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"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.

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THE FIRST NEW ZEALAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE of the Australasian Weslevan Methodist Church was held in 1874.

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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. R indicates "Resting" and W.P.C. "Without Pastoral Charge". The number of the Circuit in the Station Sheet is denoted in the right hand column. The Maori Mission Stations are distinguished by numbers in square brackets.

 H.M.—Home Missions. M.M.—Maori Missions. G.S.—General Secretary. O.M.—Overseas Missions. P.C.—Prison Chaplain. I.C.—Industrial Chaplain.
 Years.
 U.C.—University Chaplain. C.E.D.—Christian Education Department. H.C.—Hospital Chaplain. Th.C.—Theological College. Circuit

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Ent.	Y	ears	s. Name and Address Cir	cuit
1955		4	Abbott, William K., Methodist Parsonage, Otoro-	
			hanga	52
1966		2	Alexander, Roy M., 31 Beatty St, Melville, Hamilton	
1971		1	Allan, Robert A., 46 Mathias St, Darfield	109
1944		4	Allen, Robert H., 125 High St, Blenheim (Ph. 3806)	
1969		1	Alley, David R., 203 Chelmsford St, Invercargill	125
1956			Andrews, Robert S., 14 Tarawera Rd, Johnsonville,	
		-	Wellington (Ph. 789-142)	83a
1963		3	Ansell, David H., 37 Banks St, Te Awamutu	
1963		8		91
		~	Auckland	22
1947		S	Attwood, A. Francis, High St, Katikati (1960)	47
1924			Bailey, John H., 317 Cambridge Rd, Hillcrest,	-11
		~	Hamilton (1956)	39
1949		5	Baker, Edward, 3 Buckland Rd, Tuakau	27
1963		2	Dell Mine C Ober DI OF D I I	24
1941			Bell, Charles H., 196 Great North Rd, Wanganui	44
1011		2		62
1957		3	Bell, G. Basil W., 19 King St, Whakatane	
1944		1	Bell, R. Graham, 54 Clevedon Rd, Papakura, Auck-	49
1011		-	land 6	05
1967		5	land, 6 Bennett, Enid J., 135 Ruahine St, Palmerston Nth.	25
1956		6	Bennett, George L., 3 Goldsborough Ave, Raumati	72
1000		0		00
1955		2	Beach Bennett, Trevor L., 30 Church St, Te Aroha	90
1949		S	Benny T Polph 199 Handlach Gt Allast	35
1913		S	Benny, T. Ralph, 123 Havelock St, Ashburton	115
1010		2	Bensley, Arthur A., Tyler House, 61 Allendale Rd, Mt Albert, Auckland	10
1951		2	Mt Albert, Auckland Besant H David 24 Mount St. W. it.	16
1954		ĩ	Besant, H. David, 24 Mouatt St, Waitara	57
1001		*	Billinghurst, Noel D., 63 Tukapa St, Westown, New	-
			Plymouth	56

Ent.	Ye	ars	. Name and Address Ci	rcuit
1907		S	Blair, Charles, c/o Wesley Hospital, Dublin St Christchurch (1947)	96
1923		S	Blakemore, Albert, 3 Leigh Haven, 61 Allendale Rd, Mt. Albert, Auckland 3 (1946)	11
1930		S	Blight, J. Montgomery, 15 Meura St, Matamata (1968)	
1917		S	Blight, William T., 76 Halton St, Papanui, Christ- church 5 (1958)	96
1971		1	Blundell, Warren H., 26 Cavendish St, Ashburton Bowden, A. Roy, 114 Cuba St, Palmerston North	115
1966		R	Bowden, A. Roy, 114 Cuba St, Palmerston North	73
1959		4	Bowen, Lewis A., 21 Horoeka St, Stokes Valley, Lower Hutt	85
1955		3	Boyd, Edward P., 230 High St. Dannevirke	=0
1960		4	Brazendale, Graham, 4 Oroua St, Te Puke	48
1969	******	3	Brookes, Norman E., 46 Radley St, Woolston, Christchurch 2	00
1957		4	Brough, Gordon D., P.O. Box 196, Dargaville Brown, Clifford G., 23 Cuba St, Marton	7
1943		3	Brown, Clifford G., 23 Cuba St. Marton	= 0
1916		S	Brown, George E., Cates Rd, R.D. Rototuna,	
1941		1	Hamilton (1956) Brown, Harold K., 320 Hardy St, Nelson (Ph.	39
1924		S	4672) Brown, Hubert G., 138 Jerrold St, Spreydon, Christ-	91
1044		2	church 2 (1964)	TOT
1951		1	Burrough, Amos W., Fairfax St, Murchison	94
1949		4	Burt, Douglas H., P.O. Box 88, Waiuku	28
1935		S	Burton, Ormond E., Lupin Rd, Otaki (1960)	89
1944		3	Bycroft, Leslie F., 151 Kennedy Rd, Napier	66
1955		3	Bycroft, Leslie F., 151 Kennedy Rd, Napier Cable, Wilfred J., 4 Claude St, Hamilton East	39
1947		W.	P.C. Campbell, M. Jackson, 68 Kiwi Crescent, Tawa, Wellington	84
1931		S	Carr, Thomas H., Clarks Beach Rd, R.D. Patu- mahoe, South Auckland (1966)	
1931		S	Carr, W. E. Allon, 45 Fir St, Waterview, Auckland 7 (1971)	16
1951		6	Carter, George G., P.O. Box 5023W, Auckland	0.M.
1944		3	Chambers, Wesley A., 20 Yaldhurst Rd, Christ- church 4	102
1965	.0.000	2	Chessum, William A., 135 Queen St, Northcote,	
1969		2	Auckland 9 Chapman, Wallace C., Te Kopuru, Dargaville Chick, Hector H., Hihi St, Ohura, King Country	21 7
1960		4	Christian, Owen L., 304 Stanmore Rd, Christchurch	55
1933		8	Chrystall, Bernard M., 11 Karariki Ave, Mt. Eden, Auckland 1 (P.O. Box 5023W) (Ph. 32-172	98
1937		3	office) Churchill, John, 64 Station Rd, Otahuhu, Auckland	H.M.
1950		7	6 Clark, Colin D., 22 Mersey St, Island Bay, Wel-	23
1005		0	lington 2	81
1965		2	Clarke, Edwin B., P.O. Box 41, Kaeo, Northland Clarke, Ian L., 55 Tipahi St, Nelson	3
1965		1	Clarke, Ian L., 55 Tipahi St, Nelson	91a
1942	street.	15	Clement, R. Frederick, 130 Grafton Rd, Auckland 3 (Ph. 372-869 office, 372-323 home)	10
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1947	R	Clements, Leslie C., Francois Lehmann, 25, 1218
		Grand-Saconney Geneva Switzerland 79
1958	2	
1951	4	Clucas, Ivan J., P.O. 2019, Tauranga South 47
1939		Cochrane, Herbert A., 53 Fuller St, Kaiapoi 107
1965	2	Collingwood, Ronald C., 131 Livingstone St., Hoki- tika 95e
1960	2	Conway, James H., 52 Queens Drive, Musselburgh, Dunedin 121
1969	3	Corlett, Ashley I., Methodist Parsonage, Kohukohu, Northland
1949	1	Cornwell, Gordon A. R., 5 Paice Ave, Mt Eden,
1918	S	Auckland, 3 Costain, Alfred M., 8 Sadlier St, Stoke, Nelson
		(1955) 91
1968	3	Couch, Moke A. G., 5 Mission St, New Plymouth [5]
1953	4	Craig, Hughan M., 9 Paynters Ave, New Plymouth 56
1943	7	Craig, Hughan M., 9 Paynters Ave, New Plymouth 56 Cramond, George W., Selwyn St, Leeston
1962	7	Currie, John B., 12 Gilberthorpes Rd, Christchurch
		4
1968		Curtis, Darrell R., Willowby R.D.3, Ashburton 116 Darvill, Harold A., 519A Mt Albert Rd, Auckland 4 [2]
1941	5	Darvill, Harold A., 519A Mt Albert Rd, Auckland 4 [2]
1940	R	Dawson, John B., Central Methodist Mission, 210
		Pitt St, Sydney, N.S.W. 2000 103
1943	. 10	Dawson W Selwyn 54 Chester St West Christ-
1010		Dawson, W. Selwyn, 54 Chester St West, Christ- church 1 (Ph. 42-065 office, 79-864 home) 96
1942	S	Day, Reginald, 12 Ferguson Drive, Thames (1968) 32
1969		de Zoete, Pieter K. F., 36 Grey St, Woodville 71
1929	S	Dickens, Charles E., 41 Idris Rd, Christchurch 5
1040	D	(1967) 103
1959	1	Dine, Mervyn L., 19 Hillside Cres, Mt Eden, Auck-
1999	1	land 3.
1940	R	Dixon, Haddon C., P.O. Box 2500, Wellington (Ph.
1040	10	59-585 office) 85
1944	S	Dorrian, A. Peter, 2 Attlee Place, Fielding (1969) 75
1935		Dudan Oliffond I 94 Edan Ct Ocmann 110
1969	-	Duder, Clifford L., 24 Eden St, Oamaru
1954		Eagle, Brian R. J., 30 Kelso St, Tokoroa 44
1934	1.000	Eastwood, Eric R., 2 Hohaia Crescent, Matamata 42
		Eisner, Wilf. G., Tokanui, P.B., Te Awamutu H.C. Falkingham, Wilfred E., Central Mission., P.O. Box
1943	21	raikingham, whired E., Central Mission., P.O. Box
1004		1449, Christchurch 1 (Ph. 82-519 home) 97
1964	4	Felderhof, Ludwig, 302 West Coast Rd, Glen Eden,
1050		Auckland 17
1970	2	Ferguson, Ronald W., 6 Weka St, Taihape 65
1924	S	Fiebig, Herbert L., 725 Gloucester St, Christchurch 6 (1964) 96
1963	4	Fields, Ronald E., Park Ave, Oxford 110
1948	3	Ford, Wilfred F., 7 Cleveland St, Brooklyn, Wel-
		lington (Ph. 897-689 home, 557-699 office) 75
		Taranaki Street 79
1916	S	Fordyce, Robert E., 27A Lorna St, New Plymouth
		(1957) 56
1957	1	Fowler, Irwin J., The Parsonage, Ngatea 32a
1937	2	Francis, William R., 83 Brougham St, New Ply-
		mouth 56
1949	S	Garner, William M., Korari Cres, Mangakino (1958) 44
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1963		R	Garside, Paul A., C/o 143 Buckley Rd, Wellington	79
1952		2	George, R. Leslie, 73 Molesworth St, Taita, Lower Hutt	
1964		4	Gerritsen, Hendrik, 82 Pah St, Motueka	93
1952		5	Gibson, Loyal J., 8 Tabak St, Palmerston North.	
1951		4	Gilbert, Geoffrey T., 142 North St, Timaru (Ph. 88-401)	112
1958		3	Gilbert Wilfred S., 92 Freyberg Rd, Ruawai, North- land	7a
1940		3	Gilmore, Leslie R. M., 406 Thames St, Morrinsville	36
1934		S	Goodman, George H., 13 Middleton Rd, Hannah Bay,	
1001		~	Rotorua (1969)	45
1050		10	Gordon, D. Bruce, P.O. Box 5076 Dunedin (Ph.	10
1950		12	70-303 office, 44-165 home)	117
1959		4	Goudge, Stanley R., 17 Pukehana Ave, Auckland	1
			3	14
1970		2	Graham, Duncan R., 35 Mitchell St, Greerton,	47
1050		-	Tauranga	
1956		7	Grant, Ian D., 12 Wesley St, Pukekohe	26
1969		8	Greening, G. Kingsley, 23 Aynsley Tce, Opawa,	00
1010		-	Christchurch 2	99
1940		7	Greenslade, Lawrence, 14 St. Vincent Ave. Remuera, Auckland 5 (Ph. 52-507) Greenslade, William W. H., 18 Matai Rd, Hataitai,	15
1931		S	Greenslade William W H 18 Matai Rd Hataitai	10
1991		5	Wellington 3 (1971)	82
1939		S	Grice, Reginald, 105 Queen St, Cambridge (1968)	37
1969		4	Griffith, Keith C., 11 Hobart St, Miramar, Welling-	0.
1000	areas.	*	tan 0	82
1928		S	Grocott, John D., 777 United Nations Plaza, New	04
		-	York, N.Y. 10017, (1969)	103
1943		7	Grounds, Edmund D., 153 Kohimarama Rd, Auck-	
			land 5 (Ph. 585-102)	15
1960		3	Grundy, Albert A., 32 Hammersley Ave, Christ-	
			church 1 Grundy, John, 16 Duncan St, Tawa, Wellington (Ph. 3095), Office 75 Taranaki St, Wellington 1	98
1954		3	Grundy, John, 16 Duncan St, Tawa, Wellington	
			(Ph. 3095), Office 75 Taranaki St, Wellington 1	-
			(Ph. 557-699) D.	C.E.
1960		4	Gust, Warwick, 19 Rothesay Bay Rd, Rothesay	
			Bay, Auckland 10	19
1957		2	Guthardt, Phyllis M., c/o University of Waikato,	
		~		U.C.
1928		S	Hailwood, Charlie O., Flat 1, 144 Galloway St,	
10.18		-	Hamilton (1968)	38
1947		R	Hall, Allen H., 16 St. Lucia Rd, Brisbane, Queens-	
			land, Australia	10
1952		4	Hall, John R., Mersey St, P.O. Box 17 Rongotea	
1000		C	(Ph. 578)	77
1923		S	Hames, Eric W., 25 Lucerne Rd, Remuera, Auckland	15
1958		11	5 (1963) Hamlin B. John F. Mitan Group Theod	15
			Hamlin, R. John, 5 Mitre Grove, Trentham	86
1952		1	Handyside, Allan J., Riverside Community R.D. 2, Upper Moutere, Nelson,	
1095		C	Upper Moutere, Nelson,	93
1935		S	Hanna, L. Gordon, P.O. Box 47, Silverdale	30
1960		1	Hanson, E. Francis I., 79 Pretoria St, Lower Hutt	85
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1969		1	Harkness, Barry G., 38 Cranford St, Christchurch
1938		1	Harkness, Howard E., 5 Miriona Grove, Paekakariki, Wellington 84
1926		S	Harris, G. Raymond, 41 Humariri St, Pt. Chevalier, Auckland 2 10
1962		1	Hawkey, Graham E., 179 Regan St, Stratford 58
1968		1	Hay, J. Cedric, 4 Hingaia St, Turangi 54a
1965		4	Hayhurst, John G., 70 Ford St, Opotiki (Ph. 658) 50
1960		S	Henderson, W. John, 43 Abbotsford Rd, Waipawa (1963) 78
1966		2	Hendry, Richard J., P.O. Box 21, Rawene, Hokianga 5
1954		2	Heppelthwaite, Ernest, 356 Wairakei Rd, Christ-
10.05			church 5
1965		4	Herbert, C. Brice, 202 Cambridge Ave, Ashhurst 74
1965	*****	3	Hey, Roger J. E., 81 Gloucester St, Greenmeadows, Napier 66
1932		S	Hickman, D. J. Donald, 37 Albert St, Ashburton (1961) 115
1948	*****	4	Hilder, Basil J., 817 W. St. Aubyn St, Hastings 67
1962	1111	1	Hight, Arnold C., 88 Linwood Ave, Christchurch 1 98
1962		4	Hines, David L. 244 Rodney St, Wellsford (Ph. 8589) 9
1936		S	Hopper, H. Ian K., 20 Woodham Rd, Avonside, Christchurch 6 (1970) 96
1962		6	Hornblow, Edgar R., 28 Marion Ave, Mt. Roskill, Auckland, 4
1960		1	Hornblow, Maxwell A, 4 Titoki St, Stoke, Nelson 91
1960		3	Horrill, C. Seton, The Manse, Raglan 38a
1929		S	Horwood, Leonard C., 12 Weston Ave, Mt. Albert,
1967		4	Auckland 3 (1968) 16 Hosking Pruse I 211 Seeler St Themes 20
1959		5	Hosking, Bruce L., 211 Sealey St, Thames 32
			Hosking, John S., 801E Queen St, Hastings (Ph. 85-255) 67
1942		S	Ivory, Arthur H., 29 Seddon St, Te Puke (1966) 48
1961		3	James, Russell E., 5A William St, Gore 124
1967		3	Jamieson, Colin G., The Manse, 50 Wakefield St, Westport 95c
1919		S	Jefferson, Alfred E., Flat 2, 8 Shadwell Place, St, Heliers, Auckland 5 (1954)
1932		S	Jenkin, William C., 75 Grey St. Woodville (1969) 71
1934		S	Jenkin, William C., 75 Grey St, Woodville (1969) 71 Johnston, Andrew J., 20 Byron St, Mornington, Dunedin (1970) 119
1943		3	Jolly, Albert, 1 Seabrook Ave, New Lynn, Auckland
1940		5	Jones, Alan O., 33 Wicksteed St, Wanganui 62
1962		4	Jones, Alan O., 33 Wicksteed St, Wanganui 62
1899		S	Jones, Barry E., 31 Court Rd, Tawa, Wellington 84 Keall, R. Purcell, 14 Green St, Lower Hutt (1940) 85
1949		4	Keightley, Clifford J., 2 Westend Rd, Herne Bay,
1916		S	Kendon, Charles H., 170 Lemon St. New Plymouth
1000		~	(1954)
1929		S	Kent, Arthur T., 13 Esk St. Tauranga (1969) 47
1957		3	Kitchingham, Henry W., 83 Kolmar Rd, Papatoetoe, Auckland 24

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1956		2	Kitchingman, Owen A., 26 Charles Upham Avenue, Hillmorton, Christchurch, I.C.
1961		2	Langley, John E., 149 Kamo Rd, Whangarei (Ph. 72-624) 6
1927		S	Larsen, Norman P., Flat 2, 308 Market St, South, Hastings (1966) 67
1927	******	S	Laurenson, George I., 15 Ashton Rd, Mt. Eden, Auckland 3 (1968)
$1963 \\ 1938$		38	Laws, Derek G., 216 Earn St, Invercargill 125 Laws, William R., 17 Merivale Lane, Christchurch
1930		s	1 (Ph. 558-257 home, 66-049 office) G.S. Leadley, E. Clarence, 42 Tanui St, Torbay, Auck-
1953		1	land (1970) 19 LeCouteur, E. Raymond, 173 Barrington St, Christ- church 2 96
1942		19	church 2 Lewis, John J., Richmond House, Trinity College, 136 Grafton Rd, Auckland 3 (Ph. 48-584) Th.C.
1968		R	Loader, William R. G., 7904 Erbach, Jahnstrasse 33, West Germany 19
1939		2	Lucas Campbell P 33 Clothier St. Putaruru 43
1935		12	Luxton, Clarence T. J., 4 Myers Rd, Manurewa, Auckland (Ph. 67-532 Manurewa) 25
1000			Auckland (Ph. 67-532 Manurewa) 25
1957		1	Mabon, John C. F., 43 Miro St, Rongotai, Wel- lington 3 (Ph. 888-553)
1965		2	Mackie, Bruce E., 237 Salisbury St, Christchurch 1 97
1964		1	Major, Ronald G., 1 Galileo St, Ngaruawahia 40
1968		4	Malcouronne, Brian J., 56 Foyle St, Bluff 127
1966		1	Manihera, John I., 138 Somme Parade, Aramoho,
			Wanganui 63
1961		5	Marshall, C. Russell, 48 Lincoln Rd, Masterton 87
1948		S	Marshall, Edward M., Arden Ave, R.D. 1, Silverdale (1971) 30
1934		1	Matthews, Howard C., 119 Burnett St, Ashburton 115
1946	-	3	Matthews, Howard C., 119 Burnett St, Ashburton 115 McDonald, D. I. Alister, 5 Hexham St, Warkworth 31
1930		S	McDowell, M. Alexander, 17 Iti St, Otaki (1970) 89
1968		4	McIver, Graeme M., 10 Freyberg St, Wairoa, Hawke's Bay 69
1953		1	McKay, Archibald W., 43 Cowper St, Greymouth 95d
1968		1	McKay, Archibald W., 43 Cowper St, Greymouth 95d Meredith, John D., 15 Naish St, Balclutha 123
1960		5	McKenzie, Ian H., Wesley College, P.O. Box 58,
			Pukekohe 26
1967	dani	1	Michie, Laurie A., 148 Browns Rd, Manurewa 25 Moody, Edward H., 99 Quebec St, Kingston, Well-
1946		s	ington 2 (Ph. 80-029 office, 52-673 home) 79 Moore, Harry, 195 Richardson Rd, Owairaka, Auck- land (1971) 12
1931		s	Moore, William E., 56 Nottingham St, Westmere, Auckland 2 (1968) 10
1959		5	Morrison, William, 49 Murphy's Rd, Blenheim 95
1942	******	3	Morrison, William J., 249 Cambridge Rd, Hillcrest, Hamilton 39
1960		3	Mullan, David S., 18 Taitua St, Taumaranui 54
1964		1	Neal, Barry W., C/o Papakura Military Camp, Papakura 25
1918		S	Neal, Wallace S., 61 Mathesons Rd, Christchurch 1 (1953) 98

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1953	1	Newman, Alan, 54 Malfroy St, Rotorua 45
1954		Newton, Alan H. V., 30 Matai St, Hamilton (Ph.
		76-559) 38
1956	3	Nicholls, Trevor L., 95 Rifle Range Rd, Taupo 46
1959	W	.P.C. Noble, Dorothea M., 113 Oroua St, Eastbourne 85
1968	4	Norwell, Ian C., 112 High St, Masterton 87a
1937	1	Norwell, Leslie T., 43 Queen St, Cambridge 37
1939	4	Oldfield, Charles B., 235 Karori Rd, Karori, Wel-
1010	0	lington 5 80 Olds, J. Stanley, 11 Redwood St. Upper Hutt 86
1949		orde, or bounded, as areanoon of offer and the
1946	2	Olds, Norman W., 62 Wiggins St, Sumner, Christ- church 8 99
1951		Olds, O. McLennan, 463 Gladstone Rd, Gisborne
1964	R	Olsen, Brian L., 83 Manaia St. Tokoroa 44
1933		Olsen, Brian L., 83 Manaia St, Tokoroa
1000		1 (Ph. 83-387) 11
1953		Osborne, John H., 12 Poronui St, Auckland 3 14
1947	3	Parker, Francis H., 15 Penrhyn Rd, Mt Eden,
		Auckland 3 (Ph. 603-970) H.C.
1918	S	Parker, James W., 143 St John's Rd, Meadowbank,
	~	Auckland 5 (1950) 15
1929	S	Parker, Walter, 261 Manukau Rd, Epsom, Auck-
1000	C	land 3 (1965) 10
1930	S	Parker, J. Wesley, 8 Ranui Rd, Remuera, Auckland (1971) 11
1933	S	(1971) 11 Patchett, Ralph E., 118 Knowles St, Christchurch
1999	nerer D	1 (1965)
1931	S	Payne, Herbert W., 995 Beach Rd, Torbay,
1001		Auckland (1967) 19
1955	2	Peart, Cuthbert F., 22 Hakanoa St, Huntly 41
1952	5	Penman, John A., 38 McFarlane St, Wellington,
		C4 (Ph. 557-699 office, 559-309 home) 79
1927	S	Penn, Athol R., Flat 3, 774 Mt Eden Rd, Auckland
		4 (1966) 14
1938	10	Petch, Ashleigh K., 24 Liverpool St, Hamilton
1000	c	(Ph. 41-047) 38 Potoman Englanish D. 202 Pangiting Pd. Pagah
1960	6	Peterson, Frederick D., 293 Rangitira Rd, Beach Haven, Auckland 10 20
1925	S	Peterson, Gordon R. H., 1 Randwick Rd, Northland,
1010		TT-112- + F (1000) 00
1968	1	Phillips, Donald J., P.O. Box 968, Dunedin
1966	3	Pihama, Te Taotahi John, 12 John St. Tokoroa [3]
1962	2	Pomeroy, Harold C., 8 Cambridge St, Gonville,
	-	Wanganui 64
1967	2	Pratt, David C., 21 Lieman St. Otautau, Southland 126
1966	3	Prince, Donald F., 75 Scotland St, Roxburgh 127a
1954	10	Rakena, Ruawai D., 28 Mt Albert Rd, Auckland 3.
1949	1	P.O. Box 5023W (Ph. 32-172 office) H.M.
1343		Ramage, Ian C. E., Leigh House, Trinity College. 136 Grafton Rd, Auckland 3 Th.C.
1950	4	136 Grafton Rd, Auckland 3 Ramsay, Phillip D, 67 Shearman St Waimate 118
1901	S	Ramsay, Phillip D., 67 Shearman St, Waimate 113 Ranston, Harry, Leigh Haven, 61 Allendale Rd, Mt
		Albert, Auckland 3 (1941) 10
1927	S	Raynor, Ivor M., 9 Konini St. Levin (1966) 88
1957	S	
		Dunedin (1967) 117

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1960		R	Reid, Andrew G., C/o Algies Bay Store, Wark-
1000	*****	10	wowth 31
1969		3	Rigby, Russell G., 87 Forfar St, Mosgiel 120
1955		7	Rigg. Frank S., of Main Ru, dicytown
1947		S	Riseley, Benjamin H., 401 Devon Park, 45 Stanley
			Point Rd. Devonport, Auckland 9 (1969) 18
1962		3	Robertson, Ian H., 18 West Rd, Northland, Welling-
			ton 80
1942		5	Rogers, Ranginohoora, P.O. Box 400, Hamilton
			(Ph 59-684 Hamilton) [3]
1960		S	Roke, Charles E., Kawhia, King Country (1969) [4]
1963		1	Rowe, B. Keith, 75 Taranaki St, Wellington C.E.D.
1911		S	Rowe, William, 3 South Beach Rd, Plimmerton,
			Wellington (1949) 84
1951		S	Ruck, Idris J. King Edward St, Eltham 55
1954		Ru	ishton, Percy P., 994 New North Rd, Mt Albert,
			Auckland 3 16
1957		1	Russell, Kenneth H., P.O. Box 453, 100 Jed St,
			Invercargill (Ph. 3539) 125
1962		7	Rutherford, Maynard G., 8 Hulke St, Foxton 78a
1906		S	Ryan, Henry, 2 Gloucester St, Wilton, Wellington
			(1943) 80
1916		S	Sage, Ernest E., 1 Willis St, Mt Albert, Auckland
			3 (1955) 16
1971		1	Salmon, John B., 890 George St, Dunedin 118
1959		5	Salter, Lawrence E., 6 Derwent St, Wainuiomata,
			Wellington
1956		3	Scammell, Bruce, 100 West St, Feilding 75
1957		R	Scarr, Geoffrey E., 78 Westminster St, Christ-
		-	church 1 103
1950		2	Schroeder, Leonard P., 524 Church St, Palmerston
			North 72
1945		1	Shapcott, Leonard, 162 King St, Rangiora 107
1952		9	Shaw, Harry I., 1 R.N.Z.I.R., Nee Soon Camp,
1010		-	Singapore 72
1946		5	Shepherd, Trevor, 20A Wellington St, Hamilton 39
1944	*****	S	Sherson, Donald G., 474 Pakuranga Road, Auck-
1061		2	land 6 (1970) 14
$1961 \\ 1938$	nine	8	land 6 (1970) Sides, Brian W., Te Reinga St, Kaitaia Silvester, John, Ranston House, Trinity College, 1970
1300		0	134A Grafton Rd, Auckland 3 (Ph. 42-501) Th.C.
1971		1	
1011		1	Simpson, Ronald N., 55 Warspite Rd, Porirua East, Wellington 84
1915		S	Slade, William G., 4 Kyeburn Place, Avonhead,
1010		~	Christchurch 4 (1958) 96
1964		1	Slinn, Stuart G., 22 Union St, New Brighton,
1001		-	Characteranch 7 00
1970		2	Smiley, Rowan E., 17 Lyford Cres., Takapuna,
1010		-	Auckland 10 19
1970		2	Smith, G. Clive, 19 Wilsons Avenue, St Clair,
		-	Dunodin 100
1952		3	Spindler, Sydney J., 18 Tennyson St, Opunake 61
1951		R	Stead, Peter A., 14 Bromley Rd, St. Annes-on-Sea,
			North Lancs. FY8, 1 PQ, England 72
1969		3	Stringer, Robert G., Methodist Parsonage, Waitoa,
			Waikato 36
			10

Ent.	Y	ears	s. Name and Address Circ	cuit
1953		3	Stubbs, David G., 28 Oxford St, Richmond, Nelson	92
1954		5	Tahere, Te Awa W., 15 Ward St, Te Kuiti Tauroa, Lane M., Waikeria Youth Centre, P.O.	[4]
1955		3	Tauroa, Lane M., Waikeria Youth Centre, P.O.	
			Box 400, Te Awamutu	P.C.
1961		1	Box 400, Te Awamutu Box 400, Te Awamutu Taylor, A. Kerry, Tauranga Rd, Waihi Taylor, Keith J., 15 Nelson St, Christchurch 1 Taylor, Phillip F., 77 Grey St. Onehunga, Auck-	34
1966		2	Taylor, Keith J., 15 Nelson St, Christchurch 1	102
1957		5	Taylor, Phillip F., 77 Grey St. Onehunga, Auck-	
			land b	44
1911	-	S		[1]
1968		4	Te Whare, Morehu, 296 Massey Road, Mangere	
			East, Auckland	[2]
1966		2	Te Whare, Robert, Te Piringa Maori Centre, Haere-	
			huka St, Otorohanga	[4]
1941		1	Thomas, Gordon V., 92 Cambridge St, Levin	88
1946		S	Thompson, George R., 1582 Great North Rd, Water-	
		~	view, Auckland 7 (1971)	16
1951		S	Thompson, J. Herbert, Flat D, 32 Brittan St, Lin-	04
1055		0	wood, Christchurch 1 (1971)	94
1955		3	Hornicroit, Nevine, 2 Meivine Street, waipawa,	70
1935		5	Thornicroft, Neville, 2 Melville Street, Waipawa, Hawkes Bay Thornley, Robert, 1 Tennyson Ave, Takapuna,	78
1990		0	Auckland 9	19
1963		5	Toomer, Kenneth L., 35A Halswell Rd, Christ-	19
1000			church 2	101
1951		1	Toothill, Harry W., 18 Orari St, Ngaio, Wellington	101
		-	4	83
1954		8	Trebilco, David L., 193 Victoria Rd, Devonport,	00
			Analdond 0	18
1952		1	Trebilco, George R., 82 Murray Place, St Albans,	
			Christchurch	103
1968		3	Turner, Brian H., 176 West Tamaki Rd, Glen	
			Innes, Auckland 16	15
1926		S	Voyce, A. Henry, 17 Prospect Tce, Milford,	
10.05		-	Auckland 9 (1959) Waaka, Napi, 107 Waihi Rd, Hawera	19
1965	inger	5	Waaka, Napi, 107 Waihi Rd, Hawera	[5]
1962		2	Waine, Frederick E., 106 Rata St, Naenae, Lower	
1962		1	Hutt	85
1902		1	Wakeling, W. J. Douglas, 164 High St South, Car-	
1965		2	Walker, Brian A., 31 Whitby St, Mornington,	36d
1000		4		011
1961		4	Wallace, William L., 5 Caldwell St, Brockville,	119
2002		-	Dunedin11	0.0
1945		1		2
1939		1	Watson John K 19 Nohum Ct Deenes	0.0
1965		2	West, Norman J., 79 Arthur St. Timaru	111
1966		3	West, Norman J., 79 Arthur St, Faeroa West, Norman J., 79 Arthur St, Timaru West, Stanley J., 3 Delta St, Dunedin, N.W.1 Widdup, Robert W., 18 Chapel St, Christchurch 5 1 Williams, David O. 4 Parkdala Bd Mt Albort	117
1959		1	Widdup, Robert W., 18 Chapel St. Christchurch 5 1	04
1931		S	Albert.	
1010		-	Auckland (1971)	16
1943		5	Williams, J. C. Aldwyn, 10 New Bond St Kings	
1040		1		10
1942		1	Willing, Leonard V., 104 Manawapou Rd, Hawera	
1935			(Fn. 6270)	60
1000		T	Witheford, Arthur R., 120 Colombo St, Christ-	
			church 2 1	.00

Ent.	Years	. Name and Address Circuit
1955	R	Wood, Ronald H., 6 Corbett St, Green Island, Dun- edin 118
1950	5	Woodfield, Frank H., 37 Nelson St, Petone 85
1950	7	Woodfield, Owen T., 49 Bryndwr Rd, Christchurch 5 103
1962	2	Woodley, Alan K., 34 Edmonton Rd, Henderson, Auckland 8 17
1953	S	Woodnutt, Alfred G., 32 Fulford St, New Plymouth 56
1941	3	Woolford, J. Henry, 97 Birkenhead Avenue, Birken- head, Auckland 10 20
1971	1	Wright, Jack, Okato, Taranaki 61
1956		Ziesler, John, Lincoln House, 134 Grafton Rd, Auckland 3 Th.C.

MINISTERIAL SUPPLIES

6 Ian W. Ogier, P.O. Box 711, Whangarei Vickery, John H., 19 Graham Ave, Te Atatu, Auckland 8 17 Sweet, George L., 84 Hackthorne Rd, Cashmere, Christchurch 2 96 Chick, H. H., Hihi Street, Ohura, King Country 55

RESIDING IN NEW ZEALAND

Sarchet, E., 17 Tawa Rd, Te Atatu, Auckland (a Minister in full connexion with the British Methodist Conference).

HOME MISSIONARIES

Ent.

Name and Address

Years

1924

1928

- R. T. Alexander (Retired), 86A Neale Ave, Stoke, Nelson R. Coombridge (Retired), No. 3 R.D., Otorohanga H. R. Wright (Retired), 7 Tor St, Westown, New Plymouth 1939
- 1940 D. I. Robertson (Retired), 50 Puriri Ave, Beach Haven, Auckland 5
- 1948 H. Prowse (Retired), 2 Kowhai Flats, Cuba St. Marton
- 1952 F. L. Johnson (Senior Home Missionary), P.O. Box 10, Paparoa
- F. E. Trim (Retired), C/o Levin War Veterans Home. 32-40 Prowse Street, Levin A. E. Tardif (Retired), Deborah Bay, Port Chalmers, Otago 1956
- 1961

HOME MISSIONARY SUPPLIES

J. H. Fruin, 108 Talbot St, Geraldine.

A. H. Harman, 33 Johnson St, Milton.

William C. Griffiths, Garfield Rd, Helensville.

UNION CHURCH MINISTERS

Hikurangi: McDonald, I. C., The Manse, Whakapara	5a
Ruawai: Gilbert, Wilfred S., 92 Freyberg Rd, Ruawai, Northland	7a
Hauraki Plains: Fowler, Irwin J., The Parsonage, Haywards Rd.	
Ngatea, Hauraki Plains	32a
Raglan: Horrill, C. Seton, The Manse, Raglan	00
Turangi: Hay, J. C., 4 Hingaia St, Turangi	
Kiwara R.	ora
Mangapapa: Weeks, R., 314 Ormond Rd, Gisborne	68a
Pahiatua, Haman T F D OL D L'	71a
Nowlanday Daige Tala a all a 11 a and a	
Eketahuna: Harding Boy C C E Hards Mewlands	83b
Eketahuna: Harding, Rev. G. G. E., Haswell St, Eketahuna	87b
Johnsonville: Andrews, Robert S., 14 Tarawera Rd, Johnsonville,	

Wellington 83a
Tankersley, H. A., 55 Frankmore Ave, Johnsonville, Well-
ington 4 and and and and
Taita: George, R. Leslie. 73 Molesworth St, Taita, Lower Hutt 85a
Wainuiomata: Vinten, W., 115 Main Rd, Wainuiomata
ington 4 Taita: George, R. Leslie. 73 Molesworth St, Taita, Lower Hutt 85a Wainuiomata: Vinten, W., 115 Main Rd, Wainuiomata Salter, Lawrence E., 6 Derwent St, Wainuiomata Salter, Lawrence Clarke Jan L. 55 Tinabi St. Nelson 91a
Inglewood: Ralph, B., 17 Mahoe St, Inglewood
Manala: Appointment to be decided 60a Greytown: Rigg, Frank S., 61 Main St, Greytown 86b Featherston: Gordon, T., The Manse, Fetherston 86c Carterton: Wakeling, W. J. D., 164 High St South, Carterton 86d Masterton: St James: Norwell, Ian C., 112 High St, Masterton 87a 87a Featherford Maynard G., Hulke St, Foxton 78a
Featherston: Gordon, T., The Manse, Fetherston
Carterton: Wakeling, W. J. D., 104 High St South, Carterton 87a
Foxton: Rutherford, Maynard G., Hulke St, Foxton 78a Greymouth: McKay, Archibald W., 43 Cowper St, Greymouth 95d
Creymouth: McKay Archibald W 43 Cowper St. Greymouth 95d
Churcher, Neil G., The Manse, Greymouth.
Nalder, Thos. W., The Manse, Cobden, Greymouth.
Alexandra-Clyde: Dunn, A. J., The Manse, Alexandra 127b
Coates, R.
Buller: Jamieson, Colin G., The Manse, 50 Wakefield St. Westport 95c
Reefton District: Goss. Alan, The Manse, 9 Mace St, Reefton 95b
Hokitika: Collingwood, Ronald C., 131 Livingstone St, Hokitika 95e
Jenkin, C., Fitzherbert St, Hokitika St David's, Marchwiel, Timaru: Simpson, R. Allan, 24 Tyne St,
St David's, Marchwiel, Timaru: Simpson, R. Allan, 24 Tyne St,
Timaru 112a
Oamaru (Church of Christ-Methodist): Duder, Clifford L., 24
Eden St, Oamaru 116a
Grant Braes-Tomahawk: Angus G. C. M., Larnach Rd, Waver-
ley, Dunedin 121a West Dunedin Special Union Parish, Kaikorai—Clarke, Ross K L 29 Farley St Kaikorai Dunedin 119a
K. L. 29 Farley St. Kaikorai, Dunedin 119a
K. L., 29 Farley St, Kaikorai, Dunedin 119a Wakari-Stevens, Ewing C., 99 Centennial Ave. Wakari,
Dunedin.
Halfway Bush-Bathgate, A. K. T., 31 Balmain St, Half-
wow Bush Dunodin
Brockville-Wallace, William L., 5 Caldwell St, Brockville,
Dunedin.
Dunedin. Corstorphine: Pres. Appt., 149 Hillhead Road, Corstorphine,
Dunedin
Teviot Union Parish: Prince, D. F., 75 Scotland St, Roxburgh127a
MAORI HOME MISSIONARIES
Ent. Name and Address Years
(a) Full Time:
1960 Matu Makiha, Methodist Parsonage, 51 Hall Rd, Manurewa 3
1962 Herehere Maihi Maaka, Waima, Hokianga 3
1962 Te Orahi Tonga, Methodist Maori Parsonage, Ngaruawahia 10
(b) Honorary:
1930 Paahi Moke (Retired), P.O. Box 24, Kawhia
1932 Tuteao Manihera, 1 Butler Place, Fairfield, Hamilton
1937 Roi Moke, Aotea Harbour, via Kawhia
1938 Wiremu Paki Ihaka, 15 Ropata Ave, Tamaki, Auckland
1940 Wiremu Tonga, 36 Morris Rd, Hillcrest, Hamilton
1942 Tawai Te Riri Kawiti, Waiomio R.D., Kawakawa, Bay of
Islands 1946 Tumu Te Huia, Mako Mako, Raglan
1946 Tumu Te Huia, Mako Mako, Raglan 1946 Waaka Kukutai, Tauranganui, via Tuakau, Waikato
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- Whaterau Ira Wharehoka, Pungarehu, Taranaki 1947
- Nguru, Winikerei, Marokopa Valley, R.D. 4, Te Kuiti Pukerau Rangitutia, Aotearoa R.D. 7, Te Awamutu Matene Hori de Thierry, Settlement Rd, Pukekohe 1948
- 1951
- 1952
- Ngerungeru Tame Pihama, c/o 36 Barrie Cres., Hamilton 1952
- Hone Wilcox, 81 Premier Ave, Pt Chevalier, Auckland Hohepa Hemara, Cartwright's Rd, Onerahi, Northland 1952
- 1952
- 1955
- 1958
- Wera Couch, P.O. Box 20, Lyttelton Himiona Waata, No. 3 R.D., Hikurangi Hoera Whakaari Hakopa, Whatawhata, Waikato Robert Taka, c/o Post Office, Kaeo, Northland 1960
- 1962
- Para Piripi Livingstone, Matawaia, No. 12 R.D., Moerewa, 1964 Northland
- Hamiora Toia, 35 Pirika Street, Dargaville 1967
- Philip Te Uira, Taharoa, Te Kuiti 1967
- Wiremu Huirama Te Hiko, 31 Manaia St, Tokoroa. Mare Rogers, 27 Orr's Rd, Kaikohe. 1968
- 1969
- John Hoani Heremaia, Pareroa Pa, Kaharamea Henare Pate, 10 Amisfield Rd, Tokoroa. 1969
- 1969
- Rewi Tautari, Waiomio, via Kawa Kawa. 1970
- 1970 Geo. Taha, Dason's Rd, Glen Massey, Ngaruawahia.

DEACONESSES

- 1921 Sister Eleanor Dobby, 409 Main North Rd, Papanui, Christchurch 5.
- Sister Heeni Wharemaru, 80 London St, Hamilton. 1936
- Sister Dorothy Pointon, 102 Sandspit Rd, Howick, Auckland. 1939
- 1943 Sister Anne Wilson, Seamer House, 515 Remuera Rd, Auckland.
- 1948 Sister Rona Collins, Methodist Children's Home, 93 Harewood Road, Papanui, Christchurch 5.
- Sister Grace Clement, 515 Remuera Rd, Auckland 5. Sister Betty Yearbury, P.O. Box 102, Te Kuiti. 1948
- 1949
- Sister Beverley Taylor, Flat 7, 8 Begbie Place, Sandringham, 1957 Auckland 3.
- 1960 Sister Joan Wedding, Rangiatea Maori Girls' Hostel, South Rd. Spotswood, New Plymouth.
- Sister Edna Jenkin, C/o Borneo Evangelical Mission, P.O. Box 1962 46, Lawas, Sarawak, East Malaysia. Sister Barbara Miller, Tahake P.O., Hokianga. Sister Shirley Wiki, Simpson's Road, Ruawai, Northland.
- 1963
- 1963
- 1964 Sister Shirley Ungemuth, Eventide Home, Company Bay, Private Bag, Dunedin.
- 1968 Sister Atawhai George, c/o. Post Office, Waihaha, Bay of Islands.
- 1969 Sister Ruth Tattersall, P.O. Box 400, Hamilton.

RETIRED DEACONESSES

- Sister Ruth Fawcett, Woodchester, 76 Banks Avenue, Christ-1909 church 5.
- Sister Ivy Jones, Flat 1, 3 Grange Rd, Mt Eden, Auckland 3. 1928
- 1928 Sister Rita Snowden, "West Hills", Titirangi Rd, Titirangi, Auckland.
- Sister Airini Hobbs, 14 Richmond St, Cambridge. 1929
- Sister Jean Miller, 38 Haristock Rd, Sandringham, Auckland. Sister Margaret W. Nicholls, Ngaruawahia. 1945
- 1921
- 1964 Sister Connie Sage, 1 Willis St. Auckland 3.
- 1935 Sister Madeline Holland, c/o. Tyler House. 63 Allendale Road, Auckland.

DEACONESS SUPPLIES

Miss Beth Sutton, 8 Airedale St, Auckland.

MINISTERS SERVING WITH OTHER CONFERENCES Andrews, Stanley G., P.O. Box 357, Suva, Fiji.

Dawson, John B., Central Methodist Mission, 210 Pitt Street, Sydney, N.S.W., 200.

Glen, Frank G., P.O. Box 25, Te Anau, New Zealand.

Hayman, Leslie A. D., 429 Wakefield Road, Huddersfield, H.D58DB, West Yorkshire, England.

Lewis, Evan R., Queens College, Parkville 3052, Victoria, Australia.

NEW ZEALAND STAFF SERVING WITH THE UNITED CHURCH IN PAPUA NEW GUINEA AND THE SOLOMON ISLANDS, WHOLLY OR PARTLY SUPPORTED BY THE NEW ZEALAND METHODIST CHURCH.

Ministers

Rev. Frederick J. K. Baker, Mendi, S.H.D., P.N.G.

Rev. Maxwell L. Bruce, Kekesu, Buka, P.N.G.

Rev. James F. Cropp, Bilua, via Gizo, B.S.I. Rev. Alan J. Leadley, Rarongo Theological College, via Rabaul, P.N.G.

Rev. W. Geoffrey Tucker, Honiara, B.S.I.

Deaconesses

Sister Lucy Money, M.B.E., Sasamungga, via Gizo, B.S.I.

Sister Pamela Beaumont, Nagovisi, via Buin, P.N.G.

Sister Norma Graves, Raronga Theological College, via Rabaul, P.N.G.

Lay Women

Miss Beverley A. Baker, Nipa, S.H.D., P.N.G.

- Miss Lesley H. Bowen, Munda, B.S.I.
- Miss Myra C. Fraser, Bilua, via Gizo, B.S.I. Miss Beryl M. Grice, Sasamungga, via Gizo, B.S.I.

Miss Patricia M. Jacobson, Kihili, Buin, P.N.G.

- Miss Muriel McCormack, Tonu, Buin, P.N.G.
- Miss Lynette M. Sadler, Goldie College, Munda, B.S.I. Miss Eileen F. Schick, Munda, B.S.I. Miss Ailsa R. Thorburn, Tari, S.H.D., P.N.G. Miss Christine Lowe, Lai Valley, via Mendi, P.N.G.

Laymen

Mr Donald H. Bennett, Tari, S.H.D., P.N.G.

Mr David R. Buchan, P.O. Box 90, Rabaul, P.N.G. Mr Eion K. Field, Kihili, Buin, P.N.G. Mr Eric Harney, Munda, B.S.I.

- Mr Douglas C. McKenzie, Wesley High School, Salamo, P.N.G.
- Mr Denis A. Moor, Munda, B.S.I.

Dr Ronald W. Pattinson, Munda, B.S.I. Mr Donald L. Pentelow, Box 90, Rabaul, P.N.G.

- Mr John C. Wishart, Munda, B.S.I. Mr Gordon L. Pavey, P.O. Box 90, Rabaul, P.N.G.
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- B.S.I.: British Solomon Islands.
- P.N.G.: Papua New Guinea.
- S.H.D.: Southern Highlands District.

A CHRONOLOGICAL LIST

OF THE

MINISTERS and PROBATIONERS IN CONNECTON WITH THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND

1899-Keall, Robert P. (Sup.) 1927-Larsen, Norman P. (Sup.) .. 1901-Ranston, Harry, M.A., Litt.D. (Fellow of Trinity College) ... (Sup.) ... 1906-Ryan, Henry (Sup.) •• 1907-Blair, Charles (Sup.) 1911-Rowe, William (Sup.) ... Te Tuhi, Eruera, O.B.E. (Sup.) ... 1930-1913-Bensley, Arthur A. (Sup.) .. 22 1915-Slade, William G., M.A., D.D. (Toronto) (Sup.) ... 1916-Brown, George E. (Sup.) 1931 -Fordyce, Robert E., S.B.St.J. ,, ... (Sup.) Kendon, Charles H. (Sup.) .. ,, Sage, Ernest E. (Sup.) 1917-Blight, William T., B.A., B.D. ,, (Melb.) (Sup.) 1918-Costain, Alfred M., Dip.Soc.Sc. (Sup.) Neal, Wallace S. (Sup.) " ... Parker, James W. (Sup.) ,, .. 1919-Jefferson, Alfred E. (Sup.) ., •• 1923- Blakemore, Albert (Sup.) Hames, Eric W., M.A. (Fellow of Trinity College) (Sup.) 1924-Bailey, John H. (Sup.) Brown, Hubert G. (Sup.) ,, Fiebig, Herbert L., B.A. (Sup.) ... " 39 1925-Peterson, Gordon R. H. (Sup.) ., ... 1926-Harris, G. Raymond (Sup.)

Voyce, A. Henry (Sup.)

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Laurenson, George I., C.B.E. (Sup.) Penn, Athol R. (Sup.) Raynor, Ivor M. (Sup.) 1928-Grocott, John D., B.A. (Sup.) Hailwood, Charlie O. (Sup.) 1929—Dickens, Charles E. (Sup.) "Horwood, Leonard C. (Sup.) "Kent, Arthur T. (Sup.) Parker, Walter (Sup.) Blight, J. Montgomery (Sup.) Leadley, E. Clarence (Sup.) McDowell, M. Alexander, D.D. (Mt. Union, U.S.A.) (Sup.) Parker, J. Wesley, E.D., M.A. B.D. (Sup.) -Carr, Thomas H. (Sup.) Carr, W. E. Allon (Sup.) Greenslade, William W. H., M.B.E. (Sup.) Moore, William E. (Sup.) Payne, Herbert W. (Sup.) Williams, David O., M.A. Litt.D. (Fellow of Trinity College) (Sup.) 1932-Day, Reginald (Sup.) Hickman, D. J. Donald (Sup.) Jenkin, William C. (Sup.) 1933-Chrystall, Bernard M., B.A. Orr, A. Everil, M.B.E. Patchett, Ralph E. (Sup.) 1934—Goodman, George H. (Sup.) ,, Johnston, Andrew J. (Sup.) ,, Matthews, Howard C., B.A. 1935-Burton, Ormond E., M.A. (Sup.) Duder, Clifford L. Hanna, L. Gordon Sup.) Luxton, Clarence T. J. Thornley, Robert, M.A. Dip.Soc.Sc.

Witheford, Arthur R., B.A. ..

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- 1936-Hopper, Ian H. K., B.A. 1945-Shapcott, Leonard (Sup.) 1946 -McDonald, D. I. Alister 1937-Churchill, John Moore, Harry (Sup.) ... Francis, William R., B.A., B.D. Olds, Norman W. ,, .. (Lond.) Shepherd, Trevor ,, Norwell, Leslie T. Thompson, George R., E.D. ,, ,, (Sup.) 1938-Harkness, Howard E., M.A. B.D. (Melb.) 1947-Attwood, A. Francis (Sup.) Laws, William R., M.A., B.D. Campbell, M. Jackson ., ,, (Melb.) Clements, Leslie C. ., Petch, Ashleigh K., B.A. ,, Hall, Allen H., M.A. ... Silvester, John, M.A. ... Parker, Francis H. ... Riseley, Benjamin H. (Sup.) ,, 1939-Cochrane, Herbert A. Grice, Reginald (Sup.) ., 1948-Eisner, Wilf, G., B.A. ,, Hilder, Basil J. Hayman, Leslie A. D., B.Agr.Sc. ., Lucas, Campbell P., L.Th. .. Marshall, Edward M., B.A., Oldfield, Charles B. ., ., (Sup.) Watson, John K., M.C., B.A. 99 1940-Dawson, John B., B.A. 1949 -Baker, Edward Dixon, Haddon C., M.A., B.D. Gilmore, Leslie R. M., B.A. Benny, T. Ralph (Sup.) ., .. Burt, Douglas H. ,, ., Greenslade, Lawrence Cornwell, Gordon A. R. Ford, Wilfred F., B.A. Garner, William M. (Sup.) Jones, Alan O. ., ,, ... 1941 -Bell, Charles H., B.A. (Sup.) Keightley, Clifford J. .. Olds, J. Stanley Brown, Harold K. ., •• Darvill, Harold A. Ramage, Ian C. E., M.A. ., .. Thomas, Gordon V., B.A. ,, Woolford, Henry J., M.A. 1950--Clark, Colin D., M.A. .. Gordon, D. Bruce, M.A. ,, 1942-Clement, R. Frederick, M.A. Ramsay, Phillip D. ., Ivory, Arthur H., LL.B., Schroeder, Leonard P., B.A., 33 ., B.Com. (Sup.) Lewis, John J., M.A., B.D. (Melb.), Ph.D. (Lond.) Morrison, William J., M.A. B.D. (Melb.) Woodfield, Frank H. Woodfield, Owen T., B.A. ... •• ., ., Rogers, Ranginohoora Besant, H. David, B.A., B.D. Burrough, Amos W. ,, 1951 -Willing, Leonard V. ., Williams, J. C. Aldwyn 99 Carter, George, M.A., Dip.Ed. Clucas, Ivan J. Gilbert, Geoffrey T. ,, ... ,, 1943-Brown, Clifford G. ,, Cramond, George W. ... Ruck, Idris J. (Sup.) Stead, Peter A., B.A. ., 1943—Dawson, W. Selwyn, M.A. " Falkingham, Wilfred E. ,, Toothill, Harry W. ,, Olds, O. McLennan .. Grounds, Edmund D. ... Jolly, Albert --1952-George, R. Leslie 1944-Allen, Robert H., B.A. Gibson, Loyal J. 22 Bell, R. Graham, M.A., B.D., Theol.M. (Melb.) Bycroft, Leslie F. Hall, John R. 39 22 Handyside, Allan J. ,, Penman, John A., B.A. 22 ., Chambers, Wesley A., M.A. Dorrian, A. Peter (Sup.) Sherson, Donald G., B.A. Shaw, Harry I. 77 ., Spindler, Sydney J. ., ,, Thompson, John H. (Sup.) 19 .. (Sup.) Trebilco, George R. .,
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1953-LeCouteur, E. Raymond	,, Griffith, Keith C.
" Craig, Hughan M.	" Hosking, John S., M.A.,
" McKay, Archibald W.	Dip.Mus.
Nowman Alan	Morrison William
Ochorne John H M A	
Stubbe David G	" Noble, Dorothea, B.A. " Salter, Lawrence E.
" Stubbs, David G.	
1954-Billinghurst, Noel D.	", Widdup, Robert W.
	1960-Brazendale, Graham
" Eastwood, Eric R.	Grundy Albert A MA
" Grundy, John. M.A.	" Grundy, Albert A., M.A.
" Heppelthwaite, Ernest	" Christian, Owen L.
" Newton, Alan H. V.	" Conway, James H.
" Rakena, Ruawai D.	" Gust, Warwick, B.A.,
", Newton, Alan H. V. ", Rakena, Ruawai D. ", Rushton, Percy P., B.A., B.D.	B.D. (Melb.)
" Tahere, Te Awa W.	" Hanson, E. Francis I., B.A.
" Trebilco, David L.	B.D.
Watcon Alexander C	" Henderson, W. John (Sup.) " Hornblow, Maxwell A.
" watson, Alexander C.	" Hornblow, Maxwell A.
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" Peart, Cuthbert F.	" Roke, Charles E. (Sup.)
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" Tauroa, Lane M., B.A.	1961—James, Russell E.
" Thornicroft, Neville	" Langley, John E.
" Wood, Ronald H.	" Marshall, C. Russell
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1956-Andrews, Robert S.	" Taylor, A. Kerry
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" Nicholls, Trevor L.	" Hight, Arnold C.
" Scammell, Bruce	" Hines, David L., B.A., B.D.
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1957-Bell, G. Basil W.	B.D., A.C.A., C.M.A., A.C.I.S
" Brough, Gordon D., B.A.	Robertson Jan H
" Fowler, Irwin J.	Putherford Maynard G
" Guthardt, Phyllis M., M.A.	Waine Frederick F
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" Kitchingman, Henry W.	
" Mabon, John C. F.	" Woodley, Alan K.
" Reddihough, John W., F.R.G.S.	1963-Ansell, David H.
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	" Fields, Ronald E.
" Taylor, Philip F.	" Garside, Paul A.
" Walker, Brian A., M.A.	" Laws, Derek G., F.C.A.
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1958-Cirno. Frederick J.	, Toomer, Kenneth L., L.Th.
" Gilbert, Wilfred S.	
" Hamlin, R. John	1964—Felderhof, Ludwig
	" Gerritsen, Hendrik, B.A.
1959-Bowen, Lewis A.	" Major, Ronald G., B.A.
" Dine, Mervyn L.	" Neal, Barry W.
" Goudge, Stanley R., B.A.	" Olsen, Brian L.
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,,	Hayhurst, John G.	1
"	Herbert, C. Brice	
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"	Waaka, Napi	
"	West, Norman J.	
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1966-	-Alexander, Roy M.	
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,,	Ferguson, Ronald W.	1 **
,,	Hendry, Richard J.	1
"	Manihera, John I.	
	Pihama, Te Taotahi John	
"	Prince, Donald F.	1
"	Taylor, Keith J.	1
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,,	West, Stanley J.	
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1967-	-Bennett, Enid J., M.A., B.D.	1
.,	Jamieson, Colin G.	
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"	Pratt, David C.	18
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1968-	-Couch, Moke A. G.	

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- Leadley, Alan J., B.A., B.D. Loader, William R. G., B.A., ...
- ,, B.D.
- McIver, Graeme M. ,,
- Malcouronne, Brian J. ,,
- Meredith, John D. ,,
- Norwell, Ian C. ,,
- Phillipps, Donald J., B.A. ,,
- Te Whare, Morehu ,,
- 969-Alley, David R.
 - Brookes, Norman E. ,,
 - Chapman, Wallace C. ,,
 - Corlett, Ashley I. ,,
 - de Zoete, Pieter K. F. Eagle, Brian R. J. - ,
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 - Ferguson, Ronald W. ,,
 - Harkness, Barry G., B.A. Rigby, Russell G. ,,
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 - Stringer, Robert G. Turner, Brian H. ,,
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- 970-Graham, Duncan R.
 - Smiley, Rowan E. Smith, G. Clive ,,
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- 1971-Blundell, Warren H. Salmon, John B., A.C.A., A.C.I.S.
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Dunedin	1923	Benjamin F. Rothwell	H. Field	Arthur Ashcroft
Christchurch	1 1924	Arthur Ashcroft	F. Thompson	Adolphus N. Scotter, B.A.
Wellington	1925	Thomas R. Richards	H. P. Mourant	Adolphus N. Scotter, B.A.
N Dunedin	1926	Percy N. Knight, B.A.	Sir Donald Cameron	Adolphus N. Scotter, B.A.
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Christchurch	1 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	1 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	1 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		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.	F. Penn, N.D.H. (N.Z.)	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.
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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.
Wellingtont	1949	E. Thomas Olds	Harry H. Johnson	Herbert L. Fiebig, B.A.
Napier (Nov.)		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			James H. Oldham	Herbert L. Fiebig, B.A.
	1951	George I. Laurenson		
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.,	Sister Rita F. Snowden	Gordon R. H. Peterson
Palmerston		F.R.E.S.		
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,	Athol R. Penn
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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. Cvril Burton, M.A.	Howard E. Harkness, M.A., B.D.
Hamilton	1964	George H. Goodman	R. C. A. Marshall	Howard E. Harkness, M.A., B.D.
Christchurch	1965	Arthur R. Witheford, B.A.	Russell T. Garlick, LL.B.	Howard E. Harkness, M.A., B.D.
Auckland	1966	Ashleigh K. Petch, B.A.	Huia W. Beaumont,	William R. Laws, M.A., B.D.
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Dunedin	1967	John D. Grocott, B.A.	William E. Donnelly,	William R. Laws, M.A., B.D.
			M.B.E.	
New Plymouth	1968	William R. Francis, B.A., B.D.	E. Alan Crothall	William R. Laws, M.A., B.D.
Wellington	1969	John J. Lewis, M.A., B.D., Ph.D.		William R. Laws, M.A., B.D.
Christchurch	1970	Wilfred F. Ford, B.A.	Cedric B. Radcliffe. M.Sc.	William R. Laws, 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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The Sessions of the Conference were opened on Saturday, 31st October, 1970, in the Durham Street Church, Christchurch, by the retiring President, Rev. John J. Lewis, M.A., B.D., Ph.D., after which the Rev. Wilfred F. Ford, B.A., was inducted to the Presidency. Mr Cedric B. Radcliffe, M.Sc., was inducted as Vice-President.

Lectionary 1971-72

(FOR THE OPTIONAL USE OF PREACHERS)

1971 APRIL

MORNING

EVENING

Palm Sunday	4	Zechariah 9:9-12 Luke 19:29-42	Psalm 118 (No. 56) Matthew 27:32-54
Easter Day	11	Exodus 15:1-5; 1 17-19 Luke 23:50-24:12	0-13;Exodus 12:21-36 Luke 24:13-25
Ist after Easter	18	Isaiah 25:1-9 John 21:1-22	Ezekiel 37:1-14 John 20:19-31
2nd after Easter (Anzac Day)	25	Wisdom 3:1-9 Romans 8:18-39	Exodus 13:17-22 John 15:1-11

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3rd after Easter 2 (Bible Day in N.Z.)	Psalm 119:105-112 Hebrews 4	Exodus 15:20-27 John 15:12-27
4th after Easter 9	Magnificat (No. 7)	Exodus 16:2-15
(Home & Family	Ephes. 5:22-6.4	John 16:1-15
Day) 5th after Easter	Deut. 11:13-28	Numbers 14:11-24
(Rogation) 16**	John 16:16-33	John 17:1-6, 9-11,
(15-17, 20-26.

**Note: Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (Ascension Day to Pentecost). (See Passages for Special Days or Prepared Pamphlet).

Sunday after Ascension. (Aldersgate		Psalm 130 (No. 59) Ephes, 1:3-14	Jeremiah 23:23-29 Romans 10:1-17
Sunday) Pentecost	23 30	Joel 2:28-32 Acts 2:1-13	Ezekiel 36:22-28; 35-36 Romans 8:1-17

JUNE

Trinity or next after Pentecost 6 2nd after Pentecost	
13 3rd after Pentecost	
20 4th after Pentecost 27	
JULY 5th after Pentecost 4	
6th after Pentecost 11	

7th after Pentecost (Youth Day) 18 8th after Pentecost 25 Psalm 97 (No. 50) Revelation 4 Numbers 27: 12-23 John 4:1-10, 13b-14, 19-26 Deut. 34:1-12 John 4:27-42 Joshua 2:1-9, 12-21 Acts 2:22-42

Joshua 3:7-17; 4:4-7 Acts 3:1-19 Joshua 5:13-6:5 Acts 4:1-12 1 Chron. 28:1-10 Matthew 13:44-58 Joshua 6:12-16, 20 Acts 4:13-22 Isaiah 63:7-16 1 Peter 1:1-21 Exodus 1:8-10, 22; 2:1-10 Mark 1:14-28 Exodus 2:11-22 Mark 1:29-39 Exodus 4:1-16 Mark 2:1-12

Exodus 6:2-12 Mark 2:13-28

Exodus 7:8-27 Mark 3:1-12 Job 28:12-28 (No. 66) 1 Tim. 4:6-16 1 Sam. 1-11, 19-20 John 5:1-15

AUGUST	MORNING	EVENING
9th after Pentecost 1		1 Sam. 4:1-14
offi after i entecost i	Acts 5:12-17,32	John 5:16-29
10th after Pentecost	1 Sam. 17:1-11	Proverbs 17:1-14
8	John 6:22-40	Ephes. 1:15-23
(L.P. Sunday)	1 Sam 17.99 E1	Teahua 94.14.94
11th after Pentecost 15	1 Sam. 17:32-51 John 6:41-51	Joshua 24:14-24 Ephes. 4:17-32
12th after Pentecost		Isaiah 30:8-18
22	John 6:52-71	Ephes. 5:1-8; 14-21
13th after Pentecost	1 Sam. 26:5-25	Isaiah 59:16-21
29	Luke 10:1-20	Ephes. 6:10-20
SEPTEMBER		and the second second
14th after Pentecost	1 Sam. 28:3-20	Nehemiah 8:1-3; 5-12
5	Luke 8:16-25	Galatians 5:16-25
15th after Pentecost 12	1 Kings 21:1-16 Luke 9:51-62	1 Kings 22:1-17 2 Cor. 5:20-6:10
16th after Pentecost	2 Kings 5:1-14	2 Kings 6:8-23
19	Acts 18:24-19:6	Luke 5:1-16
17th after Pentecost	Jeremiah 35:1-10, 18-19	Isaiah 5:11-12; 18-24
(Christian	Romans 13:1-14	Matthew 19:1-9; 13-22
Citizenship) 26		
OCTOBER		
18th after Pentecost	Micah 4:1-7	2 Kings 6:24-25;
3	John 10:7-18	7-1-6, 16
(World Communion) 19th after Pentecost	Hosea 2:14-23	Matthew 21:33-46 2 Kings 17:1-6; 24-28
19th after rentecost 10	Acts 19:21-41	Luke 14:1-14
20th after Pentecost	Hosea 6:1-6	2 Kings 22:3-11;
17	Acts 20:17-38	23:1-3
		Acts 24:24-25; 12
21st after Pentecost	Jeremiah 22:1-5;	2 Kings 23:28-24:7
(Industrial Sunday)** 24	13-19 Luke 16:1-15	Acts 28:16-31
	ial Principles should be	read on this day
(Se	e MINUTES 1967-page	113)
22nd after Pentecost 31	Jeremiah 26:1-16 Luke 13:1-17	Jeremiah 36:1-4; 1 Cor. 9:24-10:13
	Luke 10.1-11	1 001, 0.24-10.15
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23rd after Pentecost 7	2 Kings 23:4-14 Luke 17:5-21	2 Chron. 36:11-21 Luke 18:1-14
24th after Pentecost	Ezekiel 11:14-20	Jeremiah 38:1-13
14	Luke 18:35-19:10	Matthew 21:23-32
Next before Advent	Malachi 3:13-4:2	Jeremiah 23:1-8
21	2 Cor. 4:5-18	John 12:37-50
1st in Advent 28	Zeph. 3:1-8; 12-15	Isaiah 5:1-7
	Mark 13:24-37	Revelation 1:1-20
DECEMBER		
2nd in Advent 5	Psalm 119:129-136	Deut. 30:8-20
0.1. 1.1	Romans 15:4-13	Rev. 20:11-21:8
3rd in Advent 12	Ezekiel 34:1-12 Motther 25:14 20	Isaiah 26:1-9
4th in Advent 19	Matthew 25:14-30 Ezekiel 34:20-31	Rev. 21:9-16; 22-22:5 Isaiah 29:9-19
ton in ruvent 10	Matthew 25:31-46	Phil. 4:4-9
Sunday after	Isaiah 40:1-11	Isaiah 42:10-17
Christmas 26	Luke 2:21-40	John 1:1-18
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JANUARY, 197 2nd after Christma 1st after Epiphan 2nd after Epiphan 3rd after Epiphan Septuagesima or	as y 9 1y 16 y 23	MORNING Isaiah 40:12-31 Phil, 2:1-18 Isaiah 61:1-11 Matthew 2:1-12 Jonah 1:1-17 I Thess, 1:1-10 Jonah 2:10-3:10 1 Thess, 5:12-24 Jonah 4:1-11	EVENING Joshua 1:1-11; 16-17 1 John 4:7-21 Isaiah 49:1-13 Ephes. 2:1-22 Genesis 37:3-14; 18-28 John 2:1-12 Genesis 39:20-40:22 John 3:22-36 Gen. 41:14-15, 25-41
before Easter	30	Galatians 1:1-12	John 4:43-54
FEBRUARY Sexagesima or 8th before Easter Quinquagesima or 7th before Easter (Covenant Sunday	6	Isaiah 64:1-12 Gal. 5:16-6:5 Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-36 Matthew 5:17-30	Jeremiah 23:1-8 John 9:1-12 Gen. 2:4-9, 15-25 1 John 1:1-9
1st in Lent 2nd in Lent	13 20 27	Isaiah 58:1-12 Matthew 4:1-11 Psalm 32 Luke 15:11-32	Gen. 3:1-21 1 Cor. 10:1-13 Gen. 3:22-4:13 I John 3:1-12
MARCH			
3rd in Lent	5	1 Samuel 24 Mark 11:19-26	Gen. 11:1-9 Phil. 3:1-16
4th in Lent	12	Psalm 27 (No. 27) Luke 9:28-36	Micah 6:1-8 Phil. 3:17-4:1, 4-9
5th in Lent (Passion Sunday) Palm Sunday	19 26	Job 19:21-27 Mark 10:35-45 Jeremiah 29:1-14 Mark 11:1-11	Micah 7:1-9, 18-19 2 Cor. 5:1-19 Zechariah 9:9-12, 16 Phil. 2:1-11
ALTERNAT	IVE	AND ADDITIONAL SPECIAL DAYS	and the second se
HOLY WEEK			

Monday:	Job 19:1-9; 21-29	Mark 14:1-16
Tuesday:	Zechariah 13:1-9	Mark 14:32-52
Wednesday:	1 Sam. 4:1-11	Mark 14:53-72
Thursday:	Lev. 16:3-10 20-22	John 13:1-20
Good Friday:	Isaiah 52:13-53:12	Mark 15:16-41
	Psalm 22:1-8:15-18; 22-24	Luke 23:26-49
Easter Even:	Hosea 6:1-6	Mark 15:42-47
	2 Kings 2:1-15	Daniel 7:9-10; 13-14
	Luke 24:36-53	Acts 1:1-14

- Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (Ascension to Pentecost):
 2 Chron. 30:1-9; Psalm 122; Psalm 133; Isaiah 55:6-13; Ezekiel 37:15-28; Matthew 16:13-19; Matthew 18:10-21; John 17:20-26; 1 Cor. 3; Ephes. 1:3-23, Ephes. 2:11-22, Ephes. 4:1-16; 1 Peter 2:1-10.
- Church Anniversary: Gen. 28:10-22; I Kings 8:22-30; 1 Chron. 29:1-2, 10-20; Jer. 7:1-15; Ezra 3; Col. 1:1-20; Matth. 16:13-28; Ephes. 3:8-21; 1 Peter 1:22-2:10

Home and Overseas Missions: Isaiah 42:1-9; Isaiah 55:1-13; Jer. 10:1-16; Hosea 14; Jonah 3; Matth. 16:13-28; John 3:1-21; Romans 9:30-10:15; Ephes. 3:1-11

- Harvest Thanksgiving: Gen. 8:15-9:3; Deut. 26:1-10; 16-19; Ruth 2:1-17; Matthew 13:24-33; 36-43; Mark 4:1-20; Luke 12:13-34; John 4:31-38; Galatians 6:6-10.
- Spring or Flower Service: Gen. 1; Psalm 65; Psalm 126; 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.
- Remembrance Sunday (Sunday nearest 11th November): Ecclesiasticus 44:1-15; Wisdom 3:1-9; 2 Samuel 23:13-17; Isaiah 52:7-12; Romans 8:18-35, 37-39; Revelation 14:13-15:4; Revelation 19:6-16; Revelation 7:9-17.
- A Dedication Service: Numbers 7:1-11; 1 Chron. 28; Romans 12; Matthew 10:1-23.
- Christmas Day: Isaiah 7:10-14; Isaiah 9:2, 6-7; Matthew 1:18-25; John 1:1-14; Luke 2:1-20; 1 John 3:1-9.
- Watchnight or End of Year: Exodus 12:31-36; Eccles 3:1-15; Psalm 90; Matthew 24:32-51; Luke 12:13-21.
- New Year: Psalm 91; Psalm 103; Matthew 6:19-34; I Thess. 5; Ephes. 5:1-21.

QUESTION 1.-Who are members of this Conference?

The List of Members of the Conference is according to the Agenda of Conference, pages 11 to 18 with such alterations as were reported to Conference and duly recorded in the Journal of Conference.

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

Robert A. Allan Moke A. G. Couch Darrell R. Curtis Ronald W. Ferguson Barry G. Harkness J. Cedric Hay Roger J. E. Hey Graeme M. McIver Brian J. Malcouronne John D. Meredith Laurie A. Michie Ian C. Norwell Morehu Te Whare Brian H. Turner

QUESTION 3.-What Preachers remain on probation?

David R. Alley Norman E. Brookes Wallace C. Chapman Ashley I. Corlett Who ha Pieter K. F. de Zoete Brian R. J. Eagle Russell G. Rigby Robert G. Stringer

Who have travelled two years.

Duncan R. Graham William D. Griffiths (See Question 5) Rowan E. Smiley G. Clive Smith

Who have travelled one year.

QUESTION 4.—What Preachers are now received on probation?Warren H. BlundellRonald N. SimpsonJohn B. SalmonJack Wright

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

Russell J. Greenwood Ian D. MacLeod William D. Griffiths (See Question 3) Who are continued for a third year. Ian M. Anderson Stuart C. Grant Laurence H. Currie John A. Stringer Who are continued for a second year.

QUESTION 6.-What Candidates are now received for Theological training?

Jan D. de Zoete G. Douglas John H. Roberts Gavin B. Sharp

QUESTION 7 .- No longer applies.

QUESTION 8.—(a) What Deaconesses are ordained at this Conference?

Norma M. Graves (from 1969 Conference on behalf of the United Church in Papua, New Guinea, and the Solomon Islands) Lucy H. Money (from 1969 Conference on behalf of the United Church in Papua, New Cuinea, and the Solomon Laboratory

Church in Papua, New Guinea, and the Solomon Islands)

(b) What Students are placed on Deaconess Probation? None.

(c) What Students are to continue to have Deaconess training? Rhondda M. Mason for a third year.

(d) What Candidates are received for Deaconess training? Hanna Hauraki,

QUESTION 9.—What Home Missionary Probationers are there and have they passed their examinations in their respective years? There are none.

QUESTION 10-What Ministers, Probationers, Deaconesses or Home Missionaries have died since last Conference?

Ministers: Fred Copeland, Percy I. Cooke.

Home Missionary: Wilfred H. Wilson

Maori Ministers: Waiwera Rangawhenua, Taipua Te Uira, Te Iwikau Waaka.

PERCY I. COOKE

The Rev. Percy I. Cooke died on 24th June 1970, and his passing marks the end of a long and fruitful ministry. After one year in Home Mission work at Greenmeadows, he was accepted as a Candidate for the Ministry in 1915. Conference resolved to send him into Circuit work for one year, and he went to Waimarino, residing at Raetahi. In 1916 he was in military service, and after being invalided home, the 1919 Conference received him into full connexion and ordained him.

During the years he proved himself a capable minister, giving himself to his tasks with a wholeheartedness which made his work more fruitful and lasting. He was a sympathetic pastor and a diligent expounder of the Word. Interested in Divine Healing he shared in some remarkable instances of answered prayer. His organising ability was seen particularly in the social service rendered during the depression years.

The Circuits in which he served were Waimarino, Auckland (Birkenhead), Matamata, Timaru (Woodlands Street), Dunedin (Dundas Street), Otahuhu and Dargaville. During his term at Otahuhu his active association with the R.S.A. led to his being made a life member of the Association, from which he received the honour of the Gold Star.

After retirement he continued to engage in Christian work, eleven years being spent as "supply" at Waterview in Avondale Circuit. Throughout his long ministry he made God real to many, and we "saw God" in him.

FRED COPELAND

Fred Copeland was born on 21st October, 1880, at Whangarata, Tuakau, where his father was a flaxdresser. Both father and son were converted at a Tent Mission in Tauranga. Upon moving to Auckland he came under the wing of Rev. W. A. Sinclair at the "Helping Hand" Mission at Freemans Bay, and through him received much inspiration and a vision of service. He never lost this early evangelical urge, and remained a man with a message to the end.

Fred Copeland entered Home Mission work in 1900, was accepted as a candidate for the ministry in 1902, and placed on the President's List of Reserve. After receiving theological training at Prince Albert College he was appointed to Taihape in 1906. Taihape Circuit then had seven preaching places, and a horse or walking the only means of travel.

After the death of his first wife in 1913 Fred offered for foreign mission work, serving for 4 years in the then German colony of Samoa before ill-health compelled his return to New Zealand. (He often recalled the arrival of the N.Z.E.F. in Samoa, the troops disembarking wearing heavy greatcoats.) Resuming the New Zealand ministry, he served at Hikurangi, Eltham, Temuka, Woolston, Dominion Road, Hastings, Feilding, New Plymouth, Epsom and Napier before retiring to Auckland in 1947. He was a District Chairman for 17 years, and President of Conference in 1937-8. Business ability, spiritual vision and warm understanding of both old and young characterised his ministry. As chaplain to the old Epsom Orphanage he knew every child by name. Above all, he was a man with a message.

The Church and his home were his major interests. He held high ideals for both, and through his ministry gave single-minded devotion to his Master. He sought to think his way through theological controversy, and was fair and encouraging in his dealings with his brethren. He earned and held the respect of all. He finished well. Not only did he give 46 years of active ministry, but also counted attendance at meetings in his retirement a loving duty to his Lord. Right to the end, when he attended services at Bond Chapel, Tyler House, he unfailingly expressed appreciation for the good others did, and for the messages given.

His personal courage and fortitude were noted. Thrice married, he stood in sorrow before the graves, and remained a widower from 1950. His son and three daughters, all active in Church work, are a testimony to their father's life of faith, and the Christian home in which they were nurtured.

Fred Copeland knew there were realities neither to be feared nor dreaded merely because they were hidden. By faith, he was confident of the way ahead. His was an outstanding ministry. The Church, along with his family and innumerable people in many parts of New Zealand, gives thanks to God for this man and for the rest into which he has now entered.

WILFRED HENRY WILSON

The Rev. W. H. Wilson died peacefully at Auckland on 7th July 1970, at the full age of 90 years. In his passing we lose one of the warriors of the Home Mission work. He was a Yorkshireman of the town of Todmorden, where he was born in 1879. At the age of 20 he was to experience the new birth in Christ, and this generated in him an urgency to tell the good news of his Saviour to "every man". This led him into Sunday School teaching, and later caused him to become a fervent and most acceptable Local Preacher in his home Circuit.

He came to New Zealand with his devoted wife in 1913, settling at New Lynn, Auckland. He commenced the first Methodist Sunday School there, and was also a trustee and society steward of the New Lynn Church. While attending a Bible Class Camp in 1924 he heard and responded to the challenge of the Church to serve as a Home Missionary, and was sent that year to the scattered Station of Ohaewai in the Bay of Islands. He later served with distinction and sincerity at Kaukapakapa, Whakatane, Paraparaumu, Coromandel, and Opotiki. It was a cause of great regret and disappointment to him and the Church that he had to retire from Opotiki in 1938 because of an injury sustained in a motor accident whilst returning from a preaching appointment. The injuries resulted in permanent physical disabilities.

Mr and Mrs Wilson retired to Milford, Auckland, but his concern for preaching the "unsearchable riches of Christ" and for people did not waver. He was always ready to serve the Church in her hour of need, and was often called upon. He rendered valuable service in the Birkenhead Circuit in 1942. During 1944 he made fortnightly visits to the Paparoa Circuit, giving stability to the work and encouragement to a people without a ministerial appointment. For eighteen months in 1947/48 he carried most of the work at Brown's Bay.

Moving to Devonport in 1967, Mr and Mrs Wilson quickly and joyfully settled into the fellowship and worship of the Church there, once more gaining in respect and love of many.

Wilfred Wilson was a stalwart who gave admirable service to the Church through many difficult years and often in isolated country areas. He was a choice soul, greatly loved by people of all ages. He was a man of resilient conquering faith in Christ, Whom he loved with a full heart. To Mrs Wilson who also "kept the faith" and loyally and effectively supported her husband in his ministry and to the son and daughter, we express our sympathy, goodwill, and gratitude.

WAIWERA RANGAWHENUA

Waiwera Rangawhenua was of Tainui ancestry. A quiet unassuming personality whose strength was to be found in the quality of serenity.

He played a strong supporting role in the affairs of the tribes centred around Kawhia Harbour. His religious and Christian convictions marked him as the shining light amid the shadow of his contemporaries.

In 1946 spiritual leaders of the time, supported by the people of the Pa, brought him to the point where he was received by Conference as Honorary Home Missionary.

He passed away towards the end of 1969 after many years of faithful service among his people.

HAERE E WAI KI TOU ATUA.

TAIPUA TE UIRA

Taipua Te Uira was of Tainui ancestry. Possessed such qualities of leadership becoming to the particular culture of his own tribes, especially on issues concerning the King Movement.

He was a stalwart in education for the young, both in the academic requirements of the day and the fostering of aspects of Maori Culture peculiar to his own tribes.

The greatest marks that will stand as a memorial to his life would be his untiring efforts in establishing necessary accommodation again peculiar to the Maori; places where teaching and learning in things spiritual and cultural might be fostered.

Contemporary spiritual Leaders of the Methodist Church supported by his people brought him to the place where he accepted Witnessing for the Church. He received the Blessing of Conference as Honorary Home Missionary in 1957.

He served his Church, his Lord and Master as he was able.

His passing early in 1970 was mourned by his people and all those who came to him.

HAERE E TAIHAERE KI TE NUI O TE PO.

TE IWIKAU WAAKA

Te Iwikau Waaka is of Tainui and Arawa ancestry. He was a man of strong character, a forthright speaker and recognised for his balanced views on issues concerning his people of Tainui and Te Arawa.

