	.. 2	Eastwood, Eric R., 22 Hakanoa Street, Huntly ..	42
1952	.. 5	Edmonds, David W., 237 Salisbury St., Christchurch, 1 ..	111
1961	.. 1	Edwards, Bruce W., 176 West Tamaki Rd, Glen Innes, Auckland ..	17
1948	.. 3	Eisner, Wilf. G., B.A., Private Bag 300 Trentham M.C. ..	
1911	.. S	Enticott, Walter J., Kumeu, Auckland (1948) ..	19
1943	.. 14	Falkingham, Wilfred E., Central Mission, P.O. Box 1449, Christchurch, 1. ..	111
1964	.. 1	Felderhof, Ludwig, c/o 1 Tennyson Ave, Takapuna, Auckland, N2 ..	21
1924	.. S	Fiebig, Herbert L., B.A., 69 Westholme St., Christchurch (1963) ..	110
1963	.. 1	Fields, Ronald E., 131 Livingstone St., Hokitika ..	109
1948	.. 8	Ford, Wilfred F., B.A., 16 Duncean St., Tawa, Wellington C.E.D.	
1916	.. S	Fordyce, Robert E., 27a Lorna St., New Plymouth (1956) ..	56
1957	.. 3	Fowler, Irwin J., 46 Matthias St., Darfield, Canterbury ..	123
1937	.. 3	Francis, William R., B.A., B.D., 149 Kamo Rd., Whangarei ..	7
1949	.. S	Garner, William M., Whangaroa, North Auckland (1957) ..	3
1963	.. 2	Garside, Paul A., Silverdale, Auckland ..	31
1952	.. 4	George, R. Leslie, Tauranga Road, Waihi ..	36
1964	.. 1	Gerritsen Hendrik, 56 Foyle Street, Bluff ..	143
1952	.. 5	Gibson, Loyal J., 28 Oxford Street, Richmond, Nelson ..	102
1959	.. 3	Gibson, Roger M., Middleton St., Johnsonville, Wellington ..	89
1951	.. 4	Gilbert, Geoffrey T., 16 Belvedere St., Te Puke ..	47
1958	.. 4	Gilbert, Wilfred S., 230 High Street, Dannevirke ..	74
1940	.. 3	Gilmore, Leslie R. M., B.A., 64 Station Rd., Otahuhu, S.E.7 ..	24
1958	.. 2	Glen, Frank G., 77 Shirley Road, Christchurch, 1. ..	112
1934	.. 8	Goodman, George H., 111 Wood St., Palmerston North ..	78
1950	.. 5	Gordon, D. Bruce, M.A. 35 The Octagon, Dunedin ..	132
1959	.. 1	Goudge, Stanley R., B.A., Waipawa, Hawkes Bay ..	83
1956	.. 6	Grant Ian D., 4 Titoki St., Stoke, Nelson ..	101
1945	.. 2	Green Warren, Dunback Rd, P.O. Box 54, Palmerston ..	132
1959	.. 1	Greening, G. Kingsley, 23 Aynsley Tce, Opawa, Christchurch, 1 ..	113
1940	.. 8	Greenslade, Lawrence, 18 Matai Rd., Hataitai, Wellington E.2. ..	88
1931	.. 8	Greenslade, William H., 92 Liardet St., New Plymouth ..	56
1939	.. 3	Grice, Reginald, 27 Cambrai Ave., Mt. Roskill, Auckland, S.2 ..	14
1959	.. 2	Griffith, Keith C., 9 Paynter's Ave., New Plymouth ..	56
1928	.. 9	Grocott, John D., B.A., 15 Nelson St., Riccarton Christchurch, 1 ..	116
1943	.. 6	Grounds, Edmund D., The Manse, 24 Tyne St., Timaru ..	126a
1960	.. 1	Grundy, Albert A. M.A., 138 Somme Parade, Aramoho, Wanganui ..	64
1954	.. 2	Grundy, John, M.A., 142 North Street, Timaru ..	126
1957	.. 1	Guthardt, Phyllis M., M.A., Ph.D., Methodist Centre, London St., Hamilton. ..	40
1960	.. 1	Gust, Warwick, B.A., 106 Rata St., Lower Hutt ..	91
1928	.. 1	Hailwood, Charlie O., 33 Wicksteed St., Wanganui ..	63
1947	.. 3	Hall, Allen H., M.A., C/o Methodist Church, Bombay, South Auckland ..	28
1952	.. 3	Hall, John R., 82 Pah St., Motueka ..	103
1923	.. S	Hames, Eric W., M.A., Fellow of Trinity College, 25 Lucerne Rd., Remuera, Auckland, S.E.2 (1962) ..	17
1958	.. 4	Hamlin, R. John, R.N.Z.A.F., Woodbourne ..	105



Ent.	Years	Name and Address	Circuit
1952	.. 4	Handyside, Allan J., 149 Hillhead Road, Corstorphine, Dunedin	.. 135a
1935	.. S	Hanna, L. Gordon, 20 Nogat Ave., Papatoetoe, Auckland (1960)	.. 25
1960	.. 5	Hanson, E. Francis, B.A., 40a Henley Street, Westport	.. 107
1916	.. S	Harkness, Edwin S., 14 Atanga Ave., Mt. Eden, Auckland, S.I. (1947)	.. 16
1938	.. 4	Harkness, Howard E., M.A., B.D., 48 Lincoln Road, Masterton	.. 96
1910	.. S	Harris, Archer O., 44 Redruth Ave, Spreydon, Christchurch, 2 (1951)	.. 110
1926	.. 6	Harris, G. Raymond, 19 Schofield St., Grey Lynn, Auckland	.. 12
1900	.. S	Haslam, Jonathan H., 26 Rhodes St., Waimate (1940)	.. 127
1962	.. 3	Hawkey, Graham E., Apiti	.. 82
1939	.. 7	Hayman, Leslie A. D., B.Agric.Sc., Woodbroke College, 1046 Bristol Rd., Birmingham 29, England	.. 85
1960	.. S	Henderson, W. John, 43 Abbotsford Rd., Waipawa (1962)	.. 83
1954	.. 1	Heppelthwaite, Ernest, 100 Waiwhetu Rd, Lower Hutt	.. 91
1932	.. S	Hickman, D. J. Donald, 37 Albert St., Ashburton (1960)	.. 129
1948	.. 1	Hilder, Basil J., 135 Queen St., Northcote, Auckland, N.4	.. 22
1962	.. 3	Hight, Arnold C., 10 Freyberg St., Wairoa, Hawkes Bay	.. 73
1962	.. 3	Hines, David, L., 74 Main South Road, Christchurch, 4	.. 116
1912	.. S	Hinton, George B., 49 Roberta Ave., Beverley Hills, Auckland, E.1 (1949)	.. 17
1938	.. 5	Hoddinott, Ernest S., C/- Mt. Crawford P.B., Kilbirnie P.O. Wellington	.. 88
1949	.. 3	Hopkins, George C., P.O. Box 21, Rawene, Hokianga	.. 5
1911	.. S	Hopper, Arthur, 416 Massey Rd., Hastings (1935)	.. 71
1936	.. 1	Hopper, H. Ian K., B.A., P.O. Box 11 Woodend, Canterbury	122
1962	.. 3	Hornblow, Edgar R., LL.B., Main Highway, Pakuranga, Auckland	.. 16
1960	.. 1	Hornblow, Maxwell A., 15 Naish St., Balclutha	.. 138
1960	.. 1	Horrill, C. Seton, P.O. Box 4, Kaeo, Northland	.. 3
1929	.. 4	Horwood, Leonard C., 994 New North Road, Mt. Albert, Auckland, S.W.2	.. 18
1949	.. 2	Hosking, John S., M.A., Dip.Mus., Springston No. 4 R/D., Christchurch	.. 119
1900	.. S	Hunt, George P., 215 Great South Rd, Manurewa, Auckland (1940)	.. 14
1942	.. 2	Ivory, Arthur H., LL.B., B.Com., 4 Heath Street Mt. Maunganui, Tauranga	.. 46
1961	.. 1	James, Russell E., 45 Glouster St., Greenmeadows, H.B.	.. 70
1932	.. 5	Jamieson, V. Roy, M.B.E., E.D., 30 Church St., Te Aroha	.. 37
1919	.. S	Jefferson, Alfred E., 118 Gray Ave., Papatoetoe (1954)	.. 25
1932	.. 1	Jenkin, William C., 77 Grey St., Woodville	.. 75
1934	.. 5	Johnston, Andrew J., 31 Whitby St., Mornington, Dunedin	134
1943	.. 6	Jolly, Albert, 83 Kolmar St., Papatoetoe	.. 25
1940	.. 4	Jones, Allan O., 66 Firth St., Hamilton East	.. 41
1962	.. 3	Jones, Barry E., 52 Queen's Drive, Musselburgh, Dunedin	.. 136
1963	.. 1	Keall, Kenneth J., 15 Julia St. Pahiatua	.. 76
1899	.. S	Keall, R. Purcell, 14 Green St., Lower Hutt (1940)	.. 91
1949	.. 11	Keightley, Clifford J., Methodist Mission, Nipa, via Mendi, Territory of New Guinea	.. [15]
1916	.. S	Kendon, Charles H., 170 Lemon St., New Plymouth (1954)	.. 56
1929	.. 3	Kent, Arthur T., 34 Edmonton Road, Henderson	.. 19
1924	.. S	Kings, Harry., 98 Salisbury Street, Levin (1956)	.. 98
1959	.. 5	Kitchingman, David L., B.A., 24 Passmore Cres., Maori Hill, Dunedin	.. 134
1957	.. 4	Kitchingman, Henry W., 1 Seabrook Ave., New Lynn, Auckland	.. 18
1956	.. 5	Kitchingman, Owen, B.A., Wesley Tce., Te Kuiti	.. 52

Ent.	Years	Name and Address	Circuit
1961	.. 1	Langley, John E., 84 Hackthorne Rd, Cashmere, Christchurch 2	.. 110
1927	.. 4	Larsen, Norman P., 112 Cambridge St., Levin	.. 98
1927	.. 1	Laurenson, George I., 15 Ward St., Te Kuiti	.. [4]
1963	.. 2	Laws, Derek G., 4 Claude St., Hamilton East	.. 40
1938	.. 1	Laws, William R., M.A., B.D., 17 Merivale Lane, Christchurch	.. C.S.
1930	.. 5	Leadley, E. Clarence, 5 Paice Ave., Mt. Eden, Auckland	.. 14
1900	.. S	Leadley, Frank E., 7 Fowler Ave., Mt. Albert, Auckland, S.W.2 (1940)	.. 18
1953	.. 3	LcCouteur, E. Raymond, 12 Poronui St., Mt. Eden, Auckland, S.1	.. 16
1958	.. 2	Lewis, Evan R., M.Sc., B.A., djl, Andong 44, Salatiga, Djwa-Tengah, Indonesia	.. 85
1942	.. 12	Lewis, John J., M.A., B.D., Ph.D., "Leigh House", Trinity College, Grafton Rd., Auckland, C.3	Th.C.
1939	.. 2	Lucas, Campbell P., L.Th., Hohaia Street, Matamata	.. 43
1935	.. 5	Luxton, Clarence T. J., 4 Myers Rd. Manurewa, Auckland	.. 26
1957	.. 3	Mabon, John C. F., 811 Pakowhai Road, Hastings	.. 71
1960	.. 2	Major, Lewis H., 22 Donegal Street, Cromwell	.. 145
1964	.. 1	Major, Ronald G., Cnr. Carter Cres. & Warspite Ave, Porirua East, Wellington	.. 90
1961	.. 4	Marshall, C. Russell, 37 Hallswell Rd., Christchurch, 3	.. 115
1948	.. 17	Marshall, Edward M., B.A., Dip. Ed., Wesley College, Paerata, Auckland	W.C.
1934	.. 5	Matthews, Howard C., B.A., 18 Chapel St., Papanui Christchurch, 5	.. 118
1946	.. 1	McDonald, D. I. Alister, Hikurangi, Northland	.. 6
1964	.. 1	Maguire, Michael, Stanley St., Eketahuna	.. 97
1930	.. 7	McDowell, M. Alexander, D.D., 320 Hardy Street, Nelson	101
1953	.. 4	McKay, Archibald W., 30 Matai St., Hamilton	.. 40
1960	.. 5	McKenzie, Ian H., M.Sc., B.D., Liemen Street, Otautau, Southland	.. 142
1946	.. 5	Moore, Harry, 302 West Coast Rd. (P.O. Box 20070), Glen Eden, Auckland	.. 19
1931	.. 1	Moore, William E., 29 Rimu St., Helensville, Auckland	.. 30
1959	.. 2	Morrison, William, 6 Derwent St., Wainuiomata, Wellington	.. 93a
1942	.. 1	Morrison, William J., M.A., 37 Bank St. Te Awamutu	.. 50
1960	.. 1	Mullan, David S., B.A. 36 Kings Rd., Panmure, Auckland E2	.. 16
1964	.. 1	Neal, Barry W., Murchison	.. 104
1918	.. S	Neal, Wallace S., 61 Mathiesons Rd., Linwood, Christchurch, 2 (1953)	.. 112
1953	.. 5	Newman, Alan, 12 Marsden Rd., Greymouth	.. 108
1954	.. 5	Newton, Alan H.V., 179 Regan St., Stratford	.. 57
1956	.. 4	Nicholls, Trevor L., Te Reinga Street, Kaitia	.. 1
1959	.. 3	Noble, Dorothea M., B.A., 71 Copeland St., Lower Hutt	.. 91
1937	.. 3	Norwell, Leslie T., 46 Radley St., Woolston Christchurch, 2	.. 113
1939	.. 4	Oldfield, Charles B., 45 High Street, Blenheim	.. 105
1910	.. S	Olds, Charles H., B.A., 3 Masters Ave., Hillcrest, Hamilton (1951)	.. 41
1915	.. S	Olds, E. Thomas, 28 Bannerman Rd., Auckland W.2 (1957)	.. 12
1949	.. 9	Olds, J. Stanley, 216 Earn Street, Invercargill	.. 141
1946	.. 1	Olds, Norman W., 98 North Street Timaru	.. 125
1951	.. 6	Olds, O. McLennan, 2 Westend Rd., Herne Bay, Auckland W.1	.. 15
1964	.. 1	Olsen, Brain L., Methodist Parsonage, Russell	.. 2
1933	.. 32	Orr, A. Everil, M.B.E., Box 5104, Auckland C.1	.. 13
1953	.. 3	Osborne, John H., B.A., Arney St., Paeroa	.. 35
1947	.. 1	Parker, Francis H., 406 Thames St., Morrinsville	.. 38



Ent.	Years	Name and Address	Circuit
1918	.. S	Parker, James W., 143 St. John's Rd., Meadowbank, Auckland, S.E. 3 (1950) ..	17
1929	.. 13	Parker, Walter, 261 Manukau Rd., Epsom, Auckland S.E.3	14
1930	.. 12	Parker, Wesley, E.D., M.A., B.D., 10 New Bond Street, Kingsland, Auckland ..	12
1933	.. 5	Patchett, Ralph E., 21 Gwynfa Avenue, Christchurch, 2	110
1931	.. 4	Payne, Herbert W., 77 Grey Street, Onehunga, Auckland ..	23
1955	.. 4	Peart, Cuthbert F., C.F., 25 King Street, Whakatane	48
1952	.. 3	Penman, John A., B.A., 1 Tennyson Ave., Takapuna, N.2	21
1927	.. 4	Penn, Athol R., 17 Pukehana Ave., Epsom, Auckland, S.E.3	16
1938	.. 3	Petch, Ashleigh K., B.A., 24 Liverpool St., Hamilton	40
1960	.. 5	Peterson, Frederick D., No. 3 R.D., Wellsford	11
1925	.. 5	Peterson, Gordon R. H., 235 Karori Rd., Karori, Wellington ..	86
1962	.. 3	Pomeroy, Harold C., B.A., 5 Otara Road, Papatoetoe	25
1954	.. 3	Rakana, Ruawai D., 28 Mt. Albert Rd., Auckland, S.W.2	[2]
1949	.. 4	Ramage, Ian C. E., M.A., 890 George Street, Dunedin	133
1950	.. 1	Ramsay, Phillip D., C.F., 38 Cranford St., Christchurch 1	116
1901	.. S	Ranston, Harry, M.A., Litt.D., Fellow of Trinity College, 43 Maungawhau Road, Epsom, Auckland E.S.3 (1941)	17
1951	.. 1	Raynor, Charles H., Main Rd., Greytown	94
1927	.. 2	Raynor, Ivo M., 5 Mirona Grove, Paekakariki, Wellington	89
1957	.. 4	Reddihough, John W., 78 Church Street, Mosgiel ..	135
1960	.. 2	Reid, Andrew G., P.O. Box 196, Dargaville	8
1952	.. 4	Reid, Ian W., 298 Adelaide Road, Wellington	87
1955	.. 7	Rigg, Frank S., 81 Yule Street, Wellington, E.3	88
1947	.. 5	Riseley, Benjamin H., 75 Taranaki St., Wellington	85
1964	.. 1	Roberts John H., 3 Delta St., Dunedin N.W.1	132
1962	.. 3	Robertson, Ian H., Mace St., Reefton	105
1942	.. 10	Rogers, Ranginohoora, 519 Mt. Albert Rd., Auckland S.1	[2]
1960	.. 5	Roke, Charles E., P.O. Box 400 Hamilton	[3]
1963	.. 2	Rowe, B. Keith, B.A., Riemanschnieder Street, Manaia	61
1911	.. S	Rowe, William, 60 The Esplanade, Paremata, Wellington (1949) ..	90
1951	.. 2	Ruck, Idris J., 37 Nelson Street, Petone ..	93
1954	.. 3	Rushton, Percy P., B.A., B.D., 31 Carleton Rd., Tawa Wellington ..	90
1957	.. 5	Russell, Kenneth H., 24, Mouatt Street, Waitara	57
1962	.. 3	Rutherford, Maynard G., 123 Waimea Rd., Nelson	101
1906	.. S	Ryan, Henry, 8 Burns Road, Napier (1943)	70
1916	.. S	Sage, Ernest E., 1 Willis St., Mt. Albert, Auckland, S.W.2 (1955) ..	18
1959	.. 3	Salter, Lawrence E., 19 Graham Ave, Te Atatu, Auckland	19
1956	.. 6	Scammell, Bruce, Taitua St., Taumaranui	53
1957	.. 1	Scarr, Geoffrey E., Willowby, R.D.4, Ashburton	130
1950	.. 8	Schroeder, Leonard P., B.A., B.D., 14 St. Vincent Ave., Remuera, Auckland S.E. 2 ..	17
1912	.. S	Scriven, Arthur H., "Roviana" 16 Empire Road, Epsom, Auckland, S.E.3 (1952) ..	16
1945	.. 3	Shapcott, Leonard, 43 Queen St., Cambridge	44
1964	.. 1	Shave, Charles D., Ngatea, Hauraki Plains	34
1952	.. 3	Shaw, Harry I., N.Z. Reg. Terendaks Camp. Malacca, Malaya	77
1946	.. 2	Shepherd, Trevor, 354 Wairakei Rd., Bryndwr, Christchurch, 5 ..	117
1944	.. 3	Sherson, Donald G., B.A., 57 Glenfield Rd., Birkenhead, Auckland N.5	21
1961	.. 1	Sides, Brian W., Methodist Mission, Skotolan, P.O. Sohano Territory of New Guinea ..	[12]
1927	.. 3	Silvester, A. Wharton E. (M.M.) 22 Union St., New Brighton, Christchurch, 7 ..	112

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1938	.. 1	Silvester, John M.A., 1107, Dominion Road Ext, Mt, Roskill, Auckland, S.3.	Th.C.
1918	.. S	Skuse, Thomas, E.D., No. 2 R.D., Kumeu, Auckland (1956)	19
1915	.. S	Slade, William G., M.A., D.D., 198 Clyde Rd., Fendalton, Christchurch, 5 (1957)	110
1964	.. 1	Slinn, Stuart G., Ohura	54
1964	.. 1	Smith, Neil E., Te Kopuru, Dargaville	8
1952	.. 4	Spindler, Sydney J., 19 Hillside Cres., Mt. Eden, Auckland	13
1951	.. 6	Stead, Peter A., B.A., 524 Church Street, Palmerston North	77
1964	.. 1	Stockbridge, Nelson W., C/o 42 Malfroy St., Rotorua	45
1953	.. 5	Stubbs, David G., 18 Robinson Street, Foxton	84
1955	.. 1	Tauroa, Lane M., B.A., c/- National Christian Council of Indonesia, Djl Salemba Raya, 10, Djakarta IV/3, Indonesia	[4]
1954	.. 3	Tahere, Te Awa W., 38 Three Mile Bush Rd, Kamo, Northland	[1]
1961	.. 1	Taylor, A. Kerry, Murphys Rd, Blenheim	105
1924	.. S	Taylor, Cecil R., 23 Garreg Rd., Fendalton, Christchurch, 5 (1955)	117
1957	.. 7	Taylor, Phillip F., Methodist Mission, P.O. Buin, Territory of New Guinea	[10]
1911	.. S	Te Tuhi, Eruera, O.B.E., Otarei Aratapu, Nth. Wairoa (1954)	H.M.
1941	.. 5	Thomas, Gordon V., B.A., 120 Colombo St., Christchurch, 2	114
1946	.. 2	Thompson, George R., E.D. 18 Orari St., Ngaiiao, Wellington, N.4	89
1951	.. 1	Thompson, John H. 53 Fuller St., Kaiapoi	121
1955	.. 3	Thornicroft, Neville, 108 Talbot St., Geraldine	128
1935	.. 8	Thornley, Robert, M.A., 38 McFarlane St., Wellington, C.4	85
1908	.. S	Tinsley, Robert B., Kereone Rd., Morrinsville (1949)	38
1963	.. 2	Toomer, Kenneth L., 112 High St., Masterton	96
1951	.. 4	Toothill, Harry W., 50 Clevedon Rd., Papakura, Auckland	26
1954	.. 1	Trebilco, David L., 17 Church St. Devonport, Auckland N1	20
1952	.. 5	Trebilco, George R., 42 Melanesia Rd., Kohimarama, Auckland	17
1963	.. 2	Tucker, W. Geoffrey, 6 Weka Street, Taihape	66
1927	.. S	Utting, Harry V., 73 Birdwood Ave., Beckenham Christchurch 2 (1963)	114
1926	.. S	Voyce, A. Harry, 17 Rangitoto Tce, Milford, Auckland, N.2 (1958)	21
1962	.. 3	Waine, Frederick G., 58a Scotland St., Roxburgh	144
1962	.. 3	Wakeling, W. J. Douglas, 12 Gilberthorpe Rd. Islington, Christchurch	119
1956	.. 5	Walker, Bryan A. M.A., 19 Rothesay Bay Rd., Rothesay Bay Auckland	21
1912	.. S	Walker, William, E.D., 54 St. John's Rd., Remuera, Auckland, S.E.2 (1945)	17
1961	.. 1	Wallace, William B.A., 128 Vogel St., Palmerston North	77
1945	.. 9	Watson, Alexander C. Methodist Mission, Box 36 Honiara, British Solomon Islands	[7]
1939	.. 1	Watson, John K., M.C., B.A., 304 Stanmore Rd., Christchurch 1	112
1914	.. S	Werren, Samuel J., 17 Murray Street, Maeroa, Hamilton	40
1963	.. 2	White, John W., 17 Iti Street, Otaki	99
1938	.. 3	Whitfield, Harris, E.D., P.O. Box 374, Kaikohe	2
1959	.. 4	Widdup, Robert W., Kiwi Road, Beach Haven, Auckland, N.5	22
1931	.. 18	Williams, David O., M.A., Litt.D., "Richmond House", Trinity College, Grafton Rd., Auckland, C.3	Th.C.
1943	.. 5	Williams, J. C. Aldwyn, 463 Gladstone Rd., Gisborne	72
1942	.. 1	Willing, Leonard V., 77 Pretoria St., Lower Hutt	91
1935	.. 8	Witheford, Arthur R. B.A., 119 Burnett Street, Ashburton	129



Ent.	Years	Name and Address	Circuit
1953	.. S	Woodnutt, Alfred G., 32 Fulford St., New Plymouth	.. 56
1950	.. 2	Woodfield, Frank H., 30 Kelso St., Tokoroa	.. 44
1950	.. 6	Woodfield, Owen T., B.A., Selwyn Street, Leeston	.. 120
1962	.. 3	Woodley, Alan K., 314 Ormond Rd., Gisborne	.. 72
1955	.. 4	Wood, Ronald H., 203 Chelmsford St., Invercargill	.. 140
1941	.. 3	Woolford, J. Henry, M.A., 5 William St., Gore	.. 139
1956	.. 3	Ziesler, John, M.A., B.D., 134 Grafton Road, Trinity College, Auckland, C.3	.. Th.C.

### MAORI MINISTER

1941	.. S	Kukutai, Ngatete, Gibsons Road, Tuakau (1954)	.. 2
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### SOLOMON ISLANDS DISTRICT MINISTERS

(including Tongan and Fijian missionaries)

1955	.. 2	Bitibule, John V., P.O. Gizo, British Solomon Islands	
1955	.. 4	Buadromo, Iliesa, Munda, British Solomon Islands	
1944	.. 4	Palavi, Daniel, Bilua, P.O. Gizo, British Solomon Islands	
1957	.. 5	Pataaku, Samson, Buin, Territory of New Guinea	
1944	.. 3	Piani, Timothy, Bilua, P.O. Gizo, British Solomon Islands	
1944	.. 18	Taufa, John, Kieta, Territory of New Guinea	
1950	.. 11	Vula, Aisake, Munda, British Solomon Islands	
1960	.. 1	Beraki, Serupepeli, Paqoe, P.O. Gizo, British Solomons Islands	
1961	.. 4	Bongbong, Francis, Kekesu. Inus Free Bag, P.O. Rabaul Territory of New Guinea	
1961	.. 4	Boseto, Leslie, Rarongo Theological College, Rabaul, Territory of New Guinea	
1962	.. 3	Rotoava, Job, P.O. Gizo, B.S.I.P.	
1962	.. 3	Mosusu, Moses, Buka, P.O. Sohano, T.N.G.	
1964	.. 1	Alu, Solomon, Munda, British Solomon Islands	
1964	.. 1	Maelagi George, Petats, P.O. Solano, Territory of New Guinea	

### HOME MISSIONARIES

Entd.	Names and Addresses	Years
1917—A. L. Witheford, (Retired)	14 Claude St., Claudelands, Hamilton	.. 30
1919—J. W. Bayliss, (Retired)	Awaroa Road, Henderson, Auckland	.. 26
1922—C. Robinson, (Retired)	108 McGrath Street, Napier	.. 13
1924—R. T. Alexander (Retired)	Pah Street, Motueka	.. 13
1928—R. Coombridge, (Retired)	.. ..	.. 14
1939—H. R. Wright, (Retired)	7 Tor St., Westtown, New Plymouth	.. 5
1940—W. J. Bryant, (Retired)	James Street, Whakatane	.. 9
1941—T. Steele, (Retired)	Dick Street, Reefston	.. 7
1948—H. Prowse, (Retired)	34 Harris Street, Marton	.. 6
1952—F. L. Johnson (Senior Home Missionary)	Westgate St., Ngaruawahia	.. 6
1956—F. E. Trim (Retired)	Durham St., Rangiora	.. 4
1961—A. E. Tardif (Senior H.M.)	Ford St., Opotiki	.. 1
1958—D. I. Robertson (Retired)	50 Puriri Ave, Beach Haven, Auckland, N.5	.. 6
1961—H. D. Kelly, B.A.,	82 Auckland Street, Picton	.. 4

### HOME MISSIONARY PROBATIONERS

1962—Owen P. Davies, Norsewood, Hawkes Bay	.. 3
1962—Ronald W. Ferguson, Norwood St., Newfield, Invercargill	.. 3

### UNION CHURCHES MINISTERS

Taglan—		
Taita—	Reid, A. R., B.A., 73 Molesworth St., Taita, Lower Hutt	.. 91a
Wainuiomata	{ Fowler, Richard W., B.A., B.D., 115 Main Rd, Wainuiomata	93a
	{ Morrison, William, 6 Derwent St., Wainuiomata	.. 93a
Marchweil—	Grounds, Edmund D., 24 Tyne St., Timaru	.. 126a
Corstorphine	Handyside, Allan J., 149 Hillhead Rd., Corstorphine, Dunedin	.. 135a

## HOME MISSIONARY "SUPPLIES"

Napi Waaka, (non-resident Student of Trinity College) 519a Mt. Albert Road, Auckland, S.I.

### MAORI HOME MISSIONARIES

Ent.	Name and Address	Years
1922—	Te Hira Ratete, Punakitere, Hokianga, Northland .. ..	37
1930—	Paahi Moke, Kawhia (Retired) .. ..	8
1932—	Tuteao Manihera, Raglan .. ..	17
1936—	Ngaweke Tuhimata, Tuakau, Waikato (Retired) .. ..	19
1937—	Roi Moke, Atoea Harbour, via Kawhia .. ..	13
1938—	Wiremu Paki Ihaka, 15 Ropata Ave, Tamaki, Auckland .. ..	11
1940—	Wiremu Tonga, P.O. Box 400, Hamilton .. ..	7
1942—	Tawai Te Riri Kawiti, Waiomio R.D., Kawakawa, Bay of Islands .. ..	23
1945—	Tame Ponui, Kopaki P.O., King Country .. ..	16
1946—	Waiwera Rangawhenua, Maketu Pa, Kawhia, King Country .. ..	19
1946—	Tumu Te Huia, C/o 60 Churchill Avenue, Maeroa, Frankton Junction .. ..	19
1946—	Waaka Kukutai, Tauranganui, via Tuakau, Waikato .. ..	19
1946—	Henare Kapa, Rangitane, Pouto, R.D. Te Kopuru .. ..	19
1947—	Whareau Ira Wharehoka, Pungarehu, Taranaki .. ..	18
1948—	Nguru Winikerei, Marokopa, King Country .. ..	17
1950—	Hotai Mita Hohepa, P.O. Box 167, Kaikohe, Northland .. ..	17
1950—	Te Iwikau Waaka, R.D. No. 4, Rotorua .. ..	15
1951—	Pukerau Rangititua, C/o Oliver Bros., Arohena, Te Awamutu .. ..	14
1952—	Matene Hori De Thierry, Pukekohe .. ..	13
1952—	Ngerungeru Tame Pihama, Whatawhata, Waikato .. ..	13
1952—	Hone Wilcox, 81 Premier Avenue, Pt. Chevalier, Auckland .. ..	13
1952—	Hohepa Hemara, Cartwright's Road, Onerahi, Northland .. ..	13
1952—	Tutu Keepa, Thomas Street, Ngaruawahia .. ..	13
1954—	Te Akonga Pihama, 5 Mission Street, New Plymouth .. ..	3
1955—	Wera Couch, Rapaki, Lyttelton .. ..	10
1957—	Taipua Te Uira, C/o Private Bag, Kawhia .. ..	8
1958—	Himiona Waata, No. 3 R.D., Hikurangi .. ..	7
1960—	Matu Makiha, Methodist Parsonage, Waima Hokianga .. ..	5
1960—	Hoera Whakaari Hakopa, Whatawhata, Waikato .. ..	5
1962—	Herehere Maihi Maaka, P.O. Box 400, Hamilton .. ..	2
1962—	Robert Taka, C/o Post Office, Kaeo, Northland .. ..	3
1962—	Te Orahi Tonga, Methodist Maori Parsonage, Ngaruawahia .. ..	3
1964—	Para Piripi Livingstone, Pokere, Bay of Islands .. ..	1
1964—	Morehu Te Whare, C/- Post Office, Atiamuri .. ..	1

### DEACONESSES

1921—	Sister Eleanor Dobby, 409 Main Road, Papanui, Christchurch N.W. 2
1921—	Sister Margaret Nicholls, M.B.E., P.O. Box 400, Hamilton
1928—	Sister Rita Snowden, F.I.A.L., "West Hills", Titirangi Road, Titirangi, Auckland.
1929—	Sister Airini Hobbs, P.O. Box 400, Hamilton.
1935—	Sister Madeline Holland, "Kurahuna", 110 Grey Street, Onehunga, Auckland, S.E.5
1936—	Sister Heeni Wharemaru, Box 400, Hamilton
1939—	Sister Evelyn Marriott, Rangiatea Maori Girls Hostel, South Rd. Spotswood, New Plymouth.
1939—	Sister Dorothy Pointon, 102 Sandspit Rd, Howick, Auckland
1943—	Sister Anne Wilson, 5 Little Regent Street, Hawera.
1945—	Sister Jean Miller, 515 Remuera Road, Auckland.
1946—	Sister Lucy Money, Methodist Mission, Choiseul, P.O. Gizo, British Solomon Islands
1948—	Sister Rona Collins, Methodist Children's Home, Papanui, Christchurch
1948—	Sister Grace Clement, 8 Airdale Street, Auckland
1949—	Sister Betty Yearbury, P.O. Box 102, Te Kuiti.
1955—	Sister Doreen Bulford, (overseas) C/o Mrs W. A. Smith, R.D.3, Ohaupo.