His inherited qualities of leadership; his success in his own vocation as a farmer; his strength of character; his strong and firm religious convictions which he never failed to reveal wherever he was, led the Church Authorities to offer him the task of caring for the Methodist people who through search of a livelihood had infiltrated into the Rotorua area—a traditionally Anglican Maori territory.

He accepted this as a challenge. Was recognised by Conference as an Honorary Home Missionary in 1950. He served his Church faithfully until the time of his death in July 1970.

He is survived by his wife and grown family. One of his sons, Napi Waaka, is an ordained Minister of the Methodist Church.

HAERE E KORO I TE OKIOKITANGA.

QUESTION 10.-(b) What Laymen who have held positions of leadership in the Conference have died since last Conference?

Eric Benjamin Fletcher Hight William Kenneth George Lill Frank Charles Pace

ERIC BENJAMIN FLETCHER HIGHT

Eric Hight died on November 2nd, 1969. He gave long and faithful service to the Ashburton Circuit. He served in numerous capacities including that of Circuit Steward for many years. He represented the Circuit at Conference on a number of occasions.

He was a man of strong convictions, but tolerant towards those with whom he differed. Perhaps his greatest contribution was in that of the lay pastorate, where he served with diligence and true Christian concern.

WILLIAM KENNETH GEORGE LILL

Died 10th September, 1970.

Ken Lill's life was characterised by a genuine Christian selfgiving.

His early life in the Ashburton County and his farming experience at Loburn, Mid-Canterbury, were noted for active involvement in the life of the Methodist Church.

He took up residence in Christchurch in 1952, and has been on the staff of the Methodist Central Mission since 1953, firstly as Field Officer and then as Maintenance Officer. He was a Life Line Counsellor and a member of the Life Line Trouble Team. It was in the course of his duty in the Trouble Team that he suddenly died.

In addition he has been a leading layman, at Wesley, Edgeware Road Church. He has represented St. Albans Circuit at Conference several times, being keenly interested and voting intelligently on all important matters. His faith was strong, his study of the Scriptures penetrating, his activity purposeful, his humour and witticisms full of cheer and his energy unending. Canterbury Methodism mourns his early loss. He was aged 55 years, and leaves behind his wife and three sons.

"He who loses his life for My sake shall find it".

FRANK CHARLES PACE

Frank Pace was brought up in the Church of England, and entered the Methodist Church in England as a teenager working in the slums. He came to New Zealand in 1911 and was one of the first Y.M.C.A. Secretaries in Auckland. He was supply pastor at the Onehunga Congregational Church and then entered the Methodist Home Mission service at Kawa Kawa in 1916 and later at Kaukapakapa. When his health suffered he returned to Auckland, living for the most part (23 years), at Onehunga. Here he gave yeoman service. A Lay Preacher for 53 years trustee, choir member, leader of young men's Bible Classes, representative at Synods and Conference; a member of various School Committees; a member of various Friendly Societies; a keen worker in the New Zealand Alliance. He was also a member of the Auckland Tramways Union, a member of the Labour Party and took a keen interest in the work of Vocational Guidance. On retirement he lived at Devonport and continued his interest in the work of the Church. A double amputee for 5 years, he never lost interest in an amazing range of activities which had been his life of service. He was ably assisted by his wife (who predeceased him by less than a year), and his children and grand-children continue in his steps. We praise God for such a dedicated and versatile brother.

QESTION 11.-(a) What Ministers continue to be Supernumeraries?

Robert P. Keall Harry Ranston Henry Ryan Charles Blair William Rowe Eruera Te Tuhi Arthur A. Bensley William G. Slade George E. Brown Robert E. Fordyce Charles H. Kendon Ernest E. Sage William T. Blight Alfred M. Costain Wallace S. Neal James W. Parker Alfred E. Jefferson Albert Blakemore Eric W. Hames John H. Bailey Hubert G. Brown Herbert L. Fiebig Gordon R. H. Peterson G. Raymond Harris A. Henry Voyce Norman P. Larsen George I. Laurenson Athol R. Penn Ivor M. Raynor John D. Grocott Charlie O. Hailwood Charles E. Dickens

Leonard C. Horwood Arthur T. Kent Walter Parker J. Montgomery Blight E. Clarence Leadley M. Alexander McDowell Thomas H. Carr William E. Moore Herbert W. Payne Reginald Day D. J. Donald Hickman William C. Jenkin Ralph E. Patchett George H. Goodman Andrew J. Johnston Ormond E. Burton L. Gordon Hanna Ian H. K. Hopper **Reginald** Grice Charles H. Bell Arthur H. Ivory A. Peter Dorrian Donald G. Sherson A. Francis Attwood Benjamin H. Riseley T. Ralph Benny William M. Garner Idris J. Ruck John W. Reddihough W. John Henderson Charles E. Roke

QUESTION 11.-(b) What Ministers now become Supernumeraries?

W. E. Allon Carr William W. H. Greenslade Edward M. Marshall Harry Moore J. Wesley Parker George R. Thompson J. Herbert Thompson David O. Williams

W. E. ALLON CARR

Allon Carr was born in Wellington of Methodist parents in 1906, receiving his primary and secondary education there and attending Wesley Church, Taranaki Street.

He is a grandson of the late Rev. T. G. Carr and the third generation of Methodist ministers now completing a hundred years of continuous service in the New Zealand Church. One daughter is now the wife of a Methodist minister in training.

His grandfather on his mother's side, Mr Enoch Tonks was a well known layman and with his brother William carried out missions in the Wellington and Nelson Districts.

Allon Carr went as a candidate from Wesley Church, Taranaki Street and was a student at Dunholme and Trinity Colleges. He attended Auckland University for three years while in Auckland, and later did a course in Boston with the Boston School of Theology.

After a probationary appointment at Papatoetoe he was appointed to Cashmere Hills. At this time he married Miss Rita Vance and they served together in this appointment.

He was ordained in Dunedin in 1935 and appointed to Hokitika. He served at New Brighton for the six years of the war 1939 to 1945, and then in the Morrinsville Circuit. While there the Church selected him to go to the Youth Department as Senior Youth Director. In this capacity he served the Department in a time of change.

On leaving the Youth Department he was appointed to Dominion Road, Auckland where he served as Superintendent of the Circuit for nine years. During this time he was associated with several of the Boards of the Church, being chairman of the Publications Board, and the Auckland Orphanage Board.

While in Auckland Mr Carr represented the N.Z. Methodist Church at the World Methodist Conference and Council in Junaluska. After study in America he visited England, the Continent and the Middle and Far East.

His next appointment was to Rotorua again at a time of extension, and lastly to Nelson from which Circuit he retires after six years.

Mr Carr served on the Synod secretarial staff, was for 13 years Corresponding Secretary for the Conference, and for many years was examiner for the Conference in Pastoral Theology for the College.

While in Christchurch he did the broadcasting for the District for the children's programme and has also broadcast and taken T.V. programmes.

Mr Carr's musical interest has served him well in Circuit life and he is well-known in New Zealand and elsewhere as a magician. This specialist hobby has made him countless friends, and given him many opportunities of witness, as well as contributing many thousands to good causes.

In all his work in Circuits and the wider life of the Church Mr Carr has had the strong support of his wife and family. Mrs Carr has made an effective contribution to the women's work of the church on local, District and National levels. Mr Carr gave himself unsparingly in the service of Jesus Christ and to people in their need. His many friends would wish for him and his wife many years of happy and fruitful retirement.

WILLIAM W. H. GREENSLADE, M.B.E.

William W. H. Greenslade was born in the Methodist Parsonage, Roxburgh, in 1907. The eldest son of the Rev. and Mrs William Greenslade, he was educated at Nelson College and later served in the Bank of New Zealand prior to being accepted in 1929 as æ candidate for the Methodist Ministry. He was one of the first draft of students to enter Trinity College for theological training. In his third year he was withdrawn to "supply" in the Christchurch East Circuit for his father who had taken critically ill in his year as President-elect and subsequently died.

Following probationary appointments at St. Clair, Dunedin, and Northland, Wellington, he was ordained and was stationed in Balclutha where he remained four years.

His pronounced preaching gifts brought him early to central city pulpits. In 1939 he began a long and effective ministry at Invercargill Central during which a new parsonage was acquired, the North Invercargill Church built and a site purchased for a central Youth Centre. In 1941, after some years as a Territorial Officer, he entered military camp for Chaplaincy posting overseas. However, in 1942 he was boarded medically unfit and returned to his ministry at Invercargill Central. In 1945 Conference, against the wishes of the Invercargill Circuit, stationed him at his old home-church and circuit, Christchurch East. After discharging a crippling debt and renovating the Wesley Church (East Belt) property, he accepted a call to Wesley Church, Taranaki Street, in the Wellington Central Circuit where he served for 10 years. These years were notable for experiments in new forms of worship and witness, the rise of Drama Christi, and the use of Forums and Panel discussions which brought together politicians, churchmen and public leaders. Broadcast services were built up and Radio Studio services were pioneered.

In 1952 he gained Conference approval to develop a Social Service ministry at Wesley Church, and to establish and incorporate the Wellington Central Social Services Trust. After a modest beginning, making the old parsonage a Methodist Student Hostel, he set out to acquire land and collect funds, and establish and complete the first phase of the Wesleyhaven Eventide Homes Settlement. His vision and endeavours so appealed to the Hebrew Community that after reinterpretation of Clauses in our Model Deed with regard to what may be preached and practised on Methodist property, and after effecting the passage of enabling legislation redirecting testamentary Trust funds, the resources of the Deckston Hebrew Trust were directed towards the erection of an institutional Home for aged Jews within the Wesleyhaven Settlement.

In 1956 he was one of the New Zealand representatives at the World Methodist Council and Conference at Lake Junaluska, U.S.A., and surveyed Religious Radio and Television in Canada, U.S.A. and Britain. At the N.C.C. Life and Work Conference, Ardmore, 1959, he partnered leaders of sister churches in planning the establishment of the N.Z. Religious Radio and TV Commission. For work in fields of Social Service and Mass Communications he was honoured by Her Majesty the Queen with Membership in the Order of the British Empire.

He returned from overseas to become Superintendent of the New Plymouth Circuit. When the historic Whiteley Memorial Church was destroyed by fire, he committed his people and himself to the task of rebuilding and this while considerable debt, incurred by the erection of a Youth Centre, still remained. Whiteley Memorial Church, New Plymouth, one of the most beautiful modern churches in New Zealand, is a testimony to his vision, courage and determination. In 1965 he moved to the Rotorua-Taupo Circuit and there completed the writing of the life of the Rev. John Whiteley, early New Zealand missionary-martyr.

Across the years, Mr Greenslade has served the Connexion on many Trusts and Boards. He was the first convener and Official Representative of the N.Z.M.S.S.A., Chairman of both N.Z. Central Religicus Advisory Committee to the Director of Broadcasting, and of N.Z. Methodist C.R.A.C. He has been Chairman and Deputy-Chairman of Taranaki Synodal District.

He is remembered as a pulpit and radio preacher, and as a central city minister who was always leading his church beyond local and ecclesiastical boundaries to witness for Christ by being servant to the needs of the wider community and the world. In this demanding ministry he has been splendidly supported by his wife, Melba, who in addition to home and church loyalties has exercised a gracious leadership in National Y.W.C.A., District Methodist Women's Fellowship and in the National Council of Women. He retires with the gratitude and goodwill of his brethren and of the whole church. We trust that his health will permit him to continue to serve along some of the avenues of service so familiar to him and in which he has proved his competence.

EDWARD MAJOR MARSHALL

Edward Major Marshall who applies for superannuation this year was born at Eketahuna on Christmas Day 1905. He was the 11th child and 7th son of the Rev. and Mrs G. T. Marshall of honoured memory.

Educated at Auckland and Mt. Albert Grammar Schools and Auckland University College, Mr Marshall graduated with Bachelor of Arts and Diploma of Education. He entered the teaching profession after training at Auckland Teachers' College and commenced teaching in 1923, so that this year he completes 45 years' service in the profession. He gave distinguished service in Auckland, Taranaki and Hawkes Bay Education Districts, and finally at Wesley College, Paerata. In all his appointments he identified himself whole-heartedly with local churches as youth leader and lay preacher, choir leader and all circuit offices, and at dominion Summer Schools.

In 1941 he was appointed to the staff at Wesley College, Paerata, as First Assistant. He became Headmaster in 1942, and Principal in 1944, holding this latter office until his retirement in 1964. (In 1943 the College was closed during occupancy by the military and Mr Marshall taught in Auckland).

Mr Marshall married Miss Elsie Buxton of New Brighton in 1930 and they have six daughters and one son. All were of great assistance in the College life, especially in music, and two of the daughters assisted in teaching during later years.

In 1948 Mr Marshall offered for the ministry as a special application, and was after thorough consideration ordained by the Conference. His ministry has been an unusual one. On ordination he was appointed Chaplain of the College and he fulfilled the dual task of Principal and Chaplain until his retirement from the College staff, when he was appointed to the Auckland Central Circuit as minister at Kingsland for two years. He supplied at Whangaparoa for one year, and then applied for leave from circuit duties to relieve as teacher at Kelston High School 1968-69 and at Levin in 1970. He now seeks permission to superannuate to reside in his home at Whangaparoa.

Mr Marshall has been a Rotarian since 1946, and was elected District Governor in 1956-57, attending Conferences in England, America and Manila.

As a preacher and minister Mr Marshall has always brought his teachers' training to bear on his presentation of his message. A keen reader and thinker, he was always a strong advocate of a place in the total education system for the Church Boarding School as a sphere of bold experimentation, and the emphasis on Christian teaching and living as being basic to any full-orbed development of character and true citizenship.

After a tireless and devoted ministry as teacher and minister he retires with the good wishes and gratitude of the whole Church.

HARRY MOORE

The Rev. Harry Moore was born in Leicester, England on 22nd November, 1914. At the age of nine he emigrated with his family to New Zealand and became associated with the St. John's Methodist Church, Ponsonby. He attended Curran Street (now Ponsonby) Primary School and went to work soon after his thirteenth birthday. He later served for twelve years in the Post and Telegraph Department, and offered for Home Mission service being appointed to Waddington, Canterbury in April, 1941. Two years later he was accepted as a candidate for the ministry and became the first nonresident student. During his three years theological training he supplied in the area now known as the Henderson Circuit. He was ordained in 1946 in Whangarei, while stationed in the Ruawai Circuit. He later served at Stratford, Waimea, Henderson (Glen Eden), and Auckland South and in four circuits was an efficient and capable Superintendent.

In 1939 he married Miss Elsie May Carey of Kaikohe who was a faithful and hard-working companion in his ministry and was always involved and dedicated in the life and work of the Church. Their two sons reflect the fine standards of their Christian home. From the age of 16 as a Lay Preacher he has felt the urgency

From the age of 16 as a Lay Preacher he has felt the urgency of proclaiming the Christian message, sharing his spiritual experience and his Master's loving concern for people. His love for young people indicates his open, sensitive nature and in his pastoral concern he felt deeply the cares and tensions of helping people become mature in Christ. He was a meticulous and efficient administrator and his utter self-honesty made him constantly assess his continuing effectiveness. He was a faithful pastor and his ministry reached beyond his church families as he showed Christian concern through Rotary.

As Mr Moore retires early, by reason of deteriorating hearing and recurring laryngitis caused by a nervous condition, it is with the goodwill and gratitude of the church for nearly 30 years of ministry and the hope of continuing service in the Church he loves.

J. WESLEY PARKER

Wesley Parker was born in 1907 into a family whose name is a greatly honoured one in the Ministry and life of our New Zealand Church and Mr Parker would wish us to record his debt of gratitude to his parents for their influence and sacrifices. His mother came from the Church of England Missionary family of Matthews.

Reponding to the call to the Ministry, Wesley entered Dunholme

in 1927 at the age of 19. After probationary years at Franklin Road (St. John's) and Huntly, he was ordained in 1934, and was appointed to Riverton. After a term at Sydenham he went to Hawera, but after five months was seconded for Military Chaplaincy Service, lasting three years. Following seven years at Remuera there was another period of Army service, then twelve years at Kingsland and three at Henderson. During a year "resting" he did supply work in Sydney and Otara. For the past two years he has rendered splendid service in a supply position as Associate Minister at the Auckland Central Mission.

In addition to his Circuit Ministry he will be remembered in two other spheres—Army Chaplaincy and the literary field. In all three he has shown marked ability, arising from an excellent intellect, a deep, warm, personal interest in people, the ability to get alongside men, and an utter devotion to his Lord and the Church.

While in Theological College he commenced studies for his Arts Degree and on probation finished with Honours (most of the work done extra-murally). After the War he was the second Methodist Minister to complete the New Zealand B.D. Course. It is gratifying to learn that his three sons have also gained M.A. Degrees. His preaching and writing have shown that he always kept his mind fresh and up-to-date. Over some considerable time he was heard—very acceptably—in radio devotional broadcasts, taking several series, over three-monthly periods.

As a tribute to his Chaplaincy work he was awarded the Efficiency Decoration. His distinguished service in the Pacific with the 36th N.Z. Battalion has been noted in glowing terms in the "Official History of N.Z. in the Second World War" and Record of Service of the 36th Battalion. Nothing deterred him from being with the men in the thickest and worst and he was always admired for his approachability, quality and aptness of his addresses and his uncompromising standards. We quote two short extracts from tributes by his Commanding Officers in the field—"During the training prior to action his gift of organisation and his devotion to duty was very largely responsible for the splendid esprit-de-corps in the Battalion. During the heetic days of the landing and subsequent jungle fighting he was always in the front line, encouraging, comforting and tending to us all. As a man I could wish no Letter comrade, and as a Chaplain, he was my ideal".—"A natural and popular leader among the men, he went whereever they went, sharing their discomforts and being a practical and spiritual help to all".

Early in his Ministry Wesley made quite a name for himself in entering into football and rowing, showing qualities which later more fully led to such tributes from the Forces.

Right from the start he used Circuit magazines to keep local and ecumenical Church affairs to the fore. But he will be more widely remembered for his special weekly articles in the N.Z. Herald, the commencement of which was due to his suggestion and organising. Our Methodist people have been proud to have him represent us in this way and the articles have been widely appreciated. At the request of the Doctor himself Mr Parker wrote the biography of Dr C. H. Laws. At present he is engaged in writing the history of the Auckland Central Mission.

Although he did not hold many Connexional executive positions, he has had a broad vision of the Church and always saw the local work in the wider Connexional setting. His voice was often raised in support of social justice and in pleading for reforms to increase our organisational efficiency. One cause very dear to his heart has been strengthening and widening government at the district level; and it has been a satisfaction to him to see the new system for District Synods come into being.

Wesley acknowledges that in all he has tried to do, his wife has contributed in no small measure, particularly in the use of her special gifts in music, e.g. at Kingsland for 7 years she was Choir Mistress and Organist.

In every phase of his Ministry there was evidence of that full dedication which was the driving force. Whatever the circumstances, even when misunderstood or criticised, there was that sincerity and charm of manner which have endeared him to his fellow Ministers and Congregations.

As he steps aside from active Circuit work, he will not be idle. He is still keen to preach the Gospel and do further writing.

The Church honours him for his worthy contribution to over 200 years of Ministry by the Parker Family.

GEORGE RAPHAEL THOMPSON

George Raphael Thompson was born in Auckland in 1905. After his education at Auckland Grammar School he entered the Salvation Army Training College in Wellington in 1927. After graduation he served on the College staff for several years. His subsequent Salvation Army appointment included Rotorua, Lower Hutt, Ponsonby Road (Auckland) and Wellington City. In 1941 he was appointed Youth Director for Canterbury-Westland area. During World War 2 he served as Chaplain with the Third Division of 2 N.Z.E.F. 1942-1944 and was mentioned in Despatches in the Solomon Islands Campaign.

In the Solomons Mr Thompson saw a great deal of the Methodist work and was inspired and impressed by the radiance of the native Christians, who in spite of the dangers and trials during the Japanese occupation, emerged from their temporary villages in the jungle, strong in faith. The example of these people was later to play a large part in his desire to become a Methodist minister.

Returning to New Zealand he resumed his work as Youth Director at Christchurch. In 1945 he applied for reception into the Methodist Ministry and was appointed that year to Port Albert Circuit. In 1946 he was ordained at the Auckland Conference.

In 1948 George Thompson was appointed superintendent of Morrinsville Circuit, and after four years moved to Wanganui Central (Trinity) where he served for seven years. Discovering an urgent need for spiritual and welfare work at the Wanganui prison he sought and was granted permission to assist the inmates, and later was commissioned the first part-time N.C.C. chaplain to the prison.

In spite of the demands of a large and busy church he made time to help and to rehabilitate many men. From 1959 he was superintendent of Dargaville Circuit for four years. During that time a house near the Church was bought for a Youth Centre, and at Te Kopuru a parsonage was bought. When the hospital block at Te Kopuru was destroyed by fire in September 1959, Mr Thompson, as Chairman of the Northern Wairoa Committee for the Care of the Sick and the Aged, organised an appeal for the twenty-three aged patients who had lost their possessions. The target of \$600 was exceeded to over \$1,000.

Mr Thompson was awarded the Efficiency Decoration and Clasp for services to the Territorial Army in peace and war. On three occasions he was Chaplain on Cruise ships taking ex-servicemen and Missionary enthusiasts to the Pacific Islands. In 1963 George Thompson moved to Wellington North Circuit. His ministry of eight years there brings to an end his active ministry of twenty-five years in the Methodist Church as well as many years in the Salvation Army. His ministry has been marked by energy and devotion, concern for people, and a rich sharing of his own Christian experience. He has always had a special interest in young people.

Mr Thompson has been District Secretary for Home Missions and Overseas Missions, and District Statistical Secretary in the Wellington District. In Northland he was District Secretary and District Treasurer. In recent years he has shown a special interest in Spiritual Healing, conducting a bi-monthly Laying-on-of Hands, Service in his Church at Ngaio. For three years he was Chaplain of the Wellington Branch of the Order of St. Luke.

In 1930 Geogre Thompson married Ella Hamilton of Gore, who gave him strong and loyal support in all his work. After a time of poor health she passed on in 1967. They have two daughters who with their families are active Methodists.

Mr Thompson married Mrs Nancy Gaustad, of Johnsonville, in 1969. We extend to Mr and Mrs Thompson the Church's best wishes for many years of retirement with rich blessing and satisfaction.

JOHN HERBERT THOMPSON

John Herbert Thompson was born at Reefton in 1908. When he was only nine years of age his father died and being the eldest of five children he was forced to carry heavy responsibilities very early in his life. With cheerful courage he accepted the added burdens imposed upon him even though it meant for him the denial of the education he had desired for himself.

After leaving school he commenced his working life in gold mines later transferring to sawmills and Public Works on the West Coast. In 1934 he was accepted by the Y.M.C.A. as a full-time worker and for several years served the men living in Railway Construction camps in the Buller Gorge. There by his sterling Christian example and tireless work he earned the respect and esteem of all the men amongst whom he laboured.

Mr Thompson entered our Home Mission work in 1941 and his first appointment was to Apiti. He later served at Kohukohu, Warkworth and Paparoa. During his term at Paparoa he studied for the ministry and was ordained at the Christchurch Conference in 1954. His Circuit appointments which followed were: Wanganui West (1956), Balclutha (1959), Kaiapoi (1964), and Otaki (1969).

The whole of Mr Thompson's ministry has been marked by sincerity, earnestness and complete dedication. His quiet unassuming manner has brought comfort and strength to the many to whom he has ministered. A conscientious and devoted pastor and a thoughtful and convincing preacher, he will be remembered with appreciation and respect.

Throughout his ministry Mr Thompson has been ably supported by his devoted wife, Olive, (nee Thwaite) to whom he was married in 1939. She has given him unfailing help and encouragement at all times and as a lay preacher and musician has rendered splendid service to the Church. They have one daughter.

We regret that ill-health has brought about his earlier retirement but we trust that he and Mrs Thompson will enjoy many years of continued happiness together.

DAVID O. WILLIAMS

With retirement of the Rev. Dr. David O. Williams from the active ministry, the whole Church in New Zealand expresses gratitude for a distinguished and outstanding record of service. D. O. Williams was accepted as a candidate at the Conference of 1928, and after three years of College training, served the Church in the following appointments: Waiwhetu (Lower Hutt) 4 years; Mornington (Dunedin) 7 years; St Albans (Christchurch) 5 years; Trinity Theological College 24 years, 16 as tutor and lecturer and 8 as Principal.

Circuit Minister, Preacher and Pastor: Dr Williams was an effective circuit minister, and indeed the foundation of his whole ministry was grounded in this experience. He and Mrs Williams both felt that they gave up a great deal when the Church called them from this local personal ministry. Dr Williams was a gifted preacher, interesting, compelling and persuasive in his presentation of the Gospel. Thoughout his whole ministry he has been governed by the maxim "persons are more important than principles". During his circuit ministry he began to develop his pastoral theology in depth, and laid the foundations for his College work and wider ministry. His preaching was always evangelical in character, seeking to win men to Christian discipleship and to build up his people in relevant and mature Christian living.

College Tutor and Principal: Through his work in Trinity College, Dr Williams has made a unique and pioneering contribution in the fields of pastoral theology and counselling, which he has always sought to relate to New Testament insights and gospel teaching. The men of our New Zealand ministry have been fortunate in their training under him, and ministers and students of other communions have also benefitted by courses in this special field.

Dr Williams has also been gifted in his administration and care of property. He says that ever since his circuit days he has been glad "to serve the Lord with his hands". He was often able to establish good relationships with workmen. In many years of his College term there has been a major building project, and today the property is a credit to the Connexion. Many will feel that it is fitting that 1970 should see the completion and opening of Grafton Hall, this interchurch Hall of Residence that stands on Methodist land and has been erected with substantial Methodist support. Dr Williams was first Chairman of the governing body.

The Wider Ministry: For very many years Dr Williams has been an acknowledged leader in the marriage guidance movement. He has also served Chaplains of all the Churches through training courses of various kinds, notably through the Justice Department training courses for Chaplains. Hundreds of lay folk have also gained considerable insight from his courses in counselling practice. Great numbers of social workers both in the Church and in the wider community have benefitted immeasurably from sharing in Dr Williams' special training courses, and countless numbers of people have been helped in their own living through his expert and dedicated counselling.

Personal: Dr Williams' academic qualifications include an M.A. in Philosophy completed during his Waiwhetu ministry, a New Zealand Litt.D. completed during his ministry at St Albans, and the award of a Fullbright Travelling Scholarship which took him to the United States of America for advanced studies in 1953-54. Recently Dr Williams has been elected a Fellow of Trinity Theological College.

The existence of the Auckland Inter-Church Counselling Centre,

where eight denominations co-operate (including the Roman Catholic Church) owes almost everything to Dr Williams. His was the vision, and he has been Director of the Centre since its inception.

Dr Williams found his wife, the former Jean Davison, during his Waiwhetu ministry, and she has been a wonderful partner in all that he has done. She has proved herself always a most gracious hostess, with a special talent for personal hospitality, and in particular the fiancees of many of our College students and the young wives of many of our ministers today, owe a great deal to her for her great friendship and guidance. The Methodist Church of New Zealand and many members of other communions give thanks to God for a life and ministry rich in gifts, in dedication and in service to others.

We believe that Dr Williams has much still to give to the Church and the community, and we trust that he will find joy and satisfaction in the tasks that still await him. We pray for Dr and Mrs Williams many years of good health and a creative and fulfilling retirement.

(c) What Supernumeraries return to regular work? None

QUESTION 12 .- What Deaconesses are to be:

(b) Now placed on the Retired List? Sister Madeline Holland

SISTER OLIVE MADELINE HOLLAND

Sister Olive Madeline Holland was sent forward as a candidate for the Deaconess Order by St Peters Church, Invercargill in 1931. Training at Deaconess House, Christchurch, 1931-32 she then undertook courses in midwifery, maternity and nurse aiding in the years 1933-35. She was dedicated at Durham Street, Christchurch on February 16th, 1936 and ordained at New Plymouth in 1968.

Sister Madeline served much of her Deaconess life in the Maori Mission, serving at Ratana Pa and throughout Taranaki where she was stationed at Okaiaua.

For 18 years she was Matron of Kurahuna Hostel and also served at Rangiatea. For two years she was assistant matron at Deaconess House. In 1967 she went to Tyler House as a nurse-aid and in 1970 she asked to retire from the Order.

Those privileged to know and work with Sister Madeline will realise that these statistics do not really give us insight into the strength and quiet devotion of her character. Deeply spiritual and intensely practical, she could lead Convocation as its President (1957-60) or cook for 100 teenage campers without turning a hair. To those who have been officers of the Order she has always been a tower of strength and a loyal supporter and a partner in prayer.

Many a Maori girl in New Zealand has cause to thank God for Sister Madeline, for her kind but firm guidance, her practical instruction in housekeeping, and for her devotion to her Lord and Master.

We know that in retiring Sister Madeline will not stop working and we wish her God's blessing in her continued service to Tyler House, and thank her for the wonderful contribution she has made to New Zealand Methodism and the Deaconess Order.

(c) What Deaconesses are granted leave of absence?

QUESTION 13 .- What Home Missionaries are to be :--

(a) Retained on the Retired List? H. R. Wright R. T. Alexander F. E. Trim Roy Coombridge D. I. Robertson A. E. Tardif H. Prowse

(b) Placed on the Retired List?

QUESTION 14-(a) Is any Minister or Probationer designated for **Overseas Missions?**

Alan J. Leadley

(b) Is any Deaconess designated for Overseas Missions?

QUESTION 15 .- What Ministers, Probationers or Deaconesses is it agreed to transfer to or to receive from any other Conference? Sister Evelyn B. Marriott (to Victoria-Tasmania Conference). David L. Kitchingman, from United Church in Papua, New Guinea, and the Solomon Islands.

A. Kerry Taylor, from United Church in Papua, New Guinea. and the Solomon Islands.

QUESTION 16 .- (a) What Ministers, who were formerly members of the Conference, are now exercising their Ministry in other Churches overseas, such Ministers having the right to return to the Conference on the completion of their service in those **Churches**?

Stanley G. Andrews Frederick J. K. Baker Maxwell L. Bruce

James F. Cropp W. Geoffrey Tucker

(b) What Ministers do the Conference now release to exercise their ministry in other Churches overseas with the right to return to the Conference on the completion of their service in those Churches?

Alan J. Leadley

QUESTION 17.-(a) What Deaconesses who were formerly employed by the Conference, are now employed in other churches overseas, such Deaconesses having the right to be re-engaged by the Conference on the completion of their service overseas? Sister Lucy Money Sister Norma Graves

Sister Pamela Beaumont

Sister Edna Jenkin

(b) What Deaconesses does the Conference now release for employment in Churches overseas, such Deaconesses having the right to be re-engaged by the Conference on completion of such service?

QUESTION 18.—What Ministers are left without appointment? (a) Without Pastoral Charge? Dorothea M. Noble M. Jackson Campbell

Evan R. Lewis (with permission to serve under Victoria-Tasmania Conference)

(b) Resting?

A. Roy Bowden (with permission to serve with the Manawatu Social Services Association).

William R. G. Loader (with permission to study in Germany for a further two years).

Haddon C. Dixon

Alan H. Hall (with permission to serve as a linguist with the Australian Institute of Aboriginal Studies, Canberra).

Phyllis M. Guthardt

Leslie C. Clements Wilf G. Eisner

Leslie A. D. Hayman (with permission to serve under the British Methodist Conference).

Edward H. Moody

Alan J. Handyside

Ronald G. Major (with permission to pursue University studies) John B. Dawson (with permission to serve under the New South Wales Conference).

Andrew G. Reid

Geoffrey E. Scarr

Owen A. Kitchingman

Ronald H. Wood

Donald J. Phillipps Peter A. Stead

John C. F. Mabon

Brian L. Olsen

QUESTION 18 .- (c) With permission to serve with other organisations?

M. Jackson Campbell (with permission to serve with the Presbyterian Church as T.V. Director).

Leslie C. Clements (with permission to serve with the W.C.C. at Geneva)

Haddon C. Dixon (with permission to serve with CORSO).

Wilf G. Eisner (with permission to serve as Chaplain at Tokanui Psychiatric Hospital)

Phyllis M. Guthardt (with permission to serve as Chaplain of the Waikato University)

Allan J. Handyside (with permission to serve as Director of the Riverside Retreat Centre)

Owen A. Kitchingman (with permission to serve with the Christchurch Branch of the National Council of Churches as Industrial Chaplain in Christchurch)

John C. F. Mabon (with permission to serve with the Justice Department)

Donald J. Phillipps (with permission to serve as Chaplain with the Otago University)

Lane M. Tauroa (with permission to serve with the Justice Department)

(d) With permission to engage in any trade, business or profession?

Brian L. Olsen

Ronald H. Wood

QUESTION 19.—Are there any objections to any Minister, Probationer, Deaconess or Home Missionary?

None

QUESTION 20.—(a) What persons who were in Full Connexion, now cease to be recognized as Ministers of the Conference?

David L. Kitchingman, Ian W. Reid and John H. Roberts (who have voluntarily resigned)

(b) What persons who were Deaconesses, now cease to be recognized as Deaconesses?

QUESTION 21 (a)—What are the arrangements for the Annual Examination of Probationers, Students, Candidates for the Ministry, Home Missionaries, Deaconesses, Lay Preachers and Students at the School for Christian Workers?

The Committee set up to examine the structure and purpose of the Examination Committee and the Board of Examiners, etc.

(See 1969 Minutes pages 62-65)

The response from the Synods indicated that all districts are in general in favour of the present structure being changed along the lines suggested in the first report of this committee. The only area of real disagreement was in relation to the Committee on Ministry (1969 Minutes, p. 62). Two Synods recommended that it be dropped completely, and the rest wanted some laymen on it. We will therefore be recommending changes to cover the points raised. Other matters raised by the Synods will also be dealt with in the main body of this report.

Proposed Structure

In the light of what this committee has already said, and in view of the reactions of the Synods to the 1969 proposals, this committee makes the following suggestions:—

I. Committee on Ministry: That there be a Committee on Ministry concerned with the selection, training and continuing care of the ministry of the Church. (N.B. This is virtually a combining of the original Committee on Ministry and Ministerial Training Committee, 1969 Minutes, p. 62). It would consist of 39 members, made up as follows: one lay and one ministerial representative from each district, appointed by the Synod: the District Chairmen; two of the Trinity College staff; Convener of the Committee on Ministry (see below); General Secretary of Overseas Missions; Superintendent(s) of the Home and Maori Missions Department(s); General Secretary; Vice President and President. That is, there would be 28 ministers and 11 laymen, and it would provide both for continuity of personnel and for annual changes according to District and Conference appointments.

Its duties would cover-

 (a) Selection: (i) To nominate the Selection Committee to Conference for the next year.
 (ii) To receive the report of the Selection Committee for the

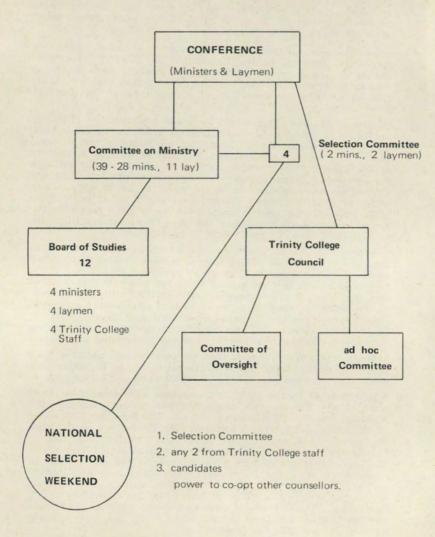
current year and present it to Conference.

(b) **Training:** All matters relating to curriculum and the course of study of each ministerial trainee, no matter what his stage or type of study.

- (c) Care of the Ministry: To consider matters relating to the nature, function and welfare of the ministry. (We believe this committee could look at the ministry from the viewpoint of recruitment, vocation, function, qualities and qualifications needed etc., and not simply confine itself to immediate problems involved in training. This is a very important task which has some significant pastoral implications from the point of view of the total welfare of the ministry of the Church).
- Convener: The work of this committee would need to be co-ordinated through a convener of the Committee on Ministry who would gather up the concerns related to the ministry as a whole, as well as to its selection and training. This means that we see his role as being wider than that of a Secretary of the Board of Examiners.
- (II) Board of Studies: This would be a sub-committee of the Committee on Ministry, located in Auckland, appointed by Conference, on the nomination of the Committee on Ministry and it would consist of 12 members: 4 laymen, 4 ministers, and the 4 members of the Trinity College staff. Its work would be concerned with the curriculum, examinations, and matters referred to it by the Committee on Ministry. It would need to be in consultation with the Trinity College Council and report to it on matters related to the training of students. (It is envisaged that when the Board of Studies is appointed, the need to maintain a link with the Trinity College Council would be kept in mind).
- III Selection: The 1969 Conference adopted both the report and recommendations of the Committee on Selection Procedure, deciding amongst other things that the selection procedures outlined therein should be adopted on a trial basis for two years. Because of this, and because of our previous consultations with the Committee on Selection Procedures, we feel that any further comments should come from the National Selection Committee.
- This Committee is in full agreement with the procedures adopted, and therefore notes the following changes to its original proposals:
- (a) District level: We feel now that personality and aptitude tests should be administered at the National Selection Weekend. This would make for uniformity of both application and assessment.
- (b) National level In the light of comments and suggestions from some of the Synods, this committee now recommends that the National Selection Weekend consist of: The Selection Committee (2 ministers and 2 laymen appointed by Conference on the nomination of the Committee on Ministry); any 2 of the staff of Trinity College; the candidates. The committee would have power to co-opt other counsellors when necessary, this to be done in consultation with the Convener of the Committee on Ministry and the President. This would mean that written reports would need to be sent to the National body from the District Selection Committees. The Selection Committee would report to Conference through the Committee on Ministry, along the lines already adopted by the 1969 Conference.

Concluding Comment: The above is being put forward after a very careful study of the responses from the Synods to our original proposals. We feel that in this way most of the points raised and objections put forward are adequately met and that the structure suggested provides a more effective and efficient way of carrying out the very important tasks related to the selection, training, and continuing care of the ministry.

M. J. CAMPBELL, Chairman. W. GUST, Convener.



RESOLUTIONS

(1) That the report be received and adopted.

(2) That the changes in structure now proposed be given general approval and referred to Synods and Conference 1971 for adoption and immediate implementation thereafter.

(3) That there be a Convener of the Committee on Ministry as outlined in the report.

(4) That the Committee be re-appointed with power to co-opt in order to receive reports from the Synods, process the material and bring recommendations to next Conference.

BOARD OF EXAMINERS

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(A) Examiners for Probationers

Hebrew: Rev. E. W. Hames.

Greek, N.T .- 1st year: Rev. W. Gust.

2nd year: Rev. P. P. Rushton.

3rd year: Rev. W. Gust.

English Bible (O.T.)-Rev. W. R. Francis.

English Bible (N.T.)-1st year: Rev. A. A. Grundy.

2nd year: Rev. J. S. Hosking.

3rd year: Rev. L. Greenslade.

Theology-1st Section: Rev. B. A. Walker.

2nd Section: Rev. R. Thornley.

3rd Section: Rev. W. S. Dawson.

Wesley's Sermons-Rev. R. F. Clement,

Methodism - Rev. L. R. M. Gilmore,

Christian Education—Rev. J. Grundy. Religion and Psychology—Rev. I. H. McKenzie. Social Ethics—Rev. W. W. H. Greenslade.

Comparative Religion-Rev. H. C. Pomeroy.

Maori 1 and 2 - Rev. Ranginohoora Rogers.

Pre-Collegiate Course-

N.T.: Rev. A. A. Grundy. O.T. and Homiletics: Rev. W. A. Chambers. Theology (Clarke's Outline): Rev. J. A. Penman.

Correspondence Tutors in Theology

	Section	 	 	Rev.	D.	L.	Hines
	Section	 	 *****	Rev.	E.	R.	Le Couteur
3rd	Section	 	 	Rev.	M.	J.	Campbell

Correspondence Tutor in Greek

Rev. D. J. Phillipps.

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(B) Examiners for Candidates Rev. E. F. I. Hanson Rev. C. B. Oldfield Bible Knowledge I (O.T.) Bible Knowledge II (N.T.) Rev. E. R. Hornblow Theology (C) Examiners for Home Missionaries Rev. R. H. Allen English Rev. J. H. Osborne Theology Rev. H. A. Darvill Rev. D. H. Burt Rev. E. B. Clarke Bible Knowledge Church History Homiletics (D) Tutors in Bible Knowledge (for Home Missionaries) Rev. K. H. Russell 1st Year 2nd Year 3rd Year 4th Year Rev. B. H. Riseley Rev. L. T. Norwell Rev. G. R. H. Peterson (E) Examiners for Lay Preachers Rev. O. T. Woodfield Rev. H. K. Brown Old Testament New Testament Rev. D. S. Mullan Theology Rev. B. E. Jones Homiletics The Church (History, Organisation, Rev. C. D. Clark and Mission) (F) Examiners for Deaconess Candidates Rev. B. L. Hosking Old Testament Rev. W. L. Wallace New Testament Rev. E. J. Bennett Theology Rev. D. G. Sherson English (G) Tutors and Examiners for Maori Lay Preachers and Home Missionaries Rev. R. D. Rakena (Tutor); Rev. H. A. Darvill Theology (Examiner). Bible Knowledge Rev. W. Tahere (Tutor); Rev. R. Rogers (Examiner). Rev. R. Rogers (Tutor); Rev. W. Tahere Homiletics

The Church

(Examiner). Rev. H. A. Darvill (Tutor); Rev. R. D. Rakena (Examiner).

1-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. Probationers shall present a thesis of 30,000 words on an approved subject, or normally four 5,000 word extended essays on specified subjects, or sit examinations, the decision in each case to be made by the Examination Committee of Conference, in consultation with the Board of Studies. Notice of this may be given at the end of the second College year.

Regulations:

1. The probationary examination course of study is retained, for those not pursuing a thesis or extended essay 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 research.

7. The completed thesis shall be submitted by the end of June of the year of ordination together with a total list he 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 in Theology.

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-Supervision:

(i) 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; (d) to present annually a written report on the progress and state of the thesis to August Ministerial Committees and forward a copy to the Secretary of the Board of Examiners.

(ii) The Superintendent Minister of the Circuit to which a Probationer is attached shall be associated with the supervision of the thesis or other study course.

Alternative Examination Course of Study for Probationers:

The following is the alternative for Probationers not doing the Thesis, Extended Essay or other approved Courses:-

1. A. HEBREW OLD TESTAMENT

1st year: Genesis 1-8.

2nd year: Genesis 27-32; 1 Kings 17-19.

3rd year: Exodus 1-7; Jonah .

Note: All Chapters are inclusive.

1st year: Translation, Grammar, Syntax, Exegesis.

2nd year: Translation, Easy retranslation, Parsing, Textual notes, Exegesis. 3rd year: Translation, Parsing, Text, Exegesis, General questions on background.

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 the Examiner.

- A. GREEK NEW TESTAMENT. Section for 1971. 1st year: Luke 8-10; Acts 5-6; Philippians 2. 2nd year: Luke 7-10; Acts 5-6, 8; Philippians 2-3. 3rd year: Luke 6-10; Acts 5-6, 8; Philippians 1-4.
- Note: All Chapters are inclusive. 1st year: Translation, Grammar and Exegesis. 2nd year: As above with re-translation. 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).
- THEOLOGY A. for 1971 Second Section. "The Person and Work of Christ".
 - 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"—S. Cave (Duckworth); "The World and God"—H. H. Farmer (Nesbit): "Christian Doctrine"—J. S. Whale. (see relevant parts for each series).
 - 2nd Section: The Person and Work of Christ. "The Person of Jesus Christ"—H. R. Mackintosh, Books 1 and 3 only; "Doctrine and Work of Christ"—S. 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"—H. Wheeler Robinson; "Jesus and His Church"—W .N. Flew; "The Christian Sacraments"—O. C. Quick; "World to Come and Final Destiny"—J. H. Leckie; "And the Life Everlasting"—J. Baillie.

B. WESLEY'S SERMONS (with Lawson's Notes), Each Section to be coordinated with A. above. For 1971, Second Section (a two-hour paper).

1st Section—Sermons on:
"Salvation by Faith".
"The Almost Christian".
"Scriptural Christianity".
"Justification by Faith".
"The Righteousness of Faith".
"The Way to the Kingdom".
"The First-Fruits of the Spirit".

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". "Christian Perfection". "Original Sin". "The New Birth". "Self-Denial".

"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: "Psychology of Religion" by Paul E. Johnson (Abingdon)-Revised Edition.
- (2) Social Ethics: "Christian Ideal for Human Society"-A. E. Garvie; "The Relevance of Christianity"-F. R. Barry; "The Christian Way"-S. Cave; "The Problem of Right Conduct" -Peter Green.
- (3) Comparative Religion: "Comparative Religion"-A. C. Bouquet (Penguin); "History of Religions"-E. O. James (Teach Yourself Series).
- (4) Christian Education: "The Teaching Ministry of the Church"-James D. Smart (Westminster Press), and "The Clue to Christian Education"-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"-Harawira. Special attention to graded lessons at the back of the book.

"First Lessons in Maori"-Williams.

- The Bible (Authorised Version); Maori Bible ("Paipera Tapu"); Maori Service Book ("Nga Ihoi me nga Himene"). "He Konae Aranui"—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" (Chapters 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 O.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 shall take Hebrew Old Testament, provided that any Probationer taking B.D., L.Th. or S.Th. Course may substitute in lieu thereof the Hebrew prescribed in such Syllabuses for that year.
- 2. Unless special exemption is granted by the Examination Committee, Greek New Testament shall be compulsory for all Probationers pursuing the Examination Course who have been through College, provided that any Probationer taking a B.D., L.Th. or S.Th. Course, may substitute in lieu thereof the Greek prescribed in such Syllabuses for that year.
- 3. Probations, 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., L.Th. or S.Th. 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 textbook, 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 ordination year.
- 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. Each Probationer shall forward to his Chairman not later than the 15th August in each year a Book List embodying his reading based on the N.Z. L.Th. Reading List. The Chairman or a Minister of the District appointed by him shall conduct before a sub-committee of the District Ministerial Committee an oral examination thereon, except that in the Ordination year the examination shall be in Theology only. The name of the Examiner shall be announced at the March meeting of the District Ministerial Committee. (See also "Course of Study for Probationers", Regulations 5, 6, and 8 for Probationers pursuing the Thesis Course.)
- 10. 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.
- 11. That in terms of the Law Book, paragraph 511 (8k), page 107, first year Probationers pursuing University studies be paid a grant from the Contingent Fund of up to \$20 per unit with a maximum of \$40.

II.—COURSE OF STUDY FOR STUDENTS

SYLLABUS FOR THE DIPLOMA OF LICENTIATE IN THEOLOGY OLD TESTAMENT.

Paper 1: Old Testament Studies I

General introduction to O.T. studies, including geography of Middle East, historical background of the Ancient Middle East and contribution of archaeology to O.T. studies. History of Israel until 586 B.C.

Canon, Text and Versions of the O.T.

Introduction to the Pentateuch, the Former Prophets, Amos, Hosea, Micah, Isaiah 1-39, Zephaniah, Habakkuk, Nahum, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, with special reference to the Pentateuchal traditions and the teaching of the prophets.

Paper 2: Old Testament Studies II

History of Israel from 586 to 63 B.C.

Introduction to Isaiah 40-66, Haggai, Zechariah, Joel, Malachi, Jonah, and the Writings with special reference to Hebrew poetry, Wisdom literature and apocalyptic literature. The Theology of the Old Testament.

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Paper 3: Old Testament Set Books

EITHER (a) Translation and exegesis of prescribed texts from the Hebrew Bible, as set for Paper (b) of Old Testament Stage

I of the B.D. examination in the University of Otago. OR: (b) Exegesis of prescribed portions of the Old Testament from the R.S.V. The candidate will be expected to have an understanding of the theologically significant Hebrew words within the prescribed texts.

NEW TESTAMENT

Paper 4: New Testament Introduction

General introduction to N.T. studies, Jewish and Hellenistic background. Biblical history from 63 B.C.

Introduction to the books of the N.T. and the growth of the Canon.

Paper 5: New Testament Theology

The theology of the New Testament with special reference to the Apostolic Preaching, the Synoptic Gospels, Paul and John.

Paper 6: New Testament Set Books

EITHER: (a) Translation and exegesis of prescribed texts from the Greek New Testament. Candidates will be expected to be able to apply the principles of Textual Criticism.

OR: (b) Exceeds of prescribed portions of the New Testament from the R.S.V.

The candidate will be expected to have an understanding of the theologically significant Greek words within the prescribed texts.

THE CHURCH IN HISTORY

Paper 7: The Church in history from Jesus to 500 A.D.

Paper 8: The Church in history from 500-1600 A.D.

Paper 9: The Church in history from 1600 to the present.

SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY

Paper 10: The Doctrine of God, Trinity, Creation, Revelation, Man.

Paper 11: The Doctrine of the Person and Work of Christ, Sin and Salvation.

Paper 12: The Doctrine of the Holy Spirit, Church, Ministry, Sacraments, Eschatology.

EITHER

Paper 13: Philosophical Theology.

OR

Paper 14: Christian Ethics, Old and New Testament approaches to Ethics; Christian responses to ethical problems.

WORSHIP AND PASTORAL THEOLOGY

Paper 15: Liturgics

The Nature and Principles of Worship; Christian Worship in East and West up to and including the period of the Reformation.

The Modern Liturgical Movement both within the Reformation. Traditions and within the Roman Catholic Communion. The Development of Worship in the Reformed Traditions up to the present day, with special reference to EITHER (i) the developments with Anglicanism OR (ii) the developments within other Reformed traditions.

Paper 16: Pastoral Care

The theology of Pastoral Care and its applications in pastoral visitation, organisation and records. The pastoral interview.

Pastoral resources—Scripture, Prayer, Holy Communion, etc. Care of the sick and the dying, the bereaved, care of the family, the aged. Special cases—alcoholics, etc. Elements of pastoral counselling, assessment of verbatim records. Referrals, professional relationships.

Paper 17: Christian Education

- (i) Christian Education as a ministry of the Church—aims and objectives—relation to total life of the local Church children and youth as part of the Church now, not just the Church of the future: their contribution to and participation in the life and mission of the Church—Christian Education and evangelism: preparation for Confirmation/Church membership.
- (ii) Educational Foundations of Christian Education—human growth and development from childhood through adulthood including psychological and physical development, personality development, concept development—religious development related to "human development"—how persons learn at different ages and stages of development.
- (iii) The Church Organises for Christian Education—structures suitable for children, youth and adults. (Sunday School, Bible Class, Youth Fellowship, House Church, Short term studies, Interest groups, Camping, Vacation School, Weekday Church School, etc.)—principles guiding grouping and grading, allocation of space and equipment—administration and evaluation.
- (iv) Teaching Methods—methods related to ways persons learn at various stages of development—equipment for teaching —curriculum materials, books, pictures, maps, workbooks, audio-visual aids, etc.—group process—especially its value in youth and adult work but recognising it as an integral part of the teaching-learning process for all ages.

ELECTIVE PAPERS (one of)

Paper 18: Intertestamental Literature

History of the Jewish People in Palestine from 333 B.C. to A.D. 70; Hellenism and its characteristics; the rise of the sects. Judaism of the Dispersion. Introduction of the Apocrypha of the Old Testament and to selected books of the Pseudepigrapha, especially the Testaments

Introduction of the Apocrypha of the Old Testament and to selected books of the Pseudepigrapha, especially the Testaments of the Twelve Patriarchs, the Book of Jubilees, the Psalms of Solomon, the Book of Enoch, the Assumption of Moses, the Apocalypse of Baruch, the Writings of Philo Judaeus with particular references to his doctrines of God, Creation, Man, and the Logos.

The Qumran Scrolls; introduction to the literature, and its teaching.

Theology of the intertestamental literature: the developing thought of Judaism concerning God, Man, Sin, Righteousness, Salvation, Last Things.

Paper 19: Comparative Study of Religion

Definition and Origins.

A comparison of world Faiths, including Christianity.

A specialist study of one of the major world Faiths.

Paper 20: South Pacific Studies

History of missionary impact upon the South Pacific. Introduction to anthropology, sociology, Polynesian and Melanesian religions.

Paper 21: The option not already taken-

EITHER Philosophical Theology.

OR Christian Ethics.

(Note:-The Regulations for the Examination for the Diploma of Scholar in Theology (S.Th.) are available for 1971 from the Registrar of the Joint Board of Theological Studies, St. John's College, 202 St. John's Road, Remuera, Auckland, 5.)

III.—COURSE OF STUDY FOR CANDIDATES

1. OLD TESTAMENT.

Text Book: "A Guide to the Old Testament" G. Gilbert Yates (Epworth Press). A general knowledge of the text of the O.T., particularly the sections dealt with in Yates.

2. NEW TESTAMENT.

Text Book: "A Guide to the New Testament" A. W. Wainwright (Epworth Press). A general knowledge of the text of the N.T., particularly the sections dealt with in Wainwright.

3. THEOLOGY.

Text Book: "An Approach to Christian Doctrine", edited by G. P. Lewis (Epworth Press); Methodist Catechism; 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. Galations, chapter 5. Ephesians, chapters 2 and 4.

Hebrews, chapter 11. 1 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 selected Sermons from John Wesley's Forty-four Sermons and generally assent to their teaching, and the New Zealand Methodist Church "Book of Laws".

Selected Sermons:

I Salvation by Faith

- IV Scriptural Christianity
- V Justification by Faith
- X The Witness of the Spirit II The Means of Grace
- XII

XXXIV The Catholic Spirit

V.—COURSE OF STUDY FOR HOME MISSIONARIES (Three Hour Papers) FIRST YEAR

1. English-"A First Modern English Course" (J. Stanley Jones). Part 1, Chapters 1-6.

- 2. Theology—"What a Christian Believes and Why?" Hunter. 3. Bible Knowledge—"The Preparation for Christ in the Old Testament". Adam Welch.
- 4. Homiletics-"Manual for Preachers", W. T. Blight. "The Craft of Sermon Construction", W. E. Sangster.

SECOND YEAR

- 1. English-"A First Modern English Course" (J. Stanley Jones). Part 1, Chapters 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". W. E. Sangster.

THIRD YEAR

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

FOURTH YEAR

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

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

V.—COURSE OF STUDIES — DEACONESSES

(a) ENTRANCE EXAMINATION.

- Old Testament—Text book, "A Guide to the Old Testament", G. Gibert Yates (Epworth Press). A general knowledge of the text of the O.T. particularly the sections dealt with in Yates.
- 2. New Testament-Text book, "A Guide to the New Testament", A. W. Wainwright (Epworth Press). A general knowledge of the text of the N.T. particularly the sections dealt with in Wainwright.

- 3. Theology-Text book, "An Approach to Christian Doctrine", edited by G. P. Lewis (Epworth Press).
- 4. English—For Candidates who have not passed a Fifth Form examination in English. Text books, "Everyday English", Part 2. by Smith.
- (b) STUDENTS.

The course at Trinity College for L.Th. in consultation with the Deaconess Board and such field work as the Board may require.

VI.-COURSE OF STUDY FOR LAY PREACHERS

- 1. Old Testament: "A Guide to the Old Testament". G. Gilbert Yates (Epworth Press). 2. New Testament: "A Guide to the New Testament", A. W. Wain-
- wright (Epworth Press).
- 3. Theology: "An Approach to Christian Doctrine", Ed. by G. P. Lewis (Epworth Press).
- 4. Homiletics: "Worship and Preaching", T. W. Morrow.
- The Church: History, Organisation and Mission: "Teaching the Faith", E. W. Hames (pp. 105-141); "The Furtherance of the Gospel", R. W. Moore; Notes on "The Church" available from the Department of Christian Education. (These notes are essential for this subject.)

Note:

- 1. That the examination time for each subject is two hours.
- 2. In addition to the Written Examinations, a Lay Preacher must conduct not less than 10 Services and a Trial Service.
- 3. In every Synodal district, the Synod shall 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 committee shall be reported for final decision to Preachers' and Quarterly Meetings and for information to the Dominion Executive of the Lay Preachers' Association.
- 4. Text books and Study Courses are available from the Department of Christian Education, 75 Taranaki Street, Wellington 1.

VII.—SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN WORKERS

A. Curriculum-OLD TESTAMENT_ Subject Hours Weekly History and Faith of Israel Elementary Hebrew 2 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
ENGLI	SH—	
13.	Grammar and Composition	1

14. Literature

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,

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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 aproval of the Superintendent and the Quarterly Meeting of the Circuit to which the aplicant 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 insufficiently 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 1971-

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

VIII.—COURSE OF STUDIES FOR MAORI LAY PREACHERS AND HOME MISSIONARIES

(Res. 12 Mins. of Conference 1963, page 38.) The objectives of the proposed Course are:

To raise the general standard of Maori workers; i.

ii. To help promising workers qualify in the normal way; iii. To provide a criterion for the granting of Home Missionary status.

First Year.

A Prelir	ninary Course of Study.	
Theology:	Te Katikihama (Catechism)	Maori Service Book
(with sele	I Believe In cted chapters and supplement	Norman Snaith ary material)
Bible Knowledge:	How your Bible Grew Up St. Mark	Roy L. Smith T. M. Morrow
Homiletics:	Worship and Preaching (Chaps. 1, 4, 5 and 10)	Paul S. Minear
The Church: B Prepa	A People Prepared ratory Lay Preacher's Course	John Banks of Study.
Theology:	An Approach to Christian Doctrine (pages 1-114)	G. P. Lewis
Bible Knowledge:	An Introduction to the N.T. (pages 1-153)	G. P. Lewis
	An Introduction to the O.T.	H. Cleaver
Homiletics:	Worship and Preaching (Chaps. 2, 3, 6-9)	T. M. Morrow
The Church:	Teaching the Faith (pages 85-141)	E. W. Hames
Additional Re	ading: "A Manual for Preach	ers".

"In the Beginning".

"Visitation Evangelism".

"Some Distortions of the Christian Faith".

Second Year, Course of Study for Lay Preachers (as set in the Minutes of Conference).

Third Year, Course of Study for Home Missionaries.

As set in the Minutes of Conference or a Preparatory Course if considered desirable, comprising selected chapters only of text books set.

DATES OF EXAMINATIONS

Examinations for 1971 shall be required on the following dates: Probationers-May 11th and 12th, September 7th and 8th.

Tutorials for Probationers to commence—Greek, February 1st; Theology, June 1st.

Probationers' Thesis Course—The completed thesis must be in the hands of the Secretary of the Board of Examiners by June 30th in the Ordination year. See Regulations in the Minutes of Conference, Question 21 (a), "Course of Studies for Probationers" (pages 70-71) for preliminary years.

Probationers' Extended Essay Course—Essays must be in the hands of the Secretary of the Board of Examiners by May 31st and September 20th when two essays are required in any year and by July 31st when one essay is required.

Home Missionary Probationers-September 7th and 8th.

Bible Knowledge for Home Missionary Probationers-Tutorials to commence on March 8th.

Candidates for the Deaconess Order-July 13th, 14th, 15th.

Lay Preachers-First week in June and December.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Oral Examiner for 1971 be the Rev. D. L. Hines.

2. That the following Ministers, Probationers and Students be congratulated on gaining degrees and diplomas and that these be printed in the Minutes of Conference: B.D. degree (Otago), The Revs. B. K. Rowe, B.A. and W. R. G. Loader, B.A.; B.A. degree— The Rev. R. G. Major, Student R. J. Greenwood; Dip. Theol. (Melb.) —Student J. A. Stringer.

3. That Probationers' Book Lists be chiefly selected from the Reading Lists for the L.Th. Diploma of the N.Z. Joint Board of Theological Studies.

4. That the requirements of the Law Book, Part II, Sections I and IV, regarding Wesley's Notes on the New Testament and the Standard Sermons of John Wesley, together with the question of the doctrinal standards of the Methodist Church, be referred to the Faith and Order Committee for some clear statement.

5. (a) That members of the National Selection Committee concerning candidates for the Ministry, and the staff of Trinity College, be exempt from appointment to District Candidate Committees and that District representation on the Selection Course be discontinued.

that District representation on the Selection Course be discontinued. (b) That one member of the National Selection Committee be ineligible for re-nomination each year from Conference 1971.

(c) That the National Selection Committee for 1971 ba:-The Revs. D. S. Mullan (Convener), G. H. Goodman, Messrs C. B. Fenwick and A. M. Alcorn.

6. (a) That suitable arrangements be made for the Warden of the Deaconess Order to interview candidates for the Deaconess Order before their case is considered by the Deaconess Board and that this be referred to the Law Revision Committee.

(b) That any matters affecting selection and training of Deaconesses be referred to the Deaconess Board before submission to Conference.

7. That through the National Council of Churches, the Justice Department be asked to revive the Summer Vacation Training Scheme in Prison Chaplaincy as soon as possible and that Conference express its high estimate of the value of the Scheme as it operated in the past.

8. That Conference advise the Inter-Church Advisory Council on Hospital Chaplaincy of its interest in establishing group internships in Hospital Chaplaincy for theological students under accredited supervisors in Clinical Training.

9. That in the Minutes of Conference the recording of approved Degrees and Diplomas following the names of ministers be restricted to the official chronological list.

10. That the Rev. R. G. Bell, Secretary, and the Revs. J. S. Hosking and R. D. Rakena, Assistant Secretaries, of the Board of Examiners, be thanked for their services and re-appointed.

11. That the Revs. Dr D. O. Williams and I. C. E. Ramage be appointed Honorary Members of the Board of Examiners.

12. That the following Tutors and Examiners be appointed:-

Probationers' Correspondence Tutor in New Testament Greek: The Rev. Dr J. Phillipps.

Lay Preachers' Examiner in Homiletics: Rev. B. E. Jones.

Deaconess Candidates: Old Testament, The Rev. B. L. Hosking; New Testament, The Rev. W. L. Wallace; Theology, The Rev. E. J. Bennett; English, The Rev. D. G. Sherson. QUESTION 21 (b).—Who have gained the Diploma of the School of Christian Workers?

M. Alefaio, T. Arioka, T. Lokeni, R. Swan.

QUESTION 22 (a).—Do we sanction the amalgamation, alteration or division of any District, Circuit or Home Mission Station, or do we originate any proposal having reference thereto?

Northland District

Mangonui: That Conference approves the formation of a Joint Parish by which the Mangonui Circuit Quarterly Meeting and the Kaitaia Presbyterian Parish Session agree to work together using each other's buildings and accepting the team ministry of the Minister of the Presbyterian Parish and the Minister of the Circuit in accordance with the agreement lodged with the Conference.

(Note: The above is not a Union Parish—but is based on a covenant to work together at all levels—with the joint use of buildings. However each denominational court on the local level retains its independence, each being represented on a Parish Council.

Auckland District

Auckland South Circuit: That Conference approves the agreement between the Auckland South Circuit and the Auckland Diocese of the Church of the Province of New Zealand by which the Lynfield Anglican-Methodist Community Church becomes the centre of a new Mission District in which the Methodist and Presbyterian members of the Circuit join with the Anglican people in worship (including sacraments) and service, and accept the ministry of an Anglican Minister appointed by the Bishop, and who shall, while being responsible to the Bishop, have a fraternal relation with, and associate status in, the Quarterly Meeting and the Auckland Synod. The agreement hopes that the working of this joint ministry may lead to an alternation of Anglican and Methodist Ministries in this new District.

Waikato-Bay of Plenty

Thames: That the Thames boundaries be extended eastwards to include the Hikuai and Tairua Districts (previously part of the Waihi Circuit).

Taranaki-Wanganui District

Inglewood: That a Union Parish to be known as the Inglewood Union Parish be formed by the union of the Methodist Circuit and the Presbyterian Parish, with the first minister a Presbyterian, and the boundaries to be those of the present Presbyterian Parish.

Manaia: That a Union Parish to be known as the Manaia Union Parish be formed by the union of the Methodist Circuit and the Presbyterian Parish, with the boundaries adjusted to include all that area within the Waimate West County, but excluding that north of the Opunake Railway Line. (The denomination of the first minister has yet to be decided.)

Hawkes Bay-Manawatu District

Feilding-Oroua: That the Feilding and Apiti Circuits amalgamate to form one Circuit as from 1st February 1971 and that the Circuit be known as the "Feilding-Oroua Circuit", the boundaries of the Feilding-Oroua Circuit to conform to the present boundaries of the Feilding and Apiti Circuits. Foxton: That the formation of the Foxton Union Parish as from the 3rd July 1970 by the union of the Foxton Circuit with the Presbyterian Parish be confirmed. That the boundaries be those of the present Foxton Circuit, and the first minister be a Methodist with a term of three years commencing on the 1st February 1971.

Wellington District

Greytown-Featherston: That the Greytown-Featherston Circuit be divided to form the Greytown and Featherston Union Parishes, the societies combining with the Presbyterian parishes in the two Districts.

That the boundaries of the Greytown Union Parish shall be the Waiohine River in the North, the Ruamahanga River in the East, the Tararua Range in the West, while the southern boundary shall be the Moiki Road, the Greytown-Martinborough-Featherston Highway from Moiki Road south to the junction, the Martinborough-Featherston Highway from the junction to No. 1 Line then north along No. 1 Line to the main Featherston-Greytown Highway and a line from this junction to the Tauherenikau Bridge. That the first minister shall be a Methodist whose term shall be three years.

That the boundaries of the Featherston Union Parish shall be those of the present St. Andrews Presbyterian Parish. That the first Minister shall be a Presbyterian, whose term shall be three years.

Carterton: That a Union Parish to be known as the Carterton Union Parish be formed by the union of the Methodist Circuit and the St. Andrews Presbyterian Parish. That the boundaries be the Waiohine River in the South to its junction with the Raumahanga River, then the boundary of the Wairarapa South and the Featherston Counties to the coast with the northern boundary being that of the Masterton South Parish. The first minister to be a Methodist.

Masterton: That the St. John's Church and its pastoral area withdraw from the Masterton Circuit to form part of a new Union Parish as from February 1, 1971 uniting with St. Stephen's Presbyterian Parish, with the Boundaries of the present St Stephen's Presbyterian Parish, and the first minister be a Methodist with an initial term of three years.

Otaki: That approval be given to the agreement drawn up between the Otaki Methodist Circuit and the Otaki Anglican Parish by which, as a first step towards a wider union of the Anglican, Presbyterian, and Methodist Churches in Otaki, the Methodist Circuit covenants to work within the fellowship of the Otaki Anglican Parish in joint activities at all levels, accepting the pastoral care of the Anglican Ministry, while retaining its links with the Methodist Church.

Nelson District

Waimea-Murchison: That Tapawera become part of the Murchison Circuit.

Waimea-Motueka: That the boundaries of the Motueka and Waimea Circuits be altered so as to include Dovedale and Mapua in the Motueka Circuit (subject to approval of two Quarterly Meetings).

Greymouth: That a Union Parish to be known as the Greymouth District Union Parish be formed by the uniting of the Greymouth Methodist Circuit, the members of the Associated Churches of Christ, and the Presbyterian Parishes of St. John's, Cobden-Runanga, and Central Westland with the boundaries including all that part of the Grey District bounded in the South by the Taramakau River, and in the North by the Fox River and extending Northwards in the Grey River Valley to the boundary of the Reefton District Union Parish at the Matai turn-off.

That there shall be three ministers one of whom shall be a Methodist and the other two Presbyterians.

Westport Union Parish: That the formation of a Union Parish to be known as the Buller Union Parish by extending the boundaries of the Westport Union Parish to include the Granity-Karamea Presbyterian Parish be approved, with the staffing to be two ministers one of whom shall be the present minister of the Westport Union Parish.

Westland-Buller District Council: The constitution of the above has yet to be finalised but suggest at this stage the following— That Conference approve the formation of a District Union Council on the West Coast to enable the Union Parishes to deal with matters of common concern it being understood that such a Council cannot be regarded as equivalent to a Presbytery or a Synod, and that in its work it does not interfere with the rights of members and ministers in relation to District and national courts.

Picton: (Note memorial to Conference) That Conference approve subject to the approval of the Presbytery and the Presbyterian Assembly.

Otago-Southland District

Alexandra: That the formation of a Union Parish to be known as the Alexandra-Clyde Union Parish by uniting the Alexandra Methodist Society with the Alexandra Presbyterian Parish as from the beginning of August be approved, it being noted that initially the ministry will be provided by the present two Presbyterian Ministers, but vacancies shall be filled in accordance with the procedures governing Union Parish appointments. The boundaries of the Parish extend from and include Shingle Creek to half-way through the Cromwell Gorge including Fruitlands, Alexandra, Clyde, Earnscleugh.

Western Southland: (a) That provided a satisfactory constitution can be drawn up, Conference give authority to the President to authorise the establishing of a Union Parish to be established in Western-Southland, between Riverton, Otautau and Waiono Presbyterian Parishes and the Western Southland Methodist Circuit during next Connexional Year, and that the staffing be four ordained ministers. (In the initial stage there shall be three Presbyterian and one Methodist in the team).

(b) That the boundary between the Invercargill Circuit and the Western Southland Circuit be changed so that the Winton area becomes the responsibility of the Invercargill Circuit, both for pastoral work and the maintenance of service.

Dunedin North: That approval be given to the agreement by which the St. John's Congregational Church at Ravensbourne becomes part of the North Dunedin Circuit as from the 1st January 1971 and that the boundaries of the North Dunedin Circuit be altered accordingly.

QUESTION 22 (b) .- What new Districts, Circuits or Home Mission

Stations are constituted? Inglewood Union Parish Manaia Union Parish Feilding-Oroua Circuit St. James Union Parish, Masterton Carterton Union Parish Greytown Union Parish Featherston Union Parish Buller Union Parish Greymouth District Union Parish Alexandra-Clyde Union Parish

QUESTION 23 (a).—Does the Conference sanction any change in the status or staffing of any Circuit or Home Mission Station?

Northland

Kaikohe-Bay of Islands: That the staffing for 1971 be an ordained minister stationed at Kaikohe.

Auckland District

Auckland Central Mission: That the staffing be two ordained ministers and one Deaconess.

Auckland South: That the staffing be two ordained ministers.

Avondale: That the staffing be two ordained ministers.

Papatoetoe: That the staffing be two ordained ministers.

Papakura: That the staffing be three ordained ministers.

Taranaki-Wanganui District

Inglewood Union Parish: That the first appointment be a Presbyterian Minister.

Hawkes Bay-Manawatu District

Feilding-Oroua Circuit: That the staffing be two ordained ministers.

Foxton Union Parish: That the first appointment be a Methodist Minister.

Wellington District

Greytown Union Parish: That the first appointment be a Methodist Minsiter.

Featherston Union Parish: That the first appointment be a Presbyterian.

Masterton South Union Parish: That the first Minister be a Methodist.

Masterton Circuit: That the staffing be an ordained minister. Nelson District

Buller Union Parish: That the staffing be two ministers one of whom shall be a Methodist.

Greymouth Union Parish: That the staffing be two Presbyterian Ministers and one Methodist Minister.

Otago-Southland District

St. Kilda Circuit: That the staffing be one ordained minister.

Alexandra Clyde Union Parish: That the staffing be initially two Presbyterian Ministers.

(Note: Nelson District-Murchison. It was agreed some Conferences ago that the Murchison Circuit Staffing be an ordained minister.) QUESTION 23 (b).—To what circuits are additional preachers being appointed?

Featherston Union Parish Alexandra-Clyde Union Parish Buller Union Parish

QUESTION 23 (c).—From what circuits are preachers to be withdrawn?

Auckland South Papatoetoe (a Deaconess) Apiti Masterton Dunedin (St. Kilda) Feilding (a Deaconess)

QUESTION 24.—What new circuits or Home Mission Stations are now constituted?

See Question 22 (b).

QUESTION 25.—What Circuits are due to provide a Parsonage for a married Minister?

Kaikohe-Bay of Islands at Russell is due but has not fulfilled its obligation.

Feilding-Oroua Circuit will be able to provide accommodation for second ordained Minister in 1972.

Levin: That it be relieved.

QUESTION 25.-(b) Suitable appointments for training of Probationers.

NORTHLAND

Whangarei (2nd) Dargaville (2nd)

WELLINGTON

Lower Hutt-Petone at some future date.

NELSON

Waimea - Second (Wakefield)

QUESTION 26.—How are the Minister and Probationers of the Conference stationed for the ensuing year?

LIST OF STATIONS

OF THE

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND

President—REV. WILFRED F. FORD, B.A. Vice-President—MR CEDRIC B. RADCLIFFE, M.Sc. Secretary—REV. WILLIAM R. LAWS, M.A., B.D.

STATIONS OF MINISTERS, 1971

(N.B.—Each of the places mentioned in these Stations and numbered consecutively 1 to 139 and [1] to [5] for Maori 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 the 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-Brian W. Sides (who shall supervise the North Hokianga Circuit).
- 2. Kaikohe-Bay of Islands— Alexander C. Watson. One Wanted.
- 3. Whangaroa— Edwin B. Clarke, M.A.
- North Hokianga— Ashley I. Corlett.
- 5. Hokianga— Richard J. Hendry.
- 5a Hikurangi Union Parish— Presbyterian Appointment (Ian McDonald).
- Whangarei— John E. Langley One wanted (Supply: Ian W. Ogier, B.A., Associated Churches of Christ) One wanted.
- 7. Dargaville— Gordon D. Brough, B.A. Wallace C. Chapman.
- 7a Kuawai Union Parish-Wilfred S. Gilbert.

- 8. Paparoa-One wanted.
- 9. Port Albert-David L. Hines, B.A., B.D. One wanted.

Maori Mission-

[1] Northland-

One wanted-(Acting-Ruawai D. Rakena from Auckland). Eruera Te Tuhi, O.B.E. (Sup.).

- 6 Home Missionaries.
- 3 Deaconesses.
- GORDON D. BROUGH, B.A. (Chairman of the District). W. J. COURT (Financial Secretary).
- II. AUCKLAND DISTRICT

The Home Mission Department-Bernard M. Chrystall, B.A. (Gen. Sup.). Ruawai D. Rakena (Associate Sup.). Harold A. Darvill (Maori Missionary) Ranginohoora Rogers (Senior Maori Supt .- residing at Hamilton).

The Overseas Mission Department-George G. Carter, M.A., Dip. Ed. (Gen. Sec.)

Trinity Theological College-

John J. Lewis, M.A., B.D., Ph.D. (Tutor in O.T. Languages, Literature and Teaching), Principal. John A. Ziesler, M.A., B.D., Ph.D. (Tutor in N.T. Languages,

Literature and Teaching).

John Silvester, M.A. (Tutor in Systematic Theology).

Ian C. E. Ramage, M.A. (Tutor in Pastoral Theology).

Auckland Hospital Chaplain-Francis H. Parker.

10. Auckland Central-

R. Frederick Clement, M.A. J. C. Aldwyn Williams (Kingsland). One wanted. John J. Lewis, M.A., B.D., Ph.D.

John A .Ziesler, M.A., B.D., Ph.D.

- John Silvester, M.A.
- Ian C. E. Ramage, M.A. Allen H. Hall, M.A. (resting)

Benjamin H. Riseley (Sup.).

Harry Ranston, M.A., Litt.D., Fellow of Trinity College (Sup.). G. Raymond Harris (Sup.).

- William E. Moore (Sup.). Walter Parker (Sup.)
- A Deaconess.

11. Auckland Central Mission-

A. Everil Orr, M.B.E. (Joint Chaplain to Astley House and Tyler House). Mervyn L. Dine Albert Blakemore (Sup.). J. Wesley Parker, M.A., B.D. (Sup.)

- A Deaconess
- 12. Auckland South-Edgar R. Hornblow, LL.B. (Roskill-Sandringham)

Gordon A. R. Cornwell (Dominion Road) Children's Home Chaplains, Revs. Edgar R. Hornblow, LL.B. and Gordon A. R. Cornwell Harry Moore (Sup.)

- 13. Auckland West-Clifford J. Keightley.
- 14. Auckland East-

John H. Osborne, M.A. (Warden of the Deaconess Order). Stanley R. Goudge, B.A. One Wanted (Supply: Donald G. Sherson, B.A., Sup.) One wanted. Bernard M. Chrystall, B.A. (Home Mission Department). George G. Carter, M.A., Dip.Ed. (Overseas Missions Dept.). Francis H. Parker (Hospital Chaplain). George I. Laurenson, C.B.E (Sup.). Athol R. Penn (Sup.)

15. Orakei-

Lawrence Greenslade (Chaplain to Winstone Lodge and Joint Chaplain to Seamer House).
Edmund D. Grounds.
Brian H. Turner.
Eric W. Hames, M.A., Fellow of Trinity College (Sup.).
Alfred E. Jefferson (Sup.).
James W. Parker (Sup.)

16. Avondale-

Percy P. Rushton, B.A., B.D. (Joint Chaplain to Astley House and Tyler House).
Albert Jolly (Avondale-New Lynn).
One wanted.
Ruawai D. Rakena (Home Mission Department).
Ernest E. Sage (Sup.).
Leonard C. Horwood (Sup.).
Arthur A. Bensley (Sup.).
David O. Williams, M.A., Litt.D. (Sup.)
W. E. Allon Carr (Sup.)
George R. Thompson (Sup.)

17. Henderson-

Alan K. Woodley (who shall supervise the Kaipara Circuit). Ludwig Felderhof (Glen Eden). One wanted—Supply—(John H. Vickery—Associated Churches of Christ).

18. Devonport-

David L. Trebilco.

19. Takapuna-

Robert Thornley, M.A., Dip. Soc. Sc. Warwick Gust, B.A., B.D. Rowan E. Smiley William R. G. Loader, B.A., B.D. (Resting). A. Henry Voyce (Sup.). Herbert W. Payne (Sup.). E. Clarence Leadley (Sup.).

- Birkenhead— J. Henry Woolford, M.A. Frederick D. Peterson. Donald G. Sherson, B.A. (Sup.)
- 21. Northcote— William A. Chessum, Mus.B.
- 22. Onehunga— Philip F. Taylor. David Armstrong.
- 23. Otahuhu— John Churchill.
- 24. Papatoetoe— Henry W. Kitchingman. Niven G. Ball.
- Papakura— Clarence T. J. Luxton.
 R. Graham Bell, M.A., B.D., Theol. M. Laurie A. Michie Barry W. Neal, C.F.
- 26. Pukekohe— Ian D. Grant. Thomas H. Carr (Sup.). Wesley Training College, Paerata. Teacher-Chaplain, Ian H. McKenzie, M.Sc., B.D.
- 27. Bombay-Tuakau— Edward Baker.
- 28. Waiuku— Douglas H. Burt.
- 29. Kaipara-One wanted. (Supply: Student W. D. Griffiths)
- Whangaparoa— Frederick J. Climo Edward M. Marshall, B.A., Dip.Ed. (Resting). L. Gordon Hanna (Sup.).
- Mahurangi— D. I. Alister McDonald. Andrew G. Reid (Resting).
- [2] Auckland— Harold A. Darvill (Maori Missionary and Superintendent, Joint Chaplain to Seamer House). Morehu Te Whare. One wanted.
 5 Home Missionaries.
 3 Deaconesses. COLPORTEUR WORK—A Home Missionary.
 - R. FREDERICK CLEMENT, M.A. (Chairman of the District).
 C. T. J. LUXTON (Deputy Chairman-South Auckland Sub-District).

R. THORNLEY, M.A. (Deputy Chairman-North Shore).

- A. TURNER, A.C.A. (Financial Secretary).
- III. WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY DISTRICT
 - Thames— Bruce L. Hosking, B.A., B.Com., S.T.M., A.C.A. Reginald Day (Sup.).

32a Hauraki Plains Union Parish-Irwin J. Fowler 33. Paeroa-John K. Watson, M.C., B.A. (who shall supervise the Coromandel Home Mission Station) 34. Waihi-A. Kerry Taylor Te Aroha-35. Trevor L. Bennett. 36. Morrinsville-Leslie R. M. Gilmore, B.A. Robert G. Stringer. 37. Cambridge-Leslie T. Norwell Reginald Grice (Sup.). 38. Hamilton-Ashleigh K. Petch, B.A. Alan H. V. Newton. Roy M. Alexander. Phyllis M. Guthardt, M.A., Ph.D. (Chaplain to University of Waikato). Charlie O. Hailwood (Sup.). 38a Raglan Union Parish-C. Seton Horrill. 39. Hamilton East-Trevor Shepherd. Wilfred J. Cable. William J. Morrison, M.A. (Chaplain to Tamahere Eventide Home). John H. Bailey (Sup.). George E. Brown (Sup.). 40. Ngaruawahia-One Wanted (Supply: Ronald G. Major, B.A.) Ronald G. Major, B.A. (Resting) 41. Huntly-Cuthbert F. Peart. 42. Matamata-Eric R. Eastwood. J. Montgomery Blight (Sup.). 43. Putaruru-Campbell P. Lucas, L.Th. 44. Tokoroa-Brian R. J. Eagle William M. Garner (Sup.). Brian L. Olsen (Resting) 45. Rotorua-Alan Newman One wanted. George H. Goodman (Sup.). 46. Taupo-Trevor L. Nicholls. 47. Tauranga-Ivan J. Clucas. One wanted.

Duncan R. Graham. A. Francis Attwood (Sup.). Arthur T. Kent (Sup.).

- 48. Te Puke-Graham Brazendale. Arthur H. Ivory, LL.B., B.Com. (Sup.).
- 49. Whakatane-Kawerau-G. Basil W. Bell.
- 50. Opotiki-John G. Hayhurst.
- 51. Te Awamutu-David H. Ansell. One wanted. Lane M. Tauroa, B.A. (Chaplain with Justice Department). Wilf. G. Eisner, B.A. (Presbyterian/Methodist Chaplain to Tokanui Hospital)
- 52. Otorohanga-William K. Abbott (who shall work the Te Kuiti Circuit)
- 53. Te Kuiti-One wanted. A Home Missionary.
- Taumarunui-54. David S. Mullan, M.A. (who shall supervise Ohura Circuit).
- 54a Turangi Union Parish-Presbyterian appointment (R. R. Kiwarra) J. Cedric Hay
- 55. Ohura-One wanted.
- [3] Waikato-Ranginohoora Rogers. Te Taotahi John Pihama. One wanted. 10 Home Missionaries. 4 Deaconesses.
- [4] King Country-Te Awha W. Tahere. Robert Te Whare. 12 Home Missionaries. 3 Deaconesses.
- KAWHIA-

A Home Missionary.

COROMANDEL_

A Home Missionary.

- ASHLEIGH K. PETCH, B.A. (Chairman of the District).
- C. R. SHOOSMITH, A.C.A. (Financial Secretary).
- H. H. Chick is a Minister from the British Methodist Conference resident in New Zealand.
- IV. TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT

56. New Plymouth-

William R. Francis, B.A., B.D. (Joint Chaplain to Rangiatea Hostel).

Hughan M. Craig.

Noel D. Billinghurst

Robert E. Fordyce, S.B.St.J. (Sup.). Charles H. Kendon (Sup.).

57.	Waitara— H. David Besant, B.A., B.D.	
58.	Stratford— Graham E. Hawkey	
59.	Eltham-Kaponga- One wanted (Supply: Idris J. Ruck)	
60.	Hawera- Leonard V. Willing (who shall supervise the Manaia Circuit)	
60a	Manaia Union Parish— Initial appointment to be decided.	
61.	Opunake— Sydney J. Spindler. Jack Wright (Okato)	
62.	Wanganui Central— Alan O. Jones Charles H. Bell, B.A. (Sup.).	
63.	Wanganui North— John I. Manihera	
64.	Wanganui West- Harold C. Pomeroy, B.A., B.D., A.C.A., C.M.A., A.C.I.S.	
65.	Taihape- Ronald W. Ferguson.	
65a	Inglewood Union Parish- Presbyterian appointment (B. Ralph)	
[5]	 Taranaki-Waimarino— Napi Waaka (Hawera), Circuit Superintendent. Moke A. G. Couch (New Plymouth—Joint Chaplain to Rangiatea). 6 Home Missionaries. 3 Deaconesses. 	
	 MILLIAM R. FRANCIS, B.A., B.D. (Lond.) (Chairman of the District). ALAN O. JONES (Deputy Chairman). A. SURREY (Financial Secretary) 	
A. HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU DISTRICT		
66.	Napier- Leslie F. Bycroft. Roger J. Hey. One wanted.	
67.	Hastings— John S. Hosking, M.A., Dip.Mus. Basil J. Hilder. Norman P. Larsen (Sup.)	
68.	Gisborne- O. McLennan Olds	
68a	Mangapapa Union Parish— Presbyterian appointment (Reginald J. Weeks)	
69.	Wairoa— Graeme M. McIver.	
70.	Dannevirke-Norsewood— Edward P. Boyd	

- 71. Woodville— Pieter K. F. de Zoete. William C. Jenkin (Sup.).
- 71a Pahiatua Union Parish-(Presbyterian appointment L. Usmar).
- Palmerston North (St. Paul's)— Leonard P. Schroeder, B.A., B.D. Enid J. Bennett, M.A., B.D. Harry I. Shaw, C.F. Peter A. Stead, B.A. (Resting).
- Palmerston North (Trinity)— Loyal J. Gibson. One wanted. A. Roy Bowden (Resting)
- 74. Ashhurst-Bunnythorpe_____ C. Brice Herbert.
- Feilding-Oroua— Bruce Scammell One wanted. A. Peter Dorrian (Sup.).
- 76. Marton-Clifford G. Brown.
- 77. Sanson-Rongotea_____ John R. Hall.
- Waipawa-Waipukurau— Neville Thornicroft.
 W. J. Henderson (Sup.).
- 78a Foxton Union Parish— Maynard G. Rutherford.
 LESLIE F. BYCROFT (Chairman of the District).
 LOYAL J. GIBSON (Deputy-Chairman).
 L. A. DAVIS (Financial Secretary)

VI. WELLINGTON DISTRICT

Department of Christian Education— Director: John Grundy, M.A. Associate Director: B. Keith Rowe, B.A., B.D. Associate Director: See Question 28.

- 79. Wellington Central— John A. Penman, B.A. Wilfred F. Ford, B.A. A Deaconess. Leslie C. Clements (serving with World Council of Churches at Geneva).
 Leslie A. D. Hayman, B.Ag.Sc. (Resting). (Serving with the British Conference).
 Paul A. Garside (Resting)
 John C. F. Mabon (Chaplain with Justice Department) Edward H. Moody (a minister of the British Conference serving
 - as General Secretary of the Bible Society in New Zealand)
- Wellington West— Charles B. Oldfield. Ian H. Robertson. Henry Ryan (Sup.). Gordon R. H. Peterson (Sup.).

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81. Wellington South-Colin D. Clark, M.A. 82. Wellington East-Keith C. Griffith. One wanted (Supply: William W. H. Greenslade, M.B.E.) William W. H. Greenslade, M.B.E. (Sup.) 83. Wellington North-Harry W. Toothill. 83a Johnsonville Union Parish-Robert S. Andrews. Presbyterian appointment (H. A. Tankersley). 83b Newlands Union Parish-Presbyterian appointment (J. C. Doig). 84. Porirua-Barry E. Jones, B.A. Howard E. Harkness, M.A., B.D. Ronald N. Simpson John Grundy, M.A. (Director of Christian Education). William Rowe (Sup.). Porirua Hospital Chaplain (Presbyterian appointment-W. B. Glassey). 85. Lower Hutt-Petone-E. Francis I. Hanson, B.A., B.D. Frank H. Woodfield. Frederick E. Waine. Lewis A. Bowen. Haddon C. Dixon, M.A., B.D. (without pastoral charge). Dorothea M. Noble, B.A. (without pastoral charge). R. Purcell Keall (Sup.). 85a Taita Union Parish-R. Leslie George. 86. Upper Hutt-J. Stanley Olds. One wanted. R. John Hamlin, C.F. 86a Wainuiomata Union Parish-Presbyterian appointment (William R. Vinten). Laurie E. Salter (Associate). 86b Greytown Union Parish-Frank S. Rigg 86c Featherston Union Parish-Presbyterian appointment (T. Gordon) 86d Carterton Union Parish-W. J. Douglas Wakeling 87. Masterton_ C. Russell Marshall. Masterton Children's Home: Chaplain, C. Russell Marshall. 87a St James Masterton Union Parish-Ian C. Norwell 87b Eketahuna Union Parish-Presbyterian appointment (C. G. Harding) 88. Levin-Gordon V. Thomas, B.A. One wanted. Ivor M. Raynor (Sup.)

89.	One wanted.
90.	Ormond E. Burton, M.A. (Sup.). Paraparaumu—
	George L. Bennett (who shall supervise Otaki Circuit) M. Alexander McDowell, D.D. (Sup.)
	WILFRED F. FORD, B.A. (Chairman of the District). CHARLES B. OLDFIELD (Deputy Chairman).
	T. M. PACEY, F.C.A. (Financial Secretary).
VII.	NELSON DISTRICT
91.	Nelson— Harold K. Brown
	Maxwell A. Hornblow
	One wanted. Alfred M. Costain, Dip.Soc.Sc. (Sup.).
91a	Nelson St Luke's Union Parish-
0.9	Ian L. Clarke Waimea—
92.	David G. Stubbs.
0.9	One wanted. Motueka—
93.	Hendrik Cerritsen BA
~	Alan J. Handyside (Resting)—Director of Riverside Centre)
94.	Murchison— Amos W. Burrough
95.	Blenheim—
	Robert H. Allen, B.A. William Morrison.
95a	Picton Union Parish-
95b	Presbyterian appointment (William Earle) Reefton District Union Parish—
	Presbyterian appointment (A. Goss)
95c	Buller Union Parish- Colin G. Jamieson
	One wanted (Presbyterian appointment)
95d	Greymouth District Union Parish— Archibald W. McKay
	Presbyterian appointments:
	Neil G. Churcher Thomas W. Nalder
95e	Hokitika Union Parish-
	Ronald C. Collingwood. Presbyterian appointment (Owen T. Jenkin)
	ROBERT H. ALLEN, B.A. (Chairman of the District). H. HOLLAND, F.C.A. (Financial Secretary).
VIII	NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT
	ERAL AND CONFERENCE SECRETARY AND AUTHORISED
	REPRESENTATIVE—William R. Laws, M.A., B.D. ERAL TREASURER—See Question 28.
	Christchurch (Durham Street)—
	W. Selwyn Dawson, M.A. E. Raymond Le Couteur (Somerfield)
	One wanted-Supply-George L. Sweet-Associated Churches of
	Christ).

William R. Laws, M.A., B.D. (General and Conference Secretary). William T. Blight, B.A., B.D. (Sup.). Herbert L. Fiebig, B.A. (Sup.). Ralph E. Patchett (Sup.). H. Ian K. Hopper, B.A. (Sup.). Wm. G. Slade, M.A., D.D. (Sup.) Charles Blair (Sup.) 97. Christchurch Central Mission and Cambridge Terrace Church-Wilfred E. Falkingham. Bruce E. Mackie. A Deaconess. 98. Christchurch East-Arnold C. Hight Albert A. Grundy, M.A. Stuart G. Slinn Owen L. Christian. Wallace S. Neal (Sup.). 99. Christchurch (Woolston-Lyttelton)-Norman W. Olds. G. Kingsley Greening. Norman E. Brookes. 100. Christchurch (Sydenham)-Arthur R. Witheford, B.A. Owen A. Kitchingman, B.A. (N.C.C. Industrial Chaplain) 101. Christchurch (Spreydon)-Kenneth L. Toomer, L.Th. One wanted (Addington) Hubert G. Brown (Sup.). 102. Christchurch (Riccarton)-Wesley A. Chambers, M.A. Keith J. Taylor. One wanted. 103. Christchurch (St Albans)-George R. Trebilco Owen T. Woodfield, B.A. Ernest Heppelthwaite. Barry G. Harkness, B.A. John B. Dawson, B.A. (Resting) (with permission to serve with the New South Wales Conference). Geoffrey E. Scarr (Resting). Charles E. Dickens (Sup.). John D. Grocott, B.A. (Sup.). 104. Christchurch (Papanui)-Robert W. Widdup South Island Children's Home-Chaplain: Robert W. Widdup 105. Springston-John B. Currie, B.A. One wanted. 106. Leeston-George W. Cramond. 107. Kaiapoi-Herbert A. Cochrane. 108. Rangiora-Leonard P. Shapcott One wanted.

109. Greendale-Robert A. Allan 110. Oxford-Ronald E. Fields. Wesley A. Chambers, M.A. (Chairman of the District) D. A. WHITE, B.Com., A.C.A. (Financial Secretary). IX. SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT 111. Timaru (Banks Street)-Norman J. West (who shall supervise Geraldine-Temuka Circuit) 112. Timaru (Woodlands Street)-Geoffrey T. Gilbert. 112a St David's Marchwiel Union Parish-Presbyterian appointment (R. Allan Simpson). 113. Waimate_ Phillip D. Ramsay. 114. Geraldine-Temuka-One wanted (Supply: Mr J. H. Fruin) 115. Ashburton-Howard C. Matthews, B.A. Warren H. Blundell D. J. Donald Hickman (Sup.). T. Ralph Benny (Sup.). 116. Willowby-Darrell R. Curtis, B.A. 116a Oamaru Union Parish (Church of Christ-Methodist)-Clifford L. Duder. Geoffrey T. Gilbert (Chairman of the District) A. MARSHALL, A.C.A. (Financial Secretary). X. OTAGO-SOUTHLAND DISTRICT 117. Central Methodist Mission (Dunedin)-D. Bruce Gordon, M. A. Stanley J. West (who shall supervise the Dunedin South Circuit) A Deaconess. John W. Reddihough, F.R.G.S. (Sup.). 118. North Dunedin-John B. Salmon, A.C.A., A.C.I.S. Donald J. Phillipps, B.A. (Chaplain Otago University, who shall supervise the Milton-Lawrence Circuit) Ronald H. Wood (Resting) 119. Mornington-Brian A. Walker, M.A. (who shall supervise North Dunedin Circuit) Andrew J. Johnston (Sup.). 119a West Dunedin Special Union Parish-William L. Wallace, B.A. **Presbyterian Appointments:** Ewing C. Stevens, B.A. Ross K. J. Clark, B.A., B.D., S.T.M. A. K. T. Bathgate 120. Dunedin South-G. Clive Smith. Russell G. Rigby. One wanted.

- 120a Corstorphine Union Parish-Presbyterian appointment (R. Wilson).
- 121. Dunedin (St. Kilda)— James H. Conway.
- 121a Grant Braes-Tomahawk Union Parish-Presbyterian appointment (C. M. Angus).
- 122. Milton-Lawrence-One wanted (Supply: Mr A. H. Harman)
- 123. Balclutha— John D. Meredith
- 124. Gore-Russell E. James.
- 125. Invercargill— Kenneth H. Russell Derek G. Laws, F.C.A. David R. Alley One wanted.
- 126. Western Southland— David C. Pratt. One wanted.
- 127. Bluff— Brian J. Malcouronne.
- 127a Teviot Union Parish-Donald F. Prince.
- 127b Alexandra-Clyde Union Parish— Presbyterian appointments (A. J. Dunn and R. Coates)
 D. BRUCE GORDON, M.A. (Chairman of the District).
 F. W. E. PITCHER (Financial Secretary).

XI. SOLOMON ISLANDS DISTRICT

XII. PAPUA-NEW GUINEA HIGHLANDS DISTRICT

These Districts are now in the United Church in Papua-New Guinea and the British Solomons Islands and the names of the Ministers and Deaconesses from the Methodist Church of New Zealand now serving in these Churches overseas are recorded in the Conference Journal.

QUESTION 27 (a).—How are the Deaconesses employed by the Conference stationed for the ensuing year?

1. HOME WORK

- (a) In Circuits: Auckland Central—Sister Beverley Taylor
- (b) In Institutions and City Missions: Auckland Central Mission—One wanted Central Mission, Christchurch—One wanted

South Island Children's Home, Christchurch—Sister Rona Collins

Central Mission, Dunedin-Sister Shirley Ungemuth

2. MAORI WORK

 (a) In Circuits: Northland Maori Circuit— Sister Barbara Miller, Taheke, Hokianga One Wanted (Dargaville)

Sister Atawhai George, Bay of Islands Auckland Maori Circuit_ Sister Grace Clement, Auckland One Wanted One Wanted (Supply: Miss Beth Sutton) Waikato Maori Circuit-Sister Heeni Wharemaru, Hamilton Sister Ruth Tattersall, Waikato One Wanted (Waikato) One Wanted (Hamilton) King Country Circuit-Sister Betty Yearbury, Te Kuiti One Wanted (Otorohanga) Taranaki Maori Circuit_ One Wanted One Wanted South Island-Sister Eleanor Dobby

- (b) In Maori Hostels: Seamer House, Auckland—Sister Anne Wilson, Matron Rangiatea, New Plymouth—Sister Joan Wedding, Matron Te Rahui Tane, Hamilton—Sister Heeni Wharemaru, Matron
- 3. OVERSEAS WORK The names are recorded in the Journal of the Conference.
- 4. LEAVE OF ABSENCE None.
- 5. WITHOUT APPOINTMENT
 - (a) Resting: None.
 - (b) With permission to serve with other organisations: Sister Dorothy Pointon (with the Bible Society) Sister Edna Jenkin (with the Borneo Evangelical Mission)
 - (c) Married Sisters: Sister Shirley Wiki, Sister Connie Sage
- IN TRAINING Rhondda M. Mason (3rd year) Hanna Hauraki (1st year)
- 7. RETIRED DEACONESSES Sister May Barnett Sister Ruth Fawcett Sister Ivy Jones, M.B.E., J.P. Sister Rita Snowden, F.I.A.L. Sister Margaret Nicholls, M.B.E. Sister Evelyn Ellemor (Marriott) Sister Eleanor Dobby Sister Eleanor Dobby Sister Jean Miller Sister Jean Miller Sister Madeline Holland
- QUESTION 27 (b).—How are the Overseas Missionary Sisters stationed for the ensuing year?

The names are recorded in the Journal of the Conference.

QUESTION 28 .- How are the Home Missionaries employed by the Conference stationed for the ensuing year? (a) HOME MISSIONARIES NORTHLAND DISTRICT Whangarei (2nd)-One wanted. Whangarei (3rd)-Supply: Ian W. Ogier, B.A., Associated Churches of Christ. Paparoa—F. L. Johnson Kaikohe-Bay of Islands (2nd)—One wanted. Maori Mission: Waima-Herehere Maihi Maaka Kaikohe-Mare Rogers Whangaroa—Robert Taka Waiomio—Tawa Te Riri Kawiti, Rewi Tautari Pokere—Para Piripi Livingstone Whananaki-Himiona Waata Onerahi-Hohepa Hemara Dargaville-Hamiora Toia AUCKLAND DISTRICT Auckland Central (3rd)-One wanted. Auckland East (Pakuranga)-Supply: Rev. D. G. Sherson. Auckland East (Panmure)—One wanted. Birkenhead—D. I. Robertson (Retired). Henderson (Te Atatu)-Supply: John H. Vickery (Associated Churches of Christ). Pukekohe (2nd)-One wanted. Kaipara-One wanted. William D. Griffiths (Non-resident student). Maori Mission: Manurewa-Matu Makiha (full time). Rewiti-Supply. Point Chevalier-Hone Wilcox. Te Kohanga-Waaka Kukutai. Pukekohe—Matene Hori de Thierry. Auckland—Wiremu Paki Ihaka (Retired). WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY DISTRICT Coromandel-One wanted. Te Awamutu (2nd)-One wanted. Otorohanga-R. Coombridge (Retired). Rotorua (2nd)-One wanted. Kawhia—One wanted. Te Kuiti—One wanted. Ohura-One wanted. Ngaruawahia-Supply: Rev. R. G. Major. Maori Mission: (a) Waikato Hamilton—Wiremu Tonga (Retired). Hamilton—Tuteao Manihera. Ngaruawahia-Te Orahi Tonga (full time). Whatawhata-Ngerungeru Tame Pihama and Hoera Whakaari Hakopa. Tokoroa-Wiremu Huirama Te Hiko and Henare Pate. Glen Massey-George Taha. Aotearoa-Pukerau Rangitutia. Mourea-Supply. Raglan-Supply.

(b) King Country

Makomako-Tumu Te Huia (Retired). Aotea Harbour-Roe Moke. Kawhia-Paki Moke (Retired). Rakaunui—Supply. Taharoa —Philip Te Uira. Marokopa-Nguru Winikerei. Mokau-Supply. Taumarunui-Supply. Bennydale-Supply.

TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT

New Plymouth-H. R. Wright (Retired). Hawera (Patea)-Presbyterian-Methodist co-operation. Eltham-Kaponga-Supply: Rev. I. J. Ruck (Sup.)

Maori Mission:

Urenui-One wanted. Rahotu-Whaterau Ira Wharehoka. Nukumaru-Supply. Whenuakura—Supply. Pariroa Pa—John Hoani Heremaia. Wanganui-Supply.

HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU DISTRICT Palmerston North (Trinity)-One wanted. Napier (3rd)-One wanted. Marton-H. Prowse (Retired). Feilding-Oroua-One wanted, Supply: Rev. A. P. Dorrian (Sup.).

WELLINGTON DISTRICT

Levin (2nd)-One wanted. Levin-F. E. Trim (retired) Otaki-One wanted (supply arrangement with Anglican Church). Upper Hutt (2nd)-One wanted. Wellington East (Hataitai)-One wanted, Supply: Rev. W. W. H.

Greenslade (Sup.).

NELSON DISTRICT

Nelson-R. T. Alexander (Retired). Waimea (2nd)-One wanted.

NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

Spreydon (Addington)-One wanted.

Durham Street (3rd)-Supply: George L. Sweet (Associated Churches of Christ).

Riccarton (3rd)—One wanted. Rangiora (2nd)—One wanted.

Springston (2nd)-One wanted.

Maori Mission:

Rapaki-Wera Couch.

SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

Geraldine-Temuka-Supply: Mr J. H. Fruin.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND DISTRICT

North Dunedin-A. E. Tardif (Retired). Dunedin South (3rd)-One wanted. Milton-Lawrence-Supply: Mr A. Harman. Western Southland (Ohai)-One wanted. Invercargill (4th)-One wanted.

(b) LAY WORKERS

Department of Christian Education: Associate Director-Jean P. Angus, M.A., B.D. (member of the Deaconess Order of the United Church of Canada).

Finance and Stewardship Committee: Director and Executive Officer-Mr E. C. Flyger.

Connexional Board of Management: General Treasurer-Mr C. R.

Hasseldine, B.Com., A.C.A. Board of "The New Zealand Methodist", Editor-Mr I. W. Harris, M.A.

(c)

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 complete. It refers only to the main public institutions. In smaller centres not listed, those concerned should write to the resident Minister.

NORTHLAND DISTRICT_

Whangarej Base-Rev. J. E. Langley.

AUCKLAND DISTRICT-

Auckland and Mater-Rev. F. H. Parker. Middlemore-Rev. J. G. Drummond (Presbyterian). Wesley-Geriatric-Rev. A. R. Penn. National Women's and Greenlane-Rev. A. McG. Kirkwood. (Presbyterian). Oakley Hospital-Presbyterian appointment. Kingseat Psychiatric Hospital and Cornwall-Rev. T. H. Carr. Ravensthorpe Psychiatric Hospital-Rev. E. Baker. Cornwall Geriatric_

WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY DISTRICT_

Waikato Hospital-Rev. R. M. Alexander. Queen Elizabeth (Rotorua)-Rev. A. Newman. Tokanui Psychiatric-Rev. W. G. Eisner.

TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT_

New Plymouth-Rev. H. M. Craig. Wanganui-Rev. H. C. Pomeroy.

HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU DISTRICT_

Napier-Rev. R. J. E. Hey. Hastings-Rev. B. J. Hilder. Palmerston North-Rev. C. B. Herbert. Lake Alice-Rev. C. G. Brown.

WELLINGTON DISTRICT_

Wellington Public Hospital-Rev. C. D. Clark. Lower Hutt Public Hospital-Rev. E. F. I. Hanson. Silverstream-Rev. L. A. Bowen. Porirua-Rev. W. B. Glassey, B.A. (Presbyterian-Methodist).

NELSON DISTRICT_

Nelson Public Hospital-Rev. H. K. Brown. Ngawhatu Psychiatric-Rev. M. A. Hornblow. Seaview Psychiatric (Hokitika)-Rev. R. C. Collingwood.

NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT-

Christchurch Hospital—Rev. H. G. Brown. Princess Margaret Hospital—Rev. J. Kingsley Greening. Coronation Hospital—Rev. A. R. Witheford. Burwood Hospital—Rev. O. L. Christian. Sunnyside Hospital—Rev. O. T. Woodfield. Templeton Hospital—Rev. J. B. Currie. Calvary Hospital—Rev. B. G. Harkness. St. George's Hospital—Rev. G. R. Trebilco. National Women's—Rev. E. Heppelthwaite. SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT— Timaru Hospital—Rev. G. T. Gilbert.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND DISTRICT_

Dunedin Public, and Private Hospitals—Rev. A. J. Johnston. Cherry Farm Psychiatric Hospital—Mr W. Green. Kew Hospital (Invercargill)—Rev. K. H. Russell.

QUESTION 28 (d).—Authority to Administer the Sacraments.

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

Norman E. Brookes Ronald N. Simpson Warren H. Blundell Brian R. J. Eagle Robert G. Stringer Duncan Graham Rowan E. Smiley P. K. F. de Zoete Wallace C. Chapman Ashley I. Corlett David R. Alley Russell G. Rigby John B. Salmon Clive G. Smith Jack Wright

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

All Senior Home Missionaries F. L. Johnson Wera Couch Matu Makiha Russell J. Greenwood J. H. Fruin William D. Griffiths Warren Green A. H. Harman Sister Atawhai George Sister Barbara Miller H. M. Maaka Para Livingstone H. Hemara H. Toia Tawai Te R. Kawiti Te Orahi Tonga I. V. Salisbury, LL.B. I. Curwood

QUESTION 29.—(a) Who is elected as President of the Church for the ensuing year?

Rev. R. Frederick Clement.

(b) Have adequate arrangements been made for Presidential supply? Yes.

(c) Who is elected as Vice-President for the ensuing year? Mr N. Patrick Alcorn.

QUES	STION 30.—Who are elected as Chairmen of Districts for the nsuing year?
CHAI	IRMEN OF DISTRICTS
N	Northland-Rev. Gordon D. Brough, B.A.
	uckland-Rev. R. Frederick Clement, M.A.
T	Vaikato-Bay of Plenty-Rev. Ashleigh K. Petch, B.A.
	aranaki-Wanganui—Rev. William R. Francis, B.A., B.D.
1	Iawke's Bay-Manawatu—Rev. Leslie F. Bycroft.
	Wellington-Rev. Wilfred F. Ford, B.A.
	Velson-Rev. Robert H. Allen, B.A.
	North Canterbury-Rev. Wesley A. Chambers, M.A.
	South Canterbury-Rev. Geoffrey T. Gilbert.
0	Otago-Southland-Rev. D. Bruce Gordon, M.A.
	STION 31.—Who are elected and/or appointed for the ensuing year as:—
	a) General Statististical Secretary?
	John G. Hayhurst.
9	onn G. Haynurst.
((b) Secretaries of Synods?
ľ	Northland-Rev. Wilfred S. Gilbert.
Ł	Auckland-Rev. Edmund D. Grounds.
1	Waikato-Bay of Plenty-Rev. Alan H. V. Newton.
	Caranaki-Wanganui-Rev. Noel D. Billinghurst.
H	Hawkes Bay-Manawatu-Rev. John R. Hall.
1	Wellington-Rev. Robert S. Andrews.
1	Nelson-Rev. Harold K. Brown.
I	North Canterbury-Rev. George R. Trebilco.
	South Canterbury-Rev. Norman J. West.
	Otago-Southland-Rev. Donald J. Phillipps.
	(c) (i) District Financial Secretaries
	RICT FINANCIAL SECRETARIES
	Northland—Mr W. J. Court, O.B.E., P.O. Box 5031, Regent P.O., Whangarei.
4	Auckland—Mr A. Turner, A.C.A., 129 Exmouth Road, Northcote, Auckland 9.
	Waikato-Bay of Plenty-Mr C. R. Shoosmith, A.C.A., Thames Road, Paeroa.
	Faranaki-Wanganui—Mr A. K. Surrey, J.P., 36 Seymour Street, Waitara.
1	Hawkes Bay-Manawatu-Mr L. A. Davis, P.O. Box 68, Napier.
1	Wellington-Mr T. M. Pacey, F.C.A., P.O. Box 251, Wellington.
]	Nelson-Mr H. R. Holland, F.C.A., P.O. Box 29, Nelson,
1	North Canterbury-Mr D. A. White, B.Com., A.C.A., 15 Rosebery
	Street, Christchurch 2.
	South Canterbury-Mr A. Marshall, A.C.A., P.O. Box 156, Ash-

burton. Otago-Southland—Mr F. W. E. Pitcher, 12 Erskine Place, St Clair Park, Dunedin.

(c) (ii) District Statistical Secretaries?

QUESTION 32.—Who are appointed as members of Standing Committees and their conveners?

A. Committee of Privileges:

The President, Vice-President, General and Conference Secretary, and the President's Legal Adviser, and Ministers and Laymen to be appointed. Convener: Secretary of Conference.

Committee of Exigency:

(To be appointed).

B. President's Committee of Advice:

Ministers: Ex-President, President-Elect, Secretary of Conference, Revs. C. B. Oldfield, J. A. Penman, C. D. Clark, J. Grundy.

Laymen: Vice-President, Ex Vice-President, the President's Legal Adviser, Messrs E. G. Heggie, E. C. Flyger, T. M. Pacey, B. W. Kings, W. A. Mullan.

QUESTION 33.—Who are appointed as members of Synod Standing Committees?

The Question no longer applies.

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

Report of the General Statistical Secretary.

Since taking over this task three years ago, it has been the present secretary's objective both to rationalize and to re-organize the forms and categories used in our returns so that they provide a more accurate and specific picture for the Conference and the Church at large. The assumptions underlying this thinking were set out in the 1968 Statistical Report. The conviction remains that mere statement of differences in figures is of no practical use to the Conference or the Church. Adequate evaluation is essential.

Some small progress has been made towards a rationalisation of the statistical categories and the elimination of such duplication as was evident. Serious difficulties remain. As the Secretary has wrestled with the 1966 Census data, wide gaps between the official information and the church's pattern of information have become apparent. Such considerable differences in boundaries, in categories and in methods of evaluation have become apparent, that effective evaluation and comparison have proved almost impossible. This is largely because the data which the church seeks takes no account of sociological factors and the two sets of data operate on entirely different planes. Effective statistical evaluation will increasingly depend upon sociological study and examination at a deeper level of the non-numerical factors lying behind the figures returned. Mere statement of figures is of little practical value in itself. (To give an example, the bald statement of membership figures for any given circuit or district gives no indication in itself as to the age distri-bution of that membership or as to the reasons for any such distribution.) It is of interest in this connection to notice that the Connexional Church Membership Committee of the British Conference has deliberately stimulated the establishment of a Methodist Sociological Group with precisely these considerations in mind. The secretary would wish to make contact with this group in order to discover upon what lines it is assisting in the evaluation of statistical

material and in the study of particular trends which may have become apparent. In the light of such trends as have been revealed in recent statistical reports, these considerations and some effective examination of them will become of increasing importance to the Church as a whole.

Turning to the present returns, members of Conference will note that some revisions have been made. The Trust Balances have beeen omitted and incorporated in the General Property returns in accordance with the resolution of Conference 1969. The opportunity has been taken to revise and to expand some of the categories. Provision has been made in the "Ministry" columns to allow for "Active" and "Supernumerary" and under "Lay Preachers" for "Active" and "Inactive" members of the order. In this way a clearer picture of the true strength of our ministry and preaching resources will be provided Some confusion appears to have arisen as to how Ministers "Resting" or "Without Pastoral Charge" should be treated. They should be recorded as "Active". There has also been continuing confusion as to whether Ministers of other denominations should be recorded. This has been particularly apparent in Union Parishes. Ministers of other denominations serving in Union Parishes should be returned TO THEIR OWN DENOMINATION ONLY under There are, however, some circumstances where present rules. ministers (especially of the Associated Churches of Christ) are serving specifically in Methodist Circuits. The Secretary intends to clarify this position in consultation with the appropriate authorities, to put the total situation in proper order.

During the year the secretary has been in consultation with the Director of the Department of Christian Education both with respect to the resolution of Conference 1969 regarding Adult Groups and also the coincidence of the General Returns with the Department's own returns in relation to the new categories made necessary by the Christian Life Curriculum. From 1971, these new categories will be used and provision will be made for the return of permanent and terminal Adult Groups separately. It should be emphasised that the returns made through the usual Education Channels should coincide with those made by Circuit Superintendents to the District Statistical Secretary—and vice versa.

The confusion surrounding Union Parish returns continues and has become a serious problem with the constant increase in the numbers of Union Parishes. The Secretary has received comments from District Secretaries and from Union Parish ministers as to the complexity and difficulty of making accurate returns to each of the participating denominations. These local problems are compounded at national level by the differences in action and interpretation at local level. Conference last year asked that the Joint National Committee on Church Extension be asked to prepare a simple form for Union Parishes so as to overcome these problems. Accordingly an approach was made but has since been declined by that Committee. The Convener of the Committee advised that, "the . . . Committee did not see the necessity for it to prepare a separate statistical form for use by Union Parishes, but considered that the situation could be covered adequately through the existing procedures . . ." It is, nevertheless, increasingly apparent that some clarifying action in this field must be taken. The provision of separate denominational figures for Membership is one of the least of the problems in issue. The provision of separate and reasonably accurate figures for Education work and other aspects which relate closely to comparative work is complex and, apparently, sometimes almost impossible. Even the segregation

of the Union Parishes within the context of our own returns will not solve these problems. Only a separate and specially designed form for Union Parishes would meet the situation. With the increasing numbers of Union Parishes, this question is becoming of increasing urgency. The Secretary, therefore, proposes to draft a suitable form in consultation with Union Parish Ministers and to raise the issue again with the Statistical Secretaries of the other Churches involved so that reasonably prompt action can be initiated.

Specifically, the position this year is as follows:

Buildings: The number of Churches has dropped again from 428 to 418; the number of Other Preaching Places has also fallen from 192 to 186. Schoolrooms recorded are 347 compared with 349 in 1969. The number of parsonages has risen from 243 to 245.

Staffing: The number of Ministers recorded is 308, an increase of 8 on last year's return. Of these 236 are stated to be "Active" and 71, "Supernumerary". The number of "Active" Ministers is inflated by the accidental inclusion of a number of Union Parish Ministers of other denominations in the returns. 14 Such Ministers were included in the returns thus reducing the effective, "Methodist" figure for active ministry to 224 and indicating an overall drop in numbers from 300 to 294. Last year 12 Home Missionaries were returned. This year 11 are recorded of whom 3 only are, "Active", 8 being supernumerary. Last year 16 Deaconesses were shewn but this year the figures are 6 active and 8 supernumerary, a total of 14. It should be noted that these figures do not include the personnel serving in Maori Circuits. (Reference is made to this point later in the report). An interesting aspect of these returns is that relating to Lay Preachers. Last year 595 were declared. This year, with the division into "Active" and "Inactive" categories 630 are declared, an increase of 35 overall. Of this total 501 are cited as "Active" and 129 as "Inactive". The effective distribution of our Lay Preachers between urban and rural areas continues to be a factor of interest. 381 are recorded from connurbations of 20,000 people and more and 249 from rural areas and townships. Last year the figures on this basis were 356 and 239 respectively. The balance appears to be stable-40% being in rural areas last year and again this year.

Membership: The total membership figures show a further fall this year from 31,905 to 31,224. The effective reduction in numbers is, in fact, somewhat greater than this if the necessary adjustment is made for some Union Parishes which have failed or are unable to provide separate Methodist Membership figures. At present no very clear patterns are discernible in the falls which have occurred in recent years. Confirmations this year totalled 747, of whom 313 were over the age of 20. The number of confirmands is no greater today than it was in 1950 and considerably less than it was during the late 1950s and early 1960s. Since 1964 the average number of confirmands has dropped from approximately 1,250 to about 750. The present trend seems to have been stable since 1966, all totals since then having been below 1,000. The age differential appears to be static. Since 1965, the number of confirmations in the over 20 age group has averaged 39.23%, the percentage having dropped as low as 37.85% (1965) and reached 41.9% (1970). Apart from the overall fall no clear pattern has yet developed. Losses on transfer continue. This year a further 242 members have vanished into thin air (statistically speaking!). This is nearly 100 more than last year. Verification of transfer appears to be a very necessary procedure in the light of this growing

tendency. We have received 78 persons from overseas including 11 in one circuit (Tokoroa). We have transferred 133 away to other countries. We have also continued to suffer a small drift to Other Denominations (147 received and 202 lost). The number of those who have ceased to attend has risen again from 511 (1969) to 595. This represents an increasing proportion of the general fall in membership and is the highest figure for some years. Deaths remain a remarkably constant factor—518 this year (509 last and 499 in 1968).

Taken as a percentage of our total pastoral roll the membership as at 30th June 1970 represents 21.15%. If (as in previous comparisons) we exclude those below Senior Bible Class level, the proportion is 25.93% as against 26.33% in 1969 and 27.6% in 1968. In other words membership in relation to persons under pastoral care is diminishing both absolutely and relatively, as was the case in 1969.

Christian Education: The total number of children and young people recorded as under the care of our Christian Education operations was 28,275. This represents a further very considerable fall in numbers. The 1968 figure was 33,139 and that for 1969 was 31,431. Thus the proportion of young people specifically participating in our children's and youth work has fallen from 21.3% last year to 19.16% this year whilst the national average for age groups under 20 years has dropped only marginally from 41.61% to 41.41%. Significant falls have occurred in the Junior Children's department where a total of 5,036 is recorded in 1970 compared with 6,385 last year. A drop of sizeable dimension has also occurred in the Intermediate children's section where the 1969 figure is 4,057 against 3,487 this year.

Clearly these falls represent a gradually accelerating trend in the church's life and some evaluation as to why this trend is taking place may be desirable . . . at this point. As already mentioned, the categories will be changed as from next year to conform to those provided in the new Christian Life Curriculum and, therefore, exact comparative analysis will not be possible until new patterns have emerged from the first few years of the curriculum. The 1971 returns will also make provision for the separation of Adult Groups into Permanent terminal categories. In this way it is hoped to arrive at some more objective analysis of what is happening in this field. (This step is being taken after due consultation with the Director of Christian Education, whose departmental returns will also make the appropriate provision).

Pastoral Care: The number of families under pastoral care has fallen again this year from 49,660 to 48,739. Persons under care are recorded as 147,607 as against 147,640 last year. At the 1966 Census the proportion of those who declared themselves to be Methodists (a total of 186,260) to total population was 7%. If this trend may be assumed to have continued, the number of persons under pastoral care (based on the Government Statistician's population growth projections) ought to be approximately 201,250, as at 30th June last setting aside such projections, the gap between those under Pastoral Care as recorded by the Church and whose who declared themselves Methodist in April 1966 is still of the order of 39,000 persons.

Stipends and Travelling Allowances: The returns this year show that Stipends paid were \$456,565.00, compared with \$434,640.00. This is an increase of approximately 5%. Travelling allowances \$91,532 were paid compared with \$86,367 last year.

Finance: In this area the General Returns now only show Circuit Balances. Credit balances have fallen from \$35,146 last year to \$33,278 in 1970. Debit balances have also shown a healthy decline from \$47,319 to \$37,166. Once again, there is no clear pattern in these balances which appear to fluctuate from year to year, more or less indiscriminately.

Maori Mission Returns: All the returns have again come to hand this year. There is an increase in the numbers, shewn as having Full Communicant Status, from 2,475 last year to 2,739 this year although only 17 persons were confirmed during the year. 118 deaths are recorded by the circuits. The number of families under pastoral care has risen from 3,130 last year to 3,500 this year whilst the number of persons has fallen from 14,555 to 12,452. Baptisms total 235 against 216 in 1969. Other categories indicate a stable situation.

General: It has been drawn to my attention that because the Maori Missions returns are made separately through the Home and Maori Mission Department, for necessary and obvious reasons, the general returns for Ministers and Deaconesses are inaccurate. One district has indicated its belief that Ministers and Deaconesses in Maori Circuits should be recorded on the District Statistical sheet to ensure that returns for ministry in the general returns are exact. The secretary intends to take up this and related issues with the department to see whether some way cannot be found to clarify the existing position without implicating the additional aspects of church life specified in the distinctive Maori returns. A question has also been raised as to how the question on the

A question has also been raised as to how the question on the Statistical Form as to the payment or otherwise of the Minimum Stipend to ministers, should be answered. This question is being clarified.

The number of Baptisms continues to remain remarkably steady. This year 2,518 Infant Baptisms were returned and 85 Believers' Baptisms. Last year the comparable figures were 2,583 and 88.

> JOHN G. HAYHURST, General Statistical Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report and Statistical Returns be received and adopted.

2. That the Secretary be authorized to consult with the Statistical Secretaries of other affected churches with a view to the preparation of a simple statistical form for use by Union Parishes.

3. That the General Statistical Secretary enquire during the year from Departments, Boards and other interested parties as to the use currently being made of the statistical information being compiled by the Church and report to Synods and Conference 1971.

4. That the Secretary be thanked for his services and be reappointed.

Question 35: What is the report of the Church Council?

Church Council

A.-REPORT TO SYNODS AND CONFERENCE 1970

The Church Council met at the City Mission Camp, Otaki on May 18-20, 1970. The Rev. John J. Lewis, M.A., B.D., Ph.D., President of the Methodist Church of New Zealand presided over all sessions.

DATES FOR 1971:

The Council agreed to recommend to Conference:-

- (a) Church Council May 18 to 20 to be held at the City Mission Camp, Otaki.
- (b) Finance and Stewardship of Detail (Budget Committee) September 28, 29 — to be held at Wesley, Taranaki Street, Wellington.
- (c) October Committee for Stationing etc. September 29, 30 to be held at Wesley, Taranaki Street, Wellington.

COMMITTEE TO CONSIDER NOMINATION FOR COMMITTEES:

The General Secretary introduced a memorandum prepared by the Christchurch members of the Committee on Structure. The memorandum was received.

The consensus of opinion was that the creation of a Committee on Nominations was quite unnecessary as the objectives could be met satisfactorily and in a much less cumbersome way. It was considered sufficient that the General Secretary should draw the attention of Boards and Committees to the rules and regulations of our Church regarding personnel of Boards/Committees in general and, if necessary, any regulations relating to a particular Board.

ISSUES INVOLVED IN GIVING MINISTERS IN FULL CON-NEXION A CLEAR ASSURANCE OF AN APPOINTMENT (Mins. of Conf. 1969, p. 115, Res. 14):

A memorandum prepared by the Law Revision Committee was introduced by Mr H. de R. Flesher, the President's Legal Adviser, and was received for information only.

INVITATIONS (Mins. of Conf. 1969, p. 115, Res. 19):

A memorandum prepared by the Law Revision Committee was introduced by Mr H de R. Flesher the President's Legal Adviser.

It was agreed to recommend to Conference that the Law of the Church be amended to preclude a minister accepting an invitation to another circuit in a year in which he has already indicated to his Circuit Stewards that he does not wish to seek a change of pastoral tie and the June Circuit Quarterly Meeting has confirmed it. It was realized, however, that there could be special circumstances making it desirable for a minister to reverse his decision; it was then felt that the approval of the President should be obtained. A suitable recommendation is appended. See Recommendation 2).

STAFFING NEEDS FOR 1971:

The Rev. B. M. Chrystall, General Superintendent of the Home Mission Department, presented a memorandum. The memorandum was received.

WAYS AND MEANS WHEREBY MINISTERS MAY BE ENABLED ON COMPASSIONATE GROUNDS TO RETIRE AT LESS THAN 40 YEARS SERVICE OR AT 65 YEARS OF AGE (Mins. of Conf. 1969, p. 115, Res. 15):

Mr C. R. Hasseldine, General Treasurer, presented a memorandum on behalf of the Supernumerary Fund Board urging that the scheme to establish a special fund not be proceeded with.

The Actuary for the Supernumerary Fund has strongly advised the Board against any proposal to incorporate such a provision within the existing Supernumerary Fund as it would mean that such ministers would receive more than their due share of the Fund. It would also place a burden of responsibility on the Board to evaluate the circumstances alleged to warrant special treatment on compassionate grounds — an extremely onerous responsibility to discharge. The Supernumerary Fund Board itself does not consider that there is adequate evidence of need for a variation in the present rules. There are already numbers of ways in which particular cases of hardship can be and are assisted, e.g. through the Benevolent Fund of the Supernumerary Fund, the Winstone Memorial Fund.

The Supernumerary Fund is not in a position to be subjected to additional financial strain. The Fund was not 100% funded at the time of the Actuarial Valuation in 1965 and since then the Accumulated Funds have been declining, mainly due to the extremely heavy impact of commutations. The present provision for housing requirements for all the ministry through the Home Acquirement Fund are patently inadequate. The pensions are presently less than 30% of the standard minimum stipend (itself a low one). These are serious matters which affect all the ministry as well as widows of Ministers.

The urgent need at present is to build up the capital of the Supernumerary and Home Acquirement Funds. The Church ought not to be diverted from this major task by seeking to make extra provision for exceptional cases.

The Church Council adopted the report and expessed its support of the Supernumerary Fund Board in its endeavours to impress upon the Church the urgent need of increasing the capital of the Supernumerary Fund.

LOCATION OF CONFERENCE (1972):

The General Secretary reported on his visit to Whangarei including inspection of buildings and discussion of Conference arrangements with a group of Whangarei officials.

It was agreed to recommend to Conference 1970 that Conference 1972 be held in Whangarei.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CENTRALISATION OF ACCOUNT-ING (Mins. of Conf. 1969, p. 114, Res. 9):

The General Treasurer, Mr C. R. Hasseldine, presented a memorandum which was received for information only.

The issue of Centralisation of Accounting was referred to the Committee on Structure for further consideration and report to Church Council 1971.

ROLE OF PRESIDENT OF METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEA-LAND (Mins. of Conf. 1969, page 114, Res. 12):

On behalf of the Board of Management of the Connexional Office, the General Secretary, Rev. W. R. Laws, presented a memorandum.

The President of the Methodist Church of New Zealand must be a Minister of not less than 15 years standing. He shall be the President of the Conference. He is elected by an absolute majority of the votes of the members present at the Conference, the voting being by ballot, without nomination. On his induction to office he delivers an inaugural address to the Conference. He is ex-officio a member of the Stationing Committee and is charged with the general interests of the Connexion. He arranges for the Ordination Service. The retiring President delivers the Ordination Charge. (See 1969 Law Book, Sections 162, 163, 165, 166, 167 and 168, page 24. See also Section 167 and 168 on the administrative responsibilities of the President).

Of special importance is the reference to the President in Section 206 of the 1969 Law Book regarding the Vice-President of the Methodist Church: "The office of Vice-President entitles its holder to distinguished consideration during the year, but does not in any way encroach upon the functions of the President as Chief Pastor of the Church . . . ".

The role of the President of the Methodist Church of New Zealand thus has three aspects:-

A. PASTORAL:

He is the Chief Pastor of the Church and must be free to exercise his Pastoral role among both Ministers and Laymen as need arises.

B. PROPHETIC:

As President of the Methodist Church of New Zealand he is called upon to give addresses and make statements embodying the viewpoint of the Methodist Church of New Zealand on the religious and moral aspects of issues of social, political and economic importance to the community as well as to the church. In the exercise of this Prophetic office the President naturally has recourse to the printed statements of the church and to the various Standing Committees of the Conference who are entrusted with the work of research, e.g. Public Questions Committee and International Affairs Committee.

C. ADMINISTRATIVE:

Some would regard this aspect of the work of the President as of secondary concern. It is right and proper that as President of the Church he should preside over regular Committees, such as the Stationing Committee, and over certain ad hoc Committees as required by the Conference. But the Council felt that the main burden of the administrative side of the Presidency should be carried by the General Secretary who is not only Connexional Secretary but also Secretary of the Conference and has a permanent staff to assist him in the carrying out of his duties. Notwithstanding, it must be recognised that the Conference of the Methodist Church of New Zealand meets annually, and in our practice and usage the President virtually be-comes the Conference between Conferences. Everything is summed up in the President. The Methodist Church is not an incorporated body. This practice and usage goes back to the very beginnings of Methodism. It is inevitable, therefore, that the President of the Methodist Conference for the time being must be involved to a greater or lesser extent in the administration of the Church. In the eyes of a good many Methodists the President is a kind of ombudsman.

At the present time a Committee of the Conference meets with the President-Elect during the Conference at which he has been elected to discuss with him the broad outlines of his work for the Presidential year. The Council feels that during the President-Elect's year of preparation, this Committee should meet again with the President-Elect in an advisory capacity.

The Council feels strongly, however, that as each President brings to the office his special gifts, there should be the utmost flexibility and freedom granted to the President. While there can be great value to the Church in a year in which a President follows a special programme and lays a definite emphasis, the situation should not be encouraged to develop wherein a President, irrespective of his gifts and graces, feels that he is required by the Church to exercise his role as President in a particular manner. It could be that a President's best work in a particular year was done quietly and unobtrusively as Chief Pastor to the Ministers and Laymen of the Church. For this reason also, the Council is opposed to any suggestion that the role of the President should be spelt out in detail in the laws and regulations of the Church. It is most important that every President should be enabled to be himself in the exercise of his Presidential duties.

The fact that the Presidential term is for one year only limits the amount that an individual President can accomplish. The Council suggests that section 162 (page 24) should be amended to read:

"There shall be a President of the Methodist Church who shall be the Chief Pastor of the Church. He shall also exercise a Prophetic function and shall share in the administrative work of the Church. He shall be a Minister of not less than 15 years standing. He shall be the President of the Conference . . . ".

(See Recommendation 3).

USE OF PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENT FOR 1970/71: Rev. W. F. Ford, President-Elect, and Mr C. B. Radcliffe, Vice-President-Elect, outlined to Church Council their objectives for 1970-71. Church Council assured them of the full support of the Church in their endeavours to serve both ministers and laymen individually and within the existing framework of Church meetings.

It was noted that suitable arrangements had been made for ministerial supply and secretarial assistance for the President-Elect.

STRATEGY, OUTREACH AND PASTORAL EFFECTIVENESS OF THE METHODIST CHURCH:

Memoranda were presented to the Church Council by Rev. B. M. Chrystall on behalf of the Home Mission Department and by Rev. J. Grundy on behalf of the Department of Christian Education. The two memoranda are to be integrated and will be presented as an Additional Report from the Church Council to Conference.

FORMS OF ORDAINED MINISTRY (Mins. of Conf. 1969, p. 299, Res. 5):

An interim report was received from the Special Committee appointed by Conference and the Secretary was authorised to convey to the Convener impressions of the discussions in Church Council.

ALLOCATION OF DEVELOPMENT FUND 1971-72:

The Rev. B. M. Chrystall, General Superintendent of the Home Mission Department presented a memorandum setting out the likely requirements of the Church for Church extension grants, including provision for our Methodist share in the provision of buildings, etc. for Union Parishes and other co-operative schemes.

The memorandum was received.

The Church Council resolved to ask the Finance and Stewardship Committee of Detail (Budget) to include \$20,000 in the Connexional Budget for 1971-72 for the Development Fund to be allocated as follows:-

75% for direct grants for Church Extension

25% for specific projects to be recommended by the Department of Christian Education in consultation with the Home Mission Department.

(See Recommendation 4).

CONNEXIONAL STRUCTURE AND ORGANISATION:

The Church Church Council received the report of the Structure Committee. It fell into two main parts:

(a) Proposal to create a separate Board of Maori Affairs.

(b) Proposal to create a Council of Mission with fire divisions:

- 1. Planning.
- 2. Resources and training.
- 3. Maori Affairs.
- 4. Overseas Affairs.
- 5. Funds and Adiministration.

The Committee on Structure was asked to furnish a report to Conference 1970 which would be the basis of discussion at one or two of the elective groups it is proposed to hold. The Committee was also asked to include in its report an outline of the ways in which the proposal to create a Department of Mission could be implemented. In particular the Structure Committee was asked to consider the implications of the formation of a Department of Mission for the function of the Church Council as it is at present constituted

The 1970 Conference is to be asked to give its general approval to the two propsals. If the 1970 Conference approves, then the proposals will be referred to Synods 1971 for consideration and report to Conference 1971 with a view to the proposals being adopted by Conference 1971.

STRUCTURE COMMITTEE FOR 1971:

The Church Council places on record its appreciation of the services of the retiring members of the Structure Committee: Messrs E. A. Crothall, W. E. Donnelly, Revs G. R. H. Peterson (former Convener) and H. C. Matthews (Convener). Recommendations are being made to Synods and Conference for the personnel of the Committee for 1971. (See Recommendation 5).

AGENDA OF CHURCH COUNCIL:

The Committee on Connexional Structure and Organisation was asked to pepare a statement on the function of Church Council together with a revised Agenda. In particular, the Committee was asked to give some indication of the type of business that did not come within the scope of the Council.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON BUDGET PRIORITIES:

Rev. L. J. Gibson, Convener of the Special Committee on Budget Priorities located in Palmerston North, was associated with the Council for consideration of the Committee's report. The report was received by the Council and some of its recommendations were discussed at length. It was agreed that the report be referred back to the Committee for further consideration along with a set of propositions provided by the General Secretary and submissions to be made by the General Superintendent of the Home Mission Department and any other interested person.

It was also agreed that the revised report should be considered by such members of Church Council as will be attending the October Committee Meeting and, if approved by them, submitted to Conference 1970. It is anticipated that the subject matter of the report will be discussed in detail by one or two of the elective groups that it is proposed to hold at the 1970 Conference.

THE FREE WESLEYAN CHURCH OF TONGA:

Having heard a report from Rev. G. G. Carter, General Secretary of Overseas Missions, on the financial position of the Tongan Church, the Church Council resolved to commend the Overseas Mission Board in its desire to include the Free Wesleyan Church of Tonga within the scope of the missionary giving of the New Zealand Methodist Church and encourage the Board to bring detailed proposals to Conference.

N.Z.M.S.S.A.:

Rev. A. E. Orr, official representative, reported on the Annual Meeting of the N.Z.M.S.S.A. and related matters.

BOARD OF MANAGEMENT OF CONNEXIONAL OFFICE — OVERSEAS TRAVEL BY THE GENERAL SECRETARY:

The General Treasurer, Mr C. R. Hasseldine, presented a memorandum on behalf of the Board of Management of the Connexional Office. The Church Council commended the proposal to send the General Secretary overseas and agreed to support consideration of the nomination of the General Secretary as one of the representatives of the Methodist Church of New Zealand to accompany the President to the World Methodist Council in Denver, Colorado, U.S.A. in 1971.

Report of the Church Council

B.—STRATEGY, OUTREACH AND PASTORAL EFFECTIVENESS OF THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND

Preamble:

At its 1968 Meeting, the Church Council because of its concern about the state of the Church, its apparent lack of growth, and the increasing demands upon its resources, requested the Home Mission Department and the Department of Christian Education to report on "the Strategy, Outreach, and Pastoral Effectiveness of the Methodist Church of New Zealand, taking cognisance of the use of funds"

In 1969, it received an "Interim Report", which while it recognised the decreasing rate of growth in membership, and the increasing demands for finance showed that, contrary to the general opinion, the Connexional Budget and other costs had not grown proportionately to the increase in the incomes of its people. This was seen in the fact that while the Connexional Budget had risen by 30% since its inception, incomes had risen by over 50%. The facts produced showed that the Church was not over committed, and that its people could meet the demands of maintaining the Ministry and the Connexional Budget, if they were convinced of the worthwhileness of the objectives of the Church. The Departments were asked to continue their work on the resolution.

At the 1970 Church Council two reports were received, one from the Home Mission Department, examining in detail the pastoral effectiveness of the church as disclosed by statistics and moving to a consideration of policy with some suggestions for the future strategy of the Church. The report from the Department of Christian Education stressed the objectives which should determine the shape and pattern of the policies of the circuits, and connexional departments and committees. Because the two reports were similar in their conclusions, the Church Council asked that a condensed report utilising the main points of each be prepared for Conference. The following is the Report:—

1. THE PRESENT STATE OF THE CHURCH

If statistical information measures the vitality of the Church, then the Methodist Church is very sick. From a slow rate of growth in 1959, the last three years have shown decreases in its total membership. The rapid movement of people to the city areas has left many rural circuits in serious difficulties not only in providing finance to maintain staff and buildings, but also in the development of a viable community life. A most serious situation is disclosed by the rapid decline of numbers in our Church Schools and Bible Classes. In the last ten years, our Sunday Schools rolls have decreased by 24.5% and our Bible Classes by 20.2%.

2. PASTORAL EFFECTIVENESS:

There is a considerable amount of evidence that the ministries the Church provides are held in high regard in the total community and ministers in particular are seen as fulfilling an important and valuable role. However, an analysis of statistical information combined with the few sociological studies available show that there has been both within and without the Church a loss of confidence in the institutional church. Increasing numbers of people do not want to be involved in the activities of the church which they see as irrelevant to the areas or life in which they live. One hesitates to say that they have lost belief, but their turning away from the organised life of the church does indicate that "they don't want to be bred any longer". Increasing numbers of our people just don't see that the churches have anything to do with the struggle to secure a meaningful and full life.

Further, it is evident that much of the reaction against the institutional church stems from its introversion and its failure to utilise the gifts of its members for ministering to the needs of the world. Neglecting to stress the corporate nature of the ministry of reconciliation in which every member plays a part the church has tended to focus its attention upon the ordained ministry, its training and its welfare.

It is necessary for the Church to re-orientate its approach to ministry, so that the basic pastoral role of the ordained ministry is seen as discovering. realising and channelling the gifts of ministry that Christ has bestowed upon members of His congregation.

3. Nevertheless, in addition to the turning away from institutional religion because of its seeming irrelevance, it must be recognised that even if the churches were geared and structured to serve the world in its complexity, to stand for justice, for human values, to struggle against all that would degrade him, and to challenge all to be reconciled to God, men would still resist the Gospel. In fact, the more completely the Church bears the marks of Jesus, the more active the opposition of men to its ministry. The hope of the Church rests in her faith in God who gives the Victory, Who establishes His Kingdom through the obedience of those who respond to His grace offered supremely in Jesus Christ.

OBJECTIVES:

Our studies of the present state of the Church lead us to set forth the following objectives for study and action.

1. The Methodist Church must mobilise and train all her people for a fuller and more joyful life of faith, worship, mission and service in the communities in which they live and work.

She must, in harmony with her origins and history, be concerned to transform old forms that have lost their power to communicate, to uncover and proclaim the essence of the unchanging Gospel. She must affirm The Sovereignty of God and witness to His activity in the world. She must speak of the value and worth of men for whom Christ died, and offer the Grace of God which alone can bring wholeness or salvation to men, and without which they are lost. She must call all men to a Way of life under the Lordship of Christ to a ministry of reconciliation which will bind men in a new brotherhood. She must speak with confidence of the Victory which God gives his People.

2. The Methodist Church must continue to use her resources in a manner that will transcend denominational rivalry and best promote the Kingdom of God. This means co-operation with other churches at every level which, in addition to the formation of more Union Parishes and creating agreements for the joint use of buildings will include the development of, and participation in, programmes of Joint Action in Christian Education, Social Services and Welfare.

The need for Joint Action is particularly urgent in rural and marginal areas where the resources of the churches are being wasted through a struggle to maintain denominational identity. Such cooperation will include the creation of Team Ministries across denominational boundaries and the setting up of "councils for action" to meet particular needs in communities throughout the land.

Strategy must be flexible, responsive to changing needs, sensitive to ecumenical trends, and shaped towards the creation of a United Church.

3. All her planning must recognise the primary importance of the local church. As all ministries stem from this congregation in which every member is individually and corporately pledged to evangelism, witness and service, all the resources of the Connexion must be geared to enable it to fulfil its task.

4. "Special Ministries" must be seen as an extension and expression of the concern of the local church, and ideally should be supported by congregational life. It could well be that people may belong to more than one congregation, giving support to groups designed to meet particular needs, e.g., (i) a Life Line congregation gathered around a Social Service Ministry, or (ii) a young congregation drawn from across a city supporting a Youth Specialist, or (iii) in a University setting gathered around a University Chaplain.

5. The local congregation must be at the heart of the Church's life. Varied forms and styles of worship and meeting and varied methods of communication should be encouraged. In the development of congregational life, much more attention will have to be given to the building of "group life" so as to recover some of the values inherent in the Methodist class meeting. In ways that are relevant to varied life situations and social and cultural groupings and to changing community patterns, we need to learn again how to form to care and share with one another, to reflect on life experiences, and to plan and rehearse meaningful action. The conviction is grow-ing that the Church of the future will be "smaller, more mobile, more flexible, much more disciplined, much more various in the way it celebrates. It will be much more joyful, less solemn than we are It will be much less preacher-oriented, when we come together. much less cultic, much more open to discussion and give-and-take". (Harvey Cox "God's Revolution and Man's Responsibility").

6. Connexional Structures should be shaped to assist the local Church to go into action, to share its faith, and to equip people for worship and the Church's mission in the world. They should be geared to provide stimulation, resources and training not only for the life of the Church as a community, but also assist it to relate its programme to the wider community in which it is placed. Worship, Evangelism and Services must be earthed in this world and designed to meet the world's needs. 7. Special attention must be given to training for the ministry.

First, in the training of all members. This involves a stronger stress on equipping members to minister through their daily work, and this involves a Theology of Vocation and Work. Much more attention needs to be given to teaching the faith and to helping people discover its relevance. Our people need to become biblically and theologically literate.

Second, in the training of those who will become representative men, ordained ministers and the like.

The training programme for our ministers must be continually refashioned so that Biblical and theological competence is developed in the context of society and change. Theology must be seen as rooted in contemporary life, and ministerial training as equipping people to be agents of change. Specialists other than ministers could be recruited from other fields of study, research, and work to share in this programme.

Regular refresher courses, seminars and the like in which ministers can be helped to keep abreast of new developments and retrained in new situations, should be arranged.

Third, the church needs to give much more thought to the deployment and use of its ministerial forces, both ministerial and lay. This will sometimes mean freeing ministers from the possessiveness of the local church so that his particular skills, talents, or expertise can be used for special work within a Circuit and/or District. Much more use should be made of Team and Group Ministries.

8. The churches should co-operate together to provide lay training centres, schools, or institutes in which training courses and dialogues relating the Gospel to the world could be offered.

RESOLUTION

1. That the report be referred to Synods, Departments of Christian Education and Home Missions and the College Council of the Theological College for study and appropriate action.

MEMBERSHIP OF CONFERENCE:

Conference 1969 decided that the following be approved for submission to Synods and Conference 1970 with a view to its implementation at Conference 1971:

(a) That Law Book 1969, page 58, Paragraph 360 (a) and (b) and Paragraphs 362 and 364 be repealed.

(b) That the following replace the above:

Preamble:

The principle of equal Ministerial and Lay Representation is to be preserved.

(i) In Circuits or City Missions to which one Minister is appointed, it shall be represented in alternate years by the Minister (and in the intervening years) by a Layman elected by the Circuit Quarterly Meeting (or Board of Management).

(ii) (a) The same alternation shall apply in the case of the 2nd, 3rd or other additional Minister appointed to a Circuit or City Mission.

(b) Ministers who have been appointed by Conference to the staff of the Theological College, Connexional Departments or Institutions or as Chaplains (Armed Services, Hospital, etc.) or who have been given permission to serve with other organisations shall have the same rights as Ministers appointed to Circuits. (iii) The June Meeting of the District Synod shall determine the Ministerial/Lay Representation for each Circuit, annually. (This is to ensure correct balance from the District and also the position of representation of Circuits to which ex-Officio Conference member Ministers are appointed, etc.) The June Meeting of the District Synod shall also arrange for the representation of Ministers referred to in (ii) (b).

(iv) The following Ministers shall be ex-Officio members of the Conference:

The President, the ex-President, the President Elect, the General Secretary, all District Chairmen, the General Secretary of the Overseas Mission Department, the General and Associate Superintendents of the Home and Maori Mission Department, the Principal of Trinity Theological College, the Secretary of the Board of Examiners, the Director of Christian Education, the Convener of the N.Z.M.S.S.A.

(v) The following Laymen shall be ex-Officio members of the Conference:

The Vice-President, the ex-Vice-President, the Vice-President Elect, the President's Legal Adviser, the General Treasurer, the Executive Officer of the Finance and Stewardship Committee, One (1) Lay Representative of the Overseas Mission Department, One (1) Lay Representative of the Home and Maori Mission Department, a Lay Field Director of the Department of Christian Education, one representative of the C.Y.M.M., the National President of the N.Z.M. Women's Fellowship, a Representative of the Lay Preachers' Association, One (1) of either the District Property Secretary or the District Financial Secretary of each District.

The following Boards/Committees shall be represented every year by One (1) representative, Ministerial or Lay:

The Faith and Order Committee, the Church Union Committee, the Board of Management of the Connexional Office, the Deaconess Board, the Finance and Stewardship Committee and the Department of Christian Education.

5. That in the year where a Standing Committee representative or a Connexional Officer will not be present at Conference, his report with any explanatory notes deemed necessary, be referred to the Convener of the Committee of Detail through the General Secretary.

The following Committees shall be represented alternate years by One (1) representative, Ministerial or Lay:

International Affairs and Public Questions Committee, the Board of the N.Z. Methodist and Publications Board, Radio and TV Committee and Board of Evangelism.

The Lay Representative of Wesley Training College shall be One (1) Layman appointed alternate years.

(vi) Two (2) Deaconesses elected by members of the Deaconess Order.

(vii) nine (9) Ministers and nine (9) Laymen appointed by Conference on the nomination of the General Purposes Committee for a term of three years—three (3) Ministers and three (3) Laymen to retire each year.

(viii) Such Supernumerary or other Ministers in sufficient number to make an equal number with the Laymen appointed to be representatives at the Conference, these to be appointed by the District Synods as requested by the President and Secretary of Conference. (xi) The Secretary of the Conference shall inform each District of the number of Ministerial and Lay representatives it is entitled to appoint for the guidance of the June District Synod.

Membership of Conference

By resolution of Conference 1968, members of Church Council attending the "October Committee" constituted the Conference Committee of Detail to consider recommendations from Synods on the Report of Church Council.

The Committee of Detail examined the recommendations of Synods and brings the following Resolution to Conference:-

That the principle that each District be represented at Conference on a **Membership** basis (and not according to Circuits and Ministerial staffing as at present) be referred to Synods 1971 in time for their reactions to be conveyed to Church Council 1971 which shall study the proposition put forward by the Wellington Synod alongside the original proposals for reduction of the size of Conference and report to Synods and Conference 1971.

- (1) The present law of the Church provides that at Synod each Circuit is represented equally by ministers and laymen, and this is the Court of the Church where the voice of each Circuit may be heard. We note with approval that Synods are being given increasingly more authority in the management of District affairs.
- (2) Therefore it follows that it is no longer necessary for Circuits as such to be represented at Conference but that each District be represented on a *Membership* basis.
- (3) We recommend that this be on the basis of one (1) representative per one hundred and fifty members (150) in each District, maintaining as far as possible equal ministerial and lay representation. District representation will include those who must attend as Conference officials, representatives of Boards and Committees, etc. Maori representation should be on the same membership basis.

Northland	1371	members	9 (Conf. Reps.
Auckland	6560	"	43	"
Waikato/Bay of Plenty	4412	"	29	"
Taranaki/Wanganui	2213	"	14	"
Hawkes Bay/Manawatu	3096	"	20	**
Wellington	4054	"	27	"
Nelson	1651	"	11	,,
North Canterbury	4861	,,	32	**
South Canterbury	1292	"	8	"
Otago/Southland	2475	,,	15	"
5 Maori Circuits	2475	"	208 16	"
			224	

(N.B.: Lay representatives need not necessarily be members of Synods but be the best lay people the District can obtain.)

(4) We make the further point that this suggested constitution is along the line of Church Union proposals.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

2. Invitations: That to Section 122A, page 17, Law Book there be added this clause:

"If the June Quarterly Meeting has confirmed that there be no change in the pastoral tie, no Minister shall accept an invitation to another Circuit in that Connexional year except in special circumstances with the prior approval of the President."

3. The Role of the President of the Methodist Church of New Zealand: That section 162, page 24, Law Book be amended to read:-

"There shall be a President of the Methodist Church who is the Chief Pastor of the Church. He exercises a prophetic function and shares in the administrative work of the Church. He shall be a minister of not less than 15 years standing. He shall be the President of Conference"

4. That the Church Council examine the possibility of Synods nominating ministers for election as President of the Conference, such nominations to be dealt with by a special committee, with a name(s) submitted to Conference for election.

5. That Church Council reconsider the role of Vice-President with reference inter alia to the method of election and the suitability of the title.

75% for direct grants for Church Extension

25% for specific projects to be recommended by the Department of Christian Education in consultation with the Home Mission Department.

7. That the principle that each District be represented at Conference on a **Membership** basis (and not according to Circuits and Ministerial staffing as at present) be referred to Synods 1971 in time for their reactions to be conveyed to Church Council 1971 which shall study the proposition put forward by the Wellington Synod alongside the original proposals for reduction of the size of Conference and report to Synods and Conference 1971.

8. Recognising the increasing demand for flexibility in Ministry (including the growth of team ministries); acknowledging disquiet about certain aspects of our present stationing procedure, and in the light of the probable reduction in the size of Conference, Conference requests the Church Council to investigate our present method of deployment of the ordained and probationary ministry.

9. In view of the expressed intention behind the setting up of the October meeting of Stationing Committee, the General Secretary be asked to prepare statistical information which will assist in deciding whether or not this intention is being fulfilled.

10. Committee on Connexional Structure and Organisation: That the Committee on Connexional Structure and Organisation for 1971 be as printed on page 9 herein.

11. Samoan Affairs: (a) That Conference express to the community of Samoan Methodists in New Zealand its gratitude for what they have brought to the worship and witness of the Church in this country and that it assures them of their full place within the life and membership of the Conference of the Methodist Church of New Zealand. (b) That there be established a Samoan Policy Committee to assist in the pastoral care of Samoan Methodists and their families and to express the mind of the Samoan people in New Zealand to the Conference.

(c) That for the first meeting the allocation of representation be in the hands of the President in consultation with the President's Samoan Advisory Committee and thereafter it be decided by the Samoan Policy Committee.

(d) That this Committee meet at least once a year and report through Synods to Conference.

(e) That the President convey the gratitude of the Church to the Samoans and the decision to establish a Samoan Policy Committee in a message in the Samoan language to be published in the N.Z. Methodist.

(f) That the following be referred to the Samoan Policy Committee: Because of a continuing and deepening concern for the welfare of our Samoan Methodist people, this Quarterly Meeting requests consideration of the following—(i) That consideration be given to organising the Church's ministry to Methodist Samoans at selected centres in conjunction with existing Churches; (ii) That these centres be selected one to each geographical centre in which there are sufficient numbers of Samoans living to make them viable propositions. Further, this Quarterly Meeting advises Conference that it is willing for St John's to be used as a centre for Methodist Samoans living either within or within reasonable distance of the inner-city of Auckland.

Structure Committee 1970

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT TO THE CHURCH COUNCIL, SEPTEMBER, 1970

Proposals of widespread significance which follow, arise out of a lengthy re-examination of the organisation of Departments and Boards which for many years have been responsible for the Connexional activities of the Church. Your Committee has reconsidered the basic task and purpose underlying all our organisation, and now states this as follows:

"THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH IS MISSION, AND THIS HAS ITS FOCUS IN THE COMMUNITY WHERE PEOPLE ARE, i.e. IN THE LOCAL CHURCH." Departments which are created, or set up, MUST SERVE that local Church—initiating, stimulating, equipping, and helping them in their task. A Church will speak through its structure as well as in other ways—and this means they are and must be related to its mission and purpose. At the present time there is considerable overlap of responsibility between Departments, and new ideas and concepts do not readily come through to our individual Churches. Concentration of resources, research, training and leadership at Connexional level is necessary to facilitate real growth

What the Structure Committee is proposing is an ordering for our Connexional life—a method of functioning—an understanding and expression of Mission—and appropriate structures which fulfil this responsibility. CHURCH COUNCIL: This would remain as at present. Its function is the over-all strategy and policy of the Church. It is thus a representative gathering of the leaders of the whole Connexion. The agenda of Church Council should provide priority for the review of that strategy and policy, thus giving guidelines to Conference for the Five Divisions and the Council of Mission, which we are recommending (See later, and Recommendations).

COUNCIL OF MISSION: Our proposal is that the Departmental activity of the Church be seen as a Unity. We are proposing that there be Five Divisions within this unity, the leaders and those specially appointed conferring regularly as a COUNCIL OF MISSION.

The COUNCIL OF MISSION would comprise the persons involved in the Five Divisions of the Church, together with someone from the area of Theological training, along with laymen specially selected for their expertise and executive ability who possess this Concept of Mission. This will become a **TEAM MINISTRY** of working members, which needs to meet regularly and frequently in order to develop a team approach. Here the resources of the Church would be co-ordinated and directed towards the whole Church in action. This will be a sounding board and forum for working out the local strategy in line with the CHURCH COUNCIL and CONFERENCE guidelines.

The COUNCIL OF MISSION would be constituted as follows: Divisional leaders.

- 2 Laymen who would be chosen for their particular contribution which they could make to the team, such as Concept of Mission. They should also possess Executive ability.
- A representative of the THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE, because this is involved. (It is necessary to have the Theological College involved because of the implications for training the future Ministry).
- Additional laymen could be on the staff and so Members of the Council of Mission.
- In addition specialist resource persons as required, could be co-opted.
- LEADERSHIP function would be within the Council, and rotate. (The President would not be required to preside, and would not be a Member ex-officio).
- SOME WORKING GROUPS could be established in other centres than where the Board concerned is located: flexibility would be secured, and the most qualified people would be able to offer their knowledge and skills.

DIVISIONAL FUNCTIONING: We propose that there be FIVE DIVISIONS (formerly Departments) OF CONNEXIONAL RESPON-SIBILITY, each of which shall be administered by a Board and such other Committees and/or Working groups as may be necessary, in the centre in which the Division is located. (See above about Some Working groups may be located in other centres as and if required). While some thought will need to be given to representation, the personnel will be chosen primarily for their expertise in the particular field of responsibility. This will mean specialist skills, depth of insight, and ability to support the function of the Division. Each Division shall be responsible to Synods and Conference reporting thereto each year. Each Division is committed to viewing its work as part of the whole strategy of Mission, and will therefore use the forum of the COUNCIL OF MISSION in order to co-ordinate the resources of the Connexion to the best advantage.

THE FIVE DIVISIONS would be No. 1 PROGRAMMING & PLANNING; No. 2 RESOURCES & TRAINING; No. 3 MAORI AFFAIRS; No. 4 OVERSEAS & ECUMENICAL AFFAIRS; No. 5 FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION.

CENTRES OF ADMINISTRATION: These fall fairly clearly into three main areas, and so it is suggested that they could be located as follows:

No. 1 PROGRAMMING & PLANNING DIVISION Wellington (or Auckland?)

- No. 2 RESOURCES & TRAINING DIVISION Wellington (or Auckland?)
- No 3 MAORI AFFAIRS DIVISION Auckland.
- No. 4 OVERSEAS & ECUMENICAL AFFAIRS DIVISION Auckland.
- No. 5 FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION DIVISION Christchurch.

THE DIVISIONS AS SET OUT ABOVE WOULD INCLUDE IN THEIR AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY THE FOLLOWING:

No. 1 DIVISION: PROGRAMMING AND PLANNING.

Connexional: Formulating and shaping strategy. Carrying out surveys to provide facts on which to base overall strategy. Gathering information by meeting Ministers and Leaders at local level.

Local: Working in the local Church to assist members to evaluate; set goals. Staff to have sociological insights. Determine the needs of a community; examine the effects of the present Church programme. Guide and advise on Team Ministries; Chaplaincies; Specialist tasks. Advise re Inter-Church developments. Maintain close liaison with M.S.S.A. in regard to outreach through social service and counselling centres. Work out guidelines for buildings to suit programmes, etc., etc.

No. 2 DIVISION: RESOURCES AND TRAINING:

Follow up the work of the planning Division. Equipping persons to carry through the programmes adopted. Employment of trained teaching staff, and creative writers (literature production). Provide literature required. Close liaison with Trinity Theological College and offering some of the course relating to forms of Ministry. Retraining, and In-Service courses to enable present Ministers to adapt to changing forms of Ministry within new structures, etc.

No. 3 DIVISION: MAORI AFFAIRS:

To develop Maori styles of Christian life. In close co-operation with the resources of the other Divisions: drawing on them; interpreting into Maori; contributing to them. Guiding and directing the work of the Church amongst our Maori people, etc.

No. 4 DIVISION: OVERSEAS AND ECUMENICAL AFFAIRS:

The agent linking the N.Z. Church with the Church overseas, especially the United Church in Papua-New Guinea and the Solomon Islands (a) By communicating information to, and providing education amongst local congregations re the needs, developments, and opportunities overseas (b) Channelling of forms of service; advising; selecting; commissioning people. Be the liaison with EACC; PICC; WCC; and CWS. Guide re Ethnic minorities in New Zealand, etc.

No. 5 DIVISION: FUNDS AND ADMINISTRATION:

General Secretaryship of the Church. General Treasureship of the Church. Co-ordination of Management in relation to all funds of the Church. Development of accounting systems in line with present day practice. Handling all loans and grants. Augmented C. B. & L. F. Committee (buildings). "Supply" Ministries between Conferences. Long Service leave arrangements. Matters relating to changing boundaries and staffing of Circuits, etc.

September 10th, 1970.

For the STRUCTURE COMMITTEE, Howard C. Matthews, Convener

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

2. That the proposal to establish a Council of Mission be referred to the appropriate Boards and Committees to report to Church Council and to Synods 1971 and report to Conference with a view to the proposal being adopted by Conference 1971.

3. That the aim be to constitute the Five Divisions from the commencement of the Connexional year 1973 (February), the previous year (1972) being used for intensive preparation.

4. That a working group consisting of Messrs D. A. White and C. R. Hasseldine (General Treasurer) consult with the present Boards and Committees regarding implementation of the proposal, construct a timetable and bring forward a report to the Structure Committee.

5. That the Structure Committee bring to Church Council 1971 some procedures by which Staff will be selected for the leadership of the Five Divisions and their relationship to the existing staff of Connexional Departments.

6. That the name of Division I be changed to "Research and Planning".

7. That the Structure Committee subject the proposal to the scrutiny of organisation expertise.

8. That the Structure committee prepare a memorandum covering the following crucial areas. The memorandum to be forwarded to all Boards and Synods with the report.

- (a) Clearer definition of Mission.
- (b) Emphasis on team ministry of Council of Mission—(i) Leadership job analysis; (ii) Avoidance of Empire Building.

(c) Spell out regional strategy and role of Synods.

9. Ministering with Maoris—Policy, Programme and Structure: This Conference supports the Structure Committee's recommendation through Church Council to establish a separate Maori Affairs Board for the following reasons:—

- (a) This would enable the Maori people to develop their own style of worship and witness.
- (b) This would discourage racism by encouraging Maori and pakeha to learn from each other and minister to each other. We recognize the worth of bi-cultural society, in which the whole is enriched by each.
- (c) This would enable Maori leadership to guide and direct the Maori work and provide liaison with pakeha circuits.

(d) This would enable the whole Church to hear the authentic voice of its Maori members.

N.B.—Recognizing that some will have reservations about the proposal because it appears to offer little information as to how costs may be reduced, or duplication and overlap at the local level avoided, we are convinced that the establishing of a Board of Maori Affairs staffed predominantly by Maori personnel, will be able to deal with these and other problems.

10. That the Report of the Church Council on Council of Mission should include a general budgetting forecast of the total cost when making its report to Synods.

Budget Strategy and Policy

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE SET UP BY CONFERENCE 1968 TO "EXAMINE THE PRESENT METHOD OF DETERMIN-ING THE CONNEXIONAL BUDGET EACH YEAR AND TO RE-EXAMINE THE STRATEGY AND POLICY OF THE CHURCH IN RELATION TO THE BUDGET AND ALSO THE ALLOCATION TO DISTRICTS"

INTRODUCTION:

The committee believes that the church is committed to a national Budget as the most efficient means of planning and financing the work of the church and therefore shares the concern of others at the current crisis facing the Budget. The story of short payments by Circuits and Districts and growing resistance to the Budget at Circuit level represents a crisis not only in the financial structure of the church but also in the strategy and health of the church.

Very early in its discussions the committee came to the strong conviction that the basic question to be faced was one of the strategy of the church. Decisions regarding the Budget must be made on the basis of an agreed strategy for the connexion and circuits; the financial structure of the church should be the servant of the church's strategy. The view is commonly held at present that the Budget dominates the church's thinking at all levels of its life from Conference to Circuits, often blinding members to the basic tasks of the church and hindering the development of new forms of church life which are urgently needed.

FACTUAL INFORMATION OBTAINED:

Very little objective information regarding the financial health of the connexion is readily available. The committee therefore gathered two sets of figures to help to gauge the effect of the Budget on the connexion.

1. A survey of a random selection of 27 Circuits (including large and small circuits) over the period since the inception of the Budget seeking an indication of:

- (a) The total income of each Circuit, in each year since 1962.
- (b) The percentage of that total income spent on Budget; stipends and travelling; grants to Trusts and local Church groups.

(These figures were presented to the Church Council 1969).

A comparison of these figures with major economic indicators showed that:-

-During the seven year period (1961-68) the Connexional Budget increased by a total of 30%.