- 1957—Sister Beverley Taylor, 89 Rose Rd., Auckland, W.2  
 1960—Sister Gladys Thomas (On exchange to N.S.W. Conference)  
     C/o Methodist Central Mission, Sydney.  
 1960—Sister Pamela Beaumont, P.O. Buin, T.N.G.  
 1960—Sister Joan Wedding, Taheke, P.O. Hokianga.  
 1962—Sister Edna Jenkin, C/o P.O. Box 9, Otorohanga.  
 1963—Sister Lynette Bowker, 21 Longfellow Street, Opunake.  
 1963—Sister Barbara Miller, 216 Victoria St., Dargaville  
 1963—Sister Shirley Simpson, P.O. Box 400, Hamilton.  
 1963—Sister Elva Harris, C/o 8 Airdale Street, Auckland.  
 1963—Sister Janet Evans, 15 Waverley Flats, 5 Ruahine St., Trentham.  
 1964—Probationer Shirley Ungemuth, C/o 100 West St., Feilding

### DEACONESS "SUPPLIES"

- Miss C. Fell C/o 8 Airedale St., Auckland, C.I.  
 Mrs. Bell C/o, P.O. Box 400, Hamilton  
 Mrs G. George, P.O. Waihaha, Bay of Islands.

### MISSIONARY SISTERS

- Sister Ada Lee, Kihili, P.O. Buin, Territory of New Guinea  
 Sister Myra Fraser, Munda, British Solomon Islands  
 Sister Norma Graves, Namatani, Box 90, Rabaul, T.N.G.  
 Sister Edith James, Tari, via Goroka, Territory of New Guinea  
 Sister Mary Addison, P.O. Buin, Territory of New Guinea  
 Sister Lesley Bowen, Kekesu, Teop, Sohano, T.N.G.  
 Sister Patricia Jacobson, P.O. Buin, Territory of New Guinea  
 Sister Kathleen Shaw, Kekesu, P.O. Sohano, Territory of New Guinea  
 Sister Gladys Larkin, Munda, British Solomon Islands  
 Sister Beryl Grice, Choiseul, B.S.I.P.  
 Sister Patricia Hulks, Buka, Sohano, T.N.G.  
 Sister Vivienne Parton, Bilua, Gizo, B.S.I.P.  
 Sister Janice Palmer, Buka, Sohano, T.N.G.  
 Sister Muriel McCormack, Munda, B.S.I.P.  
 Sister Esther Watson, Teop, T.N.G.  
 Sister Lynette Sadler, B.A., Munda, B.S.I.P.  
 Sister Beverley Withers (All Saints College, Sydney)  
 Miss Catherine Scott, Nipa Free Bag, Mt. Hagen, T.N.G.  
 Miss Shona Couch, P.O. Munda, B.S.I.P.

### RETIRED

#### (a) Deaconesses—

- 1909—Sister Ruth Fawcett, 17 Upland Rd, Remuera, Auckland, S.E.2  
 1913—Mrs. W. J. Williams, C/o Mrs. A. J. Hill, Atkins, Enroa, Victoria  
 1913—Sister May Barnett, Tai Tapu, No. 2 R.D., Christchurch  
 1914—Sister Annie Tocker, 36 MacFarlane Street, Wellington  
 1918—Sister Winifred Beaumont, 7 Braswell Street, Lower Hutt  
 1919—Sister May Ralph, "Wesleyhaven", Naenae, Lower Hutt.  
 1923—Sister Lily White, "Wesley Lodge", Park Terrace, Christchurch  
 1927—Sister Grace McDonald 10 Ormiston Drive, Knock, Belfast  
 1927—Mrs. C. B. Jones, 11 Mt. Albert Road, Mt. Albert, Auckland  
 1928—Sister Ivy Jones, M.B.E., 52 Grange Rd., Mt. Eden, Auckland  
 1933—Mrs. G. Venn, 24 William Jones Drive, Whangarei  
 1945—Mrs. Roland Venis, 7 Balmain St., Newlands, Wellington

#### (b) Missionary Sisters—

- 1924—Sister Lina Jones, 56 Nottingham St., Westmere, Auckland  
 1936—Mrs. H. Breed, R.D. Ramarama, Auckland South  
 1936—Sister Edna White 479 Gt. South Road, Auckland, S.E.6  
 1938—Sister Merle Farland, W.H.O., Western Pacific Region Office,  
     P.O. Box 2932, Manila, Philippines.  
 1932—Sister Effie Harkness, 14 Atanga Avenue, Mt. Eden, Auckland S.I

# Methodist Church of New Zealand

## In Memoriam

### MINISTERS AND PROBATIONERS

Who have laboured in New Zealand and were still in the Methodist Ministry at the date of their death

The following list of our honoured dead has been compiled by direction of the Conference. In some particulars it is incomplete. Information concerning any errors or omissions should be sent to the Rev. W. R. Laws, P.O. Box 931, Christchurch, 1., New Zealand.

Name of Minister	Birthplace	Year of Birth	Entered the Ministry	Date of Death	Place of Burial
Abbey, William H.E.	Melbourne	1883	1907	8th August, 1944	Fawkner, Melbourne
Abernethy, Christopher	Shetland Islands	1845	1879	29th April, 1927	Christchurch
Aldred, John	Suffolk, England	1818	1839	14th January, 1894	Christchurch
Allen, Alexander	Christchurch, N.Z.	1884	1910	8th May, 1918	France
Allen, James Henry	Normanby, New Zealand	1891	1922	6th December, 1955	Whangarei
Alley, Donald C.	Clinton	1906	1932	— June, 1942	Lost at Sea
Armitage, John	Leeds, England	1834	1875	29th April, 1881	Drowned in <i>Tararua</i>
Ashcroft, Arthur	Lancashire, England	1869	1895	15th December, 1943	Palmerston North
Avery, William W.	Blenheim	1878	1906	15th March, 1954	Christchurch
Ayrton, Moses	Yorkshire, England	1879	1924	3rd October, 1950	Wellington
Bailey, Samuel	Staffordshire, England	1871	1901	27th October, 1949	Wellington
Barley, Charles E.	Fincham, England	1851	1874	5th October, 1888	Hawera
Bateup, Frank	Patea, New Zealand	1884	1924	29th November, 1962	Hamilton East
Batley, Percy	Yorkshire, England	1886	1913	12th July, 1923	New Plymouth
Baumber, William	Lincolnshire, England	1852	1876	8th September, 1932	Christchurch
Bavin, Rainsford	Lincolnshire, England	1845	1866	2nd August, 1905	Gore Hill, N.S.W.
Baxter, Matthew	Cumberland, England	1812	1831	1st May, 1893	Oxford, Nth. Cantby.
Beck, William Henry	Sussex, England	1837	1869	20th November, 1922	Blenheim
Beecroft, Charles E.	Lowestoft, Suffolk	1844	1870	17th November, 1913	Auckland
Bellhouse, Harold E.	Leeds, Yorkshire, England	1869	1894	4th October, 1948	Auckland
Benning, Job	Wednesbury, England	1858	1905	22nd November, 1915	Waikouaiti
Benny, Henry	Broadfield	1888	1921	16th December, 1956	New Plymouth
Berry, Joseph	Preston, England	1846	1865	9th July, 1907	Payneham, S. Aust.
Best, Edward	Newry, Ireland	1824	1848	18th November, 1900	Auckland
Binet, Vincent Le C.	Channel Islands	1883	1914	10th January, 1943	Auckland



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Blamires, Ernest O.	Warrnabool, Victoria	1881	1904	6th June, 1963	Auckland
Blight, Joseph	Clare, South Australia	1858	1887	24th October, 1933	Auckland
Bond, George	Durham, England	1848	1871	6th November, 1931	Auckland
Bowie, William S.	Scarsdale, Victoria	1865	1896	19th December, 1914	Victoria
Brasell, H. Maurice	Masterton, New Zealand	1910	1949	9th July, 1953	Napier
Brooke, Thomas G.	Berkshire, England	1849	1880	31st August, 1931	Auckland
Buddle, Thomas	Durham, England	1812	1835	26th June, 1883	Auckland
Bull, Henry	London, England	1843	1868	1st August, 1919	Christchurch
Buller, James	Cornwall, England	1812	1837	6th November, 1884	Christchurch
Bumby, John Hewgill	Thirsk, England	1808	1829	26th June, 1840	Dr'wed, Hauraki Gulf
Bunn, Robert S.	Dublin, Ireland	1835	1860	22nd June, 1907	Sydney, N.S.W.
Burnett, Oswald	Woodend, Nth. Canterbury	1888	1914	4th March, 1960	Christchurch
Buttle, George	Yorkshire, England	1810	1838	10th July, 1874	Auckland
Buttle, Joseph Newman	Waipa, N.Z.	1850	1878	23rd December, 1914	Christchurch
Cannell, William	Manchester, England	1836	1861	8th September, 1921	New Plymouth
Carr, Thomas Goodwill	Eastwood, Notts, England	1846	1871	2nd August, 1935	Auckland
Chappell, Albert B., M.A.	Southsea, England	1872	1896	28th August, 1942	Auckland
Chapman, John G.	London, England	1865	1889	30th December, 1925	Wellington
Clark, James R.	Maysbury, Bucks, England	1854	1906	1st August, 1928	Christchurch
Clement, George	Yorkshire, England	1860	1887	4th October, 1948	Dunedin
Clover, James	Suffolk, England	1850	1874	7th December, 1919	Hamilton
Coatsworth, Thomas	Durham, England	1877	1902	21st March, 1953	Palmerston North
Cocker, James	Derbyshire, England	1862	1890	6th March, 1935	Masterton
Collins, Alan F.	Kaipoi	1916	1942	2nd September, 1959	Dunedin
Cook, George S.	Braidwood, N.S.W.	1864	1901	23rd February, 1945	Otaki
Cossum, Percy J.	Kent, England	1869	1897	9th September, 1933	Wellington
Cottom, Harry	Birmingham, England	1879	1909	10th February, 1963	Christchurch
Creed, Charles	Somerset, England	1812	1837	18th February, 1879	Rookwood, N.S.W.
Crump, John	Kingsland, Herefordshire, Eng.	1828	1857	28th May, 1912	Stoke, Nelson
Daniel, Herbert	London, England	1881	1906	21st February, 1939	Matamata
Dawson, John	Keighly, Yorkshire, England	1859	1888	13th September, 1925	Wellington
Dawson, William	Northumberland, England	1865	1894	24th July, 1906	Christchurch
Dean, William John	Hereford, England	1826	1854	9th September, 1905	Wellington
Dellow, John	Kent, England	1851	1879	21st November, 1897	Woodend
Dewsbury, Henry R.	Alloa, Scotland	1849	1871	8th June, 1926	Auckland
Drake, Edward	Staffordshire, England	1868	1893	28th April, 1953	Christchurch

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Dudley, Ben	London	1872	1898	1st January, 1948	Christchurch
Dukes, John	Staffordshire, England	1845	1880	16th August, 1919	Manurewa, Auckland
Dumbell, John	Isle of Man	1830	1852	28th September, 1923	Wellington
Eaton, Clarence	Auckland	1878	1901	26th August, 1949	Christchurch
Eketone, Hare	Kawhia	1828	1857	1862	Mokau
Elliott, William J.	Waimate	1866	1893	16th August, 1946	Auckland
Ellis, Henry	Bundoran, Ireland	1828	1877	17th June, 1879	Woodend
Emmitt, Ernest S., M.C.	Hull, England	1879	1903	4th June, 1944	Auckland
Evans, Matthew Joseph	Thames, New Zealand	1882	1912	3rd May, 1920	Auckland
Fairclough, Paul W.	South Australia	1852	1874	17th April, 1917	Christchurch
Featherston, Jacob	Weardale, England	1864	1901	24th June, 1951	Christchurch
Fee, Thomas	County Down, Ireland	1850	1876	18th April, 1940	Christchurch
Fellows, Samuel B.	Derbyshire, England	1858	1888	21st October, 1933	Mt. Barker, W. Aust.
Fletcher, Joseph Horner	St. Vincent, West Indies	1823	1847	30th June, 1890	Rookwood, N.S.W.
Fletcher, William, B.A.	Granada, West Indies	1829	1856	20th June, 1881	Rookwood, N.S.W.
Ford, Herbert	Litchford, England	1882	1919	28th November, 1962	Christchurch
Foston, Charles A.	Lincolnshire	1870	1914	4th June, 1944	Levin
Fowles, Arthur H.	Davenham, England	1885	1911	7th April, 1963	Christchurch
Frost, George	Suffolk, England	1866	1893	29th March, 1944	Auckland
Garland, Charles H.	London, England	1857	1881	4th November, 1918	Auckland
Garlick, Samuel J.	Greenwich, England	1848	1876	27th August, 1917	Wellington
Gatman, William	Hull, England	1884	1919	21st September, 1960	Auckland
Ginger, Barton H.	Watford, England	1861	1885	27th January, 1914	Hutt
Gittos, William	Durham, England	1829	1856	26th May, 1916	Auckland
Goldie, John F.	Hobart	1870	1897	29th June, 1954	Melbourne.
Gordon, Aldwyn Remington, M.A.	St. Leonards, New Zealand	1890	1915	26th August, 1918	France
Gosnell, Robert B.	Sydney, N.S.W.	1882	1912	20th August, 1944	Ashburton
Gray, Joseph H.	Cornwall, England	1841	1878	3rd January, 1902	Greymouth
Greenslade, William	Nelson, New Zealand	1875	1900	19th August, 1931	Christchurch
Greenwood, Fred	England	1868	1897	18th October, 1956	Wellington
Griffin, Cornelius	Oldbury, England	1851	1876	18th June, 1929	Auckland
Griffin, John Wesley	Ireland	1853	1894	6th January, 1932	Auckland
Griffin, Thomas N.	Whitehaven, England	1880	1880	20th August, 1924	Christchurch
Griffith, Samuel	London, England	1859	1882	19th December, 1937	Auckland
Grigg, William	Cornwall, England	1862	1888	3rd October, 1951	Christchurch



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Guy, James	Kent, England	1855	1875	6th March, 1934	Christchurch
Haddon, Robert Tahupotiki	Taranaki	1866	1900	5th November, 1936	Normanby
Hammond, Thomas Godfrey	Richmond, Nelson	1846	1874	15th December, 1926	Putaruru
Hana, Piripi	Wellington	—	1856	1857	Auckland
Handy, Francis J.	Birmingham, England	1900	1928	20th January, 1961	Otahuhu
Harding, Arthur	Ludlow, Shropshire	1861	1887	25th November, 1938	Lower Hutt
Harding, Isaac	Wanstron, England	1815	1836	17th July, 1897	Toowong, Queensland
Harper, George S.	Yorkshire, England	1840	1864	24th September, 1911	Palmerston North
Harris, Francis Thomas	Christchurch	1888	1914	19th April, 1933	Christchurch
Harris, John	Cornwall, England	1874	1905	27th August, 1936	Christchurch
Harris, Walter	Warwickshire, England	1848	1872	9th March, 1926	Christchurch
Harrison, Colin C.	Allendale, England	1867	1893	22nd November, 1943	Wellington
Haylock, Donald C.	Bradford, England	1913	1946	30th July, 1954	Auckland
Henderson, Samuel	Armagh, Ireland	1865	1894	28th April, 1942	New Plymouth
Heretini, Te Tuhi	Whirinaki	1857	1896	9th October, 1933	Whirinaki
Hobbs, John	Kent, England	1800	1824	24th June, 1883	Auckland
Hosking, James Alfred	Coromandel, New Zealand	1872	1896	1st October, 1924	Otahuhu
Hounsell, George	Sussex, England	—	1879	3rd March, 1906	Gisborne, N.Z.
Hudson, Lewis	London	1855	1879	13th April, 1922	Auckland
Innes, Jonathan	Newcastle-on-Tyne, England	1809	1845	6th May, 1864	Nelson, N.Z.
Ironside, Samuel	Sheffield, England	1814	1837	24th April, 1897	Hobart, Tasmania
Isitt, Frank Whitmore	Bedford, England	1846	1870	11th November, 1916	Dunedin
Jack, J. Francis	Palmerston South, N.Z.	1893	1922	8th September, 1961	Auckland
James, Benjamin, J.	Victoria	1874	1903	20th July, 1955	Christchurch
Jones, Peter W.	Cheshire, England	1846	1876	2nd December, 1929	Feilding
Jones, T. Francis	South Wales	1853	1882	16th May, 1943	Auckland
Jordan, Charles B., M.A., B.D., F.R.E.S.	Motueka, New Zealand	1880	1908	19th October, 1953	Stoke, Nelson
Jory, John D.	Cornwall, England	1846	1874	16th June, 1935	Auckland
Joughin, Thomas A.	Isle of Man	1863	1887	10th January, 1942	Auckland
Kakuere, Hori	Mangere	1863	1911	21st August, 1938	Pukekohe
Keall, William	Holbeach, Lincolnshire, Eng.	1838	1869	31st August, 1906	Palmerston North
Keast, W. H.			1880		Christchurch
Kirk, William	Owston, Lincolnshire, Eng.	1825	1846	19th May, 1915	Wellington
Knight, Percy N., B.A.	Norwood, Australia	1887	1889	16th August, 1944	Auckland
Kuri, Te Hori	Hokianga	1828	1879	6th May, 1891	Hokianga

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Law, John	Lancashire, England	1841	1868	1st August, 1908	Auckland
Lawrence, Frederick B.,	London	1883	1912	16th July, 1959	Nelson
Laws, Charles H., B.A., D.D.	Newcastle on Tyne, England	1867	1887	8th February, 1958	Auckland
Lawry, Albert Charles	Auckland, New Zealand	1862	1885	21st June, 1940	Christchurch
Lawry, Henry Hassall	New South Wales	1821	1845	8th May, 1906	Auckland
Lawry, Samuel	Cornwall, England	1854	1877	26th July, 1933	Christchurch
Lawry, Walter	Cornwall, England	1793	1817	30th March, 1859	Parramatta, N.S.W.
Laycock, William	Lancashire, England	1851	1884	13th November, 1927	Christchurch
Lee, William	Yorkshire, England	1848	1864	12th November, 1925	Auckland
Leigh, Samuel	Milton, England	1788	1812	2nd May, 1852	Reading, England
Lewis, John James	Abergavenny, Wales	1844	1870	12th June, 1931	Auckland
Liddell, Ralph J.	Ballarat, Australia	1876	1903	21st July, 1948	Auckland
Liversedge, Arthur	Barnsley, England	1874	1898	31st December, 1948	Christchurch
Lochore, John Alexander	Westland, New Zealand	1869	1895	2nd June, 1931	Dunedin
Long, Joseph	Carlisle, England	1818	1843	24th February, 1892	Auckland
Long, Wesley L.	Onewhero	1902	1938	16th August, 1946	Paeroa
Luke, James Henry	St. Just, Cornwall, England	1860	1881	22nd November, 1884	Wellington
Luxford, John A., C.M.G.	Hutt, New Zealand	1854	1876	28th January, 1921	Auckland
Lyth, Richard Burdsall, M.R.C.S.	Yorkshire, England	1810	1836	27th February, 1887	York, England
McArthur, John D.	Christchurch	1880	1909	3rd March, 1961	Blenheim
Macfarlane, Samuel	Liverpool, England	1828	1852	25th June, 1898	Christchurch
Mann, George, Henry	Yorkshire, England	1868	1894	26th October, 1918	Gore
Marshall, George T.	Warwickshire, England	1853	1883	2nd August, 1938	Auckland
Marten, William Benjamin	Essex, England	1847	1871	15th February, 1907	Hutt
Martin, J. Frederick	Waimate	1879	1908	28th July, 1952	Wanganui
Mather, Joseph John	Leeds, England	1854	1883	8th November, 1921	Auckland
McBean, Angus	Ballarat, Victoria	1876	1904	4th May, 1947	Christchurch
McGregor, Robert	Dunedin	1887	1924	14th August, 1956	Paeroa
McNicoll, David	Liverpool, England	1843	1868	8th June, 1925	Auckland
Mercer, Victor Stanley	Adelaide, S.A.	1888	1920	7th December, 1923	Bluff
Metson, Basil	Temuka	1879	1905	8th February, 1952	Rangiora
Mitchell, Arthur	Truro, England	1866	1890	19th August, 1951	Auckland
Mitchell, John L.	Kent, England	1892	1933	12th July, 1950	Hutt
Morley, William, D.D.	Notts, England	1842	1863	24th May, 1926	Kew, Victoria
Murray, Daniel J.	Cambridge, England	1851	1875	27th September, 1928	Auckland



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Murray, Richard James	London, England	1862	1896	26th March, 1928	Rookwood, N.S.W.
Nielsen, Edward	Norway	1842	1877	12th June, 1894	Palmerston North
Ngaropi, Hamiora	Waikato	1809	1856	1887	Whatawhata
Neale, Leslie B., M.B.E., B.A., F.R.G.S.	Auckland	1886	1911	26th August, 1959	Auckland
Nelson, John R.	Cumberland, England	1883	1917	22nd February, 1951	Auckland
Newbold, Thomas Walter	Auckland	1862	1886	19th October, 1930	Dunedin
Nixon, John	Scotland	1852	1875	2nd March, 1947	New Plymouth
Odell, Henry J.	New South Wales		1915	16th March, 1961	London
Oliver, William C.	Sutherlandshire, Scotland	1842	1867	14th April, 1922	Christchurch
Olphert, John	Auckland	1866	1888	5th March, 1950	Auckland
Orchard, Hector C.	Geelong, Australia	1884	1920	16th May, 1957	Dunedin
Orchard, John	Devonshire, England	1838	1861	6th January, 1907	Christchurch, N.Z.
Oxbrow, Walter	Ballarat, Victoria	1873	1902	29th June, 1956	Auckland
Parker, Frederick John	Dunedin	1892	1917	15th November, 1959	Auckland
Paris, Percy R.	Dunedin, N.Z.	1882	1906	29th March, 1942	Wellington
Parsons, John Ernest	Birmingham, England	1885	1912	8th April, 1932	Palmerston North
Parsonson, William George	Lerwick, Shetland Islands	1854	1881	8th September, 1903	Christchurch
Patchett, Ernest D.	Styx, North Canterbury	1878	1902	13th September, 1958	Auckland
Patene, Wiremu	Waikato	1810	1859	December, 1884	Karakariki
Paul, Hauraki	Orakei	—	1882	1910	Kaipara
Peat, Harold T.	Thames	1885	1913	24th August, 1948	Auckland
Pendray, John J.	Camborne, Cornwall, England	1845	1870	2nd July, 1914	Taumarunui
Penney, Charles	Camborne, Cornwall, England	1851	1875	17th March, 1917	Reefton
Peryman, Samuel H. D.	Tai Tapu, N.Z.	1867	1892	16th August, 1945	Wellington
Peters, Alfred	Truro, Cornwall, England	1850	1877	8th November, 1939	Christchurch
Pewa, Wiremu Warena	Waima	1852	1879	31st July, 1907	Waikato
Pickering, William B.	Staffordshire, England	1881	1920	1st November, 1948	Rotorua
Pinfold, James Thomas, D.D.	Manchester, England	1855	1876	30th July, 1933	Wellington
Potter, William Smith	London, England	1854	1896	30th January, 1929	Auckland
Pratt, M.A., Rugby	Gisborne	1875	1902	6th March, 1946	Christchurch
Prior, Samuel F.	Bedford, England	1851	1875	1919	Masterton, N.Z.
Prosser, Frederick O.	Blaenavon, Wales	1883	1943	26th March, 1963	Wellington
Purchon, Samuel R.	Leeds, England	1851	1875	24th January, 1878	Motueka
Pybus, T. Arthur	Yorkshire, England	1873	1897	28th August, 1957	Port Chalmers

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Raine, Robert	Durham, England	1868	1892	17th March, 1942	Wellington
Rakena, Piripi		—	1882	25th March, 1934	Mangamuka
Rakena, Rakena P.	Maungamuka, Northland	1890	1908	February, 1956	Rapaki
Rands, Frederick	Methven, New Zealand	1883	1908	14th February, 1919	Germany
Ratou, W. Te Kote Te	Wairarapa	1820	1859	4th May, 1895	Lower Wairarapa
Read, Frederick T.	Sleaford, Lincolnshire, Eng.	1867	1889	29th July, 1937	Christchurch
Reader, Amos	Northamptonshire, England	1875	1901	20th June, 1926	Dargaville
Ready, William	London, England	1860	1885	7th September, 1927	Auckland
Redstone, Harry B.	Tavistock, Devon, England	1836	1862	20th September, 1914	Wellington
Reed, Alexander John	Middlesex, England	1879	1904	5th May, 1912	Te Aroha
Reid, Alexander	Edinburgh, Scotland	1821	1848	25th August, 1891	Auckland
Richards, Henry L.	Moonta, South Australia	1883	1911	14th August, 1961	Christchurch.
Richards, James	Victoria, Australia	1883	1910	7th March, 1957	Christchurch
Richards, Raymond	Moeroopna, Victoria	1879	1905	13th August, 1948	Christchurch
Richards, Thomas R.	Wodonga, Victoria	1867	1895	9th January, 1944	Wellington
Richardson, John B.	Nottingham, England	1840	1864	29th April, 1881	Drowned in <i>Tararua</i>
Rigg, Charles W.		—	1850	July, 1883	
Rishworth, John S.	Bingley, Yorkshire, England	1835	1864	21st October, 1918	Auckland
Roberts, Charles M.	Henderson, Auckland	1882	1906	17th May, 1958	New Plymouth
Rothwell, Benjamin Francis	Wexford, Ireland	1860	1885	11th September, 1924	Hamilton
Rowse, William	Cornwall, England	1835	1858	15th July, 1899	Greytown
Ryan, Lawrence J.	Island of Jersey	—	1893	4th January, 1902	Roxburgh
Schnackenberg, Cort Henry	Hanover	1812	1853	10th August, 1880	Auckland
Scott, William Bramwell	Thames, New Zealand	1873	1907	13th March, 1935	Wellington
Scotter, Adolphus N., B.A.	Napier	1875	1900	8th October, 1955	Christchurch
Seamer, Arthur J., C.M.G.	Tongala, Victoria	1877	1903	17th September, 1963	Auckland
Serpell, Samuel J.	Victoria, Australia	—	1884	9th July, 1918	Thames
Sharp, Harold A.	Christchurch	1885	1910	1956	Christchurch
Sharp, Joseph	Maidstone, Kent, England	1849	1871	15th August, 1916	Auckland
Shaw, Joseph T.	Yorkshire, England	1826	1859	13th February, 1894	Hawthorn, Victoria
Simmonds, Joseph H.	Nelson	1845	1869	30th June, 1936	Auckland
Sinclair, William A.	Christchurch	1868	1891	4th January, 1950	Auckland
Skevington, John	Nottingham, England	1814	1839	21st September, 1845	Auckland
Slade, William	Staffordshire, England	1859	1881	20th April, 1916	Onehunga
Smalley, Joseph S.	London, England	1845	1868	26th April, 1921	London



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Smith, G. Knowles	Yorkshire, England	1870	1892	1st June, 1951	Greytown
Smith, John	Prince Edward Island	1835	1862	19th August, 1926	Auckland
Southern, John	Oldham, England	1874	1899	23rd December, 1933	Christchurch
Speer, William H.	Bergalia, N.S.W.	1874	1908	18th February, 1954	Rotorua
Spence, George W. J.	Dromore, Ireland	1852	1879	20th May, 1917	Auckland
Spencer, Herbert	Lancashire, England	1881	1923	15th September, 1961	Wanganui
Standage, Charles Henry	Campbell Town, Tasmania	1847	1875	8th June, 1936	Dunedin
Stannard, George	Yorkshire, England	1803	1844	8th December, 1888	Wanganui
Stockwell, George F.	Leicestershire, England	1876	1904	20th December, 1945	Auckland
Suckling, Joseph B.	Chelmsford, England	1880	1909	7th December, 1918	Nadroga, Fiji
Taylor, Robert	Rochdale, Lancashire, England	1839	1866	28th May, 1918	Christchurch
Thomas, James	Hobart, Tasmania	1846	1871	14th May, 1926	Melbourne, Victoria
Thomas, Thomas E., M.A.	Auburn, S.A.	1851	1876	6th March, 1909	Christchurch
Thomas, William George	Milford Haven, South Wales	1843	1868	2nd December, 1909	Auckland
Tinsley, William	Hertfordshire, England	1848	1869	22nd August, 1913	Levin
Trestrail, Thomas	Penwortham, S.A.	1859	1887	18th March, 1920	Woodville, S. Aust.
Turner, Nathaniel	Wednesbury, England	1793	1821	5th December, 1864	Toowong, Queensland
Turner, Nicholas	Kent, England	1863	1909	19th February, 1930	Christchurch
Vealie, Thomas W.	St. Just, England	1864	1889	1st January, 1950	Hutt
Waiti, Hoani	Kaipara	1820	1860	1879	Kaipara
Waiti, Karawini	Kaipara	1851	1878	25th May, 1878	Auckland
Waiti, Martini L.	Kaipara	1860	1880	1887	Kaipara
Wallis, James	Blackwell, England	1809	1833	5th July, 1895	Auckland
Wallis, James W.	Waingarua (Raglan)	1842	1864	2nd August, 1877	Auckland
Wallis, T. Jackson	Raglan, N.Z.	1863	1885	25th December, 1943	Turakina
Ward, Charles Ebenezer	New Plymouth, New Zealand	1846	1870	24th August, 1935	Christchurch
Ward, Josiah	New Plymouth, New Zealand	1848	1872	19th September, 1926	Wellington
Ward, Robert	Sporle, Norfolk, England	1816	1835	13th October, 1876	Wellington
Warihi, Heteraka	Te Kuiti	1826	1865	10th July, 1898	Blenheim
Warren, John	Norfolk, England	1814	1836	23rd November, 1883	Auckland
Watkin, James	Manchester, England	1805	1830	14th May, 1886	Rookwood, N.S.W.
Watkin, William James	Tonga	1833	1857	28th September, 1909	Auckland
Whewell, John	Hadfield, England	1825	1854	11th December, 1886	Remuera

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Whiteley, John	Nottinghamshire, England	1806	1832	13th February, 1869	New Plymouth
White, Hedley	Silchester, England	1883	1906	14th December, 1950	Wellington
Whittaker, J. D.	Lancashire, England	1822	1845	3rd October, 1862	Wellington
Wilcox, Davis Pou	Hokianga	—	1911	January, 1937	Waikare
Williams, William James	Redruth, Cornwall, England	1847	1870	11th May, 1936	Auckland
Wills, Peter	Staffordshire, England	1853	1879	29th September, 1884	Springston
Wills, William	Cornwell, England	1872	1899	3rd September, 1950	Auckland
Woodward, Coombs William	Auckland	1868	1890	27th September, 1901	At Sea
Woolloxall, Thomas R. B.	Liverpool, England	1873	1901	29th January, 1946	Auckland
Woon, William	Cornwall, England	1804	1830	22nd September, 1858	Wanganui
Worboys, John Wesley	London, England	1843	1874	10th July, 1908	Wellington
Worker, William	Cornwall, England	1817	1841	2nd February, 1900	Wellsford
Wrigley, James	Yorkshire, England	1857	1887	3rd June, 1937	Auckland



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### Furniture Renewals Account

						£	s	d							£	s	d
Cash Payments	..	..	..	..	..	550	7	2	Balance 31st May, 1962	..	..	..	..	136	15	10	
Balance	..	..	..	..	..	89	4	5	Interest	..	..	..	..	5	0	0	
									Donations from Guilds	..	..	..	..	497	15	9	
														£639	11	7	
						£639	11	7	Balance 30th June, 1963	..	..	..		£89	4	5	

Balance Sheet as at 30th June, 1963

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Audited and found correct.