- -During the same period the Consumers Price Index increased by approx. 25% and the Gross National Product by approx. 45% and the N.Z. total of salary or wage incomes by approx. 50%.
- -Giving in the Circuits surveyed increased by a total of only 21.7% during the period and two-thirds of this increase was in the years 1962-64.
- —A study of the figures demonstrated: (i) That there is a definite need for clear and up-to-date information from Circuits setting out their financial situation both in the Circuit and Trust accounts. (ii) That this kind of information would greatly assist in determining a realistic total for the Annual Budget and in allocating it throughout the connexion.

(These needs were recognised by Church Council when it agreed that a Questionnaire should be sent out to Circuits prior to the 1969 October Budget Committee Meeting. The method was confirmed by the Council's decision to do the same this year, 1970.)

2. A survey by means of the Questionnaire sent out to all Circuits with the approval of the Church Council 1969. This study covered seven of the 10 Districts and 96 of the 154 Circuits and the figures generally confirmed the findings which appeared in the earlier random survey. (See Resolution 2).

CONCLUSIONS BASED ON THE INFORMATION:

The data indicates that:

- (i) The church—or a large part of it—is clearly living beyond the income made available to it.
- (ii) It is spreading its resources too widely and consequently too thinly.
- (iii) Circuits are reaching the point where it is not possible for them to support their budget allocations and maintain their own local buildings and services.
- (iv) Therefore the local people tend to look at the budget as bleeding off finance needed for their local needs.
- (v) We are reaching the point where cuts must be made since present giving cannot support both the existing connexional system and the circuit system.

There is no doubt that the giving of the church is at a lower level than it ought to be. The Budget is not increasing at a disproportionate rate, rather, giving is not increasing at a reasonable rate. This low level of giving reflects the positive disinterest felt for the church as it is by many who should reasonably be expected to support the church financially.

The Committee feels strongly that members and adherents must be urged to give more realistically to church enterprises. Local and connexional work must be presented in an attractive and forceful manner; however, the committee believes that the problem is not simply one of "selling" the present budget more forcefully.

There is evidence that greater financial support may be forthcoming for a connexional and circuit programme that reflects a more dynamic and imaginative approach to the church in mission. A great deal of this creative thinking is being done at circuit level but implementation of it is being obstructed because of present loyalty to the status quo.

A BUDGET WHICH WOULD BE WILLINGLY MET

The committee is strongly of the opinion that the task facing the church is not merely to sell the present budget more actively in the hope of increasing commitment to it, but rather to provide a budget in which people can have full confidence; the task is not simply a public relations job of selling the budget—rather people need to be convinced that the money is being spent in important and relevant ways. Throughout the connexion much of the connexional policy is being questioned and because the budget reflects this policy it suffers. The potential giving of the connexion is, of course, far greater than yet realised but present giving to connexional and circuit enterprises will rise only when people have confidence in the way it is being spent and the work which the church is doing.

There is a need for a re-allocation of our present resources. This can only be done after a total reappraisal of circuit and connexional activities and resources in order to establish precisely what the church is and should be doing, and how this can best be achieved using the available resources.

The present danger is that the Budget is a fund so committed to the status quo that little money is available for new ventures existing projects or funds have little difficulty in maintaining or even increasing their claim, whereas new projects have little chance of success. A living budget should show a steady stream of new ventures replacing older commitments.

ROLE OF CONNEXIONAL DEPARTMENTS

The Committee's review of strategy as it affects the Connexional Budget has inevitably involved it in discussions of the role of the connexional agencies.

The emphasis on the importance of the budget can give the unfortunate impression that the local church exists for the connexion. This has led some Circuits to go into overdraft, which they have little prospect of removing, in order to keep budget payments up-to-date. It is needful to reaffirm the principle that the base of the church's life and mission is the local gathering of Christ's people for worship, nurture and supporting each other in their mission in the world. The connexional structure exists to serve and support that, not vice versa.

The Committee draws attention also to the tendency of connexional agencies to be preservers and defenders of the establishment rather than encouragers and supporters of change. The tension at this point experienced by Connexional officers is recognised. Nevertheless the committee stresses the need for the resources of personnel and material in the connexion to be used also for helping the church discover new forms of "being the church" and supporting these developments. Generally speaking connexional agencies are oriented to continuing the established forms rather than encouraging or subsidising new ones.

A question that needs to be on the agenda of each Connexional Board is "How can the resources and facilities of this Board be used for discovering and supporting new policy and strategy for the church —especially the local church?"

It is the task of the connexion through its departments to assist local churches to relate to their communities in an evangelistic and serving manner. Local congregations must be encouraged to rethink their place in their community and in the church as a whole. The connexion must provide the leadership, the encouragement and the flexibility to support local congregations in their search for programmes that are meaningful and significant not only to those taking part but also to the community as a whole.

The Connexion can help local causes by providing:

-Assistance and on-the-spot ideas as churches plan for mission.

-Direct financial assistance to Circuits with potential.

-Guidance as to what "plant" is needed-if any-to serve the church's programme.

There is an urgent need for an initiating department in the church carrying out pilot schemes in the field of mission, e.g, team ministries, Inner City Mission, Worker-Presbyters, etc.

The recommendations appearing later in this report presuppose that concurrent with these steps being taken, other changes in the function of certain Connexional Boards, Committees and Funds would be made in order to facilitate the implementation of the accepted policy.

HOME MISSION GRANTS:

An area where the committee believes that the strategy of the church should be altered is in connection with Home Mission grants. In the 1970-71 budget \$25,000 is earmarked for Home Mission grants, many of them to bolster uneconomic and ailing causes. In many of these Circuits decline continues despite an increasing support of the Connexion. The system of Home Mission grants reflects a cornerstone of our connexional strategy, i.e., that we keep the Methodist flag flying in small places through the aid given by the Connexional family. We can, however, no longer afford to maintain this policy in its present form. The Questionnaire sent out to Circuits indicated that many Circuits expect to receive increased aid from this source yet without any increase in the Budget. Such a position reflects the extent to which we have produced dependent circuits.

The effect of the provision of these grants is that circuits are encouraged to remain committed to forms of Methodist presence which are no longer relevant today. Grants to support the ministry in its present form and indirectly to subsidise building programmes may in fact be stopping circuits from discovering, with Connexional assistance, new ways of ministering to their communities.

The committee recommends a change in policy aimed to achieve three things:

(a) To reduce the overall amount being spent in this way and thus contribute one step in easing the total budget figure.

(b) To provide outside assistance for struggling Circuits from Synods and the Departments, in order to help such Circuits to work out more satisfactory forms of Church life and ministry, among the alternatives being:

- (i) Unification with other denominations.
- (ii) Appointment of a presbyter, in secular employment, to lead the church group, and possibly occupy the parsonage.
- (iii) Redeployment of ordained men over a larger area in a trainersupervisor role, assisting lay leadership in the church groups through the area.

(c) To move toward again being able to use connexional grants principally to initiate new work, particular attention being given to specialised and experimental types of ministry of both lay and ordained personnel.

The committee believes that the resources of the church ought to be used as far as possible to encourage and strengthen new developments in the life of the Church and that, where Circuits are struggling to survive, they should be given outside assistance in evaluating their situation and in working out satisfactory forms of church life and ministry. (See Resolution 3).

MAORI MISSION:

The financial dependence of the Maori Mission continues to cause concern. A significant proportion of the cost of full-time workersstipends, rents and travelling-is carried by the Connexional Budget.

The concern is shared in the Maori Circuits by those who in recent years have become more involved and so better informed in this and other areas of the church's life.

The position probably raises more than just the straightforward question of increased giving from the Maori Circuits themselves. Reflected perhaps is our failure to encourage the Maori members to develop and make their own distinctive contribution to the total life of the church. We may have made the mistake of imposing on them European forms and then expected them to meet the costs these forms demand.

But just as this committee has questioned continued subsidising of European circuits, so we question the strategy of heavily subsidising the present forms of Maori work As with European circuits, alternative forms of life and ministry need to be developed on the initiative of Maori leadership. Among these alternative forms may be the following: non-professional ordained ministers (as envisaged by the Plan for Union); re-organisation of both European and Maori circuits to allow for more effective team ministry to both races in that area; forms of co-operation with other denominations.

To encourage urgent development along these lines is implicit in Church Council's recommendations for the setting up of a Maori Affairs Board.

OVERSEAS MISSIONS:

Drawing almost a third of the total budget, Overseas Mission work must of necessity come under the most thorough re-examination.

A report concerning significant changes in Mission strategy of an Australian church says, for example, "Traditional styles of mission are becoming limited because of limited finances and personnel. Mission must be a response to Asia's needs and the challenge of its development—and in many parts of South-east Asia there is a desperate social and economic situation." The same could be said of some Pacific areas where our N.Z. interest should also be centred.

The appeal and challenge aroused among our people when they are well informed of the social, economic and religious needs of Asian and Pacific communities, is spontaneous and generous.

It seems to the committee necessary that the Overseas Mission Department be urged to review and restate its policy as quickly as possible. This is needed if inspiration and challenge which is relevant and convincing is to be before our people and thus maintain their confident giving.

CHILDREN'S HOMES:

The Conference agreed on a policy for the church's work with dependent children, following the report of the Commission in 1962. The committee considers there is still need for Children's Homes Boards to review their policy and programme in order to implement the findings of the Commission, particularly in relationship to the use of capital assets.

SOCIAL SERVICE:

The opportunity for the mission of the church to find expression in response to the many forms of social needs in our present-day community is increasing rapidly. Development of new forms of ministry, and programmes in which members may be engaged, are among the possibilities before us. The training of staff and the appointment of such people to work within a team in existing churches and circuits would be one such extension of ministry which could be developed by use of the connexional resources available under the heading of M.S.S.A.

CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND:

The committee is concerned that the present practice is that the proceeds of the sale of church property be held for further building purposes. Further, whilst the strategy of the church in its relationship to the community and the needs of its people are being reexamined, the whole question of a continuation of the spending of capital on further church buildings and property development the committee feels to be very much under scrutiny in the modern situation.

A need which could be met through these funds is the establishment and support of specialist types of ministry in areas where social problems exist and where the church requires trained people in the initial stages, rather than traditional buildings.

INDEPENDENT TRUSTS AND BOARDS:

Certain Trusts and Boards within the Connexion. many of which have long histories, were formed to establish and support specific objectives. The committee believes that now is an appropriate time to see whether the terms of these Trusts or Boards are still relevant to present needs, or whether in the interests of the wider church in today's setting some variations in the use of their assets and incomes should be contemplated.

On behalf of the Committee,

LOYAL GIBSON, Chairman.

CEDRIC RADCLIFFE, Convener.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted and that resolution 3 be referred to Circuits, Synods and appropriate Departments for consideration and report to Church Council and Conference 1971.

2. That information be gathered each year by the General Treasurer for the guidance of the October Budget Committee. This information to be the basis from which the total Budget figure can be set and the allocation to Districts and Circuits assessed.

3. HOME MISSION GRANTS. (a) That where (a) a request for such assistance is made by the Circuit, or (b) a Circuit is unable to meet a reasonable Budget allocation, Synod shall, in consultation with the Home Mission Department and if necessary with the Christian Education Department and Finance and Stewardship Committee, initiate discussions with the Circuit concerning its future life.

(Note: The committee commends the basis of allocating the budget advocated by the Finance and Stewardship Committee which attempts to spread evenly among all members the basic costs of Circuit and Connexion.) Consideration should be given to:

- (i) The needs of the local community.
- (ii) The possibility of Union with other denominations.
- (iii) Different forms of ministry, e.g., part-time minister involved in other employment, or minister shared with other circuit or circuits.
- (iv) Ways and means of improving the financial situation of the circuit.
 - (b) That each case be reported to Synod and Conference.

(c) That Conference adopt the policy that an increasing proportion of Home Mission grants be used to initiate new work and developing causes, with particular attention being given to specialised and experimental types of ministry of both Lay and Ordained personnel.

4. (a) That the Maori Affairs Board (and, in the meantime, the Maori Policy Committee) be encouraged as its first priority to review the church's strategy in ministering with Maori people. (b) That this review include forms of church life; relationships with European Circuits and the Maori Missions of other denominations; forms of full, part-time or voluntary leadership; the finance necessary to support this work.

5. That the Overseas Mission Board be asked to report to the Church Council 1971 on its strategy for the next five years, including: (a) Steps by which financial assistance to the United Church of Papua-New Guinea and the British Solomon Islands can be reduced. (b) Suitable areas in which financial assistance in other forms of inter-church aid may be correspondingly increased.

6. That the N.Z.M.S.S.A. be asked to present its application to the Connexional Budget indicating the type of units of social service work to which the grant will be applied.

7. (a) That the Church Building and Loan Fund Board be asked to review the policy that proceeds from the sale of land always be used for land and buildings, and report to Synods and Conference 1971. (b) That no further attempt be made to build up the capital of this fund through the Connexional Budget until the place of church owned buildings in the strategy of the church is clearer.

8. That the Commission on Church Property (Minutes of Conference 1968, p. 265) be requested to discuss with Trusts and Boards being visited, the possible variation of their financial operations to allow for the release of funds for specified objectives of the wider Connexion.

QUESTION 36.—What are the reports of (a) Welfare of the Church Committee?

Welfare of the Church committee

ANNUAL REPORT 1970

FURNISHED PARSONAGES

Conference 1968 asked the Welfare of the Church Committee to "consult with the Stipend Committee and the Board of Management of the Connexional Office and report on the adjustments to stipends and regulations that would be necessitated should ministers be required to own their own furniture" (Minutes p. 96). These consultations have now been completed and the Committee brings forward the following report with a view to having it referred to Synods and adopted by Conference 1971.

1. Origin of the Current System

The current system has arisen out of the tradition of having an itinerant ministry. Itineracy can only operate satisfactorily if the national church rather than the local church assume responsibility for removals but the cost to the Connexion of moving a minister's furniture at 3-yearly intervals would have been crippling.

2. The Desirability of Changing the System

The Welfare of the Church Committee is of the opinion that it is both desirable and inevitable that the Church move towards the establishment of a system whereby ministers may have their own furniture. Our reasons are as follows:

(a) There is a world-wide change occurring within the major denominations regarding their view of the ministry. One aspect of this is a growing demand on the part of ministers to have some of the same freedoms as are enjoyed by their lay counterparts. Within our own denomination an increasing number of ministers are expressing dissatisfaction with a system which does not allow them to express their individuality in the area of household furnishings.

(b) Coupled with this is a developing acceptance of the need for longer pastorates. In an age when most people lived in the same place all their lives itineracy had much to commend it. However, today, with the increasing mobility of contemporary society, the development of shared ministries and the emphasis on long-term counselling work, the value of itineracy is not so apparent.

(c) However, quite apart from these considerations we are faced with another more pressing one, namely that of Church Union. It seems apparent that the other negotiating churches will be unwilling to adopt our system of fully furnished parsonages in the event of national union. Consequently if our ministers are not to be placed in an invidious position in the future, we, as a denomination, must move towards adopting the system current in the other negotiating denominations. Since the change-over will take time an early start is desirable. Indeed, our willingness to make an early change in this area will also serve to underline that we are in earnest about union.

(d) An additional factor is the recommendation of our own Home Mission Department and the Presbyterian Home Ministry Committee that Methodist ministers in Union Parishes provide their own parsonage furnishings. At the moment there are over 25 Union Parishes and the number is increasing rapidly. A change in our system would make for greater ease of mobility for the growing number of our own ministers who at one time or another will serve within a Union Parish.

3. Extent of Furnishings

The Committee is of the opinion that the minister should provide all furnishings with the exception of the following which shall be provided by the Circuit:

(a) Floor coverings (these should be in neutral tonings and unobtrusive designs to avoid unpleasant colour and design clashes).

- (b) Drapes, curtains, etc.
- (c) Shelving.
- (d) Necessary furniture for the study.
- (e) Built-in wardrobes or suitable substitutes.
- (f) Washing machine and refrigerator since space requirements for different types vary. (Note that the Presbyterians have accepted the provision of a standard type washing machine.)

4. Economic Provisions

(a) We recommend a gradual increase in stipend in three stages with a period of at least two years between each stage. (The Board of Management of the Connexional Office suggest that the stipend should be raised up to the level of the standard minimum stipend of a Presbyterian Minister.)

(b) But, in the opinion of the Committee, the capital outlay involved would be such that a minister would be unable to cope with it out of his stipend, even after appropriate increases. It would therefore seem essential that some system of loan money be resorted to.

(c) We note that the initial loan requirements will vary from minister to minister depending on his financial circumstances and how far he has travelled in the ministry.

e.g., (i) A newly married probationer can manage with less furniture than a man with 4 or 5 children.

- (ii) A minister nearing the end of his term of service is less in a position to make do with inadequate furniture than a man in the early years of his ministry, i.e., for the older man this will be his retirement furniture.
- (iii) Some men already own some of their own furniture.
- (iv) A few men have independent means.

We therefore recommend a system of loans in which the amount involved is related to the minister's circumstances.

- (d) We see the following as possible sources of loan money.
- (i) Connexional Funds, e.g., the Fire Insurance Fund.
- (ii) Local Church Trusts.

(iii) Private loans.

(iv) Loans from lending institutions and hire purchase.

(e) We recommend that the Connexional Office conduct a survey of ministers and probationers early in 1971 to discover (i) how many ministers would be unable to make adequate private or circuit arrangements for obtaining loan money, and (ii) what amount of money they would require to borrow from Connexional sources.

5. Existing Parsonage Furniture

All ministers and probationers should have the opportunity (without any obligation) of purchasing all or part of the existing furniture in the parsonage which they occupy. The Committee feels that this could best be settled by local arrangement.

6. Agreed Sequence and Timing

We suggest that the furniture be purchased in three stages to coincide with the three-stage rise in stipend. Since the initial increase in stipend would of necessity be limited we recommend the following sequence, bearing in mind that the living room and kitchen is probably the cheapest to furnish and the bedrooms the dearest (for a large family). Stage 1. Living room and kitchen.

Stage 2. Lounge. Stage 3. Bedrooms.

7. Exceptions

Provision would have to be made for exceptions to any agreed sequence and timing. The Committee suggests that as from the introduction of the new system loans be made available to all Trinity College exit students for the purchase of furniture. Similar exceptions would need to be made for ministers moving into union parishes or moving into chaplaincies within the 6-year change-over period. It is suggested that such exceptions should be dealt with jointly by the Home Mission Department and the Connexional Office.

Finally the Committee wishes to acknowledge the help given by the Board of the Connexional Office in clarifying the issues dealt with in this report.

> B. A. WALKER, Chairman. W. L. WALLACE, Convener.

RESOLUTIONS

(1) That the report be referred to synods for comment during 1971 and that the Welfare of the Church Committee, after consultation with the Stipends Committee be authorised to supply Synods with relevant additional material.

(2) That the Connexional Office conduct a survey of ministers and probationers early in 1971 to discover

- (a) how many ministers would be unable to make adequate private or circuit arrangements for obtaining loan money, and
- (b) what size of loan they would require from Connexional sources.
- (3) That the Board for 1971 be as printed on page 10 herein.

QUESTION 36—What are the reports of: (d) Methodist Women's Fellowship?

The Methodist Women's Fellowship

ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st AUGUST, 1970

The National Executive of the Methodist Women's Fellowship has pleasure in presenting this seventh Annual Report of the Fellowship.

Membership:

The number of members in Methodist Women's Fellowship groups has shown a slight decrease, but there is an increase in the number of Methodist women associated with Union causes. The Executive considers this to be a mark of progress.

Kurahuna:

The problem of the property has been a continuing one, and the duties of the Committee not altogether an enviable one. The National Executive is indeed grateful to the members of the Committee and the caretakers, Mr & Mrs Win Larsen.

Disposal of the property has been slower than anticipated, due to circumstances beyond the control of either the National Executive or the special committee in Auckland, under the convenership of Rev. B. M Chrystall, to whom we again express our sincere thanks. The proposed removal of the Common Room has caused further delays but this idea has now been negated, as the Church Building and Loan Fund has refused permission for the removal.

Smethurst House:

The members of the Committee are continuing their faithful work, and the National Executive are ever mindful of the devotion of these people.

Church Council and Conference:

For the first time, the Methodist Women's Fellowship was invited to send a representative to Church Council in 1970. The President attended this meeting. At Church Conference, the Fellowship was represented by the President and Vice-President, Mrs G. Clark.

National Council:

In response to the resolution of the 1968 Convention, the first National Council meeting was held at the Waiwhetu Church, Lower Hutt, in October 1969, with the theme "Towards the 1970's". Here, we discussed the role that women would be called upon to play within the Church and in the Community in the 1970's.

World Federation of Methodist Women:

Through our membership of this organisation, we were able to make a nomination for an ecumenical scholarship to the graduate course at Bossey. The Fellowship was proud to submit the name of the Rev. Dr Phyllis Guthardt and was delighted when Dr Guthhardt was awarded this scholarship.

The President represented the Fellowship at the Area Seminar in Fiji during August-September.

United Church Women's Fellowship:

The National Executive wish to pay tribute to the work done by Sister Lesley Bowen in bringing the Women's Fellowship to our island people overseas. Two young women, Miss Vera Lupa and Miss Elizabeth Palin have been trained to succeed her as organisers.

National Council of Women:

It is gratifying to note that Methodist women are taking an active part in branches throughout the country. The National Executive of N.C.W. has met twice during the year and preparations are in hand for the Conference to be held at Lower Hutt in September. The Methodist Women's Fellowship will be represented by the President.

CORSO:

Methodist Women's Fellowship has affiliated with CORSO at national level and the President has represented the Fellowship at National Council of CORSO and at several other meetings. It was felt that, as our women up and down New Zealand are working at local level for CORSO, Methodist Women's Fellowship should become a constituent body.

From the Districts:

District reports bring news of more lines of communication being developed—we read of inter-district visiting, of women travelling great distances to attend District Council meetings, of the great joy which increased ecumenical activity is bringing. It is obvious that a great deal of thought goes into programmes, both at district and local level. While continuing to support the Church at home and abroad, Methodist Women's Fellowship members are also maintaining a great interest in the community and finding many avenues of service. However, many districts—and also the Te Roopu Wahine—comment on the emphasis that has to be put on raising funds because Circuits have difficulty in meeting Connexional Budget requirements. It is felt that this impedes the growth of the Fellowship.

Conclusion:

At the conclusion of the Convention at Takapuna, the Wellington National Executive will have concluded its task. As always at such times, one feels very conscious of the multitude of tasks left unfinished. The wisdom of the two year term of office is still questionable. One often feels the pressures and rapidity of change—at times almost crushing and at other times so exhilarating — become exhausting.

The feeling that the Fellowship we now serve may, within the foreseeable future, become part of the United Church women's movement is a challenge. In this knowledge, we dare not relax our efforts for a moment, because ours is the responsibility of taking into this new movement all that is worthy of perpetuation. Meantime, the wider acceptance of women as members of all Church Courts and committees in more equal numbers with their brethren is heartening.

BERYL WILLIAMS, President.

SHIRLEY A. ARMSTRONG, B.Com., Secretary.

RESOLUTION

1. That the Report and Financial Statements be received and adopted.

QUESTION 36 (b).

N.Z. Methodist Lay Preachers Association

ANNUAL REPORT FOR YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE, 1970

The Dominion Executive transferred early in 1970 from Christchurch to Wellington. We record appreciation of the contribution by the Christchurch membership during their four years of office and particularly in accepting the responsibility for a year longer than the usual term. After some initial uncertainties, the new Executive now has a full membership and is meeting regularly.

Examination Results:

			Passes		Failed		Total	
Theology			1 ((6)	-	(5)	1	(11)
Old Testament			2 ((4)	3	(4)	5	(8)
New Testament	******		4 ((5)	2	(1)	6	(6)
Homiletics			3 ((9)	1	()	4	(9)
The Church			4 ((3)	1	(1)	5	(4)
			14 ((27)	7	(11)	21	(38)
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1969 results are in parentheses.

In comparison with the position 5 years ago, there has been a four-fold drop in the number of examination candidates.

Accreditation Certificates: 394 M. K. Handisides, 395 H. L. Witty, 396 D. E. Davis, 397 R. J. Ballinger, 398 S. J. McCallum, 399 A. G. Harkness, 400 Mrs S. McCarthy, 401 Mrs M. Walker, 402 Mrs L. Whitehead, 403 L. Johnston.

Long Service Diplomas:

W. E. Donnelly 44 years, J. W. Walker 40 years, F. Long 30 Years, H. A. Penny 36 years.

It is with regret we record the death of the last named, Harry Penny. He served the Association with zeal, including a 3-year office as President.

"The Preacher": Publication of "The Preacher" is being continued by the new Executive, under the Editorship of Mr J. Daley. The first issue has been given a rather wider distribution than usual, to include circuit ministers and acquaint them of the new Executive's location and membership. The possibility of making it available on this basis in the future is being considered. Order for Recognition of a Lay Preacher: A new Order of Ser-

Order for Recognition of a Lay Preacher: A new Order of Service for Reception of a Lay Preacher has been decided in conjunction with the Faith and Order Committee. It has been recommended to the Committee for introduction. It is desired that the Order of Service be made available to the lay preacher who is to be received, some time prior to the service of reception. It seems that lay preachers are sometimes placed at a disadvantage because of insufficient prior information about the reception service.

Preachers Meetings: No further progress can be reported on the question of the future role and functions of preachers meetings. Congratulations: To Mr Cliff Vince on his appointment to the

Congratulations: To Mr Cliff Vince on his appointment to the office of Vice-President of Conference during 1970. His contribution as a lay preacher extends over a considerable period and he has given quality service in administration affairs of the Association, including a term as Dominion Secretary.

R. E. BOWDEN, President.

R. E. SULLIVAN, Secretary.

RESOLUTION

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

2. That the order for recognition of a Lay Preacher be adopted and that it be printed for use in churches.

QUESTION 37.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Christian Education?

A. Methodist Board of Christian Education

ANNUAL REPORT 1970

1. CHRISTIAN LIFE CURRICULUM

Local church response to the quality and range of Christian Life Curriculum resources has been largely positive, and early indications are that teachers and leaders are finding more than ample support for their leadership roles in the new Course books, packets, and manuals. There have been some reservations expressed about some of the Youth materials.

Ordering and delivery for some 1970 supplies had their troublesome moments, and the Board acknowledges its pride in the Manager and staff of Epworth Bookroom (Wellington) for the spirit in which these difficulties were handled in this first year. Shipping schedules and routes across the Tasman have caused substantial delay; there is no serious problem for regular orders lodged according to normal ordering schedules, and we cannot emphasise too strongly the importance for this. But there has been real difficulty for late orders, or orders of elective resources where people quite reasonably expect swift supply of materials. Currently, the Christian Education Departments and Ordering Agents in New Zealand are negotiating with the Joint Board a proposal for circumventing this trouble, so that the 1971 deliveries will be more satisfactory.

2. MINISTRY WITH CHILDREN

Both at national and local levels, 1970 has been essentially a year for familiarisation with a wide range of new resources, and the use of the new Teacher Training Kits was emphasised as the basic training goal for local teams of teachers.

One new training development should be noted, however. The Director has worked closely with the Wellington Regional staff of the Presbyterian and Anglican Departments of Christian Education in devising and staging a pilot Teacher Training programme in 3 grades, using selected actual Sunday School classes in their normal situations as models, and arranging observer time, tutorials, and assignments under the oversight of professional school teachers as Tutors. This pilot scheme held in July will be thoroughly evaluated, and it is expected that it could eventually lead to new methods and emphases in a continuing national ecumenical Teacher Training programme.

3. MINISTRY WITH YOUTH

Changes in the CYMM: Regional 5-hour seminars have been conducted in seven centres to interpret the "Guidelines for a More Adequate Ministry With Youth", as adopted by last Conference, and to provide a measure of practical training for the role of adult counsellor. While attendances have been disappointing the written evaluations indicate that the seminars have been well received. These common impressions have been gained from the Seminars:

- (1) There is room for considerable improvement in the quality and scope of youth ministry in most local churches.
- (2) The Local CYMM Council, in the form of a parliament of youth guided by one or two understanding adult counsellors, is proving its value in providing the impetus for youth ministry in large and small churches.
- (3) There is still a desire on the part of youth for some activity beyond the local church, and a growing concern at the vacuum being created where former district CYMM structures have

Thus there is an urgent need for D.E.C.'s to continue to work on the problem of arriving at some minimal structure or working arrangement which keep channels open for youthful drive, vision and initiative within their district. The Guideline document suggests several alternatives, including co-operation between Negotiating Churches where appropriate.

National CYMM Council: The newly constituted National CYMM Council, consisting mainly of 15-17 years olds, has continued to give imaginative leadership to the Movement. A crash programme to marshall CYMM support for the Nigerian Emergency Appeal raised \$925 in a month. The main CYMM project for the year is "Focus on Philippines" in support of family planning work in that country. Other current projects include the development of a short-term volunteer service scheme within New Zealand; production of a modern art folder and poster to encourage private devotions; review of the name, Personal Aims. and Purpose of the CYMM; and a pilot scheme to encourage CYMMers to discuss and act upon social and political issues. A CYMM contingent is to attend the South Pacific Youth Convention in Tonga in January, 1971.

4. MINISTRY WITH YOUNG ADULTS AND ADULTS

Young Adult Consultations: 3 Consultations have been held and at the time of writing this Report, arrangements are proceeding for 2 further events. John Grundy and Bruce Stewart (Presbyterian Youth Executive Officer) have staffed these Consultations as resource persons and the Christchurch Young Adult Committee has also been represented. No blue prints are being offered, but extremely worthwhile sharing of insights and attitudes have resulted, and clearer guidelines are emerging which confirm the Church's policy decision to establish a young adult distinct from a youth ministry.

Order of St. Stephen: During the year five persons have been received into the Order after the satisfactory completion of their year's service. Mrs Julie Brown taught in the Solomon Islands at Tonu. Warren Vaughan, a fitter and turner by trade, did general maintenance work, and his wife Ann taught, at the Manggai High School in New Ireland. Christine Lowe did 8 months teaching service in 1968 in the New Guinea Highlands but was forced to return home due to her mother's illness; in January 1970 she returned for a further year's teaching in Mendi, five months of which were given as voluntary service under the Order. Murray Small served as a carpenter in Port Moresby and Mendi. At present, two persons are doing their year's service both in New Zealand and overseas. There are now 97 members of the Order of St. Stephen, Taking

There are now 97 members of the Order of St. Stephen. Taking into account the serving candidates, and applications presently being considered, 1971 will see the membership pass the century mark. With recent changes in CYMM age limits, the Board recognises that the Order of St. Stephen is no longer an Order within the CYMM, but is primarily an Order for Young Adults in the Church.

Group Life Laboratories: Two Stage One (Otaki and Christchurch) and two Stage Two (Remuera and Lower Hutt) Laboratories were held. Methodist enrolments are above our quotas and in some cases the financial support to members of Circuits, Districts and employers is encouraging. The Department continues to emphasise this type of training as the best presently available in New Zealand tor adults in the areas of personal understanding and improvement of performance in group situations.

5. SPECIALIST MINISTRIES WITH YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS

In response to a written submission from the National CYMM Council in 1969 the Board convened a special consultation to consider ways and means of developing specialist ministries, with special reference to meeting the pressing need for stronger leadership amongst youth and young adults at local and district level. The consultation was convinced of the need to make significant breakthroughs in new styles of ministry with these age groups and also saw possibilities for specialist appointments within and across circuit boundaries in the wider fields of Christian education. Development of this concept of specialist ministries will challenge the church not only to new styles of ministry and new types of appointment, but also to another look at standards and strategy in circuit, district and connexional budgetting.

A paper has been circulated to Synods inviting them to join with the Department in thinking through the issues involved. At a later stage the Department proposes to enter into dialogue with selected $r^{i}r^{euits}$ and groups of circuits with a view to experimentation with different models of specialist ministry, to meet the needs of different kinds of situation.

6. PLANNING FOR CHANGE

(i) "The People of God in a World of Change". The Director has been a member of the President's team consulting with Methodist people at a series of one day Consultations in Palmerston North, Wellington, Dunedin and Auckland.

(ii) "Strategy, Outreach and Pastoral Effectiveness". The Board presented a Report to the Church Council on this subject. This was considered along with a similar Report from the Home Mission Board, and a collated statement appears in the Church Council Report. In the Board's judgement, the local congregation must be at the heart of the Connexion's strategy. To this end, the Conference and its Boards, Departments and Committees should be setting goals which will:

- enable local congregations to be in the forefront of experimentation.
- enable a variety of special ministries to grow out of congregational life and mission;
- provide practical resources to support local congregations in every aspect of their worship, life and mission;
- help local communities to identify their real needs, and provide appropriate styles of support to facilitate action in the total local situation by our congregations;
- provide continuing and realistic training for a ministry and laity facing constant changes;
- realistically recognise both the limitations and the positive advantages of our size.

The conviction is growing with us that the Church of the future will be "smaller, more mobile, more flexible, much more disciplined, much more various in the way it celebrates. It will be more joyful, less solemn than we are when we come together. It will be much less solemn than we are when we come together. It will be much less preacher-oriented, much less cultic, much more open to discussion and give and take" (Harvey Cox, "God's Revolution and Man's Responsibility").

(iii) "Buildings which facilitate communication (see Mins. 1969, p. 295, res. 13). A Report on the Board's studies under the heading "The Church as a Place of Encounter" appears in the Annual Report of the Methodist Council of Christian Education. Briefly, the Board has:

- questioned the emphasis which primarily defines "The Church as the house of God". (Historically, the church has been available for both 'secular' and 'religious' use, and theologically, it should be recognisable and used more readily as "a church for others");
- inclined rather to the emphasis which regards "the church as the house of the people of God," and which sees "God's people as keeping a more open and informal house".

All our comments about design, furniture and programme have flowed from these basic viewpoints. Dialogue is continuing with the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee and promises to be stimulating and constructive.

7. STAFF

(a) C. H. Couch. Cliff Couch this year completes his term as Associate Director (Youth), and ten very fruitful and creative years they have been for the Department and the Church.

He left the Land & Survey Department when the Church through the Christian Education Board challenged him to undertake this particular leadership task, and he has brought to it outstanding gifts. Among these gifts are a lively sense of humour, and eagerness to understand and encourage the other person, unfailing fairness and sound judgement, considerable writing and organising ability, and clarity of thought and expression. A major part of Cliff's work has involved co-operation with the CYMMers as Executive Officer and in this work as friend, counsellor and organiser, he has earned the thanks of the Movement. The Methodist Church is not alone in its appreciation—Cliff is held in high regard in wider ecumenical circles, and also has given valued leadership on the executive of the National Youth Council. The Church gratefully acknowledges this service.

(b) B. Keith Rowe. The 1969 Conference designated the Rev. B. Keith Rowe for appointment at this Conference as an Associate Director in the Department. Conference will be delighted that Mr Rowe has been granted a World Council of Churches' Ecumenical Scholarship to study during the 1970-71 academic year at Union Theological Seminary, New York, followed by practical field training in U.S.A. Mr and Mrs Rowe and the children return to New Zealand in September 1971. The Board has made arrangements with Cliff Couch's co-operation for maintaining a reduced youth service during the interim period.

(c) Associate Director (Children): The Board is now pleased to advise the selection and appointment of Miss Jean Angus to this office. Miss Angus comes to New Zealand from Canada, where she has gained considerable and varied experience as a trained Christian Educator in various Christian Education positions in the United Church. She is a graduate of the United Church Women's Training School, holds a B.A. degree (Toronto) in Arts, and the M.A. and B.D. degrees (Union, New York) in Christian Education. Her training, experience and personal qualities promise a valuable contribution to New Zealand Christian Education over the next few years, and the Board is excited by the prospects.

(d) Staff Training: In June, John Grundy, Cliff Couch and Keith Rowe attended with other Christian Education staff people an eight day Training event under the very gifted leadership of Dr Sara Little, Professor of Christian Education, Presbyterian School of Christian Education in Richmond, Virginia, U.S.A. This programme was arranged by the Presbyterian Christian Education Department. This experience reinforced the conviction of the value of staff training through overseas study and observation or by visits of overseas Christian Education leaders to New Zealand.

8. PUBLICATIONS

Published this year in co-operation with the Negotiating Churches' Board of Christian Education were:

"Plan for Union—a educational kitset". Distributed free to all ministers as a guide to ecumenical discussion for the Plan for Union.

"Creative Listening" (revision 1970). This 6-session course has proved to be a very useful training resource. Christian Education Departments in Australia are starting to use it now.

"Helping You Visit". A two-session introductory course to guide those who do friendly visitation for the church.

Due in October, and printed in co-operation with the Australian Methodist Federal Board of Education, is:

"Sing a New Song"-a supplement to the Hymn Book, available in

two editions: music and words \$1.00, words and melody line 30c. The Department will commence in September as a regular supplement to the "Christian Education Handbook" (and available also

separately) "Youth to Youth", a practical guide to young evangelists.

This was originally conceived as a Handbook on youth evangelism, for publication in book form but will now appear section by section over an 18 month period.

9. DISTRICT EDUCATION COMMITTEES

Recent changes in the role and functioning of Synods and growing ecumenical co-operation in Christian Education has made it important for the Board to take stock of the District Education Committees and their future role. A Questionnaire has been prepared as a first step in this re-evaluation, and has gone to Synods and D.E.C's.

10. CO-OPERATION BETWEEN THE CHURCHES.

Negotiating Churches Board of Christian Education

This recently constituted Board has authorised some publications (see above), taken initial steps to plan Christian Education structures for a united Church, authorised two Youth Consultations as a joint exploration into youth ministry, and has given general oversight to co-operative Christian Education ventures by Negotiating Churches' Departments of Christian Education.

Joint Training Policy. All Negotiatng Churches' Christian Education Departments are committed to joint curriculum training, but the initiative for this in 1970 rested less on staff members.

But wherever training for more effective teaching, leading and planning is under consideration, the value of joint training events should always be weighed. The Departments of Christian Education have established five Regional Joint Curriculum Training Committees, which are available to offer advice or assistance (for details see "Christian Handbook" November 1969).

11. N.Z.C.C.E.

(i) Publications

The first four books of the new primary school syllabus have now been produced—Let's Explore (Stds. 3 and 4), Signposts 1 and 2 (Forms 1 and 2).

The objective for the new syllabus indicates that serious consideration has been given to the proper place of Christian teaching in the secular school in the pluralist society. It stresses that the school context and the church context for Christian teaching should not be confused.

Objective: Christian education is concerned with the fullest possible development of each individual at each successive stage of his growth. The N.Z.C.C.E. recognises the major part played by secular education in the intellectual, social and moral growth of pupils but by presenting a Christian perspective on life seeks to help the pupil clarify and increase the knowledge and the experience upon which he will base his own value judgements. (Value judgements include such attitudes as appreciation, sympathy, tolerance, etc., as well as moral decisions.)

The N.Z.C.C.E. has stated the Christian dimension or perspective on life in terms of the "structure" stated below. We seek to teach these ideas to the pupils, translated to the appropriate level of their understanding.

Structure:

Jesus of Nazareth demonstrates God's reconciling love for men: God who has spoken supremely to all men in Jesus Christ, speaks in history and creation: In Jesus Christ God exposes the tragedy of the human predicament and offers his rescue and renewal: Through Jesus Christ God is forming a new community of people to live a new life of fellowship with himself, each other and other people, as the agent of God's healing and reconciliation: In the Risen Christ God is at work in the lives of men and history renewing and transforming the present order of things and working out his purposes to their fulfilment and completion.

(ii) Secondary Schools

Probably the most encouraging growing point of the Council's work is in its contribution to Social and Liberal Studies in Secondary Schools; through bibliographies of books, resource papers, visual aids; through the Council's own publications; and through personal contact by the Assistant General Secretary.

In addition to the N.Z.C.C.E. publications (Four Freedoms Kitset, Have You a Colour Bar Kitset, Purpose in Life), the Council has promoted many of the Resource materials produced by the Christian Education Movement in England. One of the most popular C.E.M. publications is the occasional

magazine "Probe".

Because of the need for great sensitivity in the relationship of local churches to the Liberal Studies programme of secondary schools, some guide-lines have been prepared. (The Statement is available separately.)

(iii) Tertiary Education

Most N.Z. Universities now offer some course in Religious Studies or have a course approved in principle.

Most Departments of University Extension offer some religious courses though the general movement has been away from straightout courses on, say, Old Testament or Church History to say, Twentieth-Century Theologians, Anthropology and Religion, etc.

(iv) The Church & Public Education.

The report of the Joint Study Commission on Education of the World Council of Churches and the World Council of Christian Education, has a great deal to say about Christian responsibility in relation to the whole of general education but recognises that this means a re-orientation of the thinking of many Christians to realise that "Christian education is more than religious knowledge, and includes all that has anything to do with the enlarging and fulfilling of a life, and with the justice and freedom and peace of the world" (J.S.C.E. par. 59).

It is encouraging to find a number of these matters raised in the Report of the Curriculum Review Committee of the Post Primary Teachers' Association: "Education in Change" (Longman Paul). The N.Z.C.C.E. has endeavoured to stimulate discussion of the topics raised in this book which should be of deep concern to Christians.

J. A. PENMAN, Chairman of the Board,

JOHN GRUNDY, Director.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report and Financial Statements be received and adopted.

2. That Conference records its appreciation of the service and leadership of Mr Cliff Couch as Associate Director (Youth) for the past ten years.

3. That Conference appoints Rev. B. Keith Rowe as Associate Director (Youth) for an initial three-year term.

4. That our Church's Representatives on the N.Z.C.C.E. be Miss J. P. Angus, Rev. I. H. McKenzie, Messrs R. W. Sage and G. Forster. 5. That Conference welcomes the appointment of Miss Jean P. Angus as Associate Director (Children) for an initial three-year term.

6. That thanks be conveyed to the World Council of Churches through the N.C.C. for the assistance given to our church in granting an ecumenical scholarship to the Rev. B. K. Rowe.

7. That D.E.C.'s annually review:

- (a) the opportunities for youth to exercise responsibility and initiative in district CYMM affairs;
- (b) the adequacy of the programme of youth activity beyond the local church.

8. That the Board for 1971 be as printed on page 5 herein.

B. Methodist Council of Christian Education

ANNUAL REPORT 1970

The Methodist Council of Christian Education met at the City Mission Camp, Otaki, on May 20-21, following Church Council.

A REPORT ON THE METHODIST COUNCIL OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION (see mins. 1969. p 131)

Material prepared by the Board of Christian Education on the composition, timing, length and values of the Council was received; also it was noted that some confusion existed as to whether the Board or the Council was responsible for formulating policy. There were group and plenary discussion on the issues, and several conclusions emerged.

These are the main Council functions which still need to be fulfilled for the good of the Department's work:

- * to provide a "sounding board" for new policy, with particular reference to theological principles and direction in any proposed changes.
- * to communicate and interpret new developments to a widely representative group of church leaders.
- * to provide a place, other than Church Conference, the Board, and D.E.C's where new developments in Christian Education might originate.

The Council resolved:

- (a) that responsibility for formulating policy in Christian Education now be vested in the Board, and that the Lawbook be amended accordingly.
- (b) that no Council meeting be held in 1971 unless matters arise which, in the Board's judgement, require urgent Council attention.
- (c) that in the intervening 2-year period, the Board experiment with alternative approaches in fulfilling the above functions, taking into account the following possibilities:
 - -ad hoc groups, depending on the nature of the issues.
 - -the Board to meet once a year in a different centre with local people attending.
 - -Biennial or triennial consultations in the North and South Islands, possibly associated with Conference of D.E.C. Chairmen and/or Secretaries.
- (d) that any form of Consultation should include some young adults, teachers and leaders working at grass roots in Christian Education.

THE CHURCH AS A PLACE OF ENCOUNTER. (see mins 1969.p 295. Res. 13).

In order to prepare for useful dialogue with the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee in the terms of the Conference resolution, the Board had asked two of its members (Director and Rev. Colin Clark) to consult with three Wellington architects (J. Daish, R. England, W. Alington). This Committee prepared a report entitled "The Church as a Place of Encounter", and some illustrative diagrams.

This report was the basis of a full evening's discussion and some most interesting opinions and approaches were shared (see the Board report for a brief statement of the basic approach of the paper).

The Council agreed that the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee and the Board of C.E. should consult (face to face if possible) about the issues raised by the paper. The Council also encouraged the Board to continue its research with a view to initiating studies in the Church through publications.

SUPPLEMENT TO THE HYMN BOOK

The Council welcomed the Report that negotiations were almost finalised for a s ared printing of the Supplement between the New Zealand Methodist Department of Christian Education and the Australian Methodist Federal Board of Education. Two Editions would be printed—a music edition, and a words with melody line edition. The Supplement would be published under the title, "Sing a New Song". Particular thanks are due to the editors, Rev. W. A. Chambers and Dr C. Gibson (New Zealand) and Rev. R. F. Giese (Australia).

OTHER MATTERS DISCUSSED WERE:

CYMM Seminars and Young Adult Consultations. The nature of the CYMM Seminars and Young Adult Consultations was described, arrangements outlined, and questions invited.

Staff Arrangements. The Board's initiative to consider appointing an overseas person was encouraged, provided that New Zealand applicants were still being considered also, and with the suggestion that contacts we have presently in U.S.A. and Canada should be used in considering the suitability of any applicants.

The information that an Ecumenical Scholarship had been confirmed for the Rev. B. Keith Rowe to study at Union Theological Seminary, New York, was welcomed. Ideas were shared about Mr Rowe's Priorities for study and investigation while overseas.

District Education Councils. Some representatives expressed concern about the present lack of effectiveness of some D.E.C.'s, and particularly their relationship to Synods and their role in an increasingly ecumenical climate. This was referred to the Board.

Director Policy. The Auckland Chairman introduced an Auckland Synod concern about present Director policy, and in particular emphasised the need for a Director to be resident in Auckland. This issue was referred to the Board.

> J. J. LEWIS, President. JOHN GRUNDY, Director. 135

RESOLUTIONS

- 1. That the Report be received and adopted.
- 2. That the Law Revision Committee make provision for amendments which vest responsibility for formulation of Christian Education policy in the Board rather than the Council of Christian Education.
- 3. That Conference approves the proposal that no meeting of the Methodist Council of Christian Education be held in 1971 unless, in the Board's judgement, matters arise which require urgent attention.
- 4. That in the intervening two-year period, the Board experiment with alternative approaches in fulfilling those functions of the Council which are still essential for the good of the work of the Department.
- 5. (a) Synods be asked to arrange for worship workshops to enable ministers and lay people to become better informed about developments in thinking regarding worship and the resources available.
 (b) The Department of C.E. be asked to consider the possibility of identifying and training suitable leaders for such workshops.
- 6. That the Department of C.E. be asked to provide a suitable agenda of questions to assist Worship, Pastoral and Evangelism Committees to plan worship experiences appropriate for their congregations.
- 7. That the Department of C.E. be asked to consider the possibility of publishing (by cyclostyling) a continuing manual of worship experiments and resources as part of the Christian Education Handbook.

DISTRICT EDUCATION COUNCIL SECRETARIES

For Information re D.E.C. Secretaries and other related details, check "Christian Education Handbook, March 1971" under "Organising for Christian Education".

QUESTION 38.—What were the Resolutions of the Conference in regard to (a) Public Questions?

Report of Methodist Public Questions Committee to Conference 1970

1. The Present Position of Maoris in our Society (1968 Conf. Res. 9, p. 145).

Introduction

This report attempts to adhere fairly closely to the terms of the above Conference Resolution (unemployment, average family income, educational opportunity). Since presenting it to Synods it has become clear, however, that the issues which the Committee then suggested as requiring closer scrutiny have rapidly been thrust into the foreground of the community's attention. From a sociological point of view the emergence of certain 'gang elements' in our society has many causes. There is little doubt, however, that they are the outward manifestation of certain underlying tensions in our national life which have been with us for a long time. It has become urgent for responsible New Zealanders to ask themselves fundamental questions about the nature of the multi-racial society which they want to see emerging in the future, about the unconscious assumptions of superiority and inferiority of the differing traditions we have inherited and how our personal and community values stand up to the scrutiny of Christian criteria.

The Committee has already held consultations with some who have important insights to communicate in this realm, and proposes to continue its study of the complex factors involved in achieving racial integration in its true sense. We re-iterate, however, that it is imperative that this kind of study be undertaken at every level of the Church's life, and that the Committee is keen to hear what is being said, particularly by those who have come to take it for granted that what they say will not be heard, or quietly pigeon-holed somewhere.

Two reports prepared for the 1969 National Development Conference comment on the position of the Maori in our society:--

"From the point of view of social justice, it is desirable that all New Zealanders should have equal educational opportunity and that all sections of the community should be able to earn a fair share of New Zealand's prosperity and economic growth." (Report of the Committee on Education, Training and Research).

"The future well-being of New Zealand and its standing in the eyes of the world depend on the degree to which the Maori community and other minority groups find a satisfying and worthy place in our national life." (Report of the Social and Cultural Committee).

In the snace of a little over a hundred vears the Maori has passed from being a majority to being a minority in the land which he first discovered and colonised. This transition has entailed changes in many aspects of Maori cultural life. The Pakeha is seldom aware of the effect of these changes, or of what is central to Maori life. The characteristic Pakeha attitude toward the Maori is largely one of ignorance. Lack of contact and lack of interest frequently leave most Pakeha at a loss to understand either that Maori aspirations might differ from their own, or that the Maori might value what to the Pakeha is valueless.

For the past twenty-five years or so the Maori population has been increasing considerably faster than the Pakeha. Associated with the "urban drift" this will result in the two races being brought increasingly together. Maori standards of living, health, education and occupational status. however, lag behind the average, and the crime rate is higher. Under such conditions race relations could easily deteriorate. Whatever the result of the increase in contact, it will be impossible for Pakeha society to forget the Maori in future: it also seems unlikely that it would be able to integrate the Maori out of existence.

(1) Educational Opportunity

A number of factors handicap the Maori child from his first years at school. Cultural differences result in many entering school with experiences that are less relevant to this new environment than those of the Pakeha. Many are lacking in competence in the English language and this retards academic growth from the earliest stages. An impoverished or overcrowded home environment puts the child at an additional disadvantage, while the Maori child attending a rural school also has to contend with the fact that such schools have difficulty in providing facilities comparable with schools in urban areas. Factors such as these result in many Maori pupils being retarded in their progress through school.

Until District High Schools were established in the 1940's many Maori children in rural areas did not receive any secondary education. The few who did were those successful in obtaining scholarships to attend private boarding schools. Today many more Maori pupils attend urban schools, but there is still insufficient attention paid to their needs. Consequently, although the rural schools have shown a marked increase in the number of Maori pupils attending for longer periods, the problem of early leavers in urban schools remains. (As an instance of the situation which prevails, it was reported to this Committee that, at the time of writing, Kawhai High School had one qualified Mathematics and Science teacher, no qualified Fifth Form teacher in English, and no teachers qualified to instruct in Latin. Geography or History. Understandably, pupils rarely reach School Certificate standard, whereas those children from that area who have been fortunate enough to attend one of the colleges in a main centre as boarding pupils have acquitted themselves well). The problem of early school leavers amongst the Maori has helped to lead to an over-representation of Maoris in unskilled and semi-skilled categories of the labour force. There is a real need to advance Maori education if the development of an unskilled labour force, likely to be severely affected by any adverse change in the unemployment situation, is to be avoided.

A variety of Maori organisations have been active in promoting a greater Maori interest in education. Pre-school education has received considerable attention. The establishment of Pre-school centres in Maori communities has met with considerable success and emphasis is now being given to the promotion of such centres ir urban areas. Establishing these centres is encouraged by the Maori Education Foundation and the Education Department. Their development should do much to prepare the child for school and ultimately raise the level of his educational attainment. However, despite such efforts, and the creation of the Maori Education Foundation, the immediate future does not hold much promise of improving Maori educational achievement. It has been estimated that in 1971 72 Maoris will comprise less than two and a half per cent of the academically qualified labour force.

An examination of the educational achievements of Maori and non-Maori school leavers for the years 1962 to 1967 shows that the proportion of Maoris who have obtained School Certificate or some higher educational qualification (at the secondary school level) has increased. Although the proportion is still much lower than that for non-Maoris, the rate of improvement in the level of attainment of school leavers has been higher for Maoris than non-Maoris. This is encouraging.

A report of the Industries and Commerce Department suggests that the main problems to be confronted in overcoming the inequality of educational opportunity relate to:

- (1) The training of teachers to ensure that they understand the needs and problems of the Maori child.
- (2) Organising the staffing and special services required to meet the needs of the Maori population.
- (3) Ensuring that the content of the curricula and the general approach to teaching are interesting and relevant to the Maori pupil.

(4) Associating Maori parents and the Maori community in the schools' work.

Efforts are being made to meet these needs, particularly the increasing numbers of Maori (and Island) children by a reduced pupil to teacher ratio. In the words of the Hunn Report of 1960, education "will in the long run do most for the cause of Maori advancement".

Are there any ways in which the Church and its people can participate in this important area? The following are a few suggestions. There is scope in the financing of education, by making more money available to assist Maori pupils, either through the Maori Education Foundation or scholarships for Wesley College. The Maori Missions Department should be in a position to help in the education of parents, particularly in practical ways, e.g. pre-school programmes. In urban areas the Citizens Association for Racial Equality had led the way in organising examination coaching classes. Areas in which Church people can take an active part in these spheres appear to be unlimited.

(2) Occupational Distribution.

There is a marked disparity between Maori and Pakeha deployment in the labour force. The Maori tends to be over-represented in the unskilled and semi-skilled occupations and under-represented in the professional, administrative, and self-employed categories. This disparity has been apparent for some time, and was no less marked in the 1966 Census figures.

The employment structure is reflected in income distributions which show lower incomes, on the average, for the Maori. Another effect of the Maori labour force in the less skilled and less responsible jobs is to make them extremely vulnerable in a time of economic recession, when the unskilled worker is the first to be dismissed from his job.

The relevant youthfulness of the Maori population means that there will be an increasing percentage of Maori workers. This must be taken into account in planning education and training. Pre-employment and trade training schemes for Maori school leavers have proved successful. Such schemes should be extended to assist larger numbers in more urban centres. This extension should hasten the attainment of equal vocational opportunity between the races. The provision of adequate hostel facilities is an integral part of such schemes. Vocational guidance is important in preparing Maori pupils for employment, and more informed help needs to be given in the selection of school courses. Since the length of time spent at school and the vocation chosen by school leavers tends to reflect the parents' aspirations, efforts need to be made to widen the horizons of Maori parents and expand the range of the vocational aspirations they could have for their children.

Occupational instability may be associated with a feeling of being a migrant in an urban complex. A New Zealand Institute report on Maori education has pointed out that "long after the rural to urban shift is virtually completed as a sociological change, there are likely to be several decades of 'shakedown' before urban roots are established, neighbourhood associations consolidated, locality loyalties developed, and urban values assimilated".

(3) Maori Incomes.

There is a disparity of income between Maori and non-Maori families. The median income for Maori males as revealed in the 1966 Census was \$1,871 per annum; for non-Maori males the median income was \$2,191 per annum. This was a slight improvement over the 1961 position. Only 4.8 per cent of Maori males were receiving \$3,000 per annum or more at the 1966 Census, while for non-Maoris the figure was 20.9 per cent. For women there was not the same disparity between the Maori and non-Maori incomes.

Under conditions of lower average incomes and larger average families the material standard of living of the typical Maori family has been, and no doubt continues to be, lower than for the average non-Maori family. This means that many Maoris do not have enough money to buy a home. At the 1966 Census 36.7 per cent of Maoris are recorded as renting or leasing a permanent private dwelling, compared with 22.7 per cent of non-Maoris. The Maori and Islands Affairs Department is, however, assisting many Maoris to purchase their own home.

(4) Concluding Comments.

As an ethnic group Maoris supply our workers rather than our managers; educational qualifications are on the average lower; Maoris tend to earn less than Pakehas while supporting larger families. But it needs to be emphasised that the Maori has a rich social and cultural heritage and has a role equal to that of the Pakeha in the development of New Zealand society. Perhaps it needs to be emphasised even more that inhertied and largely unquestioned Pakeha values may well need revising in the development of a truly multi-racial and worthy society.

The Churches' traditional moralistic and paternalistic attitudes to matters of race have tended to make the Christian satisfied with personal friendships with people of other races, and with the display of a liberal attitude, superficially free from prejudice. As an institution the Church has often tended to believe that by its own action it can solve race problems. In order to make any positive contribution toward racial understanding the Church needs to revise such attitudes. The Church has a role to play in the restructuring of society. It must acknowledge that the Maori has a part in the growth and development of a Christian society. It must ensure that adequate forethought is given to the provision of facilities which will enable the Maori to enter more confidently into bi-racial activities, to the ultimate enrichment of our whole society. It should also participate in all organised efforts to restructure society in such a way as to make it easier for people of different races to live together on equal terms, as common and equal citizens of one land. The Church should make every effort to become a community in which people of various races grow together in understanding of their racial and cultural heritage, united by their common commitment to Christ and His gospel.

II.—CENSORSHIP AND NUDITY IN PLAYS, FILMS, AND PLACES OF PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT

Early this year the Committee was asked to support a Petition to the House of Representatives, seeking a definition of the term "indecency" which would, in effect, make the presentation of certain sexual acts and nudity in films, plays, and places of public entertainment, unlawful in New Zealand.

For a variety of reasons the Committee felt unable to support the Petition. Among these were: (1) its wording, and various public explanations by its sponsor, indicated that it would be very difficult to draft legislation covering every contingency; (2) the alleged causal relationship between such public performances and private and public immorality cannot be established beyond reasonable doubt; (3) although members of the Committee, who had access to the illustrated text of "Oh, Calcutta", which sparked off this campaign, tended to agree that it is a sick play without redeeming features, they were not convinced that this is necessarily so in every case of a play of film which includes nude scenes; (4) the Committee is opposed to any campaign which, however unwittingly, perpetuates the false assumption that "obscenity" is necessarily linked with sex, but not with a whole range of unChristlike attitudes and deeds.

Arising out of careful deliberations upon the issues primarily involved, the Committee now presents for consideration its attitude to sex and censorship.

A.-HUMAN SEXUALITY

Despite the widespread publicity given today to our so-called permissive society, there is still an astonishingly large amount of ignorance about our sexual needs and behaviour. The myth of "antisexual" position of the Church also persists; it is for these two important reasons if no others that it seems important to reiterate basic Christian beliefs on human sexuality.

The first point to be stressed is that sex is good in itself, not simply as a means to the survival of the race. The marriage service makes this point—often overlooked by those criticising what they think the Church says on this subject—when it puts first the mutual help, society and comfort which each should have of the other. Sex fosters and cements intense personal relationships; it offers at its best yet another experience of that element of depth in life which itself may be said to be an experience of God.

The acceptance of this view of sex has, however, profound implications for our attitudes to sexual behaviour. It means that any attempt at sexual expression must be viewed against a standard based on how closely the sexual experience allows individuals to approximate to this depth of relationship. Like all other human experiences, sexual relationships can range on a continuum from the profound to the trivial. Unfortunately people who complain about the exploitation of sex in society too often end up by appearing to protest against sex itself. Certainly, any responsible individual would wish the greatest depth of sexual experience for everyone, but realistically we must acknowledge that people's capacity for human relationships vary, and in this particular area some so-called perversions (e.g. voyeurism or the reading of pornagraphy) may well be the only outlet for this powerful drive possible for some who have been maimed by their earlier personality development. We may deplore this on grounds of taste, but it is doubtful whether we have the Christian right to outlaw various kinds of sexual behaviour as inherently evil simply because they do not appeal to us.

What we do have a duty to insist upon is that the key aspect of sex is relationship and therefore the central moral criterion should be one of responsibility. This concern for the effects of our actions on the well-being of others should permeate all our lives; it has particular application to sexual expression. This seems to be a unifying concept which makes sense of the bewildering mosaic of practice, prohibition, distaste and enthusiasms which make up our sexual attitudes. Judgment for action in any situation needs to be governed by the question, "Is this a responsible action?" In this light, some behaviour usually abhorred may take on a degree of moral responsibility that we have previously ignored; an example of this may be found in stable and deeply affectionate relationships existing between homosexuals, even though such permanence may not be very common. Any relationship which is governed by exploitation is immoral in the true sense of that much abused word, and so rape inside or outside marriage is always wrong, as is child molesting, which by its nature cannot involve responsible decision by both parties.

This key idea also explains more coherently other prohibitions previously handed down by authority as unarguable. For example, premarital sex is almost always immoral because it is rare for it to be free of exploitation and moral blackmail; "if you don't sleep with me, you don't love me". By the same reasoning, though, pre-marital sex may involve a deep caring for each other and a feeling that it is better for a relationship to deepen naturally, at its own pace, rather than for its boundaries to be set by external criteria such as a ceremony at a particular point in time. With the improvement in contraceptive techniques, we must think about the implications of this for young people with due honesty and reject entirely either the prohibition enforced by fear of pregnancy, or else the equally hypocritical notion of the blind eye—it's all right if you get away with it without the obvious stigma of illegitimacy or V.D. Young people have an especial sensitivity to hypocrisy, and see older attitudes to sex as debasing and debased when they are founded on this sort of reasoning.

From this it becomes apparent that true sexual morality for the Church lies in the area of increasing our sense of responsibility to each other in all aspects of life. This essentially positive attitude means abandoning a reliance on prohibition to regulate our sexuality; the law can only provide a freedom from exploitation, it cannot provide a freedom to develop our full human potential for love and sexuality.

B.—CENSORSHIP IN NEW ZEALAND

Censorship is carried out in New Zealand in the following ways:

Books

The Indecent Publications Tribunal of five persons classifies and determines the character of books or sound recordings submitted to it. It works in the terms of the Indecent Publications Act of 1963, which defines indecent as including "describing, depicting, expressing or otherwise dealing with matters of sex, horror, crime, cruelty or violence in a manner that is injurious to the public good". The Tribunal is required by the Act to take into account the dominant effect of the book or sound recording as a whole, and where the publication of any book or the distribution of any sound recording would be in the interests of art, literature, science or learning and would be for the public good the Tribunal is required to not classify it as indecent.

During the year ended 31/3/70 the Tribunal had 55 publications referred to it for classification. Of these, 24 were classified as indecent, 14 as indecent in the hands of persons under the age of 18 years, two as indecent in the hands of persons under the age of 17 years, two as indecent except in the hands of very restricted categories of persons, and 13 were classified as not indecent.

During the year ended 31/3/70 the Comptroller of Customs referred 33 publications to the Indecent Publications Tribunal. Thirteen of these were ruled indecent or restricted and four not indecent. Decisions were awaited on 16 publications referred towards the end of the year.

The Customs Department seized hundreds of books, magazines, films, photographs. etc., which were not referred to the Tribunal because their pornagraphic content was considered beyond doubt.

Films

The film censor works in terms of the Cinematograph Films Act 1961 which gives him the power to approve, refuse to approve, or approve subject to excisions. He is required to withhold approval of "any matter that is contrary to public order of decency or the exhibition of which would for any other reason be undesirable in the public interest".

Appeals against the censor's decisions are considered by a Board of Appeal consisting of three persons. During the year ended 31/3/70 the censor approved without

During the year ended 31/3/70 the censor approved without excision 220 35mm feature films. A total of 1035 excisions were made in 112 feature films, 172 trailers, 6 shorts and 12 films of 16mm guage.

Television

The New Zealand Broadcasting Corporation is required by Section 10 of the Broadcasting Corporation Act 1961 to ensure that nothing is included in the programmes which offends against good taste or decency or is likely to incite to crime or to lead to disorder or to be offensive to public feeling.

In effecting this policy, the N.Z.B.C. gives certificates to all overseas programmes. "G" certificate material is approved for general exhibition and can be shown at any time of the day. "Y" material is recommended as suitable for persons 13 years of age and over, and must be shown after 8 p.m. "A" material is recommended for persons 16 years of age and over, and must be shown after 9 p.m. During school term, "Y" and "A" material may be used between 2 and 2.30 p.m.

Over the year ended 31/3/70, 5621 T.V. films were examined and 869 cuts made; 537 of these were for violence, 114 for sex, 130 for horror and 88 for other reasons.

Theatre

The courts are responsible for determining in terms of the Crimes Act, whether words or actions of a performance are obscene. The police are responsible for bringing an action to prosecute—they may act on their own initiative or as the result of investigating the complaint of a member of the public.

There have been no recent prosecutions involving plays although there have been prosecutions of persons involved in striptease shows.

It is clear from the extent of the operations of the various authorities that New Zealand society is fairly well "protected". The one field in which there is no censorship as such—the stage—is one where there have not so far been any actual productions which have given rise to concern in the general community. The previewing method of censorship is impracticable. The Crimes Act offers reasonable enough protection for society.

Policy in drafting legislation has been not to define in detail what constitutes "indecency", but to give considerable discretion to the authorities concerned. This policy seems satisfactory, as it enables the authorities to respect changing community standards.

The aims of censorship in New Zealand are, broadly stated, to protect members of the public from confrontations with material of a sexual or violent nature which might be corrupting. We support these aims, for the Christian concern is for people. However, two qualifications must be made:

(1) The assumption on which these aims are based—that people are corrupted by such material—is open to debate. Research that has been carried out so far on this question is not conclusive. (2) It is important for people to be able to live in a society which gives them sufficient freedom to grow and develop as responsible persons.

For a person to live responsibly in a free society he must have criteria by which to judge and reject the false and the trivial. The Church has provided moral teaching in the past, but an increasingly smaller proportion of the community is now receiving this. Schools are now endeavouring to fill this gap, and we believe that it is time that the community recognises the need to educate children to make discerning value judgments, mature choices and live responsibly. In the long run this is a more hopeful and constructive approach to building a worthwhile society than the sterile expedient of increasing the dangerous powers of censorship.

III.—Royal Commission on Social Security, (1969 Conf. Res. No. 3, p.193).

The special Committee appointed by Conference had within its membership the benefit of a varied background in social work combined with practical Christian concern for the well-being of persons and society. Very intensive and extensive research and pooling of ideas have marked its painstaking deliberations. The resultant submissions comprise nineteen foolscap pages. It is worth noting that our Committee was able to submit its report to the Royal Commission by the required date. (The Commission has had to recess because some other parties had not done so.) The Commission proposes to take submissions in three phases. The present Methodist submissions are, therefore, addressed only to phase one. Much work remains to be done. It is obvious that it will be some considerable time before the Commission's hearings will be finished, let alone a report published. Meanwhile the Methodist Committee continues to work on submissions for subsequent phases of the Enquiry.

IV.-State Aid to Private Schools.

The Committee made written submissions to the Cabinet Committee considering this subject, in line with previous resolutions of Conference, opposing further extensions. Subsequently the Rev. W. F. Ford and the Rev. C. D. Clark were among interested parties interviewed by the Cabinet Committee at an informal and informed discussion.

V.—Compensation for Personal Injury. (1969 Conf. Res. No. 4, p.153). Written submissions were made to the Select Committee of the House of Representatives which considered the Woodhouse Report. They were in line with last year's report, adopted by the Conference.

VI.—Literature regarding Homosexuality. (1969 Conf. Res. No. 13, p.154).

Information concerning this was sent to all ministers and deaconesses in active work, per courtesy of the Department of Christian Education.

VII.—Abolition of Military Cadet Training Scheme in Secondary Schools.

In view of Government proposals to implement this the Committee drew attention to relevant Resolutions of Conference (1958, 1964).

VIII.—The Committee has become a member of the "New Zealand Race Relations Council.

IX.-Public Demonstrations.

The Committee is aware that the Auckland Synod has had correspondence with the Minister of Police concerning issues arising out of the "Agnew incident" earlier this year. The Committee notes the Government view that it would be difficult and unwise to define more closely the rights of public dissent and demonstration as against the functions and necessary powers of the police force. The Committee considers that several similar incidents throughout the country this year illustrate the validity of last year's Conference Statement on "Freedom of Speech and the Right of Peaceful Assembly" (1969 Minutes, p.139), particularly the section on the restrictiveness of the law with regard to public assembly. As New Zealand moves into a period when political and social viewpoints are likely to tend toward greater polarisation it will be more than ever essential to recall that "the Christian is called to be a watchdog for the welfare of people; to uphold, and to struggle for, private and public rights . . . to be prepared to act and think independently of political and legal pressure, and to put greater emphasis on considering the justice involved in the enforcement of the law." (1969 Minutes, p.141). The Committee commends the action of Auckland Synod as an example of the kind of critical concern which must at all times be made plain to those whose main pre-occupation is the maintenance of law and order. Someone must question at what price it is maintained.

X .- Looking Ahead.

The Committee suggests that its main areas of investigation for 1971, and possibly longer, should be:

- (1) Christian concerns for a multi-racial society in New Zealand.
- (2) Legalised Abortion.
- (3) Concerns arising under the heading of "ecology"-man in his relationship to his environment.

XI .- Inter-Church Council on Public Affairs Annual Report.

The Chairman of the I.C.C.P.A. is the Rev. Father P. J. Culli-

nane, S.T.L. The Rev. G. R. H. Peterson continues to act as Secretary. In its report the Council points out that the Constitution says that it is to serve as a body through which the Churches can consult together for the purpose of initiating common action in matters of social and moral importance. Even if the Council cannot be unanimous on certain matters introduced, it is of value that these things should be considered. (The Council requires unanimity before it can act on any matter before it).

Matters which fall under the above heading include the proposed Rugby Tour of South Africa and a proposal that the Council urge Government to set up a Commission of Enquiry on Homosexuality. There being a lack of unanimity, these matters were referred to the appropriate Committees of member Churches for action, if desired.

Refugee Matters. A further approach was made to the Minister of Justice about legislation to safeguard the interests of refugees who may reach New Zealand from other Commonwealth countries. Replies from the Minister and the Leader of the Labour Opposition are filed for future reference.

Marriages in Registry Offices. A Ministers' Association expressed concern about those who wish to be married, not by a minister, and not during normal Registry hours. The Minister of Justice did not favour a change of hours for Registrars. Further enquirjes are being made about the position overseas, and the Minister may again be approached.

Ross Taxation Review Committee Report. Charities trading to earn profits to expend on charitable purposes could be affected by Chapter 55 of the above Report. If it appears that Government is going to act on this recommendation, the I.C.C.P.A. will make appropriate representations.

Other matters considered during the year include Indecent Literature, the Royal Commission on Social Security, omission from Military Service Posters of reference to Conscientious Objection, and liaison with the Overseas Development Committee, which the Secretary attends as an observer.

C. D. CLARK, Chairman. W. G. EISNER, Convener.

RESOLUTIONS

(1) That the Report be received and adopted.

(2) That in the light of both Maori and European comment on the Conference report of the Public Questions Committee it is evident that there is much ignorance and misunderstanding in New Zealand between groups with differing racial and cultural backgrounds.

Recognising the destructive potential of such poor relationships Conference recommends: Leaders, Quarterly Meetings or other appropriate local Church Committees to discuss, consult and act on the Conference Public Questions Committee Report and the Report of the Maori Mission and to send comments to the Public Questions Committee.

That they consult with other churches in order to help the community understand the problems and provide a Christian perspective in dealing with them.

(3) That the Department of Christian Education prepare material based on "the Present Position of Maoris in our Society" suitable for use by local Church groups.

(4) That Conference welcomes the establishment of the New Zealand Race Relations Council, and urges interest in, and support for, its work and we commend the Public Questions Committee in affiliating with the council.

(5) That section II A "Humane Sexuality" be referred to Circuits for study.

(6) That Conference endorses the action of the Public Questions Committee in making submissions to the Parliamentary Petitions Committee during its recent hearing on the petition to define indecency.

(7) That the Methodist Representatives to the I.C.C.P.A. be: Revs. C. D. Clark, B. E. Jones, Mr I. Crabtree.

(9) That Conference records its appreciation of the services of the Rev. W. Eisner as convener of the committee.

(10) That the question of the shortage of doctors in country districts be referred to the Public Questions Committee.

(11) That Conference, while expressing appreciation of assistance already received, urges the Government to undertake an immediate review of the subsidy scheme for the erection of university hostels, having regard to the great changes in costs since the scheme was initiated.

(12) That Conference expresses its concern that as the result of the Manapouri Commission findings the level of Lake Manapouri will probably be raised and requests that the Government give serious consideration to the desirability of repudiating its present contract and negotiate a new one with Comalco, to permit Lake Manapouri to be preserved as a national asset.

(13) That Conference considers the effect of the 'N.Z. METHO-DIST' publishing Standing Committee reports prior to Synods' consideration of them is helpful in stimulating informed discussion.

(14) That the personnel of the Committee for 1971 be as printed on page 9 herein.

International Affairs Committee

ANNUAL REPORT 1970

Preamble

The committee received no directives from Conference, 1969 but it has considered two important issues that it believes the Church should review. They are Racism, and the continuing conflict in Indo-China. The committee has also initiated a degree of co-operation between denominational committees sharing similar terms of reference and agenda, and a brief report of this activity is included.

RACISM:

The committee's choice to comment on this issue was influenced by the controversy concerning the All Black tour to South Africa. We affirm our continued opposition to Apartheid (Institutional Racism) as practised in South Africa, but we have been reminded by the words of Colin Morris that "South Africa is the scape-goat of the Uncoloured world because she cannot hide her sickness, or maybe she doesn't even bother to try. Anyway, that's the place where the rash cames to the surface. The rest of the world contrives for the most part to itch in private, but is equally diseased." Racism has become one of the crucial issues affecting inter-

national relations.

The following statement on Racism draws heavily on material that was presented to, and produced by the World Council of Churches Consultation on Racism, held in Notting Hill, London, May 19th-24th, 1969. The primary recommendation of the consultation was this: "If Racism is to be eliminated, it will require more than private commitment of individuals; the church, indeed the entire moral community, must become committed to an action programme on a broad social, economic and political front aimed at eradicating institutional Racism from the society of man."

"If one is rejected because he is uneducated, he can at least be consoled by the fact that it may be possible for him to get an education. If one is rejected because he is low on the economic ladder, he can at least dream of the day that he will rise from his dungeon of economic deprivation. If, however, one is rejected because of his colour, he must face the anguishing fact that he is being rejected because of something in him-self that cannot be changed. All prejudice is evil, but the prejudice that rejects a man because of the colour of his skin is the most despicable expression of man's inhumanity to man."-Martin Luther King.

1. Definitions:

The Fourth Assembly of the World Council of Churches at Uppsala, 1968, characterized Racism as:

(a) Ethnocentric pride in one's own racial group and preference for the distinctive characteristics of that group.

(b) Belief that these characteristics are fundamentally biological in character and thus are transmitted to succeeding generations.

(c) Strong negative feelings towards other groups who do not share these characteristics.

(d) Policies and attitudes that discriminate against and exclude the out-group from full participation in the life of the community.

As most racist discrimination is discrimination by the one-eighth of the world's whites against the other seven-eighths, we must therefore speak of white Racism, which was defined as follows at Uppsala:

"By white Racism is meant the conscious or unconscious belief in the inherent superiority of persons of European ancestry which entitles all white people to a position of dominance and privilege, coupled with the belief in the innate inferiority of all darker peoples, especially those of African ancestry, which justifies their subordination and exploitation."

2. Christian Censure:

"Ecumenical consultations over the last forty years have produced over thirty statements, documents, resolutions castigating racial prejudice and discrimination. Several generations of church leaders spoke out on the issue, some of them prophetic and all of them strongly condemning any discrimination on the basic of race and colour because 'all men are by birthright children of God, created in his image, and therefore brothers and sisters to one another." (Oxford Conference on Church, Community and State, 1937). These statements call Christians everywhere to recognise situations that perpetuate racism, to free themselves of the sin of racial pride and to work for better relations between the races.

What influence have these pronouncements had? Looking back at history, their effectiveness remains doubtful. In fact, as in so many other cases, it was only a few courageous Christians—not necessarily those with top responsibilities in the churches—who saw what was at stake and were willing to draw the consequences. The churches as a whole have not been influenced to a significant degree." Eugene Carson Blake, Secretary of the World Council of Churches.

At the World Council of Churches consultation on Racism held at Notting Hill, London, in May 1969, Professor Robert Nelson observed: "The words of men, the rhetoric of the churches, the statements of the W.C.C. have but a limited potency. It is easy to prepare and speak them, especially when many people give mental assent to them. But with respect to the much condemned sin of racism, words can only decry and diagnose, they cannot cure."

A similar point was made and developed further at the consultation by Dr W. A. Visser 't Hooft, the former General Secretary of the W.C.C., in his paper "Reflections on W.C.C. Action concerning Inter-Racial Relations". He summarized the defects of past work as follows:

(a) We have believed too much in persuasion by declarations and not been sufficiently aware of the irrational factors in the situation.

(b) We have not given adequate attention to the economic factors making for racial injustice.

(c) We have insisted too little on the very considerable sacrifices which have to be made if racial justice is to prevail. (d) We have not yet found common answers to the problem of violence and non-violence as methods of transforming present patterns and present structures.

(e) We have not yet done our home-work concerning the basic cultural problem . . . Our problem is how to combine a cultural pluralism with a sufficient amount of concensus or common culture to allow pluri-racial societies to function."

3. The economic realities behind Racism:

A working group of the Consultation produced a statement that emphasized:

(i) "The first and continuing economic obligation which men owe to one another is a just structure of economic relationships, both national and international, which fully embodies the human solidarity and dignity of all men, races and people. Present economic structures utterly fail to meet this standard, and it must be confessed that the churches have to a scandalous degree not only tolerated but profited from their relation to economic injustice."

(ii) "Our world is tragically divided into haves and have-nots, into rich nations and races whose riches are largely at the expense of the exploited and poor nations and races, deprived and oppressed. In both past and present, unjust prices have been paid to the poor for work, goods and services, and in the case of slavery no wages were paid at all. Racism, acknowledged and unacknowledged, is deeply involved in these exploitative economic relationships."

Some may argue that the Western countries are helping developing countries by the provision of economic and technological assistance. Unfortunately this kind of assistance is minimal. The United Nations' declared goal of 1% of the gross national product to be given in aid to developing countries is met by none of the great States.

Moreover, much of the aid given is not aid at all, but simply loans which the borrowing country must repay at great cost. In addition, aid in the last few years has actually decreased. Between 1961-1965, it fell by 28%. By 1980, if the present trends continue, the total amount of aid received will be cancelled out by the interest being paid on past loans. But the final tragedy in the aid drama is that every effort to escape from economic dependence results in greater dependence.

Exports have risen, sometimes sharply—but prices for them have been declining. For example:

(a) Two-thirds of Ghana's exports are cocoa. Between 1953-1961 cocoa exports increased by 71% in volume, but the revenue only increased by 23%. Meanwhile the price of manufactured goods shipped to Ghana had increased by 11%.

(b) Half of Brazil's exports are coffee. Between 1953-1961 coffee exports increased by 90% in volume, but the revenue fell by 35%.

(c) Half of Malaya's exports are rubber. Between 1960-1961 rubber exports increased by 4% in volume, but the revenue fell by 35%.

Commenting on these figures the Halsmere Declaration of 1968 observed: "Desperately trying to maintain their ability to import, the poor countries have borrowed money from the rich, accepted aid, and welcomed private investment. The result: still more economic dependence. They have to borrow more and more in order to repay past loans. Already many developing countries pay out to the rich more than they receive from them; in other words ,the servicing of past loans and repatriated profits exceed new inflows of aid and private capital."

One reason for the survival to date of White minority rule in Rhodesia is the complex inter-weaving economic interests involved in Southern Africa. The forces of white supremacy in Rhodesia and South Africa find allies among the foreign investors who share with them the profits of cheap labour economics.

"Today, there are nearly 400 British companies with subsidiary or associated companies in South Africa, and more than 190 with subsidiary or associated companies in Rhodesia. Among the latter are household names the giants of British industry such as I.C.I., Unilever, Shell, B.P., and the Dunlop Rubber Company, to name a few at random.

The "Financial Times" estimated that between 200 and 300 British companies had interests in Rhodesia. with investments of some \$200 millions. Britain also supplied 30% of Rhodesia's overseas purchases —machinery, transport equipment, chemical and food—valued at £40 millions per year.

Foreign investment in Southern Africa thus constitutes a considerable force, with a direct interest in the status quo. It is a force not without means to make itself heard. Rhodesia: Why Minority Rule Survives, page 37.

The Notting Hill consultation said this of the existing economic imbalance.

"The majority of Christians live in the white developed north and therefore profit from the present imbalance. They are especially called now to use all the powers and forces that are in them through Christ to be stewards in a world situation where it seems normal to spend fifteen times more on armaments than on international, economic and social justice. It is not military might but economic and political justice that will improve this dangerous situation."

4. Statement of the Consultation on Racism, London, May 19-24, 1969

"The consulation clearly revealed that the Church and the world are filled with insidious and blatant institutional racism that is producing increased polarization and threatening an escalation of the struggle for power between white and coloured races into violent conflict. More than once the consultation itself was exposed to the pervasiveness of stereotypes, paternalism and, in the final result, attitudes of racial superiority that have developed over centuries. And the churches reflect the world.

The identification of the churches with the status quo means today, as before, that it has remained, in effect, part of the racial problem and not a means of eliminating it.

If the churches are to have any relevance in their critical times it is imperative that they no longer concentrate their attention on individual actions of individual Christians who are fighting Racism. To the majority of Christians, the Church is a community, a group perhaps even a movement—and it is therefore necessary that issues of racism be addressed by a group. Individual commitment is commendable—but not enough.

The patterns of racism have a universality that is frightening. UNESCO has found out even where there were laws to discourage racism the concentration of power, wealth and status in the hands of one racial group is working in favour of de facto discrimination. The situation is tragic when racism is manifested by well-intentioned, but uncritical persons and dangerous when practised by institutions. It has become clear in the week's study and dialogue that racism is in large part an outgrowth of the struggle for power that affects all men. Racist ideologies and propaganda are developed and disseminated as tools in economic, political and military struggles for power. Once developed they have a power of their own, finding a place in the traditions and culture of people, unless stringent and continuous effort is made to exorcize them.

The second fact that has become clear is that the Church is not using the weapons it possesses to eradicate racism itself—even within its own institution. But the church is charged with a ministry of reconciliation. And if it is to take that ministry seriously, then it must attack racism significantly—at its origins, as well as in its symptoms. Therefore, the Church must be willing to be not only an institution of love, but also an institution of action, making inputs into societies to help effect a new balance of power that renders racism impotent. The Church must come to realize that in our institutionalized world the closest approximation to love possible, is justice."

5. An Ecumenical Programme to Combat Racism.

(Approved by the Central Committee of the W.C.C., on August 21, 1969).

A. The Scope and Focus of a New Ecumenical Programme to Combat Racism.

1. "Racism is not an unalterable feature of human life. Like slavery and other social manifestations of man's sin, it can and must be eliminated. In the light of the Gospel and in accordance with its principles and methods, Christians must be involved in this struggle and, wherever possible, in association with all people of goodwill.

2. Racism today is not confined to certain countries or continents. It is a world problem. White racism is not its only form. It is recognised that at this moment in some parts of the world, like Asia and Africa, other forms of racism and ethnocentricism provides the most crucial problems. There is a strong element of racism in current forms of anti-semitism as well as in the discrimination against the lower castes in India.

3. It is the coincidence, however, of an accumulation of wealth and power in the hands of the white peoples, following upon their historical and economic progress during the past four hundred years, which is the reason for a focus on the various forms of white racism in the different parts of the world. People of different colour suffer from this racism in all continents. Among such situations are those of the Aborigines in Australia, the Maoris in New Zealand, the black majorities of Southern Africa, the Indians, Afro-Americans, the Coloured immigrants and students in the U.K. and Continental Europe (this is by on means an exhaustive list).

4. It is further recognised that the fight against racism in all its forms must be set within the context of the struggle for World Community including World Development."

B. Rationale for an Ecumenical Programme to Combat Racism.

1. Growing tensions and conflicts between the races demand urgent action; the pervasiveness, persistence and viciousness of racism has challenged many Christians. But a sense of the impotence of the churches to achieve reconciliation has immobilised many others. Many have even despaired. 2.We have sadly to recognise that in spite of the battle that has been fought against racism by churches, mission agencies and councils of churches, often with heroic personal sacrifice, racism is now a worse menace than ever. We have also sadly to confess that churches have participated in racial discrimination. Many religious institutions of the white northern world have benefited from racially exploitive economic systems. Many church members are unaware of the facts of racism and of the involvement of their religious and secular institutions on its perpetuation. Lacking information about institutionalized racism and about the possibility of developing sophisticated strategies to secure racial justice, Christians often engage in irrelevant and timid efforts to improve relations—too little and too late.

3. We call upon the churches to move beyond charity, grants and traditional programming to relevant and sacrificial action leading to new relationships of dignity and justice among all men and to become agents for the radical reconstruction of society. There can be no justice in our world without a transfer of economic resources to undergird the redistribution of political power and to make cultural self-determination meaningful. In this transfer of resources a corporate act by the ecumenical fellowship of churches can provide a significant moral lead.

C. Call to Member Churches for Self-Examination and Release of Resources.

1. We call upon churches to confess their involvement in the perpetuation of racism. Churches should make an analysis of their financial situation in order to determine the degree to which their financial practices, domestic and international, contribute to the support of racially oppressive governments, discriminatory industries and inhuman working conditions. The impact will be greater if this is an ecumenical act.

2. The forces seeking to liberate non-white peoples from the oppressive yoke of white racism have appropriately demanded the participation of religious institutions in restoring wealth and power to people. We urge churches to make land available free or at low cost to racially oppressed groups for community and economic development. Churches which have benefited from racially exploitive economic systems should immediately allocate a significant portion of their total resources, without employing paternalistic mechanisms of control, to organisations of the racially oppressed or organisations supporting victims of racial injustice."

6. Recommendations:

The committee feels that many people are unaware of racial discrimination at work within New Zealand Society, and only vaguely aware of the nature of racism in the wider world. If this is so it is imperative that the church should seek ways of educating her people in this area of growing social concern, so that they may be equipped to handle the issues in meaningful ways.

Accordingly we suggest the recommendations appended to the body of the report.

7. Sources:

i. The Haslemere Declaration—published in 1968. Available from CORSO Headquarters, Wellington.

ii. International Defence and Aid Fund—"Rhodesia: Why Minority Rule Survives". Published by Christian Action Publications, London, 1969. iii. U.N.E.S.C.O. "Four Statements on the Race Question". Published, 1969.

iv. Martin Luther King. "Chaos or Community?" Published in Pelican Books, 1969.

v. John J. Vincent. "The Race Race". Published by the S.C.M. Press, 1969. (This book is a "new style" ecumenical report on the W.C.C. Consultation on Racism held at Notting Hill, London, May, 1969).

INDO-CHINA

The spreading of the war through overt military action in Cambodia by foreign troops has worsened an already tragic situation in Indo-China.

We note with dismay the failure of the Thieu Government, despite years of American advice and involvement, to establish a truly representative Government committed to the protection of basic human rights.

In particular we deplore the employment of torture and imprisonment of students and others who have expressed opposition to the policies of the South Vietnamese Government. Such repressive measures deny the very freedom which the fighting is supposed to uphold.

CO-OPERATION WITH DENOMINATIONAL COMMITTEES SHARING SIMILAR TERMS OF REFERENCE AND AGENDA.

Early this year the committee initiated discussions with the Presbyterian International Relations Committee and the Associated Churches of Christ Public Questions Committee, to investigate possible joint action and co-operation.

To date the respective committees now exchange minutes of meetings and have agreed to consult over matters of common agenda and where practicable, to undertake combined study and research.

G. H. BRAITHWAITE, Chairman.

B. E. JONES, Convener.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted.

2. That in order to establish that the Methodist Church of New Zealand acknowledges the sin of Racism and is committed to take positive steps towards its elimination, Conference resolves that beginning in 1971 (designated by the United Nations as International Year for action to combat Racism and racial discrimination).

- (a) Racism be a subject for preaching and discussion.
- (b) Synods arrange seminars (if possible on an ecumenical basis) on Racism.
- (c) The Department of Christian Education edit and prepare the report on Racism in study form to facilitate its use by individuals and groups.
- (d) That the Joint Board of Christian Education prepare material on Racism appropriate for all ages engaged in Christian education.

3. That Conference commend the action of the W.C.C. and the N.Z. N.C.C. in their attempt to combat Racism by giving material aid to nineteen anti-racist groups.

4. That this Conference notes with concern the unimpressive voting record of New Zealand at the United Nations regarding matters concerning racial discrimination, apartheid, and relations with South Africa, and urges the New Zealand Government to take a strong stand in the United Nations in support of resolutions that condemn all forms of racial discrimination and related matters.

5. That Conference call on the Government to make plain to the British Government New Zealand's position to the sales of arms to South Africa.

6. That this Conference asks the New Zealand Government to ratify without further delay the Convention on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination.

7. That Conference refer the following to the International Affairs Committee for study and report:—That Conference press the Government to suspend trade with South Africa.

8. New Zealand's Pacific Policy.

(a) General:

That we recognise that the South Pacific is an area of prime responsibility in the world for New Zealand.

(Note: The boundaries of the South Pacific were recognised as being those countries included by the South Pacific Commission and the Pacific Conference of Churches: namely, north, Caroline Islands and U.S. administered territories; west, Papua-New Guinea; east, French Polynesia; south, to include New Zealand.)

- (b) That our concern in this area include: economic development and trade, political independence and representation, educational and social needs, immigration, and the role of the church.
- (c) (i) That our churches take part in the "South Pacific Year 1971" and that the churches take steps to stimulate study and action by their members. Such a study should aim at creating an atmosphere of warmth and hope, and provide a stimulus to personal interest and personal relationships.
 - (ii) We urge the Government to take part in "South Pacific Year 1971".

Development and Trade:

- (d) That an increase in development aid to the Pacific region be accepted as an inescapable obligation for New Zealand, the offer of such aid not to be confined to New Zealand territories.
- (e) That efforts be made to co-ordinate aid from Government and private sources through such an institution as a Pacific Aid Board.
- (f) That we recognise the need for New Zealand to extend trading relationships in the South Pacific and stress the importance of correcting the present trading imbalance.

Immigration:

(g) That we support the N.C.C.'s approach to Government regarding their concern at the apparent lack of any coherent, comprehensive policy for the immigration of Pacific Islanders to New Zealand.

The Role of the Church:

(h) That Conference ask the Church Council to examine closely our priorities in the use of resources with a view to greater participation in the development of the South Pacific.

IMMIGRATION:

9. Believing that the present New Zealand immigration policy appears to be racist and detrimental to the development of a well-

balanced society, the Conference urges the Government to take the following steps:

- (a) To pursue a policy of progressive removal of all immigration barriers against Pacific Islanders (while planning measures to safeguard the economic and cultural welfare of such immigrants).
- (b) Expand assistance towards the orientation and preparation of Pacific Islanders for New Zealand life and the English language.

10. That New Zealand's immigration policy and long-term plans be outlined publicly more clearly and more often by Government Ministers and officials.

11. That the Immigration Council be reconstituted as an independent body, with responsibility for making regular statements to the Government and people on immigration policy.

12. That the Interchurch Council on Public Affairs be requested to prepare a statement on New Zealand's present immigration policy, with suggestions for broadening this policy and making it better known.

13. INDO-CHINA:

(a) That Conference call upon the Government to dissociate itself from the policies and actions of the South Vietnamese Government that suppress human rights—

e.g., suppression of peace movement, physical torture, trial without jury or appeal

but associate itself with the positive steps towards the development of full democratic rights.

- (b) That Conference call upon the Government to urge South Vietnam and her allies to move towards a form of government in which that significant body of people which is allied neither to the Thieu-Ky nor the Viet Cong, enjoy full democratic rights and privileges.
- (c) That Conference reaffirm its call to the Government to withdraw all New Zealand troops from Vietnam without delay and offer substantial aid for reconstruction.
- (d) That the President, or his representative, with the heads of other denominations convey personally to the Government the intentions of these resolutions.

14. That this Conference favour the proposal for a religious leaders' delegation from New Zealand to visit Vietnam and that the President or his.nominee represent the Methodist Church of New Zealand.

15. That in the event of the religious leaders' delegation to Vietnam not taking place Conference sponsor a Presidential visit to Vietnam.

16. That Conference approve that the expenses of the President be met by grants from (a) the overseas travel fund, (b) the contingent fund, (c) voluntary subscriptions raised through an appeal launched by the International Affairs Committee.

17. That the International Affairs Committee study and report to Synods and Conference 1971 on the evidence of persecution in Communist and South American countries.

18. That the International Affairs Committee consider alternatives to the word "white" as a description of people of the Caucasian race.

19. That the Committee for 1971 be as printed on page 8 herein.

The Methodist Temperance Committee

REPORT TO SYNODS AND CONFERENCE 1970

THE TASK OF THE COMMITTEE:

Pursuant to the direction of the 1969 Conference, that the Committee redefines its task, this has been attempted. In our attempt to to redefine our task as a Temperance Committee we were faced with some difficulties. The Committee has on occasions expressed its mind regarding the name "Temperance Committee" to Conference; its alternative suggestions have proved unacceptable and the members are hesitant to set about any re-definition of task while the name limits the sphere of interest and expresses it in a manner that can be taken to be hypocritical. Any consideration of Temperance as a topic on its own could lead to fanaticism. The Committee further feels that to extract and highlight this one sphere of conduct from the broader areas of witness is neither healthy nor desirable. Christian conduct and the Christian relationship to the community need to be viewed on a broader front — to be seen in perspective and depth rather than in segments.

The Temperance Committee questions its need to continue as a standing Committee of Conference. The Church seems to be divided between the advocates of total abstinence and those to whom the word "temperance" is open to a variety of interpretations. We must recognise the right of both to stand within our Church. Tolerance from and to both sides is urged.

The Committee itself is divided in this way, and we feel that the only task we can address ourselves to is an educational and information giving one, as has been done in the past few years.

INCIDENCE, TREATMENT AND PREVENTION OF ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG DEPENDENCY:

Investigating Alcoholism at depth and in detail has proved difficult. It seems to the Committee that spotlighting the problem of alcohol away from its related social problems is no longer a valid reason for the spending of considerable time and effort.

We are conscious of the tremendous problems involving people who are enslaved to alcoholic beverages. As a Church we carry the concern on our hearts, but the responsibility for helping the person in need is much better served by personal and individual action rather than by a Committee. Every Christian ought to act in local situations, operating out of personal conviction and compassion.

Our investigations into the area of Drug Dependency have pointed to two sources of information and help.

1. The Report of the Board of Health's Committee on Drug Dependency and Drug Abuse in N.Z., published 10th February, 1970.

This report was studied by the Temperance Committee and a precis of relevant areas was sent to the "N.Z. Methodist" for publication. We urge people to read and use specialist material, such as the report, as fully as possible.

2. The second area of information is the Auckland Alcoholism Trust Board through their Alcoholism and Drug Addiction information Centre. A full time director/counsellor is able to produce accurate facts and figures, which our Committee can only re-iterate.

DISSOLUTION OF THE TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE:

For reasons stated above, and reinforced by the following, the Committee feels it should ask Conference to terminate its existence.

It is the belief of the Committee that the Church would be better served if the Alcohol and Drug problems were handled in relation to other public questions and social problems. We are of the opinion that the Temperance Committee of the Methodist Church in N.Z. has fulfilled its purpose.

"At the last meeting of the Committee it was decided to write to all members for an opinion as to the need of a permanent standing Committee of the Church to deal solely with matters of Alcohol and Drugs.

With no major reform considered in "Alcohol" matters, the Committee in recent years has explored avenues of education. This, we find, is being effectively carried out by National Societies and has been introduced within the School curriculum by the Education Department.

This year Conference directed our attention to Drugs. So far, from answers to our enquiries, we have done no more than complement the excellent report issued by the Board of Health Committee on Drug Dependency and Abuse in New Zealand.

It will also be apparent to members that the Committee has made no recommendation to the Church as to "total abstinence" or "moderation" in the use of alcohol. (It does not support the use of drugs other than medically prescribed). The approach was supported by Conference last year when the question of total abstinence was raised privately.

This means that at present the Committee is unable to re-define its task, as much of its role has been taken over by other specialised agencies. We feel that the Committee is at present superfluous, and its interests should be vested within the Public Questions Committee of the Church as was done by the Presbyterian Church several years ago.

However, it is recognised that major questions relating to alcohol and drugs (i.e. changes in legislation) are likely to recur and at that stage a Committee could be convened to give a special report to the Church.

If we do not hear from you during June, and not later than 1st July, 1970, can we assume that you support our contention that the following recommendations should go to Conference:—

1. That in view of the development of national agencies who look more expertly at the question of Alcohol and Drug Dependency and Abuse, the Temperance Committee as a Standing Committee of Conference be dissolved.

2. That the responsibility for raising the question of or looking at related Temperance problems be vested in the Public Questions Committee, and/or . . .

3. That on specific points or problems an "ad hoc" Committee/s be called together as required."

The support from Corresponding Members has been 17 in favour and 4 against.

We would recommend that Conference set up "ad hoc" Committees as required to discuss particular issues or specific points.

A. C. HIGHT, Convener.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted.

2. That the Committee be thanked for its work, and disbanded.

3. (a) That the Public Questions Committee be charged with the responsibility of keeping liquor and drug issues under constant review and consider the appointment of a sub-committee using personnel from outlying centres for this task. (b) That the Christian Education Department be responsible for educational material on alcohol and drugs.

4. That the Public Questions Committee receive all files from the disbanded committee.

5. That the Rev. P. D. Ramsay be a corresponding member of the Public Questions Committee sub-committee.

6. That the proposed sub-committee of the Public Questions Committee report on the necessity of maintaining the present prohibition of the traffic in and use of non-habit forming drugs, e.g., marijuana.

QUESTION 39.—

A.-General Report on Church Property

FOR YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1970

RECEIPTS

Trust Accounts—						\$	с	
Credit Balance-General	Funds					235.556	16	
(a) Special Funds						1,028,828	61	
(b)						310,916	23	
(c)						45,098	43	
Total Loans Received						178,815	31	
Extraordinary Receipts:	Beques	ts				57,280	84	
Sale of land and Bu	ildings					88,894	06	
Grants-non circuit						35,958	60	
Transfer other Trus	sts					37,885	34	
Special Efforts						81,036	23	
Grants from Circuit Bud						195,485	66	
Rent, Interest, etc.						372,370	26	
All other Special Receipt						232,757	66	
TOTAL RECEI	PTS					2,900,883	39	
Debit Balance General F	und					42,560	54	
GRAND TOTAL						2,943,443	93	
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PAYMENTS								
Debit Balance last year-	-Genera	Act	count			59,323	52	
* *						217,494	27	
Interest on Loans and Ba						58,902	72	
Purchase of Land, Erecti				ings		881,954	30	
Transfer to other Trusts			2 and			39,350	75	
All other General Payme			Repairs.	etc		385,888	79	
All other Special Payme						84,406	54	
TOTAL PAYMI	ENTS					1 797 390	89	

Credit Balances Carried Forward-General Fund	 251,151	31
(a) Special Funds	 539,602	23
(b)	363,961	16
(c)	 61,408	34
GRAND TOTAL	 2,943,443	93
Receipts— DEBT POSITION		
A. Balance from Last Year:	\$	с
Church Building and Loan Fund	 329,890	36
Home Mission Investment Funds Board	219,563	42
Commencial Internet Pate	 1,232,625	23
Direct Interest Date	 237,465	13
MOMAT	2,019,544	14
	 2,010,011	11
B. New Loans Received:	01.050	00
Church Building and Loan Fund	 64,658	30
Home Mission Investment Funds Board	 43,033	11
Commercial Interest Rate	43,376	00
Private Interest Rate	 27,800	87
TOTAL A + B	2,198,412	42
	2,100,112	
C. Less Loan Repayments:	10 744	00
Church Building and Loan Fund	 46,744	32
Home Mission Investment Funds Board	 33,562	79
Commercial Interest Rate	 85,363	76
Private Interest Rate	 55,892	19
TOTAL	 221,563	06
D. Balance at Present:		
Church Building and Loan Fund	347.804	34
Home Mission Investment Funds Board	 220,329	05
Commencial Internet Data	1,223,985	08
Private Internet Pate	 185.291	37
Private Interest Rate	 100,201	01
TOTAL A + B - C	 1,976,849	36

DISTRICT PROPERTY ADVISORY COMMITTEES

The District Chairmen and the District Property Secretary in each Synod.

NORTHLAND:

Secretary of the District, District Financial Secretary.

AUCKLAND:

Revs. L. Greenslade, P. Rushton and E. D. Grounds, Messrs A. M. McKerras, F. M. Souster, L. O'Donnell, K. J. Rosser.

WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY:

Secretary of the District, Financial Secretary. Rev. A. Newman, Messrs W. B. Young, G. C. Decke.

TARANAKI-WANGANUI:

Rev. A. O. Jones, Messrs W. P. Thrush and A. L. Fox,

HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU: Rev. L. J. Gibson and Mr L. A. Davis.

WELLINGTON: Rev. C. B. Oldfield, Messrs T. M. Pacey, W. E. M. Grace.

NELSON:

Secretary of the District, District Financial Secretary, Messrs V. Smart, R. R. Wardrop and D. H. Williams.

NORTH CANTERBURY:

A sub-committee of the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee acts.

SOUTH CANTERBURY:

Rev. P. D. Ramsay and Messrs R. E. Littler and A. J. Marrett. OTAGO-SOUTHLAND:

Rev. W. L. Wallace and Dr D. W. Featherston.

DISTRICT PROPERTY SECRETARIES

NORTHLAND: Mr A. G. Kelly, 6 Nixon Street, Whangarei.

AUCKLAND: Mr R. Ravenhall. (Returns) Mr D. Crooks, P.O. Box 1160, Auckland, 1.

WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY: Mr K. W. Dey, P.O. Box 556, Hamilton.

TARANAKI-WANGANUI: Mr J. P. Harding, Kaponga.

HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU: Mr C. B. Radcliffe, C/o P.O. Box 931, Christchurch.

WELLINGTON: Mr G. F. Whitlock, 19 Pinney Ave, Lower Hutt.

NELSON: Mr A. C. Barrington, Riverside Community, R.D. 2, Upper Moutere.

NORTH CANTERBURY: Mr N. G. Hillary, P.O. Box 552, Christchurch.

SOUTH CANTERBURY: Mr P. G. Woodnorth, P.O. Box 254, Timaru.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND: Mr H. C. Vince, 218a Musselburgh Rise, Dunedin.

RESOLUTION

1. That the report be received and adopted.

2. That the Connexional Secretary in consultation with the Committee dealing with Union Parishes, be asked to produce a suitable statistical form for financial, property and other annual returns of Union Parishes. (N.B. The present Trust Returns are inapplicable consultation with Presbyterians is considered necessary).

QUESTION 39 (b)-Church Building and Loan Fund Committee.

(B) Church Building and Loan Fund Committee

ANNUAL REPORT 1970

SALE OF PROPERTIES

The Committee has sanctioned the sale of properties as under. If not acted on by January 31, 1972 tre sanction expires. In some cases final sale price hasc not been determined (*).

NORTHLAND

Mareretu (Paparoa): Church Building \$250.

AUCKLAND

Titirangi (Avondale) 2 roods 1 p.: Taharoto Road (Takapuna): 1 rood and building \$19,000. Devonport: Church, Hall, Parsonage and 2 roods 30 p. \$32,000. Stanley Bay (Devonport): 32 perches and building *; Glenbrook Lighthouse Trust (Waiuku): Cottage and 1 rood 9.7 p. WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY

Ngatea (Hauraki Plains Union Parish): 37:44 p. and dwelling \$5,500; Te Rahui, Hamilton (Home Mission Dept.) \$40,000; Hamilton East: Section and dwelling*; Rotorua: 32.1 perches \$2.500.

TARANAKI-WANGANUI

Whiteley (New Plymouth): 2 roods 3 p. and dwelling \$18,000; Hawera (Home Mission Dept.): 1 rood 2.4 perches \$2,500; Spotswood (New Plymouth): \$2.650.

HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU

Waipawa: 1 acre \$200; Colyton (Feilding): 1 rood \$220; Woodville: 2 roods 4 p.*; Trinity, Palmerston North: 23.7 perches and dwelling \$12,000; Makomako: 1 rood .07 p. and building (gifted).

WELLINGTON

Brooklyn (Wellington Central): \$1.100: Dalefield (Carterton): 1 rood \$30; Rata Street (Wainuiomata Union Parish): 32 perches and building \$5650; Waitarere Beach (Levin): 32 perches \$1,500; Cottle Street (Upper Hutt): section and hall \$6,000.

NELSON

Reefton: 1 rood, 5.6 p. and dwelling \$2,800; Greymouth: 39.3 perches and dwelling \$7,500.

NORTH CANTERBURY

Ellesmere (Springston): Church building *; Raithby (Rangiora): Church Building (gifted).

SOUTH CANTERBURY

Banks Street, Timaru: and dwelling Highfield-Glen Iti (Timaru): Two section 1 rood 9.5 p.*; Lowcliffe (Willowby): 1 acre and church building (gifted); Awamoa (Oamaru Union Parish): I rood 33 perches and

building *\$8,300.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND

Barr Street (West Dunedin Special Union Parish): 31.4 perches \$3,600; Whitby Street (Mornington):

; Maori Hill (Dunedin Central Mission):

13.6 p. and dwelling \$4,031.40; Woodhaugh (North Dunedin): and Church \$2,000; Lumsden (Gore): 1 acre \$150; Roxburgh:

Wild Bush (Western Southland): 1 Rood (gifted).

PURCHASES

The following purchases have been approved: NORTHLAND

Omapere (North Hokianga): 91 acres \$2,025.

WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY

Rotorua: 32 perches \$4,000; Taumarunui: 28.24 perches and dwelling \$3,000.

TARANAKI-WANGANUI

Whiteley, New Plymouth: 20 perches and dwelling \$16.000. HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU

Greenmeadows (Napier): 2 roods 8.1 perches \$1,500. WELLINGTON

Wesley Social Services: 29 perches and dwelling \$25,000.

NORTH CANTERBURY

Dunsandel (Leeston): 1 rood 36.5 perches and dwelling \$2,000. SOUTH CANTERBURY

Banks Street, Timaru: 38 perches and dwelling \$3,000.

BUILDINGS

Purchases (P); Erections (E); Additions and Alterations (A); Final costs not known (*).

NORTHLAND

Kamo Eventide Home, Whangarei (E) *.

AUCKLAND

Tyler House (Auckland Central Mission): Extensions (A) *; Pukekohe Eventide Home: (E) *; Wesley Training College, Paerata: Teacher's Residence (E) *;

Wesley Training College, Paerata: Teacher's Residence (E) *; Papakura: New Church (E) *; Mangere East (Otahuhu): Additional rooms (A) *.

WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY

Melville, Hamilton: Classrooms (A) *; Kawerau: Christian Education facilities (A).

HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU

Trinity, Palmerston North: Parsonage (E) *.

WELLINGTON

Epworth House, Wellington: Additional rooms (A);

Waitangirua (Porirua): Church Centre (E);

St. John's, Levin: Christian Education Block (A);

Lower Hutt: Church Centre (E); Mastertor: Additions to Wesley Buildings (A).

NELSON

Nelson District Campsite Bunk House (A); Westport Union Parish: Church (A).

NORTH CANTERBURY

Sumner (Woolston-Lyttelton): Hall (A); South Island Children's Home, Harewood Road: (A); Oxford: Additions (A); Rangiora Church Centre (E); Allenton (Ashburton): Church (E); St. John's, Fendalton: Hall (A); St. David's, Wairakei Road: Parsonage (A).

SOUTH CANTERBURY

Banks Street, Timaru: Parsonage (E).

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND

Gore: Parsonage (E).

LOANS

Loans (Interest Free)—Current (A): As at May 31, 1970 there were 249 loans amounting to \$383,698.

The distribution of these loans among the ten Synodal Districts was as follows: Northland 12, Auckland 57, Waikato-Bay of Plenty 37, Taranaki-Wanganui 8, Hawke's Bay-Manawatu 23, Wellington 28, Nelson 11, North Canterbury 43, South Canterbury 7, Otago-Southland 23.

NEW LOANS (B) amounting to \$70,088 have been advanced to Trusts as under:-

NORTHLAND-Nil.

AUCKLAND

Snells Beach, Church Hall \$4,000; Trinity, Marion Avenuedebt reduction \$1,600; Bombay-Tuakau-debt reduction \$2,700; Rothesay Bay Church Centre \$3,000; Devonport New Church Centre \$8,000 (two loans of \$4,000). WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY

Turangi Union Church Centre \$4,000; Greerton-debt reduction \$2,325; Te Puke-debt reduction \$4,000.

TARANAKI-WANGANUI-Nil.

HAWKE'S BAY-MANAWATU

St. Leonards Hastings Church Centre \$3,000; Gisborne-debt reduction \$1,380; Waipukurau-debt reduction \$2,733; Waipawa -debt reduction \$3,100.

WELLINGTON

Stokes Valley Church \$3,500.

NELSON

St. Luke's Union Manse \$2,000; Stoke-debt reduction \$1,325 and \$1,300; Greymouth Parsonage \$3,000.

NORTH CANTERBURY

Durham Street—debt reduction \$1,425; Addington—debt reduction \$3,000; Upper Riccarton—debt reduction \$2,400; Christchurch Central Mission—Friendship House \$4,000; Shirley adjoining property \$2,000 (balance of \$3,000 loan).

SOUTH CANTERBURY

Ashburton-debt reduction \$2,250.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND

Mosgiel-debt reduction \$1,350; Gore-Parsonage \$3,000.

LOANS PROMISED

At May 31, 1970 there was a small number of Trusts on the waiting list. Six months is about the average period of waiting.

SITES FUND

The following Trusts have received grants for the purchase of new sites:

Omapere Hokianga	 	\$120
Rotorua		\$400
Timaru (Banks Street)	 	\$300

DEVELOPMENT FUND

(Grants for Church Extension and Union Parishes) The amount carried forward from last year was \$15,520. The sum of \$16,760 was received from the Connexional Budget, Grants totalling \$13,550 have been made as under, leaving a balance of \$18,730.

Twizel, South Canterbury	 \$ 250
Turangi Union	 \$3300
North Beach, Christchurch	 \$2000
Waitangirua, Wellington	 \$4000
Devonport	\$4000

GENERAL

Appointment of Trustees for a Specific Term

(1968 Conf. Mins. P. 169 Res. 3)

"That the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee investigate the possibility of the appointment of Trustees for a specific term with power of reappointment".

The Committee is continuing its investigations and intends to report to Synods and Conference 1971.

Property Schedules

The Committee appointed a special committee consisting of the District Property and District Financial Secretaries of North and South Canterbury Synods and the Executive Officers to consider the preparation of a set of forms which would not only provide the necessary information for the General Report on Church Property but would also include the necessary information on Circuit Finances required by the Budget Committee and the Home Mission Department for allocations and grants. The Committee has examined the types of forms issued by other Methodist Conferences and other denominations in an endeavour to design a set of forms that will be easy to fill in and comprehensive in scope. Synods and Boards/Committees affected are to be invited to comment.

Trends in Church Architecture

Over the weekend of Friday September 18 and Saturday September 19, a consultation was held between members of the Board of Christian Education and the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee. Mr Kelvin B. Grant, of Auckland, led three very interesting and informative sessions dealing with trends in Church Architecture in which contemporary styles were compared and contrasted with earlier styles. Much valuable historical information of a background nature was given.

This consultation will be followed by a meeting in Wellington which will be representative of both Boards at which the resolution of Conference 1969 (Minutes P. 295, Resolution 13) will be discussed. "That the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee draw the attention of trustes planning new churches to the necessity for facilitating communication and that the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee be requested to confer with the Department of Christian Education as to ways in which this can be achieved". The Loan Fund Committee has already received copies of preparatory papers written at the request of the Department of Christian Education. It is believed that the consultation held in September will enable more clearly to be seen the isues involved in the designing of churches to aid communication in the twentieth century.

Working Expenses

The Annual Financial Statements reveal that, owing largely to increasing costs of administration encountered by the Fund by way of "Appropriations" and in a measure to changed procedures, there was a deficit in the administration account of \$496. The Committee wishes to continue the charging of working expenses to cover administration costs at the rate of one half percent as long as it possibly can, but the maximum annual amount of working expenses revenue which can arise, assuming all instalments are paid in full on due date, is approximately \$2,600. This compares with appropriations of \$3,450 for 1970/71. In addition other expenses have to be met. On this basis deficits are now almost inevitable. If deficits continue it will not be long before the balance in the Administration Account (\$2,457 at May 31, 1970) will be depleted. The Committee may need to seek the approval of Conference 1971/1972 for an increase in the rate of working expenses charged.

Relation of Church Building and Loan Fund Committee to Synods

The Committee has been reviewing its methods of operation internally and in relationship to the connexion. In addition to the Plans sub-committee, a Finance Sub-committe now meets monthly to consider financial matters prior to the fullmeeting of the Committee.

The Committee realises, however, that new patterns are emerging in the administration of District Affairs and that these patterns may call for changes in the relationship of the Loan Fund Committee to the connexion as a whole and District Synods in particular.

Broadly speaking, the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee seeks to serve the whole Church in three main ways:-

A. Specialist Services

(i) Advice on preliminary outlines of new schemes

(ii) Detailed advice on plans and specifications

(iii) Advice on legal and procedural matters affecting Trusts.

B. Consents

Consent to sell, purchase or mortgage and lease, erection and alteration of buildings.

C. Provision of Finance

Sites Fund Grants

C.B. & L. Loans

Approval of Home Mission Loans

Development Grants

Approval of Fire Insurance Loans

There are good arguments for the status quo, including:

(i) The existence of an established structure combining secretarial, legal and other services, plus a Standing Committee of qualified ministers and laymen meeting regularly to give oversight to the work undertaken.

(ii) The possibility of giving an "overview" of common problems.

(iii) An accumulation of experience in dealing with the matters outlined above.

(iv) The improvement in the standards of the church buildings that has been evident—the central body has helped to facilitate this.

(v) The Church must have a central recording body.

On the other hand, the services of the Committee were designed to meet the needs of a Church that was organised somewhat differently from what it is today, e.g. The Annual Meeting of the District Synod has been replaced by quarterly meetings of the Synods and even by monthly or bi-monthly meetings in Districts. Increasingly, local churches have been consulting the Synods on matters of Trust policy and finances. The Committee itself is seeking the mind of District Synods and District Property Committees more than ever in the past.

Church union negotiations are proceeding. The proposed basis of union makes the District body central to the structure of the united church. With this in mind, Conference 1968 approved of changes in the function and constitution of District Synods designed to provide more flexibility and to give Synods greater decisionmaking powers. The Loan Fund Committee respects the attitude of Conference on this matter and has endeavoured to work in with it.

The question now engaging the members of the Loan Fund Committee is:— Is there sufficient participation by District Courts in property matters? Are Synods entrusted with adequate supervisory and decision making power? Or should some of the services that the Loan Fund Committee aims to provide be de-centralised? e.g. Should the Districts be involved in the allocation of loan moneys? Should concentration of availability of loan moneys be considered in consultation with Districts?

An even broader issue emerges. Should the role of the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee be changed altogether? Should it be relieved of some of its detailed work altogether and freed to devote itself more fully to the larger matters of strategy, policy, mission, the theology of church architecture, from the point of view of Connexional, District and local needs?

The Committee is aware of the desire for change in some quarters of the Church and intends to report to Synods and Conference 1971. In the meanwhile, the Committee seeks the comments of District Chairmen and invites submissions from interested individuals. Expressions of opinion from District Synods and other Boards/Committees will also be welcomed.

Standing Committee on Church Property

The Commission on Church Finances appointed by Conference 1966 was asked to report on the methods by which Committees and Synods are to apply to the Finance and Stewardship Committee of Detail for grants from the Connexional Budget.

The Commission felt that while respecting the autonomy of various Trusts who by deed or by resolution of the Conference are directed to apply their income for support of various institutions and work within the Church it is necessary for the Budget Committee to seek help by the supplying of information concerning moneys that may be available from time to time.

To enable this to be done the Commission considered that there should be set up a Standing Commission on Property, the personnel to be nominated annually by the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee for Conference approval.

The role of the Standing Commission on Church Property was seen to be that of meeting with Trusts with Connexional property to confer concerning the administration of such property with special attention to their development and the investment of funds. The Commission was to act in a similar way to the Triennial Visitation of a Circuit and was to report to Conference through the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee. (1968 Minutes p. 265).

Conference 1968 approved of this recommendation of the Commission on Church Finances and on the nomination of the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee, Conference 1969 appointed the first members of the Commission.

The Commission met for the first time in Wellington on March 5, 1970 and decided upon its programme of work for the first year. It was agreed to begin by conferring with some Connexional Trusts located in Auckland.

Mr T. M. Pacey having been given leave of absence from the Commission because of overseas travel, the President appointed Mr F. H. Turley of Wellington to act in his place.

Two visits of the Commission were paid to Auckland, June 23-26 and August 3-5. In consultation with the District Chairman, the Commission met with members of the Probert Trust, Prince Albert College Trust, Wesley Training College Board, Trinity Theological College Council, the Trusts of the Auckland Central Mission and the Auckland Committee for Care of Dependent Children. Subsequently, the Commission met in Wellington on September 11 and conferred with representatives of Probert and Prince Albert College Trusts and the Wesley Training College Board. Opportunity was also taken to confer with representatives of Thorndon, Trinity, Newtown, Brooklyn and Wesley, Taranaki Street Trusts regarding property development and investment moneys.

To assist the Commission in its work, Secretaries of Boards/

Committees have been asked to have assembled as much information as possible on such matters as:---

- (a) Historical background of Trust with particular reference to property management.
- (b) Present methods of administration including financing future objectives for development of property and use of funds.

The Commission is most grateful for the large amount of information so willingly supplied.

The Commission intends to report to the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee early in 1971 and to consult synods on the basic principles to be applied to Connexional and other special Trusts in its stewardship of property, management of investments and the distribution of their incomes in the light of the historical developments of the Trust and the current financial and other needs of the Church and its people. A creed embodying these basic principles is in course of preparation.

Provision of Maintenance Funds (1969 Mins., p. 173, Res. 3)

As requested by Conference, the Church Building and Loan Fund has again given consideration to the establishment of maintenance funds. The Committee readily acknowledges the responsibility of Trustees and congregations to make adequate provision for repairs and maintenance of buildings. It believes that the great majority of our Trustees are aware of this need, but feels that it would be impractical to insist on the establishment of a separate fund for this specific purpose **before** giving approval to the erection of buildings. Accordingly, the Committee has no recommendation to make.

Parsonage Standards (1969 Mins., p. 174, Res. 5)

The Committee has consulted with Boards and Departmental officers regarding the standard requirements for Parsonages and is of the opinion that, for the majority of Departmental positions, the usual requirements for a standard Parsonage must apply. Where variations are desirable the Committee's regulations at present permit the degree of flexibility that is needed.

Meetings of the Committee in 1971

To assist Trusts in their approaches to the Committee, we would state that the Committee will meet on the third Friday evening in each month in 1971 (the exceptions being January 22, May 28 and December 10). The Committee would appreciate it if plans and specifications were in the Secretary's hands at least three days before the date of the ordinary monthly meeting.

H. C. MATTHEWS, Chairman,

W R. LAWS, Secretary.

C. R. HASSELDINE, Treasurer.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report and Financial Statements be received and adopted.

2. That the Standing Commission on Property for 1971 be: The General Secretary, the General Treasurer, Messrs W. K. S. Christiansen, T. M. Pacey and C. B. Radcliffe. 3. (a) That the principles involved in the planning of Church Buildings as a place of encounter be published by the Department of Christian Education and the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee in consultation together.

(b) That these principles be supplied to all Superintendents and District Property Committees who shall be required to study these with all Trusts prior to the planning of new buildings and major alterations.

(c) That a programme of slides and ground plans be collected by the Connexional Office for use by Trusts.

4. That the attention of Synods be drawn to the necessity of Triennial Visitations to consider the situation in respect of land held for possible future building bearing in mind

- i. The likelihood of such building ever being necessary.
- ii. The possible sale of the sections with a view to making loan moneys available to Societies and Trusts seeking loans.

5. The Finance and Stewardship Committee and the Welfare of the Church Committee in consultation with the Standing Committee on Stipends and the Home Missions Department consider the following and report to Conference 1971:

(a) That where Trusts administering parsonages are dependent upon the Circuit fund for parsonage outgoings, the Circuit Fund shall provide such Trusts with an annual sum representing a fair rental value for such parsonages.

(NOTE: This sum could be calculated at 10% of the stipend for the house, plus \$200 (differential) for furniture provided. From this sum, Trusts would be in a position to meet normal outgoings including necessary maintenance, and would have a fund able to accumulate for periodical repainting, redecorating and replacement of furniture. It would need to be recognized that this sum would NOT cover capital loan repayments (if any) and an additional sum would be required for such capital repayments).

(b) That all allowances for the Ministry by way of Stipends, Parsonages, Travelling and replenishment allowances be given the same order of priority under the heading "Provision for the Ministry" (1968 Minutes p. 268).

6. That the Committee for 1971 be as printed on page 5 herein.

QUESTION 39 (c)-Custodian of Deeds?

Custodian of Deeds

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1. TITLES

For the year ended June 30, 1970, the following Certificates of Title have been received and acknowledged: NORTHLAND:

Redhill Campsite.

AUCKLAND:

Tuakau Parsonage.

TARANAKI-WANGANUI:

Westend Church, New Plymouth.

HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU:

Mangapapa, Gisborne, tennis courts; Mangapapa Parsonage, Pahiatua Parsonage.

NELSON:

Nelson District Campsite; Greymouth Parsonage.

NORTH CANTERBURY:

Shirley (property adjoining Church); Masham Church Hall; Upper Riccarton; New Brighton, Church, Hall and Parsonage; Addington; South Island Children's Home, Papanui.

SOUTH CANTERBURY:

Woodlands Street, Timaru.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND:

Dunedin Central Mission Parsonage (Roslyn); Company Bay Eventide Home (adjoining property); Mosgiel Parsonage; Wesleydale Campsite.

2. NEW TRUSTS

New Trusts have been registered as under and certificates issued: HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU:

Mangapapa, Gisborne, Manawatu Social Services Association.

3. TRUSTEES

Changes in the personnel of Trustees have been registered as under and certificates issued:---

Districts	Trusts	Deletions	Registrations
Northland	 5	13	15
Auckland	 45	120	90
Waikato-Bay of Plenty	 12	34	15
Taranaki-Wanganui	 5	12	7
Hawkes Bay-Manawatu	 11	35	28
Wellington	 15	32	43
Nelson	 6	21	13
North Canterbury	 21	55	54
South Canterbury	 3	15	12
Otago-Southland	 19	59	34
	142	396	311

W. R. LAWS, Custodian of Deeds.

RESOLUTION

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

QUESTION 40—What is the condition of the various Missions' Educational and General Connexional Property Trusts and Investments?

1. The Probert Trust Board

The Trustees have pleasure in submitting their Report for the year ended 30th June, 1970.

The Gross Income from rents and interest increased by over \$1,900.00, and the net surplus is over \$2,300.00 up on last year, mainly because a lesser amount was spent on repairs and maintenance. Maintenance costs could be quite substantial in the coming year, as the roof on No. 3 Block is now almost beyond repair and will have to be removed in the very near future, and general maintenance on all buildings is a constant factor.

The appropriations during the year were :--

Grant to Trinity College

\$6,600.00

Transferred to Building Renewal Fund

\$10,000.00

The Building Renewal Fund now stands at \$99,000.00

During the year the Trust loaned \$8,000.00 to Trinity College. It is most interesting to note that over the past 10 years this Board has contributed \$58.600.00 to Trinity College.

Great changes are still taking place in the area in which the Trust's property is situated, and the new Motorway is progressing. However, no definite pattern has yet emerged whereby the Trustees can plan for the future, and the Property Development Planners. engaged by the Board, have not yet given a firm report. The Trust is budgeting to spend a substantial sum on new buildings in the near future.

We are very pleased to report that Mr D. Brown and Mr M. N. Furness have been appointed as Trustees.

The members of the Board are: Mr T. L. Hames (Chairman), the Revs. E. D. Grounds, E. W. Hames, Dr D. O. Williams, Messrs D. Brown, A. L. Caughey, W. F. Christian, M. N. Furness, G. C. Riddell, F. M. Souster and W. F. Winstone.

T. L. HAMES, Chairman.

F. M. IZZARD, Secretary.

RESOLUTION

1. That the Report and Financial Statements be received and adopted.

2. Prince Albert College Trust Board

RESOLUTION

1. That the Financial Statements be received and adopted.

3. The James and Martha Trounson Benevolent Fund Trust Board

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Grants amounting to \$1,338.00 have been made during the year.

We record the loss of another valued member of long-standing service Mr C. K. Wigeleworth, who resigned through failing health, and difficulty of attending meetings.

We remind our Ministers that the Board depends on them to sponsor applications for grants to assist needy Methodists of good standing for whom inadequate provision is made by any other fund of the church or elsewhere.

The Board is as follows: Mr L. W. Peak (Chairman), Revs. Dr H. Ranston, G. I. Laurenson, E. W. Hames, M.A., B. M. Chrystall, B.A., R. Thornley, M.A., G. G. Carter, M.A., Dip. Ed., F. E. Sage (Secretary), Messrs J. S. Caughey, K. M. Griffin, G. S. Gapper and G. H. Lindsey.

L. W. PEAK, Chairman.

E. E. SAGE, Secretary.

RESOLUTION

1. That the Report and Financial Statements be received and adopted.

4. The Board of the Wellington Methodist Charitable and Educational Endowments

REPORT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE 1970

We have pleasure in presenting to the Conference our report on the Board's activities for the year ended 30th June 1970.

Masterton Children's Home:

The Home continues to fulfil a useful purpose under the capable guidance of an enthusiastic local committee. The buildings have been upgraded with consequent improvement in the safety factor and general convenience. Increasing costs are proving of some concern, and this year it was necessary to transfer nearly \$4000 from Capital Account to cover the excess of expenditure over income.

The Board endorses the Annual Report which the Committee has made direct to the Conference and supports the nominations of membership made therein.

Rangiatea Maori College Trust:

The Board continues its interest in the work which the College Trust Board performs on behalf of the betterment of our Maori people. Here again increasing costs are imposing a problem and the Board has received a request for increased financial support.

Properties:

The Manawatu Catchment Board has taken some fifty-eight acres of the Maroiti farm lands for river protection work, but the survey disclosed an accretion due to change in course of the Manawatu River of some fifty-five acres, so that our net loss of acreage amounts to under three acres. The compensation negotiated for the land taken will be received in the current year.

An indication has been received from the Manawatu County Council that a road extension is proposed passing through the Maroiti farm, but the time for proceeding with the work is at present indefinite.

A request from the Ministry of Works that we should freehold various sections leased by the Ministry as sites for proposed Halls of Residence for Victoria University focuses attention on the desirability of a continuation of a policy of holding properties on perpetual lease.

The majority of our leases were renewed in 1953, and although at that time rentals returned approximately $4\frac{1}{2}\%$ on Government Valuation spiralling land values in Wellington have resulted in the present rentals, which cannot be reviewed until 1974, giving a return of approximately $1\frac{1}{2}$ to 2% on 1969 valuations.

The Board accordingly advised the Conference that it is considering exercising its powers of sale as set out in Section 28 of the Wellington Methodist Charitable Trusts Act 1916.

Financial:

There has been an increase of \$189 in the net revenue of the Board, and after making our usual grant of \$2400 to Rangiatea Maori College Trust, the balance of \$4735 was paid to the Masterton Home Committee.

On behalf of the Board,

W. F. FORD, Chairman. J. A. KELLOW, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report and Financial Statements be received and adopted.

2. That the Rev. W. F. Ford be re-appointed Chairman of the Board.

3. That the Rev. W. F. Ford and Messrs G. C. Burton and J. F. Cody be re-appointed to represent this Board on the Rangiatea Maori College Trust Board.

5. The Elmsley Trust Board

RESOLUTION

1. That the Financial Statements be received and adopted.

6. Grey Institute Trust

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT FOR YEAR ENDING 30th JUNE, 1970

The year has been a quiet one as the Trust awaits with interest the findings of the Commission on how its expendable income is to be used. The connection with Rangiatea Hostel has been continued, and by mutual consent with the Home Mission Department their annual grant has been met.

We noted the removal of the Rev. L. P. Schroeder from the Chairmanship of the Trust with regret after his years of leadership.

It is with deep regret that the Grey Institute Trust accedes to the request of Mr Okey to relinquish his post as Secretary. Since his appointment in 1939 he has brought to the work not only his professional skills but his deep love for the church and an ability to manage affairs amicably for the many parties concerned. During the time of his secretariat the Grey Institute Trust has witnessed the development of its assets to the point of productivity, the realisation of a long held dream. In no small measure is this advance due to the capable handling of the detailed matters by Mr Okey in association with the trustees. Relationships have always been genial and Mr Okey leaves the work in fine heart, carrying with him into his retirement the genuine thanks of the Church and the respect and affection of the Trustees.

Mr Okey's successor in office is to be Mr M. H. Burn.

The financial statement disclosed the very healthy state of the Trust's assets and bears eloquent testimony to the wisdom and faith of the devoted band of Trustees, who through the years have guided its affairs and brought it to the present productive worth.

W. R. FRANCIS, Chairman.

W. P. OKEY, Secretary.

RESOLUTION

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

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1970 REPORT OF THE COMMISSION CONCERNING THE FUTURE USE OF THE INCOME OF THE GREY INSTITUTE TRUST

As requested by Conference the Commission met to give further consideration "to submissions made to it by the Home and Maori Mission Department and the Trust itself" and "to the way in which the Grey Institute Trust should arrive at its recommendations to Conference regarding grants".

Prior to its meeting one member of the Commission, acting with the authority of the President of Conference, visited New Plymouth and with the ready co-operation of the Chairman and Secretary of the Grey Institute Trust perused all available documents of the Trust in furtherance of the task assigned to the Commission.

Following this visit a copy of one particular document of the Trust, i.e., the opening Memorandum, was forwarded to the General Superintendent of the Home and Maori Mission Department asking if he could establish, from available records, any connecting links prior to the location of the Trust at New Plymouth and of subsequent relationships.

The reply of the General Superintendent has confirmed a clear continuity of relationships with what is now known as the Home and Maori Mission Department.

It is established beyond dispute that two continuing factors have influenced both the manner and the proportions of the disposal of the Funds of the Trust. They have been:

- (a) Close collaboration between the Trust and the Home and Maori Mission Department, or its predecessors, concerning the administration of the property and the use of its Funds. Such evidence commences with the first meeting of the Trust as located at New Plymouth and reveals an unbroken sequence until very recent years.
- (b) That the circumstances or needs pertaining at any particular time have determined the area of work to which any proportion of all of the Funds have been directed at that point of time.

Because of these factors the Commission can find no grounds for changing its judgement concerning the procedures to be used in determining the disposal of the Funds of the Trust. To offer "more specific guidance as to the way in which the Grey Institute should arrive at its recommendations to Conference regarding grants" would in the opinion of the Commission in the long run create more difficulties than it can solve at the present time.

Over a long period in the past the best of good relationships have sufficed, in a number of changing circumstances, to determine a harmonious usage of the Funds of the Trust. The Commission is convinced, that with this present clarification of the relationships of the Trust, Department and Conference it would be illogical, unwise and improper to establish any procedures that would need changing with the developments which will undoubtedly occur in the future.

Members of the Commission. J. J. Lewis (President), G. H. Goodman, B. E. Woodhams, V. R. Jamieson, R. T. Garlick, A. C. Barrington.

REPORT OF THE COMMISSION CONCERNING THE FUTURE USE OF THE INCOME OF THE GREY INSTITUTE TRUST

1. Personnel of Commission:

The President (the Rev. W. R. Francis), the Rev. G. H. Goodman, Mensrs A. C. Barrington, R. T. Garlick, V. R. Jamieson and B. E. Woodhams. Secretary to the Commission, the Rev. W. J. Cable. Because of the inability of Mr Jamieson to attend all meetings

of the Commission, the President appointed Mr B. E. Woodhams as an additional member.

Subsequent to the appointment of the Commission and in the midst of its deliberations, the President became aware of a possible future involvement in the affairs of the Grey Institute Trust. After consultation, members of the Commission unanimously resolved that it was in the best interests of the Church that he continue to serve in his capacity as Chairman.

2. Order of Reference:

In presenting its report the Commission has kept strictly to the Order of Reference, viz. "That the Commission report to Synods and Conference 1969 on the future use of the income of the Grey Institute Trust." (1968 Minutes, p. 173, res. 2). In the course of its investigations, however, certain matters have emerged which, in the opinion of the Commission, require the action of Conference, and these are the subject of an addendum to the report. Because of time factors and the nature of the report, the Commission sought and received Presidential approval to present its report direct to Conference.

3. Meetings and Procedures of the Commission:

The Commission met on four occasions and at other times used the services of the General Secretary, the President's Legal Advisor, and the members and the secretary of the Commission for specific purposes of research and information.

At the outset of this report the Commission desires to place on record its deep appreciation of the very full measure of co-operation received from the Home and Maori Mission Department and the Grey Institute Trust in its pursuance of its task.

Initially the Department and the Trust were invited to place before the Commission any written information or submissions which they considered to be relevant. After perusal of these documents the following steps were taken:

- (a) Clarification of historic, factual and legal matters from the President's Legal Adviser and the General Secretary.
- (b) The Department and the Trust were invited to appoint representatives to meet the Commission to present their case and to make any submissions which they might wish to bring to the attention of the Commission as well as to answer points raised by members of the Commission.
- (c) An invitation was extended via "The N.Z. Methodist" for any other person or organisation to present submissions to the Commission.

At a subsequent meeting Messrs M. H. Burn (Grey Institute Trust), L. M.Moss (Solicitor to the Trust) and J. P. Harding (District Property Secretary) presented submissions and answered questions relating to the Trust. The Revs. B. M. Chrystall and G. I. Laurenson did likewise from the viewpoint of the Home and Macri Mission Department.

Written submissions were received also from the Revs. W. W. H. Greenslade, W. F. Ford and J. Grundy, as well as historic, factual and legal information from the President's Legal Advisor.

The Commission is of the opinion that it has had placed before it, and/or made available for its perusal, copies of all relevant documents, minutes, correspondence and records relating to the acquisition, development and present usage of the lands and funds commonly called the Grey Institute Trust.

4. Some Basic Considerations:

Before proceeding to outline the grounds on which its recommendations are made, the Commission desires to set down certain basic considerations which have had an important bearing on its decisions.

(a) The judgment of the Vice-Chancellor, Sir L. Shadwell, in Dr Warren's Chancery Suit 1835, concerning the interpretation of Deeds of Trust and the authority of Conference. He said, "It is to be observed that the Deeds of Trust are not, according to my humble apprehension, to be construed merely with regard to the words that may happen to be contained in the Deeds themselves, but must be construed and looked at as part and parcel of the whole machinery by which the great body of Wesleyan Methodists is kept together and by which Methodism itself is carried on according to all the rules from time to time enacted by the Conference, which it is admitted on all hands, has been the supreme legislative and executive body since the death of Mr Wesley".

This decision of the Vice-Chancellor was upheld on appeal by Lord Chancellor Lyndhurst and to the best knowledge of the Commission has not since been overruled.

A Presidential Ruling (the Rev. T. G. Brooke) given in (b) 1907 Minutes, p. 83, relating to the Chairmanship of the Kai Iwi Trust, but which states inter alia-"There are two classes of property held by the Methodist Church: (i) Property held for the use and benefit of the people of the place in which the property itself is situated, such as church and parsonage sites. Most of this property was bought by the people themselves or donated to the Church for their use, and as such is secured on the Model Deed which provides that the respective Superintendents of the Circuits in which these properties are shall be Chairmen of the Trusts. (ii) Property held for general Connexional purposes, educational or mission. The administration of such property is under the direct control of the Conference, which receives and disburses the income derived from them. Most, if not all, of this class of property was either bought out of the general funds of the church, or was donated to the church as a whole, not to any particular Circuit or Mission of the church, and is designated Connexional Property, the Balance Sheets being presented annually to the Conference and needing Conference endorsement".

(c) The fact that for many years the Grey Institute Trust has been listed as a Connexional Trust (see Law Book p. 70). N.B. The first reference to the Trust as a Connexional Property goes back as far as 1871.

5. History of Purchase and Purposes of Trust:

On 13th January, 1840, Mr Edward Meurant as agent for the Wesleyan Missionary Society purchased from the Maori people the property now administered by the Grey Institute Trust. The original area of purchase was 100 acres.

On 27th March 1850, after the ownership of areas in New Plymouth had been examined by Commissioner Spain, the Crown Title was issued to the then Superintendent of the Methodist work in New Zealand—"to hold unto the said Rev. Walter Lawry in the superintendence of the said Mission forever". This document made no mention of any specific trust for the education of the Maori people.

In 1870 the Conference adopted a recommendation from the then Trustees, "That the several estates vested in the Trustees be no longer termed 'Mission Properties' but that they all be included in the designation of 'Connexional Properties'."

In 1871 we find record of the Trustees being known as 'Trustees of the Wesleyan Connexional Property in the Northern District of New Zealand'.

In July 1902, after certain claims had been made that the original Crown Grant of 27th March, 1850, was for the purpose of educating children of the Maori race, the Government lodged a caveat against the Title requiring the Trustees to support their Title to the property. After a careful examination of all the relevant documents, Mr Oliver Samuel prepared a report which was submitted to the Government. The caveat was withdrawn and the Trustees proceeded to sub-divide a portion of the property.

6. Findings:

From the foregoing the Commission is of the opinion that the purchase of the land was for the furtherance of the general purposes of the Wesleyan Missionary Society. The Commission has been unable to secure any information that would either define the range or limit the extent of its purposes other than what is revealed through the years to be the predominant, if not total, usage of its funds.

In this connection a study of the records has made it clear that through the years there has sometimes been a dual, though not contradictory, use of the income of the Trust.

1. There can be no doubt that the predominant portion of the funds of the Trust have been paid either direct to the present Home and Maori Mission Department or its predecessors, or have been directed to particular causes with their knowledge and consent, e.g. Rangiatea Maori Girls' Hostel.

The Home and Maori Mission Department have invariably, if not exclusively, used the funds so received for Maori work, firmly believing this to be the purpose for which the Trust exists.

2. From time to time certain sums have been paid by the Trust to the local Circuit for what are commonly called Circuit purposes or for the maintenancet of the property and parsonage connected with work of the Maori Minister resident in New Plymouth.

It is the judgment of the Commission that when the land was purchased the Wesleyan Missionary Society was primarily and predominantly concerned for the proclamation of the Gospel among the Maori people, but it is unthinkable to believe that the Society was totally unconcerned for the spiritual welfare of the new settlers who had already arrived or were likely to come to this land.

The evidence reveals clearly that over the years a very high percentage of the total funds of the Trust have been expended in the interests of the welfare of the Maori people, and in the judgment of the Commission this policy should be continued. At the same time the Commission believes that both the circumstances pertaining at the time of the inception of the Trust and those obtaining today place some responsibility on the Trust to recognise and support the claims of the total mission of the Church.

It is the intention of the Commission to make recommendations along these lines.

7. Summary:

In summary the Commission bases its recommendations on the following considerations:

(1) The original purchase of the land by the Wesleyan Missionary Society was in effect an action of the Methodist Church at what today we call Connexional level and not the act of a local Trust already established in Taranaki.

(2) While the main purpose of the Wesleyan Missionary Society at that time was undoubtedly missionary work among the Maoris, the then and future needs of the European section of the population must have come within their purview.

(3) The transference of the location of the Trust in 1872-1874 to Taranaki was an act of administrative convenience at Connexional level and not the gifting of the property to a local Trust for local purposes.

(4) The area of work in which the funds of the Trust have been used predominantly in the past, i.e. Maori work, and the method by which these funds have been distributed, i.e. through the Home and Maori Mission Department or with its knowledge and consent, establish both a responsibility and a relationship which ought not to be disregarded by either the Trust or the Conference in determining the future use of the funds of the Trust.

(5) The present and the likely future income of the Trust, together with the changing challenge to the Church, are such that it would not be inconsistent with the purposes of the Society which originated the Trust for some pertion of its funds to be expended in European work.

Recommendation:

That the Grey Institute Trust, after consultation with the Home and Maori Mission Department, present annually to Conference recommendations for the distribution of its surplus income.

In making its recommendations the Trust be asked to take account of the following factors:

- (a) The history of the usage of the funds of the Trust in support of the Maori work.
- (b) The circumstances in which the ministry of the Church among the Maori people must be exercised.
- (c) Particular instances of need or opportunity in the general work of the Church which might be assisted from the funds of the Trust.

Conclusion:

In formulating the foregoing recommendation the Commission has sought to bring together in their right relationships, the Trust, the Home and Maori Mission Department, and the Conference. In doing so it has sought to give to each the maximum amount of rightful independence but within the framework of that deeper interdependence which is the real strength of our connexionalism.

Acknowledgements:

The Commission desires to express its thanks to the Trust and the Department, the President's Legal Adviser and the General Secretary for the valuable assistance given in every way. In particular, the work of the Secretary to the Commission, the Rev. W. J. Cable, has been of a very high order in every respect.

> W. R. FRANCIS, President. G. H. GOODMAN, A. C. BARRINGTON, V. R. JAMIESON, B. E. WOODHAMS, and R. T. GARLICK,

> > Members of the Commission.

ADDENDUM TO THE REPORT

In the pursuance of its task the Commission became aware of the possible importance and relevance of its findings to other Connexional Trusts.

From its investigations it would appear that some Connexional Trusts act in different ways in relation to the same matters, e.g. the nomination and appointment of Trustees. These differences of action lead to confusion of understanding or divergence of conviction concerning the rights and responsibilities of any particular Trust.

concerning the rights and responsibilities of any particular Trust. It is the opinion of the Commission that there is a very real need to clarify and codify the present-day position of the Church to a number of such matters. These are listed as follows:

- 1. Definition of distinction between 'local' and 'Connexional' Trusts.
- 2. The nomination and appointment of Trustees to Connexional Trusts.
- 3. Chairmanship of Connexional Trusts.
- 4. Obligations of Connexional Trusts to present Reports, Financial Statements and Recommendations to Conference.

W. R. FRANCIS, President.

Distinction Between "Local" and "Connexional Trusts

(1969 Minutes page 182-83)

Addendum to Report of Commission on Future of the Grey Institute Trust

In the Commission's Report, reference is made to a Presidential Ruling, relating to the Chairmanship of the Kai Iwi Trust. The ruling relates, inter alia, "There are two classes of property held by the Methodist Church (i) Property held for the use and benefit of the people of the place in which the property itself is situated, such as Church and Parsonage sites. Most of this property was bought by the people themselves or donated to the Church for their use, and as such is secured on the Model Deed which provides that the respective Superintendents of the Circuits in which these properties are shall be Chairman of the Trusts. (ii) Property held for general Connexional purposes, educational or mission. The administration of such property is under the direct control of the Conference, which receives and disburses the income derived from them. Most, if not all, of this class of property was either bought out of the general funds of the Church, or was donated to the Church and is designated Connexional Property, the Balance Sheets being presented annually to the Conference and needing Conference endorsement".

There is no change in the position today. The Church still has two classes of property:

(1) Local Trusts

Property held for the use and benefit of the people of the place in which the property itself is situated.

Examples of such trust are Church and parsonage sites. Such trusts are all held upon the Trusts of the Model Deed.

(2) Connexional Trusts

The Connexional Trust is held for general Connexional purposes, Educational or Mission. Such Trusts are established either out of the general funds of the Church, including its Departments or the property comprising the trust has been given to or purchased by funds given to the Church or its Departments as a whole and not for the benefit of any particular place, places or people.

Some properties, the subject of a Connexional Trust are held under the Model Deed, some by incorporated Boards, some under statutory authority.

Most connexional trusts operate under Deeds or Declarations of Trust creating the Trust or in pursuance to the provisions of a Will.

Some have been created by the Conference and operate under the resolution of the Conference.

Chairmanship of Trustees

With all local Trusts the Superintendent Minister of the Circuit in which the property is situated, or his duly appointed deputy is chairman of the Trust. (Model Deed Section (28).

In the case of a Connexional Trust, reference must be made to the Deed or Declaration of Trust or resolution of Conference setting up the Trust. In most cases the personnel of the Trust or Trust Board including the Chairman will be appointed by resolution of Conference each year. Connexional Trusts are often held by Trustees under Model Deed. For most of these each year Conference appoints Trustees including the Chairman. In such case notwithstanding the fact the property is held under the Model Deed, the Chairman will be the person appointed by Conference.

This has been the Church's practice and usage for many years and is well established as part of the law of the Church.

There may be one or two cases where no such appointments are made by Conference. In such cases the provision of the Model Deed will apply and the Chairman will be the Superintendent Minister of the Circuit in which the property is situated.

Reports to Conference

All connexional Trusts are bound by the provisions of the Declaration or other instrument of Trust creating them. In most cases there are obligations to report and submit financial obligations to Conference.

Should there be no such provisions, then Conference can if it thinks fit require that annual reports and financial statements be submitted to it.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report of the Commission concerning the future use of the income of the Grey Institute Trust be received and decision be postponed until Conference 1971 when both the Home Mission Department and the Grey Institute Trust can state their cases to a special Committee of Detail appointed by the President and the Secretary.

2. That the Grey Institute Trust and the Home Mission Board be given permission to consult together to make a joint recommendation to the President regarding the disposition of accumulated surplus income for year ended June 30, 1970.

7. Kai Iwi Mission Estate

RESOLUTION

1. That the Financial Statements be received and adopted.

8. The Robert Gibson Methodist Trust Board

RESOLUTION

1. That the Financial Statements be received and adopted.

Question 41-What are the resolutions of the Conference in regard to:-

(A) Home Mission and Church Extension Department

(The Methodist Church) "reaffirms her conviction that it is the Will of God for His Church in this age that she should seek to express her inner unity in Christ Jesus in terms unmistakable to the world, and also that she should use her resources in a manner that will transcend all denominational rivalry and best promote the interests of the Kingdom of God."—1952 Minutes, page 161.

This excerpt from our Minutes is almost identical with a proposition affirmed by the Presbyterian Assembly in 1951, and formed part of a Presbyterian statement relating to the Unity of the Church and Church Union.

Because it is easier and less demanding and frustrating to live and work within denominational structures it took a long time for the convictions stated above to be expressed in action, but now the message is catching on and all over the country people of the negotiating churches, and particularly the Presbyterian and Methodist, are seeking ways of co-operation so that resources may be more effectively used in Mission. This is God's doing.

Co-operation Between the Churches:

(a) Union Parishes: At the close of last Conference another seven parishes came into being, making the total twenty-three. Since then the President after all the steps had been approved, authorised the inauguration of Union Parishes at Foxton, and at Alexandra-Clyde. Discussions are now proceeding with a view to establishing Union Parishes as from the beginning of next year at Greymouth, Featherston, Greytown, Carterton, Kuripuni, Picton, Inglewood and Oxford.

(b) Union Parishes and Budget Allocations: Consultations took place during the year between representatives of the Home Ministry Committee and the Home Mission Department and the Treasurers of both churches which resulted in agreement as to the methods and principles by which the allocation of the Budgets of the Presbyterian and Methodist Churches would be worked out so that each Union Parish would receive one Budget amount which would be paid to one of the National Treasurers who would pay to his counterpart the other church's share. A detailed report of the method is now being circulated to Synods and Presbyteries, and will be confirmed by the forthcoming Conference.

(c) Closer Co-operation with the Presbyterian Home Ministry Committee: The Home Mission Department accepted the invitation of the Home Ministry Committee to meet with its representatives to confer regarding possible areas of co-operation. Two meetings were held in which a frank exchange of information regarding policy and resources took place which established a firm basis for future collaboration. It was agreed that liaison between the two committees be maintained; that encouragement be given for consultations at District/Presbytery level between the Home Ministry Committee and the equivalent Committee of the Synod on all matters relating to co-operation, the formation of union parishes, and church extension; and that the sub-committees of the Home Mission Board and the Presbyterian Home Ministry Committee on "Union Parishes and Co-operative Ventures" set up a small representative liaison committee which will meet probably at Palmerston North at stated times during the year in order to co-ordinate the advice and guidance to be given to the churches engaged in Union Parish formation, etc.

(d) **Preparation of Guide Lines for Union Parish Formation:** With the encouragement of the Joint Commission on Church Union National Committee on Church Extension, the Methodist and Presbyterian sub-committees on "Union Parishes and Co-operative Ventures" have now produced duplicated material which offers suggestions and guidance with regard to procedures to be followed in establishing Union Parishes, together with an exposition of the models for parish government which are possible within the Standard Rules accepted by the churches. This material should save a vast amount of time and correspondence.

(i) Joint Use Churches: The Turangi Joint Use Church to be used 1. the Anglican Parochial District and the Union Parish was opened on May 31st and is another worthy demonstration of what is possib¹, when the resources of the churches are shared.

(f) J.C.C.U. National Committee on Church Extension: The Home Mission Board draws the attention of the Synods and Quarterly Meetings to the memorandum relating to co-operation between the churches in **rural and marginal areas**, now being printed and circulated to all churches for serious study and implementation. It urges that its proposals for co-operation between the negotiating churches through joint planning, combined use of resources in ministry and buildings, the development of team ministries across denominational lines are possible ways by which the churches can provide worthy Christian Education programmes and a viable social life for their members in areas faced with static or declining populations.

(g) Other forms of co-operation: The adoption by the General Synod of the Church of the Province of New Zealand of a Statute on "admission to Holy Communion" opens up possibilities of co-operation at the deeper level with Anglican churches, which could even include the development of joint or shared ministries. One or two proposals along this line are being examined. The J.C.C.U. National Committee is exploring the possibilities which can arise from this Statute.

DEVELOPMENT FUND AND CHURCH EXTENSION

As will be seen in the report from the Church Building and Loan Fund there is a credit balance in the Church Extension section of the Development Fund largely because there has been a halt in the building programme of our circuits, in part due to a reassessment of the needs of the churches in the light of the present reaching after ways of closer co-operation through the establishment of joint-use buildings. The Board urges that this Fund be maintained for it is convinced that the present reaction against 'bricks and mortar' will soon give place to the realisation that the People of God need 'meeting places' and new types of buildings for ministry will be established. The Methodist Church will need resources in order to meet its share of joint planning of buildings for mission.

MINISTERS AND MINISTRY:

From a recent survey of staffing requirements the Board is concerned that this forthcoming Conference will be faced with one of the most difficult stationing situations it has experienced in recent years, in that there will not be sufficient men available to balance the retirements, the possible withdrawals, and those being given permission to serve on special ministries. The Church will need the services of at least four and possibly six "supplies" such as 'supernumeraries' or 'experienced lay preachers' who will offer to serve for a period. It will also need to re-examine some of its present appointments so that by amalgamation of circuits or churches and withdrawal of ministers it may appoint its available ministers to the best advantage.

The shortage of ministers is not all loss if it compels the connexion to re-examine the use it makes of its ministers, and leads to the re-discovery of the basic ministry which lies within every congregation. It could be that the shortage of ministers may lead congregations to utilise the gifts of their members—and free the Church to explore the possibilities inherent in group or team ministries.

The Board however, continues to urge circuits to seek out likely young men and women and encourage them to offer as candidates for the ministry, for whatever the changes in our approach to ministry there will always be need for those who have been trained as Ministers of Word and Sacrament and Pastoral Care to serve the People of God and assist each member to use his gifts for ministry and service in the world. Our Methodist Church needs at least 8 candidates a year in order to maintain its ministry.

EPWORTH BOOKROOM AND COMMISSION: 1969 Minutes, page 187, No. 5.

The Committee met in Auckland on May 13th and examined its present position and the possible alternatives before the Literature and Colporteur Committee such as (a) closing the shop in the Central Mission buildings, (b) moving to a cheaper site, or (c) re-establishing the shop as an ecumenical enterprise with the co-operation of the other negotiating churches in its present premises or on a new site.

As the Presbyterian Bookroom Committee had indicated that it wasn't interested in co-operation in this matter in Auckland, it was decided that an approach be made to the Anglican Diocese of Auckland with a view to discovering whether it would be prepared to join with the Literature and Colporteur Society in establishing a joint Bookroom with or without the Presbyterians using the resources of the Epworth Bookroom as a base. The Anglican authorities have replied that they are examining the proposal. The Commission is to meet again when it has a definite reply.

The Board expresses its gratitude to the Trustees of the Auckland Central Mission for the very generous assistance it gave to the Bookroom for the year ending 30th June, 1970, by allowing the premises to be used rent free for six months. This has been a considerable help to the Bookroom. While there has been a slight increase in turnover, it has not been sufficient to prevent further loss. We again express our thanks to the Manager and his staff for their loyal service in very trying circumstances.

INVESTMENT FUNDS BOARD:

In addition to maintaining the Parsonages, Centres and Hostels connected with its own work, the Board continues to serve the Connexion by making available loan money at 31% interest to trusts engaged in providing buildings. It has also extended its usefulness by receiving deposits as loans at call on which it pays up to 32% interest. This makes more cheap money available.

For the year ending 31st July, 1970, it advanced 17 loans totalling \$51,188 to Trusts and Circuits, and received in Instalment repayments of Principal \$38,698. It received \$17,573 as Loans at Call, and repaid \$32,697.

The Board again invites members and trusts to help provide Loan money at a nominal rate of interest by investing savings and monies as Loans at Call.

monies as Loans at Call. Legacies—The Board gratefully acknowledges receipt of 11 Legacies during the year totalling \$20,102. The names of the donors are published in the Annual Accounts. Except for Special Grants to meet urgent capital needs within the Connexion and its own affairs, the Board is using the balances in the Legacy Disbursement Account to meet the short fall in the funds it receives from the Connexional Budget, thus limiting its call on the Bank for overdraft accommodation.

ASSOCIATE SUPERINTENDENT:

The Board has much pleasure in asking that the Conference appoint the Rev. R. D. Rakena as Associate Superintendent for a further term.

OBITUARIES:

The Board was saddened recently at the death of the Rev. W. H. Wilson, a retired Home Missionary. It also regrets that it has to report the death of Mr W. T. Slater who has been a member of the Home Mission Board since 1960 and took a keen interest in its work.

CONCLUSION:

While much of this report tells of co-operation between the churches, we have to realise that even if a closer unity in mission is achieved, we have no guarantee of success. We are called to wrestle with the urgent problem of how "to commend Jesus Christ and His Gospel to an evil, and adulterous and terribly bewildered generation." This is the objective of all our structural re-organisation.

R. F. CLEMENT, Chairman.

D. G. SHERSON, Secretary.

B. M. CHRYSTALL, General Superintendent.

R. D. RAKENA, Associate Superintendent.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report and financial statements be received and adopted.

2. Financial Statements: That the Accounts and Estimates for 1971, with the appropriate adjustments to grants, be adopted.

3. That the Rev. R. D. Rakena having been designated for appointment as Associate Superintendent at last Conference, be appointed for a further term.

4. That where not already established, Synod re-establish appropriate district committees so that at least annually, they may confer with Presbyterian Home Ministry Committees on matters relating to co-operative ventures and church extension, the applications from Union Parishes for assistance from the parent churches, and the allocation of the Budget amount required from the Parishes.

5. That District Synods consider the J.C.C.U. Memorandum on co-operation in rural and marginal areas with a view to implementing any of the proposals that may be relevant within the District. 6. That in making application for Home Mission grants, in addition to the information already required, Circuits furnish data justifying the amount applied for.

7. That having received the interim report of the Commission and the Financial Statements of the Epworth Bookroom (Auckland), Conference asks the Commission to report on the future of the Bookroom by next Conference.

8. That Conference authorises the Home Mission Board to take advantage of the reduction of staffing in Kaikohe-Bay of Islands, and the Western Southland Circuits to make special grants to assist in reducing the debts in the circuit accounts.

9. That the Treasurers for 1971 be the Rev. R. D. Rakena and Mr B. O. Stokes.

10. That the Home Mission Board for 1971 be as printed on page 8 herein.

DISTRICT HOME MISSION CONVENERS

Northland-Rev. F. L. Johnson.

Auckland-Rev. H. W. Kitchingman.

Waikato-Bay of Plenty-Rev. T. L. Bennett.

Taranaki-Wanganui-Rev. A. O. Jones.

Hawkes Bay-Mr P. Barker.

Manawatu-Rev. M. G. Rutherford.

Wellington-District Financial Secretary (Mr T. M. Pacey).

Nelson-Rev. W. Morrison.

North Canterbury-Mr N. P. Alcorn.

South Canterbury-Rev. H. C. Matthews.

Otago-Southland-Mr L. H. Major.

Union Parish Budgets and Related Matters

A METHODIST — PRESBYTERIAN REPORT

Preamble:

In order to rectify certain anomalies concerning Budget assessments and other matters in Union Parishes, the Presbyterian Home Ministry Committee and the Methodist Home Mission Department appointed a representative committee including the Treasurers of both Churches to consider and recommend necessary modifications of the usual practices. These have now been agreed upon and are reported to the Conference and General Assembly for confirmation and ratification.

1. Oversight:

It has been agreed that the Presbyterian Church should be responsible for initiating and giving oversight to the procedural changes as detailed.

2. National Budgets:

It has been agreed that in order to arrive at the allocation of the Budget to Union Parishes, the Methodist Connexional Budget be reduced to meeting the same items as the Presbyterian Budget by taking out allocations for the Supernumerary Fund, the Home Missionary Retiring Fund, the Deaconess Retiring Fund, the Lay Missionary Retiring Fund, the Removal Expenses Fund and the Children's Fund. The resultant Methodist Budget would then be added to the Presbyterian Budget, and the total divided by the total membership of both churches would give the amount per member to be used as a starting point for the application of the Budget to the Union Parishes.

3. Adjustment to the Methodist Budget:

As the Union Parishes will be meeting the payment to the Supernumerary Fund by another assessment, and will not be participating in the benefits of the Removal Expenses Fund, or the Children's Fund, the Methodist Connexional Budget will be reduced by deducting the Methodist members' share of the foregoing three items.

4. Supernumerary and Beneficiary Funds:

It has been agreed that all Union Parishes, whether settled or vacant, should have one Superannuation assessment calculated by adding together the following:—

Presbyterian: 75% of 131% of the Stipend.

Methodist: Multiply Methodist Members on the roll by the total amount required nationally for the Supernumary Funds and Retiring Funds divided by the total Methodist membership.

The resultant amount would be rendered in October each year to each Union Parish, payable to one National Treasurer who will remit to his counterpart the appropriate proportion.

If a Union Parish has more than one Presbyterian Minister, Presbyterian assessment is increased accordingly.

Ministers' personal contributions to the Beneficiary or Supernumerary Fund will continue to be dealt with as at present.

5. Removal Expenses:

It is recommended that all Union Parishes irrespective of ministry should meet their own Removal Expenses. Methodist church provision for union parishes would then be deleted from the Methodist Connexional Budget. (see paragraphs 2 and 3 above).

Should Union Parishes require assistance towards Removal Expenses such would be shared on a proportionate basis by the Presbyterian Home Ministry Committee and the Methodist Home Mission Department.

6. Children's Fund:

It is recommended that in view of the recommendation that the Presbyterian basic stipend and Expense Allowance of \$100 be applied in all Union Parishes irrespective of Ministry, Methodist Ministers in Union Parishes should cease to be eligible for the Methodist Child Allowances, and the saving would be deleted from the Methodist Budget (paragraphs 2 and 3).

7. Stipends:

It is recommended that all Union Parishes irrespective of the denominational affiliation of the minister(s) should pay the Presbyterian basic stipend and expenses allowance. Because of the higher rate it is expected that Methodist Ministers could provide their own manse/parsonage furnishings receiving if necessary loan assistance at nominal interest to do so. (It is suggested that the Methodist Home Mission Department consider augmenting the Presbyterian Ministers' Loan Fund with capital to provide additional resources). No difficulty is anticipated when a Methodist minister on the above basis returns to a Methodist parsonage. Note: It is recommended that all Union Manses or Parsonages be brought into line with the Presbyterian requirements as far as furnishings are concerned, namely the provision of:—

- (a) Adequate floor coverings for study, living room, lounge, stairway, bathroom and toilet.
- (b) Built in wardrobes.
- (c) Adequate shelving in study.
- (d) Standard type washing machine.

8. Budget Allocations:

Using the 1970/71 National Budget Figures, as an example, and with the recommendations in Paragraphs 4, 5 and 6 adopted, the following illustrates the principles to be followed in breaking down the National Budget figures and allocating one amount to each Union Parish.

Methodist Budget Deduct Items as para 2 and 3	\$355,442 58,117	
Presbyterian	297,325 630,000	Members 31,905 Members 89,032
	927,325	120,937

An arithmetical per capita amount is thus \$7.67 per member, and it is intended that this figure be the starting point from which one **budget allocation** only is given to Union Parishes. Allocations can be adjusted as required in regional or parish circumstances, and allowed for when allocation of the balance of Presbytery and Synod quotas is made to purely Presbyterian Parishes and Methodist Circuits. If a Union Parish cannot take up an appropriate basic allocation then Presbyterian parishes and Methodist Circuits must be given an increased allocation to compensate.

In view of the fact that the Methodist Budget is allocated to Synods and then to Circuits much in advance of Presbyterian allocations, there will need to be advance consultation at district level on above, but leaving precise allocation to Union Parishes until the Presbyterian figures are known, about June each year. It is recommended that there be consultation at Presbytery-Synod

It is recommended that there be consultation at Presbytery-Synod level concerning allocation to Union Parishes and any necessary adjustments.