F. M. SOWDEN, Auditor,  
B.Com. A.R.A.N.Z., A.C.I.S.



# TRINITY METHODIST THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

## GENERAL ACCOUNT

Statement of Receipts and Payments Year Ended 30th June, 1963.

RECEIPTS				PAYMENTS			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Connexional Budget .. .. .	6,811	0	0	Balance overdrawn, July 1, 1962 .. .. .	37	1	2
Probert Trust .. .. .	1,500	0	0	Stipends and Allowances .. .. .	3,503	5	7
Emsley Trust .. .. .	95	0	0	Divinity Students Fees .. .. .	3,136	0	0
House & Service Hostel Administration .. .. .	500	0	0	Tutor's Fee .. .. .	60	0	0
Prince Albert Trust .. .. .	200	0	0	Furnishing .. .. .	60	0	0
Pitt St. Church Trust .. .. .	100	0	0	Connexional Budget .. .. .	144	0	0
Friends of Trinity .. .. .	7	10	0	Bursaries .. .. .	160	0	0
Garden Rents .. .. .	15	0	0	University Fees .. .. .	149	12	9
Lecture Fee .. .. .	3	0	0	Repairs, Maintenance .. .. .	939	7	8
Interest .. .. .	1	0	1	Library Fund .. .. .	50	0	0
Balance overdrawn, 30th June, 1963 .. .. .	16	4	3	Ranston Memorial Book Fund .. .. .	119	0	0
				Rent — Tutor's House .. .. .	156	0	0
				Repairs and Furnishing Staff House .. .. .	500	0	0
				Insurance .. .. .	12	12	0
				Printing Stationery .. .. .	19	5	11
				Copying Machine .. .. .	120	0	0
				Sundry Expenses:			
				Travelling Expenses .. .. .	53	0	0
				Piano Tuning .. .. .	14	0	0
				Bank Charges .. .. .	6	2	3
				General Expenses .. .. .	9	7	0
	£9,248	14	4		£9,248	14	4

TRINITY METHODIST THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE  
BUILDING FUND

**Statement of Receipts and Payments Year Ended 30th June, 1963.**

RECEIPTS					PAYMENTS						
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Balance, 1st July, 1962				8,109	2	3		Short Term Deposit			5,000 0 0
Donations				170	3	6		Builder (W. G. Archer Ltd.)			1,958 3 0
Bequest Estate Harry Millen				85	4	4		Plumber (W. Mattson Ltd.)			915 19 9
Interest, Banks	123	19	0					Balance, 30th June, 1963			1,331 0 7
Interest, Short Term Deposits	716	14	3								
				840	13	3					
				£9,205	3	4					£9,205 3 4

**TOTAL FUNDS AS AT 30TH JUNE, 1963**

Bank of New Zealand .. .. .	1,331	0	7
Short Term Deposits Ltd. .. .. .	15,000	0	0
	<u>£16,331</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>7</u>

## ORGAN FUND

Fund as at 30th June, 1963	..	..	1,713	1	5
Add Dividends	..	..	63	0	0
Bank Interest	..	..	8	9	8
				71	9
Fund as at 30th June, 1963	..	..	£1,784	11	1



**Balance Sheet, as at 30th June, 1963.**

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29th July, 1963.

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LIABILITIES						ASSETS					
	f	s.	d.	f	s.	d.					
Capital — as at 1st July, 1962 .. .. .	126,230	14	2				Properties:	Epsom—Sections at valuation ..	10,500	0	0
Add Bequests—Estate of:								Wesley — Sections at valuation ..	15,575	0	0
Astley, Wm. .. 1,729	9	3						Mt. Roskill—Land and Improvements .. .. .	9,180	8	5
Durbin, A. .. 225	4	11						Home .. .. .	71,185	1	6
Gray, A. .. 165	0	0						Less Depreciation .. .. .	750	0	0
Salt, J. E. .. 200	0	0									
Wilson, M. O. .. 100	0	0							70,435	1	6
	2,419	14	2				Shares:	E. Astley & Sons Ltd. 564 Ordinary A shares, 10/- at valuation;			
Add Government Subsidy for Laundry Equipment .. ..	410	10	0					1240 Ordinary B shares, 10/- at valuation .. .. .	1,353	0	0
" Revenue Account — Surplus ..	557	16	1				New Zealand Govt. Stock:	(Including Investment of Endowment Legacies).			
" Surplus on Bonus Issue and Revaluation of Shares ..	721	17	6					New Zealand Government Stock £6,600 at cost .. .. .	6,482	10	0
				130,340	11	11		Auckland Metropolitan Drainage Board Stock — at cost .. ..	3,700	0	0
Endowment Legacies:								Auckland City Council Stock and Debenture — at cost .. ..	2,500	0	0
Eliza Gilmore Trust .. ..	1,000	0	0					Auckland Hospital Board Stock — at cost .. .. .	2,000	0	0
M. Caughey Preston .. ..	2,000	0	0					Auckland Electric Power Board Stock — at cost .. .. .	2,000	0	0
John Rendell .. .. .	200	0	0					North Shore Drainage Board Stock —at cost .. .. .	400	0	0
				3,200	0	0		Investment of F. E. Finlay Holiday Fund:			
F. E. Finlay Holiday Fund:								40 Milford Road .. .. .	1,500	0	0
Capital .. .. .	3,483	15	11					Auckland City Council Stock—£500 at cost .. .. .	500	0	0
Add Surplus for year .. ..	159	10	6					Newmarket Borough Council Debentures—£500 at cost ..	500	0	0
				3,643	6	5		Auckland Metropolitan Drainage Board Stock—£500 at cost ..	500	0	0
Ground Rent received in advance				533	0	0		Auckland Savings Bank .. ..	643	6	5
Sundry Creditors .. .. .				284	6	3					
									3,643	6	5

<b>Furnishings and Plant:</b>	.. ..	3,408	18	0	
Add Additions .. ..	.. ..	1,069	14	9	
		4,478	12	9	
Less Depreciation .. ..	.. ..	443	2	9	4,035 10 0
<b>Motor Vehicles:</b>					
Bedford Van .. ..	.. ..	125	12	0	
Rotary Hoe .. ..	.. ..	96	0	0	
Graveley Mower .. ..	.. ..	40	17	0	
		262	9	0	
Less depreciation .. ..	.. ..	53	3	0	209 6 0
<b>Stock on Hand:</b>	.. ..				50 0 0
<b>Payments in Advance and Sundry Debtors</b>	.. ..				811 16 3
<b>Bank of New Zealand:</b>					
Current Account—Town Hall	.. ..	4,479	1	8	
Current Account—Mount Roskill	.. ..	646	4	4	5,125 6 0
					£138,001 4 7
<b>Trounson Bequest—with General Purposes Trust Board</b>	.. ..				510 0 0

G. C. RIDDELL, Chairman.  
P. DELLOW, Treasurer.

#### AUDITOR'S REPORT

I have examined the books and accounts of the Auckland Methodist Children's Home and Orphanage for the year ended 30th June 1963, and, in my opinion, the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and fair view of the state of the Trust's affairs, according to the best of my information and the explanations given to me and as shown in the books of the Trust.

13th August, 1963.

A. R. W. GREGORY, F.P.A.N.Z.,  
Public Accountant.



**AUCKLAND METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME AND ORPHANAGE, MT. ROSKILL  
F. E. FINLAY HOLIDAY FUND**

Statement of Receipts and Payments for Year Ended 30th June, 1963.

RECEIPTS				PAYMENTS			
		£	s	d			
To Rent .. .. .	.. .. .	156	0	0	By Milford Property—		
" Interest—	.. .. .				Rates .. .. .	54	2 7
Auckland Savings Bank .. .. .	.. .. .	15	14	1	Repairs .. .. .	26	6 0
Local Body Debts and Stock .. .. .	.. .. .	71	5	0	Insurance .. .. .	3	0 0
					Surplus .. .. .	159	10 6
		£242	19	1		£242	19 1

# MASTERTON METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME

Income and Expenditure Account for Year Ended 30th June, 1963.

	£	s	d		£	s	d
To Salaries	2,643	13	6	By Connexional Budget	1,369	0	0
House Stores and Expenses	1,491	2	1	Contributions from Circuits, Donations	42	5	0
Repairs and Maintenance	612	18	2	Maintenance	1,296	10	6
Drapery and Clothing	395	11	3	Social Security Benefits	760	3	7
Advertising	10	1	0	Government Capitation	526	10	0
Fares of Children	18	7	10	J. R. McKenzie Trust Grant	250	0	0
Farm Purchases and Expenses	302	3	0	Masterton Trust Lands Trust School Requisites			
General Expenses	95	6	1	Grant	35	0	0
Heating and Lighting	359	16	6	Income from Estates	142	3	5
Insurance	53	8	11	Interest	915	18	10
Maintenance—Children Boarded Out	21	1	0	Wellington Board—Grant of $\frac{1}{2}$ Share of			
Motor Car Allowance	200	0	0	Income	1,446	14	8
Manager's Disbursements	210	11	0	Farm Sales	333	0	9
Optical and Dental	43	9	11	Transfer from Police Charity Fund	277	17	5
Postages and Telephones	39	7	5	Excess of Expenditure over Income (1962)			
Rates	149	0	0				
Secretary's Expenses	25	0	0				
Recreational Expenses							
(Police Charity Fund—Contra)	277	17	5				
Stationery and School Requisites	84	15	5				
Travelling Expenses	3	16	6				
Depreciation	266	0	0				
	7,303	7	0				
Excess of Income over Expenditure	91	17	2				
	£7,395	4	2		£7,395	4	2

R. R. DEANE  
W. G. SADLER.



# MASTERTON METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME

Balance Sheet as at 30th June, 1963

	£	s	d	£	s	d	Assets:	£	s	d	£	s	d
<b>Accumulated Funds at 1-7-62</b>	—	—	—	26,073	18	8	Land and Buildings (vested in Wellington Board £17,894/1/8).	—	—	—	—	—	—
Add Legacies:							Laundry Installation	—	—	965	0	0	
Est. Miss M. I. Allen (Bal.)	—	—	—	30	9	4	Depreciation	—	—	97	0	0	868 0 0
Est. W. J. Carman	—	—	—	200	0	0	Furniture and Equipment	—	—	719	0	0	
Est. S. G. Breach (Bal.)	—	—	—	141	3	8	Additions	—	—	46	0	0	
Est. H. Smith	—	—	—	200	0	0				765	0	0	
Est. H. M. Pollard (Interim)	—	—	—	200	0	0	Depreciation	—	—	153	0	0	612 0 0
Excess of Income over Expenditure				91	17	2	Implements	—	—	106	0	0	
				26,937	8	10	Sale	—	—	25	0	0	
<b>Police Charity Fund</b>	—	—	—	306	9	1	Depreciation	—	—	16	0	0	65 0 0
Further Donation	—	—	—	294	19	6	Investments held by Wellington Board						25,516 14 2
Interest	—	—	—	9	3	4	P.O. Savings Bank—Police Charity	—	—				332 14 6
				610	11	11	Farm Stock	—	—				30 0 0
Less Expended	—	—	—	277	17	5	Sundry Debtors	—	—				88 0 0
				332	14	6	Cash and Bank	—	—				162 1 3
Newcombe Trust	—	—	—	15	0	0							
Sundry Creditors	—	—	—	389	6	7							
				£27,674	9	11							£27,674 9 11

We have examined the books and vouchers of the Masterton Methodist Children's Home for the year ended 30th June, 1963, and have obtained all the information and explanations we have required. In our opinion the Balance Sheet and the Income and Expenditure Account are properly drawn up so as to give respectively a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Home as at 30th June, 1963, and the result of its transactions for the year ended at that date.

MASTERTON, 27th August, 1963.

J. F. CODY, F.P.A.N.Z., Treasurer.

R. R. DEANE, W. G. SADLER, Auditors

**SOUTH ISLAND METHODIST ORPHANAGE & CHILDREN'S HOME**  
**REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDING 31st MARCH, 1963**

EXPENDITURE				INCOME			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Salaries and Wages .. .. .	5,242	1	11	By Post Office Interest . . . . .	3	18	0
„ House Supplies .. .. .	1,473	18	2	„ Bank Interest . . . . .	61	2	7
„ Drapery, Clothing etc. .. .. .	901	19	4	„ Donations and Collections .. .. .	2,953	0	8
„ Lighting and Heating .. .. .	802	19	6	„ Combined Orphanage Appeal .. .. .	1,600	0	0
„ Repairs, Renewals & Maintenance .	282	8	3	„ Donation Mackenzie Trust .. .. .	300	0	0
„ Stationery, Stamps & General Exp's.	478	3	11	„ Maintenance Fees .. .. .	5,542	18	0
„ Insurances .. .. .	188	0	2	„ Miscellaneous Receipts . . . . .	15	3	10
„ Board & Residence payments .. .. .	929	0	6	„ Grant from Investment Board .. .. .	1,605	16	4
„ Travelling Expenses .. .. .	238	17	10	„ Deficit . . . . .	107	9	3
„ Rates .. .. .	190	1	1				
„ Grounds .. .. .	64	7	10				
„ Miscellaneous Expenses . . . . .	644	3	8				
„ Depreciation (this includes £213/6/6 on van) .. .. .	753	6	6				
	<u>£12,189</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>8</u>		<u>£12,189</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>8</u>



**SOUTH ISLAND METHODIST ORPHANAGE & CHILDREN'S HOME**  
**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st MARCH, 1963**

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We have audited the Accounts of the South Island Methodist Orphanage for the period ended 31st March, 1963, and all our requirements as Auditors have been complied with. In our opinion the above Balance Sheet and the attached Revenue Account have been properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the affairs of the Orphanage as shown by the Books.  
Christchurch, 6/6/1963.

CAYGILL, HIBBARD & MOORE,  
Auditors.

**SOUTH ISLAND METHODIST ORPHANAGE INVESTMENT BOARD**  
**REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDING 31st MARCH, 1963**

EXPENDITURE				INCOME			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Expenses & Commission Account .. ..	38	9	9	By Interest Earned .. ..	1,628	17	5
" Investment Fluctuation Reserve .. ..	50	0	0	" Bank Interest .. ..	65	8	8
" Legacies transferred to Capital Account ..	9,376	18	8	" Legacies Received .. ..	9,376	18	8
" Transfer to S.I. Methodist Orphanage ..	1,605	16	4				
	£11,071	4	9		£11,071	4	9

**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st MARCH, 1963**

LIABILITIES				ASSETS			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
South Island Methodist Orphanage				Mortgage Investments .. ..	11,013	1	11
Investment Fluctuation Reserve .. ..	1,154	2	6	Plus accrued interest .. ..	127	19	2
Plus further provision .. ..	50	0	0				
				Debentures & Govt. Stock. . .	22,185	3	3
Capital Account .. ..	31,593	8	2	Plus accrued interest .. ..	246	10	10
Plus legacies .. ..	9,376	18	8				
				Loans .. ..	22,431	14	1
	40,970	6	10	Secured Deposit Stock:	2,000	0	0
				N.Z. Farmers' Co-op. Assn. . .	350	0	0
				Preference Shares: St Elmo Courts.	500	0	0
				National Savings Bank .. ..	1,994	16	4
				Post Office Savings Bank .. ..	48	4	0
				Bank of New Zealand . . .	3,981	0	2
				Sundry Debtors . . .	333	10	0
	£42,780	5	8		£42,780	5	8

Christchurch, 6/6/1963.

CAYGILL, HIBBARD & MOORE,  
Auditors.



**THE PROBERT TRUST BOARD OF THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND**  
**STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE FOR YEAR ENDING 30th JUNE, 1963**

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
1962, June 30.				1963 June 30.						
To Balance at Credit of Bank of N.Z. . . . .	3,019	17	0	By <b>General Expenses:</b>						
" Cash in Hand . . . . .	230	10	6	Repairs, Maintenance, and						
" Balance at Credit of P.O. Savings Bank . . .	24	3	11	Renovations, etc. . . . .	1,147	13	1			
1963 June 30				Rates . . . . .	159	9	10			
To Rent and Interest Collected . . . . .	9,430	17	6	Insurance Premiums . . . . .	230	5	5			
				Audit Fee . . . . .	12	12	0			
				Land Tax . . . . .	65	3	1			
				Secretary's Salary . . . . .	250	0	0			
				Commission on Rents, etc.						
				collected . . . . .	256	19	5			
				Sundries . . . . .	41	6	6			
				Valuation Fees . . . . .	52	10	0			
								2,215	19	4
				" Theological College Trustees . .				1,500	0	0
				" Deposit in P.O. Savings Account . .				24	18	4
				" <b>Mortgages:</b>						
				C. Plimpton . . . . .	2,000	0	0			
				C. E. Wilson . . . . .	1,500	0	0			
								3,500	0	0
				" <b>Debentures:</b>						
				Auck. Harb. Bridge Authority						
				£3,300, due 31-7-65—4%				3,242	13	3
				" Balance at Credit Bank of N.Z.				1,933	5	10
				" Cash in Hand . . . . .				288	12	2
								£12,705	8	11
								£12,705	8	11

Examined and found correct.  
A. R. MARTIN,  
R. EVANS, Auditors.

J. H. BLACKWELL, Chairman.  
F. M. IZZARD, Secretary.

**THE PROBERT TRUST BOARD OF THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND**  
**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDING 30TH JUNE, 1963**

EXPENDITURE					INCOME				
	£	s.	d.			£	s.	d.	
<b>Repairs, Maintenance &amp; Renovations:</b>					<b>Rent</b>				7,900 12 0
No. 1 Block .. .. .	442	15	9		<b>Interest:</b>				
No. 2 Block .. .. .	186	9	6		Bank of New Zealand .. .. .	73	16	1	
No. 3 Block .. .. .	24	11	10		N.Z. Government Stock .. .. .	237	10	0	
Cottages etc .. .. .	493	16	0		Debentures .. .. .	840	0	0	
				1,147 13 1	P.O. Savings Bank .. .. .		14	5	
Insurance Premiums .. .. .				230 5 5	Mortgages .. .. .	378	5	0	
Rates .. .. .				159 9 10					1,530 5 6
<b>Sundries:</b>									£9,430 17 6
Audit Fee .. .. .		12	12 0		Balance, 30th June, 1962 .. .. .				12,067 18 7
Land Tax .. .. .		65	3 1		Surplus for the year .. .. .				7,214 18 2
Sundries .. .. .		41	6 6						
Secretary's Salary .. .. .		250	0 0						
Commission on Rent, etc., collected		256	19 5						
Valuation fees re rents .. .. .		52	10 0						
				678 11 0					
Surplus for the year .. .. .				7,214 18 2					
				£9,430 17 6					
<b>Appropriated to Building Renewal Fund</b>				2,500 0 0					
Paid to Theological College .. .. .				1,500 0 0					
Balance, 30th June, 1963 .. .. .				15,282 16 9					
				£19,282 16 9					£19,282 16 9

Examined and found correct.

A. R. MARTIN,  
R. EVANS, Auditors.

J. H. BLACKWELL, Chairman.  
F. M. IZZARD, Secretary.



**THE PROBERT TRUST BOARD OF THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND**  
**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30TH JUNE, 1963**

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We have examined the Books and Accounts of the Probert Trust Board for the year ended 30th June, 1963, and certify that all our requirements as Auditors have been complied with. We report that the foregoing Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a correct view of the Board's position on the 30th June, 1963, as shown by the Books

A. R. MARTIN,  
R. EVANS, Auditors.  
2nd August, 1963.

J. H. BLACKWELL, Chairman.  
F. M. IZZARD, Secretary.

# EMSLY TRUST

## Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for the Year Ended 30th June, 1963

	£	s	d		£	s	d
1963—				1963—			
June 30 To Interest from National Savings Account .. .. .	-	-	-	June 30 By Trinity College .. .. .	95	0	0
„ Interest on Debentures to 1/3/63 .. .. .	95	0	0				
	£95	0	0		£95	0	0

## INVESTMENT ACCOUNT

	£	s	d		£	s	d
1963—				1963—			
June 30 To Capital .. .. .	1,900	0	0	June 30 By Auckland Elec. Power Board			
„ Income .. .. .		1	0	Debentures—5%—1/3/1970	1,900	0	0
				„ Deposit at National Savings			
				Investment A/c No. 1/9553		1	0
	£1,900	1	0		£1,900	1	0

Audited and found correct.

Auditor: T. L. HAMES.

Treasurer: J. H. BLACKWELL.



# KAI IWI MISSION ESTATE

## Income and Expenditure Account for Year Ended 30th June, 1963

EXPENDITURE				INCOME			
	£	s	d		£	s	d
Grant to Rangiatea Trust .. .. .	300	0	0	Rent .. .. .	1,027	10	0
General Expenses .. .. .	40	17	0	Interest on Depreciation Fund Investment	32	9	7
Interest (State Advances Mortgage) ..	103	13	5	Interest—Bank N.S.W. .. .. .	2	18	5
Depreciation Reserve Account ..	150	0	0				
Excess of Income over Expenditure ..	468	7	7				
	£1,062	18	0		£1,062	18	0

## Balance Sheet as at 30th June, 1963

LIABILITIES				ASSETS			
	£	s	d		£	s	d
State Advances Mortgage ..	2,536	2	4	Farm Property .. .. .	15,276	8	0
Less Repaid .. .. .	93	13	1	Less Depreciation Res. .. .. .	750	0	0
					14,526	8	0
Loan Account .. .. .	975	0	0	Sundry Debtors .. .. .	225	0	0
Less Repaid .. .. .	127	10	0	Bank N.S.W. Current A/c. ..	243	5	2
				Deprec. Fund Invest. A/c. ..			
				P.O.S.B. .. .. .	357	18	5
Accumulated Fund .. .. .	12,144	4	9	Local Body Loans .. .. .	550	0	0
Plus Excess Income over Expenditure ..	468	7	7		907	18	5
	£15,902	11	7		£15,902	11	7

B. M. CHRYSTALL, Chairman.

E. L. F. BUXTON, Secretary.

I certify that I have examined the books and vouchers of the Kai Iwi Mission Estate for the year ended 30th June, 1963, and in my opinion the above accounts and balance sheet show the true financial position of the Trust at 30th June, 1963.

D. R. SMART, A.R.A.N.Z., 9/7/63.

## Income and Expenditure Account for the Year Ended 31st December, 1962

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# THE BOARD OF THE WESLEY TRAINING COLLEGE

Balance Sheet as at 31st December, 1962

	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d		£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d
<b>Sundry Creditors:</b>																			
State Advances Corporation—Suspensory Loan ..				200	0	0													
Trade Accounts ..				5,201	11	2													
Loan on Mortgage—Marianne Caughey Smith - Preston Memorial Rest Homes Trust ..				16,000	0	0													
Bank of N.Z. ..				1,973	6	8													
							23,374	17	10										
<b>Funds:</b>																			
College Building ..				3,054	14	0													
Furnishing ..				3	0	0													
Library ..				407	0	0													
							3,464	14	0										
<b>Scholarship Funds:</b>																			
Marianne Caughey Smith-Preston ..	2,000	0	0																
George Winstone ..	1,000	0	0																
Stephen James Ambury ..	1,000	0	0																
War Memorial Fund (Maori) ..	384	10	0																
				4,384	10	0													
Income Undistrib. ..				230	5	1													
							4,614	15	1										
<b>Land Buildings and Improvements:</b>																			
Paerata Existing ..	134,988	0	0																
Work in Progress ..	30,400	2	8																
Maurice Harding Park ..	10,730	0	0																
Grafton ..	19,407	19	6																
Waikowhai ..	18,746	18	5																
Hobson County ..	10	0	0																
														214,283	0	7			
<b>Plant and Equipment:</b>																			
Farm Machinery ..	660	0	0																
Motor Vehicles ..	1,450	0	0																
Furniture and Equipment ..	11,715	0	0																
														13,825	0	0			
<b>Stock on Hand:</b>																			
Livestock ..	3,042	11	0																
Produce and Sundries ..	2,107	2	7																
														5,149	13	7			
<b>Sundry Debtors</b> ..	8,354	4	7																
Less Reserve for Bad Debts ..	150	0	0																
														8,204	4	7			
<b>Scholarship Investments:</b>																			
N.Z. Govt Stock (Maturity value £3400) ..	3,384	10	0																
Frank M. Winstone (Merchants), Ltd. (1000 shares of £1 each fully paid) ..	1,000	0	0																
														4,384	10	0			

# THE BOARD OF THE WESLEY TRAINING COLLEGE (Continued)

## Capital Account:

Balance at 1/1/62	221,416	9	5
College Building Fund Interest ..	340	10	11
Grafton Lease Convs.	614	2	0
Net Rents Waikohai New Sub.	1,350	2	6
Donations Rec'd. ..	1,750	0	0
Bonus Shares ..	-	-	-
	225,471	4	10

Less Bad Debts Written Off .. ..	987	11	6
Excess Expend. over Income .. ..	4,846	1	1
	5,833	12	7
	219,637	12	3
	£251,091	19	2

## General Investments:

College Building Fund—Auckland Savings Bank ..	4,946	10	5
Shares Auckland Co-op Milk Producers Ltd .. ..	299	0	0
Bank of New Zealand .. ..	-	-	-
	5,245	10	5

## Capital Commitments:

The building and furnishings of the new Dormitory Block estimated to cost under £40,000 of which "Work in Progress" shown above accounts for £30,400 2s 8d.

J. S. CAUGHEY,  
Chairman.

G. B. C. MINOGUE, F.P.A.N.Z.,  
Secretary.

## AUDITOR'S REPORT:

We have obtained all the information and explanations that we have required. In our opinion, proper books of account have been kept by the Board so far as appears from our examination of those books. In our opinion, according to the best of our information and the explanations given to us and as shown by the said books, the Balance Sheet and Income and Expenditure Account are properly drawn up so as to give, respectively, a true and fair view of the state of the Board's affairs as at the 31st December, 1962, and of its income and expenditure for the year ended on that date. We have obtained from the Solicitors of the Board, Messrs Peak, Kirker and Newcomb, a certificate that all the Title Deeds and Securities are in order.

AUCKLAND,  
31st January, 1963.

(Signed) HUTCHISON, ELLIFFE, CAMERON AND CO.,  
Public Accountants.



**METHODIST CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND**  
**REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDING 31st MAY, 1963**

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Loans as at 31.5.62 .. .. .	91,006	16	6	By Loans Repaid .. .. .	14,329	17	3
„ New Loans Advanced .. .. .	30,297	10	0	„ Loans as at 31/5/63 . . . .	106,974	9	3
	<u>£121,304</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>		<u>£121,304</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>

**SITES FUND ACCOUNT**

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Grants:—				By Contributions:—			
Otumoetai (Tauranga) .. .. .	225	0	0	Home Mission Department .. ..	400	0	0
Greerton (Tauranga) .. .. .	150	0	0	Bank Interest .. .. .	43	3	4
Havelock North .. .. .	50	0	0	Balance .. .. .	131	16	8
Cottle St. (Upper Hutt) .. .. .	150	0	0				
	<u>£575</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>		<u>£575</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

**ADMINISTRATION ACCOUNT**

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Administration Costs .. .. .	600	0	0	By Working Expenses .. .. .	703	10	5
„ Stationery and General .. .. .	204	1	10	„ Trust Contributions .. .. .	182	0	0
„ Brochure .. .. .	287	3	1	„ Commission .. .. .	235	13	3
„ Balance to Capital Account .. ..	184	7	8	„ Interest .. .. .	154	8	11
	<u>£1,275</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>7</u>		<u>£1,275</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>7</u>

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H. L. FIEBIG,  
H. DE R. FLESHER,  
Treasurers.



**METHODIST CONNEXIONAL FIRE INSURANCE FUND**  
**REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDING 31st MAY, 1963**

EXPENDITURE				INCOME			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Administration Costs .. .. .	900	0	0	Premiums and Commission .. .. .	4,648	17	0
Stationery and General .. .. .	300	12	8	Mortgage Interest .. .. .	594	6	0
Balance, Profit & Loss Appropriation A/c.	6,841	16	7	Mortgage Interest Accrued .. .. .	138	7	8
				Debenture Interest .. .. .	1,838	3	9
				Debenture Interest Accrued .. .. .	695	5	11
				Deposit Interest .. .. .	127	8	11
	<hr/>				<hr/>		
	£8,042	9	3		£8,042	9	3

**PROFIT AND LOSS APPROPRIATION ACCOUNT AS AT 31st MAY, 1963**

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Additional Grant (1962) .. .. .	4	0	0	Balance as at 31.5.62 .. .. .	206	1	2
Grants Recommended .. .. .	3,500	0	0	Transfer from Revenue Account .. .. .	6,841	16	7
Fire Loss Reserve .. .. .	3,500	0	0				
Balance Forward .. .. .	43	17	9				
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	£7,047	17	9		£7,047	17	9

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We have examined the above Balance Sheet and attached Revenue Account and have compared them with the Books of the Fund and certify to the correctness of the same. We have had all the securities produced to us except those deposited with the Bank of New Zealand, whose certificate has been accepted by us. In our opinion the Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to show the true and correct financial position of the Fund as at 31st May, 1963.

F. M. SOWDEN, B.Com., A.R.A.N.Z., A.C.I.S.  
H. F. ARNOLD, A.R.A.N.Z.,  
27.63. Auditors.



# **SPIRITUAL ADVANCE COMMITTEE**

Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for the Year Ended 30th June, 1963

INCOME					EXPENDITURE						
			£	s	d				£	s	d
Balance Brought Forward	..	..	319	4	3	Travelling	..	..	81	14	1
Connexional Budget	..	..	259	0	0	Tolls, Postage	..	..	21	19	7
Contingent Fund	..	..	25	0	0	Stationery	..	..	13	13	4
Interest	..	..	9	11	5	Miscellaneous	..	..	5	6	6
						Transfer to Overseas Visitors' Fund	..	..	200	0	0
									322	13	6
						Credit Balance	..	..	290	2	2
			£612	15	8				£612	15	8

## **OVERSEAS VISITORS' FUND**

INCOME					EXPENDITURE						
			£	s	d				£	s	d
Balance Brought Forward	..	..	470	19	11	Travelling	..	..	381	14	9
Income from Circuits	..	..	313	16	8	Advertising	..	..	51	8	6
Transfer from General Account	..	..	200	0	0	Personal Allowances	..	..	75	0	0
Miscellaneous	..	..	2	1	10	Miscellaneous	..	..	5	7	11
Interest	..	..	10	8	8						
									513	11	2
						Credit Balance	..	..	483	15	11
			£997	7	1				£997	7	1

Audited and found correct.