9. Budget Remittances:

It is agreed that all remittances be made to one National Treasurer who will remit to his counterpart an agreed share. (e.g. The Methodist share in 1970-71 would be 32.07% of the total received.)

10. Grants:

It is suggested that Grants to aid Union Parishes should be arranged through joint consultation at Presbytery/Synod level before submission to the respective church courts. Each church will pay its share of the total grant separately as at present.

11. Increments for Service:

Union Parishes will pay the required assessment on Presbyterian members as at present.

12. Implementation:

It was agreed that with the exception of the recommendation concerning common stipend in paragraph 7 which has to go to Conference, that all other procedural changes commence as soon as possible and apply to all Union Parishes operating at the 30th April each year.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

2. That Conference confirms the action of the Home Mission Department in accepting the principles set out in the Report for immediate implementation.

3. That as from the 1st January 1971, all ministers in Union Parishes be paid at the basic Presbyterian stipend rate plus an Expense Allowance and cease drawing allowances from the Children's Fund.

Question 41 (b): Maori Mission?

Methodist Maori Mission

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Our first word is one of thanksgiving for the life and witness of the Right Rev. Wiremu Netana Panapa, C.B.E., and of Sister Jean Milroy who died during the year.

Milroy who died during the year. The Right Rev. W. N. Panapa was the second Maori Bishop of Aotearoa who because of his work on the Maori Section of the National Council of Churches and on the Maori Bible Revision Committee became a much loved and trusted leader amongst our people.

Sister Jean Milroy of the Presbyterian Maori Synod was associated with the Maori Section of the National Council of Churches since its inception, and her gracious influence will be sadly missed.

Our own church has also suffered from the death of the Rev. Te Iwikau Waaka, an Honorary Maori Home Missionary in the Rotorua District since 1952. We extend our sympathy to Mrs Waaka, his son, the Rev. Napi Waaka, and the other members of the family.

Staffing:

Ministers and Home Missionaries: We welcome to our staff Rewe Tautari (Wiamio, Northland) and George Taha (Glen Massey, Waikato), who with the support of their circuits and the recommendation of the Maori Policy Committee and Board were appointed by the President as Honorary Maori Home Missionaries.

President as Honorary Maori Home Missionaries. The Mission looks forward to the ordination at this Conference of Morehu Te Whare and Moke A. G. Couch, which will bring the number of Maori Ministers in active work to 10, which is the largest number in our history.

As far as our Maori Circuit organisation is concerned, the Board can see no prospect of securing an ordained minister as Superintendent for the Northland Circuit. It will have to reply upon the leadership which Mr Rakena may be able to give as "acting Superintendent" to support the Home Missionaries and Deaconesses.

Deaconesses: Although not directly under the control of the Maori Mission, the Board wishes to acknowledge with appreciation the great contribution which Sister Evelyn Marriott made to the life of the Church as matron of Rangiatea Hostel for over 30 years. We join with others in wishing her happiness in her marriage. The Board is concerned at the inability of the Church to supply sufficient trained Deaconesses to fill the appointments that are vacant. The Board regrets that in spite of extensive enquiries and advertisements, it was not able to fill the vacant appointments at Hawera and Hamilton.

At the end of this year, Miss Joan Wayatt-Spratt who has served us faithfully as a "supply" for 2 years at Opunake will be returning to Australia.

The Board would be pleased to receive applications for service as "Supply" Deaconesses from mature women who have had some experience as teachers or nurses and are intimately acquainted with church life and work. The Board appeals to the Church to assist it in filling at least **three** of its vacant appointments.

Maori Policy Committee:

Meeting twice a year, in April and November/December, this representative Committee continues to provide leadership for the work of the Circuits and guidance to the Board on Maori matters.

It has arranged for visits to the Ratana Pa, to Marlborough, Dunedin, Invercargill and Christchurch. Some visits will be carried out nearer the time of Conference.

In addition to the routine examination of every aspect of Maori Mission work this year it has had one or two special matters to consider and it reports on these as follows:

(1) Abolition of Maori Circuits etc. 1969 Minutes, page 192, Resolution No. 4.

The Maori Policy Committee was asked to examine this resolution, which asked the Structure Committee to examine the possibility of abolishing the Maori Circuits "and arranging for the work at present being done to be the responsibility of the present circuits in the areas concerned." It reported to the Structure Committee that the content of the resolution was in direct opposition to the expressed wishes of the Maori members, and that it could not support the proposal and it made the observations:

1. The Resolution reveals a failure of many of our Pakeha members to hear what our Maori members are trying to say, but rather deciding how they are to express their faith.

2. The Church's mission to the Maori peoples as a whole will only be fully effective if exercised by Maori people themselves as an integral part of the Church.

3. The Maori membership must continue seeking to give expression to its own response to Christ if it is ultimately to make its own distinctive contribution to the total life and witness and service of the Church.

This it can do better within the context of a fully Maori-Orientated structure and programme of work.

4. The Church's Mission to the Maori people as a whole will be most effective when exercised by Maori people as a rightful entity within the whole church.

(2) The Control of the Maori Mission: The Structure Committee also sought the advice of the Maori Policy Committee as to whether the Maori Mission should be structured as part of the present Home Mission Department, or put under the control of a separate Maori Board. The proposals were submitted to the Maori Circuits, with the result that four out of the five circuits indicated that they would prefer to be led by a separate Maori Board, and one circuit indicated that it believed that 'Maoriness' could be provided for in the present structure. These findings were passed on to the Structure Committee along with the supporting arguments presented by the circuits.

(3) Plan for Union: Introduced to our people at the Hui-a-tau held at Ngaruawahia over the Labour Day weekend in 1969, the April meeting of the Maori Policy Committee gave further consideration to the Plan for Union and authorised the preparation of a simple statement on the principles on which the Plan was constructed for the consideration of Regional and Circuit meetings. The Committee was concerned that the Joint Commission on Church Union should provide within the structure of the United Church, sufficient flexibility to allow Maori identity to remain intact. Its members emphasised strongly the need for diversity within the Church, and the hope that it would be possible for the United Church to develop strong links with the members of other churches such as Ratana and Ringatu. It hoped that sufficient time would be given to a consideration of the kind of participation within the United Church that would fulfil the aspirations of Maori members.

The Plan is still being considered by the Circuits.

Christian Education:

In most areas the new curriculum material is being used or adapted for use in our Sunday School groups. We acknowledge with appreciation and thanks the supplementary financial assistance provided by the Methodist Women's Fellowship through the allocation of Stamp monies for this purpose.

Hostels:

"Te Rahui Tane", Hamilton: The second stage of the development of this Hostel was completed towards the end of last year, and at the beginning of this year, the Hostel accommodation was completely taken up with 42 Maori Trade Trainees being trained under the Department of Maori and Island Affairs. The final cost of the Hostel with furnishings and equipment totalled \$138,194. Towards this total the Department received \$60,128 in Government Subsidy, \$28,281 from the disposal of the former Hostel, and a total of \$9,140, including \$5,000 from the Methodist Women's Fellowship Special Objective in donations and gifts, leaving the total debt at the 31st July, 1970 as \$40,645. This will be further reduced when the proceeds from the current Special Objective of the Methodist Women's Fellowship are received.

For the year ending the 31st March, 1970, there was an operating loss on the Hostel of \$1,031 which was met by a Grant from the Department of Maori Affairs. With the increased accommodation fully taken up at the beginning of this year and the new scheme of assistance for Hostels being used by the Department of Maori and Island Affairs for its training schemes there should be no loss on this Hostel in this current year.

"Te Rahui Wahine", Hamilton: This Hostel had an extremely good year and closed its financial year with a surplus. However, this will soon be used because certain renovations have to be carried out to meet the requirements of the new fire regulations. The Hostel at present provides a home for 4 secondary school girls and for some 20 working girls.

"Seamer House", Auckland: Sister Anne Wilson, the Matron of this Hostel has had a very trying year in that the Hostel is not full, and the girls she has tend to become very restless and seek out flats so that they may be free of supervision. It is our hope that very soon the Hostel may be full again. In the meantime, the losses on this Hostel are being met from accumulated funds.

J. R. McKenzie Trust: We record our thanks for the way in which this Trust assisted the three Hostels under our supervision by making Grants of \$350 for each Hostel.

Encouraging the Learning of the Maori Language:

For some reason the Resolution of the 1969 Conference referring a Notice of Motion relating to the encouragement of our people to learn the Maori language to the Home Mission Board was not printed in the Minutes. But the Maori Policy Committee worked on the motion and the following statement is an abstract of its report to the Board.

Awareness of a growing change in attitude toward the teaching and learning of the Maori language, although a very belated one, is nevertheless a change which the Maori Mission is most gratified to discern, and welcomes whole-heartedly. It sees this increasing acknowledgement of the importance of the Maori language as a further recognition of the Maori people and their right to retain and develop the gifts peculiar to their own cultural heritage. It further sees this growing awareness as more than the token attempt which, in general, the Pakeha has tended to make in realising our relationship as two people in terms of *integration*.

Of all sections within the community, undoubtedly it is the Church which should be seen to be the most concerned for and active in, the forging of deeper and more fruitful human relationships. Insofar as Maori and Pakeha are concerned, the Maori language is an important key. Good though our present relationship is, there is little doubt that it would have been better still had the goals of bi-lingualism and bi-culturalism not been discarded and virtually rejected, following the latter half of the last century.

Much surely has been lost: to the Maori people themselves; to the Pakeha and to the nature of the relationship between Maori and Pakeha which subsequently emerged. Therefore, in order to derive maximum benefit from what still remains, it is believed that urgent decisions and action in the teaching and learning of the Maori language are imperative. And in this matter, the Maori Mission believes the Church has a crucial role to fulfil.

A comprehensive list of reasons indicating why the teaching and learning of the Maori language should be encouraged was featured in the July 16 issue of the N.Z. Methodist this year. These we would endorse and refer to any who still wonder why the language should be considered important.

Over the past few years the attention of Conference has been drawn to the need for those engaged specifically in the Maori field, to have a working knowledge of the Maori language. In order to meet this need, the Maori Mission has since endeavoured to hold regular language schools for its staff and leaders, and generally encourage them to acquire greater competence. Present trends, however, are underlining the needs for those who are not of the Maori Mission staff to have such a working knowledge as well. Therefore, we think that a more serious attempt is called for to ensure that all students for the Ministry and Deaconess order receive a thorough grounding in the Maori language.

The Effectiveness of Maori Education:

(1968 Minutes of Conference: Resolution 2, page 213)

The issues raised by the resolution are almost identical to those posed by a similar resolution referred to the Committee on Public Questions. We gratefully acknowledge the very helpful and comprehensive report which the Public Questions Committee has produced. In reporting so fully it has left us with little to add, except perhaps by way of underlining.

The concensus has been held for many years now, that the only effective way to reduce and finally eliminate existing social and economic disparities between Maori and Pakeha, is by raising and sustaining the level of Maori education. Toward this end, a great deal of energy has been expended throughout this last decade. The efforts have not been in vain, as the relevant statistics reveal. Nevertheless, ideal ratios (in respect to: school leavers with some qualifications; trade training, Teachers' College, and University Entrants, advanced academic qualifications; skilled and professional occupations etc.) continue to be as elusive as ever. For instance, although the percentage of Maori School leavers with School Certificate increased from 6.1% to 11.6% between 1961 and 1968, in the same period the non-Maori percentage increased from 32.5% to 47%. To reiterate a point made by the New Zealand Educational Institute, Maori Education programmes are not working fast enough to match the rate of national changes.

There is obvious need to intensify current efforts all round and in some instances, to extend. The increasing urban Maori population calls for the establishing of a far greater number of play centres and kindergartens with adequate equipment and trained personnel in the urban centres. As more school rolls reveal an increasing percentage of Maori children, the more will be the need for "special service" attention. Teachers, of course, exercise one of the key rolls in the present Maori education programme, and their effectiveness will largely be determined by the training they receive at Teachers' Colleges. Appropriate courses, together with the appointment of those qualified to conduct them must therefore be seen to be an essential prescription for all Training Colleges.

In our view, however, the more fundamental question relating to the effectiveness of Maori Education centres on whether or not we are bent on having a New Zealand Soceity that is bi-cultural. For if bi-culturalism is intended then we need to take a good look at the end product of our existing educational policy and programme.

Having taken root in, and been nourished by, those years when the avowed goal for the Maori was to make him Pakeha in the shortest time possible, the present system remains basically one, whereby its end product is envisaged as someone who has been adequately equipped to play an effective part in a mono-cultural and not a bi-cultural society. To quote J. E. Watson, it "favours children who have been socialised in one rather than another part of the social structure of the community that nourishes them."

To realise the full implication of this state of affairs — one which has persisted for nigh on a whole century — is to gain a greater appreciation and understanding of the issues that really confront us. While other factors are inherent, this is seen to be the major factor affecting Maori educational attainment in general, and no doubt through the years, has contributed to both Maori parental and child inertia. In some contrast on the other hand, the traditional Maori Church boarding schools offer another picture altogether. To date their Maori rate of School Certificate and University successes have been up to four times that of state schools. A basic reason for this success is undoubtedly because the Maori child is initially accepted as "culturally different", and is prepared accordingly to play an effective a part as possible within a bi-cultural society. The "Save Queen Victoria" movement is based largely on the recognition of this fundamental principle.

Within this context, we believe there is ample scope for experimenting in terms of "bi-lingual schools" where Maori speaking communities remain relatively intact. English in such schools would be taught as a second language and as this approach is already being applied in other countries, e.g. the Cook Islands, it would not prove difficult to adapt relevant material to our New Zealand situation.

Especially since the turn of the last decade, considerable data has been amassed to point us, we believe, in the right direction with regard to more effective Maori Education. In the words of the New Zealand Educational Institute, all that virtually remains is for the country to decide to deploy all the resources at its disposal, and move accordingly.

- R. F. CLEMENT, Chairman.
- D. G. SHERSON, Secretary.
- B. M. CHRYSTALL, General Superintendent.
- R. D. RAKENA, Associate Superintendent.
- R. ROGERS, Senior Maori Superintendent,

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

2. That Conference express firm support for the teaching and learning of the Maori language and encourages all Methodists to foster a more positive attitude toward it within the community, and where possible avail themselves of the increasing opportunities to learn and/or teach it.

3. That Conference express support for current movements to have the Maori language integrated more fully into our New Zealand educational system.

4. That Conference request the New Zealand Broadcasting Corporation to explore ways and means of featuring more Maori spoken programmes on Radio and Television.

5. That the Board of Studies consider how best to give all students for the Ministry and Deaconess Order a working knowledge of the Maori language during their term in College.

6. That Conference urges the Government to increase substantially the amount of money made available to the Maori Education Foundation to enable more Maori young people advance their standard of education.

7. That Conference ask the Board of the N.Z. Methodist to consider printing a column in Maori in the paper.

OVERSEAS MISSIONS DEPARTMENT

ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1969-70

The year 1969-70 has demonstrated in several ways the changing times. With the death of the Rev. A. H. Scrivin, in 1969, an era ended. Fitting tribute was paid to him last Conference, but his passing not only took from the Church on earth a distinguished and faithful servant-one who was wise in his generation-but marked the end of an attitude to overseas misions work which in its day had achieved great things. It was an attitude of benevolent despotism at times; at its best a very deep and loving concern for God's people everywhere, and a very strong sense of commitment, both on the part of individuals and the Church, to the cause of Overseas Missions. While it is now easy to sit back and criticise its weaknesses and its failures, let us give thanks to God for its triumphs. The new era was heralded a few months later by the arrival in this country of the Rev. Aminasi Qalo, a Fijian Minister now serving with the United Church in Papua/ New Guinea and the Solomon Islands as a minister of the Highlands Region. Mr Qalo spoke to meetings up and down the country in the month he was here. He reminded us that a new day had come. His ability and his charm served to remind us of the contribution that the Churches overseas have to make to our life, and he spoke to us of the new era that has already come into being in the Churches of the South Pacific. The changes have not of course taken place just in this year, but it does seem that those two events symbolise the passing of the old and the arrival of the new. The Overseas Missions Board continues to seek to meet the challenge of the new and to continue to serve the Church both here and overseas to the limit of its ability.

MISSIONARY EDUCATION OF THE NEW ZEALAND CHURCH

The most important task facing the Board is to extend the Missionary education of the New Zealand Church so that Methodists up and down the country may understand the changes that are taking place and be able to share in the new Vision. It is not always easy for us to understand the full implications of this new era of partnership, when we no longer are able to pass resolutions which bind the Church overseas. Even young people in our Church do not realise that we can only suggest and recommend, and we must wait for the decision of our brother and sisters overseas. But perhaps even more difficult for our people to grasp is the fact that we have a great deal to learn from the Church overseas. The Department is seeking to create a mood of expectancy in the New Zealand church for the day cannot be long delayed when leaders of the Churches overseas particularly those of the South Pacific, will come to our shores, when they will bring to us new visions of the Gospel, and a new understanding of the Divine imperative that sends us out to Mission. Deputation by Missionaries of course will continue, for there is no substitute for people who themselves have worked with the Churches in which we are interested; but to this will be added two new dimensions. First, increasingly all deputation work must be on a shared basis, for we as Methodists are not alone in our calling to Mission overseas. We share very closely with our Presbyterian friends in the United Church Papua/New Guinea and the Solomon Islands, and

increasingly we will be called on to share with them and with others in other Missionary tasks. Secondly, it will not be very long before the worker who has been sent from this country to a Church overseas will be heard alongside workers who come to us from those same Churches overseas to speak of their work. The Department's task is to provide the background against which these deputation meetings, and the information that comes to us through press and radio, can be understood. In attempting to further this end a series of seminars have been held under the auspices of District Education Committees. These one-day meetings, usually on a Saturday, provide a number of hours of concentrated teaching, in which no attempt is made to discuss in detail the Church overseas, but rather to put its work into the context of the political, social and economic revolution of our time. These seminars will continue whenever D.E.C's request them. For some time past we have lacked adequate visual aids, but this gap is being bridged by three new films which will be available to us over the next 18 months. The first of them, called "Unichurch" is a 33 minute colour sound movie of the United Church in Papua/New Guinea and the Solomon Islands and is now in this country. It is the intention that, in conjunction with our Presbyterian friends, as many congregations as possible should have the opportunity to see these films before the end of 1970. Next year we hope to have two further films of the United Church, one of the Highlands region - which is a region of special promise and special difficulty — and the second on the Urban region, which covers the work in the towns of the New Guinea mainland. The Department is aware of its failure to provide adequate Missionary education for the young people of the Church, and a meeting is planned between the General Secretary and National Council of the C.Y.M.M. at which ways in which this need can be met will be explored.

PUBLICATION

The "Open Door" continues to be very well received by a section of our people. We have sought to create interest in it amongst Presbyterian folk since increasingly it becomes the journal of the United Church in Papua/New Guinea and the Solomon Islands. We have had some response in this direction and it seems possible that we are moving towards an era when a joint Mission publication may serve both our Churches. The Children's Missionary paper, "The Lotu", has been through a period of experimentation, and we have not yet settled on a final and suitable form for this journal. With the advent of the new Christian Life curriculum and the expense involved, a number of Sunday Schools have felt themselves unable to continue to pay for the "Lotu". There is, however, sufficient evidence that it is wanted and that it is serving a useful purpose, for us to continue its publication for the time being. The duplicated News sheet which goes out about three times a year, is now in its third year and has been very well received indeed. Through this medium, personal details about New Zealand staff and their work is made available to interested folk.

INTER-CHURCH CO-OPERATION

Relations with the Presbyterian Overseas Missions Committee are close and friendly, and we are encouraging Presbyteries and Synodal districts to work together in the field of Missionary education as well as the other aspects of their life. Our more limited contacts with other Churches, particularly those negotiating for Union, are well received, and when Union comes in New Zealand, a basis of understanding should be there on which Overseas Missions work can be continued.

STEWARDSHIP

The Department continues to be concerned about its Stewardship of the funds entrusted to it by the Church, and has for this reason continued to seek ways in which it may more effectively present its accounts and may make more effective use of its resources. At the invitation of the Board, the General Treasurer, Mr C. R. Hasseldine visited Auckland early in the year, and discussed with the officers a number of matters in this connection. His suggestion has been considered by the Board and will be taken into account as new procedures are implemented.

STAFF

The turnover of staff overseas continues at a high rate. During the year the Rev. B. W. Sides, assistant Bishop of Bougainville, and his family, returned to New Zealand, and Mr Sides was appointed to a New Zealand circuit. Mr & Mrs G. T. Dey from the Highlands returned to New Zealand permanently. Each of these gave long and outstanding service. It is a matter for some concern that there are comparatively few missionaries with more than six years' service in the regions of the United Church. This, at a time when Missionaries who will identify themselves deeply with the people, are more than ever needed. An interesting development among the appointments in this last year, has been that the appointees have not been limited to Methodists and the department has been involved in facilitating travel to the Islands by workers other than those appointed and supported by our Church. We were delighted to be able to accept the offer of service from Mr John Wishart as accountant at Munda in the Solomon Islands region. Mr Wishart had previously served as a Presbyterian Bible Class volunteer in the Papuan area. We were glad to be able to recommend to the United Church, Mr and Mrs Dave Golding for appointment to the printing press at East Cape, Papua. Mr & Mrs Golding are members of the Te Atatu Baptist Church. Misses Ailsa Thorburn and Eileen Schick, who had returned to New Zealand and retired, both offered again for service and have been reappointed. There continue to be a healthy number of volunteers among younger people, for service for limited terms.

CHURCH OVERSEAS

- (a) The United Church in Papua/New Guinea and the Solomon Islands. The Moderator's Report for 1969, together with a digest of the Bishop's report on each of the six regions, was published in the March isue of the "Open Door". A further report on the United Church will be contained in the supplementary agenda presented to Conference. The General Secretary will be visiting the United Church before Conference and will incorporate a report of this circuit in the supplementary report.
- (b) Tonga. We have had an appeal for help from the Free Wesleyan Church of Tonga. This country, which has recently become independent, faces grave economic difficulties and the Church shares the problems of the state. Submissions will be made to Synod and Conference as to ways in which we might respond to the appeal that has been made to us.

AUXILIARY AGENCIES

We owe a great debt of gratitude to the number of auxiliary agencies which supplement the work of the United Church at many

points. The British and Foreign Bible Society and its daughter societies in Australia and New Zealand contribute very largely to the work of translation being done in many places within the United Church. Missionary Aviation Fellowship continues to render inestimable service to us both in the highlands of New Guinea and in Bougainville on a regular basis, and from time to time in other parts of Papua New Guinea. Only those who have experienced the travelling conditions of an earlier generation and then had the fortune to cover the same ground again by courtesy of M.A.F. can really appreciate the value of their work. The Lepers' Trust Board of Christchurch, provides us with finance without which our medical work in the British Solomon Islands and in Bougainville would scarcely be possible, not only for leper work as such, but for the wider medical work which involves building up the health of the people, that they might be resistant to the scourge of leprosy. This is the task that the Lepers Trust Board have set themselves and this is the task which they assist us to perform. In Papua New Guinea proper, we get assistance from the Leprosy Mission, both at Tari in the Highlands and in the coastal areas. These examples remind us that the work of the Church everywhere is a co-operative enterprise and the Church's agencies come in many guises and from many countries.

THANKS

The Officers of the Board wish to give thanks for the co-operation and assistance of Board members and to express their appreciation of the staff in the office. Each of the ladies who works in the office has given considerable service to the Church, and made the task of the officers much easier.

Finally, we give thanks to Almighty God for His guidance through another year. We are constantly aware of the inadequacy of even our clearest visions, and the weakness of our best efforts, but there is a strong sense of partnership with the Divine, and as we look back we see how He has taken the efforts of the past and used them for good, and we trust to Him all that we have done through this last year, that He might use it for His purposes.

E. D. GROUNDS, Chairman.

G. G. CARTER, General Secretary.

RESOLUTION

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

Overseas Missions Department

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT

Since the main report was compiled, the General Secretary has travelled for eight weeks in the Pacific, seven of them in the United Church in Papua New Guinea and the Solomon Islands (including several days on the United Church's business in Australia) and one week in Samoa as adviser to the President, the Rev. Dr J. J. Lewis.

The visit to the United Church was in company with the Rev. A. G. Horwell, Associate Secretary of the Presbyterian Overseas Missions Committee, and this was very helpful. We are grateful for this partnership.

Leadership in the United Church:

One cannot but be impressed with the way leadership is developing. Those who naturally stepped into positions of leadership at the time of union, have been given gifts of the Spirit fitted to their tasks. In particular, the indigenous Bishops are giving quite outstanding guidance. There is coming out of the colleges and universities now, another generation of leaders who show very great promise, and include men and women of a constructive, independent turn of mind. But there is, however, an inadequate supply of mature leadership which could step into top jobs immediately. This is most evident in the discussions now going on in regard to the appointment of an indigenous moderator. It is also important to note that, however fine the leadership is, the number of trained people is far from adequate. In every profession and in most skilled trades, the dearth of trained people will be a serious handicap for a generation at least. This is one of several reasons for the continuing need of trained, overseas personnel.

Unity:

One was frequently asked the question "Has union made any difference?" The answer seems clear. It has! In many places the renewal of the spiritual life of the church seems to have been stimulated by union; in many difficult places — industrial areas, towns and tertiary education institutions — it has given the church new capability, and even in most remote areas the change of name has in itself been a witness to the conviction of the Gospel that "all are one in Christ Jesus". At the same time we were embarrassed by the question "Why are you not united in New Zealand?" Our answers seemed hopelessly inadequate.

Finance:

The rapid development of any country imposes financial strains. The enormous growth of Papua New Guinea and to a lesser extent, of the Solomons, means that local funds are hopelessly insufficient, and there is a desperate need for overseas capital. In the church this is also true. The cost of the Church's witness in places like the mining town of Panguna, and cities like Port Moresby and Lae, is great and the population is so transient that the development of any adequate sources of income is very difficult. In most older, established areas, generally speaking, the local church more than meets its costs. The policy of the United Church is to encourage circuits and regions increasingly to take up all the costs of their life and witness. The Assembly in December will discuss a plan to phase out, over the next five years, grants for local building schemes. (This does not eliminate the loans, of course.) The development of commercial enterprise, about which some have reservations, is another way in which local financial self-help is being planned. However, it will be a good number of years before they are anywhere near financially independent.

Our Involvement:

Again and again it was made clear to us that the United Church sees itself as part of the family of a Christian community and sees us as also part of the family. They talk in terms of a continuation of the presence of staff from Australia, New Zealand and Great Britain for the foreseeable future. This is not only because of their need for technical competence or professional skills as such (they hope the need for this will pass in time), but because they value our fellowship in Christ Jesus and desire us to continue to be associated with them in the service of Christ in their own land. There is still a very clear place for the long service "missionary" who is prepared to give years, perhaps a lifetime, to the United Church and the land in which it is set.

Samoa:

If one thing stood out above all others in this later part of my journey, it was our need of the Pacific Churches. We believe we have something to contribute, it is true, but from them we can, if we will, recapture something of the enthusiasm of the Gospel, a new sense of the importance of community, and a new vision of the relationship of law and grace. We have lost much of our zeal for Christ's mission, we have stressed the individual to the point of selfishness, and we have been far too legalistic.

We are part of the Pacific region and we cannot escape. Rather we should rejoice in the privilege that is ours and take up our share in the task with thanks to God.

Fiji:

As Fiji moves to independence this year, we rejoice and are glad that through a long list of missionaries, as well as workers in other fields, New Zealand Methodism has had a share in the development of Church and state. It is interesting that in this very year, the Methodist Church has chosen the Rev. Stan G. Andrews of New Zealand as President-elect, and the Government asked Mr W. E. Donnelly, Chairman of our Board, to return to help them out of a difficult educational situation. Miss May Graham of Rangiora this year completes sixty years of association with the Fijian church. These are but three of the New Zealanders who have given long and valued service to Fiji. We will surely be involved with an independent Fiji in new ways.

Tribute:

We pay tribute to those who have gone out in our name to service in the Pacific. One is filled with admiration for these men and women who represent us overseas. We give thanks to God for leaders whom He has raised up, and rejoice in His goodness in all He is doing.

We would also pay tribute to the late Rev. Dr. D. T. Niles of Ceylon. Few of the sons of John Wesley have been more distinguished than Daniel Niles; few have more adequately lived out Wesley's famous sermon on the "Catholic Spirit". He was, like John R. Mott, a great Christian citizen of the world.

THANKS BE TO GOD.

G. G. CARTER. General Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report, Supplementary Report, Treasurer's Report and Financial Statements be received and adopted.

2. The late Rev. Dr J. W. Burton: Conference records the following tribute to the late Rev. Dr. J. W. Burton: "John Burton was born in 1875 in Lazenby, Yorkshire, and came as a boy of 8 years to New Zealand. At the age of 21 he entered the ministry in New Zealand and served in the Upper Thames, Malvern and Christchurch circuits. In 1902 he went to the Indian Mission in Fiji as its first ordained minister. This was the beginning of 40 years' association with the missionary work of the Church. He was Secretary for Overseas Missions in Victoria and Tasmania from 1914 to 1924. In 1925 he became General Secretary for Overseas Missions and held the position for 20 years. In 1931 he was the President of the New South Wales Conference and was President-General from 1945 to 1948.

Dr Burton was Pacific Methodism's most prolific writer on missionary topics, and by his writing and speaking, he influenced a whole generation of missionary thinking in the Pacific. During his 20 years as General Secretary, he guided the Australian churches' missionary activity through depression and war.

After the Rev. Dr. George Brown, J. W. Burton can be regarded as the greatest Methodist missionary leader in the Pacific. They both entered the ministry in New Zealand and were this country's gifts to Pacific Methodism."

3. That the Conference be associated with the greetings being sent by the Overseas Missions Board to New Zealand Missionaries and Fraternal Workers overseas.

4. That the Conference send greetings to the United Church in Papua New Guinea and the Solomon Islands on the occasion of their second Assembly.

5. That Conference agrees that the N.Z. Church should widen and deepen its links with the Churches of the South Pacific, and in accordance with this resolves that

- (a) We seek an official link with the Pacific Conference of Churches and that this request be presented to their next Conference in May 1971.
- (b) That the Overseas Missions Department investigate fully the practical arrangements necessary to allow ministers of other South Pacific Conferences to serve for limited periods within the Methodist Church of New Zealand.
 - 6. TONGA:
- (a) That Conference assuras the Free Wesleyan Church of Tonga of its sympathy with the church in the problems that face it.
- (b) That the Overseas Missions Board report to the church from time to time concerning developments in Tonga, and authorises it to receive and transmit to Tonga any donations.

(c) That the Overseas Missions Department make a grant to Tonga when it is making allocations from the Building and Equipment fund in February.

7. That Conference recognises that we have a pastoral responsibility for every Methodist who goes to serve in a developing country, in whatever capacity, and that circuits be asked to forward the names of such people with contact addresses to the Overseas Missions Board so that we can keep in touch. (This would include people in commerce and industry as well as government and church).

8. C.W.M.S. (formerly COMICA)—That our representatives be the Revs. G. G. Carter and J. A. Penman.

9. That Rev. George G. Carter be appointed General Secretary of Overseas Missions for a further term of 3 years.

10. That the Methodist Church of N.Z. send its congratulations to the Government and people of Tonga on the attaining of Independence and membership in the community of nations. It assures the people of Tonga of the prayerful interest and concern of N.Z. Methodists in Tonga's development as a freely Independent Nation. (N.B. The President has sent a similar message to the Government

and people of Fiji).

11. That the following additional matters from Synods be received and referred to the Overseas Missions Board in consultation with the appropriate agencies:-

WAIKATO:

That Conference requests the O.M. Board to investigate further the dissemination of missionary information through the N.Z. Methodist.

TARANAKI-WANGANUI:

As well as considering financial aid, the Overseas Missions Department investigate the possibility of sending Voluntary Service people to Tonga, especially youth.

WELLINGTON:

Tonga. Agreed that this Synod approves the principle that we as a Church should deepen and strengthen our links with churches overseas, particularly in the Pacific Basin, and ask the O.M. Board with the E.A.C.C. and P.I.C.C. and bring forward recommendations to Conference as to how this might be done. That Synod ask the International Affairs Committee to examine the issue raised in this report "Tonga needs our help" and their reference to N.Z.'s role in the Pacific.

HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU DISTRICT:

Tonga. Synod approved the principle that we as a Church should deepen and strengthen our links with churches overseas, particularly in the Pacific Basin, and asks the Overseas Missions Board to bring forward recommendations to Conference as to how this might be done. Synod expressed reservation about giving approval for financial aid to Tonga without the specific proposal being available, and asks that in its recommendations to Conference the Overseas Missions Board show, in particular,

(1) How this will relate to the total Overseas Missions Budget.

(2) That this aid is in the best interest of the Church of Tonga in view of the sociological and economic circumstances which are shared by the whole population of Tonga.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND DISTRICT:

1. It was moved that the Department be congratulated on the acquisition of the film "Unichurch", and that this film be commended to all Circuits.

2. It was moved that the Board consult with the Free Weslevan Church of Tonga as to the possibility of approaching the New Zealand Government re providing financial aid to enable the Tongan Government to assume more responsibility for education, such as assuming responsibility for some schools run by the Church.

12. The Board for 1971 be as printed on page 8 herein.

QUESTION 41 (c).-

DISTRICT OVERSEAS MISSION SECRETARIES

NORTHLAND-Rev. B. Sides.

AUCKLAND-Rev. E. R. Hornblow,

WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY-

TARANAKI-WANGANUI—Rev. H. M. Craig. HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU—Manawatu: Rev. M. G. Rutherford.

Hawkes Bay: Mr P. Barker. WELLINGTON-Rev. F. H. Woodfield. NELSON-Mr C. R. Palmer.

NORTH CANTERBURY—Mr H. W. Beaumont. SOUTH CANTERBURY—Rev. C. L. Duder. OTAGO-SOUTHLAND—Sister Shirley Ungemuth.

QUESTION 41 (d).-Board of Evangelism?

Board of Evangelism

We have met five times in Palmerston North, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. This has continued to be chiefly a study group and forum for the development of ideas. We are still convinced that the vitality and relevance of the activity which centres in the local congregation, is in itself The Mission.

The priority task is seen to be the evaluation of present church programmes. The development of new patterns of worship; new forms of ministry; more relevance in trying to communicate with the real needs of the community. Closely relating to, and supporting the local church in these changes, must be the reshaping of the Connexions total strategy, use of resources, and methods of training staff.

The Board believes there are encouraging signs that these things are happening. More information of them needs to be constantly gathered and circulated. As is stated later, in relationship to the Director question, we believe a good case can be made for employing some connexional resources more specifically in the task of stimulating and facilitating these changes.

General Matters:

We report having attended to two requests concerning itineraries for overseas visitors. In each case we declined to undertake the task, as neither seemed directly related to the purpose for which the Board exists.

Matters relating to the reprinting of the "Report on Evangelism" (1968 Minutes) we discussed with the Board of Publications.

A proposed manual on evangelism entitled "Youth to Youth" was read and evaluated for the C.Y.M.M.

Many hours have been spent working with a possible "Plan for Mission" to propose to Circuits, but this has not progressed to a clear enough form to be helpful if simply sent out as a written communication.

Director of Evangelism:

The following resolution was passed by Conference 1969 (p. 197) "That the Board consider the practical implications of appointing a Director of Evangelism to assist in mobilising the Church for this task."

The Work of a "Director". The thinking of our church has clearly moved away from the understanding of any such connexionally appointed person being the itinerant "evangelist" who comes in to the local church to do the evangelising for them. Rather the task is seen as one in which a connexionally appointed person brings to the local church the best assistance we can offer them in finding the relevant ways of being the church. "The church's true life is the church's true evangelism." It appears that many congregations are slow in being able to evaluate objectively, the nature of their present "life" and are not finding their way to patterns which authentically reveal the gospel. There is therefore purpose in offering connexional resources to help this to happen.

It is therefore the opinion of the Board that our church should not appoint any person in a part or full time position, with the task of being the evangelist for the Connexion. The understanding of our evangelistic task, as set out in the Report adopted by Conference in 1968, would not be furthered by such an appointment. The effect would more probably be to perpetuate the older form of mission activity and divert attention from wrestling with the task of 'reshaping for mission' in the life of the local church.

The need for an Appointment. The experience of this Board in its first 18 months of working is—that there are encouraging and exciting new possibilities beginning to appear but more time needs to be spent in studying and assimilating these ideas and finding ways to communicate these insights to the membership of the church. This development of the mission strategy of the local church cannot be adequately stimulated and led by a convener or a board, all of whom are fully employed in circuit ministry and other occupations.

Necessary steps before an appointment is made.

- (a) Changes in connexional structure made in recent years brought the Board of Evangelism into existence, but the rest of the proposal for a Department of Mission (of which the Board of Evangelism was to be part) has not yet come forward. Until this is done, and a Director's task can be seen in relationship to the total staffing of such a department, it would seem premature to make an appointment of any executive officer, simply within the context of the existing Board of Evangelism.
- (b) The financial needs for such an appointment could not be added to the Connexional Budget until changes in our overall strategy have been made and we resolve to use our resources in new ways.
- (c) Until such an appointment can be made, the Board of Evangelism will continue to gather information from Churches and Circuits where significant changes are taking place and new patterns of church life are being tried.

Circuits and Synods will be encouraged to communicate with the Board, especially where attempt is being made to evaluate the church's mission in a particular community or area. When new forms of ministry are being considered, significant help may be able to be arranged by recommending the manse of persons who are developing skills in this work, who could be invited in to assist.

Projects of this kind could be carried out on the same basis as 'Circuit Missions' have in recent years.

Guidelines to W.E. and P. Committees:

Conference asked the Board to consider providing these. Several possible outlines or sets of questions have been prepared. Careful thought has been given to looking at what aid they would provide at the local level. If sent in without adequate introduction, or without being requested, we believe there would be little creative effect. Where specifically askd to do so, we believe the Board could co-operate with a local congregation in moving toward more effective mission.

L. J. GIBSON, Convener.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report and financial statement be received and adopted.

2. That Conference recognises the need for connexional resources to be directed toward—

(a) research and study of new forms of mission and outreach which are being tried in New Zealand or other countries.

- (b) co-ordination of and support for experimental ministries which are emerging in New Zealand.
- (c) providing staff who are able to work with local minister and leaders, where requested, in the formulating of new strategy.

We therefore endorse the principle that this is a task which requires the work of a full-time connexionally employed person.

3. That the Structure Committee be requested to take into account the matters in this report relating to connexionally employed staff.

4. That the Board for 1971 be as printed on page 7 herein.

QUESTION 41 (e).-Ecumenical matters?

Ecumenical Committee

ANNUAL REPORT 1970

"The Christian community exists within the human community, making visible the hidden purposes of God's working, making vocal the silent mystery of God's grace, and making credible God's intention to redeem all men and all things in Jesus Christ."

Daniel Thambyrajah Niles

The Ecumenical Movement throughout the world and specially South East Asia and the Pacific has sustained a sad loss in the death of one of its contemporary giants, D. T. Niles, on the 17th July. His many gifts and penetrating insights as an ecumenical statesman, theologian, Biblical scholar and expositor, preacher, evangelist, teacher and writer will be greatly missed within the world Church. It is with thanks to God, however, that we make this brief acknowledgment of the legacy of witness and service that he leaves behind. All who were privileged to hear and meet him prsonally will continue to draw inspiration from and have their thinking stimulated by his words uttered from the pulpit or Conference dais, while through his writings, those who were denied this privilege will nonetheless have apportunity to share also. At the time of his death he was engaged in a further work entitled "A Testament of Faith" from which the above is quoted.

From around the world, including our own and other New Zealand churches, have gone numerous messages of condolence to Mrs Niles, her sons and daughters-in-law. They convey their very warm thanks and regret their inability to acknowledge all messages personally.

Pacific Conference of Churches

There is a growing desire for closer relationship between the churches and people of New Zealand and those of the other Islands in the Pacific. It is a natural concomitant of the continuing influx of Pacific Islanders into New Zealand and the needs of development arising in the Islands themselves. To direct New Zealand's attention toward the Pacific and help foster constructive thinking and planning toward the needs of its people here and in the Islands, the National Council of Churches firmly proposes that 1971 be featured as "South Pacific Year".

East Asian Christian Conference

Until its next Assembly, tentatively set for 1972, Bishop Chiu Ban It of Singapore will be Acting Chairman. Due to the passing of D. T. Niles and the current review of its policy and structure, the Continuation Committee which met in Japan last July resolved that it meet again in 1971. The proposed meeting of its Working Committee in New Zealand has therefore been postponed. The EACC continues to promote programmes of development and aid, particularly in Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia, using its own staff members. Twelve New Zealanders have been able to participate personally in several EACC consultations during the year, and a further five have been added to the number of New Zealanders serving as Fraternal Workers.

The World Council of Churches

Three New Zealanders, the Revs. Alan Brash, Les Clements and Mr Bevan Fitzsimons now serve the WCC at its headquarters in Geneva. By virtue of its membership of 235 different churches around the world, the WCC is able to act as a vital forum and voice for the churches on important issues confronting the world Church from within and without.

Underlined at the Uppsala Assembly by such speakers as James Baldwin, Lord Caradon and Dr Barbara Ward, Racism and Development have emerged as the subject of two major appeals by the WCC to its member churches. Support for a five-year plan to *Combat Racism* is the form of the first appeal. Defined by the Uppsala Assembly, Racism is seen as "ethnocentric pride in one's own racial group and preference for the distinctive characteristics of that group; belief that these characteristics are fundamentally biological in nature and are thus transmitted to succeeding generations; strong negative feelings towards other groups who do not share these characteristics coupled with the thrust to discriminate against and exclude the outgroup from full participation in the life of the community". Despite considerable effort and sacrifice to eliminate racism it is now a worse menace than ever. It is not confined to certain countries or continents, but is a world problem. An accumulation of wealth and power in the hands of the white peoples, following upon their historical and economic progress during the past four hundred years, has led to the expression of various forms of *white* racism in different parts of the world. Although these forms are dominant others have also appeared to intensify the overall threat. As the many right and important things said by the churches have so far had little effect, the programme which the member churches are called to support stresses concerted action in this whole field of race and racial injustice.

In the first instance, churches are called on to confess their involvement in the perpetuation of injustices arising from racial prejudices and to give more serious attention to the kind of action and programme that will finally extricate them from such involvement.

Secondly, churches are called to analyse their financial positions to determine the degree to which their financial practices (domestic and international) contribute to the support of racially oppressive governments, discriminatory industries and inhuman working conditions, and to respond to an immediate appeal for \$300,000 in ordeto establish a special fund from which distribution may be made to the organisations of oppressed racial groups, or those supporting victims of racial injustice whose purposes are not inconsistent with the general purposes of the WCC. Making an initial response, the NCC has transferrd \$3,000 from its inter-church aid resources to this fund.

In respect to Development, the WCC has appealed to member

churches to consider contributing not less than 2% of their total income to this cause. It sees development as the process by which both persons and societies come to realise the full potential of human life in a context of social justice, with an emphasis on self-reliance. The chief means of carrying forward this process is believed to lie in terms of economic growth.

To plan and co-ordinate its action for this cause, the WCC has appointed a Commission of some 25 members, half of whom are from developing areas and the other half from developed areas. The Commission has proceeded to set-up an *Ecumenical Development Fund* whose purpose is to ensure that national, regional and sub-regional groups have both the initiative and the final say about the utilization of funds for development in their respective areas, and second, to ensure that programmes of development, supported and carried out by the churches, are those in which the main emphasis is given to the promoting of social justice and self-reliance. It is recognised that every church will make its own decision

It is recognised that every church will make its own decision as to the channels through which it will contribute. However, attention is drawn to two closely related channels within the WCC itself, viz., the Ecumenical Development Fund and the Division of Inter-Church Aid, Refugee and World Service.

The National Council of Churches in New Zealand

1. The Maori Section: Annual Meetings of the Section are usually held mid-February and assume the form of "marae" meetings, which renders them open to anybody who wishes to attend. Its Executive meetings are more formal. During the year it has sought a wider and more effective coverage of Broadcast Services in Maori; made submissions to the Social Security Commission; issued a statement that separate Maori representation in Parliament should remain until the Maori people themselves decided otherwise; gladly rominated and assisted the Rev. Puewa and Mrs Biddle of the Presbyterian Maori Synod to attend a Home and Family seminar in Fiji; and continued with its present study programme. It seeks the approval of the churches to a proposed amendment of its constitution relating to Life Membership.

2. The Women's Committee: The committee, which is based in Christchurch. continues to organise and promote the World Day of Prayer, the Fellowship of the Leest Coin and inter-church activities generally among women. Its major concern is with discovering more purposeful ways of participating in God's mission in the nineteenseventies.

3. The Youth Committee: Internal re-organising has enabled the committee to give more time in coming to grips with those issues young people are concerned with at the present time. The Progressive Youth Movement; the role of the Police: the rights and responsibilities of Protest, and the Trade Union Movement have come under consideration in this way. The Annual Meeting was an extension of this pattern where questions invited from a variety of groups were discussed. In July last, the Rev. Graeme Brady (Anglican), Mr Raymond Nairn (Presbyterian), Miss Pam Bell and Mr David Ayers (Methodists) represented the committee at the Hong Kong Youth Consultation on Development.

4. Christian Education Commission: Leadership training is among the several activities engaged in by the Commission. Government grants for this purpose are distributed through its committee on leadership training which, in this current year were made under: Citizenship training (\$2,000); Development (\$1,500) and Leader Training (\$2,500). At a consultation held in September, the Commission gave two days' consideration to racial issues and their implications for Christian education programmes.

5. Faith and Order Commission: Its main commitment is to the proposed 1972 Conference on Worship which will probably be held in Hamilton. Study groups appointed throughout the country are at present preparing material under the headings: the Rationale of Worship; the Individual Life of Prayer; Worship and Culture; Worship; Mission and Tradition; Tensions and Worship.

6. International Affairs Commission: Situated in Wellington and comprised of laymen with specialised knowledge, this Commission continues to study and mobilise as many facts as possible relating to issues and advises the NCC Executive on possible line of action. It purposely confines its study to those questions which it feels have priority for New Zealand and which it feels the NCC may be realistically involved in from the point of view of influencing both public opinion and Government policy. During the year it has given consideration to: Southern Africa (the All Black Tour and British sale of of arms); Cambodia; the Pacific and the admission of China to the United Nations.

7. Resettlement: Seventeen and a half million is given as a conservative estimate of the number of refugees in the world today; the underlying importance of resettlement is therefore obvious. The resettlement in New Zealand of only 72 persons during the 1969/70 period is significant. New Zealand's intake has largely come from eastern European countries but the greatest need now lies in Africa, the middle East and Asia. An inter-church committee on immigration has now been established in Wellington and receives welcome cooperation from Government officials.

8. Church and Society: The fully constituted Commission has almost been in operation one year. It is based in Auckland under the chairmanship of Mr O. W. G. Lewis and its full-time Secretary, Mr A. Gnanasunderam. Attention during the year has been given to effective ways of carrying out its task and to the initial study, Race Relations in New Zealand. It has been decided to work through project-research groups to enable a diversity of concerns to be pursued. Police and Community relations, non Maori minority groups and national goals for New Zealand are among the projects for study. To enable the Commission to continue its work with the help of a full-time Secretary it will be necessary to draw on other sources of income when the EACC initial grant has been used.

9. Christian World Service: Toward a multitude of aid programmes under this heading the churches of New Zealand contributed some \$189,000 through the Christmas Appeal. Disaster Rclief (\$32,000), Education and Outreach (\$37,000), Rural and Economic (\$30,000), Refugees (\$19,000), World Council of Churches (\$14,000), Medical (\$12,000), Fraternal Workers (\$11,000) were among some of the projects to benefit from this Appeal. Under its new title of Commission on World Mission and Service, "COMICA" continues to recommend aid projects and has sought to give a fresh emphasis to their context in terms of *mission*.

10. Church Union: Some preliminary consideration has been given during the year to possible effects of union upon the existence and role of the NCC. In general it is felt that the future will largely be determined by the desire of the present churches to retain the fellowship realised and a possible response to membership by other churches. 11. United Religious Press: Based on a study prepared by the Board of the N.Z. Methodist the proposals for a combined Church paper have been commended to the member churches of the NCC. On acceptance and approval it is possible for any two or more churches to implement the proposals without delay.

12. Race Relations: The current year has witnessed a considerable focus of attention on this issue. It is believed that diversity-incommunity is essential for individual and social health, and that racial and cultural heterogeneity is a principal value in our New Zeaand society which should be made a lot more explicit at all levels.

13. Chaplaincies: This year is the first in which University Chaplaincies have been financed on a national basis through the NCC, thus uniting the member churches further at this level behind a common act of mission. By next year all universities will be served by NCC chaplains. Counselling is generally regarded as the main thrust of their ministry. It is, of course, a large part, but more than just counselling is involved. In the present climate of protest and a general search for meaningful identity, the chaplain also finds he has to exercise the role of a creative critic.

Urban Industrial Mission is still in its infancy in New Zealand although there has been considerable development since it began in an officially ecumenical way with the appointment of the Rev. Owen Kitchingman to Manapouri. There are at present two full-time appointments to Industry. Owen Kitchingman now ministers in Christchurch and the Rev. Richard Roberton (Anglican) is chaplain to the Twizel Hydro village.

The chaplain to the *prison* has ben aptly described as: "A member of the team which is responsible for applying corrective techniques. He represents an ethical standpoint which makes non-violent resistance to evil its basic principle. He has the responsibility of inspiring in his colleagues the love which overcomes evil with good. But that is not all. He has to interpret to the church and to the public the responsibility of all citizens to approach the subject (crimes of violence) rationally and positively and to squeeze out of the community the venom of hate. It is a formidable assignment. If it fails, the outlook for society is pretty grim."

Retirements and the overall movement of prison chainlains under the six-year tenure principle call for a stream-lining of procedures and approval of the Selection Panel's choice is sought for the NCC Executive.

From the Waikeria Youth Centre the *Rev. Lane Tauroa reports*: We find ourselves fully committed to a programme of: interviewing — both individually and as a group — new arrivals each week; regular weekly worship services at the Borstal and Detention Centre and the Forestry Camp established some twenty miles away; weekly padre's hour; duties on the classification committee which determines the training programme for each inmate; individual counselling, plus a certain amount of public relations work such as talking to various groups.

The work is demanding, often frustrating, but has its satisfactions. The need for more intensive training in counselling (such as Tirimoana provides) has been felt. The training I think is essential for this kind of chaplaincy. Prison chaplaincy has its special problems. It is our hope that churches will seriously consider releasing and supporting one or two who have this ministry in mind, to serve as assistant chaplains for periods of up to two months. This could possibly be done during the years of theological training. My own endeavours have been along the lines of inculcating a more positive self-view among trainees with whom I have most to do, viz, those who are Maori. There are factors over and above those applying to youth generally which make this difficult for those who are Maori, e.g., the attitudes of society generally to "things Maori". Most of our fellows have a very poor self-image. The task of changing this is not easy, and certainly barely begun before release, when they must return to a society which works against further development.

We are grateful for the support of interested folk and hope it will increase. We ask for greater assistance, such as may be given through participation in programmes of the N.Z. Prisoners' Aid Society, Court Aid Committees and by a general care and concern for the young people and their folks.

The World Methodist Council

August 18-26, 1971 is the date set for the Twelfth World Methodist Conference and arrangements for the Conference are the Council's main consideration at the present time. An estimated 5-6 000 are expected to attend. Some of the topics to be featured at the Conference are: Peace and Justice; Moral Authority; New Issues in Education; The Ministry; Ecumenical Affairs, and the Role of Theology in the Church Today. Now entitled to eight members on the Council itself (the continuin^e body between Conferences), for the first time Synods and Conference have the opportunity to say who these will be. We are grateful for the number who have indicated their interest in attending the Conference although assistance from the Overseas Travel Fund is restricted.

The Religious Film Society

For the twelve months ending 30th June, the Society issued over 3,000 items and engaged in considerable correspondence with people throughout the country giving advice and service. With only one fulltime staff member, however, the work of the Society must remain limited. Hire charges and costs are kept to a minimum as many teachers and leaders pay for these individually. New 16 m.m. movie films to the value of over \$2,000 and new filmstrips \$450, have been imported during the year. A saving of over \$1,000 in import duties will benefit the users. To give a better indication of the services sow provided a change of name is recommended.

Relations with the Roman Catholic Church

The prospects for closer relationship and co-operation with the Roman Catholic Church has never been greater and already at local and national levels there is considerable joint study, consultation and action taking place. The *Joint Working Committee* has now met on three occasions and a fourth is planned for early December. Its three reports have been printed and a copy sent free of charge to every minister.

During the year, relations with the Roman Catholic Church has featured as the main study topic for the Ecumenical Committee. The study was initiated by an evening at which Dr John Mackey, Director for Catholic Education in Auckland, was invited to present and help clarify the Roman Catholic position in respect to "Authority". The committee subsequently took up this and other issues raised in the first two reports of the Joint Working Committee. The study was a valuable experience, helping to provide a deeper understanding of the Roman Catholic position and of the nature of the Christian Faith in general. A series of joint studies based on the reports of the Joint Working Committee is strongly commended to the Circuits. Subjects which are to be pursued at the December meeting are: Dissent within the Church; the Ethics of Political Protest. and Mixed Marriages.

L. GREENSLADE, Chairman. R. RAKENA, Convener.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted.

2. That Conference records its deep sense of loss in the passing of the Rev. Dr D. T. Niles and its gratitude to God for gifts with which he stimulated and enriched the churches in New Zealand and around the world.

In learning of the death of Mrs D. T. Niles on the 13th October, Conference express further regret and convey appropriate sympathy to her two sons., the Rev. Dayalan Niles and Mr Preman Niles and their wives and families. Not unlike her husband, Mrs Niles also possessed considerable gifts which she readily employed in the service of her Lord. In their thirty-four years of married life she was a quiet source of inspiration to the ministry of Dr Niles and in latter years was a constant companion at ecumenical gatherings around the world.

3. That the NCC Christmas Appeal be commended to the Circuits over the signature of the President.

4. That the following be the representatives to the World Methodist Conference in 1971:

- (a) The Council: The Rev. W. F. Ford; Mr C. B. Radcliffe and Mrs W. A. Dowie (whose expenses shall be met proportionately—as previously—from the Overseas Travel Fund); the Revs. E. R. Hornblow, L. P. Schroeder and W. R. Laws; Mesdames W. F. Ford and W. R. Laws.
- (b) Conference Delegates: Mesdames E. R. Hornblow, C. B. Radcliffe and L. P. Schroeder.

5. That in order to facilitate a closer relationship with the Roman Catholic Church. Conference approve the following recommendations of the Joint Working Committee:

(a) That the following STATEMENT ON BAPTISM be accepted: Sensitive to the importance of baptism in the ecumenical movement the Joint Working Committee of the National Council of Churches and the Roman Catholic Church agrees to the following statement with a view to removing hesitations with regard to the mutual acceptance of baptism. The churches of the National Council of Churches that practise baptism and the Roman Catholic Church accept baptism as a sacrament of the Gospel. In our traditions we believe that bantism is God's gift for entry into the people of God. Our traditions testify that baptism is the sign and seal of our covenanted relationship with God in Christ by the Holy Spirit.

WE BELIEVE that the sign elements of the sacraments are the joining together of the trinitarian formula with water. Most of churches would add, this can be either by immersion, affusion or sprinkling.

WE BELIEVE that baptism is only the first step in Christian initiation which looks to confirmation and the eucharist for its fulfilment. None of our service books perfectly expresses but all strive to convey the Gospel richness of the sacrament and all prescribe the use of the trinitarian formula with water. WE BELIEVE that prominent among the Gospel indications of the richness are rebirth from above; entry into the redeemed humanity, dying to the old order of life and rising to newness of life; cleansing from pride which is the heart of sin; bringing a person into the reign of grace; and incorporating him into the body of Christ.

WE BELIEVE that this saving act of God's grace meets a response of faith from the Church, from the person being baptised, and (in the case of the baptism of children) from the parents. The prayers of our service books show this encounter of grace and faith.

WE BELIEVE it is important for baptism not to be practised in isolation but in the context of the pastoral care and discipline of the Church.

WE BELIEVE that God's saving mercy is not confined to the sacrament, nevertheless we believe that the practice of baptism is part of the Church's obedience to Christ.

(b) That the following words be accepted and when practical added to the present Certificate of Baptism as a further step toward recognising each other's baptism, and toward the use of a common certificate:

. . . has been baptised with water in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

(c) That as Roman Catholic priests may now participate in other than the major liturgical services "of other churches, Superintendent Ministers and Circuit Officials be authorised to invite Roman Catholic priests to participate in appropriate services.

(N.B.—The words "according to the command of our Lord Jesus Christ" were deleted from (b para. 2).

6. That Conference convey its appreciation to the Joint Working Committee for the work it has done to date, and commend its reports to Ministers and congregations for study and information.

7. That Conference support the five-year ecumenical programme of the World Council of Churches to *combat racism*, and encourages Circuits and Districts to seek ways and means of participating positively.

8. That Conference support the World Council of Churches appeal to member churches to contribute not less than 2% of their total income to *development* programmes and projects around the world. That to this end 1% of the Connexional Budget for 1972/73be allocated to this fund and that the whole membership be asked at least to match such a sum by direct personal giving through local churches and circuits during the month of October 1972.

9. That in order to avoid the present delay and enable a prospective Prison Chaplain to give adequate notice of his appointment to his church, having appointed the Selection Panel the N.C.C. Executive be granted power to approve or reject a Panel's choice and accordingly notify the heads of member churches.

10. That approval be granted to amend the constitution of the N.C.C. Maori Section so as to allow the appointment of three (as at present) honorary life members, but without reference to denomination.

11. That Christian Audio-Visual Society of New Zealand (Inc.) be approved as the new name for the Religious Film Society.

12. That our representatives on the Christian Audio-Visual Society be the Revs. B. M. Chrystall, D. Armstrong and Mr P. Fenwick. The Executive: Mr P. Fenwick and the Rev. B. M. Chrystall.

13. That the grant to the Christian Audio-Visual Society remain at \$500.

14. That for 1971 our representatives on the following committees of the N.C.C. be :-

Council: The Revs. W. S. Dawson,, W. R. Laws, A. A. Grundy; Mr G. White; Miss R. McHarg and the Rev. M. A. G. Couch.

Women's Committee: Mesdames W. R. Laws, A. G. Worboys, M. R. Tunnicliffe and R. Swindells as corresponding member.

Youth Committee: Messrs J. Smith, F. Johnson, and Miss A. Price.

Maori Section: The Revs. R. Rogers, B. M. Chrystall, L. Tauroa, Te A. Tauroa, and R. Rakena (Lay alternatives when available).

15. That the Contingent Fund grant to the Ecumenical Committee be \$20.

16. That Conference give general approval to:

(a) The N.C.C. proposal to hold a Conference on Worship from the 17th-22nd August 1972 at Hamilton.

(b) The allocation of places as follows:

Anglican65Roman Catholic36Baptist10Churches of Christ5Society of Friends4Cook Island Church2S.C.M.6Other Churches20TOTAL236Additional (Staff, guests, etc)	Presbyterian	20 5 2 4 t 6 6
(c) The following interim budget: EXPENDITURE	RECEIPTS	
Accommodation at Teachers College (250-5 days) 6341 Travel 3451 Handbook 400 Stationery 400	N.C.C. Subsidy Fees 236 at \$40	1500 9440
Tapes, Photos100Postage & Tolls200Contingencies2001200	Debit Balance	152

17. That the Committee for 1971 be as printed on page 7 herein.

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QUESTION 41 (f).-Church Union?

The Church Union Committee

REPORT TO CONFERENCE

The work of the Committee during the current year can be divided into two sections.

- (i) Its liaison with the Joint Commission in carrying forward its work of preparation for union. There is no need to detail such work in this report as it will be covered in the report issued by the Joint Commission.
- (ii) In receiving and evaluating replies from Circuits in respect of the Plan for Union. The report will concentrate on this section.

THE PLAN FOR UNION

Submissions were received from approximately 40 Circuits and Synods and written replies were sent by the Convener on all the matters raised. From an examination of the replies the following are deemed to be of major significance and require consideration and in some cases give rise to recommendations to the J.C.C.U. concerning suggested alterations to the plan.

While not a high proportion of Circuits and Synods forwarded comments on the plan the study of it has proved a useful, and in some cases, an exciting exercise. It has opened up new avenues of communication between neighbouring churches of various communions and has raised possibilities of further combined action and co-operative effort.

The plan has received certain criticism because of its alleged reactionary nature. Some maintain that we have moved beyond the concepts contained within it. This may well be so, for it must be remembered that work was begun on the plan five years ago and that during the intervening years, the winds of change have been blowing.

The practical approach is to accept the plan substantially as it is and for what it is—namely a means of uniting existing communions. The work of reformation can then be carried forward at greater depth and with wider horizons than at present. Our task at the moment is to see that there is not in the plan serious obstacles which will make the task of renewal more difficult.

All this stresses the urgency of pressing on towards a decision as soon as is possible.

The following are the submissions to the Conference:-

Paragraph 2:

That in order to emphasise that the Church is a worshipping body as well as a witnessing body we recommend that the following words be substituted for "that His people should be one and should work, witness and pray together".—"that His people should be one and should gather at the one table, pray, serve and witness together".

Paragraph 11-The Name of the Church:

Concern is expressed at the proposed name on three counts:

- 1. It is felt that the word "united" should appear in the title.
- 2. That the title claims too much.
- 3. That it will lead to confusion as it is a name employed by some Churches which are not in the negotiations.

Observations by the Committee

- 1. The Committee is of the opinion that the word "United" should not appear in the title as it is a reminder of our past separateness.
- 2. The Committee is aware that the Commission has given extensive study and research to the name of the Church, and is persuaded that no other name has come forward which would warrant a change from the suggested name.

Paragraph 13:

The use of the words "communicant members" has been questioned. Paragraph 13 should be read in the light of Paragraph 12 and is therefore an affirmation that the Communicant members of all the negotiating churches, will be communicant members of the United Church. The Committee therefore does not recommend the deletion of the word "communicant".

Paragraph 15:

The word "safeguard" has been queried in this paragraph, and the question has been raised as to its true meaning and intention. As it is extremely difficult to see in what sense a statement of faith -i.e. a creed, can really safeguard the faith. The Committee would desire that the J.C.C.U. should give further thought to the use of the word "safeguard" in this context.

Paragraph 28-Sponsors in Baptism:

Exception has been taken (probably on a misreading of the text) to the requirement that parents should be fully initiated into the Church. The text states that either the parents or the sponsors, but preferably both, should be fully initiated. This is an attempt to ensure that the Church itself take seriously its action in Baptism and is an endeavour to ensure that the child baptised is given the opportunity of Christian nurture. Baptism apart from introduction into the Christian community is a contradiction, for the child is received into Christ's Church. Therefore the Committee does not recommend any change to this section.

Paragraph 31c-Laying on of hands by the Bishop at Confirmation:

The question has been raised as to whether it is necessary for the Bishop to be the representative of the Church at every confirmation. The principle that this stresses has been accepted in theory by our Church when it recommends that the Chairman of the District officiates, where possible, at a Confirmation Service.

The practice proposed can only be understood properly if it is seen as an opportunity to underline a truth of the Gospel-that a person is confirmed in so far as is possible into membership of the whole Church and not into a particular congregation or parish. The Committee does not therefore recommend any alteration to

this section.

Paragraph 31e:

The Methodist Church has traditionally practised "open communion" and this has been interpreted in various ways according to the theological emphasis of the particular proponents. In issuing the invitation "to all who love the Lord in sincerity and truth" is to act with true evangelical insight. We would accept that two groups other than members of the Methodist Church would accept this invitation.

1. Those who are members of other Churches, and this raises no problems for us.

2. Those who are not confirmed members of any Church. Such people we would expect to be moving towards confirmation, although it must be admitted that there are those who do not desire to take this step. But to seek to legislate for these is to seek to legislate for the exception and their situation will continue to be a pastoral challenge and responsibility.

Therefore to omit the word "first" as some Circuits suggest, is to seek to accommodate the exceptional at the expense of misinterpreting the norm. The traditional Methodist understanding of Holy Communion as a converting grace is accommodated by the fact that the word "normally" is included in the first sentence of this paragraph.

Paragraph 43-Bishops:

Strong recommendations have been received from several Circuits that the bishop be appointed for a specified term and many suggest ten years. The Committee is of the opinion that while it is necessary to allow the bishop time to grow into the office, it is also possible that he may grow away from the understandings and tensions of parish life. It also feels that the possibility of a Bishop returning to the parish ministry or to some other sphere of work would remove the feeling of possible isolation and undue sense of remoteness that surrounds, at least, the popular concept of the bishop. Furthermore the Committee is persuaded that the appointment for a specified term is not out of character with the understanding of the office of bishop as outlined in the Plan for Union.

Much depends on how it is intended to effect the proposal. It is better to appoint for a specified term with the possibility of extension according to the desire of the Synod, rather than for the Synod to have the right to terminate the term of office at will or at specified times.

Paragraph 46—Functions of a Bishop:

The word "essentially" may be construed to mean that the teaching office is the one essential office and stands out above the rest. In order to avoid any misunderstanding the word "essentially" could well be deleted.

It has also been suggested by one Synod that there be an additional Teaching Administrator. The Committee feels that the administration springs from the fundamental espects of the Bishop's Office and would not desire this to be listed as a separate function.

Paragraph 50—Presbyters:

The use of the word "presbyter" is questioned by many. It has been chosen as a word which does not carry the immediate emotional overtones of our present terms.

The committee does not feel that it will be carried forward into popular use, but looks upon it as a convenient and viable term for present purposes.

It is also reluctant to suggest an alternative term at the present stage as the changing patterns of the ministry may well suggest different terms in the future and it is better to arrive at new terminology through a living experience together.

Paragraph 63-Women as Presbyters:

The opinion was expressed very strongly that the plan ought to state unequivocally that women would be ordained as Presbyters by the United Church. The Committee agrees with the intention of such recommendations but doubts their wisdom at this juncture. It feels that the Anglican Church which is at present debating the matter should be given the opportunity of coming to its own decision rather than having to face the issue as a necessary pre-requisite to union. It therefore does not recommend any change in this section.

Paragraphs 64-69-The Diaconate:

Various questions have been raised in respect of the Diaconate. It must be realised that what is here envisaged is different from the practices of any of the negotiating churches and that it is here that all are experimenting with new concepts of ministry. The outline will become clearer only when the united church seeks to put it into action. It is within the Diaconate that the Lay Preachers by and large will find their place, although some may well be ordained to the Presbyterate as members of the supporting ministry. It is in view of these two possibilities which will be open to our Lay Preachers that the Committee does not wish to press for a more explicit statement within the plan, of the place of Lay Preachers as a body.

Paragraph 70-Age of Retirement:

Fear of domination by an aged ministry has prompted some Circuits to press for a more explicit statement concerning the age of retirement, particularly in respect of bishops. The Committee recommends no alteration to the present statement, feeling that it is better to trust the good sense of the united church.

Paragraph 89-Chairmanship of Meetings:

It has been suggested that the Bishop should chair the Parish Council if invited to do so by the Presbyter. The situation may arise where the Bishop ought to chair the meeting but certainly should not be invited so to do. The Committee has no recommendation.

Paragraphs 94 and 99:

Doubt has been expressed as to whether the congregation will be given its rightful place within the Parish. The questions raised here are extremely important and very difficult to legislate for. On the one hand if the congregation has too much autonomy it might well nullify the effects of union, but if, on the other hand, the parish has too great an over-riding authority the vitality and sense of responsibility of the congregation may be thwarted.

The great danger to avoid is that of the congregation becoming introspective and defensive in its confrontation of the parish and thus living in a contrary fashion to the whole spirit of union.

This matter is under discussion at Commission level and there is much more research needed on the relationship between the congregation and the parish, and the Committee, aware of this continuing debate, does not wish to make any further statement at this point.

Paragraph 114-Voting Procedures:

The procedure has been criticised on the grounds that it delays legislation and gives to the Bishop too much authority.

It should be noted that it is expected that the Diocesan Synod will meet quarterly and therefore decisions would not be unduly delayed. The Bishop has not the right to preclude matters from discussion and decision, but rather to assist the Synod, if necessary. in clarifying its mind. This is linked with his functions of pastoral oversight and teaching.

Paragraphs 130-140:

It has not been sufficiently noted by some circuits that when a vacancy is to be filled in a parish the Diocesan Board of Nomination is enlarged by the addition of four Parish representatives. In this way the v ice of the parish is adequately heard.

Paragraphs 166-169-Voting Procedures:

These have been criticised on the grounds that they are undemocratic and give undue weight to clerical opinion. But there is another side to the proposition as these proposals ensure that the voice of the lay representatives comes through in an articulate and deliberate manner. It cannot be said that this always happens at our Conferences.

At the same time, the Committee doubts the necessity for Bishops and Presbyters to vote separately and makes the appropriate recommendation to the Commission.

Paragraphs 230-1:

There is no reference here to the parish and the presbyter in their relationship to the candidate.

Conclusion:

In general the plan is acceptable to the Circuits of the Connexion. No submissions have been made which would warrant the Conference setting aside the plan or any major section of it. All suggested amendments can be incorporated within the present proposed structure.

All our members, as well as the members of the other negotiating churches, need to bear in mind that the united church cannot, by its very nature, be an extension of any one denomination. Amendments have to be made in the light of complementary emphases of other communions. Amendments which express a denominational timehonoured method of practice or procedure cannot be accepted unless they have a real and intrinsically valuable place in the plan, or unless they enshrine a fundamental truth of the Gospel.

The Committee expresses its thanks to the Circuits and Syncds which have forwarded suggestions and comments and would wish to assure them that they have been treated with all due seriousness.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

2. That a grant of \$926 be made towards the secretarial and administrative expenses of the Joint Commission.

3. That the following amendments be forwarded to the Joint Commission for its consideration:-

(a) Paragraph 2

That the following words be substituted for "that His people should be one and should work witness and pray together" — "that His people should be one and should gather at the one table, pray, serve and witness together".

(b) Paragraph 15

That the J.C.C.U. give further thought to the use of the word "safeguard" in this paragraph.

(c) Paragraph 43

That Bishops be appointed initially for a term of 10 years with the Synod having the right to invite for further defined or agreed extensions of time.

(d) Paragraph 46

That the word "essentially" in line 1 be deleted.

(e) Paragraphs 166-169

That the Methodist Church is not persuaded by the necessity for Bishops and Presbyters voting separately and asks the Commission to again reconsider the matter.

(f) Paragraph 230-1

That the words "whose candidature receives the recommendation of his Parish Council and Presbyter" be added at the end of Paragraph 230.

(g) Paragraph 235

"That where possible, candidates for ordination be ordained in company with one another and that Ordination Services be Diocesan in character and composition".

(h) Paragraph 359

That the lay representation on this committee be increased.

4. Members of the Commission: Because of the greatly reduced size of the Congregational Union, it has been agreed that their representation should be TWO instead of FIVE. This provided an opportunity to raise the question as to whether member churches feel they have sufficient members on the Commission to ensure adequate representation of their various viewpoints. This can be useful also in interpreting the Commission's decisions to the Churches. The Commission seeks to operate by arriving at concensus of opinion so that actual numbers are not particularly significant. It could be helpful to the Anglicans to involve more representatives than at present, TWELVE instead of EIGHT. Conference, therefore, approves the following ratios of representations:—

Denomina	tion			0	ld Ratio	New Ratio
Associated Ch	urches of	f Chi	rist	 	5	5
Church of the	Province	of 1	N.Z.	 	8	12
Congregationa	1			 	5	2
Methodist	1010			 	8	8
Presbyterian				 	8	9
TOTA	LS			 	34	36

5. That there be incorporated into the Plan an office similar to that of Circuit Steward, Session Clerk, People's and Vicar's Warden, etc.

6. That Conference commends the Joint Commission on the Plan for Union and urges the Commission to press on with its revision to expedite Church Union at an early date.

7. (a) That where there is a Methodist minister or ministers the principle of parity of representatives obtains. (b) That where there is no Methodist appointment there be one representative from the parish to the Conference. (c) That this is an interim arrangement and that the matter be further explored by the Methodist-Presbyterian Consultative Committee.

8. That the Church Union Committee in consultation with the Faith and Order Committee, issue a statement on the Methodist teaching concerning the open Communion Table and Infant Baptism.

9. That the representatives on the J.C.C.U. for 1971 be: Rev. Dr. J. J. Lewis, Revs. W. F. Ford, A. K. Petch, J. Grundy, C. D. Clark, R. D. Rakena, W. J. Morrison, Mr R. T. Garlick. Proxy: Rev. R. G. Bell.

10. That the Executive for 1971 be as printed on page 6 herein.

11. That the convener for 1971 be Rev. W. J. Morrison.

12. That the J.C.C.U. report be received.

QUESTION 42-What is the Report of the New Zealand Methodist Social Services Association?

The New Zealand Methodist Social Services Association

ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 3toh JUNE, 1970.

The Annual Meeting of the N.Z. Methodist Social Services Association was opened in Dunedin on Wednesday, 6th May 1970, after the Official Opening of the Dunedin Central Mission new building. Congratulations were extended to the Superintendent and the officials of the Dunedin Central Mission on the opening of the building. The meeting recorded its gratitude to Almighty God for His goodness and providence, and prayed for His guidance in the expanding work of the

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future.

The Rev. Father S. Sellar, Director of Catholic Social Services in Dunedin, addressed the members on "The Role of Christian Social Services in the Seventies." A group discussion followed.

Seminar-

Two papers were presented. The first, "The Philosophy behind Central Mission type of organisations, past, present and future", was given by the Rev. W. E. Falkingham, and the second, "The Training and Use of Ministers in Leadership in Social Service", by the Rev. J. Penman.

Arising from these discussions, it was resolved :---

- (a) That this Annual Meeting of the N.Z.M.S.S.A. appoint a study group to prepare a fresh statement to update the Conference Minutes of 1941, 1957 and 1958 and to state a policy that would be adequate for the seventies.
- (b) That the initial draft of the findings of the study group be circulated to all Social Services by 30th November, 1970 for their comments, such comments to be reported back by 28th February, 1971, in order that the final draft can be presented to the next N.Z.M.S.S.A. Conference.
- (c) That in the course of the examination of the implications of the above, the committee give special attention to the following areas of concern:
 - (i) Relationship of the Central Missions to Social Service activity.
 - (ii) Has the time come to separate the Central Missions from Social Service activities, e.g., put institutions, Eventide Homes, etc. under a separate Board, as does the P.S.S.A.
 - (iii) Apart from the Social Service institutions, has the Central Mission a distinctive role of ministry, for example to the inner city, etc.
 - (iv) How can circuits be encouraged to demonstrate their concern for the welfare of the community by providing "ministries of service" etc.
 - (v) The relationship of the Boards controlling the Children's Homes to the Social Service organisation.

(vi) The way in which ministers and other persons should be selected and trained for Central Missions and/or Social Service ministries.

Note. In order to secure material for examination and study, it was suggested that the committee write to the Directors, Superintendents and key person in other Social Service groups asking for their suggestions on the foregoing.

- (d) That the personnel of the Study Group be as follows:-
 - The Revs G. R. Trebilco (Convener), H. C. Matthews, E. Heppelthwaite, Messrs. G. Rigby, H. F. Baird, M. Lloyd and Dr. Elms.
- (e) That the Boards of Management of the Central Missions be given the opportunity to make submissions to Theological Colleges regarding the training of men for Social Service positions.

Reports were received from :--

Auckland Central Mission; Kamo Home, Whangarei; Tamahere Eventide Home; Wellington-Wesley Services Trust Board; Manawatu Social Service Centre; Christchurch Central Mission; Auckland Care of Dependent Children Committee; South Island Children's Home; Dunedin Central Mission; Home Mission Department.

The following resolutions were passed:-

That the N.Z.M.S.S.A. express its appreciation and thanks to Sister Edith James for her dedicated service as the first Matron of the Tamahere Eventide Home. It also congratulates her on her new appointment, and prays God's blessing on her work with the Otago Presbyterian Social Services Association.

That, provided the Wellington Trust Board and the Committee consider the matter carefully, and that they agree that the acquisition of the property is desirable, the N.Z.M.S.S.A. give its full support to the purchase of the property adjoining Epworth House.

That the N.Z.M.S.S.A. authorise the Christchurch Central Mission to act on behalf of the Church to establish a joint Home for the ageing at Greymouth, and a combined Presbyterian Methodist Home at Nelson.

That a letter of appreciation be forwarded to Miss J. Boniface, who has resigned after four years' service as Social Worker for the Auckland Care of Dependent Children Committee.

That the M.S.S.A. Annual Meeting convey its appreciation to the Public Questions Committee for their excellent work in the preparation and presentation of their submissions to the Royal Commission on Social Security legislation.

The Social Service work of the Home and Maori Mission Departments, including Te Rahui Wahine, Hamilton; Te Rahui Tane, Hamilton and Seamer House, Auckland, was presented by the Rev. B. M. Chrystall. Freedom in "flatting" was a problem common to most Hostels.

It was resolved that the report be approved.

Brochure-

Rev. A. E. Orr read a prayer composed by Dr. Ranston, which was commended to the Boards.

It was resolved that the Prayer be duplicated for inclusion in a brochure to be prepared by Auckland on "Welcoming a Patient to the Home".

Hospital Chaplaincies-

A consultation on Hospital Chaplaincies was held in the Board Room, Wellington Public Hospital, on 11th March, 1970, when the President-Elect, Rev. W. F. Ford, and the Official Representative attended. Report to date:

(1) The Role of the Hospital Chaplain.

"The Christian Church firmly believes that in relationship with God man is best able to live purposefully and creatively. Since its inception, the Church has been actively involved in areas of human need including that of human suffering.

The development of the Hospital Chaplaincy is a specific function of the Church's ministry of redemption and healing.

As an ordained clergyman, the Hospital Chaplain brings a sacramental and pastoral ministry to hospital patients and staff. By training and experience, the Hospital Chaplain is sensitive to the emotional, physical and spiritual needs of his people, and ministers accordingly. He is not alone in ministering to these needs, and is inspired in his work by sharing with hospital staff in the total care and welfare of patients.

The hospital chaplain is part of the total outreach of the caring ministry of the Church, and serves as link between hospital staff and patients and the local Christian community.

This consultation rejoices in the development of Hospital Chaplaincies. It humbly acknowledges the work of healing conducted by our medical and nursing profession and all other hospital staff.

It commits itself to the active development of a wider and more efficient chaplaincy service."

(2) The Chaplain's Work Load.

It was agreed that in New Zealand full time chaplains cannot deal adequately with more than 200 patients in a general, or 350 in a psychiatric hospital at any one time, and that research be done on this subject.

(3) The Chaplain's Qualifications.

It was agreed:

- (a) That theological seminary training and official authorisation by his own Church were necessary.
- (b) That a university degree and adequate pastoral experience (e.g. 3 - 5 years' parish work) were desirable.
- (c) That Dr. Bates (Convener), Dr. Courtenay, Mr Ford or his nominee, Mr Wilson and Miss Goss be a committee to investigate the establishment of clinical pastoral training courses in New Zealand and report to the sponsoring bodies.

(4) The Chaplain's Working Facilities.

It was agreed that the Secretary ask the Deputy Director-General of Health (administration) what was the official attitude towards the provision of chapels, office space and secretarial assistance. (Mr Heggie stated that the Government does not give a subsidy towards the capital costs of chapels, and that the Health Department and the Hospital Boards' Association recognised the need for office facilities.)

(5) Subsidy.

It was agreed:

"That this consultation representative of the Churches who are responsible for hospital chaplains and of other Churches, appoint a working committee consisting of Rev. A. D. Robertson (convener), Rev. Father B. W. King, Rev. A. Everil Orr and Rev. Gordon Stote-Blandy to prepare and report on the possibility of seeking Government subsidy towards hospital chaplaincies for submission to a further meeting of this consultation and to sponsoring Churches."

It was resolved that the report be received.

Australian Conferences-

Conferences on Aged Care, Inner City Missions and Lifeline are to be held in Australia 10th - 12th June. Those attending from New Zealand are: Rev. A. E. Orr and Sister Frampton, Auckland; Rev. W. E. Falkingham, Christchurch: Rev. D. B. Gordon, Dunedin.

It was resolved:

- (a) That the N.Z.M.S.S.A. urge the Wesley Circuit officials and the Social Service Trusts to look again at the possibility of Rev. J. Penman attending the Australian Conferences on Aged Care, Inner City Missions and Lifeline.
- (b) That the N.Z.M.S.S.A. approve the New Zealand representsatives attending the Australian Conferences.

Publicity - Law Journal-

It was resolved that Mr Claridge and Rev. J. Penman look into the question of the advertisement in the N.Z. Law Journal and that they have power to act.