N. A. EAGLE, A.R.A.N.Z., A.A.C.C.A., 20/8/63.

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EXPENDITURE			INCOME		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
To Printing and Publishing .. .. .	2,635	11 6	Subscriptions .. .. .	3,856	12 9
„ Addressograph Plates .. .. .	13	12 1	Advertising .. .. .	903	3 6
„ Process Blocks .. .. .	114	8 0	Less Unexpired Values ..	235	10 6
„ Distribution Charges .. .. .	465	18 9			
„ Agents' Commission .. .. .	115	10 7			667 13 0
„ Editors' Honoraria, Expenses and			Contingent Fund Grant ..		500 0 0
Contributors' Fees .. .. .	356	5 5			
„ Office Expenses .. .. .	216	4 1			
„ Authorised Appropriation .. .. .	500	0 0			
„ Bank Interest .. .. .		18 11			
„ Excess Income over Expenditure ..	605	16 5			
	£5,024	5 9		£5,024	5 9



**NEW ZEALAND METHODIST TIMES**  
**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th APRIL, 1963**

LIABILITIES			ASSETS			
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.	£ s. d.
Advertisements (Unexpired Value) .. ..	235	10 6	<b>Sundry Debtors:</b>			
Subscriptions Prepaid .. ..	132	1 10	Subscriptions in arrear ..			459 11 8
Agents' Commission Provision .. ..	12	18 6	Advertisements in arrear ..			123 9 0
Sundry Creditors .. ..	19	11 3	Accumulated deficit as at			
Reserve Fund .. ..	500	0 0	30.4.62 .. ..	1,090	8 6	
Bank of New Zealand Overdraft .. ..	167	10 8	<b>Less Balance from Revenue</b>			
			Account as at 30.4.63 ..	605	16 5	
						484 12 1
	<u>£1,067</u>	<u>12 9</u>				<u>£1,067 12 9</u>

We have examined the above Balance Sheet and Revenue Account and have compared them with the Books of the Fund. In our opinion the Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to show the true and correct financial position of the Fund as at 30th April, 1963.

H. L. FIEBIG,  
B. C. BASCAND  
Treasurers.

H. F. ARNOLD, A.R.A.N.Z.,  
F. M. SOWDEN, B.Com., A.R.A.N.Z., A.C.I.S.  
Auditors.

21st May, 1963.

**METHODIST BOARD OF PUBLICATIONS**  
**Income and Expenditure Account for year ending 31st July, 1963.**

				£	s	d					£	s	d					£	s	d										
1962	Stock of Booklets and Paper										1962	1,160 Sale of Booklets and Papers						—			1,446	11	5							
328	1st August, 1962						—	—	—	308	16	8		50 Grants—Contingent Fund						—										
	Printing Booklets, etc:—												28 Connexional Budget						—			100	0	0	100	0	0			
	Prof. Triggs Handbills						—	29	0	9			29—Subsidies and Donations														5	0		
	"Teaching the Faith"						—	415	10	0			7 Interest—Auckland Sav. Bank									7	19	7						
	Lenten Leaflets						—	136	10	9			17 National Bank of N.Z.						—			23	6	5						
	Conference Reports						—	81	4	5																				
	"Considering Christmas"						—	111	17	4																				
	Dr. Baker's Handbills						—	22	2	9																				
	"Knock on the Door"						—	27	0	0																				
484	Prayer Manuals						—	161	6	11																				
484										984	12	11																		
510	Duplicating Paper						—	—	—	242	7	3																		
1,322												1,227	0	2																
												1,536	16	10																
Less Stock of Booklets 31st																														
308	July, 1963						—	—	—			455	12	3																
1,014 Cost of Sales												1,080	4	7																
41	Petty Cash, Postages, Stationery											46	5	0																
10	Travelling Allowance											10	0	0																
13	Rent of Storeroom											16	5	0																
17	(Loss on trade in of typewriter)											—	—	—																
1,095												1,152	14	7																
Excess Income over Expendi-												425	7	10																
196	ture for year						—	—	—																					
£1,291												£1,578	2	5														£1,578	2	5



# METHODIST BOARD OF PUBLICATIONS

## Balance Sheet as at 31st July, 1963

1962		f	s	d	f	s	d	1962		f	s	d	f	s	d
	<b>Liabilities:</b>								<b>Assets:</b>						
13	Storeroom Rental Unpaid	—			13	0	0	869	Cash at National Bank	—	—	1,108	0	4	
	<b>Accumulated Funds:</b>							266	Cash at Auckland Sav. Bank			274	7	10	
1,407	Balance 31st July, 1962	—	1,602	13	9								1,382	8	2
195	Plus Income for year	—	—	425	7	10		139	Debtors				160	11	2
	Balance 31st July, 1963	—			2,028	1	7		Travelling Allowance 1964,						
									— Prepaid				10	0	0
								308	Stock of Booklets and Paper				455	12	3
								33	Typewriter at Cost				32	10	0
<b>£1,615</b>					<b>£2,041</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>£1,615</b>				<b>£2,041</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>7</b>	

J. C. WIGGLESWORTH, B.Com., A.P.A.N.Z., A.C.I.S.,  
Honorary Treasurer.

Audited and Found Correct. R. H. HAMES, B.Com., A.R.A.N.Z.,  
Honorary Auditor.  
Auckland, 3/9/63.

**BOARD OF PUBLICATIONS**  
**Stock Sheets for Year Ended 31st July, 1963.**

			£	s	d
World Peace Leaflets .....	2,000 at	5/- per 100	5	0	0
"A Question of Standards" .....	137 at	5d	2	17	1
Quarterly Communion Cards .....					
Division Cards .....	700 at	1/3 per 100		8	9
Dedication Cards .....	1,500 at	7/- per 100	5	5	0
Wesleydale Booklets:					
"Pathway to Adventure" .....	800 at	2d	6	13	4
"Reality in the Home" .....	830 at	2d	6	18	4
Distortions of the Christian Faith:					
"Seventh Day Adventists" .....	300 at	2½d.	3	2	6
"Christian Science" .....	300 at	2½d.	3	2	6
Wesleydale Leaflets:					
"Spiritual Suicide" .....	1,800 at	5/- per 100	4	10	0
"Four Months to Live" .....	1,500 at	5/- per 100	3	15	0
"End of the Road" .....	1,800 at	5/- per 100	4	10	0
You and the Sects .....	550 at	5/- per 100	1	7	6
Holy Baptism .....	250 at	6d each	6	5	0
Your Baptism .....	2,000 at	6/- per 100	6	0	0
The Holy Spirit in the N.T. ....	1,700 at	9d	63	15	0
Let's Think Again .....	800 at	4/- per 100	1	12	0
New Life in Christ .....	1,850 at	2/- per 100	1	17	0
Private Worship for the Sick .....	1,700 at	5/- per 100	4	5	0
Conflict of the Cross .....	1,000 at	10/- per 100	5	0	0
Aldersgate Order of Service .....	3,500 at	3/3 per 100	5	13	9
The Laying on of Hands .....	1,000 at	5/- per 100	2	10	0
Open Letter to Young Men .....	600 at	15/- per 100	4	10	0
A Rule of Prayer .....	1,000 at	1/3 per 100		12	6
What do you Think? .....					
Section on Unity .....	900 at	1½d each	5	12	6
Spiritual Life Pamphlets .....	18,000 at	3/6 per 100	31	10	0
Teaching the Faith .....	1,244 at	4/-	248	16	0
The Knock on the Door .....	4,000 at	10/- per 100	20	0	0
Upper Room Booklets .....	7 at	4d		2	4
Mormonism?? .....	50 at	2/3 per 100		1	2
			£455	12	3



**METHODIST MEN'S FELLOWSHIP**  
**STATEMENT FOR YEAR ENDING 30th JUNE, 1963**

INCOME						£	s	d	EXPENDITURE						£	s	d
Balance P.O.S.B.	30/6/62					54	19	0	Willis and Aitken Ltd (Printing)	..	..		1	8	0		
Affiliation Fees	..	..	..	..	..	14	5	0	Roneo Office Equipment Co. (Cyclostyling)	..	..		1	3	6		
Interest	..	..	..	..	..	1	8	0	Postage, Duplicating, etc	..	..		17	5	4		
									Cheque Book and Exchange	..	..			6	6		
									Balance National Bank N.Z.	30/6/63	..		50	8	8		
						£70	12	0							£70	12	0

L. E. ARMSTRONG,  
 Dominion Treasurer.

Audited and found correct.  
 T. I. BATHURST, A.R.A.N.Z., 8/7/63.

# NEW ZEALAND METHODIST LOCAL PREACHERS' ASSOCIATION

Accounts for year ended 30th June, 1963

## General Account

RECEIPTS			PAYMENTS		
	£	s d		£	s d
Balance Forward 1st July, 1962 .. ..	92	10 8	Presentation Book Purchases .. ..	25	12 11
Interest General Purposes Trust Board .. ..	31	10 0	Printing "Preacher" and Sundries .. ..	64	2 8
Church Budget Committee .. ..	80	0 0	Typing and Postages .. ..	43	3 8
Interest N.Z. Govt. Stock .. ..	23	15 0	Sundry Expenses .. ..	2	0 10
Interest National Bank of N.Z. Ltd. .. ..	7	5 3	Balance .. ..	100	0 10
	£235	0 11		£235	0 11

## Benevolent Fund Account

	£	s d		£	s d
Balance Forward .. ..	150	0 0	Compassionate Allowance .. ..	50	0 0
	£150	0 0	Balance .. ..	100	0 0
				£150	0 0

## BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1963

LIABILITIES			ASSETS		
	£	s d		£	s d
General Account .. ..	500	0 10	National Bank—Benevolent Fund Account	100	0 0
Benevolent Fund Account .. ..	1,100	0 0	<b>Investments:</b>		
			N.Z. Government Stock .. ..	500	0 0
			General Purposes Trust Board .. ..	900	0 0
			Balance—General Account .. ..	100	0 10
	£1,600	0 10		£1,600	0 10

Audited and found correct.

C. H. VERRY, A.R.A.N.Z., 19/7/63.



**CONNEXIONAL SECRETARYSHIP COMMITTEE**  
**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1963**

EXPENDITURE				INCOME			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Salaries .. .. .	3,245	12	6	By Appropriations . . . .	3,975	0	0
" Office Rent .. .. .	150	0	0	" Registration Fees, etc. . . .	53	8	6
" Connexional Charges . . . .	36	0	0	" Board Room Rents . . . .	81	5	0
" Telephone & P.O. Box Charges . . . .	71	13	4	" Bank Interest . . . .	21	8	11
" Stationery & General Expenses . . . .	151	14	6	" Budget Transfer . . . .	64	0	0
" Office Equipment Reserve Account . . . .	100	0	0				
" Salaries Reserve Account . . . .	100	0	0				
" <b>House Property, 17 Merivale Lane:</b>							
Rates . . . . .	45	15	3				
Insurance . . . . .	8	10	8				
Repairs & Furnishings 105 7 3							
Interest . . . . .	45	0	0				
Maintenance Reserve .. .. .	100	0	0				
	304	13	2				
" Surplus .. .. .	35	8	11				
	£4,195	2	5		£4,195	2	5

**CONNEXIONAL SECRETARYSHIP COMMITTEE**  
**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1963**

LIABILITIES				ASSETS						
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.				
Sundry Creditors . . . .				366	5	11	Bank of New Zealand . . . . .	1,254	17	3
Connexional Fire Insurance Fund:							House Property — 17 Merivale Lane . .	2,621	12	5
House Mortgage . . . .	1,450	0	0				Furniture . . . . .	599	12	0
Less reduction . . . .	50	0	0				Office Equipment . . . . .	730	6	0
				1,400	0	0				
Provision and Reserves:										
Depreciat'n, Merivale Lane Property . . . . .	688	5	7							
Salaries Fluctuation Reserve . . . . .	571	12	5							
Office Equipment Reserve . . . . .	495	0	0							
House Maintenance Reserve . . . . .	200	0	0							
				1,954	18	0				
Capital Account:										
Balance as at 30.6.62 . . . .	1,449	14	10							
Plus income / expenditure . . . .	35	8	11							
				1,485	3	9				
				£5,206	7	8				
								£5,206	7	8

I report that I have examined the Books, Accounts and Vouchers of the Connexional Secretaryship Committee for the year ended the 30th June, 1963. I certify that in my opinion the above Balance Sheet and Income and Expenditure Account is properly drawn up so as to show the correct financial position of the Committee as at 30th June, 1963.

H. L. FIEBIG,  
H. De R FLESHER,  
Treasurers.

W. E. CLOTHIER, B.Com., A.P.A.N.Z., A.I.A.N.Z.,  
A.C.I.S., Auditor.

31st July, 1963.



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**Statement of Receipts and Payments for Year Ended 31st August, 1963.**

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## Legacy A/c. for:

Sewing Machine and Cycle, Munda	58	10	7
Girls' School, Kihili — — —	118	17	6
Bathroom, Siwai — — —	150	0	0
"Kurahuna" — — —	220	0	0
Refrigerator, Sister's Home, Opu-			
nake — — —	75	10	6
Home Mission Dept. General A/c.	500	0	0
Buttle Centennial Gift Fund —	200	0	0
Refrigerator, Vella Lavella —	25	0	0
Sol. Is. Scholarship Fund —	100	0	0
Overseas Missions, General A/c.	300	0	0
Overseas Missions, Leprosarium —	200	0	0

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1,947 18 7

Other Objects, as specified by the  
 respective Districts — — —  
 Smethurst Estate Expenditure —

188 11 0

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552 1 5

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18,727 6 10

## Credit Balances:

General Account — —	11,537	7	10
"Kurahuna" Revenue A/c. —	2,714	9	10
Sisters' Salaries Reserve A/c. —	1,466	8	1
"Kurahuna" Emergency A/c. —	1,203	1	1
Stamps, etc. Fund — —	1,755	9	0
Legacy A/c. — — —	250	0	0
Smethurst Estate Accounts —	1,008	7	8
Sol. Is. Jubilee Travel Fund —	17	14	9

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£38,680 5 1

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£38,680 5 1

# METHODIST WOMEN'S MISSIONARY UNION

## "Kurahuna" Maintenance Account for Twelve Months Ended 31st July, 1963.

RECEIPTS						EXPENDITURE											
						£	s	d							£	s	d
Cash Bank N.Z. 1/8/62	—	—	—	—	—	224	11	3	Administration	—	—	—	—	—	1,714	0	1
Fees, Social Security Benefits and Staff Board	—	—	—	—	—	1,079	3	4	Household Expenses	—	—	—	—	—	393	15	9
M.W.M.U.:	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Provisions	—	—	—	—	—	767	9	8
Maintenance Account	—	—	—	—	—	2,200	7	10	Kitchen Renovations	—	—	—	—	—	220	12	2
Legacy Otago Distr.	—	—	—	—	—	—	20	0	Furniture and Furnishings	—	—	—	—	—	176	2	10
Donations	—	—	—	—	—	23	19	11									
Toll Charge Refunds	—	—	—	—	—	16	3	5							3,272	0	6
Interest Bank N.Z.	—	—	—	—	—	16	2	0	Balance Bank N.Z. 31/7/63	—	—	—	—	—	348	11	3
Distribution Estate late Mrs Trewin	—	—	—	—	—	24	4	0									
Holiday Rental	—	—	—	—	—	16	0	0									
						£3,620	11	9							£3,620	11	9

## "Kurahuna" Stall Account

					£	s	d						£	s	d
Cash Bank N.Z. 1/8/62	—	—	—	—	145	12	11	Outings, Prizes, etc	—	—	—	—	114	15	6
"At Home" Donations and Stalls	—	—	—	—	118	13	2	Radio	—	—	—	—	12	19	6
Further Donations	—	—	—	—	13	7	1	Other Equipment	—	—	—	—	33	5	0
													161	0	0
								Balance Bank N.Z. 31/7/63	—	—	—	—	116	13	2
					£277	13	2						£277	13	2

## "Kurahuna" Legacy Accounts

	£	s	d	£	s	d
Estate Mrs E. J. Jones:						
Balance 1/8/62	—	—	—	56	3	2
Plus interest to 31/3/63	—	—	—	1	6	3
				57	9	5
Less Grant to Parents towards Fees	—	—	—	20	10	0
Balance 31/7/63	—	—	—	£36	19	5
Estate Mrs A. Woodward:						
Balance 1/8/62	—	—	—	104	0	0
Plus interest to 31/3/63	—	—	—	3	0	0
Balance 31/7/63	—	—	—	£107	0	0

## "Kurahuna" Summary of Balances

Bank of New Zealand:									
Maintenance Account	—	—	—	—	348	11	3		
Stall Account	—	—	—	—	116	13	2		
Est. late Mrs Woodward	—	—	—	—	107	0	0		
								572	4 5
Auckland Savings Bank: Est. late Mrs.									
Jones	—	—	—	—				36	19 5
								£609	3 10



# METHODIST WOMEN'S MISSIONARY UNION OF NEW ZEALAND

## Summary of Capital Funds and Investment Accounts, 31st August, 1963

	£	s	d	£	s	d
<b>Solomon Islands Capital Fund:</b>						
Balance as at 31/8/62	834	19	11			
Bank Interest	12	18	3			
Interest Loan at Call	14	0	0			
				861	18	2
<b>Solomon Islands Girls' School Account:</b>						
Balance as at 31/8/62	1,724	6	8			
Interest to 30/6/63	60	7	0			
				1,784	13	8
<b>Kurahuna Capital and Depreciation A/c.:</b>						
Balance as at 31/8/62	1,465	9	9			
Interest to 30/6/63	51	7	9			
Depreciation Reserve	23	6	0			
				1,540	3	6
<b>Kurahuna Hostel Debenture A/c.:</b>						
Balance as at 31/8/62	500	0	0			
				500	0	0
Interest for year (£20/3/10) credited to "Kurahuna" Maintenance A/c.						
<b>Smethurst Estate Investment A/c.:</b>						
Balance as at 31/8/62	4,000	0	0			
				4,000	0	0
Interest for year (£130) paid to Home Mission Board towards stipend for Maori Minister.						

# **TRANSPORT TRUST BOARD**

**Revenue Statement for Year Ended 30th June, 1963.**

1962—						
£	Income—				£	£
517	Interest Receivable	—	—	—		483
—						
	Expenditure—					
10	Bank Charges	.....	.....	.....		13
372	Interest Payable	.....	.....	.....		342
10	Stationery and Stamps	.....	.....	.....		11
—						—
392	Total Expenses	.....	.....	.....		366
—						—
£125	Excess of Income over Expenditure transferred to Accumulated Funds					£117



**TRANSPORT TRUST BOARD**  
**Balance Sheet as at 30th June, 1963.**

1962 £	CURRENT LIABILITIES	£	1962 £	INVESTMENTS	£
8,623	Bank of New Zealand .....	846	12,510	Secured Advances .....	11,265
93	Interest Accrued .....	8			
	<b>Loans at Call:</b>				
750	Department of Christian Education .....	750			
—	General Purposes Trust Board .....	7,000			
1,000	Wellington Methodist Charitable and Educational Endowment Trust .....	500			
1,000	Wesley Church Social Services Trust .....	1,000			
<u>11,466</u>	<b>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES .....</b>	<u>10,104</u>			
	<b>Accumulated Funds:</b>				
919	Balance 30th June, 1962 .....	1,044			
125	Add Excess of Income over Expenditure .....	117			
<u>1,044</u>	<b>Balance 30th June, 1963 .....</b>	<u>1,161</u>			
<u>£12,510</u>		<u>£11,265</u>	<u>12,510</u>		<u>£11,265</u>

ROBERT THORNLEY, Chairman.

D. TAYLER, Treasurer.

I certify that I have examined the Books, Accounts and Vouchers of the Methodist Church of New Zealand Transport Board for the year ended 30th June, 1963, and have obtained all the information and explanations that I have required. I certify that in my opinion the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to show a true and fair picture of the Trust at that date.

J. B. STEEL, F.P.A.N.Z., Hon. Auditor.

WELLINGTON, 21st August, 1963.

# METHODIST CHILDREN'S FUND

## Statement of Income and Expenditure for Year Ended 30th June, 1963

INCOME				EXPENDITURE				
	£	s	d		£	s	d	
<b>Balance as at 30th June, 1962:</b>				<b>Grants to Ministers:</b>				
Cash at Bank of N.S.W., Wellington .....	127	1	3	For twelve months ended 30/6/63 .....	3,850	0	0	
<b>Payments received from Connexional</b>				<b>Sundry Expenses:</b>				
<b>Budget Treasurer</b> .....	3,758	0	0	Exchange .....	4	7	6	
<b>Interest:</b>				Cheque Book .....	10	0		
As allowed by Bank of N.S.W. ....	3	9	0			4	17	6
				<b>Balance as at 30th June, 1963:</b>				
				Cash at Bank of N.S.W., Wellington .....	33	12	9	
	<u>£3,888</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>3</u>		<u>£3,888</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>3</u>	

Audited and found correct,

J. A. KELLOW, F.P.A.N.Z., Hon. Auditor.  
9th September, 1963.

ROBERT THORNLEY, T. M. PACEY,

Hon. Treasurers.



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Audited and found correct.

ROBERT THORNLEY, T. M. PACEY,  
Hon Treasurers.

# RANGIATEA MAORI COLLEGE TRUST BOARD

(Incorporated under the Religious, Charitable and Educational Trust Act)

Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 30th June, 1963.

										£ s d													£ s d			£ s d					
<b>Income:</b>													<b>Less Expenses:</b>																		
Fees	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	7,365	17	10	Staff Salaries	—	—	—	—	—	—	3,398	9	9									
Board	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	329	17	6	Fuel	—	—	—	—	—	—	233	6	5									
Interest	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	25	7	6	Bread, Meat and Milk	—	—	—	—	—	—	1,120	17	5									
Rent	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	60	0	0	Groceries and Vegetables	—	—	—	—	—	—	2,202	13	4									
Grants and Donations	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2,352	7	7	Lighting and Heating	—	—	—	—	—	—	323	3	7									
Shop Account Profit	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	67	13	11	Repairs and Renewals	—	—	—	—	—	—	423	10	8									
													Telephone and Tolls	—	—	—	—	—	—	36	17	2									
													Insurance	—	—	—	—	—	—	247	12	1									
													Petty Cash	—	—	—	—	—	—	62	10	0									
													Deaconess Retiring Fund	—	—	—	—	—	—	11	0	0									
													Rates	—	—	—	—	—	—	244	6	4									
													Interest on Overdraft	—	—	—	—	—	—	104	17	0									
													Secretary's Salary	—	—	—	—	—	—	200	0	0									
													Audit Fees	—	—	—	—	—	—	31	10	0									
													Advertising and Printing	—	—	—	—	—	—	82	5	7									
													Books and Stationery	—	—	—	—	—	—	46	2	2									
													Sundry Expenses	—	—	—	—	—	—	89	10	5									
													Water Rates	—	—	—	—	—	—	58	1	1									
													Maori Foundation	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—									
													Depreciation:																		
													Furniture and Equipment 10%							540	8	0									
													Buildings 1%	—	—	—	—	—	—	615	0	0									
										£10,201	4	4																			
													Profit for 1963	—	—	—	—	—	—				10,072	1	0						
																						£129	3	4							

Examined and Found Correct.  
MORINE AND JAMES, Hon. Auditors.

W. H. GREENSLADE, Chairman.  
W. P. OKEY, Secretary.



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We have examined the Books, Accounts and Vouchers of the Rangiatea Maori College Trust Board for the year ended 30th June, 1963, and certify that in our opinion the above Balance Sheet sets out a true and fair view of the Trust's Affairs, according to the best of our knowledge and the information given to us and as shown by the records of the Trust.

NEW PLYMOUTH, 9th August, 1963.

W. H. GREENGLADE, Chairman

W. H. GREENSLADE, Chairman.

W. P. OKEY, Secretary.

# GREY INSTITUTE TRUST

## Statement of Income and Expenditure for year ending 30th June, 1963.

EXPENDITURE										INCOME									
								£	s	d						£	s	d	
Rates	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	59	19	6	Rentals	—	—	—	—	1,783	4	0	
Printing and Stationery	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	14	12	9	Noting Fees	—	—	—	—	4	14	6	
Renovating Properties	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	130	2	4	Rent Mission Hill Dwelling	—	—	—	—	91	0	0	
Interest on Advances from H.M. Board	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	135	3	4	Bank Interest	—	—	—	—	9	6	7	
Land Tax	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	301	5	10	Proceeds Lease of Section	—	—	—	—	443	14	0	
Postages and Petties	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	12	13	0									
Audit Fees	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	7	7	0									
Sundries	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	8	11	0									
Insurances	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	15	7									
Grant to Rangiatea Maori College Trust	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	750	0	0									
Secretary	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	175	0	0									
								1,600	10	4									
Excess of Income over Expenditure	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	731	8	9									
								£2,331	19	1						£2,331	19	1	

## Balance Sheet as at 30th June, 1963.

								£	s	d						£	s	d	
Accumulated Funds as at 1/7/62	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	226	5	4	Bank of New South Wales	—	—	—	—	955	14	1	
Add: Excess of Income	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	731	8	9	Cash in Hand	—	—	—	—	2	0	0	
								£957	14	1						£957	14	1	

CONTINGENT LIABILITY: Balance of Loan Repayments due to Home Mission and Church Extension Investment Board as at 30/6/63, £3,858/5/5.

W. P. OKEY, Secretary.

W. H. GREENSLADE, Chairman.

I hereby certify that I have examined the foregoing statement of Receipts and Payments for the year ended 30th June, 1963. All receipts as shown by the Secretary's books have been duly banked and the vouchers have been produced for all payments. I have also checked the credits to the respective Lessees' Accounts and found these in order.

G. V. DUFF, Auditor.

NEW PLYMOUTH, 1st August, 1963.



**THE JAMES AND MARTHA TROUNSON BENEVOLENT TRUST FUND BOARD**

Income and Expenditure Account from 1st July, 1962, to 30th June, 1963

EXPENDITURE										INCOME															
										£	s	d											£	s	d
To Grants	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	328	0	0	By Interest	Government	Inscribed	Stock	—	—	—	323	13	6			
„ Expenses	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	24	9	0	„	„	Harbour Bridge	Loan No. 9	—	—	—	292	10	0			
„ Excess Income over Expenditure	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	291	6	11	„	„	Bank of New Zealand		—	—	—	6	15	1			
													„	„	Auckland Savings Bank		—	—	—	3	19	3			
													„	„	National Savings A/c.		—	—	—	16	18	1			
										£643	15	11								£643	15	11			

Balance Sheet as at 30th June, 1963.

LIABILITIES										ASSETS									
£ s d										£ s d									
Trust Fund Account						11,810	0	0		N.Z. Government Inscribed Stock 5% 1974-76				5,810	0	0			
Income Account	—	—	—	—	—	1,078	3	11		Auckland Harbour Bridge Loan No. 9 at 4½%	—	—	—	6,000	0	0			
										Cash Balances:									
										Auckland Savings Bank — — 136 11 5									
										National Savings A/c. — — 500 6 3									
										Bank of New Zealand — — 441 6 3									
										<u>1,078 3 11</u>									
<u>£12,888 3 11</u>										<u>£12,888 3 11</u>									

Audited and found correct:

JOHN C. WIGGLESWORTH, B.Com., A.P.A.N.Z., A.C.I.S.

AUCKLAND, 15th July, 1963.

Chairman: L. W. PEAK.

Secretary: E. E. SAGE.

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PAYMENTS								RECEIPTS									
					£	s	d	Sales:							£	s	d
Seeds and Manures (for crops)	—	—	—		22	10	0	Butterfat	—	—	—	—	—	—	5,621	12	10
<b>Sharemilker's Account:</b>																	
Share of milk cheques	—	—	—		3,372	19	4										
<b>Balance, being Gross Profit transferred to Profit and Loss Account</b>	—	—	—		2,226	3	6										
					£5,621	12	10								£5,621	12	10

<b>Realty Account:</b>	£	s	d	£	s	d	<b>Gross Profit transferred from Farm</b>	£	s	d	£	s	d
Rates and Insurance — — — —	86	3	10				Working Account — — — —				2,226	3	6
Land Tax — — — —	5	16	8										
Repairs and upkeep:							<b>Rebate:</b>						
Buildings — — — —	11	7	4				Farmers' Co-op. Org. Society Ltd. —	3	19	7			
Fencing — — — —	45	12	5				Newton King Ltd. — — — —	2	1	1			
Drainage — — — —	17	7	10								6	0	8
Replacing power poles to cowshed	33	18	10										
Metal for track and gateway —	15	0	0	215	6	11							
<b>Maintenance and General Expenses:</b>													
Grass seed, manure and lime —	276	1	5										
General expenses as per attached schedule — — — —	69	6	11	345	8	4							
<b>Capital Account:</b>													
Depreciation on plant — — —				10	17	0							
<b>Supervision Fees:</b>													
O. T. Parry—proportion of allowance — — — —				25	0	0							
<b>Charge for Administration</b> — — —				116	11	2							
<b>Balance, being Net Profit transferred to Devise Account</b> — — —				1,519	0	9							
				£2,232	4	2					£2,232	4	2



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### Farm Working Account

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# ESTATE OF ROBERT GIBSON

## Schedule of Assets and Liabilities as at 30th June, 1963.

### LIABILITIES

### ASSETS

	£	s	d	£	s	d
Cash:						
As per Estate Account	—	—	4,558 14 2			
As per Devise Account	—	—	39,125 1 0			
				43,683	15	2
Shares (not quoted—at par)						
Kaponga Co-op. Dairy Co. Ltd.						
636 £1 fully paid	—	—	636 0 0			
Farmers' Co-op. Org. Society of N.Z. Ltd.						
42 £1 ordinary fully paid	—	—	42 0 0			
Newton King Ltd.						
5 10/- ordinary fully paid	—	—	2 10 0			
5 5/- ordinary fully paid	—	—	1 5 0			
				681	15	0
Plant (Top Farm):						
G.V.B. Milking Plant & Sundries			223 14 9			
Less depreciation previously written off	—	—	175 5 4			
Depreciation written off to 30-6-63	—	—	4 16 10			
				180	2	2
				43	12	7
Insurance: National, £200.						
Plant (Bottom Farm):						
L.K.G. Milking Plant & Sundries			415 8 9			
Less depreciation previously written off	—	—	306 18 0			
Depreciation written off to 30-6-63	—	—	10 17 0			
				317	15	0
				97	13	9



Insurance: Taranaki Farmers'  
Mutual, £465.

**FARM PROPERTIES:**  
Riverlea.

(a) Top Farm:

Area: Approximately 159 acres.

Insurance: National, £2400.

Sharemilker: D. P. O'Leary.

(b) Bottom Farm:

Area: Approximately 160 acres.

Insurance: Taranaki Farmers'  
Mutual, £4000.

Sharemilker: Renwick.

Cs.T. 46/67 and 37/250.

Total area: 319 acres 2 roods 30  
perches.

**Total Government Valuation 1-10-61:**

Unimproved £11,600.

Improvements £19,980, Planting  
£200.

Capital — — — — —

31,780 0 0

**NOTE: Liabilities not assessed:**  
Charge for administration.

Balance.

£76,286 16 6

# ESTATE OF ROBERT GIBSON

Statement of Account, 30th June, 1962, to 30th June, 1963.

## ESTATE ACCOUNT

(Held in terms of Paragraph 7 of Will as amended by Paragraph 6 of Court Order.)