That a small committee look into the question of publicity in the light of the Circuits' thinking, and in particular of the needs outlined in a letter from the Rev. S. Spindler.

It was resolved that the committee be as follows:-

Rev. O. T. Woodfield (Convener), Rev. W. E. Falkingham, Mr A. A. Dingwall, with Mr B. Bascand in a consultative capacity.

Fire Insurance Grant-

It was resolved that portion of the Fire Insurance grant be set aside to establish a fund for the training of Social Workers.

It was resolved that the Church be informed of the establishment of the fund for the training of Social Workers and that the "Commercial" Trusts be invited to make contributions to it.

It was resolved that \$1,000.00 be set aside as the basis of the training fund, and that it be invested by Mr Claridge and Rev. J. Penman to the best advantage.

It was resolved that the remaining \$3,000.00 of the grant be divided equally between the following five bodies:-

Auckland Central Mission, Tamahere Home, Wellington Social Services, Christchurch and Dunedin Central Missions for purposes of capital works.

Appointment of Immigration Officer:

It was resolved that Rev. J. Penman be reappointed as Immigration Officer.

N.Z.M.S.S.A. Official Representative-

Rev. A. E. Orr, after 14 years in office, nominated Rev. W. E. Falkingham for the position. This was agreed to.

Connexional Budget Allocation-

It was resolved that the allocation be divided equally between Auckland, Wellington, Christchurch and Dunedin Central Missions.

Matters Referred from Conference-

Boards of Management — See Minutes of Conference 1968, Page 217 — Resolution 7 (a) and (b).

It was resolved that as the Boards of Management had recently commenced operating successfully under a new Constitution which has just been adopted, and is generally acceptable, they can see no reason for a change at this time, and have no recommendation to make.

Financial Report-

The Treasurer presented the report for the last financial year, the credit balance being \$266.00. The report was adopted.

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This matter was left in the hands of the Treasurer and the Official Representative to arrange.

Annual Report of N.Z.M.S.S.A.

It was resolved that we ask the General Secretary to have the report printed and circulated to Synods.

Seminar on Aged Care-

Presented by Rev. D. B. Gordon. There was group discussion, after which a lively plenary session took place.

It was resolved that Revs A. E. Orr and B. M. Chrystall draft a memorandum of the findings of the groups for distribution.

Seminar on Child Care-

Presented by Mr R. E. Walton, Anglican Social Services.

It was resolved that this N.Z.M.S.S.A. Annual Meeting support the Christian Social Service Council in its approach to the Government to seek an increase in the rate of capitation commensurate to the present day costs of Child Care.

It was resolved that the N.Z.M.S.S.A. Annual Meeting request the Christian Social Service Council to make representations to Government to prepare a scheme which will provide for financial recognition of the preventative work being undertaken by voluntary agencies in the area of Child Care.

J. J. LEWIS, President.

A. EVERIL ORR, Official Representative.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

2. That Conference express its appreciation and thanks to Sister Edith James for her dedicated service as the first matron of the Tamahere Eventide Home. It also congratulates her on her new appointment, and prays God's blessing on her work with the Otago Presbyterian Social Services Association.

3. That, provided the Wellington Trust Board and the Committee consider the matter carefully, and that they agree that the acquisition of the property is advisable, the Conference give its full support to the purchase of the property adjoining Epworth House.

4. That Conference authorise the Christchurch Central Mission to act on behalf of the Church to establish a joint Home for the Aging at Greymouth, and a combined Presbyterian Methodist Home at Nelson. 5. That a letter of appreciation be forwarded to Miss J. Boniface who has resigned after four years' service as Social Worker for the Auckland Care of Dependent Children Committee.

6. That paragraphs 293 and 294 of the Law Book be referred to the Law Revision Committee for study and report to the N.Z.M.S.S.A.

7. That discrepancies between the following regulations and resolutions of Conference be referred to the Law Revision Committee —Law Book par. 292 (5a) 1967 Minutes of Conference p. 185 (5a) 1967 Minutes of Conference p. 275 (5a)—and report to N.Z.M.S.S.A.

8. That the study committee of the N.Z.M.S.S.A. be asked to look at the membership of the Board of Management so that it is clear as to whether local or outside membership should constitute a majority of the Board.

9. That the study committee of the N.Z.M.S.S.A. consider the nomination to Conference for designation as Connexional appointment(s) of minister(s) so that this be done in such a way as to indicate the mind of the Quarterly Meeting along with the nomination of the Board of Management.

10. That Conference expresses its appreciation of the services rendered by the Rev. A. E. Orr in his 14 years as Official Representative of the N.Z.M.S.S.A. and Rev. W. E. Falkingham be appointed Official Representative.

11. That the Rev. J. A. Penman be re-appointed as Immigration Officer.

12. That in appreciation of the valuable contribution made to numerous Homes and Institutions throughout New Zealand, the Conference express its thanks to the J. R. McKenzie Trust, the Sutherland Self-Help Trust, and the various Savings Banks and other trusts for grants during the year.

13. That Conference approve the establishment of the Inter-Church Advisory Council on Hospital Chaplaincy and that the Methodist representatives be the Revs. C. D. Clark and W. E. Falkingham.

QUESTION 42 (a), (b) and (c).-

Methodist Central Mission, Auckland

ANNUAL REPORT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1970.

Auckland continues to grow as a multi-racial society, and this is reflected in the congregation. The general work of the Mission is sound at the centre. The claims of Christ are presented through every group. The united ministry of Word and Deed in the midst of the city proclaims a full-orbed Gospel.

Central Building:

The Trustees are committed to pay \$500,000 to the bondholders in November 1972. There has been a change of engineer and caretaker. On five years rental revision rents have been increased but costs continue to rise.

Astley/Tyler/Leigh Haven:

A good deal of renovation has been accomplished. Early March, word was received from the Department of Health that the Government had approved of the maximum grant of \$240,000 for Tyler House extensions. The project will cost over \$500,000, and increased costs since October cause real concern. The Trustees will need to raise approximately a further \$120,000 to open free of debt.

Prior to the main contract, a transformer centre will be erected, and the nurses' home resited, or a new one erected.

Provision is being made for convector ovens, walk-in deep freeze, occupational therapy, hairdressing salon, and other amenities. Working drawings are now before the Health Department for final approval, and we are hoping the work will commence before Christmas. Increasing frailty is demanding more attention.

Gift of House:

Miss Elsie Booth has given her residence, which is being converted into four flats for elderly people.

Kamo, Whangarei; Tauranga; Papatoetoe and Pukekohe:

These are four joint projects with the P.S.S.A. A committee has been meeting regarding the proposed basis of working. It is proposed that the Methodist Central Mission will assume responsibility for both Churches in Kamo and Pukekohe, and the P.S.S.A. will do similarly in Tauranga and Papatoetoe.

Wesley Hospital:

Dr. Trevor Morris has been appointed superintendent. A plan providing for 30 beds for the mentally confused is before the Department, but there is no commitment from them at this stage. There is need for further accommodation for "phasing in" and "phasing out" patients.

Flats:

A memorandum has been before the Board for some time, but inadequate Government subsidy and rigid restrictions severely limit our plans. Further exercises in this matter are proceeding.

The Elderly People's Fellowship continues to grow. There is a membership of over 300. A Chiropody Service is well patronised.

Winstone Lodge Hostel is always full, and meets a real need, in spite of many who prefer to be flat dwellers. The girls generally do well in their examinations.

Health Camp: The camp has been up-dated, and \$5951.89 has been spent on improvements. A new caretaker has been installed. We are grateful to the J. R. McKenzie Trust, the Auckland Savings Bank, and others, for their continued assistance.

Waiheke Holiday House is used largely at holiday times, and has a fine potential.

The Down-town Club: The club has been reconstituted, and is doing an effective job in training leaders, as well as in outreach. The high standard of "Christian Viewpoint" is eloquent testimony to the quality of leadership.

James Liston Hostel (Interdenominational Venture: Estimated cost \$200,000. The appeal to date has raised \$127,000. A \$60,000 subsidy has been promised. \$40,000, plus rising costs, will have to be met. It is hoped to commence the contract before the end of the year, so that the hostel may be ready for next winter.

Inter-Church Counselling Centre and Lifeline Service: The centre continues under the able directorship of Dr D. O. Williams. The chief new item is that "Youthline" has been established and approximately 80 young people of all denominations have been in retreat and are undergoing a course of eight weeks' training. "Youthline" will commence operations in July, and will be controlled by the Council.

A summary of the sta	tistics for	the	year is	as fol	lows :
Spiritual Guidance		*****			31
Social Welfare	· ······				90
General Guidance					643
Psychological and	Emotion	al			894
Marriage and Fai	mily				594
Lonely, Ill and D	epressed				505
Alcoholics					44
Financial					52
Unmarried Mothe	rs				43
Hoaxes					46
			Total C	alls	2942
Of this total-An	onymous	Calls			858

Emergencies

Legacies: Estates of Isbister, \$200; G. Fleming, \$1000; A. Orr, \$200; E. C. Collins, \$45; E. Rishworth, \$26,141; V. Wood, \$100; V. Simms, \$2000; F. E. Ford, \$12; G. J. Henderson, \$200; O. M. G. Hughson, \$750; The Misses Buttle, \$9600.

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Staffing: The matter of the future Superintendency is being examined and action taken. An Associate Minister, the Rev. Wesley Parker, has been a faithful Pastor, and has stimulated the spiritual' life of the Mission.

Australian Visit: The Superintendent attended Conference on Aged Care, City Missions, and Lifeline, and Sister M. Frampton was present at the Aged Care meeting. Reports will appear in the "N.Z. Methodist". An invitation was extended to the Australian Church to hold Conference on Aged Care and City Missions in Auckland in 1972.

The Future:

Now that the Centre has been established and institutions have been running for a considerable time, there is no doubt that our complex society increasingly requires trained workers. The work is very exacting, and all our key-workers need not only to be consecrated but well qualified.

It would appear that our emphasis in the 1970's ought to be not only on needed accommodation, but on the kind of personnel required to meet the demands of modern society. With such trained staff the Mission will be more effective in its contribution to the life of the city.

One big "Thanks" for not only our regular staff, but to a large team of voluntary workers and subscribers.

A. EVERIL ORR, Superintendent.

F. M. SOUSTER, Circuit Steward.

G. TOOTILL, Circuit Steward.

R. T. GARLICK, LL.B., Hon. Sec., Bd. of Trustees.

E. A. ASTLEY, Hon. Treas., Bd. of Trustees.

Board of Management:

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted.

2. That the Board of Management be as printed on page 6 herein.

The Kamo Home for the Aged - Whangarei

(a) Estimated Cost of 1st Stage—the 30-bed Home: The Architect's latest report indicates that with recent rapidly increasing costs the 30-bed Home for the Aged will cost approximately:—

Land and Rates to	date				\$17,073
Preparing Site					\$12,470
Building 30-bed Hom					\$224,125
Architect's and Quan	tity S	urveyor	r's Fees	5	\$21,750
Equipment		******			\$14,000
Cost of Canvas	*****			*****	\$600

\$290,018

(b) Plans and Specifications: These have been approved by the Health Department and the Christchurch Connexional Office.

(c) Government Subsidy: A Government subsidy of \$144,000 has been approved.

(d) Finance: Cash donations amount to \$41,000 and the present subsidy of \$144,000 leaves approximately \$105,000 to be raised by the appeal. Costs have risen \$45,000 since Easter.

(e) Appeal: The appeal is being organised throughout the whole of Northland and has already been commenced.

(f) Tenders: Tenders could be called early in October, but most likely the calling of tenders will be delayed to await the outcome of the united approach by the joint Social Service Associations for a realistic increase in the subsidy, which could possibly enable the Committee not only to erect the 30-bed Home free of debt, but to also build the 20-bed Hospital at the same time.

(g) A Joint Methodist/Presbyterian Venture: The Steering Committee is comprised of 5 Methodists and 5 Presbyterians who are working energetically as a team, and it has been decided that the control of the Home will be vested in the Auckland Central Mission with the Presbyterians retaining equal representation on the Board of Management.

(h) The Second Stage—the 20-bed Hospital: The cost of building and equipping the Hospital could be approximately \$190,000 and it will be built as soon as possible.

(i) Applications to Enter the Home and Staffing: Already considerable interest has been shown in the number of enquiries and applications already filled in. There is every reason to believe there will be a waiting list when the Home is opened.

W. J. COURT, Secretary-Organiser.

RESOLUTION

That the report be received and adopted.

Manawatu Methodist Social Service Centre

REPORT TO CONFERENCE

The work of the Centre continues in the broad fields of Remedial Counselling, Education and Preventive work.

1. Staff now consists of three full-time and one voluntary parttime worker:--- Mr I. G. Baber, Director;

Miss Jennifer A. Whyte, Child Care work.

Rev. A. Roy Bowden, Social Worker in Counselling and with special assignments;

- Mr C. B. Radcliffe, with responsibility for promoting :--
- (a) Hostel for Probationers;
- (b) Liaison between Lake Alice Psychiatric Hospital, the Centre and the Community;
- (c) "Friends of the Centre" Project;
- Mr M. W. Hancock, Family Counsellor, serves as Professional Social Work Consultant and Supervisor to the Director in counselling work.

2. Counselling work has been concerned with a wide range of personal and family problems, including unwanted pregnancies, alcoholism, disturbed teenagers, rehabilitation of psychiatric patients, difficulties of finance and accommodation, marital stress etc.

This year has seen an increase in interviews with clients, and consultants on their behalf with professional workers, with a total of 1672 interviews, an increase of 39 per cent over the preceding year.

3. Child Care Work:

Close liaison maintained with Masterton Children's Home.

Visiting "Families at Risk"—the value of this work being support given in the prevention of family unit breakdown.

- The placement and visiting of children in short and long term foster homes.
- Holiday Foster Homes throughout Manawatu, Hawkes Bay and Taranaki for children from Masterton Home and local families.

4. Education:

"Interdisciplinary School of Counselling"—September, 1969 conducted by Dr Frances Macnab, Cairnmillar Institute, Melbourne, attended by over 100 clergy, counsellors, lecturers, doctors, social workers, and organised on an ecumenical basis.

A public meeting given by Dr Macnab—"A Community Mental Health Centre".

The Challenge of Adoption—November/December, 1969. Series of six lecture-discussion evenings for adoptive parents run with Manawatu Family and Marriage Guidance Service.

Circuit Seminar, Taikorea—"The Challenge of a Needy World" involving other voluntary social service agencies.

Speaking Appointments by Director and staff to community and church groups on aspects of social work.

5. Christmas Hamper Project continues to grow, shared by Churches, Service Clubs, Vincent de Paul Society, with good community response.

6. "Highbury House"—A shop for sale of reconditioned clothing etc. opened June, 1969, has proved most worthwhile in offering good items, establishing good personal relationships with the people of the area, and providing much needed finance for the work of the Centre.

7. Financial Support comes from "Highbury House"; Annual Grants from seven Circuits (\$50-\$500); Connexional Budget: Masterton Children's Home Committee (for child care work); McKenzie and Moore Trusts; Methodist Women's Fellowships and other concerned individuals and groups; "Friends of the Centre"; and donations from grateful clients. 8. Rehabilitation Hostel: Site for the Hostel has been obtained and initial plans for the building have been submitted to the Justice Department and are at present under negotiation. A Warden has been appointed and it is hoped he will take up the appointment in 1971.

9. Survey on Widows. During 1970 a survey was conducted in Palmerston North by Rev. Roy Bowden to ascertain the position of widows in a new Zealand urban centre. The survey dealt with Social Security benefits; relationship of widows to their families; effectiveness of voluntary organisations and the role of the Church. Submissions were made to Royal Commission on Social Security, and findings made available to all interested.

10. Long Term Policy: During the last quarter of 1969, the Director indicated to the Management Committee his wish to resign in June 1971. This raised the question of long-term development of the Centre, particularly in relation to the possibility of Church Union in the mid 70s.

In view of the important link between the Centre and Trinity Circuit, consultations have been held with regard to their future relationship. In the process of these discussions, the relationship of the Centre to the whole Methodist work in Palmerston North and surrounding districts has been raised. This new line of approach is at present being investigated.

11. The Management Committee is representative of 8 Methodist Circuits, 2 Union Parishes, Congregational, Church of Christ and representatives of Presbyterian Willard Home and All Saints' Anglican Trust.

Staff, Management Committee and others too numerous to mention, have given generously of time, thought and substance throughout the year to make this report possible. Special appreciation, too, for the wise Chairmanship of the Rev. P. A. Stead since 1966, and for his active participation in the work of the Centre since its inception in 1963.

I. G. BABER, Director.

RESOLUTION

That the report be received and adopted.

Wesley Church (Wellington Central) Social Services Trust Board (Inc.)

ANNUAL REPORT TO CONFERENCE, 1970

Social Work: Mr Percy Clark, M.Sc., was appointed social worker in February, 1970, replacing Mrs Mirian Suckling, who resigned her position.

New Hospital Project: Government has now given approval to the erection of a 20-bed hospital at Wesleyhaven Eventide settlement. The architect is currently working to a timetable which will enable tenders to be called late in 1971. The hospital wing has long been sought and will fill a very great need in our aged care ministry.

Extensions to Epworth House: Plans to double the capacity of our hostel for young women have been approved and are now taking shape. A new matron's flat has been built on the property and an adjoining house is being purchased to be used as an annexe. We are grateful for a Government subsidy which is assisting us to purchase the property, but we require a further \$10,000 to cover the balance of the cost price. The new ventures will enable us to provide in all— 36 hostel beds in Wellington. This will in turn help us to employ additional staff, adequate to deal with such an important service.

Goodwill Shop: This venture was opened toward the end of 1969 at 250 Willis Street. Mrs Joan Ford leads a very willing band of women from the district. The shop is providing a useful income and rendering a helpful service.

JOHN A. PENMAN, Chairman.

RESOLUTION

That the report be received and adopted.

Christchurch Methodist Central Mission

ANNUAL REPORT TO THE NORTH CANTERBURY METHODIST SYNOD—AUGUST, 1970

This year, Rev. A. R. Bowden terminated a four-year term with the Mission as Associate Minister. We record with thanks the contribution he made especially in the Life Line Training and Counselling work.

Rev. Bruce Mackie commenced his ministry as Associate Minister in February of this year and he has quickly become involved in the total work of the Mission.

Fairhaven Home for the Aged: This Home accommodating 41 men and women, was officially opened on November 23rd, 1969, by His Worship the Mayor, Mr A. R. Guthrey, and dedicated by the President of the Coference, Rev. Dr J. J. Lewis.

The total cost was \$276,807.

In Fairhaven a new policy—that of independence within the security of community, is being implemented. The staff is minimal and residents are encouraged to cope with their own needs as they are a^{h-1}e, and to share in the running of the home and some of the work involved. They are also encouraged to express their creative abilities, e.g. residents are working for a fair, sketches have been presented and they led an Easter meditation at a large gathering of Senior Citizens at Easter. Mrs N. H. Brouard, the Matron of the Home, is implementing this more enlightened approach to aged care with skill and understanding.

Wesley Lodge and Hospital: This year, the Matron, Miss I. E. Macadam, completes her 13th year of service with the Mission and her 9th year as Matron of Wesley Lodge and Hospital.

Sister F. A. Fielding, who has been a Senior Sister on the staff for the past 9 years, was appointed Assistant Matron this year.

Since Wesley Hospital was opened in 1957, 1094 patients have been admitted.

The need for accommodation for the aging is more urgent than ever. At the present time the waiting list stands at 420.

Plans are now finalised for the extension of Wesley Lodge Lounge. This work is estimated to cost \$9,630 plus the cost of furnishings. A 50 per cent Government subsidy had been approved on the original estimate of \$7,300. Application is being made for subsidy on the increased costs. The Care of the Aged Committee, after consultation whit the staff who have raised some \$5,000 for a Chapel, recommends that the proposal to proceed with a separate Chapel be abandoned, and that provision for movable Chapel furniture be incorporated in the extended Lounge. The provision of a Quiet Room is now being investigated.

Financial: The following departments of the Mission benefited by bequests received during the year ending 31st March, 1970:-

General Work (3 bequests)		\$3,896
Wesley Lodge and Hospital (5 bequests)		\$2,120
Fairhaven (2 bequests)		\$2,619
Eventide Home (General) (2 bequests)		\$3,401
Friendship House (1 bequest)		\$890
Wesley House, Picton (1 bequest)		\$1,000
Eventide Home, Nelson (1 bequest)	*****	\$1,462

Total \$15,388

Seminar on Suicide: In July, 1969, an inter-disciplinary Seminar on Suicide was organised by Life Line and the Canterbury Mental Health Association. 250 members of the medical, educational, legal professions, social workers, clergy and Life Line Counsellors attended. Dr I. Pilowsky, Lecturer in Psychiatry at Sydney University, was the Keynote Speaker.

Seminar on Drug Dependency and Abuse: A Seminar on the same lines as the Suicide Seminar, is to be held on Drug Dependency.

Life Line: A Street Day was held in June, 1969, and the net result was \$1,513.

Since the inception of Life Line in 1964, 7,674 calls for personal help have been received. The average number of calls per week for the first 5 years was 14. In the last year this has risen to an average of 50 per week. The number of calls from people who threaten to take their lives or who have attempted to do so, has shown a sharp increase. In the first 5 years 91 suicide calls were received and in the last 12 months 74 such calls were recorded. This does not necessarily mean that suicide is on the increase, but that more people are seeking help.

The statistics of Life Line for April, 1970, show a record number of calls:-

Total Trouble Team Calls Suicide Threats or	 $\begin{array}{c} 300\\ 25\end{array}$	Previous highest total 281 Oct. 1969 22 Jan. 1970
Attempts	 16	15 Sept. 1969

Youthline: The Life Line Committee has decided to establish Youthline as a Division of Life Line. This decision was made recently after consultation with a joint Committee representing the Departments of Christian Education of sister churches, the University and Teachers' College, and the National Council of Churches.

Youthline will operate similarly to Life Line except that youth will talk to youth and face to face counselling may be done in coffee bars rather than in the Mission Office.

New Hospital for the Aged: When Fairhaven was built, provision was made to add a fourth floor as a Hospital unit. Sketch plans for this have now been completed and the Health Department has approved this scheme in principle and programmed it for 1973-74 financial year. The hospital will accommodate 24 patients.

Flats: It is expected that a start will be made on the erection of flats for the aged on land adjacent to Fairhaven. Initially 6 flats will be built and additional units will be erected as finance becomes available.

Rehua Maori Hostel: Forty-two new boys were admitted to the Hostel in February. All came from the North Island and they have been apprenticed as motor mechanics and painters and paperhangers.

The total number in residence is sixty-three.

The Committee is concerned that because of the increasing demand for trade training, it is necessary for boys to move into private board or flats after only 12 months' residence in the Hostel. The Committee feels that boys coming from the rural areas need at least two years in the Hostel to help them to adjust to the new way of life in the city.

The Maori Affairs Department hopes to build a recreational hall on the site.

Earlier in the year, because of the heavy operating losses on some of the Church Hostels in Christchurch, the Hostels made representations to the Minister of Maori Affairs for a greater measure of financial support. This has now been approved.

Mrs E. M. Keenan continues to serve as Matron, with her husband as Warden. Miss J. Shallard is Assistant Matron and together they give good leadership and foster the atmosphere of a Christian home.

Other Developments: The Open House policy at Friendship House has been extended and now operates on Wednesday nights when hobbies groups function as well as a Christian fellowship and training group.

On Friday nights, an unstructured programme operates with the emphasis upon friendship and informality.

A decision has been made to establish a coffee and snack bar.

Dixon House-Greymouth: This Mission, represented by Rev. W. E. Falkingham and Mr A. A. Dingwall, acts on behalf of the Methodist Church on a Combined Churches' Trust which is planning a 30-bed Home for the Aged to be built in Greymouth.

Amended plans are now being considered and the estimated cost of this project is \$183,000 exclusive of fees.

Combined Presbyterian-Methodist Home, Nelson: The Trustees gave approval for the Mission representatives on a joint Presbyterian-Methodist Committee to suggest the formation of a Trust, similar to the Dixon House Trust for the promotion jointly, of a scheme whereby the Presbyterian Green Gables property be developed. The Trust also decided to suggest to the P.S.S.A. that consideration be given to the leasing of the land and buildings to the Joint Trust.

Friendship House—New Frontage: The new extensions to Friendship House and the Mission Offices, were officially opened by the Rev. H. C. Matthews, Chairman of the District, on 3rd June, 1969.

This was made possible by a bequest of approximately \$10,000 from Miss Kathleen Blackwell, and generous gifts of building materials from many city firms. The total cost was \$16,924. The Department of Internal Affairs has approved a grant of \$2,563 and this has yet to be received. Goodwill Stores: We are grateful to the many women who serve in a voluntary capacity in the Mission's three Goodwill Stores.

The small demand for clothing at the Lincoln Road and Sydenham Stores, has necessitated the Trustees to set up a Committee to report on both Stores. The City Store has had an excellent year and there is a heavy demand for all types of clothing.

Darby and Joan Club: This Club, which meets monthly, has been very well attended this year. For most meetings there is an attendance of approximately 100 members.

The District Women's Fellowships are performing a valuable service in providing programmes and catering.

"Care 'N' Call" Telephone Service: In view of the fact that many elderly people suffer acute loneliness, the Superintendent discussd the ideas for helping such people with Senior Citizens' representatives.

The idea of a Care 'N' Call Telephone Service was warmly supported. The basic idea is that groups or chains of 6 people undertake to ring each other daily at a pre-arranged time.

When there is no response, the caller rings the Organiser indicating that an emergency may have arisen and that appropriate action be taken to ascertain if the person concerned is in need of help. Is this a service that the Mission should endeavour to sponsor?

Thanks: We express thanks to the Matrons and staffs, of Wesley Lodge and Hospital, Wesley House, Picton, Fairhaven and Rehua Hostel; to the Conveners of Aged Care Committees, Mr A. A. Dingwall and Mr Henry Kelly, Picton; to the Convener of the Rehua Hostel Committee, Mr M. E. Lloyd. To the many voluntary workers serving in the Goodwill Stores, Life Line and assisting in our institutions and group work at Friendship House, we also thank sincerely.

tutions and group work at Friendship House, we also thank sincerely. We are particularly indebted to the Trustees and Executive which meets fortnightly throughout the year to review and implement all major policies of the Mission.

We have also appreciated news stories and publicity given to the various departments of the Mission, through the news media.

W. E. FALKINGHAM, Superintendent.

B. E. MACKIE, Associate Minister.

A. A. DINGWALL, Treasurer.

H. G. STEWART, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted.

2. Central Mission Board of Management 1971 be as printed on page 6 herein.

Methodist Central Mission, Dunedin

ANNUAL REPORT TO CONFERENCE, 1970

M.S.S.A. Annual Meeting: It was a great privilege and pleasure for us in Dunedin to welcome members of the M.S.S.A. to our city for their annual meeting.

Staff: Miss Beverley Russell, a candidate for the Order of St. Stephen, has been a most welcome addition to our staff this year. Miss Russell is a school teacher who has taken up a new position of social worker, which we have created for the first time in the Dunedin Mission. Her initiative and ability are appreciated by us all. Rev. S. J. West, our associate minister, continues to play a vital role in our Mission team.

Sister Shirley Ungemuth is now resident at the Staff Home at our Eventide Home at Company Bay and much of her time is spent in caring for the welfare of patients and guests there and at Wesley Manor. She conducts regular services and works in close co-operation with the Matron and Occupational Therapy Department.

Mr F. W. Wilson, our Administrative Officer, continues to look after the purchasing side of the Mission, the canvassing for funds and many of the administrative responsibilities are his.

Anglican-Methodist Family Care Centre: This was officially established on 27th April, 1970, when the Anglican Social Worker, Mr R. E. Walton and his assistant, Mrs A. Turvey, moved into the Central Mission office. Anglican Social Services, particularly in the care of the aged, will be separately administered, but increasingly child care work and counselling will be done by this integrated body. Miss Russell is our Methodist contribution to the staff.

We see the next year as an experimental period under a joint committee, but it is hoped that at the end of that time a permanent Board will be established.

Eventide Home and Wesley Manor: Rising costs continue to be an increasing problem, particularly when we are unable to pass these costs on as the great majority of the people in our homes are pensioners, with very little capital. Coupled with this is the almost chronic shortage of registered staff. Advertisements all over New Zealand with incentives such as a fine home for a married couple have brought no response. We are tremendously grateful to our Supervising Matron, Mrs J. M. Lawrenson, and all staff members for their willing service, often under great difficulties because of staff shortage.

Wesley Hall Students' Hostel continues to serve a small number of students, but is for us a most uneconomic proposition. Mrs Prescott, our Matron, has done magnificent service here, often singlehanded.

Dunedin Citizens' Day Nursery: This service has continued with an increasing number of children at Wesley Hall, South Dunedin. The Anglican-Methodist Family Care Committee has conducted a survey in a new, fast-grownig suburban area of Brockville, to see whether or not there was need for such a nursery there. As a result a branch of the Nursery will be established in conjunction with the West Dunedin Union Parish.

Kawarau Falls Holiday Camp: The Camp, with its magnificent natural surroundings, presented a fine picture on the 17th March, when Her Majesty the Queen, H.R.H. the Duke of Edinburgh and Their Royal Highnesses, the Prince of Wales and Princess Anne, visited it briefly in order to embark on a launch for a trip to Queenstown.

During their brief stay the members of the Royal Family showed interest in the work that was being done.

Octagon Building: After so many years of planning it is with gratitude to God and grateful thanks to all who have worked for so many years, remembering especially the man whose original dream it was, the Rev. Leslie B. Neale, and the one who carried on the inspiration and guided the Trust over eight years, the Rev. Dr Raymond Dudley, the Octagon Building was opened on 6th May, 1970, by the President of the Methodist Church of New Zealand, the Rev. Dr J. J. Lewis.

D. B. GORDON, Superintendent.

H. C. VINCE, Circuit Steward.

V. J. TIE, Circuit Steward.

F. W. WILSON, Social Service Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

2. That the Board for 1971 be as printed on page 6 herein.

Auckland Methodist Care of Dependent Children Committee

ANNUAL REPORT FOR YEAR ENDING JUNE 30th. 1970

Care of children in Wesleydale and Foster Homes continues. The average number in care through the year was 58. At present there are 34 in Wesleydale, 17 in Foster Homes, 2 in Schools and 3 others (working, etc.). 11 of the Wesleydale children are at High School.

There have been 17 admitted into care and 14 discharged, 10 of these returning to their parents.

58 families have received counselling and help. 59 different holiday homes have been used, some on several occasions.

Staffing: Mr and Mrs Bowden and staff continue to serve with dedication and endeavour to create a warm homely atmosphere for the children, and to give to each the time and affection necessary for individual well-being. There have been several changes of Housemothers.

The Board is aware of the need for more and better trained staff to cope with the emotional problems of many of the children who come into care.

After 4 years of devoted and commendable service Miss Joyce Boniface resigned from the position of Social Worker. Mr L. P. Parker has been appointed to this position for a period of one year.

Property: Staff rooms have been re-papered and carpeted. Two dormitories have been partitioned, giving single room privacy and study facilities to 16 senior children.

Steam heating has been extended to the dormitories. Dining and playroom floors have been recovered.

An area of about 3½ acres of land, previously uncultivated, has been rotary hoed and grassed.

Frequent enquiries are received from tenants regarding the possibility of freeholding the leasehold properties at Epsom and Mt Albert. This is being given consideration.

It is the intention of the Board to proceed with the establishment of a Family Home.

Co-operation: Social workers from the P.S.S.A. and the Anglican Social Services have worked together in visiting country Foster Homes.

Residential staff from the 3 agencies have met together and discussed points relevant to the work, and representatives from the 3 Boards are to discuss ways of joint action for the care of dependent children.

Women's Committee continues to give very acceptable practical and financial help.

Grants from Auckland Savings Bank, Auckland Orphanages United Council, J. R. McKenzie Trust, Robert Gibson Trust, etc. assist in financing the increasing costs of our work.

Legacies received from the estates of the late Jessie and Nora Buttle, Mabel A. Isbister, Robert Ewbank, Bertha Avann, Gertrude F. Daldy, plus income from endowments and investments. have largely met the \$21,639 deficit on the Revenue Account.

Costs: It costs approximately \$20 per week to keep a child in Wesleydale. This includes all overhead expenses. To feed, clothe, care for and pay all necessary expenses has cost \$11.20 per week per child as against a little over \$10 last year. Donations from interested people and Churches are gratefully received towards this costly work.

Thanks: The Board expresses thanks to all Trusts, Fellowships, Boards, individuals, etc., who have in any way helped with the work of dependent children in our care.

> R. F. CLEMENT, Chairman. J. DIVERS, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted.

2. That the Committee for 1971 be as printed on page 7 herein.

Masterton Methodist Childen's Home

REPORT OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1970

Throughout the past year the work of Homeleigh has been continued satisfactorily and without major changes. The average number of children under care was 27. There were 14 new cases (a family of 5 and two families of 3) and 3 children were placed in foster homes. There were 10 departures of which 7 were returned to parents and 1 commenced at Training College. The demand for admission to Homeleigh fluctuates. During the first half of the year there was an unusually large number of applications which could not be dealt with.

The larger family groups dealt with often bring difficulty in collecting adequate maintenance. The position has been worse this year than for some years. The Committee has furnished evidence in support of the application of the Council of Christian Social Services for increased Government capitation subsidy. A good standard of care of the children has been continued and

A good standard of care of the children has been continued and this is largely due to the genuine interest in their welfare taken by the Manager and Matron, Mr and Mrs A. N. Jolly.

The completion of the outside painting has left the buildings looking in very good condition. A new general purpose shed replaces the old barn. Plans are in hand for the provision of cubicles in the girls' dormitories.

In conjunction with the Wellington Board (in which the land is vested) the Committee is looking into the long term use of the land adjacent to the Home and which has, over the years, given the children many of the advantages of country life within a town setting.

The work of Homeleigh has been helped by many who have shown their interest in a practical way and particularly by those who have opened their homes to the children during school holidays and by the social workers who have made the necessary arrangements. Of particular interest was the gesture of a visiting women's group who donated over \$80 as the commencement of a fund for a deep freeze.

Our work is dependent to a large extent on financial support of the Church and certain charitable trusts. In particular we record appreciation of the following grants:—

- 1. A reinstated allocation from the church budget which totalled \$3708.
- 2. An increased grant of \$1400 from the Robert Gibson Methodist Trust.
- 3. The J. R. McKenzie Trust Board, \$500.
- 4. Masterton Trust Lands Trust, \$150.

5. Government subsidy on capital works.

D. H. SPRINGER, Chairman. J. F. CODY, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted.

2. That the Committee for 1971 be as printed on page 7 herein.

The South Island Methodist Childen's Home Board

ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1970.

Again we report a further year of caring for needy children in all aspects of child-care work as the following statistics reveal:—

In the Papanui Home: Children in the Home as at 31/7/69, 56. As at 31/7/70, 65. Admissions during the current year, 37. Demissions during the current year, 28. 31 children were short-term admissions. 3 children were long-term admissions. 2 children were received for admittance from other denominations. 1 child has been adopted. Children in Foster Homes as at 31/7/70, 11. Children in the Barring-ton Street Unit Family Home, 7.

During the year counselling, referals and help has been given to 67 families, involving 145 children in case-work by the Master, assisted by the Assistant Matron.

Training: Sister Rona Collins, the Assistant Matron, successfully completed her first year of the Social Services course with the University of Canterbury, and is finishing this course this year.

Alterations and Renewals: The main task this year for the Board has been the work at the Papanui Home where most of the work in the Central block, in the Kitchen, together with the renewals of electrical installations and fittings and the conversion to oil-burning, is practically completed, together with other alterations and the provision of renovated accommodation in another part of the building for the Master and Matron. To date this has involved expenditure of over \$40,000 for which approximately half the Government subsidy has been received, \$8150, the rest of which will be received when final payments are made.

Plans and specifications for the final stages of this work to complete the renovations for the whole Home, at an estimated cost of \$27,000, are in the hands of the Government Welfare Department.

All this has meant a great deal of inconvenience for both staff and children, and this has been met with great patience and understanding by all concerned. Despite the difficulties under which they have laboured there have been no resignations, and we are grateful to the Master and Matron, Mr and Mrs J. E. Scott, the Assistant Matron, Sister Rona Collins, and to the whole staff for their response in this trying time.

Management: Mr and Mrs J. E. Scott have indicated to the Board that they will be terminating their service early in January, 1971. The Board will be advertising shortly for applications to fill their position. They have given wonderful and loyal service to the Church since their appointment in 1960, and in addition Mr Scott has done a tremendous task in the case-work that he has so successfully undertaken. The latest report from the Welfare Department again speaks highly of the work that they have done, and Mr and Mrs Scott are held in the highest estimation both by this Department and its officers together with those of other denominations in this work. They will not be easy to replace. We express our gratitude for their years of service, and wish them and their family well for the future.

Mr and Mrs E. J. Overton continue to give excellent service in the Barrington Street Unit Family Home. The latest Welfare Department report also speaks favourably of the fine work they are doing, and of the happy relationship with the children there.

Death: We suffered a sad loss to the staff of our Papanui Home recently in the sudden passing of Miss Betty Looms. She had given much in her service as a Family Mother and will be greatly missed.

Finance: This year we have needed to draw heavily on our capital resources to finance the work done. With the steady and increasing demand for Child Care in our area we could not maintain the service given without the generous support from Trusts, Legacies and Grants, including the amount received each year from the Christchurch Children's Homes Combined Appeals Trust Board. The McKenzie Trust particularly give generously each year. If we are to continue to maintain this work at the level required it calls for the fullest support the Church can give.

> H. C. MATTHEWS, Chairman. O. T. WOODFIELD, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted.

2. That Synod expresses its gratitude to the Master and Matron of the Papanui Home for their 10 years of outstanding service to the Church, and conveys to Mr and Mrs J. E. Scott best wishes for their future.

3. That the Board for 1971 be as printed on page 7 herein.

QUESTION 43.-What are the Resolutions of the Conference in regard to:-

(a) The Connexional Office of the Methodist Church of New Zealand?

Report of the Board of Management of the Connexional Office

The annual financial statements will be presented to Conference along with this Report. An excess of income over expenditure for the year to 30th June, 1970, was \$175 compared with a deficit of \$1328 in 1969.

Although the Merivale Lane Parsonage is recorded in the ledger at only \$5243, it is still true that the Accumulated Funds and reserves of \$5406 as at 30th June, 1970, are quite inadequate for a Board which has to provide a Parsonage, Office Equipment and Furnishings and a measure of working capital. It will be evident that attention must soon be given to the problem of increasing the capital funds at the disposal of the Board.

Appropriations (1969/1970)

In view of rising costs and impending staff changes, the Board sought and obtained the approval of Conference 1969 to increase the appropriations from the various Funds administered in the Office, if necessary. The appropriations were reviewed in February of this year, a total increase of \$800 being agreed upon (Church Building and Loan Fund \$100, General Purposes Trust \$600, Fire Insurance Fund \$100). Further adjustments may be necessary to the appropriations for the year 1970/71.

Allocation from Connexional Budget 1971-1972

It was with great reluctance that the Board asked through the Finance and Stewardship Committee of Detail for an increase in its allocation of \$3,000 to \$3,750. Should the increased allocation not be granted, the Board will need still further to increase appropriations and again seeks the approval of Conference to do so, if necessary.

General Secretary's Residence-17 Merivale Lane

Most needed renovations have been carried out to the exterior and interior of the house and living room partly refurnished.

While the house is in reasonable order and condition and is in a most suitable locality, the need to make provision for its replacement is becoming more obvious every year. In this connection, the Board regrets that it has not been possible to reduce the loan from the Connexional Fire Insurance Fund.

Children's Fund

With the advent of the Connexional Budget and the transfer of the Children's Fund to the Connexional Office, payment of allowances is made immediately following notification of the birth of a child. This necessitates an alteration to the church law and a recommendation to this effect is appended.

Furnishing of Parsonages (Mins. of Conf., 1968, p. 96, Res. 4)

During the year, the Board has been in consultation with the Standing Committee on Stipends and the Welfare of the Church Committee regarding the issues involved in the ministers owning their own furnishings. A memorandum prepared by a sub-committee was forwarded for the consideration of both Committees. The Church Welfare Committee is bringing recommendations to Conference.

Role of the President of the Methodist Church of New Zealand (Mins. of Conf. 1969, p. 114, Res. 12)

The Board prepared a memorandum for the consideration of the Church Council. The Church Council is bringing a recommendation to Conference to amend the definition of the role of the President as set out in the Law Book, Section 162, page 24.

Financial Statements (Mins. of Conf., p. 243, Res. 5)

Some consideration has been given by the Executive Officers to the statements of accounts to be published annually in the Minutes of Conference. The issue is many sided and the Board requests leave to continue its deliberations.

Centralisation of Accounting (Mins. of Conf., 1968, p. 121)

The Board considered a memorandum which was duly made the subject of a discussion at Church Council.

Church Council has referred the whole matter to the Committee on Structure for examination and report.

The Board is aware of the proposal to establish a Council of Mission with five divisions, one of which is a Division of Funds and Administration. Centralisation of accounting would appear to be one of the principal issues to be determined if such a Division were to be created.

Role of the Board of Management

In the light of changes in church structures, in inter-church relationships and in society generally, the Board of Management acknowledges the need to review its role in the Methodist Church of New Zealand from time to time. A memorandum prepared by the executive officers was the subject of discussion at a meeting of the Board specially convened for the purpose and a sub-committee has been appointed to bring recommendations to the Board during 1971.

Property Returns and Financial Statistics

The Board took the initiative in calling a meeting of the District Financial Secretaries and District Property Secretaries for North and South Canterbury to re-design the property schedule forms and the circuit financial returns forms required for budgeting—local and connexional—and for applications for Home Mission and other grants. A revised set of forms has been prepared and comments and suggestions are being sought over a wide field.

Overseas Travel and Training for the General Secretary

With the knowledge and encouragement of Church Council, the Board of Management is making arrangements for the General Secretary to travel overseas in 1971 (end of May to beginning of September). The Board is desirous that the General Secretary should meet Church leaders in other countries, visit certain Methodist Church Offices and attend selected Conferences. The Board believes that a visit of this kind will be of great value with enduring benefits for the Church. The General Secretary is closely involved, not only in matters of administration but in negotiations for Church Union, and he is also the channel through which much information from overseas churches and organisations flows into the life of the Church. Direct contact will enrich the life and work of the connexion in the future.

The Board is glad to know that the General Secretary is being nominated to Conference to be one of the representatives of the New Zealand Church at the World Methodist Council at Denver, Colorado, in August, 1971.

A. A. DINGWALL, Chairman. W. R. LAWS, Secretary. C. R. HASSELDINE, Treasurer.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report and Financial Statements be received and adopted.

2. That the appropriations for 1971-72 be: Supernumerary Fund \$4500. Fire Insurance Fund \$5400, Church Building and Loan Fund \$3600, General Purposes Trust \$3200, Transport Trust Board \$400. 3 Children's Fund: That Section 508 (7) Law Book page 103 be

deleted ("The allowance shall not be payable until the commencement of the year succeeding the birth of a child. The amount then due shall be payable with the first quarterly allowance for the current year.").

4. That the Board for 1971 be as printed on page 5 herein.

QUESTION 43 (b)-The Supernumerary and Allied Funds?

Supernumerary Fund Board

ANNUAL REPORT

The audited financial statements for the Supernumerary and Allied Funds are presented to Conference with this report.

Movement of Funds

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The following report shows the aggregate movement of resources for the year ended 30 June 1970. 1000

Sources of Funds	19	970
	\$	\$
(a) Personal Contributions, Budget Subsidies, Investment & Other Income	+	
Personal Contributions Subsidies (less refunds to Budget and	27,187	
transfers to National Provident Fund) Commissions	25,132 518	
Donations	69	
		00.000
(b) Other Sources		99,339
(i) Surplus Fire Insurance subsidies		
ment accounts		1,816
Stocks		3,506
		-
 (1v) Mortgages repaid or transferred		=
	1	04,661
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	Disposition of Funds Costs			
3,300	Administration Charges		4,000	
756	Othon costs		880	
	Interest paid to other Funds		2,148	
				7,028
	Disbursements to Contributors	& Members		
28,401	Quarterly Annuities		25,847	
41,790	Annuities Compounded		19,739	
5,962	Furniture Grants		2,760	
-			270	
9,092	Refunds of Contributions .		15,669	
				64,285
				71,313
	Increase in Working Capital		10,253	
	Increase in Mortgages		500	
403	Additional Investments in Shan		22,695	
87,210	December December and		—	
19,747	Property Alterations & Impro	vements		
				33,448
196,661			i	.04,661

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For the first time for some years there was a modest growth in the Accumulated Funds of the Supernumerary Board. This happened because of two main factors:

(a) Commutations were approximately half of the totals for 1967/68 and 1968/69.

(b) Although the number of annuitants of the Fund remains fairly stable a larger proportion than in earlier years have commuted pensions in whole or in part.

Rate of Earnings

The rate of return fell slightly in 1969/70 (see Actuarial report) to 5.9%. This was mainly attributable to the fairly heavy impact of repair costs for Epworth Chambers. Return on other investments averaged over 7%.

Purchase of Property

The Fund is at present, with the assistance of finance from the General Purposes Trust Board, negotiating the purchase of an additional property in the Auckland province.

Home Acquirement Fund

The Board declared a bonus of 2% on Contributors accounts during 1970. This bonus was made possible by surplus and unappro-priated Fire Insurance subsidy moneys which had accumulated over a period. The bonus was declared with the approval of the Fire Insurance Fund Board.

Balance Date of Funds

The Board proposes to change the balance date of the Supernumerary and Allied Funds to 31 January. A recommendation to this effect is appended below. The reasons for the proposed change are:

(a) A better spread of end of year balance work in the Connexional Office.

(b) To assist the Auditors of the main funds located at Christchurch.

(c) To assist in the work involved for the office and the Actuary in an Actuarial review year—thus permitting earlier reports to Synods.

(d) To link in with the Connexional year.

A change would not have any implications for Budget applications. If approved the next accounts will be prepared for the period 1 July 1970 to 31 January 1971.

Deaconess and Home Missionary Retiring Funds

As indicated in the report to the 1969 Conference the Actuary is being asked to report on these two funds. It is expected that it will be possible to declare some bonuses to members of the Funds during the current financial year.

Layworkers Retiring Fund

In fulfilment of resolutions of a recent Conference, the Layworkers Retiring Fund has been established, the first members being admitted to the Fund from July 1, 1970.

Age of Retirement of Deaconesses (1969 Mins., page 273, Res. 4)

"That the matter of age of retirement of Deaconesses and their relationship to the Deaconess Retiring Fund be referred to the Deaconess Board and the Supernumerary Fund Board for clarification."

According to the law of the Church the normal age of retirement for a Deaconess is 55 years. Law Book, page 120, section 514(9): "All members of this Fund shall be required to retire on attaining the age of 55 years unless the appropriate Board deems it advisable to continue their employment."

The 1969 Deaconess Convocation contended that the retiring age of 55 was not necessarily in the best interests of the Deaconess who could find herself with inadequate finance in the five-year period that had to elapse before she could qualify for the Age Benefit. It could be difficult to obtain alternative employment. While some Deaconesses had been permitted to continue to serve beyond 55 years of age, it was not encouraging to candidates nor comforting to senior Deaconesses to know that the Church could retire them without adequate financial security.

It was agreed to recommend to Conference that the retiring age for Deaconesses be increased from 55 to 60 years, it being understood that any Deaconess who has completed thirty years' service could retire of her own volition. A recommendation to this effect is appended.

Timing of Commutation

During the year, the Board has been faced with the problem of interpretation of the regulation that permits commutation. The relevant clause is Section 512(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."

In the opinion of the Board, it is the obvious intention of the regulation that the option to receive an annuity or commute a specified part of his interest in the Fund be offered and exercised at the date of a minister's retirement. The Board realises, however, that there can be financial and other factors that make it difficult for some ministers to come to an immediate decision and is anxious to make reasonable provision for a degree of flexibility. On the other hand, it will be readily acknowledged that a continuing option could not be maintained without deleterious effects on the administration of the Fund and the Board's responsibility for all members. The Board has, therefore, come to the conclusion that the regulation should be amplified so as to permit the exercising of the option not later than 12 months from the date of the minister's retirement. See Recommendation 5.

Extent of Commutation

During the year the Board has consulted the Actuary concerning the matter of commutation of annuities. The present Law (paragraph 512 (36)) requires that no annuity shall be commuted so as to reduce the remaining annuity below \$104 p.a. This minimum annuity has applied for many years. A flat minimum annuity has some undesirable effects, particularly in connection with Ministers retiring with less than 40 years of service. It follows that the fewer the number of years of service, the greater will be the proportion of annuity which the Minister cannot commute, and conversely the proportion available for commutation will be smaller. For these reasons, the Board has come to the conclusion that the fairest way of dealing with commutations is to allow a maximum percentage of commutation to all Ministers, irrespective of years of service and to require a minimum percentage of uncommuted annuity.

The Actuary has commented on the matter as follows:

"... The whole scheme is based on the principle of relating benefits to needs. The needs of retired Ministers are periodical and recurrent and best matched by an annuity payable until death. It should be borne in mind that Ministers who elect to take larger pensions would participate in future increases in the rate of annuity We suggest that you consider applying a stipulation to the effect that not more than say 75% of the annuity may be commuted at the date of retirement..."

A suitable recommendation to this effect is appended below (Recommendation No. 8).

It should be noted that the proposed amendments will not mean any reduction in the amount of annuity available for commutation to Ministers retiring in 1970 and subsequently. All Supernumeraries will still have a larger sum available for commutation compared with those who have commuted in 1969 and earlier years with comparable years of service.

For example, for a Minister commuting with 40 years of service, the position is as follows:

If c	ommuted on basis of present scale (40 years' service)	If commutes under new scale (40 years' service)
Maximum annuity p.a. Minimum annuity p.a.	\$ 640 104	\$ 900 225
Amount of pension availa for commutation	ble 536	675

Commutation	of	Wife's	(prospective)	Pension
Maximum pension p.a.				540
Minimum pension p.a.		104		135
Amount of pension availa for commutation	ble	280		405

The capital sums payable on commutation vary according to the Minister's age, his wife's age, and the number of years of service.

Provision for Ministers to Retire on Compassionate Grounds at Less than 60 Years of Age

The Board has consulted again with the Standing Committee on Stipends and reaffirmed its previous decision not to support the establishment of a special Fund for this purpose. The Board's decision and its reasons were communicated to Church Council. (See Report of Church Council, Conference Agenda, page 77).

W. E. CLOTHIER, Chairman.

W. R. LAWS, Secretary.

C. R. HASSELDINE, Treasurer.

ACTUARIAL REPORT AND VALUATION:

John Eriksen and Company, consulting actuaries, reported as follows:---

1. BENEFITS AND CONTRIBUTIONS

We have pleasure in submitting our report on the actuarial valuation of the Fund as at 30th June 1970. In the first instance we set out the current rates of benefits and contributions which have been taken into account in the valuation.

Future rate of contribution per minister

Personal Subsidy	 			annum annum	
		\$210	per	annum	

The total current contribution represents 10% of the current minimum stipend of \$2,100.

Retirement annuity for each supernumerary minister

\$16 per annum for each year of service, \$9.60 per annum of which continues to be payable to the widow after death of the minister. The retirement annuity is in respect of a maximum period of service of 40 years.

Annuity to a widow of a minister dying before retirement

\$9.60 per annum for each year of husband's service including both actual and potential service up to age 65 with a maximum of 40 years.

Furniture Grant

A lump sum equal to \$20 for each year of service payable on retirement or death. In the case of death the furniture grant is paid to the widow in respect of both actual and potential service up to age 65.

2. MEMBERSHIP

As at the valuation date 250 ministers were contributing to the fund. 54 supernumerary ministers were receiving annuities from the fund and in respect of 46 such supernumerary ministers there are prospective liabilities for reversionary annuities to their widows. 44 widows of ministers were receiving annuities from the fund.

The information required for the valuation was provided by officers of the fund. The data is summarised in the schedules attached to this report. The figures reconcile satisfactorily with the revenue accounts of the fund.

3. PROGRESS OF FUND

The progress of the fund during five years since the last valuation is summarised in the following consolidated revenue account.

CONSOLIDATED REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR PERIOD FROM 1st JULY 1965 TO 30th JUNE 1970

\$		\$
Fund as at 1st July 1965 345,986	Annuities	125,055
Personal contributions 80,875	Furniture grants	24,740
Circuit contributions 125,197	Commutations	156,132
Subsidy portion payable	Refunds	5,190
by contributors 2,815	Working expenses	17,347
Interest & dividends 102,408	Interest paid to	
Net property income 65,302	depositors	
Writing up of property	Appropriations	2,457
value 87,177	Fund as at 30th	June
Commissions 1,179	1970	445,092
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\$810,939		\$810,939

The average yield on the fund during each of the last five years was as follows:-

YEAR TO 30th JUNE 1966

JUNE	AVERAGE YIELD
	6.7%
	6.1%
	6.2%
	6.7%
	5.9%

4. VALUATION BASIS

The valuation was performed on the same actuarial bases as those used in 1965 which are summarised below:---

Rate of interest 41% per annum.

Mortality of Ministers during service

The latest table of mortality deduced by the Institute of Actuaries for assured lives.

Mortality of annuitants The latest tables deduced by the Institute of Actuaries for annuitants

The experience of the fund during the five years preceding the valuation date has been more favourable than that indicated by the above assumptions particularly in regard to the rate of interest earned on the fund.

5. VALUATION

The valuation of the fund on the above assumptions gives rise to the following result:---

VALUATION BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE 1970

	\$000s	\$000s
Present value of:-		94
Current Annuities to Supernumeraries		77
Prospective annuities to Supernumeraries		507
Prospective annuities to Widows		282
Prospective furniture grants		82
		1,042
Present value of future contributions at the total		
rate of \$210 per minister per annum	665	
Fund as at 30th June 1970	445	
		1,110
Cumplus		68

Surplus

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The surplus which has arisen during the five years is due principally to the following factors:—

- (a) The increase in the rate of contribution per minister which is being paid to the fund;
- (b) The interest earned on the fund in excess of that assumed by the valuation basis;
- (c) The re-valuation of property;
- (d) The recruitment of young ministers for whom the actuarial value of contributions exceeds the actuarial value of benefits.

6. FUTURE RATES OF BENEFIT

The most important matter for consideration is the question of future benefits and contributions. To assist appreciation of the financial implications of making changes we submit the following table showing the increases which would be effected in the actuarial liabilities of the fund consequent upon various alternative increases in annuities.

INCREASES IN ACTUARIAL LIABILITIES CONSEQUENT UPON INCREASES IN ANNUITIES ASSUMING PROPORTIONATE INCREASES IN EXISTING ANNUITIES IN ALL CASES

Annuity	after 40
years	service

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Increase in actuarial liability \$000s

 $143 \\ 300 \\ 221 \\ 390$

35%	OI	\$2,100	(\$135.00)	
40%	of	\$2,100	(\$840.00)	
35%	of	\$2,250	(\$787.50)	
40%	of	\$2.250	(\$900.00)	

At present the annuity after 40 years service would amount to \$640 which represents just over 30% of \$2,100.

To assist the Board in funding increased annuities we also show the increases which would be effected in the actuarial assets of the fund if contributions were increased.

INCREASES IN ACTUARIAL ASSETS CONSEQUENT UPON INCREASES IN FUTURE CONTRIBUTIONS

Future	annual	
contribution	per mi	nister

Increase in assets \$000s

10 %	of	\$2,100	(\$210.00)	
121%	of	\$2,100	(\$262.50)	166
10 %	of	\$2,250	(\$225.00)	48
121%	of	\$2,250	(\$281.25)	226

Having regard to current financial trends and to your expectation that stipends will shortly be increased to \$2,250 per annum, we recommend that:--

- 1. The annuity be increased to 40% of \$2,250 after 40 years service; this would mean an effective annuity of \$22.50 for each year of service up to a maximum of 40, representing an increase of rather more than 40% over and above the existing scale of benefits.
- 2. That contributions to the fund be increased to a total of $12\frac{1}{2}\%$ of \$2,250 (i.e. \$281.25) per minister per annum.

The adoption of the above recommendations would create a deficiency of \$96,000 which we would consider acceptable. The resultant valuation balance sheet would be as follows:—

Present value of benefits Present value of future contributions \$281.25 per minister per annum	of	\$000s	\$000s 1432
Fund as at 30th June 1970		445	1336 96

If the above recommendations are adopted we would expect the gradual liquidation of the unfunded liability as a result of experience more favourable than assumed by the valuation procedures.

Yours faithfully,

J. ERIKSEN.

SCHEDULE OF MINISTERS CONTRIBUTING TO THE FUND

Year of Birth Group	Number of Ministers
1900-1904	1
1905-1909	15
1910-1914	24
1915-1919	28
1920-1924	29
1925-1929	47
1930-1934	42
1935-1939	31
1940-1944	32
1945-1949	1
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SCHEDULE OF SUPERNUMERARY MINISTERS WITH RIGHTS TO REVERSIONARY ANNUITIES TO WIDOWS

Nu	mber of Supernumer Ministers with right		Prospective
Year of Birth Group	to reversionary annuities to widows	Amount of Annuity	amount of widows' reversionary annuities
		\$	\$
1910-1914	3	346.76	346.76
1905-1909	8	861.12	861.12
1900-1904	18	3,179.20	2,559.09
1895-1899	6	2,135.68	1,648.24
1890-1894	2		1.005.44
1885-1889	5	1,664.51	1,664.51
1880-1884	3	1,262.48	895.52
	46	\$10,984.83	\$8,991.56

SCHEDULE OF SUPERNUMERARY MINISTERS WITH NO PROSPECTIVE REVERSIONARY ANNUITIES TO A WIDOW

Year of Birth Group	Number of Supernumerary Ministers	Amounting Annuity
		\$
1900-1904	1	416.00
1890-1894	2	1,005.44
1885-1889	1	368.24
1880-1884	2	1,003.96
1875-1879	2	1,248.96
	8	\$4,042.60
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SCHEDULE OF WIDOWS IN RECEIPT OF ANNUITIES

Year of Birth Group	Number of Widows	Amount of Annuity
		\$
1915-1919	1	104.00
1910-1914	3	654.96
1905-1909	9	1,389.16
1900-1904	4	761.24
1895-1899	6	1,288.48
1890-1894	10	2,215,70
1885-1889	6	1.781.24
1880-1884	3	745.32
1875-1879	2	620.72
	44	\$9,560.82

ADDENDUM

Effect of Proposed Increase in Stipends on Recommended Benefits— Furniture Grants Payable to Widows of Ministers

When the Actuary began the 1970 valuation it had been expected

that the standard minimum stipend for an ordained Minister would be increased to \$2250 p.a. from early in 1971. When the Actuary's report had been prepared and during its consideration by the Board, it became evident that the Standing Committee on Stipends would be recommending an increase of the standard minimum stipend for ordained ministers to \$2350 p.a. The Board, of course, has taken cognizance of this fact in its deliberations on the report. As will be noted from the report and recommendations, the Board concluded that the benefits from 1st February 1971 should be increased to \$22.50 per year of service in the case of a minister, and \$13.50 for widows of ministers, representing an increase of approximately 40% in the present scale.

If contributions from 1st February 1971 are based on a standard minimum stipend of \$2350, the Actuarial deficiency at that point of time will be reduced and, other things being equal, should be progressively reduced still further and reduced faster than would otherwise have been the case. The Board concluded that in view of the probable increase in standard minimum stipends to \$2,350 p.a., the furniture grant payable to widows of ministers dying in the active work should be increased from \$20 to \$40 per year of service and prospective service up to the age of 65 years, with a maximum of 40 years. A suitable recommendation is appended. This would mean that the maximum furniture grant for the widow of a minister dying in the active work would be increased from \$800 to \$1600. The Board also wishes to point out that it is the intention that the next Actuarial Valuation shall take place in 1973, immediately after the preparation of the financial accounts to 31st January, 1973, by which time the Fund will have had the benefit of two years' contributions at increased rates.

RESOLUTIONS

(1) That the Report and Financial Statements be received and adopted.

(2) That the following Financial Statements be received and adopted: Supernumerary Fund, Benevolent Fund, Ministers Home Acquirement Fund, Deaconess Retiring Fund, Home Missionaries Retiring Fund.

(3) That the balance date of the Supernumerary and Allied Funds be January 31; the next accounts to be prepared for the period July 1 1970 to January 31 1971.

(4) Age of Retirement of Deaconesses: That section 514(9) Law Book, p.120, be amended to read: "All members of this Fund shall be required to retire on attaining the age of 60 years but shall have the right to retire on the completion of 30 years' service unless the appropriate Board deems it advisable to continue their employment."

(5) Timing of Commutation: That section 512(36) Law Book, p.113, be amended to read: "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 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 and the option either of receiving an annuity according to scale or to commute a specified part of his interest in the Fund shall be exercised not later than 12 months from the date of the minister's retirement."

(6) Contributions: That contributions (personal and circuit) to the Fund be increased from February 1, 1971 from a total of 10%to a total of $12\frac{1}{2}\%$ of the standard minimum stipend. (Note: It is expected that the standard minimum stipend will be increased from \$2,100 to \$2,350 as from February 1, 1971. The ratio of contributions will be: personal 5%, circuit/institution $7\frac{1}{2}\%$. The circuit/institution contribution will be collected through the Connexional Budget as from July 1, 1971 and the Board is recommending that the increased amount required for the five months, February 1 to June 30, 1971, be met from another source.)

(7) Benefits: (a) That as from February 1, 1971 the annuity for a supernumerary minister be increased from \$16 to \$22.50 for each year of service up to a maximum of 40 years. (b) That as from February 1, 1971 the pension for a minister's widow be increased from \$9.60 to \$13.50 for each year of her husband's service up to a maximum of 40 years. (Note These rates will apply to ministers superannuating at the 1970 Conference.) (c) That as from February 1, 1971 the furniture grant to a widow of a minister who dies in service be a lump sum payment equal to \$40 for each year of her husband's service (actual and potential to 40 years' service or 65 years of age, as the case may be).

(8) Limit of Commutation That the limit of commutation be 75% and that regulation 512(36), page 113 of Law Book, be amended to read "No amount of annuity shall be commuted so as to reduce the remaining annuity of the minister or the remaining annuity of his widow below 25% of his entitlement"

(9) That the following be referred to the Board for consideration of the principles and practical issues involved and report to Synods and Conference:—

(a) Recognizing the continuing heavy drain on the Supernumerary Fund occasioned by Commutation of Pensions and the serious position of many superannuating ministers, Conference authorizes the Supernumerary Fund Board to make a special annual levy on Circuits (and Union Parishes to which a Methodist Minister is appointed) of not less than One Hundred and Fifty Dollars for every Ordained Minister and One Hundred Dollars for every Probationer to take effect from 1st February, 1972, the amount so levied to be applied at the discretion of the Board in making Grants to Superannuating Ministers for home purchase, provided only that each such Minister shall receive a sum equal to not less than One Hundred Dollars for each year of his service. Note: Any residual balance should be added to the Capital of the Supernumerary Fund.

(b) That the Supernumerary Fund Board be asked to consider the possibility of introducing a scheme similar to that recently introduced into the State Services and now proposed for Local Authorities, under which pensions are adjusted periodically in accordance with movements in the cost of living.

(10) That the Board for 1971 be as printed on page 10 herein.

QUESTION 43 (c).-Methodist General Purposes Trust Board?

Methodist General Purposes Trust Board (inc.)

ANNUAL REPORT 1970

The audited Annual Financial Statements for the year ended 30th June, 1970, are presented to Conference with this report.

Interest Rate

Interest has been paid at the higher rate of 5% p.a. for the year to almost all depositors. $4\frac{1}{2}$ % p.a. is paid on a very few short-term deposits for less than one year.

deposits for less than one year. The improved rate of interest resulted in an inflow of deposits during the year. Total funds under administration at 30th June, 1970 amounted to \$512,083 compared with \$438,414 at 30th June, 1969.

Although the Board is not able to increase the interest rate at the present time, the rate payable will be kept under review.

Specific Investments

The service offered to Trusts wishing to deposit funds for a period of years and linked to a specific investment has been sought by a few of the new depositors and a slightly higher rate of interest has been earned and credited.

Winstone Memorial Trust Fund

(a) Grants to Ministers in the Active Work:

Grants for the year to 30th June, 1970 to meet arrears of stipend totalled \$6,176. This shows a further increase. The grants were made to 24 Ministers.

The position for the past three years has been :--

Year		Dis	tributable Income	Grants for Arrears of Stipend	Available for Grants to Super- numeraries and Widows
1967/68			5805	3649	2156
1968/69			7284	5339	1945
1969/70			6748	6176	572

It is evident that the Fund may soon be in a situation where the income will not be adequate to meet all claims for grants for arrears of stipend.

(b) Grants for Widows and Supernumeraries:

During the year 33 grants were made to widows and supernumeraries totalling \$2,099. Many letters expressing gratitude for the grants were received.

The increasing claims on the Fund for arrears of stipend (the first charge on the distributable income) have, unfortunately, meant a substantial diminution in the amount available for such grants in 1970/71.

Walters' Farm Trusts

To assist in the administration of the Trusts the approval of Conference is sought for certain changes in the Deeds. Suitable recommendations are appended.

W. E. CLOTHIER, Chairman.W. R. LAWS, Secretary.C. R. HASSELDINE, Treasurer.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report and Financial Statements be received and adopted.

2. That Conference give authority for the Manawatu Social Service Centre to enrol the Rev. Roy Bowden for the Victoria University Diploma of Social Science Course, with a view to his being appointed to the Social Service as a specialist Minister with special responsibility for Social Service.

And that Conference agree in principles to the Connexion sharing in the cost of training, should funds be available.

3. That the legacy from the estate of A. J. Gray be granted to the Supernumerary Fund Board to meet the increase in contributions for ministers and other full-time workers required through the Connexional Budget for the period February 1st to June 30th 1971.

4. (a) F. W. Walters and Family Trust

In 1961 the late Mrs C. Walters, widow of the late F. W. Walters, gave to the Church a farm property of 100 acres at Elstow. From the net annual income certain funds, churches and institutions receive grants. The Trust is administered by the General Purposes Trust Board under a Declaration of Trust dated the 10th day of March, 1961.

Conference has power to vary or alter the terms of the Trust. The Board has been advised that it is in the interests of the Trust and Church that should the opportunity arise, it should purchase more land, as 100 acres is to-day considered too small to be an efficient unit.

To raise the necessary finance for any such purchase, the Board may have to borrow.

There is no power in the Declaration of Trust to purchase land or to borrow.

In the Declaration of Trust, there are no specific provisions relating to the management. development and administration of a farm trust. The powers and provisions of the Trustee Act are not adequate and therefore the Board asks that it be granted similar powers of farm management and development as those granted under the constitution of the Robert Gibson Methodist Trust Board. Such further powers would assist the Board in the management and development of the farm trust.

It is therefore recommended that Conference grant to the Board power to purchase additional land, power to borrow and such further powers as are required by the Board to enable it to more efficiently manage and develop the farm trust.

To give effect to this it is also recommended that it be accomplished by a Deed of Variation, in pursuance of Clause 4 of the Declaration of Trust, such Deed to be executed by the Board by the Trustees of the Estate of the late C. Walters and by the President of the Methodist Church acting on behalf of the Conference.

RESOLUTION

THAT the Declaration of Trust dated the 10th March, 1961 relating to the F. W. Walters and Family Trust be amended to give the Methodist General Purposes Trust Board power to purchase additional land, power to borrow and such other powers as the Board requires to enable it more efficiently to manage and develop the trust farm, such powers to be similar to the powers contained in the Constitution of the Robert Gibson Methodist Trust Board and that this be accompanied by the execution of a Deed of Variation in accordance with the provisions of clause 4 of the said Delcaration of Trust by the Board, the Executors and the Will of the late C. Walters and the President of the Methodist Church acting on behalf of the Conference.

4. (b) W. F. Walters and Family Trust

In 1964, Mr W. F. Walters gifted a farm property of 105 acres at Springdale and certain chattels to the Church. Conference directed that the trust property should be held by the General Purposes Trust Board upon trust to make grants from the income therefrom to certain Churches, Funds and Institutions. The Board has executed a Declaration of Trust.

In order to facilitate the management of the farm and the administration of the trust, the Board has been advised that it should have various powers wider than those under the Trustee Act including the power to purchase additional land. The Board therefore asks that it should have powers similar to those granted to the Robert Gibson Methodist Trust Board. It is therefore recommended that Conference grant such powers

It is therefore recommended that Conference grant such powers to the Board. To give effect to this, it is recommended that it be accomplished by a Deed of Variation in pursuance of Clause 9 of the Declaration of Trust, the same to be executed by the Board, by Mr W. F. Walters and by the President of the Methodist Church acting on behalf of the Conference.

RESOLUTION

THAT the Declaration of Trust dated the 13th day of March 1964 relating to the W. F. Walters and Family Trust be amended to grant to the Methodist General Purposes Trust Board additional powers, including the power to purchase additional land, as are required to enable it to more efficiently manage and develop the trust farm property and administer the Trust, such powers to be similar to the powers contained in the Constitution of the Robert Gibson Methodist Trust Board and that this be accomplished by the execution of a Deed of Variation in accordance with the provisions of clause 9 of the said Declaration of Trust by the Board, by Mr W. F. Walters and the President of the Methodist Church acting on behalf of the conference.

QUESTION 43 (d).—Fire Insurance Fund?

Methodists Connexional Fire Insurance Fund

REPORT TO CONFERENCE 1970

The Annual Financial Statements for the year ended 31 may, 1970, are presented to conference with this Report.

The net profit for the year, before charging the cost of "free insurances" for Public Liability, Cash in Transit and Employers Liability for Ministers is over \$19,000. This profit includes an amount of \$1690 due to changes in accounting for premiums and re-insurance.

After deducting the cost of free insurance and usual transfer of \$2800 to Capital, the Fund is able to recommend grants totalling \$13,500. This is \$500 less than last year's record sum for grants, but the Fund has borne the cost of over \$3700 of free insurance which has directly relieved local Church finances.

Decentralisation

Work is continuing, particularly in the re-insurers' offices, with the decentralisation of certain sections of the work of the Fund (see 1969 Conference Minutes pages 256/7), but various factors have rendered it necessary to defer until 1971 the decentralisation insurances affecting the Hawke's Bay/Manawatu, Taranaki/ Wanganui, Wellington and South Island districts. Trusts will be advised of further developments.

Need for Insurance Reviews

The Fund has, in 1970 already received four substantial claims, all of which have, or will, involve settlements of over \$1000 by the re-insurers. Three of the claims are for well over \$1000. The Board urges Trusts to undertake regular reviews of their insurance cover. This can be arranged at any time by contacting the Connexional Office.

Loans to Departments and Local Trusts

The Fund has begun to implement the Conference policy of making a proportion of its capital available on loan at $3\frac{1}{2}\%$ p.a. to Church Departments and Local Trusts. By 31 August 1970, loans had been made available as follows:—

Department of Christian Education (New Building)	\$5000
Transport Trust Board (see 1969 Conference Resolution)	10,000
Hawera Trust Debt reduction	3000
Palmerston North (Trinity) New Parsonage	3000
Stoke, Nelson Debt reduction	3000
Waimate Debt reduction	1500
	\$25,500

Four additional loans to local trusts totalling \$11,000 have been approved and will be made available to the Trusts concerned in the latter part of 1970 or early in 1971. In addition approval in principle has been given to loans to two other local Trusts, to be made available in 1971.

A. A. DINGWALL, Chairman.W. R. LAWS, Secretary.C. R. HASSELDINE, Treasurer.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report and Financial Statements be received and adopted.

2. That the grants for year ended May 31, 1970, be:-Home Acquirement Fund-\$2000, Sites Fund-\$1600, N.Z.M.S.S.A.-\$4000, Department of Christian Education-\$1000 (Loan Reduction). Department of Finance and Stewardship-\$1000, Transport Trust Board (capital)-\$500, Supernumerary Fund (capital)-\$1000, Lay Workers Retiring Fund (capital)-\$400. Board of Management of Connexional Office (Loan Reduction)-\$1000 (2) Overseas Travel Grant-\$1000.

3. That the Board for 1971 be as printed on page 8 herein.

QUESTION 43 (e)-Contingent Fund?

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Financial Statements be received and adopted.

2. With a view to facilitating the preparation of Equalisation Fund payments prior to Conference, the Fund treasurers in consultation with the Board of Management of the Connexional Office investigate the possibility of payment on a basis of the distance travelled, and that permission be given to implement such changes as may be agreed upon for Conference 1971.

QUESTION 43 (f).—Children's Fund?

RESOLUTION

That the Financial Statement be received and adopted.

QUESTION 43 (g).-Removal Expenses Fund?

RESOLUTION

That the Financial Statement be received and adopted.

QUESTION 43 (h). Transport Trust Board?

The Transport Trust Board is required to report to Conference biennially, the next report being due for Conference 1971. In view of increased costs and the revision of Public Service Scale of allowances, the Board recommends an increase in the scale of travelling allowances.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Circuits and Departments be asked to adhere to the following scale of travelling allowances:—

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Small Cars up to 1000 c.c.'s

		Total for	Total	
Mileage	Rate per Mile	this 1000	Allowance	
	\$	\$	\$	
1000	0.0875	87.50	87.50	
1001 - 2000	0.0775	77.50	165.00	
2001 - 3000	0.0710	71.00	236.00	
3001 - 4000	0.0675	67.50	303.50	
4001- 5000	0.0635	63.50	367.00	
5001- 6000	0.0600	60.00	427.00	
6001-7000	0.0570	57.00	484.00	
7001- 8000	0.0560	56.00	540.00	
8001-9000	0.0550	55.00	595.00	
9001-10000	0.0550	55.00	650.00	
10001-11000	0.0550	55.00	705.00	
11001-12000	0.0550	55.00	760.00	

Medium Cars 1001-1350 c.c.'s

Mileage	Rate per Mile	this 1000	Allowance
-	\$	\$	\$
1 - 1000	0.0950	95.00	95.00
1001 - 2000	0.0840	84.00	179.00
2001 - 3000	0.0780	78.00	257.00
3001-4000	0.0740	74.00	331.00
4001- 5000	0.0700	70.00	401.00

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5001- 6000	0.0660	66.00	467.00
6001 - 7000	0.0630	63.00	530.00
7001 - 8000	0.0615	61.50	591.50
8001- 9000	0.0600	60.00	651.50
9001-10000	0.0600	60.00	711.50
10001 - 11000	0.0600	60.00	771.50
	0.0600	60.00	831.50
11001-12000	0.0000	00.00	
Cars over 1351 c.c.'s			
		Total for	Total
Mileage	Rate per Mile	this 1000	Allowance
0	\$	\$	\$
1 - 1000	0.1080	108.00	108.00
1001 - 2000	0.0950	95.00	203.00
2001 - 3000	0.0890	89.00	292.00
3001 - 4000	0.0845	84.50	376.50
4001- 5000	0.0795	79.50	456.00
5001 - 6000	0.0750	75.00	531.00
6001-7000	0.0725	72.50	603.50
7001- 8000	0.0710	71.00	674.50
8001- 9000	0.0690	69.00	743.50
9001-10000	0.0690	69.00	812.50
10001-11000	0.0690	69.00	881.50
11001-12000	0.0690	69.00	950.50
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(a) That the scale of travelling allowances be amended to include a fourth category for cars over 2000 cc as per the current State Services scale and that Circuits be asked to adhere to the resulting scale of Travelling Allowances.

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Cars 2001 c.c. and over

		Total for	Total
Mileage	Rate per Mile	this 1000	Allowance
	\$	\$.	\$
1 - 1000	0.1175	117.50	117.50
1001 - 2000	0.1040	104.00	221.50
2001- 3000	0.0970	97.00	318.50
3001 - 4000	0.0925	92.50	411.00
4001- 5000	0.0875	87.50	498.50
5001 - 6000	0.0825	82.50	581.00
6001-7000	0.0800	80.00	661.00
7001- 8000	0.0775	77.50	738.50
8001-9000	0.0760	76.00	814.50
9001-10000	0.0760	76.00	890.50
10001-11000	0.0760	76.00	966.50
11001-12000	0.0760	76.00	1042.50

(b) That the minimum allowances be

Small Car	 	 	\$300 p.a.
Medium Car	 	 	\$330 p.a.
Large Car	 	 	\$360 p.a.
Scooter	 	 	\$125 p.a.

2. That the following be referred to the Transport Trust Board for consideration:-

The Transport Trust Board be asked to consider the system of reimbursement to ministers for the use of minister owned cars in Circuits with a view to setting up a fund for the replacement of cars.

That the Transport Trust Board draw up a schedule for payments to be made to the Fund, the Minister and the running costs of cars similar to the System used in the Anglican Diocese of Auckland and amended in 1969 relating to the "reimbursement to clergy for depreciation of their cars used on parish purposes and the basis of which payment is made for maintenance".

That Northland be regarded by the Board as containing Circuits which are deemed "Rural" and therefore requiring special consideration as under the heading of "Maintenance".

3. That the Board for 1971 be as printed on page 10 herein.

QUESTION 44.—What is the Report of the Finance and Stewardship Committee?

FINANCE AND STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

(A) REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE

Anglican-Methodist co-operation:

Discussions are in progress with the Anglican Department of Christian Education and Stewardship in the Wellington Diocese about possibilities of closer co-operation in the promotion and organisation of stewardship. The first meeting was held in July and a further meeting is planned for later in the year.

Review Missions:

The Committee has been concerned for some time that a large number of our circuits and churches are postponing review stewardship missions or else conducting their own reviews. While the Committee respects the right of Quarterly and Leaders' Meetings to act in these ways, it is the Committee's concern that too often decisions are based on the wrong premises, for instance, on the assumption that the pattern of the stewardship mission has not altered, or that the cost is too high. Those circuits which have had stewardship missions during the past two years can testify to the fact that costs have been considerably reduced and the whole programme streamlined to occupy as little time as possible of busy people during the mission period. To quote from a circuit steward of some experience and with several stewardship missions behind him, "the new pattern of stewardship mission is most acceptable and no trouble will be experienced in this circuit when a further review is to be considered".

The Committee strongly advocates greater use of the stewardship expertise acquired by the directors over the last eight years, through circuits and churches affording these men the opportunity of assisting them to reach decisions based on the very latest information and ideas available.

The Committee is still firmly of the opinion that the 3-year Review is the most satisfactory way of maintaining a circuit's income, particularly if strong and continuing follow-up procedures are adopted. Here again the staff are available to offer advice and set up the follow-up work.

Staffing:

Although Mr Len Davis had advised that he would be unable to assist the Committee after 1969, he has made himself available for three programmes this year and his work is greatly appreciated. Messrs Parlane and Wotherspoon have now been employed by the Committee for five and seven years respectively and the Church is grateful to them for their invaluable service. According to a Committee decision made last year to seek a man with the special attributes necessary for stewardship work, no firm decision has yet been made as to when the services of such a person will be required.

Lay Workers' Salaries:

The Committee draws the attention of Conference to the fact that at present there is no one body empowered to advise on the salaries of lay workers, and that there is considerable disparity in the salaries paid by the various employing bodies of the Church. The Committee feels that a body such as the Stipends Committee could well undertake the task mentioned.

Change of name for Connexional Budget:

Conference 1969 requested the standing committee to examine the possibility of a new name for the Connexional Budget. While various suggestions have been made, Committee does not feel that a satisfactory new term has yet emerged and therefore asks leave of Conference to continue seeking a new title.

Stewardship Conference:

In December 1969 the executive officer attended a conference at Melbourne of stewardship directors representing all the Australian States except Western Australia. While the conference did not produce anything dramatically new in any way of ideas which could be used in New Zealand, it did confirm the fact that our stewardship work has progressed more rapidly than in most Australian States, in particular Victoria. The Victoria Department of Stewardship Promotion has almost entirely reverted to the old methods of the Wells' Organisation, which the Committee is quite sure would not be acceptable here. In reporting on the conference the executive officer stated that the most worthwhile gain from attending was his sharing of concerns with others engaged in similar work and his discovering how they responded to similar problems which inevitably arise; and it was at this point that he received further confirmation that in New Zealand we are progressing along the right lines.

Relationship to other Departments:

Consideration has been given to our responsibility on behalf of the Conference toward the major Departments, (Overseas Mission, Home Mission, Christian Education, etc). This Committee sees itself as a "sounding board" for the Church, testing the claims of the Departments on the Connexional Budget. Being in the confidence of the Departments, the Committee is able to commend the Budget to the Church with conviction in this matter. Also being in close touch with circuits through the directors, the Committee is able to reflect the reaction of the circuits to the various objects to which Budget monies are devoted. Accordingly, the Committee has held a meeting with Departmental officials to discuss this point of view and to set up patterns of co-operation.