PAYMENTS				RECEIPTS			
	£	s	d		£	s	d
Balance	—	—	—	Balance Brought Forward	—	—	—
	4,558	14	2	Public Trust Office:	4,370	5	10
				Interest:			
				31-3-62 to 31-12-62 at 4½%			
				1-1-63 to 31-3-63 at 4½%	188	8	4
					£4,558	14	2
	£4,558	14	2	Balance	—	—	—
					£4,558	14	2

## DEVISE ACCOUNT

PAYMENTS				RECEIPTS			
	£	s	d		£	s	d
Realty Improvements Account:				Balance Brought Forward	—	—	—
Cattle Stop (Bottom Farm)	48	0	0	Plant Account:	34,603	0	8
Sundry Expenses	1	9	8	Depreciation transferred:			
Balance	39,125	1	0	Top Farm	4	16	10
				Bottom Farm	10	17	0
					15	13	10
				Farm Accounts:			
				Net Profit transferred:			
				Top Farm	1,582	1	1
				Bottom Farm	1,519	0	9
					3,101	1	10
				Public Trust Office:			
				Interest:			
				31-3-62 to 31-12-62 at 4½%			
				1-1-63 to 31-3-63 at 4½%	1,452	14	8
				Dividend:			
				Farmers' Co-op. Org. Society to			
				31-7-62	1	16	8
				Newton King Ltd. to 17-10-62	3	0	
					1	19	8
					£39,174	10	8
	£39,174	10	8	Balance	—	—	—
					£39,125	1	0



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G. G. SLATER,  
Budget Treasurer.

**Statement of Receipts and Payments for Year Ended 30th June, 1963.**

\*Includes f812/10/- paid for work not yet done.  
Audited and found correct.  
Wellington, 17th September, 1963.  
D. TAYLER, B.Com., F.R.A.N.Z.

E. G. HEGGIE (Chairman).  
G. G. SLATER (Treasurer).



# METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND—DEPARTMENT OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

## Income and Expenditure Account for Year Ended 30th June, 1963

EXPENDITURE				INCOME			
	£	s	d		£	s	d
To Directors' Salaries, Superannuation and Allowances .. .. .	2,628	14	7	By Budget .. .. .	5,539	0	0
" Office Salaries and Superannuation .. .. .	1,244	0	5	" Bookroom Grant .. .. .	1,600	0	0
" Rent — Office Space .. .. .	156	0	0	" Duplicating .. .. .	45	19	8
" Parsonage Property Expenses .. .. .	126	10	7	" Interest .. .. .	15	7	6
" Connexional Charges .. .. .	36	0	0	" Family Camps .. .. .	66	12	2
" Grants — D.E.Cs., etc. .. .. .	130	0	0	" Excess Expenditure over Income .. .. .	499	16	10
" Travelling Expenses .. .. .	674	17	4				
" Christian Education Handbook .. .. .	349	13	5				
" Home Sunday School and Bible Class .. .. .	212	1	7				
" Depreciation .. .. .	460	0	0				
" Printing and Stationery .. .. .	934	2	10				
" Postages .. .. .	175	2	6				
" General Expenses .. .. .	355	11	6				
" Insurances .. .. .	35	11	9				
" Order of St Stephen .. .. .	76	6	6				
" Leadership Training .. .. .	90	11	9				
" National C.Y.M.M. Council .. .. .	54	15	6				
" Audio Visuals .. .. .	4	17	10				
" Department Alterations .. .. .	21	18	1				
	£7,766	16	2		£7,766	16	2

# METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND—DEPARTMENT OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Balance Sheet as at 30th June, 1963

LIABILITIES						ASSETS							
	£	s	d	£	s	d		£	s	d	£	s	d
Sundry Creditors .. .. .				417	18	7	P.O.S.B.—Special Appeal Fund ..	99	6	1			
Home Mission Board Loan (secured by Mortgage on Wgtn. Prop.) ..				1,262	1	3	—Car Fund .. .. .	310	12	1			
<b>Special Reserves:</b>							—Special Purposes Fund .. ..	888	9	9			
Special Appeal .. .. .	1,814	1	2				New Ventures Fund .. .. .	75	10	1			
Car Fund .. .. .	460	12	1				Furniture Fund .. .. .	309	14	8			
Special Purposes .. .. .	1,076	9	9								1,683	12	8
New Ventures .. .. .	675	10	1				Sundry Debtors .. .. .				312	6	5
Parsonage Furniture .. .. .	309	14	8				Department Alterations .. ..				402	15	1
Missions — Overseas .. .. .	111	19	6				Wellington Parsonage Property ..				5,562	5	9
Missions — Home & Maori .. ..	102	9	7				Parsonage Furniture .. .. .				662	14	3
Youth Conference .. .. .	305	13	6				Equipment .. .. .				620	18	10
Operation Solomons .. .. .	71	15	0				Films .. .. .				77	2	2
				4,928	5	4	Loan to Transport Trust Board (Special Appeal Investment) ..				750	0	0
Accumulated Fund (1/7/62) ..	6,062	9	0				Loan on Mortgage (Special Appeal, Car & New Venture Funds Invest.)				1,500	0	0
Less excess Expenditure over Income .. .. .	499	16	10				Stock (Printing and Stationery) ..				175	0	0
				5,562	12	2	Cash in Hand .. .. .				18	1	6
							National Bank of New Zealand ..				130	18	3
							Nat. Bank of New Zealand No. 2 A/c.				275	2	5
				£12,170	17	4					£12,170	17	4

I report that I have examined the books, accounts and vouchers of the Department of Christian Education of the Methodist Church of New Zealand for the year ended 30th June 1963, and have obtained all the explanations and information I have required in respect of these accounts. I certify that, in my opinion, the above Balance Sheet and the accompanying Income and Expenditure Account for the year are properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and fair statement of the financial position of the Board for the year.

Wellington.  
12th September, 1963.

T. M. STEPHENS, A.P.A.N.Z., Auditor.  
D. M. HAY, Treasurer.



# THE BOARD OF WELLINGTON METHODIST CHARITABLE & EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENTS

## Revenue Account for Year Ended 30th June, 1963

	£	s	d		£	s	d
To General Expenses .. .. .	125	16	6	By Interest .. .. .	1,158	12	1
„ Land Tax .. .. .	64	11	3	„ Rents .. .. .	1,925	5	0
	190	7	9		£3,083	17	1
„ Balance Carried Down .. .. .	2,893	9	4				
	£3,083	17	1	By Balance Brought Down .. .. .	2,893	9	4
To Masterton Children's Home .. .. .	1,446	14	8				
„ Rangiatea Maori Girls' Trust .. .. .	1,446	14	8				
	£2,893	9	4		£2,893	9	4

## Balance Sheet for Year Ended 30th June, 1963.

	£	s	d		£	s	d
Capital Account .. .. .	70,700	15	1	Wellington Property .. .. .	30,430	0	0
Masterton Home .. .. .				Masterton Property .. .. .	17,894	1	8
Capital Account .. .. .	24,405	15	6	Foxton Property .. .. .	3,660	0	0
Add Bequests .. .. .	771	13	0	N.Z. Government Stock .. .. .	15,307	6	2
Add Surplus Income .. .. .	339	5	8	N.Z. Government Stock, Newcombe Trust .. .. .	51	5	0
	25,516	14	2	Loans on Mortgage .. .. .	16,653	4	6
Newcombe Trust .. .. .				Deposit Transport Trust Board .. .. .	500	0	0
Prize Fund .. .. .	51	5	0	Post Office Savings Bank .. .. .	6	16	9
Add Interest .. .. .	4	10	0	National Savings Account .. .. .	1,684	12	10
	55	15	0	Australia and New Zealand Bank .. .. .	9,779	19	11
Rangiatea Maori College Trust .. .. .	846	14	8	Shares Wairarapa Building Society .. .. .	200	0	0
				Wellington C.C. Debentures .. .. .	300	0	0
				Rent and Interest Accrued .. .. .	652	12	1
	£97,119	18	11		£97,119	18	11

I report that I have examined the books, accounts and vouchers of the Board of the Wellington Methodist Charitable and Educational Endowments for the year ended 30th June, 1963 and have received all the information and explanations that I have required. I certify that, in my opinion, the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Board's affairs according to the best of my information and the explanations given to me and as shown by the books of the Board.

27th August, 1963.  
WELLINGTON, N.Z.

T. M. STEPHENS, A.P.A.N.Z.,  
Auditor.

**METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND  
REMOVAL EXPENSES FUND**

**STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS AND RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1963**

	£	s	d		£	s	d
Balances:				Removal Expenses	3,177	19	10
P.O.S.B., 1st July, 1962	25	14	2	General Expenses	9	12	0
B.N.Z., 1st July, 1962	201	1	11	Balance 30th June, 1963:			
Levies	4,000	0	0	P.O.S.B.	26	9	2
Interest	19	7	9	B.N.Z.	1,078	2	7
Refund Removal Expenses	45	19	9				
	£4,292	3	7		£4,292	3	7

**STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1963**

	£	s	d		£	s	d
Removal Expenses	3,132	0	1	Levies	4,000	0	0
General Expenses	9	12	0	Interest	19	7	9
Excess of Income over Expenditure for							
Year	877	15	8				
	£4,019	7	9		£4,019	7	9

**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1963**

	£	s	d		£	s	d
<b>Capital Account:</b>				<b>Post Office Savings Bank</b>	26	9	2
Balance 1st July, 1962	226	16	1	Bank of New Zealand	1,078	2	7
Add Excess of Income over							
Expenditure	877	15	8				
	1,104	11	9				
	£1,104	11	9		£1,104	11	9

Audited and found correct.  
F. M. SOWDEN, B.Com., A.R.A.N.Z., A.C.I.S.,  
Hon. Auditor. 16/9/63.

H. L. FIEBIG, W. E. CLOTHIER,  
Treasurers.



METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND—EPWORTH BOOKROOM (WELLINGTON)

**Statement of Accounts for Year Ended 30th June, 1963.**

### BALANCE SHEET

LIABILITIES						ASSETS							
	£	s	d	£	s	d		£	s	d	£	s	d
Sundry Creditors .. .. .				416	14	3	Sundry Debtors .. .. .	7,137	0	7			
Building Fund Reserve .. .. .				2,500	0	0	Less Sales in Advance .. .. .	3,967	5	10	3,169	14	9
Capital Account (1/7/62) .. .. .	8,011	8	1				Stock in Hand—						
Transferred to Dept. of Christian Ed.	1,600	0	0				Trade .. .. .	3,000	0	0			
	6,411	8	1				Printing and Stationery .. .. .	200	0	0	3,200	0	0
Profit for Year .. .. .	2,758	10	7	9,169	18	8	Equipment .. .. .				386	11	4
							Cash in Hand .. .. .				30	11	5
							National Bank of New Zealand .. .. .				5,299	15	5
				£12,086	12	11					£12,086	12	11

### TRADING ACCOUNT

LIABILITIES						ASSETS					
				£	s d					£	s d
To Stock (1/7/62)	..	..	..	..	2,000	0	By Sales ..	..	..	17,992	8 9
" Purchases ..	..	..	..	..	13,148	12 6	" Sales in Advance ..	..	..	4,015	6 8
" Sales in Advance ..	..	..	..	..	3,967	5 10	" Stock in Hand (30/6/63) ..	..	..	3,000	0 0
" Gross Profit ..	..	..	..	..	5,891	17 1					
					<u>£25,007</u>	<u>15 5</u>				<u>£25,007</u>	<u>15 5</u>

### PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

LIABILITIES					ASSETS						
£ s d					£ s d						
To General Expenses	..	..	238	11	8	By Gross Profit	..	..	5,891	17	1
" Printing and Stationery	..	..	181	11	2	" Interest	..	..	160	19	9
" Postages	..	..	291	7	10						
" Salaries	..	..	2,233	9	11						
" Depreciation	..	..	193	5	8						
" Rent	..	..	156	0	0						
" Net Profit	..	..	2,758	10	7						
			£6,052	16	10				£6,052	16	10

I report that I have examined the books, accounts and vouchers of the Epworth Bookroom (Wellington) for the year ended the 30th June, 1963, and have obtained all the explanations and information I have required in respect of the accounts. I certify that in my opinion, the above Balance Sheet and the Income and Expenditure Account are properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and fair statement of the financial position of the Bookroom for the year.

Wellington,  
18th September, 1963.

T. M. STEPHENS, A.P.A.N.Z.  
Auditor.

**METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND—SUPERNUMERARY FUND**  
**REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDING 30th JUNE, 1963**

EXPENDITURE						INCOME					
Working Expenditure:			£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d
Administration Charges .. ..			719	10	0				228	13	1
Actuarial Valuation Fee .. ..			262	16	9						
Audit Fee .. ..			67	10	0						
Stationery and General Expenses			214	15	11						
Government Earthquake Premiums			9	12	4						
						1,274	5	0			
Interest on Deposits .. ..						2,269	17	1			
Fund Disbursements:											
Annuities .. ..			11,309	15	6						
Furniture Grants .. ..			800	0	0						
						12,109	15	6			
Appropriations:											
Investment Fluctuation Provision			200	0	0						
Property Depreciation Provision			500	0	0						
Property Maintenance Provision ..			400	0	0						
						1,100	0	0			
Balance Transferred to Accumulated Funds .. ..						10,042	8	3			
						£26,796	5	10			
									£26,796	5	10



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We have examined the above Balance Sheet and Revenue Account and have compared them with the Books of the Fund. In our opinion the Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to show the true and correct financial position of the Fund as at 30th June, 1963.

CAYGILL, HIBBARD & MOORE,  
Auditors.  
6/9/1963.

# SUPERNUMERARY FUND BENEVOLENT BRANCH

Revenue Account for Year Ended 30th June, 1963.

EXPENDITURE				INCOME			
	£	s	d		£	s	d
To Grants .....	50	0	0	By Balance as at 30th June, 1962 .....	199	8	2
„ Balance as at 30/6/63 .....	263	17	9	„ Donations .....	42	4	10
				„ Interest .....	72	4	9
	£313	17	9		£313	17	9

## Balance Sheet as at 30th June, 1963.

LIABILITIES				ASSETS			
	£	s	d		£	s	d
Capital Account .....	1,400	0	0	Deposit—Supernumerary Fund .....	1,663	17	9
Revenue Account .....	263	17	9				
	£1,663	17	9		£1,663	17	9

We have examined the above Balance Sheet and Revenue Account and have compared them with the Books of the Fund. In our opinion the Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to show the true and correct financial position of the Fund as at 30th June, 1963.

H. L. FIEBIG,  
G. S. SALTER,  
Treasurers.

CAYGILL, HIBBARD & MOORE,  
Auditors.  
6/9/1963.



**METHODIST DEACONESS' RETIRING FUND**  
**CONTRIBUTORS' ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDING 30th JUNE, 1963**

EXPENDITURE						INCOME							
	£	s	d	£	s	d		£	s	d	£	s	d
To Retiring Allowances and Withdrawals .. .. .				2,138	2	1	By Balance as at 30/6/62 .. ..				20,723	8	2
„ Subsidies Refunded:							„ Contributions:						
Home Mission Bd. Contributions							Personal .. .. .	361	0	0			
Refunded .. .. .	63	13	1				Circuit .. .. .	279	0	0			
Overseas Mission Bd. Contributions							Home Mission Board .. ..	262	10	0			
Refunded .. .. .	88	5	3				Overseas Mission Board ..	291	15	0			
				151	18	4					1,194	5	0
„ Balance as at 30/6/63 .. ..				20,436	13	10	Interest .. .. .				809	1	1
				£22,726	14	3					£22,726	14	3

**REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDING 30th JUNE, 1963**

	£	s	d	£	s	d			£	s	d
To Interest to Contributors' Account				809	1	1	By Balance as at 30/6/62	.. .. .	603	8	11
„ Office Expenses:							„ Interest	.. .. .	1,021	2	2
Administration Charges .. ..	75	0	0								
Audit Fee, Stationery and General Expenses .. ..	13	18	2								
				88	18	2					
„ Balance as at 30/6/63 .. .. .				726	11	10					
				£1,624	11	1			£1,624	11	1

**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1963**

LIABILITIES						ASSETS					
	£	s	d				£	s	d		
Personal Accounts .. .. .				20,436	13	10	Debentures and Government Stock .. ..	1,800	0	0	
Capital Account .. .. .				2,500	0	7	Debenture Interest Accrued .. .. .	15	4	1	
Revenue Account .. .. .				726	11	10	Deposit—Supernumerary Fund .. .. .	21,556	7	2	
							Sundry Debtors .. .. .	291	15	0	
				£23,663	6	3		£23,663	6	3	

We have examined the above Balance Sheet and Revenue Account and have compared them with the Books of the Fund. In our opinion the Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to show the true and correct financial position of the Fund as at 30th June, 1963.

H. L. FIEBIG,  
G. S. SALTER,  
Treasurers.

CAYGILL, HIBBARD & MOORE,  
Auditors.  
6/9/1963.

# METHODIST CONFERENCE CONTINGENT FUND

## Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for Year Ended 30/6/63

RECEIPTS				EXPENDITURE			
	£	s	d		£	s	d
To Balance 1/7/62				By Cost of Conference:			
Balance in Bank	1,466	17	9	(a) Travel to Christchurch			
Less Dr. Balances in Districts	156	10	10	Equalisation Fund	650	0	0
				Official Representatives	527	17	5
" Connexional Budget Grant							1,177 17 5
" District Collections & Interest:				(b) Printing and General			
Northland	2	3	5	Supplementary Agendas,			
Auckland	17	6	0	1961	193	7	1
South Auckland	16	0	3	Agendas, 1962	396	10	8
Taranaki/Wanganui	10	3	4	Supplementary Agendas,			
Hawke's Bay/Manawatu	13	4	9	1962	110	15	0
Wellington	11	16	11	Minutes	828	8	6
Nelson	9	18	3	Station Lists	28	13	4
North Canterbury	9	17	3	Financial Statements	43	2	9
South Canterbury	5	18	1	Miscellaneous Printing and			
Otago/Southland	14	18	5	Stationery	78	14	3
				Secretary's Expenses	55	0	0
" Collections:				Platform Staff	35	0	0
Opening of Conference	89	0	2				1,769 11 7
Ordination Service	68	14	3	" District Expenses:			
Collections Pres. Visit	31	2	2	Northland	110	18	1
				Auckland	203	5	11
" Sales:				South Auckland	233	8	4
Agendas for Conference	39	12	0	Taranaki/Wanganui	7	11	5
Minutes for Conference	170	11	9	Hawke's Bay/Manawatu	73	14	10
Communion Booklets	50	8	8	Wellington	89	16	11
Circuit Schedules	45	0	0	Nelson	89	7	1
Miscellaneous	98	1	6	North Canterbury	38	18	10
				South Canterbury	96	7	5
" Interest				Otago/Southland	221	16	0
							1,165 4 10
				" Synod Expenses:			
				Northland	62	14	6
				Auckland	18	16	6
				South Auckland	74	19	6
				Taranaki/Wanganui	44	12	5
				Hawke's Bay/Manawatu	45	3	9
				Wellington	101	4	1
				Nelson	70	9	7
				North Canterbury			
				South Canterbury	6	18	8
				Otago/Southland	51	9	7
							476 8 7



# CONTINGENT FUND—Continued

" Synod Standing Committee				
North Auckland .. .. .	90	0	0	
South Auckland .. .. .	127	7	0	
Hawkes Bay/Manawatu .. ..	50	16	0	
North Canterbury .. .. .	28	17	11	
South Canterbury .. .. .	9	9	8	
Otago/Southland .. .. .	24	1	7	
				330 12 2
" Church Council				
Auckland .. .. .	49	16	0	
South Auckland .. .. .	5	11	0	
North Canterbury .. .. .	10	5	0	
South Canterbury .. .. .	16	11	9	
				82 3 9
" Connexional Payments				
President's Bal. 1961/62 ..	90	12	2	
President's Personal Allowance	65	0	0	
President's Travel & Expenses	200	0	0	
President's Print. & Stationery	11	14	6	
President's Supply .. .. .	25	0	0	
Vice Pres. Pendant .. .. .	27	10	0	
Vice Pres. Travel .. .. .	115	10	0	
Printing Membership Certificates	103	5	6	
Printing Notes of Removal ..	87	2	3	
Church Union .. .. .	179	2	4	
Finance & Budget Comm. ..	83	13	9	
E.A.C.C. Consultation .. ..	181	9	0	
Investment Trust Board Com.	50	0	0	
Methodist Times Committee ..	155	15	0	
Comm. of Structure .. .. .	21	5	0	
Care of Dependent Children ..	100	0	0	
Examination Com. Expenses	37	7	6	
Schools of Theology .. .. .	274	8	6	
General Connexional Payments	69	0	9	
				1,877 16 3

# CONTINGENT FUND—Continued

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I hereby certify that I have examined the books and vouchers of The Methodist Conference Contingent Fund together with the District Chairmen's financial statements for the year ended 30th June, 1963, and in my opinion the above Account is properly drawn up to show a true and correct view of the Fund at that date.

<b>Grants</b>			
Public Question Committee ..	25	0	0
International Affairs Committee ..	30	0	0
Temperance Committee ..	25	0	0
Radio Committee ..	30	0	0
Faith and Order Committee ..	10	0	0
Public Affairs Committee ..	5	0	6
Ecumenical Committee ..	15	0	0
Spiritual Healing Committee ..	10	0	0
Welfare of the Church Com. ..	5	0	0
Methodist Times ..	500	0	0
World Council of Churches ..	250	6	3
World Methodist Council ..	25	0	0
Connexional Secretary ..	400	0	0
Wesley Historical Society ..	10	0	0
T.V. Commission, extra payment ..	20	0	6
University Expenses ..	19	13	6
			1,380 0 9
<b>Exchange and Bank Charges ..</b>			5 16 9
<b>Total Expenditure</b>			<b>8,265 12 1</b>
<b>Balance Bank of New Zealand</b>	1,872	12	11
<b>Less Amounts Due to Districts:</b>			
	Dr.	Cr.	
Northland	339	0	3
S. Auckland	20	8	11
Tara./Wanga.		9	12 0
H. Bay/Mana	95	2	7
Wellington	89	4	1
Nelson	10	3	7
Nth. Canter.		15	17 6
Sth. Canter.		12	7 10
Otago/South.	10	17	11
	564	17 4	37 17 4
		Dr.	527 0 0
			1,345 12 11
			1,345 12 11
			£9,611 5 0
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**METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND—MINISTERS' HOME ACQUIREMENT FUND**  
**CONTRIBUTORS' ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1963**

EXPENDITURE				INCOME			
	£	s	d		£	s	d
To Withdrawals .. .. .	2,037	6	8	By Balance as at 30/6/62 .. .. .	30,653	1	6
" Forfeitures .. .. .	69	10	0	" Personal Subscriptions .. .. .	1,124	13	10
" Balance as at 30/6/63 .. .. .	31,345	7	5	" Fire Insurance Subsidy .. .. .	484	0	0
				" Interest to Contributors .. .. .	1,190	8	9
	£33,452	4	1		£33,452	4	1

**REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1963**

	£	s	d		£	s	d
Interest to Contributors .. .. .	1,190	8	9	Balance as at 30/6/62 .. .. .	183	3	1
Administration Charges .. .. .	95	10	0	Forfeitures .. .. .	69	10	0
Stationery and General Expenses .. .. .	26	19	10	Interest on Deposits and Investments .. .. .	1,264	3	8
Balance as at 30/6/63 .. .. .	122	9	10				
	203	18	2				
	£1,516	16	9		£1,516	16	9

**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1963**

LIABILITIES				ASSETS			
	£	s	d		£	s	d
Personal Accounts .. .. .	31,345	7	5	Debentures .. .. .	1,000	0	0
Revenue Account Surplus .. .. .	203	18	2	Debenture Interest Accrued .. .. .	8	8	4
				Deposit A/c.—Supernumerary Fund .. .. .	30,540	17	3
	£31,549	5	7		£31,549	5	7

We have examined the above Balance Sheet and Revenue Account and have compared them with the Books of the Fund. In our opinion the Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to show the true and correct financial position of the Fund as at 30th June, 1963.

H. L. FIEBIG,  
G. S. SALTER,  
Treasurers.

CAYGILL, HIBBARD & MOORE,  
Auditors.  
6/9/1963.

**METHODIST HOME MISSIONARIES' RETIRING FUND**  
**CONTRIBUTORS' ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1963**

EXPENDITURE				INCOME			
	£	s	d		£	s	d
To Retiring Allowances and Withdrawals .. ..	2,304	2	1	By Balance as at 30/6/62 .. ..	2,524	6	5
„ Balance as at 30/6/63 .. ..	846	3	9	<b>Contributions:</b>			
				Personal .. ..	187	10	0
				Circuit .. ..	144	15	0
				Home Mission Board .. ..	178	0	0
					510	5	0
				Interest .. ..	115	14	5
	£3,150	5	10		£3,150	5	10

**REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1963**

	£	s	d		£	s	d
Interest to Contributors' Account .. ..	115	14	5	By Balance as at 30/6/62 .. ..	49	5	6
<b>Office Expenses:</b>				„ Interest .. ..	96	9	2
Administration Charges .. ..	10	0	0				
Audit Fee, Stationery and General Expenses .. ..	13	9	5				
		23	9				
Balance as at 30/6/63 .. ..		6	10				
	£145	14	8		£145	14	8

**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1963**

LIABILITIES				ASSETS			
	£	s	d		£	s	d
Personal Accounts .. ..	846	3	9	Debentures and Government Stock .. ..	375	0	0
Capital Account .. ..	584	15	0	Debenture Interest Accrued .. ..	3	4	9
Revenue Account .. ..		6	10	Deposit Account—Supernumerary Fund .. ..	1,059	4	10
	£1,437	9	7		£1,437	9	7

We have examined the above Balance Sheet and Revenue Account and have compared them with the Books of the Fund. In our opinion the Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to show the true and correct financial position of the Fund as at 30th June, 1963.

H. L. FIEBIG,  
G. S. SALTER,  
Treasurers.

CAYGILL, HIBBARD & MOORE,  
Auditors.  
6/9/1963.



**METHODIST GENERAL PURPOSES TRUST BOARD (INC.)**  
**REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDING 30th JUNE, 1963**

EXPENDITURE				INCOME			
	£	s	d		£	s	d
To Interest on Trust Accounts .. .. .	3,242	4	11	By Interest Earned .. .. .	4,430	16	1
„ Administration .. .. .	500	0	0	„ Commission .. .. .	64	15	8
„ Stationery and General Expenses .. .. .	160	11	0				
„ Mortgage Insurance .. .. .	2	11	0				
„ Excess Income over Expenditure .. .. .	590	4	10				
	£4,495	11	9		£4,495	11	9

**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1963**

LIABILITIES				ASSETS			
	£	s	d		£	s	d
Personal and Church Trusts .. .. .			74,656	1	5		
<b>T. W. Newbold Trust:</b>							
Capital A/c. as at 30/6/62 .. .. .	10,228	7	8	<b>Current Assets:</b>			
Transfer from Revenue Account .. .. .	385	17	9	Bank of New Zealand .. .. .	978	7	11
			10,614	5	5		
<b>Winstone Memorial Fund:</b>				Supernumerary Fund Deposit .. .. .	3,239	3	9
Permanent Capital as at 30/6/62 .. .. .	30,183	6	3				4,217
Transfer from Revenue Account .. .. .	618	6	1				11
			30,801	12			8
Grants Capital as at 30/6/62 .. .. .	10,830	7	10	<b>Sundry Debtors and Accruals:</b>			
Plus Revenue Less Grants .. .. .	1,454	4	6	Personal Trusts .. .. .	25	9	3
			12,284	12	4		
<b>General Purposes Trust Board</b>				Winstone Trust .. .. .	802	1	2
<b>Capital Fund:</b>				Interest Accrued on Mortgages .. .. .	163	0	3
Balance at 30/6/62 .. .. .	2,104	4	2	Interest Accrued on Debentures .. .. .	977	14	1
Plus Revenue .. .. .	590	4	10				1,968
			2,694	9			4
			£131,051	0			6
				<b>Investments:</b>			
				Debentures & Government Stock .. .. .	77,688	14	6
				Less Investment Fluctuation .. .. .			
				Reserve .. .. .	996	17	0
							76,691
							17
							6
				Mortgages .. .. .	17,488	7	3
				Loans to Trust against Dep. .. .. .	3,539	2	8
				Loan to Methodist Transport Board (Winstone Trust) .. .. .	7,000	0	0
							104,719
							7
							5
				<b>Freehold Property:</b>			
				Winstone Trust .. .. .			20,145
							16
							8
							£131,051
							0
							6

We have examined the above Balance Sheet and Revenue Account and have compared them with the Books of the Fund. In our opinion the Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to show the true and correct financial position of the Fund as at 30th June, 1963.

H. L. FIEBIG,  
G. S. SALTER,  
Treasurers.

CAYGILL, HIBBARD & MOORE,  
Auditors.  
6/9/1963.

# MAORI MISSION

## STATISTICAL RETURNS, 1963

	NORTHLAND	AUCKLAND	SOUTH AUCKLAND	KING COUNTRY	TARANAKI	TOTALS for 1963	TOTALS for 1962	INCREASES	DECREASES
<b>General—</b>									
Number of Churches ..	13	3	..	1	1	18	18	..	..
Other Preaching Places ..	18	31	58	35	20	162	156	6	..
Parsonages ..	2	2	2	2	1	9	8	1	..
Ordained Ministers ..	2	2	1	1	1	7	7	..	..
Home Missionaries (full time)	..	1	3	1	1	6	6	..	..
„ (part time or Honorary)	8	1	7	6	1	23	25	..	2
Deaconesses ..	3	5	5	2	3	18	18	..	..
Local Preachers ..	3	6	7	..	..	16	12	4	..
<b>Membership—</b>									
Members in full status ..	468	604	366	372	310	2120	2167	..	47
Number received in reception	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Services during the year ..	7	..	6	15	3	31	13	18	..
Methodist Adherents ..	230	511	4000	620	278	5639	5402	237	..
<b>Youth—</b>									
Regular Sunday Schools	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Weekly ..	4	8	13	3	1	29	42	..	13
Fortnightly ..	2	2	36	1	19	60	38	22	..
Monthly ..	18	3	15	10	..	46	41	5	..
Totals ..	24	13	64	14	20	135	121	14	..



Sunday School Scholars ..	52	165	104	84	12	417	640	..	223
Weekly .. ..	16	14	324	16	435	805	688	117	..
Fortnightly .. ..	365	19	126	215	..	725	722	3	..
Monthly .. ..	433	198	554	315	447	1947	2050	..	103
Totals .. ..									
Bible Classes—									
Weekly .. ..	2	..	1	..	11	14	13	1	..
Fortnightly .. ..	..	..	1	1	..	2	2	..	..
Monthly .. ..	2	..	7	3	11	23	25	..	2
Totals .. ..									
Bible Class Members—									
Weekly .. ..	12	..	9	..	150	171	196	..	25
Fortnightly .. ..	..	..	7	7	..	14	23	..	9
Monthly .. ..	12	..	79	25	150	266	358	..	92
Totals .. ..									
Pastoral Care—									
Number of Families ..	254	560	900	569	435	2718	2614	104	..
Number of Persons ..	1476	1940	5000	3189	1820	13425	12901	524	..
Regular Womens' Organisations—									
Fellowships and Guilds—									
Weekly .. ..	1	..	2	..	..	3	1	2	..
Fortnightly .. ..	12	6	2	2	4	26	18	8	..
Monthly .. ..	13	6	5	2	4	30	21	9	..
Totals .. ..									
Number of Members ..									
Weekly .. ..	16	..	15	..	..	31	10	21	..
Fortnightly .. ..	106	63	16	32	62	279	203	76	..
Monthly .. ..	122	63	37	32	62	316	235	81	..
Totals .. ..									

# SOLOMON ISLANDS DISTRICT

## STATISTICAL RETURNS, 1963

	DISTRICT	ROVIANA	MAROVO	VELLA LAVELLA	CHOISEUL	BUIN	KIETA	TEOP	BUKA	Totals for 1963	Totals for 1962
<b>A—Buildings, Etc.</b>											
No. of Churches ..		23	30	19	36	57	26	37	32	260	246
Other Preaching Places		6	—	—	2	5	—	—	4	17	16
<b>B—Staffing</b>											
Ministers ..	2	4	2	2	2	2	1	2	2	19	17
Deaconesses (Sisters)		—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	2	16
Catechists ..		4	1	6	6	4	—	3	5	29	29
Pastors ..		4	2	2	1	21	15	15	6	66	62
Pastor-Teachers ..		13	7	31	34	37	11	14	12	159	163
Local Preachers ..		54	17	139	74	25	12	15	22	358	316
Class Leaders ..		13	—	5	—	—	4	—	31	53	54
<b>C—Membership</b>											
Members ..		969	341	919	1756	1228	777	456	1002	7448	7205
Youth Roll ..		1025	551	1460	1944	1046	516	803	909	8254	8625
Adherents ..		1176	139	820	360	1131	176	692	617	5111	4457
Totals ..		3170	1031	3199	4060	3405	1469	1951	2528	20813	20287
<b>D—Young People's Work</b>											
Sunday Schools ..		20	13	34	35	25	22	15	20	184	175
S.S. Teachers ..		47	24	28	51	20	33	20	37	260	
S.S. Scholars ..		849	351	738	972	347	375	497	469	4824	4947
Bible Classes ..		8	3	6	12	14	7	10	9	69	
Bible Class Leaders		11	3	10	15	14	7	10	9	79	
Bible Class Members		303	120	141	257	194	90	120	169	1394	
Boy's Brigade Coys.		4	1	1	8	2	5	3	2	26	12
B.B. Officers ..	1	9	1	2	8	3	5	5	4	38	15
B.B. Boys ..		132	35	80	142	90	75	82	58	694	398



G.L.B. Companies		1	1	1	2	2	1	1	1	10	13
G.L.B. Officers ..		3	2	2	2	2	1	3	5	20	24
G.L.B. Girls ..		46	50	30	51	123	28	41	45	414	491
G.L.B. Cadet Coys.		1	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	3	3
G.L.B. Cadet Officers		2	3	-	-	-	-	1	-	6	6
G.L.B. Cadets ..		33	12	-	-	-	-	12	-	57	57
<b>E—Educational</b>											
Schools .. ..		22	13	31	36	24	6	11	14	157	157
Overseas Trained											
Teachers .. ..	2	2		1	1	3		1	1	11	
Local trained Tchrs. Kekesu, Kukum		6	1	7	8	24	8	14	15	83	83
Untrained Teachers		34	14	41	58	25	11	11	19	215	215
School Boys		521	185	613	624	443	204	246	393	3229	
School Girls ..		466	154	529	580	472	132	246	321	2900	6212
<b>F—Medical Work</b>											
No. of Hospitals ..		1	1	1	1	1	-	1	1	7	-
No of Aid Posts ..		2	1	3	-	6	2	-	1	15	-
Doctors .. ..		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
A.M.O.'s .. ..		1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Nursing Sisters ..	3	1	-	1	-	1	-	1	1	8	-
Staff Nurses & Dressers		2	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	3	-
Medical Assistants ..		19	2	9	6	13	2	2	4	57	32
<b>G—Overseas Staffing, etc.</b>											
Ministers .. ..	2	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	13	7
Laymen .. ..	3	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	4	
Laywomen .. ..	6	3	-	2	2	5	-	2	2	22	8

**HOME AND MAORI MISSION DEPARTMENT — GENERAL FUND**  
**STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED**  
**31st JULY, 1963**

RECEIPTS		PAYMENTS	
	£	£	£
<b>BALANCE AT 31st July, 1962:</b>		<b>DEBIT BALANCE AT 31st JULY, 1962:</b>	
Legacies for Disbursement . . . . .	3,401	General Account . . . . .	2,072
Removal Expenses Fund . . . . .	67	<b>LEGACY DISBURSEMENT</b>	
H.M. Training Conference . . . . .	108	<b>GRANTS:</b>	
Picture Department . . . . .	134	Investment Funds Board for	
E. W. Blackwell Trust . . . . .	306	Loan Repayments . . . . .	690
		Investment Funds Board for	
<b>LEGACIES</b> received during the		Deaconess Cottage Capital	
year . . . . .	1,774	A/cs . . . . .	300
<b>INCOME FROM CIRCUITS AND</b>		Kaikohe Parsonage . . . . .	500
<b>SUNDRY INCOME:</b>		Kaikohe Maori and Youth	
Maori Circuits . . . . .	1,011	Centre . . . . .	50
Sundry . . . . .	242	Northcote Central . . . . .	50
District Easter Camps, etc. . . . .	200	Massey . . . . .	50
	1,454	Te Atatu Parsonage . . . . .	50
<b>CONNEXIONAL BUDGET:</b>		Henderson Hall . . . . .	100
Second Budget—12 months . . . . .	29,514	Putaruru Parsonage . . . . .	50
Third Budget—1 month . . . . .	2,581	Te Kuiti Parsonage . . . . .	50
	32,095	Ohura Parsonage . . . . .	50
<b>M.W.M.U.</b> . . . . .	4,100	Waipukurau Church . . . . .	200
M.W.M.U. Smethurst Interest . . . . .	130	Upper Hutt . . . . .	200
	4,230	Cottle Street Parsonage . . . . .	100
Duplicating and Typing . . . . .	32	Pomare Trust (Taita Union) . . . . .	50
H.M. Removal Expense Fund—		Taihape Church . . . . .	100
Circuit Levies . . . . .	8	Inglewood . . . . .	50
E. W. Blackwell Trust—Share		Reefton Hall . . . . .	50
of Income . . . . .	286	Aldred Memorial . . . . .	50
Sundry Receipts and Refunds	28	Broad Bay . . . . .	100
Picture Department, Grant for		Christchurch C. Mission for	
Plant Replacement . . . . .	50	Hastel . . . . .	100
<b>INVESTMENT FUNDS BOARD</b>	3,478	Maori Mission A/c for	
		Service Books . . . . .	200
		Orakei Urupa Church . . . . .	100
		Clark's Beach . . . . .	100
		Te Kuiti Parsonage . . . . .	100
		Te Puke . . . . .	100
		Masham . . . . .	100
		Tuakau Parsonage . . . . .	50
		Marion Ave. Parsonage . . . . .	50
		Bluff . . . . .	50
		Grant in lieu of Superan-	
		nuation Subsidy . . . . .	150
			3,940
		<b>EDITH WINSTONE BLACKWELL</b>	
		<b>TRUST GRANTS:</b>	
		Takapuna . . . . .	25
		Birkenhead . . . . .	30
		Auckland South . . . . .	25
		Kaipara . . . . .	25
		Putaruru . . . . .	25
		Waitara . . . . .	25
		Upper Hutt . . . . .	25
		Hokitika . . . . .	25
		Riccarton . . . . .	25
		Spreydon . . . . .	25
		Western Southland . . . . .	25
			280
		<b>MAORI MISSION:</b>	
		(a) <b>Maori Mission Account:</b>	
		Stipends . . . . .	14,203
		Travelling . . . . .	2,171
		Maori Ministers' Car A/cs . . . . .	1,550
		Deaconess Car A/c . . . . .	1,650
		Circuit Expenses . . . . .	512
		(b) <b>European Minister in Maori</b>	
		<b>Work:</b>	
		Stipend . . . . .	764
		Travelling . . . . .	325
		Investment Funds Board	
		Rents (7) . . . . .	1,100
		Connexional Charges . . . . .	237
<b>Carried forward . . . . .</b>	<b>£47,454</b>	<b>Carried forward . . . . .</b>	<b>£6,292</b>



## HOME AND MAORI MISSION DEPARTMENT — GENERAL FUND

## Statement of Receipts and Payments—continued

RECEIPTS		PAYMENTS	
	£		£
Brought forward . . . . .	£47,454	Brought forward . . . . .	6,292
		(c) Maori Work General:	
		Maori Section N.C.C. . . . .	36
		Students' Fees . . . . .	180
		Workers' Conference . . . . .	100
		South Island Travel . . . . .	100
		Contingencies . . . . .	20
		Removal Expenses . . . . .	82
		Mission Hill Rent . . . . .	150
		Auckland Maori Centre . . . . .	34
			23,214
		CIRCUIT GRANTS:	
		Northland District:	
		Hikurangi . . . . .	137
		North Hokianga . . . . .	403
		Whangaroa-Bay of Islands . . . . .	130
		Whangaroa . . . . .	65
		Kakiohe-Bay of Islands . . . . .	100
		Paparoa . . . . .	75
			910
		Auckland District:	
		Kaipara . . . . .	125
		Whangaparaoa . . . . .	165
		Bombay-Tuakau . . . . .	225
		Auckland West . . . . .	100
		Birkenhead . . . . .	215
		Mahurangi . . . . .	75
		Onehunga . . . . .	138
		Takapuna . . . . .	125
		Auckland East . . . . .	127
		Henderson . . . . .	160
		Papatoetoe . . . . .	90
		Auckland South . . . . .	175
			1,720
		South Auckland District:	
		Coromandel . . . . .	25
		Kawhia . . . . .	22
		Taumarunui . . . . .	100
		Ngaruawahia . . . . .	100
		Te Kuiti . . . . .	235
		Hauraki Plains . . . . .	128
		Putaruru-Tokoroa . . . . .	755
		Opoiki . . . . .	85
		Ohura . . . . .	110
		Huntly . . . . .	187
		Kawerau . . . . .	50
		Rotorua . . . . .	413
		Te Awamutu . . . . .	25
			2,235
		Taranaki-Wanganui District:	
		Ingiltwood . . . . .	150
		Raetihi-Ohakune . . . . .	50
		Manaia . . . . .	113
		Marton . . . . .	42
		Taihape . . . . .	215
		Waitara . . . . .	100
		Opunake Maori Centre . . . . .	75
			745
		Hawke's Bay - Manawatu District:	
		Waipawa . . . . .	200
		Dannevirke . . . . .	25
		Apiti . . . . .	30
		Wairoa . . . . .	40
			295
		Wellington District:	
		Paraparaumu . . . . .	125
		Taita Union . . . . .	65
		Wainui-o-Mata Union . . . . .	575
		Upper Hutt . . . . .	377
		Porirua . . . . .	200
			1,342
Carried forward . . . . .	£47,454	Carried forward . . . . .	£36,753

## HOME AND MAORI MISSION DEPARTMENT — GENERAL FUND

## Statement of Receipts and Payments—continued

RECEIPTS		PAYMENTS	
	£	£	£
Brought forward . . . . .	£47,454	Brought forward . . . . .	36,753
		<b>CIRCUIT GRANTS—cont.</b>	
		<b>Nelson District:</b>	
		Westport . . . . .	138
		Reefton . . . . .	125
		Hokitika . . . . .	125
		Murchison . . . . .	25
			413
		<b>North Canterbury District:</b>	
		Riccarton . . . . .	175
		Woolston-Lyttelton . . . . .	75
		Springston . . . . .	188
		St. Albans . . . . .	87
		Spreydon . . . . .	175
			700
		<b>South Canterbury District:</b>	
		Willowby . . . . .	50
			50
		<b>Otago-Southland District:</b>	
		Dunedin West . . . . .	125
		Cromwell-Alexandra . . . . .	105
		St. Kilda . . . . .	100
		Milton . . . . .	275
		Dunedin Central . . . . .	113
		Roxburgh . . . . .	50
		Dundas Street . . . . .	75
		Western Southland . . . . .	175
		North Dunedin . . . . .	100
			1,118
		<b>SUNDRY GRANTS:</b>	
		Church Sites Fund . . . . .	400
		Colportage Society of Otago-Southland . . . . .	37
		Methodist Social Services Assn. . . . .	20
		Wesley Circulating Library . . . . .	25
		Seamer House Hostel . . . . .	200
		Picture Department, Plant Replacement . . . . .	50
		Te Kopua Mission Memorial . . . . .	45
		Karitane Memorial . . . . .	25
		The Rev. R. Rogers, Cook Is. Visit . . . . .	25
		Compassionate Grants . . . . .	27
			854
		<b>RETIRING FUNDS:</b>	
		Home Missionaries . . . . .	169
		Deaconess . . . . .	468
			637
		<b>OFFICE AND GENERAL EXPENSES:</b>	
		Office Salaries . . . . .	719
		Office Rent . . . . .	203
		Expenses, Postage, Exchange etc. . . . .	68
		Light and Power . . . . .	24
		Telephones and Tolls . . . . .	93
		Printing and Stationary . . . . .	167
		Audit Expenses . . . . .	16
			1,290
		<b>SUNDRY PAYMENTS:</b>	
		Connexional Charges . . . . .	66
		Deputation and Publicity . . . . .	268
		Share of Lotu . . . . .	110
		Employer's Liability Insurance . . . . .	42
		Office Equipment . . . . .	19
		Consultation on Industry . . . . .	213
		Sundry Expenses . . . . .	68
		Staff Suprannuation . . . . .	21
			807
Carried forward . . . . .	£47,454	Carried forward . . . . .	£42,622



## Statement of Receipts and Payments—continued

RECEIPTS		PAYMENTS	
	£		£
Brought forward . . . . .	42,622	Brought forward . . . . .	42,622
		<b>GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT:</b>	
		Stipend . . . . .	764
		General Allowance . . . . .	50
		Travelling . . . . .	409
			1,223
		<b>ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT:</b>	
		Stipend . . . . .	764
		General Allowance . . . . .	50
		Travelling . . . . .	291
			1,105
		<b>RENT TO INVESTMENT FUNDS</b>	
		<b>BOARD:</b>	
		Two Parsonages . . . . .	400
			400
		<b>PICTURE DEPARTMENT . . . .</b>	28
		<b>BALANCES 31st JULY, 1963:</b>	
		General A/c . . . . .	187
		Legacies for Disbursement . .	1,236
		Removal Expenses Fund . .	76
		H.M. Training Conference . .	108
		Picture Dept. . . . .	157
		Edith Winstone Blackwell	
		Trust . . . . .	312
			2,076

**THE METHODIST HOME MISSION & CHURCH EXTENSION INVESTMENT FUNDS BOARD**  
**STATEMENT OF RECEIPT AND PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st JULY, 1963**

RECEIPTS	£	£
<b>BALANCE, Bank of New Zealand, 31/7/61:</b>		
Edith Winstone Black well Trust .....	212	
T. G. Brooke Memorial Fund .....	811	
Kawakawa Maori Centre .....	86	
Kinross St. Sales on A/c Avondale Circuit .....	1,656	
On Account of Capital .....	38	
	<u>2,803</u>	
On account of Maintenance .....	197	
		3,000
<b>CASH ON ACCOUNT OF CAPITAL:</b>		
Estate of M. Dixon .....	350	
" W. D. Thompson .....	22	
" R. J. Robinson .....	329	
" C. D. Hornwell .....	25	
" W. M. Astley .....	1,724	
" J. A. Pettigrew .....	738	
" W. J. Carman .....	200	
" M. H. Morley .....	728	
" F. Penn .....	100	
" Annie Wright .....	50	
" Hannah M. Pollard .....	200	
" Susan N. Spear .....	631	
" H. Millin .....	85	
" Ellen Sophia Jones .....	39	
Walters Farm Trust .....	50	
	<u>5,271</u>	
Less Proportion for Disbursement .....	1,165	
		4,106
<b>LEGACIES, PROPORTION FOR DISBURSEMENT</b> .....		1,165
<b>REPAYMENT OF SPECIAL LOANS</b> .....		10,495
Repayment of Special Loans — In Advance .....		133
<b>GOVERNMENT INSCRIBED STOCK MATURED</b> .....		2,670
<b>REPAYMENT OF MORTGAGE</b> .....		51
<b>REPAYMENT, OPONONI</b> .....		94
<b>NEW LOANS AT CALL</b> .....		8,692
<b>MORTGAGE, KAMO MAORI PARSONAGE</b> .....		2,560

PAYMENTS	£	£
<b>INTEREST TRANSFERRED TO HOME MISSION FUND:</b>		
Through Mornington .....	3	
Through Mornington .....	9	
Direct .....	3,466	
		<u>3,478</u>
<b>LEGACIES FOR DISBURSEMENT</b> .....		1,165
<b>CAPITAL INVESTED:</b>		
Special Loans .....	13,895	
Auckland Hospital Board Stock .....	1,300	
Space in Central Mission Building .....	2,000	
Post Office Savings Bank .....	1	
		<u>17,196</u>
<b>PROPERTIES:</b>		
Auckland Maori Girls' Hostel .....	540	
Kawakawa Maori Centre .....	38	
Otorohanga Maori Centre .....	246	
Te Kuiti Maori Centre .....	26	
Auckland Maori Parsonage .....	893	
Hawera Deaconess Cottage .....	156	
Hawtra Maori Parsonage .....	103	
11 Kakariki Avenue .....	605	
Kamo Maori Parsonage .....	4,661	
28 Mt. Albert Road .....	16	
New Plymouth Maori Parsonage Furniture .....	15	
Ngaruawahia Maori Parsonage .....	10	
Opunake Deaconess Cottage .....	72	
Te Kuiti Mission House .....	3	
Waima Maori Parsonage .....	41	
Maungawhare Parsonage Site .....	23	
		<u>7,448</u>
<b>REPAYMENT OF LOANS:</b>		
Auckland Maori Girls' Hostel .....	256	
Hamilton Maori Boys' Hostel .....	160	
Loans at Call .....	5,229	
		<u>5,645</u>
<b>EDITH WINSTONE BLACKWELL TRUST, Expended</b> ..		1,103



**NEW CAPITAL:**

Sinking Funds	923	
Dargaville Deaconess Cottage	100	
Auckland Maori Girls' Hostel	805	
Hamilton Maori Boys' Hostel	125	
Opunake Deaconess Cottage	100	
Kamo Maori Parsonage	100	
	<u>2,153</u>	
Kinross St. Property Sales	58	
<b>THE REV. &amp; MRS. T. G. BROOKE MEMORIAL FUND</b>	189	
<b>E. D. &amp; M. E. JONES LOAN REPAYMENT</b>	10	
<b>GEORGE BUTTLE CENTENNIAL GIFT</b>	15	
<b>THOMAS BUDDLE LIBRARY FUND</b>	5	
<b>NET INTEREST AND RENTS</b>	3,478	
<b>EDITH WINSTONE BLACKWELL TRUST: Net Rents</b>	1,177	
	<u>£40,051</u>	

**INTEREST DISBURSED:**

George Buttle Centennial Gift	15	
Thomas Buddle Library Fund	5	
	<u>20</u>	

**MAINTENANCE ACCOUNTS:**

Net Payments	42	
Sundry, Refund A/c Previous Year	38	

**BALANCES, Bank of New Zealand, 1963:**

Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust	285	
T. G. Brooke Memorial Fund	1,000	
Kinross St. Sales, on A/c Avondale Circuit	1,715	
On Account of Capital	761	
	<u>3,761</u>	
On Account of Maintenance	155	
	<u>3,916</u>	
	<u>£40,051</u>	

# THE METHODIST HOME MISSION & CHURCH EXTENSION INVESTMENT FUNDS BOARD

## BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st JULY, 1963

	£	£	£		ASSETS	£	£
<b>CREDITORS:</b>					<b>CASH—Bank of New Zealand:</b>		
Loans at Call . . . . .		53,550			Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust . . . . .	285	
T. G. Brooke Memorial Fund 31/7/62 . . . . .	811				T. G. Brooke Memorial Fund . . . . .	1,000	
Added during year . . . . .	189				Kinross St. Sales on A/c Avondale Circuit . . . . .	1,715	
Kamo Maori Parsonge Mortgage . . . . .		1,000			On account of Capital . . . . .	761	
Sundry . . . . .		2,560				3,761	
		133			On account of Maintenance . . . . .	155	3,916
		57,243					
<b>SUNDRY FUNDS:</b>					<b>INVESTMENTS:</b>		
George Bettle Centennial Gift Fund . . . . .		300			<b>Memorial Gifts, Auckland Drainage Board Stock:</b>		
Thomas Buddle Memorial Library Fund . . . . .		100			George Bettle Memorial Gift . . . . .	300	
		400			Thomas Buddle Library Fund . . . . .	100	400
E. D. & M. F. Jones Trust Account . . . . .		100					
Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust . . . . .		286			<b>GENERAL:</b>		
<b>RESERVES:</b>					Mortgage . . . . .	239	
Working Expenses Maintenance . . . . .		155			Government Inscribed Stock . . . . .	7,120	
Sinking Funds 31/7/62 . . . . .	8,559				Debentures and Stock . . . . .	19,300	
Added during year . . . . .	922				Sundry Shares . . . . .	4,296	
		9,481			Post Office Savings Bank . . . . .	34	30,989
Investment Reserve . . . . .		400			<b>Special Loans: E. D. &amp; M. E. Jones Trust . . . . .</b>	60	
Loan Repayment Reserve . . . . .		2,480			General . . . . .	84,581	
		12,516			Hamilton Maori Boys' Hostel . . . . .	2,480	
<b>MAORI CENTRES &amp; HOSTELS:</b>					Sundry Debtor, Sale of Property . . . . .	1,103	87,121
<b>Mortgages:</b>					<b>PROPERTIES:</b>		
Auckland Maori Girls' Hostel . . . . .	3,160				<b>Parsonages, etc. . . . .</b>		31,277
Less repaid during year . . . . .	255				<b>Maori Hostel &amp; Centres:</b>		
		2,905			Auckland Maori Girls' Hostel . . . . .	25,780	
Hamilton Maori Boys' Hostel . . . . .	1,680				Hamilton Maori Girls' Hostel . . . . .	12,299	
Less repaid during year . . . . .	160				Hamilton Maori Boys' Hostel . . . . .	11,953	
		1,520			Dargaville Maori Centre . . . . .	2,058	
		4,425			Hawera Maori Centre . . . . .	2,395	
<b>Capital Receipts to date:</b>					Kawakawa Maori Centre . . . . .	3,971	
Auckland Maori Girls' Hostel . . . . .		15,105			Otorohanga Maori Centre . . . . .	3,453	
Hamilton Maori Boys' Hostel . . . . .		9,123					
Hamilton Maori Girls' Hostel . . . . .		12,299					
Dargaville Maori Centre . . . . .		2,098					
Hawera Maori Centre . . . . .		2,372					
Kawakawa Maori Centre . . . . .		4,019					
Otorohanga Maori Centre . . . . .		425					



Te Kuiti Maori Centre . . . . .	850	Te Kuiti Maori Centre . . . . .	1,375
Opunake Deaconess Centre . . . . .	71	Opunake Deaconess Centre . . . . .	648
Hawera . . Deaconess Cottage . . . . .	383	Kawakawa Deaconess Cottage . . . . .	34
Hokianga Deaconess Cottage . . . . .	25		63,966
Dargaville Deaconess Cottage . . . . .	110	Mt. Wesley, Maungawhare . . . . .	1,866
Taheke Deaconess Cottage . . . . .	175	Mt. Wesley, Parsonage Site . . . . .	1,497
Opunake Deaconess Cottage . . . . .	100	Kaeo . . . . .	2,384
Kamo Maori Parsonage . . . . .	100	Kaeo Farm Development . . . . .	120
Kaeo Property Sales . . . . .	1,410	Opononi . . . . .	692
Kinross St. Property Sales . . . . .	1,715	Waimea . . . . .	100
	50,380	Kawhia (Te Waitere) . . . . .	100
<b>CAPITAL:</b>		Raglan . . . . .	50
Balance 31/7/62 . . . . .	96,971		6,809
Add Legacies and Gifts . . . . .	6,425	Space in Auckland Central Mission Building . . . . .	2,000
Less Transfers to Disbursement . . . . .	1,165		
	5,260		
	102,231		
	£227,581		£227,581

I have audited the Books and Accounts of the Methodist Home Mission and Church Extension Investment Funds Board for the year ended 31st July, 1963.

In my opinion the foregoing Balance Sheet shows the position of the Board's affairs according to the best of my information, and the explanations given to me and as shown by the Books of the Board at 31st July, 1963.

W. A. SMITH, F.P.A.N.Z., Auditor.

**EDITH WINSTONE BLACKWELL TRUST**  
**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st JULY, 1963**

EXPENDITURE		INCOME	
	£		£
Repairs . . . . .	137	Rent and Rates . . . . .	1,875
Rates . . . . .	279		<u>1,875</u>
Insurance . . . . .	188		
Commission . . . . .	94		
	<u>698</u>	Net Income Brought Down . . . . .	902
Depreciation Reserve . . . . .	275		
Net Income carried down . . . . .	902		
	<u>1,875</u>		
Transfer to Capital . . . . .	180		
Transfer to Maintenance Reserve . . . . .	150		
Transfer to Home Mission Fund . . . . .	286		
Transfer to Investment Funds Board . . . . .	286		
	<u>£902</u>		<u>£902</u>



### BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st JULY, 1963

	£	£	£
<b>CAPITAL:</b>			
Balance 31/7/62		12,374	
Added during year:			
From Income	180		
From Interest	110		
		290	
			12,664
<b>DEPRECIATION RESERVE:</b>			
Balance 31/7/62		4,119	
Added during year:			
From Income	275		
From Interest	191		
		466	
			4,585
<b>MAINTENANCE RESERVE:</b>			
Balance 31/7/62		819	
Added during year:			
From Income	150		
From Interest	38		
		188	
			1,007
Less Cost of Renovations			1,309
Amount overdrawn—see Contra			302
			<u>£17,241</u>

ASSETS		£	£
Buildings			10,000
<b>INVESTMENTS:</b>			
National Savings Investment		923	
Post Office Savings Bank		24	
Auckland Harbour Bridge Authority Stock		2,500	
Auckland Metropolitan Drainage Board Stock		2,500	
Waitemata County Council Stock		1,000	
		<hr/>	6,947
Maintenance Reserve overdrawn			302
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			£17,240

## SEAMER HOUSE ACCOUNT

## STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st JULY, 1963

RECEIPTS			PAYMENTS		
	£	£		£	£
Balance, Bank of New Zealand 31/7/62 . . . . .	643		Salary of Matron . . . . .		622
Add Petty Cash in hand . . . . .	15		Wages . . . . .		739
		658	Provisions . . . . .		1,043
Boarding Fees . . . . .		3,975	Light and Heat . . . . .		285
J. R. McKenzie Trust Board . . . . .		100	Cleaning and Laundry . . . . .		23
Canteen . . . . .		20	Repairs, Maintenance and Replacements . . . . .		409
			Rates and Insurances . . . . .		234
			Interest on Loan . . . . .		138
			Sundry Equipment and Furniture . . . . .		440
			Telephones . . . . .		39
			Sundry Expenses . . . . .		50
			Grounds . . . . .		36
			Deaconess Retiring Fund . . . . .		15
			Transfer to Painting Reserve . . . . .		200
			Balance Bank of N.Z. 31/7/63 . . . . .	465	
			Add Petty Cash in hand . . . . .	15	
					480
		<u>£4,753</u>			<u>£4,753</u>



**EPWORTH BOOKROOM (AUCKLAND)**  
**TRADING AND PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE 11 MONTHS ENDED**  
**30th JUNE, 1963**

	£		£
Stock 31/7/62 . . . . .	5,941	Sales . . . . .	12,057
Purchases . . . . .	8,595		<u>£12,057</u>
	<u>14,536</u>	Gross Profit . . . . .	3,702
Less Stock on hand 30/6/63 . . . .	6,181	Interest . . . . .	61
	<u>8,355</u>		
Gross Profit . . . . .	3,702		
	<u>£12,057</u>		
Accountancy and Audit . . . . .	53		
Advertising and Stationery . . . . .	124		
Commission . . . . .	71		
General Expenses . . . . .	147		
Insurance . . . . .	20		
Interest . . . . .	45		
Light and power . . . . .	47		
Postages . . . . .	216		
Rent . . . . .	353		
Salaries . . . . .	1,912		
Superannuation . . . . .	59		
Depreciation (Special) . . . . .	126		
Profit for period . . . . .	590		
	<u>£3,763</u>		<u>£3,763</u>

**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1963**

	£	£		£	£
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES:</b>			<b>CURRENT ASSETS:</b>		
Sundry Creditors . . . . .		1,097	Cash in hand . . . . .	16	
Bills Payable . . . . .		150	Cash in Bank . . . . .	604	
Subs. in Advance . . . . .		32	Cash in Auck. Savings Bank . . . .	860	
					1,480
<b>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		1,279	Debtors . . . . .	1,903	
<b>VAN REPLACEMENT RESERVE</b>		1,545	Less Res. B/D . . . . .	50	
<b>CAPITAL:</b>					1,853
Balance at 31/7/62 . . . . .	8,319		Stock on hand . . . . .		6,181
Add profit for period . . . . .	590		<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>		9,514
			Loan Hamilton . . . . .	1,929	
			Less written off . . . . .	200	
<b>Less Hamilton written off . . . .</b>	8,909				1,729
	<u>200</u>	8,709	Superannuation in advance . . . .		90
			<b>OFFICE FURNITURE:</b>		
			Balance at 30/7/62 . . . . .	250	
			Additions . . . . .	76	
					326
			Less Depreciation (special) . . . .	126	
					200
					<u>£11,533</u>
		<u>11,533</u>			

I have audited the Books and Accounts of the Epworth Bookroom (Auckland) for the 11 months ended 30th June, 1963, and I report that in my opinion, the foregoing Trading and Profit and Loss Account and Balance Sheet represent a true and fair view of the affairs of the Bookroom as at 30th, June, 1963.

(signed) W. A. SMITH, F.P.A.N.Z.,  
Auditor.

# EPWORTH BOOKROOM (HAMILTON)

## TRADING AND PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE 11 MONTHS ENDED 30th JUNE, 1963

Stock on Hand 1/8/62	£ 2,241	Sales	4,392
Purchases	3,005		<u>4,392</u>
	5,246	Gross Profit, b/d	1,360
Less Stock on Hand 30/6/63	<u>2,214</u>	Net Loss	<u>359</u>
Cost of Goods Sold	3,032		
Gross Profit	<u>1,360</u>		
	<u>4,392</u>		
Advertising	26		
Cleaning	18		
Electricity	19		
Freight	14		
General Expenses	32		
Insurance	16		
Interest	108		
Postages	47		
Rent	477		
Stationery	48		
Telephone	40		
Travelling Expenses	6		
Wages	815		
Depreciation	<u>53</u>		
	<u>£1,719</u>		<u>£1,719</u>

## BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1963

<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES:</b>	£	£	<b>CURRENT ASSETS:</b>	£	£
Sundry Creditors	516		Cash on Hand	20	
Accrued Charges	71		Bank of New Zealand	297	
Epworth Bookroom (Auck.)	<u>453</u>		Sundry Debtors	619	
<b>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		1,040	Stock on Hand	2,214	
<b>LOANS</b>			Stationery on Hand	<u>25</u>	
Epworth Bookroom (Auck.)	1,729		<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>		3,175
Other	<u>1,774</u>		<b>FIXED ASSETS:</b>		
<b>TOTAL LOANS</b>		3,503	Furniture and Fittings at		
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>		4,543	1/8/62	477	
<b>CAPITAL:</b>			Additions	<u>53</u>	
Deficit to 1962	732			530	
Less Auckland written off	<u>200</u>		Less Depreciation	<u>53</u>	
	532		<b>TOTAL FIXED ASSETS</b>		477
Add Loss for period	<u>359</u>				
Deficit—30th June, 1963		891			
	<u>£3,652</u>				<u>£3,652</u>

I have audited the Books and Accounts of the Epworth Bookroom (Hamilton) for the period ended 30th June, 1963, and I report to the Committee that, in my opinion, the Trading and Profit and Loss Accounts attached and the foregoing Balance Sheet represent a true and fair view of the affairs of the Bookroom at 30th June, 1963.

HAMILTON,  
22nd October, 1963.

K. W. DEY, Public Accountant,  
Auditor.



# METHODIST HOME MISSION DEPARTMENT

## ESTIMATES

### *Income and Expenditure for the Connexional Year, 1964*

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#### INCOME

1. FROM PROPERTIES AND INVESTMENTS .....	2,750
2. FROM METHODIST WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP:	
SISTERS' SALARIES .....	3,700
SMETHURST INTEREST .....	130
SPECIAL GIFT .....	400 4,230
3. FROM EDITH WINSTONE BLACKWELL TRUST FOR PORTION OF CIRCUIT GRANTS .....	312
4. FROM MAORI CIRCUITS .....	1,250
5. MISCELLANEOUS (Outside the Connexional Budget) .....	300
6. FROM CONNEXIONAL BUDGET:	
5/12th of 1963-64 Budget of £32,600 .....	13,580
7/12ths of 1964-65 Budget of £35,155 .....	20,495
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	£42,917

# EXPENDITURE

## NORTHLAND DISTRICT

		Maori Work				Totals
		1963 Scale £		1964 Scale £		
Minister—						
Stipend . . . . .	5/12 of £764	318		7/12 of £790	461	779
Travelling . . . . .						250
Parsonage Replacement		6 5 0			8 15 0	15
Supernumerary Minister—						
Honorarium . . . . .						52
Travelling . . . . .						125
Home Missionary, Waima						
Stipend . . . . .	5/12 of £662	277		7/12 of £684	399	676
Travelling . . . . .						200
General Circuit Expenses ..						100
Deaconess—						
Stipend . . . . .	5/12 of £531	221		7/12 of £471	275	496
Provision for car . . . .						125
Deaconess—						
Stipend . . . . .	5/12 of £496	207		7/12 of £435	254	461
Provision for car . . . .						125
Deaconess Supply—						
Stipend . . . . .	5/12 of £450	262		7/12 of £400	233	495
Provision for car . . . .						125
Provision for Quarters				7/12 of £78		45 10
Investment Funds Board—						
Rents—Waima . . . . .						125
Kamo . . . . .						200
To Investment Funds Board—						
2 Deaconess Quarters:						
Taheke . . . . .				7/12 of £78		45 10
Dargaville . . . . .				7/12 of £78		45 10
						<hr/> £4,485 10

## Circuit Grants

Hikurangi M.O.M. . . . .	200	
Whangaroa P. . . . .	130	
Kaikohe-Bay of Islands M.O.M. & P. . .	E.W.B. 25	
Kaikohe-Bay of Islands . . . . .	200	
North Hokianga P. . . . .	325	R.B.
North Hokianga Special for Travelling	150	
*Paparoa . . . . .	150	
		<hr/> £1,180

\*On the understanding that a directed Canvass is carried out.

## AUCKLAND DISTRICT

		Maori Work				Totals
		1963 Scale £		1964 Scale £		
Senior Maori Superintendent						
Stipend . . . . .	5/12 of £764	318		7/12 of £790	461	779
Travelling . . . . .						250
Special Travelling						25
Parsonage Allowance						
2 Quarters . . . . .		6 5 0		7/12 of £15 £640	8 15 0	15
Supernumerary Minister—						
Senior Maori Superintendent—						
(Parsonage in lieu of honorarium) . . . . .						75
Travelling . . . . .						
Non-Resident Student Supply—						
Stipend . . . . .	5/12 of £619	257		7/12 of £640	373	630
Travelling . . . . .						100
Deaconess—						
Stipend . . . . .	5/12 of £577	240		7/12 of £519	303	543
Provision for Car . . . .						125



Deaconess Supply—					
Stipend . . . . .	5/12 of £531	221	7/12 of £471	275	496
Travelling . . . . .					25
Provision for Quarters			7/12 of £78		45 10
Deaconess—					
Stipend . . . . .	5/12 of £496	207	7/12 of £435	254	461
Provision for Car					125
General Circuit Expenses					100
Investment Funds Board—					
Rent—Tuakau . . . . .					150
Auckland . . . . .					200
Seamer House Deaconess Quarters—					
2 Deaconesses . . . . .			7/12 of £156		91
					<u>£4,235 10</u>

#### Circuit Grants

Auckland West M.O.M. . . . .		100	
Auckland East for 4th Agent P. . . . .		110	
Takapuna if 3rd Agent M.P. . . . .		125	
Birkenhead for 3rd M.O.M. . . . .		200	
Onehunga for 2nd Agent P. . . . .		150	
Papatoetoe for 2nd Agent P. . . . .	E.W.B.	30	
Papatoetoe for 2nd Agent . . . . .		120	
Auckland South for 3rd Agent . . . . .		200	R.B.
Henderson for 3rd Agent, M.O.M. . . . .		400	
Whangaparaoa M.P. . . . .		200	
Bombay-Tuakau M.O.M. . . . .	E.W.B.	40	
Bombay-Tuakau M.O.M. . . . .		210	
Mahurangi M.O.M. . . . .		200	R.B.
		<u>£21,085</u>	

#### SOUTH AUCKLAND DISTRICT

##### Maori Work

#### A. WAIKATO CIRCUIT—

		1963 Scale £		1964 Scale £	Totals
Minister, Hamilton—					
Stipend . . . . .	5/12 of £764	318	7/12 of £790	461	779
Rent . . . . .					175
Travelling . . . . .					250
Parsonage Allowance		6 5 0		8 15 0	15
Home Missionary—					
Stipend . . . . .	5/12 of £662	277	7/12 of £684	399	676
Travelling . . . . .					75
Provision for car . . . . .					125
Home Missionary (½-share with King Country)—					
Stipend . . . . .	5/12 of £331	138	7/12 of £342	199 10	337 10
Travelling . . . . .					38
Provision for car . . . . .					62 10
Rent . . . . .					80
Home Missionary (Te Rahui W.)—					
Stipend . . . . .	5/12 of £662	277	7/12 of £684	399	676
Travelling . . . . .					200
Home Missionary Supply—					
Travelling . . . . .					104
Home Missionary Supply—					
Honorarium . . . . .					104
Travelling . . . . .					75
Provision for car . . . . .					125
For Part-time Home Missionaries—					
Provision for car . . . . .					125
Deaconess—					
Stipend . . . . .	5/12 of £577	240	7/12 of £519	303	543
Provision for car . . . . .					125
Deaconess—					
Stipend . . . . .	5/12 of £496	207	7/12 of £435	254	461
Provision for car . . . . .					125
Deaconess Supply—					
Stipend . . . . .	5/12 of £496	207	7/12 of £435	254	461
Provision for car . . . . .					125
Provision for Quarters					45 10

Deaconess—					
Stipend	5/12 of £496	207	7/12 of £435	254	461
Provision for car					125
Deaconess Part-time—					
Stipend					78
Travelling Allowance					125
Deaconess Half-Time—					
Stipend	5/12 of £288	120	7/12 of £220	129	249
Travelling					75
Hon. S.S. Teacher—					
Travelling					36
Investment Funds Board—					
Rent—Ngaruawahia					100
Quarters for Deaconesses					
To Te Rahui (W) 3 each			7/12 of £78		136 10
To Te Rahui (T) 2 each			7/12 of £78		91
General Circuit Expenses—					
Phones, Travelling, etc.					200
					<u>£7,584</u>

## B. KING COUNTRY CIRCUIT—

		1963 Scale £		1964 Scale £	Totals
Minister (Te Kuiti)—					
Stipend	5/12 of £764	318	7/12 of £790	461	779
Travelling					250
Parsonage Allowance		6 5 0		8 15 0	15
Home Missionary (half time with Waikato)—					
Stipend	5/12 of £331	138	7/12 of £342	199 10	337 10
Travelling					38
Provision for car					62 10
Rent					80
Home Missionary Supply—					
Honorarium					25
Travelling					25
Home Missionary Supply—					
Honorarium					25
Travelling					25
Home Missionary Part Time (Hydro & forestry area)—					
Stipend					156
Travelling					150
Deaconess (Te Kuiti)—					
Stipend	5/12 of £577	240	7/12 of £519	303	543
Provision for car					125
Deaconess (Otorohanga)—					
Stipend	5/12 of £496	207	7/12 of £435	254	461
Provision for car					125
General Circuit Expenses—					25
Investment Funds Board—					
Rents—Te Kuiti					200
Kawhia					125
Investment Funds Board—					
Quarters for Deaconesses					
Otorohanga			7/12 of £78		45 10
Te Kuiti			7/12 of £78		45 10
					<u>£3,463</u>

## Circuit Grants

Ngaruawahia Senior H.M.	125
Coromandel (if Supply)	25
Hauraki Plains Special for travelling	25
Kawerau Travelling and Supply	50
Putaruru M.O.M.	E.W.B. 25
Putaruru M.O.M.	300
Putaruru (Tokoroa)	450
*Opotiki Senior H.M.	15
Rotorua for Western Heights Prob.	200
Rotorua, For Taupo	E.W.B. 50
Rotorua, For Taupo	300
Huntly M.O.M.	150
Te Kuiti (Travelling)	200
Te Kuiti, (Special)	200



Te Kuiti, if Parsonage Project .. ..	200	
Ohura Prob. ....	200	R.B.
Taumarunui, M.O.M. ....	100	
Tauranga, 3rd M.O.M. ....	200	
	<u>£2,815</u>	

\*On the understanding that a directed Canvass is conducted.

### TARANAKI — WANGANUI DISTRICT Maori Work

		1963 Scale £		1964 Scale £	Totals
Minister (Missionary in work) .. .					
Stipend .. .	5/12 of £764	318	7/12 of £790	461	779
Travelling .. .					250
Parsonage Allowance .. .		6 5 0		8 15 0	15
Home Missionary (New Plymouth)—					
Stipend .. .	5/12 of £662	277	7 1/2 of £684	399	676
Travelling .. .					100
Provision for car .. .					125
Deaconess (Hawera)—					
Stipend .. .	5/12 of £577	240	7/12 of £519	303	543
Provision for car .. .					125
Deaconess (Opunake)—					
Stipend .. .	5/12 of £496	207	7/12 of £435	254	461
Provision for car .. .					125
Investment Funds Board—					
Rent—Hawera .. .					200
Rent and furnishing—					
New Plymouth (Grey Institute Property) .. .					175
Investment Funds Board—					
Quarters for Deaconesses:					
Hawera .. .			7/12 of £78		45 10
Opunake .. .			7/12 of £78		45 10
General Circuit Expenses—					75
					<u>£3,740</u>

### Circuit Grants

Waitara, M.O.M. ....	100	
Waitara, Special .. .	25	
Taihape, P. ....	E.W.B. 50	
Taihape .. .	150	
*Inglewood, M.O.M. ....	150	R.B.
Raetihi Supply .. .	50	
Manaia, P. ....	25	
Manaia Special .. .	100	
	<u>£650</u>	

\*On the understanding that a "directed" canvass is held.

### HAWKES BAY — MANAWATU DISTRICT Circuit Grants

Wairoa if M.O.M. ....	150
Wairoa, Travelling .. .	50
Apiti (P) .. .	30
Dannevirke-Norsegood, if M.O.M. and M.H.M.P. ....	200
Dannevirke-Norsewood, Special .. .	100
Waipawa-Waipukurau, M.O.M. ....	500
	<u>£1,030</u>

# WELLINGTON DISTRICT

## Circuit Grants

Porirua, if M.O.M. and 1 P. . . . .	500	
Paraparaumu, M.O.M. . . . .	E.W.B. 25	
Paraparaumu . . . . .	100	
Upper Hutt for Deaconess . . . . .	200	
Upper Hutt Special . . . . .	200	
Waiui-o-mata (For Rata St.) . . . . .	150	
Wainui-o-mata (For 2nd minister) . . . . .	250	
Wainui-o-mata (For Parsonage Furniture) . . . . .	200	
	<hr/>	
	£1,625	

# NELSON DISTRICT

## Circuit Grants

*Reefton, P. . . . .	150	R.B.
Hokitika, P. . . . .	75	
Westport, M.O.M. . . . .	150	
Murchison, P. . . . .	200	
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	£575	

\*On the understanding that a "directed" canvass is held.

# NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

## Circuit Grants

Riccarton, M.O.M. and Prob. . . . .	E.W.B. 30	
Riccarton . . . . .	120	
Spreydon 2 M.O.M. . . . .	200	
Springston, M.O.M. and Prob. . . . .	200	
St. Albans, 4 M.O.M. . . . .	E.W.B. 15	
St. Albans . . . . .	160	
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	£725	

# OTAGO — SOUTHLAND DISTRICT

## Circuit Grants

Dunedin Central Church and Mission, 2 M.O.M. and 3 agent Prob. . . . .	125	
Cromwell Alexandra, M.O.M. . . . .	120	R.B.
Western Southland, M.O.M. and P. . . . .	200	
St. Kilda (Broad Bay), 2nd agent P. . . . .	80	
Milton-Lawrence, M.O.M. . . . .	E.W.B. 20	
Milton-Lawrence . . . . .	200	
Milton-Lawrence, Special for Parsonage . . . . .	100	
Roxburgh Prob. . . . .	100	
Bluff Probationer . . . . .	50	R.B.
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	£995	

# GENERAL EXPENDITURE

## Maori Work

South Is. Deaconess—	
Honorarium . . . . .	52
Expenses Allowance . . . . .	26
Subsidy Auckland Maori Hostel . . . . .	200
N.C.C. Maori Section . . . . .	36
Deaconess Car Depreciation . . . . .	150
Maori Workers' Conference . . . . .	100
South Island Travelling . . . . .	100
Students . . . . .	180
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	£844

## Miscellaneous Grants—

Church Sites Fund . . . . .	400
Methodist Social Services Assn. . . . .	30
Colportage Society of Otago Southland . . . . .	37 10
Wesley Circulating Library . . . . .	25
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	£492 10

## Miscellaneous Expenditure—

Home Mission Deputation Expenses . . . . .	300
Visual Supplies for Deputation . . . . .	50
Picture Plant Replacement . . . . .	25
"Methodist Times" advertising . . . . .	12 10
Workers' Compensation Insurance Staff . . . . .	40
Ministerial Supplies . . . . .	100



Share of Lotu Printing .. . . .	135
Interest and Bank Charges .. . . .	100
	<u>£762 10</u>

<b>General Superintendent—</b>	
Stipend: 5/12 of £764 ..	£318
7/12 of £790 ..	£461
	<u>779</u>

General Allowance .. . . .	50
Travelling .. . . .	250
	<u>£1079</u>

<b>Assistant Superintendent—</b>	
Stipend: 5/12 of £764 ..	£318
7/12 of £790 ..	£461
	<u>779</u>

General Allowance .. . . .	50
Traveling .. . . .	250
	<u>£1079</u>

**European Missionary in Maori Work—**  
See under Taranaki Circuit.

#### **Replacement Allowance—**

Two Ministers .. . . .	30
	<u>£30</u>

#### **Investment Funds Board—**

Rent for two Parsonages .. . . .	400
	<u>£400</u>

#### **Office Expenses—**

Book-keeping, Secretarial & Wages ..	800
Office Rent and Cleaning .. . . .	500
Light, Postages and Sundries .. . . .	200
Telephones and Tolls .. . . .	100
Printing and Stationery .. . . .	500
	<u>£2,100</u>

**Grand Total of Est. Expenditure** £41,975

### **SUMMARY OF ESTIMATES FOR THE CONNEXIONAL YEAR, 1964**

#### **INCOME**

Share of allocation from the	
<b>Connexional Budget</b>	
5/12ths of Third Period of	
£32,600 .. . . .	13,580
7/12ths of Fourth Period of	
£35,155 .. . . .	20,495
	<u>34,075</u>
From Properties & Investments	2,750
From <b>Methodist Women's Fellowship</b>	
For Sisters' Salaries ..	3,700
From Smethurst Interest ..	130
From Special Gift ..	400
	<u>4,230</u>
From Maori Circuits .. . . .	1,250
From E. W. Blackwell Trust	
(towards Circuit Grants)	312
From Miscellaneous (Outside	
the Connexional Budget)	300
	<u>£42,917</u>

#### **EXPENDITURE**

Maori Work .. . . .	24,352
Circuit Grants .. . . .	11,680
General .. . . .	5,943
Towards reduction of Debit	
balance .. . . .	942

#### **NOTE**

**E.W.B.:** Means portion of annual grant sent immediately from Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust.—Balance of grant sent in quarterly instalments.

**R.B.:** Means referred to Board for consideration if necessary during the year.

£42,917

**METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND — OVERSEAS MISSIONS DEPARTMENT**  
**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st AUGUST, 1963**

EXPENDITURE		£	£
<b>Solomon Island District</b>			
<b>Support of Overseas Staff:</b>			
Stipends and Allowances .. . . .	22,789		
Supernumerary and Retiring Funds .. . . .	1,037		
Overseas Travel, Freight and Insurance .. . . .	5,386		
Maintenance of Buildings and Equipment .. . . .	458		
Order of St. Stephen and Voluntary Service			
Overseas Board and Allowances .. . . .	884		
All Saints' College .. . . .	90		
	<u>30,644</u>		
LESS Government Grants .. . . .	5,164		
	<u>25,480</u>		
(b) Grant in Aid of District Budget (see Inset (opposite)) .. . . .	4,258		
	<u>29,738</u>		
LESS Reduction to N.Z. Currency .. . . .	5,756		
	<u>23,982</u>		
<b>Papua New Guinea Highlands District</b>			
Support of New Zealand Staff .. . . .	3,083		
One third of District Expenditure .. . . .	2,469		
Reserve .. . . .	1,600		
	<u>7,152</u>		
LESS Exchange Adjustment .. . . .	1,384		
	<u>5,768</u>		
LESS Government Grants .. . . .	92		
Interest on Appeal Fund .. . . .	191		
	<u>283</u>		
		5,485	

INCOME		£
Interest: Working Capital .. . . .		996
Interest: Medical Fund .. . . .		1,328
Donations Outside Budget .. . . .		1,159
M.W.M.U. Ordinary .. . . .		4,100
Connexional Budget .. . . .		29,125
Lepers' Trust Board Grant for Medical Expenses .. . . .		4,400

**SOLOMON ISLANDS DISTRICT BUDGET REPORT:**

	£A
Total District Budget Expenditure .. . . .	25,597
Total District Budget Income .. . . .	21,339
	<u>          </u>
N.Z. Grant in Aid of District Budget (see main accounts) .. . . .	£4258



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**Home Base Expenditure****General Administration:**

General Secretary's Stipend . . . . .	839
General Secretary's House Expenses . . . . .	150
General Secretary's Travelling and Car Expenses . . . . .	230
Connexional Charges . . . . .	30
Office Salaries . . . . .	761
Office Rent . . . . .	235
Printing and Stationery . . . . .	61
General Office Expenses . . . . .	201
Audit Expenses . . . . .	31
Telephones . . . . .	98
Travelling, Annual Meeting . . . . .	63

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2,699**Publicity and Deputation:**

Subsidy, Open Door and Lotu . . . . .	114
Deputation Material and Travelling . . . . .	236

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350**Miscellaneous:**

"Methodist Times" Grant . . . . .	20
C.O.M.I.C.A. . . . .	33
Legal Expenses . . . . .	52
Interest on Overdraft . . . . .	76
Staff Superannuation . . . . .	26
Sundry Expenses . . . . .	104

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Motor Car Depreciation . . . . .	125
BALANCE Transferred Accumulated Fund	8,156

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£41,108

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£41,108

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**METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND — OVERSEAS MISSIONS DEPARTMENT**  
**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st AUGUST, 1963**

LIABILITIES		ASSETS		
	£	£	£	£
<b>Solomon Islands District:</b>				
Overseas Workers' Balances .....	545		10,015	
Local Workers' Balances .....	337		3,634	
Sundry Creditors .....	10,833		17,244	
				30,893
Solomon Islands Church Building Funds .....		11,715		27,000
		2,213		69,952
<b>Special Funds:</b>				214
Medical .....	34,472			
Medical Orderly .....	621			
Working Capital .....	27,165			
Vanes Bequest .....	545			
Boat Insurance .....	30,000			
Boat Replacement .....	1,629			
Fire Insurance .....	11,452			
Sickness and Accident .....	1,110			
South Sea Islands Catechists' Retiring Fund ..	130			
Solomon Islands Ministers' and Catechists' Retiring Fund .....	1,206			
Solomon Islands Rehabilitation .....	702			
New Guinea Highlands Appeal .....	7,656			
New Guinea Highlands Agriculture .....	117			
Solomon Islands Jubilee .....	5,628			
Nicholson Memorial .....	111			
Don Alley Memorial .....	92			
Refrigerator Replacement .....	573			
Landrover Replacement .....	622			
Sundry Solomon Island Trust Funds .....	4,074			
Leper Fund .....	4,104			
Lepers' Trust Board Grant .....	5,745			
Lepers' Trust Board Hospital Dispensary Grant ..	2,192			
Lepers' Trust Board Dispensary in North Solomons .....	383			
Lepers' Trust Board New Hospital Centres B.S.I.P. ....	2,350			
Lepers' Trust Board New Station, Bougainville ..	2,194			
			137,238	
				34,472
				621
				27,165
				545
				30,000
				1,629
				11,452
				14,247
				1,110
				130
				1,206
				2,350



Lepers' Trust Board New Hospital Centre, British South Solomons .....	3,000
Lepers' Relief Vessel Maintenance Account ..	1,911
Lepers' Relief Vessel Maintenance Reserve ..	14,247
Mission to Lepers Grant .....	354
Mission to Lepers' Grant, New Guinea Highlands .....	69
Leprosarium — Bequest .....	201
Oamaru Special Gift, Buka .....	500
<b>M.W.M.U. Funds:</b>	
Solomon Islands Girls' School Equipment ..	406
Solomon Islands Girls' School Special .....	406
Vella Lavella and Roviana Hostels .....	62
Choiseul Dormitory .....	131
Buka Dormitory .....	57
Girls' Dormitory, Kokenggola .....	7
Girls' Dormitories, Roreinang and Sege .....	790
Bathroom, Siwai .....	150
Teacher Training .....	1,722
Scholarship for Girls .....	1,129
Building and Equipment Fund .....	1,026
Overseas Scholarship Fund .....	16,083
Solomon Islands Jubilee Scholarship Fund .....	221
New Guinea Highlands—Solomon Is. support ..	184
New Guinea Highlands District A/c .....	403
New Guinea Highlands Sundry Creditors .....	1,167
New Guinea Highlands District Reserve .....	70
Solomon Islands District Reserve .....	1,290
Solomon Islands History Account Reserve .....	2,643
Vella Lavella Translation .....	44
M.W.M.U. Translation .....	134
Boat Reserve Account .....	100
Capital Investment Fund .....	27,000
Exchange Account .....	15,587
Sundry Creditors and Maps .....	2,890
Accumulated Fund .....	77
Loans at Call .....	14,256
Bank Overdraft .....	1,203
	1,341
	<u>£267,653</u>

Lepers' Trust Board New Station, Bougainville .....	2,194
Lepers' Trust Board Dispensary in North Solomons .....	383
Lepers' Trust Board New Hospital Centre,, British South Solomons ..	3,000
Leprosarium .....	201
Girls' School, Kihili .....	119
Oamaru Special Gift, Buka .....	500
General Investments .....	5,914
	<u>137,238</u>
Residence, General Secretary .....	1,379
Projectors and Tape Recorder .....	22
Motor Car .....	352
Sundry Debtors .....	336
Stocks—Stationery .....	220
Papua New Guinea Highlands Sundry Debtors .....	47
	<u>£267,653</u>



**FOR YEAR ENDING JUNE 30th, 1963**

\*This Column includes those transferred overseas and those transferred to other Churches in N.Z



## GENERAL RETURNS FOR YEAR ENDED JUNE 30th, 1963.

## NORTHLAND DISTRICT

## CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

CIRCUITS	Churches	Other Preaching Places	Schoolrooms	Parsonages	Ministers and Probationers	Home Missionaries	Deaconesses	Local Preachers	No. Members on Roll at 30th June last year	Number Recd. during the year.			Number Removed from the Roll			No. Members on Roll at 30th June this year	Net Increase	Net Decrease	On Probation	Communicants	No. of Baptisms	PASTORAL CARE	
										New Members under 20 yrs.	New Members over 20 yrs.	Transfers from other N.Z. Circuits	By Death	Transfers to Other Circuits	Ceased to Attend							No. of Families	No. of People
Mangonui .. .. .	4	—	2	1	1	—	—	4	124	—	3	5	1	12	—	119	—	5	—	104	13	171	604
Whangaroa .. .. .	2	4	1	1	2	1	—	4	105	7	12	3	1	19	—	107	2	—	—	80	15	200	550
Kaikohe/Bay of Islands .. .	4	7	1	2	1	1	—	1	108	4	11	4	1	9	10	107	—	1	—	130	18	286	400
North Hokianga .. .. .	3	4	2	1	1	—	—	4	51	—	—	—	—	—	—	50	—	1	—	40	8	110	350
Hokianga .. .. .	3	4	—	1	1	—	—	3	93	3	1	2	2	6	—	91	—	2	2	139	8	121	445
Hikurangi .. .. .	1	5	1	1	1	—	—	1	57	—	—	4	1	—	1	59	2	—	—	65	13	107	310
Whangarei .. .. .	4	5	4	2	2	—	—	12	333	—	—	14	7	14	1	325	—	8	—	387	49	365	1120
Dargaville .. .. .	3	6	5	2	1	1	—	6	282	7	3	8	5	10	2	283	1	—	—	305	32	270	895
Ruawai .. .. .	3	1	—	1	1	—	—	5	90	—	—	3	3	1	1	88	—	2	—	89	—	153	583
Paparoa .. .. .	3	4	1	1	1	—	—	—	93	2	1	4	3	2	—	95	2	—	—	100	12	99	355
Port Albert .. .. .	7	4	4	1	1	—	—	5	141	7	3	5	1	1	2	152	11	—	—	155	15	230	750
TOTALS .. .. .	37	44	21	14	13	3	—	45	1477	30	34	52	26	74	17	1476	18	19	2	1594	183	2112	6362

## AUCKLAND DISTRICT

Auckland Central .. .. .	5	—	5	6	11	—	—	112	564	10	16	40	14	53	19	544	—	20	—	591	51	718	1923
Auck. Central Mission .. .	1	1	1	3	3	—	—	4	205	3	11	3	5	7	4	206	1	—	10	187	11	216	790
Auckland South .. .. .	5	2	4	3	5	—	—	11	499	24	2	31	8	55	23	470	—	29	—	514	67	732	2119
Auckland West .. .. .	2	—	3	1	1	—	—	3	96	—	—	5	4	18	—	79	—	17	—	110	13	240	690
Auckland East .. .. .	4	—	4	4	6	—	—	10	540	5	13	46	10	22	5	567	27	—	—	501	32	698	1776
Orakei .. .. .	4	—	2	3	7	—	—	7	504	9	9	25	5	28	9	505	1	—	—	434	24	597	1676
Avondale .. .. .	4	2	4	2	5	—	—	12	465	3	2	19	6	10	4	469	4	—	—	430	27	557	1670
Henderson .. .. .	4	6	7	3	5	1	—	10	381	6	14	19	3	17	8	392	11	—	—	465	82	1123	3389
Devonport .. .. .	2	—	2	1	2	—	—	4	127	—	2	2	1	7	1	122	—	5	—	120	11	200	600
Takapuna .. .. .	5	—	3	2	5	1	—	23	643	15	13	34	6	26	4	669	26	—	—	645	50	842	2479
Birkenhead .. .. .	4	3	4	3	4	—	—	10	418	4	20	20	4	16	6	436	18	—	—	416	54	717	2597
Onewunga .. .. .	4	—	6	2	2	—	—	6	222	7	1	8	6	19	9	204	—	18	—	250	10	350	1200
Otahuhu .. .. .	1	—	2	1	2	—	—	3	179	6	—	7	2	12	3	175	—	4	—	180	40	280	800
Papatoetoe .. .. .	3	1	2	2	3	—	—	7	378	25	11	27	4	30	6	401	23	—	—	350	42	637	2548
Papakura .. .. .	3	1	2	2	2	—	—	4	307	11	9	11	5	13	4	316	9	—	—	266	59	525	1695
Pukekohe .. .. .	5	2	4	1	2	—	—	7	260	3	3	3	3	19	—	247	—	13	7	280	22	200	500
Bombay-Tuakau .. .. .	4	3	—	2	1	—	—	5	98	—	—	3	1	10	3	87	—	11	22	120	7	160	500
Waiuku .. .. .	1	3	1	1	1	—	—	2	135	—	1	8	4	6	—	134	—	1	7	148	19	192	642
Kaipara .. .. .	3	4	2	1	1	—	—	3	71	—	3	—	2	4	—	68	—	3	—	80	8	180	420
Whangaparaoa .. .. .	3	—	2	1	1	—	—	1	69	2	1	8	1	—	2	77	9	—	—	50	11	126	240
Mahurangi .. .. .	1	9	—	1	1	—	—	3	120	1	4	1	3	—	4	117	—	3	—	115	8	163	483
TOTALS .. .. .	68	37	60	45	70	2	—	147	6281	134	135	320	97	374	114	6285	128	124	46	6252	648	9453	28737
Auckland Maoris .. .. .	3	31	—	2	2	—	—	5	565	—	—	—	—	—	—	604	—	—	—	511	—	560	1940

## SOUTH AUCKLAND DISTRICT

Thames .. .. .	3	1	2	1	1	—	—	—	137	1	1	12	4	6	—	141	4	—	—	188	12	234	604
Hauraki Plains .. .. .	3	4	1	1	1	—	—	3	63	—	—	2	—	3	—	62	—	1	3	76	8	104	389
Paeroa .. .. .	1	—	1	1	1	—	—	1	74	—	4	1	—	11	—	66	—	8	—	65	5	98	299
Waihi .. .. .	1	4	1	1	2	—	—	1	97	—	—	1	2	2	1	93	—	4	—	65	4	140	480
Te Aroha .. .. .	3	1	2	1	1	—	—	1	198	8	8	4	1	8	14	195	—	3	—	200	9	205	560
Morrinsville .. .. .	3	5	3	2	3	—	—	4	283	—	—	15	1	13	2	282	—	1	—	250	46	470	1500
Cambridge .. .. .	3	1	2	1	1	—	—	7	175	7	9	10	4	8	—	189	14	—	—	185	19	200	600
Hamilton .. .. .	5	1	4	2	5	—	—	7	597	16	9	56	4	59	13	602	5	—	12	600	52	872	2606
Hamilton East .. .. .	4	3	6	2	6	1	—	10	396	9	27	38	5	23	4	438	42	—	—	410	48	620	1860
Huntly .. .. .	1	4	1	1	1	—	—	5	94	1	4	15	—	11	3	100	6	—	1	91	27	260	902
Matamata .. .. .	3	3	2	1	1	—	—	3	249	—	—	4	3	10	2	238	—	11	—	200	28	245	745
Putaruru .. .. .	1	5	2	2	2	—	—	3	127	2	10	24	2	11	—	150	23	—	—	110	66	413	1573
Rotorua .. .. .	4	1	1	2	2	—	—	6	283	6	16	25	6	14	8	302	19	—	1	258	37	424	1324
Tauranga .. .. .	3	4	1	2	3	1	—	8	366	11	16	38	3	20	7	401	35	—	15	420	30	499	1584
Te Puke .. .. .	1	2	—	1	1	—	—	1	69	—	—	4	—	5	—	68	—	1	8	56	15	150	470
Whakatane .. .. .	1	1	1	1	1	—	—	3	106	5	5	3	—	6	3	110	4	—	—	115	15	170	520
Opotiki .. .. .	2	3	2	1	1	—	—	3	70	4	1	12	1	1	2	83	13	—	—	120	7	108	417
Te Awamutu .. .. .	2	3	3	1	1	—	—	1	265	5	11	17	1	19	—	278	13	—	—	280	22	330	1000
Otorohanga .. .. .	1	6	1	1	1	—	—	2	104	4	3	6	2	2	—	113	9	—	—	47	36	105	408
Te Kuiti .. .. .	1	2	1	1	1	—	—	1	60	—	7	9	1	9	—	66	6	—	—	50	10	194	480
Taumararui .. .. .	1	5	1	1	1	—	—	—	64	—	—	4	—	8	—	60	—	4	6	61	9	170	680
Ohura .. .. .	3	3	1	1	1	—	—	1	45	—	2	1	—	1	—	47	2	—	3	70	8	100	300
Kawerau .. .. .	—	1	1	—	1	—	—	1	24	—	—	—	—	5	—	19	—	5	—	20	7	69	228
Raglan Union .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	61	—	—	—	—	—	—	61	—	—	—	—	—	—	450
Ngaruawahia .. .. .	3	1	1	1	1	—	—	1	48	9	5	4	1	7	—	58	10	—	4	68	16	103	321
Coromandel .. .. .	1	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	20	—	—	—	—	—	—	20	—	—	—	11	—	24	59
Kawhia .. .. .	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
TOTALS .. .. .	55	66	42	30	39	4	—	175	4080	88	138	305	42	262	60	4247	205	38	53	4016	536	6307	20350

## TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT

TAKAPU WANGANUI DISTRICT																							
New Plymouth .. .. .	6	3	5	3	6	1	1	13	585	34	7	35	23	31	—	607	22	—	—	460	42	930	2105
Waitara .. .. .	3	1	1	1	1	—	—	3	119	10	15	5	2	11	—	136	17	—	—	108	29	246	770
Stratford .. .. .	7	—	2	1	1	—	—	5	168	4	1	3	3	6	2	165	—	3	9	120	32	245	780
Eltham-Kaponga .. .. .	2	—	2	1	1	—	—	3	142	4	4	6	1	13	2	140	—	2	—	158	11	235	812
Hawera .. .. .	4	—	1	1	1	—	—	5	238	6	—	7	5	13	3	230	—	8	—	200	13	322	960
Mania .. .. .	2	1	1	1	1	—	—	1	80	—	—	4	—	6	4	74	—	6	—	50	10	122	435
Opunake .. .. .	6	1	5	2	2	—	—	3	207	6	—	6	5	21	—	193	—	14	—	175	26	274	952
Wanganui Central .. .. .	1	—	1	1	1	—	—	5	285	8	7	20	3	19	2	296	11	—	—	290	19	325	960
Wanganui North .. .. .	2	2	2	1	1	—	—	6	125	7	1	4	3	7	—	127	2	—	—	160	16	150	455
Wanganui West .. .. .	2	—	1	1	1	—	—	3	105	7	3	8	1	5	3	114	9	—	—	130	16	225	700
Taihape .. .. .	1	3	1	1	1	—	—	—	46	2	—	1	1	5	—	43	—	3	—	29	6	62	200
Raetihi-Ohakune .. .. .	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	21	—	—	—	—	5	1	15	—	6	—	17	1	34	100
Marton .. .. .	1	1	1	1	1	1	—	2	78	1	1	5	1	5	—	79	1	—	—	60	9	113	351
Inglewood .. .. .	2	2	—	1	1	—	—	1	109	3	—	5	2	8	1	106	—	3	—	92	10	220	624
TOTALS .. .. .	40	14	23	16	19	2	1	50	2308	92	39	109	50	155	18	2325	62	45	9	2049	240	3505	10204



# GENERAL RETURNS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1963

## NELSON DISTRICT

### CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

CIRCUITS	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP																				PASTORAL CARE		
	Churches	Other Preaching Places	Schoolrooms	Parsonages	Ministers and Probationers	Home Missionaries	Deaconesses	Local Preachers	No Members on Roll at 30th June last year	Number Recd. during the year.			Number Removed from the Roll			No. Members on Roll at 30th June this year	Net Increase	Net Decrease	On Probation	Communicants			
										New Members under 20 yrs.	New Members over 20 yrs.	Transfers from other N.Z. Circuits	By Death	Transfers to Other Circuits	Ceased to Attend								
Nelson .. .. .	2	1	3	3	3	—	—	13	502	14	6	38	10	63	11	476	—	26	—	475	33	710	2170
Waimea .. .. .	5	1	2	1	1	—	—	4	175	3	2	9	1	4	—	184	9	—	—	176	8	250	749
Motueka .. .. .	2	2	3	1	1	1	—	5	122	4	4	4	3	9	—	122	—	—	—	100	2	213	647
Murchison .. .. .	1	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	30	—	—	1	1	1	2	27	—	3	—	27	—	85	271
Blenheim .. .. .	7	10	5	3	3	2	—	11	474	2	7	20	4	16	8	475	1	—	—	420	45	719	1925
Reefton .. .. .	2	2	1	1	1	1	—	1	66	4	1	1	2	12	1	57	—	9	—	25	14	130	450
Westport .. .. .	1	—	1	1	1	—	—	2	92	3	2	1	2	7	—	89	—	3	—	83	14	201	542
Greymouth .. .. .	2	4	1	1	1	—	—	1	194	2	7	1	3	7	—	194	—	—	—	92	23	259	823
Hokitika .. .. .	1	2	1	1	1	—	—	1	61	2	1	6	—	4	3	63	2	—	—	62	2	94	298
TOTALS .. .. .	23	24	18	12	12	4	—	38	1716	34	30	81	26	123	25	1687	12	41	—	1460	141	2661	7875

### NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

Durham St. .. .. .	3	—	3	2	6	—	—	15	719	17	25	57	7	38	29	744	25	—	19	670	33	763	1875
Central Mission & Cambridge Terrace Church	2	1	2	2	3	—	—	4	116	4	3	9	5	8	4	115	—	1	—	98	4	245	584
Christchurch East .. .. .	9	2	9	5	6	—	—	14	847	18	24	49	13	44	30	851	4	—	—	1091	92	1596	4951
Woolston-Lyttelton .. .. .	6	3	6	3	2	—	—	8	346	6	4	2	7	15	11	325	—	21	—	323	28	630	1761
Sydenham .. .. .	1	1	2	1	1	—	—	5	199	4	—	7	4	4	1	201	2	—	—	200	11	206	558
Spreydon .. .. .	2	1	4	2	2	—	—	6	247	15	8	14	4	4	5	271	24	—	—	378	35	420	1256
Riccarton .. .. .	4	—	3	1	3	—	—	2	232	5	1	7	6	5	—	234	2	—	19	260	38	550	1650
St. Albans .. .. .	3	2	6	4	5	—	—	18	698	12	24	60	9	37	18	730	32	—	2	655	54	1136	3047
Papanui .. .. .	2	—	1	2	1	—	—	2	244	4	1	7	4	21	2	229	—	15	—	200	21	385	1200
Springston .. .. .	7	—	4	2	2	—	—	6	164	12	5	11	2	7	2	181	17	—	—	165	19	300	1041
Leeston .. .. .	4	—	2	1	1	—	—	4	233	4	—	2	5	8	11	215	—	18	—	164	17	150	547
Kaipoi .. .. .	4	—	2	1	1	—	—	4	178	1	5	1	1	9	3	172	—	6	—	120	18	230	600
Rangiora .. .. .	7	1	3	2	2	1	—	4	351	2	5	16	5	9	4	356	5	—	—	260	43	450	1265
Greendale .. .. .	3	1	1	1	1	—	—	3	98	—	—	1	—	4	—	95	—	3	—	87	11	91	345
Oxford .. .. .	4	1	3	1	1	—	—	6	125	—	—	5	1	12	—	117	—	8	—	110	4	87	304
TOTALS .. .. .	61	13	51	30	37	1	2	105	4797	104	105	248	73	225	120	4836	111	72	40	4781	428	7239	20984

### SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

Timaru Banks Street .. .. .	1	2	1	1	1	—	—	1	157	4	—	7	3	6	—	159	2	—	9	150	16	232	604
Timaru Woodlands Street .. .. .	4	1	3	1	1	1	—	5	279	6	14	24	10	15	13	285	6	—	—	300	21	330	1150
Timaru Marchwiell Union .. .. .	1	1	1	1	1	—	—	1	72	2	2	3	1	3	—	75	3	—	—	75	16	130	500
Waimate .. .. .	2	—	2	1	2	—	—	1	203	4	2	5	6	15	—	193	—	10	—	196	9	204	620
Geraldine-Temuka .. .. .	2	1	1	1	2*	—	—	2	127	1	3	15	1	3	—	142	15	—	—	125	2	128	378
Ashburton .. .. .	4	4	3	2	3	—	—	15	418	4	—	6	8	22	—	398	—	20	—	300	24	450	1400
Willowby .. .. .	5	2	3	1	1	—	—	5	105	—	1	5	2	4	5	100	—	5	—	101	7	104	349
Oamaru .. .. .	3	—	2	1	1	—	—	—	178	6	7	13	7	2	2	193	15	—	—	166	17	200	590
TOTALS .. .. .	22	11	15	9	11*	1	—	30	1539	27	29	78	38	70	20	1545	41	35	9	1413	112	1778	5591

\*Includes one minister on reciprocal membership, but only Methodist Ministers totalled.

### OTAGO-SOUTHLAND DISTRICT

Central Church & Mission Dunedin .. .. .	5	1	1	2	3	—	—	4	224	—	9	43	8	31	5	232	8	—	—	200	8	293	632
North Dunedin .. .. .	6	—	4	2	2	—	—	5	241	—	—	10	4	19	9	219	—	22	—	162	16	336	900
Dunedin West .. .. .	3	1	3	3	2	—	—	7	183	1	3	142	4	41	4	280	97	—	—	260	19	390	1150
Dunedin South .. .. .	5	1	4	3	3	—	—	7	331	4	6	18	16	14	4	325	—	6	—	300	25	510	1550
Corstorphine Union .. .. .	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	2	32	2	2	1	—	2	—	35	3	—	—	30	13	48	130
Dunedin (St. Kilda) .. .. .	4	—	1	1	2	—	—	3	210	2	3	34	2	8	2	237	27	—	—	197	11	289	824
Dunedin (Mornington) .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	132	—	—	—	—	132	—	—	—	132	—	—	—	—	—
Milton-Lawrence .. .. .	2	1	2	1	1	—	—	—	37	—	1	23	1	6	1	53	16	—	—	73	10	103	300
Balclutha .. .. .	2	2	1	1	1	—	—	5	141	—	1	7	1	6	—	142	1	—	2	92	7	168	554
Gore .. .. .	4	—	2	1	1	—	—	1	96	3	4	35	2	7	2	127	31	—	—	100	12	170	520
Edendale .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	31	—	—	—	—	31	—	—	—	31	—	—	—	—	—
Invercargill Central .. .. .	2	3	4	2	2	—	—	4	316	—	4	16	6	16	5	309	—	7	—	320	18	465	1245
Invercargill (St. Peters) .. .. .	3	—	2	2	1	1	—	9	337	6	5	8	9	5	2	340	3	—	5	260	34	550	1600
Western Southland .. .. .	7	4	3	2	2	—	—	3	197	4	3	3	1	14	9	183	—	14	—	174	16	315	950
Bluff .. .. .	2	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	69	2	6	1	2	4	3	69	—	—	—	40	20	173	275
Roxburgh .. .. .	3	1	—	1	1	—	—	1	47	—	—	1	—	1	1	46	—	1	—	37	3	72	206
Cromwell-Alexandra .. .. .	3	4	2	1	1	—	—	4	61	1	5	6	1	6	1	65	4	—	—	50	3	141	492
Laurence H.M. Station .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	19	—	—	—	—	19	—	—	—	19	—	—	—	—	—
TOTALS .. .. .	51	19	29	23	24	1	—	55	2704	25	52	348	57	362	48	2662	190	232	7	2295	205	4023	11328



## GENERAL FINANCIAL RETURNS FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1963

## NORTHLAND DISTRICT

CIRCUITS	STIPENDS, Etc.					STATE OF FINANCES at 30th June				
	Annual Stipend (if 2 or more Minis- ters specify separately)	Bonus and/or Allowances (other than travelling additional to Annual Stipend)	Travelling (or Car) Allowance	Car Ownership Circuit Minister	Circuit		Trust Account Totals			
					Credit	Debit	Total Credit Balances ex- cluding bal- ances held for special purposes	Total Debit Balances		
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		
Mangonui .. ..	762 8 4		172 6 6	C	662 4 10		85 14 10			
Whangaroa .. ..	662 0 0		360 0 0	M	36 9 11		159 16 7			
Kaikohe/Bay of Islands	762 0 0		381 14 0	M	86 0 0			4007 7 10		
	646 0 0		146 12 11	M						
North Hokianga ..	762 0 0		250 0 0	C		141 16 1	38 12 7			
Hokianga .. ..	762 8 2		164 15 6	C	48 15 7		8 8 10	348 17 8		
Hikurangi .. ..	691 12 0		133 0 0	M	59 15 5					
Whangarei .. ..	745 0 0		150 0 0	M	313 12 10					
	646 0 0		115 0 0	M						
Dargaville .. ..	764 0 0		204 0 0	M		184 6 6	69 7 0			
	573 10 0		246 14 6	M						
Ruawai .. ..	760 0 0		290 0 0	M		25 16 11	116 2 11	682 5 11		
Paparoa .. ..	762 0 0		158 0 0	M		175 19 1	281 13 6			
Port Albert .. ..	762 8 4		300 0 0	M	151 15 11		500 3 4			
TOTALS .. ..	10061 6 10		3072 3 5		1358 14 6	527 18 7	1259 19 7	5038 11 5		

## AUCKLAND DISTRICT

Auckland Central ..	787 18 4	50 0 0	160 0 0	M	284 18 1		309 17 0	3428 15 4
	764 13 0		100 0 0	M				
	764 13 0		100 0 0	M				
Auckland Central Mission	820 0 0		All Exp.	M		89 6 11	14038 19 11	12503 3 9
	765 0 0		120 0 0	M				
Auckland South ..	764 0 0		78 0 0	Trust		935 3 10	711 10 6	5098 18 10
	764 0 0		49 19 3	M				
	764 0 0		78 12 6	M				
	764 0 0		50 0 0	M				
Auckland West ..	760 11 10		99 19 11	M		75 1 10		2552 13 9
Auckland East ..	745 0 0		165 0 0	M	111 8 9		2378 19 1	
	745 0 0		150 0 0	M				
	745 0 0		135 0 0	M				
	646 0 0		135 0 0	M				
Orakei .. ..	760 0 0		150 0 0	M	360 18 4		913 10 8	
	760 0 0		168 0 0	M				
	735 0 0	20 0 0	168 0 0	M				
Avondale .. ..	763 0 0		140 0 0	M	521 1 4		264 16 2	684 5 3
	763 0 0		140 0 0	M				
	156 0 0		156 0 0	M				
Henderson .. ..	745 0 0		180 0 0	M		3226 12 10	493 7 4	
	745 0 0		150 0 0	M				
	646 0 0		150 0 0	M				
Devonport .. ..	764 0 0		100 0 0	M	12 1 11		717 7 8	
Takapuna .. ..	763 0 0	25 0 0	185 0 0	M		756 0 0	174 9 6	573 9 2
	763 0 0	15 0 0	205 0 0	M				
Birkenhead .. ..	763 0 0		148 0 0	M		1855 0 0	157 18 8	1875 10 3
	763 0 0		212 0 0	M				
	659 0 0		135 0 0	M				
Onehunga .. ..	764 0 0		150 0 0	M	73 0 10		307 0 0	1658 15 7
Otahuhu .. ..	764 0 0		200 0 0	M		62 2 4		1497 1 9
Papatoetoe .. ..	770 0 0		225 0 0	M	5 9 9		39 10 0	
	646 0 0		180 0 0	M				
Papakura .. ..	764 0 0		213 0 0	M	634 14 3		2814 0 1	
	764 0 0		213 0 0	M				
Pukekohe .. ..	755 0 0		300 0 0	M	362 1 1		173 0 4	2 8 10
Bombay-Tuakau ..	660 13 4		520 0 0	M	44 10 0		185 5 11	
Waiuku .. ..	759 5 2	37 10 0	220 0 0	C	33 0 0		220 4 1	206 3 6
Kaipara .. ..	763 0 0		240 0 0	M	54 6 2		326 9 4	62 8 8
Whangaparaoa ..	662 4 0		170 0 0	M	65 0 0		273 7 7	
Mahurangi .. ..	762 0 0		235 0 0	M		237 0 6	65 15 7	
TOTALS .. ..	29981 18 8	147 10 0	6644 11 8	M 39 C 2	2562 10 6	7236 8 3	25144 16 8	30143 14 8

## SOUTH AUCKLAND DISTRICT

Thames .. ..	753 0 0		160 0 0	M	88 17 5			1499 3 7
Hauraki Plains ..	709 0 0		300 0 0	M		311 5 9	98 8 3	786 9 0
Paeroa .. ..	764 0 0		118 0 0	M	18 17 9		16 0 9	
Waihi .. ..	762 0 0		180 0 0	M		189 19 8	4 3 3	
Te Aroha .. ..	788 0 0		254 0 0	M	38 0 7		436 3 7	
Morrinsville ..	787 0 0		180 0 0	M	488 14 4		182 16 7	53 8 5
	703 0 0		174 0 0	C				
Cambridge .. ..	745 0 0		120 0 0	M	407 11 6		148 12 11	
Hamilton .. ..	789 0 0	15 0 0	277 0 0	M	297 14 4		4089 19 8	467 1 0
	777 0 0	15 0 0	61 0 0	C				
Hamilton East ..	790 0 0		83 0 0	C	152 3 1		2108 12 8	
	662 0 0		180 0 0	M				
Huntly .. ..	699 0 0		186 0 0	M		40 3 8	94 10 5	878 4 10
Matamata .. ..	773 0 0		260 0 0	M	1 18 3		60 9 5	2855 11 2
Putaruru .. ..	639 0 0		220 0 0	M		310 1 9	47 0 4	2464 14 3
	763 0 0		92 0 0	M				
Rotorua .. ..	764 0 0	6 0 0	222 0 0	M	17 0 0		500 15 7	4785 3 4
	646 0 0		125 0 0	M				
Tauranga .. ..	765 0 0	25 0 0	221 0 0	M		156 14 11	743 0 3	2545 10 9
	565 0 0		119 0 0	M	(Scooter)			
	496 0 0		38 0 0	M				
Te Puke .. ..	764 0 0		150 0 0	M		86 6 1	464 14 11	
Whakatane .. ..	806 0 0		90 0 0	M		86 1 5	62 3 5	
Opotiki .. ..	757 0 0		142 0 0	M		6 13 4	150 3 2	
Te Awamutu .. ..	775 0 0		255 0 0	M	198 18 8		865 16 9	
	577 0 0		283 0 0	C				
Otorohanga .. ..	745 0 0		234 0 0	M		34 10 9	265 14 6	1200 0 0
Te Kuiti .. ..	722 0 0		150 0 0	M		351 9 5		14 12 8
Taumarunui .. ..	762 0 0		172 0 0	M	51 19 2		17 7 6	
Ohura .. ..	659 0 0		69 0 0	C	5 0 0		37 2 6	225 7 1
Kawerau .. ..			84 0 0	M	75 8 3		58 6 10	
Raglan Union ..						36 19 7	207 9 4	
Ngaruawahia ..	692 0 0		171 0 0	M			26 2 1	
Coromandel .. ..	104 0 0				4 7 11			
Kawhia .. ..								
TOTALS .. ..	22502 0 0	61 0 0	5370 0 0		1846 11 3	1610 6 4	10685 14 8	17775 6 1

## TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT

New Plymouth ..	837 0 0		135 0 0	M			1893 11 7	4333 1 4
	762 0 0		100 0 0	M				
	762 0 0		144 0 0	M				
Waitara .. ..	762 12 2	12 15 0	242 15 6	M		62 19 6	109 7 2	
Stratford .. ..	762 0 0		200 0 0	M	176 11 1		86 0 4	2205 1 5
Eltham-Kaponga ..	764 0 0		206 2 0	M	1197 0 8		286 1 0	
Hawera .. ..	762 8 4		156 0 0	M	24 4 2		1013 4 4	
Manaia .. ..	655 13 5		160 7 0	M		31 17 11	39 12 2	
Opunake .. ..	762 8 4		270 16 9	C		316 13 11	1173 11 7	479 11 5
	722 12 3		218 8 11	C				
Wanganui Central ..	836 18 6		119 5 0	M	721 11 9		4619 11 0	
Wanganui North ..	762 8 4		100 0 0	M	76 14 8		141 4 2	
Wanganui West ..	762 8 4		140 0 0	M		172 4 2	293 18 11	
Taihape .. ..	709 0 0		40 0 0		25 2 2		143 1 3	
Raetihi-Ohakune ..					277 5 9		74 18 5	
Marton .. ..	698 15 0		56 13 4	M	7 1 9		140 16 11	
Inglewood .. ..	762 8 4		150 12 0	M	18 9			1002 12 0
TOTALS .. ..	12084 13 0	12 15 0	2440 0 6	C M 2 13	2506 10 9	583 15 6	10008 10 8	8020 6 2

## HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU DISTRICT

Napier .. ..	794 0 0	41 10 0	156 0 0	M			214 3 0	343 14 1
	769 0 0	41 10 0	156 0 0	M				
Hastings .. ..	804 0 0	30 0 0	190 18 9	M		39 9 10		1984 14 4
	764 0 0	20 0 0	148 1 3	M				
Gisborne .. ..	768 5 0		123 1 2	M		435 16 10		369 1 0
	656 10 0		120 0 0	M				
Wairoa .. ..	650 9 6		124 16 8	M	13 10 1		46 13 11	
	762 0 0		138 10 0	M	176 1 6		1896 2 6	626 14 8



## GENERAL FINANCIAL RETURNS FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1963.

## WELLINGTON DISTRICT

CIRCUITS	STIPENDS, Etc.					STATE OF FINANCES at 30th June			
	Annual Stipend (if 2 or more Minis- ters specify separately)	Bonus and/or Allowances (other than travelling allowance to Annual Stipend)	Travelling (or Car) Allowance	Car Ownership Circuit Minister		Circuit		Trust Account Totals	
						Credit Balance	Debit Balance	Total Credit Balances ex- cluding bal- ances held for special purposes	Total Debit Balances
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.			£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Wellington Central ..	900 0 0	10 0 0	252 0 0	M		2355 10 0		6455 10 0	2928 0 0
	765 0 0	10 0 0	250 0 0	M					
	765 0 0	10 0 0	135 0 0	M					
	531 0 0		10 0 0						
Wellington West ..	830 0 0		100 0 0	M		52 10 0		1620 0 0	
	790 0 0		120 0 0	M					
Wellington South ..	758 0 0	10 0 0	180 0 0	M		139 0 0		661 10 0	
Wellington East ..	794 0 0		135 0 0	M			1391 0 0	549 10 0	381 0 0
	764 0 0		135 0 0	M					
	764 0 0		120 0 0	M					
Wellington North ..	762 0 0		120 0 0	M		53 0 0		656 0 0	7850 0 0
	762 0 0		120 0 0	M					
Porirua .. .. .	764 0 0		203 15 0	M		2706 0 0		497 0 0	807 0 0
	764 0 0		252 0 0	M					
Lower Hutt .. ..	764 0 0	80 0 0	192 0 0	M		173 0 0		4456 0 0	2736 0 0
	764 0 0	40 0 0	167 10 0	M					
	764 0 0	40 0 0	167 10 0	M					
	663 0 0	32 0 0	100 0 0	M					
Upper Hutt .. ..	762 0 0		316 16 0	M			76 10 0		3647 10 0
	475 0 0		12 10 0	C					
Petone .. .. .	745 0 0		160 0 0	M			220 0 0	692 0 0	220 0 0
Greytown-Featherston ..	764 0 0		264 0 0	M		568 10 0			574 0 0
Carterton .. ..	764 0 0		210 0 0	M		83 10 0		43 0 0	9 0 0
Masterton .. ..	812 0 0	52 0 0	229 0 0	M		50 0 0		491 0 0	9304 0 0
	660 0 0	26 0 0	118 10 0	M					
Eketahuna .. ..	626 0 0		300 0 0	M		43 10 0		104 0 0	
Levin .. .. .	875 0 0		303 0 0	M		3224 0 0		175 0 0	
Otaki .. .. .	769 0 0	20 0 0	269 0 0	M			93 0 0		375 10 0
Paraparaumu .. ..	762 0 0		175 0 0	M		47 10 0		210 0 0	
Taita Union .. ..									
Wainuiomata Union ..	800 0 0		180 0 0	M		6 0 0			
	753 0 0	12 0 0	120 0 0	M					
TOTALS .. .. .	23235 0 0	342 0 0	5417 11 0			9733 0 0	1780 10 0	16610 10 0	28832 0 0

## NELSON DISTRICT

Nelson .. .. .	762 8 4	26 0 0	200 0 0	M		57 6 1		298 19 9	583 12 7
	762 8 4	24 0 0	175 0 0	M					
	660 13 4	15 0 0	25 0 0	M					
Waimea .. .. .	774 0 0		235 0 0	M		19 11 9		1282 19 7	
Motueka .. .. .	762 3 4	15 0 0	132 0 0	M		20 19 6		290 1 5	
Murchison .. ..			169 11 7	M		229 15 8		127 5 9	
			(Supervisor)						
Blenheim .. .. .	787 8 4		69 7 11	C					
	635 13 4		171 12 0	M		2 0 0		1663 0 0	
	617 15 0		84 8 0	C					
Reefton .. .. .	636 0 0	12 10 0	110 0 0	M		10 6 9		153 12 0	
Westport .. .. .	703 3 4		105 3 4	M		7 1 10		76 8 9	
Greymouth .. ..	764 0 0		210 0 0	M		80 10 7		67 10 6	
Hokitika .. .. .	762 8 4		71 3 4	M		16 10 6			9 7 1
TOTALS .. .. .	8628 1 8	92 10 0	1758 6 2			444 2 8		3959 17 9	592 19 8

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Durham St. .. ..	800 0 0	45 0 0	180 0 0	M		18 6 6		837 5 0	
	765 0 0	25 0 0	200 0 0	M					
Central Mission & Cam- bridge Terrace Church	812 10 0		Conf. Rates	M		131 17 11			
Christchurch East ..	764 0 0		154 0 0	M					
	789 0 0		100 0 0	M		430 12 3		2137 5 6	1825 8 6
	764 0 0		95 0 0	M					
	764 0 0		120 0 0	M					
	764 0 0		120 0 0	M					
	764 0 0		75 0 0	M					
Woolston-Lyttelton ..	764 0 0		128 2 0	M		33 5 7		754 15 0	
	764 0 0		163 10 0	M					
	445 13 4		155 3 4	M					
Sydenham .. .. .	764 0 0		172 0 0	M		59 13 7		1159 9 9	
Spreydon .. .. .	764 0 0		115 0 0	M				891 5 8	
	662 0 0		100 0 0	M					
Riccarton .. .. .	750 0 0		150 0 0	M			399 7 0	1148 5 7	169 6 1
	650 0 0		75 0 0	M					
St. Albans .. ..	788 5 10	15 0 0	120 0 0	M				1542 11 7	
	762 8 4	15 0 0	120 0 0	M					
	762 8 4	15 0 0	135 0 0	M					
	318 6 8	6 5 0	50 0 0	M					
Papanui .. .. .	798 0 0		165 9 0	M			232 5 4	395 9 3	
Springston .. ..	762 8 4		212 10 1	M		302 11 4		491 17 7	
	660 13 4		95 14 8	M					
Leeston .. .. .	764 0 0		240 0 0	M		8 13 6		514 3 3	
Kaiapoi .. .. .	760 0 0		156 0 0	M		110 2 11		103 10 5	
Rangiora .. .. .	762 0 0		225 0 0	M			196 11 7	719 16 10	
	635 0 0		222 0 0	M					
Greendale .. .. .	764 0 0		250 0 0	M		25 1 5		620 2 5	
Oxford .. .. .	763 12 6		240 0 0	M		8 7		425 5 3	
TOTALS .. .. .	21841 6 8	121 5 0	4334 9 1			1120 13 7	828 3 11	12531 4 8	1994 14 7

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Timaru Banks Street ..			125 0 0	M		27 5 2		138 15 1	
Timaru Woodlands Street				M		1111 6 4		141 13 8	
Timaru Marchiel Union	814 0 0		150 0 0	M		425 14 6	One Account		
Waimate .. .. .			126 0 0	M					234 1 5
Geraldine-Temuka ..			225 0 0	M		83 16 1		108 4 1	
Ashburton .. .. .	777 8 4	10 0 0	141 10 0	M		141 10 7		3936 6 2	786 15 7
	702 13 4	10 0 0	234 0 0	M					
Willowby .. .. .			270 0 0	M			229 0 9	717 7 1	
Oamaru .. .. .			175 0 0	M		8 1 2		266 18 7	
TOTALS .. .. .	6850 14 6	20 0 0	1581 10 0			1797 14 4	229 0 9	5309 4 8	1020 17 0

## OTAGO-SOUTHLAND DISTRICT

Central Church & Mission (Dunedin) .. .. .	873 6 8		235 0 0	M		58 1 1		5646 3 0	5245 15 9
	773 6 8		215 0 0	M					
	773 6 8		200 0 0	M					
North Dunedin .. ..	699 0 0		130 0 0	M		24 3 3		1002 3 3	
	605 0 0		130 0 0	M					
Dunedin West .. ..	754 0 0		102 10 0	M		91 16 3		673 7 10	
	754 0 0		102 10 0	M					
Dunedin South .. ..	762 8 4		137 10 0	M			237 2 1	1757 16 0	6 16 10
	762 8 4		125 0 0	M					
	400 0 0		150 0 0	M					
Corstorphine Union ..	762 8 4		108 6 8	M					
Dunedin (St. Kilda) ..	762 8 4		86 13 7	M			138 8 10	225 19 9	475 13 11
	660 13 4		151 15 1	M					
Dunedin (Mornington)									
Milton-Lawrence ..	774 3 2		208 16 6	M			41 8 6	23 12 11	368 1 0
Balclutha .. .. .	762 8 4		153 3 11	M		34 14 10		144 8 1	
Gore .. .. .	764 0 0		155 0 0	M			152 2 0	60 19 5	684 10 7
Edendale .. .. .									
Invercargill Central ..	764 0 0		150 0 0	M		241 18 4		178 2 10	
	764 0 0		120 0 0	M					
Invercargill (St. Peters)	762 8 4	20 0 0	200 0 0	M				30 7 0	
	617 15 0	8 0 0	40 0 0			290 2 10		637 3 6	91 15 2
Western Southland ..	762 8 7		281 15 6	M			568 17 7		
	719 18 7		271 19 0	M					
Bluff .. .. .	762 8 4		80 0 0	M		27 18 7		6 6 8	
Roxburgh .. .. .	660 13 4	12 10 0	126 0 0	M		89 2 7		119 13 11	100 0 0
Cromwell-Alexandra ..	703 7 3		223 10 5	M			135 2 1		85 18 8
Laurence H.M. Station									
TOTALS .. .. .	18159 17 7	40 10 0	3884 10 8			857 17 9	1273 1 1	10506 4 2	7058 11 11



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