Stewardship Missions:

1969 A total of 36 programmes were directed during 1969, three of these being for Union Parishes—Mangapapa (Gisborne); Turangi; and half of the West Dunedin Union Parish (with the Wakari section to be directed this year). The overall average increase of 54% represents a considerable improvement over the previous year, probably reflecting an improvement in the national economy.

1970 Up to the end of July, 21 missions had been completed, with

a further 14 still to be done, including one for St. Margaret's Presbyterian Church at New Plymouth and another for St. Matthew's Anglican Church at Brooklyn, Wellington. Of those already completed two were for Presbyterian Parishes in Dunedin and Christchurch.

To date this year the average pledge is the highest over the past six years—\$1.39 as compared with \$1.08 for 1969. Seventeen of the completed missions have been reviews, and in the majority of cases these have produced better financial results than previously, in most cases from much smaller rolls. The Committee feels that this is a further indication that stewardship by means of a regular weekly commitment by the use of envelopes is becoming more acceptable within the Methodist Church. However, there is still reason for concern at the large percentage of member units (one-third) who do not commit themselves in this way, and it is only because of the very generous giving of many "adherent" units that many of our circuits are able to meet their commitments.

Committee's financial position:

Although the charge to circuits for the directors' services has been increased the Committee is experiencing difficulty in meeting its commitments and is reluctant to further increase the fee. If the Church wishes the work of the Committee to continue it will be necessary for the whole Church to accept some financial responsibility on a regular basis and the Committee is therefore applying for inclusion once again in the Connexional Budget.

Connexional Budget:

This is dealt with fully in the Budget Treasurer's report, but the Committee is concerned to note that 43 circuits (or nearly one-third of circuits) failed to meet their full allocation to the 1969/70 Budget. This has meant that Departments and Funds dependent on the Budget allocation. The Budget system cannot operate successfully and the wider work of the Church be maintained unless all circuits make a supreme effort to meet their obligations. It is significant that over half of the 43 circuits mentioned have not had review stewardship missions for some considerable time.

S. N. ROBERTS, Chairman.

E. C. FLYGER, Executive Officer.

ADDENDUM

The Committee of Detail on the Connexional Budget met 29-30th September 1970. It received requests from the various Departments of the Church for funds to maintain their present activities. The Committee explained these requests and the annual accounts and agreed that to do this the amount required from the budget would be \$393,733 compared with the current budget of \$355,442, and the amount contributed in the last financial year, \$341,800. The increase is largely accounted for in overdue increases to stipends and superannuation.

But the committee received also a report that the income of the churches from the giving of our people is almost static and not keeping pace with the increased costs of the Church or the increased personal incomes of our people. Faced with this static income, and the need for circuits to pay increased stipends, the committee very reluctantly decided to leave the budget total at \$356,242.

The Committee reports to the Church that this represents a crisis to which we must respond urgently and with vision and courage.

First, we call our people to look again at their own commitment to the work of the Church. We believe that most of us who are not on fixed incomes should give more. It is essential that the Church receives its share of increased income.

Second, we believe that this crisis can itself be an opportunity for the Church to review its policy and place in Christ's mission to New Zealand. This thorough review of policy and strategy needs to take place in each of the main areas of expenditure:

1. Ministry—stipends, allowances, etc. Are there more effective ways of employing ministers in the mission of the Church than we do at present?

2. Buildings—construction, maintenance, etc. Are there more economic ways of providing accommodation for people to meet for worship and other local church activities? (e.g. Joint use of buildings, secular use of buildings).

3. Connexional Budget—The Mission Departments, Theological Education, "New Zealand Methodist", Department of Christian Education, Superannuation, etc. What changes in our policy and programme are called for by these circumstances?

We recognise that the Church Council reports on Connexional Structure and Budget Strategy and Policy already raise some of these issues.

We recommend:

That Conference ask the Church Council to initiate further policy and strategy review. This review to include the three areas listed above.

(B) REPORT OF BUDGET TREASURER

The audited financial statements will be presented to Conference with this report.

By 17th July, 1970, contributions received from the Connexion on acount of the 1969/70 Budget totalled 3343,369 or 95.2% of the total allocated. By the end of August 1970 six Circuits had made further payments for 1969/70 totalling 1,396 thus increasing the percentage achieved to 95.6%.

The amount contributed resulted in an increase of nearly \$8,000 compared with 1968/69 and reversed the fall experienced last year Nevertheless there was a larger shortage of Funds compared with 1968/69 because the total allocations to Circuits had increased by \$13,300. It was, therefore, possible to pay non-guaranteed Funds and Departments only 94.7% of their allocations, compared with 98.5% (excluding guaranteed Funds) have only received 94.7% of their for 1968/69.

The position for the past three years has been:

Year	Allocations (including District Expenses)	District Contributions	Percentage Achieved
1967/68 1968/69 1969/70	\$ 347,010 347,300 360,605	\$ 338,824 335,550 343,369	97.5% 96.6% 95.2%

District Position:

The district position taking into account additional payments made to 31st August, 1970 is:

District	Percentage	Circuits & Uni Fully Paid	ion Parishes Not Fully Paid
Northland	96.2%	8	3
Auckland	99.7%	21	2
Waikato/Bay of Plenty	99.4%	24	4
Taranaki/Wanganui	87.8%	4	9
Hawkes Bay/Manawatu	93.8%	12	6
Wellington	98.3%	17	3
Nelson	93.4%	7	3
North Canterbury	93.1%	11	4
South Canterbury	87.3%	4	4
Otago/Southland	96.9%	12	3
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This compares with 125 fully paid and 33 partly paid for 1968/69. Of the total shortfall of \$17,300, only \$1,200 approximately is attributable to Union Parishes—six of which short paid their allocation. That is 35 Methodist Circuits did not pay their full allocation resulting in a shortfall of nearly \$16,000.

General:

The changeover in the system of payment from Bank transfers to payment direct to the Connexional Office proceeded smoothly and the co-operation of Circuits and Union Parishes since the changeover is much appreciated.

C. R. HASSELDINE, General Treasurer.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report and financial statements of the Finance and Stewardship Committee be received and adopted.

2. (a) That the Report of the Budget Treasurer be received and adopted. (b) That the Budget Financial Statement 1969/70 be received and adopted.

3. That the 1971-72 Connexional Budget for the period 1st July 1971 to 30th June 1972, amounting to \$356,242, be adopted, and that in addition the Overseas Missions Department be given authority to make a direct approach to Circuits for the balance of its request amounting to \$12,812.

Guaranteed Funds	Requested	Allocated
Supernumerary Fund	32,183	32,183
Home Missionaries Retiring Fund	777	777
Deaconess Retiring Fund	5,158	5,158
Lay Missionaries' Retiring Fund	3,222	3,222
Additional provision for Retiring Funds	9,000	9,000
Removal Expenses	9,000	9,000
Children's Fund	9,000	9,000
Contingent Fund	20,000	18,000
Non-Guaranteed Funds		
Dept. of Christian Education	20,750	19,500
Board of Management-Connexional Office	3,750	3,000
Children's Homes—Auckland	1,000	500
-Masterton	4,000	2,000
-South Island	5,000	2.000
Deaconess Board	2,220	1,300

Development Fund		20,000	15,000
Finance and Stewardship Commit		2,000	1,800
Home & Maori Mission Dept. Gen		82,035	75,005
-Chaplaine	cies	4,995	4,995
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		117,912	105,100
		12,773	12,374
Trinity College		12,110	14,014
		\$383,255	\$345,914
Miscellaneous Funds			
National Council of Churches		1,980	1,980
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N.Z. Council of Christian Education	on	1,130	1,130
M.C.C. Duigon Chaplainaiaa		60	60
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National Society on Alcoholism		50	
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East Asian Christian Conference		202	202
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4. That the 1971-72 Connexional Budget District allocations be as under:

Northland	8,562	Wellington	42,804
Auckland	74,480	Nelson	18,200
Waikato-Bay of Plenty	48,479	North Canterbury	59,618
Taranaki-Wanganui	26,257	South Canterbury	17,330
Hawkes Bay-Manawatu	37,317	Otago-Southland	23,195

\$356,242

5. That the Conference Committee of Detail on Finance and stewardship shall meet in Wellington on Tuesday and Wednesday, 28th and 29th September, 1971.

6. That Conference urge Circuits when considering Stewardship Missions or their review to use both the resources and personnel of the Finance and Stewardship Committee.

7. That the following be referred to the Finance and Stewardship Committee for consideration:

That the Finance and Stewardship Committee be encouraged to conduct seminars and study groups at District and other appropriate levels on Connexional, District, and Circuit approaches to budgets with particular reference to the principles governing the operation and maintenance of budgets in the local circuit.

8. That the Stipends Committee be empowered to examine lay workers salaries and establish common procedures for all employing bodies to follow when these salaries are under review.

9. That the Committee for 1971 be as printed on page 7 herein.

QUESTION 45 .- What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Trinity Theological College and Hostel?

Trinity Methodist Theological College

A. REPORT OF COLLEGE COUNCIL

The College has met bi-monthly with a strong attendance of Council members.

Teaching Staff

With the retirement this year of Dr D. O. Williams there ends a remarkable era in the life of the College. As Tutor in Pastoral Theology for twenty-four years and as Principal for the last eight years, Dr Williams has given long and distinguished service to the years, Dr Williams has given long and distinguished service to the College and to the whole Church. During this period a deep renewal and a thorough re-equipping of the Church's pastoral ministry has taken place. His influence has extended beyond Methodism and beyond New Zealand. Reflecting the esteem with which he is held, the College Council has made him a fellow of Trinity College. The Council and College have been honoured that the Principal Elect, Dr J. J. Lewis, has been the President of Conference this year. It has been a particularly heavy year for him in that he has continued most of his College work in addition to his Presidential ministry. We wish him well as next year he takes up the Principal-

ministry. We wish him well as next year he takes up the Principal-ship of the College.

The Rev. J. Silvester continues his work as Tutor in Systematic Theology and carries the confidence of the Church which last year appointed him for a further six years. We are pleased that Dr J. A. Ziesler, having completed a very

successful period of study at Cambridge during which he gained his doctoral degree, is once again a part of our teaching staff.

The Rev. I. C. E. Ramage, designated at last Conference as Tutor in Pastoral Theology is at present overseas doing a preparatory study course, and will take up his appointment in February 1971.

Domestic Staff

Once again the College is deeply indebted to Mrs M. Allen who has been in charge of the domestic staff, and who has ensured a remarkable standard. The Council and the College greatly appreciate her very fine ministry.

Deaconess Trainees

There are two Deaconess Trainees this year. They are fitting in well with the life of the College. They are satisfactorily accommodated in the room adjoining the Domestic Staff quarters.

South East Asia Scholarships

A consultation on Asian scholarships was attended by representatives of the College Staff. The findings will prove most helpful in overcoming some of the problems inherent in such international exchanges. Amongst the points emphasised were:

- (1) The purpose of the scholarships is to help Churches, not individual students.
- (2) The English Language Preparatory Course for Colombo Plan Students is not particularly useful for theological students because of its orientation towards science and mathematics. Alternative courses are being sought.

(3) A one year scholarship is not satisfactory. It is desirable to have a two to three year scholarship with a definite goal.

Our experience with our first scholarship holder whose course at Trinity College has concluded would confirm the importance of these points.

Property

The final phase in the renovation of the College living accommodation has now been completed, rooms 6 to 16 having been altered and reconditioned. Of these, rooms 12 to 16 are single units providing the more spacious accommodation desired by some hostel students.

The Church can now be proud of the excellent living accommodation of the College.

Some renovation of 134 Grafton Road, now named 'Lincoln House,' was carried out in readiness for the return of Dr Ziesler.

Considerable maintenance work has been done on 'Richmond House' replacing the window frames and re-pointing the bricks.

Grafton Hall of Residence

The contractor is now reaching the final stage and it is planned to hand over to the Foundation about the middle of August, 1970. We will then have the task of furnishing, and it is proposed to take up to 38 students, bed and breakfast for the commissioning period. We need all the financial help possible from the Church members if we are going to open the Hostel debt free. \$70,000 is required. Donations to the Secretary, Grafton Hall of Residence, P.O. Box 594, Auckland, would give great encouragement.

The first Master of Grafton Hall has been appointed. He is Mr Ian Walter Gunn, B.E. (N.Z.), M.I.C.E., M.N.Z.I.E. Senior Lecturer in Civil Engineering in the School of Engineering, Auckland University. He is 35 years of age, married with one child. He has wide experience in New Zealand and overseas. Throughout all his moves he has been actively associated with the Presbyterian Church and its youth activities.

The first Manageress of Grafton Hall is Mrs Hilda C. Tully. She comes to us from the University College of Dunedin and is a member of the Anglican Church.

Grafton Hall of Residence is in Seafield View Road, off Park Road, Grafton, is 15 minutes walk from the University, next door to Trinity College, and adjacent to the Medical School. Administered by the Presbyterian, Methodist, Congregational Foundation Inc, it is to open in 1971. It provides full accommodation for 152 students in 24 double and 104 single rooms. Both men and women students are provided for, 38 places allowed for women. We are proposing to take a proportion of overseas students. Applications by intending residents can be made to the Lodging Officer, Auckland University who may be contacted for necessary details.

The Grafton Hall is available for holiday periods for Conferences. Full details from the Auckland University Lodging Officer.

Finance

It is important that the Church at large appreciate the financial aid given to the Council by the Probert Trust in making loans available so that we can undertake renovations and developments when necessary, and start work that would have otherwise been delayed. We have outstanding loans at 30th June, 1970 of \$12,000. Also over the last three years the Probert Trust has forgiven \$2000 each year, and has given assistance for overseas travel.

Legacies

During the year legacies have been received from:The Estate of late R. T. M. King\$4,557.44The Estate of late Mr and Mrs T. H. Todd500.00The Estate of late Daisy Carter200.00

R. F. CLEMENT, Chairman. P. P. RUSHTON, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report of the College Council be received and adopted.

2. That the Financial Statements be received and adopted.

3. That on the occasion of his retirement from the active ministry and from the Principalship of Trinity Theological College, the following resolution concerning the Rev. D. O. Williams, M.A., Litt.D., be agreed to:

"The Conference places on record its profound appreciation of the twenty-four years of outstanding service rendered to Trinity College and the whole Church by the Rev. Principal Dr D. O. Williams. Upon his appointment in 1947 Dr Williams brought to his task a wide variety of gifts, and in all he has undertaken has served with extraordinary versatility, brilliant ability and complete devotion. His gifts as teacher, preacher, educator and counsellor are of the finest calibre. In his chosen field he attained the highest qualifications and by his own creative thought made a valuable contribution to theological training in this country. His services as counsellor have been sought by many people over a long period of years. He was largely responsible for the establishment and successful operation of the Auckland Inter-Church Counselling Centre. He has been called upon increasingly to advise in the development of marriage guidance and chaplaincy work. His abilities have been recognised outside his own denomination, invitations having been received to conduct courses both in New Zealand and overseas. In all his work he has most carefully related counselling insights to the New Testament, and has always stressed the training of the ministry to preach as well as to counsel. In addition to these achievements, Dr Williams has manifested equal ability in practical matters. His adminstration of College affairs and oversight of property have been carried out with meticulous care. Worthy of special mention is his enterprise and determination in carrying through to completion addi-tions and renovations to the College Buildings. He was also the first chairman of the Board of the P.M.C. Foundation which has just completed the Grafton Hall of Residence project. Mrs Williams has been an energetic and devoted helper. Through her great gift of hospitality and domestic management she has made valuable contributions and won the affection of many students. Dr Williams has made an indelible mark upon the life of the Church, and retires at the height of his powers. The Conference expresses its thanks to them both for their many services, and prays God's blessing upon them in their retirement."

4. That the Rev. J. J. Lewis, M.A., B.D., PH.D., be appointed the Principal of Trinity Theological College as from February, 1971.

5. That the Rev. I. C. E. Ramage, M.A., be appointed Tutor in Pastoral Theology for a term of six years as from February, 1971.

6. That the Council for 1971 be as printed on page 10 herein.

B. REPORT OF PRINCIPAL

The highlight of the College year has been the appointment of the Principal-elect the Rev. Dr J. J. Lewis as President of the Conference. We are delighted that Dr Lewis has been able to visit many parts of New Zealand and feel sure that he has made a distinguished contribution to the vigour and morale of the Connexion. We have also been delighted to welcome back to the staff the Rev. J. A. Ziesler upon the successful completion of his doctoral studies overseas. Dr Lewis has continued his coverage of Old Testament Studies and has become the Auckland authority on the Intertestamental Literature. Dr Ziesler has lectured in New Testament studies in Trinity and also at St. John's College. Mr Silvester has lectured in Systematic Theology, Philosophical Theology and Church History. The Rev. E. W. Hames has shared the Church History lectures and has also taken the second and third year men in Worship and Liturgics. The Principal has covered the practical field in Pastoral Care and Counselling and Christian Education.

The Union of the Presbyterian and Congregational Churches has led to our being entrusted with the training of nine Island Students for the combined churches. Four are members of the School for Christian Workers and the rest are taking the regular course. One student is taking a special one year course under the sponsorship of the Pacific Island Congregational Church and one student is studying for the Samoan Methodist Conference. Six of these men have lived in the College and have proved to be congenial and helpful residents.

The School for Christian Workers consists of the four Island Students and one European Methodist.

This year we have two Deaconess Trainees taking the full College course and extra practical studies. They have been accommodated in the College using the facilities of the female domestic staff. This has proved to be a satisfactory arrangement.

In October of last year we welcomed the Rev. John Whang, a Korean Minister serving in Japan, as our first Bursary Holder. Unfortunately he took sick during the first term of this year and was forced to abandon his study project and return home to Japan. During his stay he was able to see a good deal of Church life and Youth activity in both Islands.

Of the twelve Methodist Conference Students nine are married and live out. Of these three hold Student Pastorates. The Walters Fund continues to be a great help to the married students and together with the Living Out Allowance makes a significant contribution to the maintenance of student families.

John Salmon is Senior Student and Ian MacLeod is Vice Senior. Under their direction and stimulus student affairs have been efficiently handled and all the students, married and single, have shared in the traditional work afternoon.

In the L.Th. examinations held last year nine of our students were candidates, sitting in all 48 papers. The record shows 33 passes and 15 failures. It is possible that some of our students will complete the L.Th. this year. Three students are taking degree subjects at the University of Auckland and one is sitting B.D. extramural from Knox College. Two students took the official course in Religious Broadcasting and secured B Passes. The students shared in discussion with St. John students on the subject of Church Union during the first term. They also planned a Retreat in July under the leadership of the Rev. J. Silvester, M.A. Occasional lectures this year cover the Mission of the Church. During the first term the Rev. G. G. Carter dealt with Overseas Missions and in the second term the Revs. G. I. Laurenson and B. M. Chrystall and R. D. Rakena covered Home and Maori Missions.

The College Library has benefited from a legacy of \$500 from the late Mr and Mrs T. H. Todd of Henderson, which is to be used to add more modern books on New Zealand to the Baumber Collection. This will help us to make a unique collection even more useful.

The long job of renovating the College is now completed and all rooms and services are in first rate condition. Attention will be given later this year to the renovation of the original two staff houses and when College opens next year all our properties will be in good condition.

I would like in this, my last report to Conference, to express appreciation of the support and co-operation I have received from Staff and Students alike. I believe that the College is very fortunate in the quality of the continuing Staff and am confident that the work of training our ministers will prosper in their hands.

D. O. WILLIAMS, Principal.

RESOLUTION

1. That the Principal's Report be received and adopted.

Trinity Methodist Theological College

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE 1970

General Account-Income and Expenditure

We closed the year overdrawn by \$410.61 but have received in July two further payments from the Connexional Budget, one for \$1051 and a later one at the end of the month of a further \$260. These amounts have been carried into the current year.

We would also like to point out that because of the uncertainty of the actual amount we were getting we did not spend a sum of \$1468 requested for maintenance. We now have this available in the current year and there is urgent work to be completed at the College.

Building Account-No. 2 Account

After very heavy expenditure we have now completed the renovations on the first floor of the main College block and have finished with \$493 in hand.

Staff House Account

We have started the repairs on the staff houses and have an accumulated sum of \$4,532 to tackle this job, which has been long delayed but must be faced, and we feel that with the change of Principal and the rearrangement of houses this is the right time to do it.

House Account

We must hold a working balance of approximately \$1,000 and have finished the year with a small surplus of \$306.66.

Loan

The Probert Trust advanced a further \$8,000 during the year. They also forgave \$2,000 of the existing loan of \$6,000. This means at 30th June the loan now stands at \$12,000.

Appreciation

May I express our thanks to the Connexional Budget and Trusts for their regular support.

I would also like to express to Dr Williams on his retirement my thanks for his helpful co-operation and my appreciation of his administrative ability and drive that has done so much to bring the College property up to first class condition.

WILFRID F. WINSTONE, Hon. Treasurer.

RESOLUTION

1. That the Treasurer's Report be received and adopted.

QUESTION 46 (a).—What are the Resolutions of the Conference in regard to—

(a) The Order of Deaconesses?

Deaconess Board

ANNUAL REPORT TO CONFERENCE 1970

The Board is pleased to present this report, its first covering a complete year's activity in Auckland.

Warden

The appointment of the Rev. J. H. Osborne as Warden of the Order took effect as from 1st February 1970. To have the Warden resident in Auckland has greatly facilitated the work of the Board this year.

The Board

With the permission of the President the Board co-opted two additional members: Mrs K. Wilcox, on the nomination of the Maori Policy Committee, and the Rev. W. A. Chessum as Secretary.

The Board has regretfully received the resignation of Mr F. T. Bartley as Treasurer, and records appreciation for his guidance in the early months of its Auckland experience. With pleasure we nominate Mr J. L. Crawford as his successor.

Personnel

SISTER MADELINE HOLLAND, who has served since 1935 as a Deaconess has retired as from 31st January, 1970. The Board wishes to record deep appreciation for her many years of devoted service, especially at Kurahuna.

SISTER EVELYN MARRIOTT, who has served since 1939, and has been long associated with Rangiatea Maori Girls' Hostel at New Plymouth, is congratulated on her recent marriage, which has necessitated her resignation from her position at Rangiatea and her moving to Victoria.

SISTER LESLEY VINALL will complete two years service at Otara, in the Papatoetoe Circuit, this year. On her pending return to Australia the Board records appreciation of her service in New Zealand.

Ordination

At this Conference SISTER NORMA GRAVES and SISTER LUCY MONEY are to be ordained. Both are at present in service with the United Church, Sister Norma at Rarongo Theological College, Rabaul, and Sister Lucy at Sasamunga in the Solomons. The Board believes that it is desirable for future Deaconess ordinations to be included in the same service as ministerial ordination, and has been in consultation with the Faith and Order Committee regarding this.

Convocation

Deaconess Convocation was held at Wesleydale, Mount Roskill, from May 11th to 15th. The Warden attended full-time, the Secretary part-time, and most members of the board were present for a special programme on the Tuesday evening. Remits from Convocation are being dealt with by the Board. The Convocation also requested that the furnishings from the old Deaconess House Chapel be kept together, and used at Rangiatea meantime.

Training

When training was transferred to Auckland in 1968 it was suggested that a 3-year course for Deaconess training might follow (1968 Minutes, page 232). The Board has agreed to this principle and accordingly submits an appropriate resolution.

MISS RHONDDA MASON, in her second year has begun study for the Certificate in Social Studies with the Department of University Extension. MISS GLADYS McKENZIE is making good progress with her first-year studies. It is hoped to nominate a further candidate for the Order to Conference.

The Board is grateful to the Principal of Trinity College and to the College Council for the provision of accommodation for two Deaconess trainees in the College. This has solved the problem of difficult travelling conditions experienced by Miss Mason in 1969.

The future relationship between the Board and Trinity College Board of Studies is at present being discussed.

Security of Tenure:

Understanding that a report is being prepared on Security of Tenure in the Ministry the Board feels that a similar investigation is needed regarding Deaconesses. A sub-committee is working on this and the related matter of rights and responsibilities, and the Board hopes to report to Conference in 1971.

Constitution

Now that the Board is situated in Auckland, the Constitution of the Deaconess Institution and the Board is in need of revision. (Law Book, page 99f, paras. 507 (1) to (13)). The Board has begun looking at this and intends to bring suitable recommended amendments to a later Conference.

Age of Retirement (see 1969 Minutes, page 273, Res. 4)

This matter is still under discussion with the Supernumerary Fund Board.

C. J. KEIGHTLEY, Chairman. W. A. CHESSUM, Secretary.

Warden's Report 1970

This, my first report, covers the five months since 1st February. This period has been sufficient to discover that there is a wider area of activity and responsibility than is apparent from a bare reading of the Warden's duties in the Law Book. Research and theological understanding are necessary as well as the maintenance of liaison with a number of people and agencies in associated areas of service, training and social work. I am very grateful for the work of the Rev. W. A. Chambers in providing me with a theoretical and practical framework upon which to build.

Training

Two students, Misses R. Mason and G. McKenzie, are in residence at Trinity College. Practical training has been arranged to supplement the course at Trinity and we are grateful to Deaconesses and others who have helped with this.

While every student is expected to cover the core subjects in biblical studies and theology, the course is adjusted and added to so that the needs of individual students are met. A three year course enables students to become used to methods of study and life at Trinity in their first year. In the second and third years the Certificate in Social Studies is taken. The practical emphasis in each of the three years is: 1. Observing the Church's life and work in the Local Church and Christian Education. 2. Social Services. 3. Maori and Island Studies.

The Board has given general approval to the outline of a revised course of training but we are not ready to present a final curriculum at this stage.

Convocation

This presented an opportunity to meet most of the Deaconesses in active work and many retired members. It is obvious that the Church has a faithful group of women serving with deep devotion. Convocation is an official court of the Church and those employing Deaconesses are reminded that there is an obligation to release members of the Order to attend each yar.

Candidates

No immediate improvement in the number of candidates offering is apparent at present, but the Board would like to ask Ministers to bring this vocation before both young and mature women. There is a place in the Order for women who might take a shorter course because of their previous training and experience. While the Warden is willing to speak about the Order to any interested groups, the best advocates for the vocation are the sisters who live such full and varied lives in the ministry of word and pastoral care.

JOHN H. OSBORNE, Warden.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Reports of the Board and the Warden and the Financial Statements be received and_adopted.

2. That the course of training for Deaconesses be normally four years, three years training at Trinity College and a year on probation.

3. That Conference extends to Sister Eleanor Dobby its appreciation of 50 years' service in the Deaconess Order and wishes her God's continuing blessing in her faithful ministry to the Maori people of the South Island.

4. That Conference congratulates Sister Rita F. Snowden on being made a member of International P.E.N. (Association of Poets, Playwriters, Editors, Essayists and Novelists).

5. That under Question 27 (a) the categories of Deaconesses without appointment be:

(a) Resting; (b) Permission to serve with other organisations;(c) Married Sisters.

6. That the Board be as printed on page 7 herein.

QUESTION 46 (b).—Second Report of the Connexional Committee on the Future of Deaconess House.

(Conference Minutes 1969, p. 276, Res. 6).

With the recognition by the Conference of the main contentations of the report of the special committee, the committee considers that its basic work has been done. The committee is of the opinion that the practicability of the proposal that interest should be paid to the Deaconess Board in Auckland, is properly a matter for negotiation between the Auckland Deaconess Board and the Christchurch Hostel Committee.

However, because the members of the Committee are disinterested parties, we submit the following suggestions:----

- (1) If the Christchurch Hostel Committee undertakes to maintain the Hostel buildings in good condition, it may be that such maintenance could be accepted by the Auckland Deaconess Board in lieu of rent. This must be a decision of the Deaconess Boards.
- (2) Should the cost involved be considered too high by the Christchurch Hostel Committee, advice should be sought from the District M.S.S.A. whether it is an economic proposition to continue the operation of the Hostel, in view of the age of the buildings and the high cost of maintenance.
- (3) Finally, as the Hostel building is old and expensive to maintain, it would seem sensible that a capital fund for a new Hostel should be launched immediately by the District M.S.S.A., to which fund the one-sixth of the eventual sale price would in due course be a contribution.

ASHLEIGH K. PETCH, Convener.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received.

2. That the Christchurch Morley House Committee undertake to maintain the Hostel buildings in good condition, such maintenance to be accepted by the Deaconess Board in lieu of a proportion of the rent due, the remaining proportion to be negotiated between the Deaconess Board and the Morley House Committee from time to time.

3. As the Hostel building is old and expensive to maintain, it would seem that a capital fund for a new Hostel should be launched immediately by the District M.S.S.A., to which fund the one-sixth of the eventual sale price would be added. In view of this, the Conference resolves that, during the next three years, the North Canterbury District, the Morley House Committee and the Deaconess Board must decide which of them is to buy out the other's interest in Morley House. If no agreement is reached which will relieve the cost of Deaconess Training from the Connexional Budget by that time, the property be sold and the assets divided as decided by the 1969 Conference.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE FOR "MORLEY HOUSE" (formerly Deaconess House) Christchurch, 1970

The House has continued to fill an important need as a Hostel for Training College and University girls from all over New Zealand and overseas. There have been 28 girls in residence, under the care of Miss Judith Ford, who renders valuable service as Matron. There are four girls from the Pacific Islands. The 12 vacancies in the House for 1970 were filled from over 70 applications. As the training of Deaconesses has been moved to Auckland, the permission of the Synod, Deaconess Convocation and the President, was obtained to change the name to "Morley House" thus keeping a link with Deaconess work, through one of Methodism's honoured Deaconesses, the late Sister Mabel Morley.

In accordance with the direction of last Conference (Minutes, p. 276), in consultation with the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee, expert advice was sought concerning a reasonable market value for the property. Messrs Hillary and Baxter, in consultation with Livingstone and Co., were instructed to make a valuation, and their reply is as follows: "... because of the building's size, age, condition and use, and the relation of the property to future town planning proposals, we believe it impractical to determine precisely its current market value. To the best of our ability, we consider the value of the property to be fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000)."

The Committee is hopeful that Conference will allow the House to remain open so that the Church may continue to assist in part the great need for Hostel accommodation in Christchurch.

> H. C. MATTHEWS, Chairman. G. R. TREBILCO, Secretary.

The Committee wishes to place on record its sense of indebtedness to the Rev. H. C. Matthews for eight years of leadership as Chairman, first of the Deaconess Board, and later of the Morley House Committee. Through a period of change his statesmanlike grasp of issues, quiet persistence, and indomitable cheerfulness has been a source of strength to the whole Committee, which has been privileged and glad to serve under his leadership. Mrs Matthews has also been a Board member and given a valuable contribution through the Ladies House Committee. As they leave the District they take with them the gratitude and abundant goodwill, particularly of those who have served nearest them.

G. R. TREBILCO, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted.

2. That the thanks of the Conference be accorded to those who have served on the Committee, including the Rev. and Mrs H. C. Matthews, Revs R. G. Bell and H. G. Brown, Sister Rona Collins, Mesdames A. C. Pratt and W. Schroder.

3. That the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee be asked to confer with the parties concerned and report to Conference on the feasibility of:

(a) Establishing a Hostel in a part of Christchurch where the land is less valuable.

(b) Using the Latimer Square site for a multi-storeyed building as a long term Connexional investment.

4. That the Committee for 1971 be as printed on page 8 herein.

QUESTION 47.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Colleges, Schools and Hostels?

Wesley Training College, Paerata

REPORT OF THE BOARD 1970

It is with gratitude that we report continued progress in the improvement of facilities at Wesley College and the maintenance of the high ideals and practical goals set by the Principal and his staff. These achievements were recognised by the Department of Education Inspectorate during their visit toward the end of last year and their most favourable report concluded that they were impressed with the progress of the School and the pleasing working atmosphere. These remarks confirm the opinion held by the Board that the broad education now offered together with the facilities, qualified staff and care and attention given to the boys places Wesley College high in the order of schools throughout New Zealand.

Unfortunately the obtaining and retention of these standards can only be achieved at heavy financial commitment and the current year is expected to be difficult because of the severe reduction of scoria and metal royalty income. In fact the most satisfactory revenue position of last year is budgeted to swing to a deficit for the current year. On previous occasions the uncertainty of this income has been reported and it now appears that the economic life of the quarries is nearing an end. Extraction has been kept as orderly as possible and one site now worked out has had the last remaining area leased for commercial purposes in the current year. From such leasing, income will continue to be derived at a satisfactory level although very much less than during the more buoyant years of scoria workings.

At the present time a study of all avenues of income is being carried out to ensure that the Trust obtains good benefit from the generous grants and endowments made to it in the past. All properties held are being examined, with professional opinion being engaged as required to assist in arriving at correct decisions. Such changes require much careful consideration and necessarily take time to effect. From this study it is hoped that annual income will be considerably augmented without which the continuance of standards and improvements may be placed in jeopardy.

With the present pressure of salaries, wages and other costs it appears likely that along with most other schools of a similar nature our fees chargeable will have to be raised. Any such increase will be kept to a minimum but to allow the beneficiary work to continue those attending, and who are able, should be prepared to pay the true cost of private education of the very high standard offered.

Every endeavour is made to engage in outside activities and encouragement is given for other responsible organisations to come to Wesley to see how we operate. From one of these contacts, after the Maori University Graduates Association held their Conference at the College, a presentation of books for the library was made in appreciation of the facilities granted.

The Board has been fortunate in that no changes of Membership occurred during the year although Mr W. E. Donnelly was granted leave of absence for twelve months during his posting to Fiji.

Despite the danger signals which are evident relating to pressure on the finances of the Board we are nevertheless confident that with true application these problems will be solved and we look forward to Wesley College improving its standards and contributions for youth in New Zealand.

J. S. CAUGHEY, Chairman. G. C. B. MINOGUE, Secretary.

REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL

Staff

Mr Bron Smythe, for ten years manager of the Production Department of the College, has left in order to devote more time to his own expanding nursery business.

A second long-term teaching staff member, Mr H. I. Insull, has left and Mr and Mrs Insull have naw purchased their own home in Pukekohe. Mr Insull retains his vitality and teaching interest and is teaching at the Pukekohe High School.

New additions to the teaching staff have been Mr T. K. Reedy, B.A., Mr J. Moorfield, B.A., and Mrs Moorfield, B.A.

Mr Reedy takes over as Head of English while both Mr Reedy and Mr Moorfield include in their subjects the teaching of Maori language.

The College staff in all departments, under the leadership of fine department Heads, continue to make a wonderful contribution to the heart of the College.

Examinations

Our form seven again totalled seven.

From this class, two B bursaries were gained. Two other boys placed first and second in class position over the year, sat Accountancy subjects instead of Bursaries—both passed in the Society of Accountants Economics examination.

A fifth member of the class gained a Maori University Scholarship and is the fourth Maori pupil in the last five years to have gained either a Maori University Scholarship or the higher Ngarimu Scholarship award. He is attempting the B.E. degree at Auckland University.

The final two members of this class are also at University—an Asian boy at Canterbury, and a second Maori boy at Otago University.

All of the form gained their Higher School Certificate, and all have moved on to University work. At University Entrance level the number of passes remained the same as in the previous two years with twenty passes, one by examination.

All boys gained Lower Sixth Form Certificate.

At School Certificate level we again equalled our record pass number of the previous year and of the 73 boys attempting S.C. in 1969, 70% of the boys gained a pass in one or more subjects.

A record number of boys have returned for our Form 7 year, and the class now totals 15.

Roll

The roll number is 252. This is made up of 51 Maori boys. 6 Island boys, 1 Asian, 194 European.

There are 223 boarders and 29 day boys. As has been the case over recent years it has been necessary to turn down requests for enrolment. The demand for entries at Form 1 and 2 level has strengthened considerably and it is the exception, at present, to accept new boys in forms four and five.

Several day boys have tended to become boarders after a year of living out.

Courses

The traditional professional, general and agricultural courses continue, with the options presented to third and fourth formers of French or Maori or commercial practice/agriculture. There has been a strong demand for instruction in Maori language.

Emphasis on the mathematics/science courses continues, but attempts are now under way to build up the arts/foreign language disciplines. At senior levels, the number of teaching periods in each subject has been reduced in order that senior pupils may learn to seek information on their own.

In addition sixth and seventh forms receive three periods a week of a citizenship course. This incorporates dealing with questions of social living. Topics such as racism, drugs, family life are included in the course.

Senior students also spend a week at a camp at the beginning and end of the year.

At two of the camps, recently inaugurated, such subjects as map reading, skin diving, skiing, small boat handling, and ecological studies have been included.

Many parents and local persons with an interest in the College have been most helpful, in providing instruction, as well as fast boats.

Pupils of Forms 6 and 7 are also directly responsible for the organisation of assistance in the sports programme of Villa 5 at the Kingseat Hospital and a three weekly roster operates in order to achieve this service.

This has proved to be an extremely mutually rewarding responsibility, for each fourth week, the visited become the visitors.

The number of teaching periods in classes is being slowly reduced in order that pupils be encouraged to help themselves, and as library resources build up increasing emphasis is being placed on project work.

Religious Instruction:

Each class has a period of scripture per week. An innovation over the 1969 year was the introduction of senior and junior chapels in the evenings. Whilst the seniors were at Chapel, Juniors were at Bible Class. Volunteer members of staff and their wives enabled a seven class division of seniors and juniors for Bible Class.

Boys are encouraged to take an increasing part in religious work.

Recreation

The roar of go-carts has been added to the list of noises about the College grounds. A new hobbies area has enabled the expansion of hobbies work and a new, separate mechanics room has permitted the revival of "go-cart" and "bomb" interests. Coincident with this most worthwhile occupation, has been an increase in traffic hazards, and danger to the fruit trees in the area of the hobbies rooms. The model train club has expanded, as have the Senior and Junior Photography clubs, the radio, electronics, chess, Young Farmers' and Polynesian clubs.

Sport

The College reputation in the field of sport has been further enhanced in the course of the year. The first XI Cricket team won the Franklin Senior B competition, the 1st XV Rugby won the Counties 3rd Grade competition, the 1st XI Hockey won the South Auckland Secondary Schools competition and was consequently promoted to the men's competition; the 1st XI Softball won the Counties Senior B competition and was consequently promoted to the men's A grade competition.

In all other fields of sport pupils at the College have been given considerable reason for pride in their own achievements.

The maxim of no note from the doctor or matron no exemption indicates good health and with a desire to participate regardless of skill, continues to the advantage of all. An influenza virus attempted to disrupt organisation in mid year, but succeeded only in providing a longer holiday for all, and more effective teaching between times.

The musical activities of the College continue and our performances are well received individually and collectively. Mr Brinsden continues with his very valuable instruction.

College Promotion

Over the year, one has been subjected to numerous reports in the major papers concerning the achievements of other schools, particularly those with significant Maori rolls. These reports have usually been issued by persons not directly linked with school administration and very often not associated with their Church.

In all cases, however, this type of advertisement would not come amiss in College promotion, particularly so, when Wesley College results are in every case equal to and better, than those quoted for other schools.

I would draw Conference members' attention to the points made in dealing with the College 7th form and the performance of our Maori boys in the form.

An increasing need in educational fields, is pupils to be able to move to areas incorporating sea shores, bush or high country. Should Conference members ever become aware of an area such as described within reasonable range of the College, the College administration would appreciate being advised.

Gratitude to the Board

The Principal and Staff at the College would record their appreciation to a most sympathetic Chairman and Board administrator for their support, and assistance, over the year.

E. TeR. TAUROA, Principal.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Reports of the Board and the Principal be received and adopted.

2. That the Financial Statements be received and adopted.

3. That the consent to Conference be given to the submission to Parliament of the Methodist Charitable and Educational Trusts Amendment Act in the final form as approved by the President of Conference.

4. That Wesley College be given publicity in country schools throughout N.Z., and that this be referred to the Board.

5. That the Board for 1971 be as printed on page 10 herein.

Rangiatea Maori College Trust Board

REPORT TO ANNUAL MEETING, 8th AUGUST, 1970

The roll at the present time is 56. There are 37 attending the Girls High School and 19 at Spotswood College. During the year we have introduced Maori services into the Hostel one a month. All the local Maori Congregation attends the service of worship at Rangiatea.

We had hoped to start a Maori Language Class at Spotswood College but we were dependent upon the Correspondence School providing copies of its course and unfortunately the School could not make these available for us. This year there is only one non-Maori boarder. Where we previously accommodated several girls from the Pacific Islands, the development of schools in their own areas has removed the need for them to come to New Zealand. The Board is giving consideration to admitting European girls to the Hostel.

Grants from Maori Scholarships are now worth \$200.00 for girls who may attend a School near their home and \$300.00 for those who have no other School. If the \$300.00 Scholarship pupil attains the Sixth Form then the Scholarship ceases and she receives a Form Six Bursary. The Kurahuna Committee have donated the fees for one term for one of their ex-pupils who was having difficulty financing her accommodation.

A Scholarship valued at \$80.00 was donated this year by the Federation of University Women.

The Okato Methodist Women who had previously supported the Kurahuna Hostel sent us a grant of \$25.00.

A small welfare group in Melbourne, Australia who have supported us in the past again sent \$50.00. This was used to pay fees for a pupil whose parents were having difficulty.

During the year the girls enjoyed the Annual Picnic, a Scenic Drive around the Mountain and a Social Dance at the Hostel.

Our financial situation reflects the loss suffered by a substantial reduction in the Hostel roll as well as the increasing costs of food and maintenance on the Hostel building and grounds.

The transfer of Rev. L. P. Schroeder to Palmerston North has brought a change of Chairman. Rev. W. R. Francis has taken over this office.

The Board regretted the loss of Sister E. B. Marriott who resigned from the Staff after 30 years service early in July. She left to be married to the Rev. A. Ellemor in Melbourne, Australia. A farewell function was held on Thursday evening 2nd July, 1970 when a large gathering of friends, Board members and girls from the Hostel paid tribute to her service and extended good wishes for her future happiness.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That Conference approves the alteration of the Annual Balance date from June 30th to May 31st.

5. That the Board for 1971 be as printed on page 9 herein.

QUESTION 48.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference in regard to (a) The Board of New Zealand Methodist?

The Board of the N. Z. Methodist.

REPORT TO SYNODS AND CONFERENCE 1970

The task of the N.Z. Methodist is under constant review by the Board but, in general terms, its aim remains the same — to be part of the Mission and outreach of the Church, to present the challenge of the Christian faith in meaningful terms and on issues that are relevant to our day.

CIRCULATION:

During the year under review 24 issues of the paper have been prepared and distributed fortnightly to 52,000 homes. Circulation remains steady.

EDITORIAL:

Appreciation of the high standard maintained by the Editor, Mr Ian Harris, is being received constantly and the Board shares this assessment of his work. However, as reported to last Conference, we are concerned over the size of the load which he has to carry and would welcome the chance to obtain for him greater assistance than has so far been possible. At present he has only part-time sub-editorial assistance.

At the same time the Board continues with the policy followed since the inception of the paper of freeing the Editor from responsibility for anything other than editorial matters, the Secretary of the Board continuing to be responsible to the Board for all matters concerned with the management of the paper, including finance, advertising, staff, distribution, general correspondence, etc.

PRINTERS:

The change of printers, made just prior to last Conference, has proved helpful in several ways. Being nearer the printery has assisted the Editor, the new dead-lines have been advantageous and distribution has been rather more reliable.

FINANCIAL:

Detailed financial statements will be presented in due course to the Finance and Stewardship Committee and to Conference.

As in previous years the Board has been able to hold the accounts in balance by reducing the number of 12-page issues. This, however, is not a practice which commends itself to either the Editor or the Board and we are anxious to achieve as soon as possible the original aim of all 12-page issues.

The Partners-in-Print Scheme has again found an excellent response and our figure of \$4,000 was almost met. \$3,917 being donated in this way.

Advertising Revenue has shown an improvement (in fact there was a marked increase over the last three or four months), about \$8,700 being obtained, against a budgeted amount of \$8,000.

During the latter part of the year we were greatly concerned over the possibility of receiving less than the full amount of our grant from the Connexional Budget. Because of our lack of any reserves and our very close budgeting this could have greatly embarrassed the Board. We express thanks to the Finance and Stewardship Committee for treating the Board as a "preferential" claimant.

READERSHIP SURVEY:

This task, which Conference 1968 asked the Board to undertake, was carried out under the direction of an independent and qualified person, Mr Paul Reynolds, of the staff of the Auckland University.

A satisfactory number of replies was received and these were transferred to computer cards for the purpose of analysis.

A summary of the results has already appeared in the paper. Generally they were encouraging and the results (together with various suggestions from readers) have had, and will continue to have, careful consideration by both the Editor and the Board.

Some of the more significant results were these:

The general reaction of readers was summed up as Enthusiastic 29% (Men 35%, Women 25%); Generally Favourable 56%; Indifferent 10%; Dislike 5%. 50% of readers spend over half an hour reading each issue; 9% of readers attend church less than twice a month; 2% have no church association—which represents a "congre-

gation" for the paper of about one thousand "outsiders" each fortnight.

Readers' top preferences for various types of material as set out in the following table:

	A	Age		ex	
	under 40	40 plus	male	female	Total Readers
	%	%	%	%	%
Social and Political Comment	39	34	40	32	36
Overseas news	10	9	7	10	9
Church's home activities	12	19	10	21	16
Editorials	8	12	12	8	10
Theological comment	22	15	22	16	19
Biblical and devotional	4	8	5	10	7
Other	5	3	4	3	3

MEMBERSHIP OF BOARD:

In terms of a resolution of last Conference authorising the adding of non-Methodists to the Board as associate members we have been glad to welcome the Rev. Ross Miller (Presbyterian) and the Rev. Paul Reeves (Anglican).

We have collaborated with the Law Revision Committee in the matter of the further resolution from last Conference regarding the appointment of "a limited number of members from other negotiating churches" as full members of the Board and a recommendation regarding the necessary changes in the law will come to Conference from the Law Revision Committee.

COMBINED CHURCH PAPER:

The Board continues to be keenly interested in any possible cooperation or combining with other Church papers. It is particularly sympathetic towards investigations at present being made by a committee in Auckland appointed by the N.C.C. (under the Chairmanship of Bishop Gowing). The Board is sure however that the aim and purpose of any combined paper must be as part of the outreach of the church rather than as an inward-looking ecclesiastical housepaper and that there must be adequate safeguards to ensure that, in at least a general way, the emphases at present seen in our own paper are maintained.

THANKS:

The Board expresses its appreciation and thanks to circuit and local distributors, to contributors (both paid and voluntary) and to all who continue to assist in the production and distribution of the paper.

> H. A. DARVILL, Chairman. C. R. HOWELL, Secretary.

RESOLUTION

1. That the report and financial statements be received and adopted.

2. That the Board for 1971 be as printed on page 8 herein.

QUESTION 48 (b) .- The Board of Publications?

Methodist Board of Publications

ANNUAL REPORT 1970

In the last year the Board has continued sales of material used by ministers for confirmation classes and for the instruction of parents on Baptism. Sales of the Prayer Manual were at the usual level of 2000 copies and the Advent and Lent meditations were well received. However the decision of the last Conference that Advent and Lent material should not be continued in their present form had an adverse effect upon the sales of the meditation so ably prepared by Mr Bruce Edwards. This decision by Conference has caused the Board to look carefully at the kind of material that is generally presented by the Church to her members. We have concluded that there is a neglected segment of the church which is not impressed by, nor appreciative of, literature with the kind of intellectual approach that is currently available. We feel that we have an obligation to present aspects of Christian belief couched in more down-to-earth language that will be appreciated by the average member of our congregations. The Board is considering editorial policy for such a fundamental and practical series related to the questions people are asking.

The outstanding publication this year has been Rev. E. W. Hames' "Christian Behaviour Today", which has been taken by many congregations for use as adult and youth study material. At present the Rev. G. I. Laurenson is writing a new "Layman's Handbook" to replace the booklet written some time ago by the late Rev. W. A. Burley. This will be of value to all who hold office in the church as an interpretation of the Law Book and the duties of those elected to new positions.

Personnel: The resignation of Mr E. P. Salmon, O.B.E., was received with regret. Mr Salmon was a foundation member of the Board whose professional guidance was of great value to the church. He served the Board with distinction and for several years was also Chairman. We congratulate Mr Salmon on his recent mention in the Queen's Birthday Honours List. The resignation of Mr G. S. Gapper, another foundation member, was also received with regret. Miss A. Grice, who edited the Overseas Missions Department children's paper, "Lotu", has resigned to go overseas. A more recent member whose services were valued, Mr Bruce Edwards, has left to take up a position with the C.S.I.R.O. in Melbourne. All these changes are a loss to the Board.

Constitution: The constitution of the Board has been affected by Conference decisions over recent years and in particular by the establishment of the "N.Z. Methodist". It does not now appear necessary to have a Director of Publications as the original constitution envisaged. However there is a need for liaison between the Departments and Boards presenting literature in the name of the Church and there are occasions when material must be evaluated before it can be issued as an official publication of the Church. We believe that as well as publishing occasional literature at the request of the Conference the Board of Publications still has this responsibility of liaison and evaluation on behalf of the Conference. The revised constitution is appended to this report. Local publications: It has come to our attention during the year that a great amount of valuable historical material is lost because circuits do not send copies to the right places for deposit. Under the Copyright Act of 1962 two copies of all publications are required to be sent to the General Assembly Library in Wellington. (Note: The Copyright Act 1962 defines "book" to include pamphlet, magazine, periodical, music, map and chart copied by any duplication process whether letterpress, photographic, lithographic, stencilling or otherwise—but not typewriting. Such copies must go regardless of whether copyright is claimed by the author or publisher). Because of the many requests from research students we believe that a copy of all publications should also be deposited with the Connexional Office, the Trinity College Library and the Missions Office.

> G. I. LAURENSON, Chairman. JOHN H. OSBORNE, Executive Officer.

REVISED CONSTITUTION (Law Book p. 128).

XIX. THE METHODIST BOARD OF PUBLICATIONS

520 (1) The title shall be "The Methodist Board of Publications".(2) The Board shall:—

- (a) Print, publish and trade in books, pamphlets and other printed matter, encourage the writing of new publications, act as approving authority in respect of all manuscripts submitted for publication in the name of the Methodist Church of New Zealand except that Conference may authorise specific departments and institutions to publish material relating to the work of that department or institution.
- (c) Co-ordinate, in consultation with other Boards and Committees, the publication of material to prevent duplication of effort.
- (d) Co-operate with the Departments of the Church in the production of their special publications.

(3) The funds of the Board shall be derived from the following sources:-

- (a) Revenue from the sale of publications.
- (b) Donations and bequests.
- (c) Grants from Connexional Funds, Departments and Institutions.
- (d) Such other sources as may from time to time be determined by Conference.

(4) The Board shall be under the control of the Conference and shall annually submit a report and financial statement through Synods to Conference and shall nominate to Conference the members and officers for the ensuing year.

(5) The Board shall nominate an Executive Officer who may be either a minister or layman.

(6) The Executive Officer shall:

- (a) act as Secretary to the Board and as one of the Treasurers.
- (b) act as Editor of the Board's publications.
- (c) perform such other duties as the Board may from time to time prescribe.

(7) The Board shall consist of:-

The General Superintendent of Home Missions, the General Secretary of Overseas Missions, the Principal of Trinity Theological College or his deputy, five other ministers of whom three shall be in active work, and eight lay members. Corresponding members to include The General Secretary, Editor of the "N.Z. Methodist", and the Director of Christian Education and the Convener of the Board of Evangelism.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report and financial statement be received and adopted.

2. That Mr E. P. Salmon, O.B.E. be congratulated on the honour conferred on him by Her Majesty the Queen and thanked for his services as a foundation member and chairman of the Board of Publications.

3. That the attention of all circuits, committees and boards be drawn to the provisions of the Copyright Act 1962 requiring two copies of publications to be deposited with the General Assembly Library, Wellington, and requesting that in addition a copy of all publications be lodged with the Connexional Office, the Trinity College Library, the Missions Office and the Alexander Turnbull Library.

4. That the revised Constitution of the Board of Publications be adopted in principle and referred to the Law Revision Committee.

5. The Board for 1971 be as printed on page 9 herein.

QUESTION 48 (c).-Radio and Television?

Radio and Television Committee

EXCERPTS FROM ANNUAL REPORT CHURCHES' TELEVISION COMMISSION 1969

1969 saw the Commission operating under a new name. The "National Council of Churches Commission on Television", which came into being on 21 November 1960, gave place to the "Churches Television Commission". The direct relationship of the Commission to the Churches which existed from the outset is indicated in the new name. A warm relationship is maintained with the NCC, and written into the revised Constitution.

Programme Changes:

The end of 1969 saw a number of changes in the format and time of programmes. Most of these have some connection with changes in the NZBC, through the introduction of the national link and resultant revision in the presentation of news and other programmes. The main religious programme is now at 6.40 p.m. "New Week" has ceased to exist.

Administrative:

It has been recognized from the beginning that the centralisation of the Commission's activities in Wellington needs to be balanced by some sort of regional liaison and detailed handling. An area officer in Auckland was considered desirable but so far it has not been practicable for the Commission to have more than very limited parttime liaison there.

An impending change in the Presbyterian directorship has given the Commission a new impetus towards consideration of its own structural needs. A decision was made to have one director with overall responsibility, together with assistant directors or regional officers as may be practicable.

In the field of finance a change has taken place: the basis of assessment, which since 1960 has been on the basis of the then NCC assessment, is now based on the communicant membership (or its equivalent) of the constituent churches and societies.

Developments:

The setting up of the Broadcasting Authority has led to the lodging of applications for the operation of private and commercial radio stations. An enquiry is being undertaken regarding a second television channel. The broadcasting churches are working through a new ad hoc body, the Churches' Committee on Broadcasting, which includes the Roman Catholic Church, and the Commission has been invited to offer its comments.

At the same time a full scale reappraisal of religious broadcasting on NZBC is being organised by CRAC. It is planned that the terms of reference should be considered by the churches and the NZBC, and that on the basis of comments offered a conference held to discuss the whole gamut of religion on the air. Since the Commission is the appointed body to present programmes for its constituent churches on television, comments on that medium will need to be made by the CTC.

F. C. HARRISON, GEO. DALLARD, Co-Directors.

Radio and Television Committee

REPORT TO SYNODS 1970

Conference 1969 in the resolution following the Commission on Communications report asked two things of the Radio and Television Committee.

The first, resolution 5, p. 295 asked that consideration be given to the contribution of a wider range of talent being used for broadcasting, especially greater use of laymen.

Laymen are frequently used in broadcasts. They have shared in church services, in devotional and children's broadcasts. They are eligible for the training courses run by the NZBC through the CRAC, details of which have been circularised to Chairmen. Nominations to these, both ministers and laymen, are in the hands of districts for Levels 1 & 2. The Committee selects nominees for Level 3 from those who have passed the earlier stages or who have received comparable training.

Further the committee points out that the selection of people for the local broadcasts from Tauranga, New Plymouth, Wanganui, Palmerston North, Masterton, Nelson and Timaru is in the hands of the districts concerned who have more detailed knowledge of possible broadcasters.

The second item referred by Conference is resolution 8, p. 295 concerning the possibility of circulating advance notes of programmes suitable for discussion work in the local church. This is being taken up with the NZBC Public Relations Officer.

The Commission on Television.

Since the inception of the Commission the Methodist Church has been a full partner in it with other churches. It shared in the setting up and has full representation on it. The task of the Commission is to co-ordinate the work of the Churches in television. This means working with a wide range of denominations, namely Anglican, Baptist, Churches of Christ, Congregational, Methodist, Presbyterian, Open Brethren, Salvation Army and Society of Friends. This diversity of interests necessitates the Commission finding a mean as it selects programmes.

The Commission is also concerned to raise the standards of the programmes televised. The Directors and the Commission are well aware of the need for improvement and efforts are directed towards this. Our committee believes that over the last two years and especially since changing to the 7 p.m. time (now 6.40 p.m.) the quality has improved. The introduction of 'Dialogue' and similar programmes involving considerable use of the NZBC staff has aided this improvement. In part the quality of the programmes produced is determined by the finance available. The churches have been aided by most of the production costs being carried by the NZBC. The churches' allocations have been used for paying the Directors and the running costs of the Commission. Further improvements could mean an increased allocation being asked from the churches.

In the past there has been considerable criticism of the Commission by Methodist groups but very little has been substantiated by data. As a member of the Commission the Methodist Church shares a responsibility for these programmes and should ensure that its criticisms are constructive. The Committee would be pleased to receive specific suggestions for the improvement of programmes. These would assist the Commission in its work. Approval of any particular aspects would also guide the direction taken as programmes are prepared.

G. V. Thomas, Chairman; R. S. Andrews, Convener.

RESOLUTION

1. That the report be received and adopted.

ADDITIONAL REPORT TO CONFERENCE 1970

Synod Report:

The report to Synods was adopted by all districts and little comment was received.

CONFERENCE RESOLUTIONS 1969:

Last Conference carried certain resolutions which called for action from the committee. These were as follows:

Resolution 3, page 288, asking that the committee approach the J.C.C.U. asking for a consultation between the negotiating churches on their policy for radio and television. The Executive of the J.C.C.U. replied indicating their interest but pointing out that they would find it difficult to deal with this adequately and suggesting that perhaps an approach to the national committees in the other churches might result in the calling of a consultation on policy.

Resolution 5, page 288. The possibility of the sum of \$500 being added to the Connexional Budget to be used to help circuits where men are asked to prepare T.V. programmes was referred last year to the Finance and Stewardship Committee. Our committee considered this matter with them and on their advice has submitted the suggestion to the October Committee of Detail for their consideration.

Resolution 5, page 295, under the Commission on Communications report concerned the greater use of lay people in Radio and T.V. work, and in training for it. Synods were given the opportunity of nominating people for training on the Level 1 and 2 training courses and have been able to choose from who is available. Similarly they have the opportunity of selecting the men for local radio broadcasts. The committee has nominated people for the Level 3 course but more and more finds it must select from those who have a good grading in the lower courses.

The NZBC is asking for higher standards all the time. This demand for quality means a greater demand for time in preparation which possibly is more difficult for lay people to give. As the emphasis is on people completing Level 3 courses in order to serve on the national programmes the church needs to give more help in making people available, and to see preparation of radio and T.V. programmes as a valid use of time.

Resolution 8, page 295, from the Commission on Communications report asked that the committee examine the possibility of providing advance programme notes on sessions that might be suitable for group discussion in the local crurch. The NZBC was approached on this. Their reply stated a difficulty in determining what programmes would be suitable. They do distribute some advance material to the press which is published almost immediately and thus is already available to church groups. In addition the N.Z. Listener gives considerable detail which could guide a group.

REAPPRAISAL OF RELIGIOUS BROADCASTING:

A major concern of the committee has been the preparation of submissions to a Conference called by the CRAC on the Reappraisal of Religious Broadcasting. Comments were made by several Synods and some individuals. From these and its own thinking the committee made its submissions which are summarised as follows.

1. The Nature and Place of Religious Broadcasting:

We believe there are two ways of defining religion:

(a) Religion can be viewed as being concerned with all aspects of human behaviour. As broadcasting is a medium of communication that deals with life, it is appropriate that any programme dealing with human activity should be seen as relevant to a religious viewpoint. Broadcasting as an expression of our culture must be sensitive to the values and attitudes which are presented in all its programmes. Facets of life, people's opinions and communal relationships, whether factual or fictional, are presented as parts of life, and as such they have religious significance.

(b) Religion can refer to a limited vocabulary of cultic information. This includes services of worship, ecclesiastical ideas of prayer and other church centred activity. We see it as being a function of the broadcasting medium to include this in programming in the same way as other 'cultic' groups are catered for, e.g. the blind, the farmers, the returned serviceman, Maori and educational programmes.

The religious slot as defined in paragraph (b) will be aimed primarily at the in-group. It will be most effective, however, if at the same time it has universal interest appeal. It should widen the awareness of the general audience by showing that this is part of the life they live in an integrated community.

2. Relationship of the Churches to the NZBC:

The principle of the mainstream churches having a monopoly in the realm of religious broadcasting was questioned. Others have the right to be heard. A department within the N.Z.B.C. could present religious broadcasting more effectively than the churches are able to do at present. It could use professional communicators whose primary task would be (a) to free people to think and discuss; (b) to bring to the surface problem areas for discussion; (c) not just to reach people, but to help them as in (a) and (b); (d) bring insight into what is happening, events, people, styles of life, against the backdrop of committed faith. The critical, creative role of the professional will play a more and more important part in the future of religious broadcasting.

3. Programme Types and Organisation:

It was felt that rather than having all religious programmes at fixed times some could be spread through programme time during the week. Such programmes should be stripped of traditional church phraseology and cliches.

> G. V. THOMAS Chairman. R. S. ANDREWS Convener.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted.

2. That a grant of \$150 be provided to the committee through the Centingent Fund.

3. That the Methodist representative on the C.R.A.C. be the Rev. J. A. Penman.

4. That the Methodist representatives on the Churches Television Commission be the Revs. G. V. Thomas and J. A. Penman.

That the Methodist representative on the Churches' Committee on Broadcasting be nominated to the President.

5. Conference affirms its belief that in the event of a second television channel established, this should be allocated to the NZBC on the following grounds:

(1) That any clash between public interest and private profit, the N.Z.B.C. would be more likely to see that the public interest is safe-guarded.

(2) Twin N.Z.B.C. channels would be more likely to provide truly complementary programmes than competitive commercial stations.

(3) That a private commercially run channel could not be expected to provide national coverage, nor to give such generous support to the arts, nor to preserve an impartial stand on controversial issues.

(4) Overseas experience has shown that it is difficult or impossible to enforce an agreed code of standards on private broadcasting.

(5) Commercial interests could not be expected to function on the principle adopted by the N.Z.B.C. that those sponsoring commercials should have no influence on the programmes provided.

(6) The growth of commercial television would be likely to cut seriously into the scope and resources of the N.Z.B.C., and so injure and hamper the development of a valuable community asset and amenity.

6. That the Committee for 1971 be as printed on page 9 herein.

QUESTION 49.-What is the Report of the Faith and Order Committee?

Faith and Order Committee

At conference request (1969), the experimental communion order issued by the Faith and Order Committee in 1966 moves out of its experimental stage. The committee has revised the order in the light of many comments, and offers the following text for adoption.

ORDER FOR HOLY COMMUNION

* The people stand.

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good. His love endures for ever.

THE PREPARATION

Almighty God to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden; cleanse our thoughts by your Holy Spirit, so that we may truly love you and worthily praise your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

* A hymn or psalm of praise is sung.

We have come together to hear God's word and to meet our Lord in the communion of his body and blood. Let us therefore examine ourselves, seeking God's grace that we may come to him in repentance and faith.

Our Lord Jesus Christ said: The first commandment is, Hear, O Israel; the Lord our God is the only Lord; love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.

Lord, have mercy on us and help us to obey this law.

The second is this: Love your neighbour as yourself.

Lord, have mercy on us and help us to obey this law.

He also said: I give you a new commandment: Love one another: as I have loved you, so you are to love one another.

Lord, have mercy on us and write these laws in our hearts.

- * Silence is kept for a space, then minister and people say together: God our Father, we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, through our own fault; we have not loved you with all our heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. Have mercy upon us; cleanse us from our sins and help us to overcome our faults; that we may serve you in newness of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
- * The minister then declares: God's mercy never ends. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

- * The bible is read.
- * The sermon is preached.
- * The following or some other recognised affirmation of faith may be made, the people standing and repeating together:
 - I believe in God the Father, the Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
 - I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; he was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate; he was crucified, and died: he was buried, and went down to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father, the Almighty. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic Church. the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the dead, and the life eternal. Amen.

* The intercession follows. Petitions from any section may be omitted. or others added.

Let us pray for the whole Church of Christ and for all men according to their needs.

For the union of all Christians in one holy Church;

For all men, that they may hear and receive your Word;

we pray to you;

Lord, hear our prayer.

For all ministers, for those in positions of leadership and responsibility among them (and especially . . .); For all other servants of the Church (especially . . .);

For this congregation (especially . . .);

we pray to you;

Lord, hear our prayer.

For the peace of the whole world;

For the rulers of all nations, and for just government in accordance with your holy will;

For our own country, for Elizabeth our Queen, and for those who exercise authority among us (especially . . .);

we pray to you;

Lord, hear our prayer.

For all men and women in their daily life and work (especially . . .); For our homes and for parents and children everywhere: For places of teaching, study or research (especially . . .);

For travellers (especially . . .);

we pray to you;

Lord, hear our prayer.

For the poor and hungry, the homeless and unemployed;

For the lonely and sorrowful;

For the oppressed and those who suffer persecution;

For the sick and suffering in mind and body (especially . . .); For the dying; For those who have departed this life (especially . . .);

we pray to you;

Lord, hear our prayer.

Let us pray in silence, for ourselves and for others . . .

Almighty God, you know our needs before we ask: help us to ask what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, world without end. Amen.

THE MINISTRY OF THE SACRAMENT THE PEACE

We who are many are one body in Christ. He who does not love his brother whom he has seen cannot love God whom he has not seen.

> The peace of God be with you. And his peace with you.

THE OFFERTORY

* The minister calls the people to offering: My brothers, I implore you by God's mercy to offer your very selves to him; a living sacrifice, dedicated and fit for his acceptance. the worship offered by mind and heart. (Romans 12:1)

or:

Come, and let yourselves be built, as living stones, into a spiritual temple; become a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices accept-able to God through Jesus Christ. (1 Peter 2:5)

- * The gifts of money, together with the bread and wine for the Communion, are brought forward and handed to the minister, who places them on the table, all standing.
- * Those who bring the offering stand before the table during the following prayer, in which all join:

Let us pray:

Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, with boldness we come to you and bring you what is yours. Accept us and these gifts which we offer for all, for your service and glory. Amen.

* The bearers of the offering return to their places.

THE THANKSGIVING

* The minister stands and faces the congregation for the thanksgiving.

Let us pray:

Be present, Jesus, Son of God, our great high priest; stay with us and make yourself known to us in the breaking of the bread. Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

* After a brief silence, all stand and say:

Lord, have mercy upon us:

Christ have mercy upon us:

Lord have mercy upon us.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord. Holy, holy holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Glory be to you, Lord most high.

The congregation are seated. The minister says:

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God:

With all your people in heaven and on earth we give you thanks, holy Father, for Jesus Christ,

through whom all things were made;

who in the fullness of time became flesh and lived among us, full of grace and truth:

who in obedience suffered death on the cross, and rose again in triumph that we might have life:

who on the night he was betrayed took bread, and when he had given thanks broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "This is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way also the cup, after supper, saying, "This is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for many. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

Amen. Thanks be to God who gave us his Son.

Therefore, Father, we recall with joy the passion and death, the resurrection and ascension of your beloved Son; we look to his appearing; and we do this in remembrance of him, pleading his sacrifice and giving thanks for our perfect redemption in him.

Amen. Thanks be to God who has called us out of darkness into his marvellous light.

And we thank you Father, for the Holy Spirit, through whom these your gifts which we set before you, are to us the bread of life and the cup of salvation. May he bind us into one body in Christ, and help us to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ our Lord.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be; world without end. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

* After a pause the minister breaks the bread and says: So the bread which we break is a sharing in the body of Christ.

- * He then takes the cup and says: And the cup of blessing for which we give thanks is a sharing in the blood of Christ.
- * Silence is kept for a space, after which the minister may say: Behold, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

THE COMMUNION

- * The minister receives the bread and wine. Unless the people are remaining in the pews he then invites the people: Come for all things are now ready.
- * The following words of administration may be used: The body of our Lord Jesus Christ, the bread of life. The blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, the true vine.
- * The minister may dismiss each group with these words: Go in peace.
- * When all have partaken, the minister covers the remaining elements and says: Let us pray.
- Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name; your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us the wrong we have done, as we forgive those who have wronged us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen. Go forth into the world in peace, in the name of God. Amen.

Go forth into the world in peace, in the name of God. Amen. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all. Amen.

FURTHER EXPERIMENTAL COMMUNION ORDER

Conference 1969 also requested a further order 'for occasional use in inexpensive form using contemporary material'. This order is with the printers now.

THE TRADITIONAL COMMUNION ORDER

As some synods still show an interest in the traditional order, the committee suggests that this also be made available in inexpensive form as an alternative order. Drafts in both modern and traditional English were considered, but it was felt that the order did not translate well into modern English. The following abbreviated text is offered:

THE PREPARATION

* The minister says:

Let us pray

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid; cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

* Then all say:

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among men in whom he is well pleased. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son Jesus Christ, O Lord God, Lamb

O Lord, the only-begotten Son Jesus Christ, O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us; Thou that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us; thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy, thou only art the Lord, thou only art most high, O Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

* The minister says with the people responding:

Jesus said: the first of all the commandments is: the Lord our God is one Lord; and thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength. This is the first and great commandment.

Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

And the second is like unto it, namely this: thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.

Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

A new commandment I give unto you, that ye love one another, as I have loved you, that ye also love one another.

Lord, have mercy upon us, and write these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

* The collect and lessons for the day follow.

* Then all may stand and say the Nicene creed:

I believe in one God the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds. God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us men, and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man, and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to Judge both the quick and the dead: whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord and Giver of life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spake by the prophets. And I believe in one catholic and apostolic church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

* The sermon is preached.

* The offering is taken and placed on the Lord's table. The elements are uncovered. The minister says:

Let us pray:

Almighty and ever-living God, who by thy holy apostle hast taught us to make prayers and supplications, and to give thanks, for all men; mercifully accept our alms and oblations, and receive these our prayers.

Inspire continually the universal church with the spirit of truth, unity and concord; and grant that all they that do confess thy holy name, may agree in the truth of thy holy word, and live in unity and godly love.

Lord hear our prayer.

Give grace to all the ministers of thy gospel, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and living word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy sacraments.

Lord hear our prayer.

Give grace to all thy people, and especially to this congregation here present, that we may hear and receive thy word and serve thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of our life.

Lord hear our prayer

Rule over the governments of the nations, and especially of this land, that they may govern with justice for all men and promote peace and welfare among all peoples.

Lord hear our prayer

Of thy goodness, Lord, comfort and succour all them, who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

Lord hear our prayer

We bless thy name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, beseeching thee to give us grace that we may follow their good examples, and with them be made partakers of thy heavenly kingdom. Amen.

THE MINISTRY OF THE SACRAMENT

* The minister says:

Hear what words of comfort our Saviour Christ says to all that truly turn to him.

Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart, and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

Hear also what St. John says:

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Ye therefore that do truly and earnestly repent of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways; draw near with faith, and take this holy sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to almighty God, saying with me:

sion to almighty God, saying with me: Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men; we humbly acknowledge our manifold sins and wickedness which we have committed against thee, by thought, word, and deed. We do earnestly repent and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve thee in newness of life, to the honour and glory of thy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

* The minister then says:

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Lift up your hearts

We lift them up unto the Lord

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God

It is meet and right so to do

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious name; evermore praising thee, and saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts. heaven and earth are full of thy glory: glory be to thee, O Lord most high. Amen.

* Then the minister and people together pray:

We do not presume to come to this thy table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy; grant us therefore Gracious Lord, so to eat of this bread, and to drink of this wine, symbols of the broken body and shed blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him and he in us. Amen.

* Then the minister prays:

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; (who made there a full, perfect and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death, until his coming again;) Hear us, O merciful Father, and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed body and blood; who, in the same

- * Here the minister may hands and break it.
- * Here the minister may take the cup in his hands.

night that he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his Here the minister may take the bread in his body which is given for you: do this in remembrance of me. Likewise, after supper, he took the cup: and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, drink ye all of this; for this is my blood of the new covenant, which

is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me. Amen.

* Then the minister receives the communion himself and after that gives it to the people. As he gives the bread, he says:

The body of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was given for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life. Take and eat this in remembrance that Christ died for thee, and feed on him in thy heart by faith with thanksgiving.

* As he gives the cup he says:

The blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was shed for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life. Drink this in remembrance that Christ's blood was shed for thee, and be thankful.

* When all have communicated the remaining elements are covered, and after silent prayer the Lord's Prayer is said by all:

Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive them that trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil; for thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The minister prays:

Here we offer and present unto thee O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy and living sacrifice unto thee; that all we who are partakers of this holy communion may be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction. Accept this our bounden duty and service; not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always. Amen.

D. L. HINES, Convener.

L. GREENSLADE, Chairman.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted.

2. That the Order for Holy Commuion be adopted as an official order of the Methodist Church of New Zealand, and printed with the following amendments:

(a) confession add "we have not loved one another as you have loved us".

- (b) add response "Thanks be to God" .
- (c) creed as in new Anglican confirmation order.

(d) add an alternative modern creed.

(e) offertory delete "my brothers".

(f) delete "Lord have mercy . . . "etc.

(g) amend to "and was raised".

(h) responses to read "Thank you father for . . ."

(i) Prayer of humble approach to be added.

(j) delete "forth". Lord's Prayer as in new Anglican liturgy.

(k) commentary to be included with changes at committee's discretion.

(1) scripture quotations in N.E.B. where suitable, setting out changes at committee's discretion.

(m) "we recall with joy" to be retained.

3. That thanks be expressed to the Faith and Order Committee for care and consideration given to preparation of orders for Holy Communion.

2. That the appreciation of the whole church be conveyed to the retiring Chairman of the Faith and Order Committee, Rev. E. W. Hames, M.A. for his outstanding leadership and service since the inception of the committee 20 years ago.

The Faith and Order committee was asked to revise the 1969 statement on the ordained ministry, in consultation with the Law Revision committee. Several additional terms of reference have been added.

1. THE CONCEPT OF ORDINATION (1969 Mins. p. 299 res. 4):

(a) positions which represent the church. The pre-amble to the law book stresses that ministers are ordained to their specialist positions for the sake of church order, not to create any absolute distinction within the church. So far for both our ordained orders, ministry and diaconate, the law defines the terms of appointment and holds them answerable to the church as a whole.

The Methodist church does not regard traditional orders as binding (Mins, 1961 p. 214 paras 4-6). We hope that our orders will show continuity with the universal church. But in principle there is no reason why new orders should not be formed, or present orders developed in new directions.

Of course, in many new fields of service, ordination is neither necessary nor desirable. The main focus of ordained ministries will probably continue to be pastoral appointments such as the circuit, where the organised church is implicated in some way.

(b) the question of ordination for life. The law book balances this functional view of ordination with a paragraph stating that the office of the ministry depends on the call of God. In recognising someone as a person called by God, the church is not merely appointing an employee, but making an act of trust in the judgement and concern he will show in the future.

Is this trust intended to be for life? Generally it is, but it is not necessarily a breach of trust when the person wishes to change his vocation. It is debatable whether the church should commit itself to any one view of ordination, more than is necessary for church discipline.

There are two main types of discipline:

(i) Churches which grant ordination almost unconditionally, but make a distinction between ordination, which is for life, and the licence to exercise one's ministry. The church may grant or withhold the licence, and the individual may accept a position or refuse.

(ii) Churches which link ordination with the person's being at the disposal of the church. This is our Methodist policy both with regard to ministers and deaconesses. Under this discipline the person requires permission to be without an appointment. Permission is usually given, but if the person wants to cease being at the church's disposal, or to take another vocation, he must resign. Someone who resigns is regarded as a layman, but would not be re-ordained in the event of being re-admitted to the order.

The Methodist church recognises the ordinations of other denominations, and expects this recognition to be returned. In the Plan for Union, or in the event of ordination of lay preachers and probationers as deacons, some kind of licence scheme would be adopted.

ORDINATION AND FULL CONNEXION (1968 Mins. p. 314 res. 5):

The first ministers of the Methodist connexions were not ordained, but received into full connexion with the conference. Later the rite of ordination was added, to make it clear that they were regarded as ministers of the universal church. The two acts have normally taken place at the same conference, but the conference agenda still mentions only the reception into full connexion. The committee was asked to consider amending the question to read: 2 (a) Who are now admitted as ministers in full connexion with the conference? (b) Who are now ordained as ministers?

In exceptional circumstances the two questions have been separated (para 95-6) so the committee is not opposed to the division of question 2; but since ordination is regarded as the basic act now, and since it is performed first, we recommend a reversal of the order of the two parts. (See rec. 3).

3. ORDINATION AND "SECULAR EMPLOYMENT" (1967 Mins. p. 73 res. 4 (i)):

The committee was asked to clarify the church's position with regard to ordination and secular employment. Our church does not distinguish between secular and religious fields of service, nor even define which fields apart from circuit work are of ministerial character.

Our policy with regard to deaconesses is that on accepting employment outside the church they would retire, unless leave of absence had been granted. Our policy with regard to ministers is that whether employed in ministerial positions or not, they remain at conference disposal, and retain full rights within the church. Five kinds of service are recognised apart from circuit appointments:

- (a) permission to serve with other organisations: This may be granted for any field in harmony with the calling of the Christian ministry. This does not specify that the calling must have preaching, pastoral and sacramental responsibilities; and conference 1964 urged that this provision be interpreted liberally to allow for experimentation. But it puts the onus on the applicant to show annually that he is in a field where representative status is needed.
- (b) **permission to rest.** When this is granted, ministers retain their relationship to the connexion, even though their employment may

not be regarded as ministerial in any sense. This provision has been applied to ministers on study courses, and could apply to terms of employment in business etc, subject to annual permission. The church could allow ministers to gain this experience without legislating whether the work was of ministerial character. Para. 102 would need to be modified to allow this.

- (c) part-time employment. Para. 110 provides for ministers to accept nomination for positions outside the church, provided the consent of the quarterly meeting and the President's committee of advice is obtained. Part-time employment would raise similar problems: adjustment of the stipend, and a decision as to which circuits could accept a part-time agent, and which ministers could accept an appointment on that basis. But if such safeguards were stipulated, part-time employment of circuit ministers outside the church could be made possible. This also would require an emendment to para. 12, and a separate clause along the lines of para. 110.
- (d) appointments to church department. The law does not specify which kinds of church work are appropriate for ministers remaining in full connexion, but the need for discrimination in creating such positions is met by referring such cases to synods for approval.
- (e) suspension of ordained status. Under para. 108 a minister is returned to lay status should he enter into business; but he may return to full connexion on giving up his business. Conference has interpreted the phrase "entering into business" very liberally, but retains this clause to ensure that supernumerary ministers or ministers without pastoral charge are genuinely at conference disposal.

Several points of confusion have arisen from para. 108. (i) question 18 (d) which has appeared in the conference Minutes 1969 seems to be based on a misreading of the law. The law under the same heading ("Ministers engaging in trade . . .") describes a reduction in status for such men, and says that their names should not be listed in the conference Minutes. (ii) para 108 gives such ministers a right to a seat on district synod, but the constitution of the district synod does not mention them. Presumably they would only have a seat if elected as a lay representative.

4. DESCRIPTION OF THE DEACONESS ORDER (1968 Mins. p. 238 res. 8):

The committee was asked to consider the adequacy of the description of the deaconess order as "a ministry of word and pastoral care". We agree that this description would not be adequate. Although preaching may be included in a deaconess's work, it is not essential to the work of all deaconesses. We suggest the description, "a ministry of special service and pastoral care".

5. ORDINATION AND CHURCH GOVERNMENT (1968 Mins. p. 238 res. 8):

Following the Deaconess board report in 1969 (p. 272) we have considered the role of deaconesses at conference. As indicated in section 4 above, the function of deaconesses and ministers is not the same; an ordained deaconess does not serve the same responsibility as a woman ordained to the ministry. Therefore the question of their roles in various church courts must also be considered separately. On local church meetings and the general district synod, ministers and deaconesses do hold their seat on the same basis, along with lay representatives. But ministers have held a special responsibility in two ways:

- (a) At synod level they have formed a special committee responsible for the admission and discipline of ministers and deaconesses. Deaconesses have now been made members of this special committee, where their own order is concerned. (1969 Mins. p. 319 para. 320-321.)
- (b) At conference, ministers have formed a separate voting block with equal power to the laity. This is not because of their ordination as such, but because this particular order has been given this responsibility of oversight in the final decisions of the church. Methodist preachers originally exercised this role (a) before they were ordained themselves, (b) without any other representatives being on the conference at all.

Neither of these special powers is sacrosanct. But a parity of ministerial and deaconess position at conference could be achieved only by changing the basis of the constitution.

6. WHETHER TO ORDAIN PROBATIONERS OR NOT (1967 Mins.

p. 42 res. 9: 1968 Mins. p. 55 res. 3 & report).

Conference held in 1965 that the present probationary system contains anomalies, and requires alteration so as to preserve the benefits of the system. The anomalies were felt to be:

The conflict between circuit work and probationary examinations,

The preference of circuits for ordained men able to give their full time to the circuit; the costs being little different,

Clarifying to other churches whether probationers are ministers or not.

That part of the need for the system had gone, with higher educational standards.

The Board of Studies initiated discussion in which numerous possibilities were suggested. Two were indicated for further consideration and referred to Faith and Order committee in 1968, namely:

(a) ordaining probationers as ministers. At present, although the probationer is legally a layman, he works under many of the same conditions as a minister, and is generally given annual permission to administer sacraments. To ordain him as minister would regularise this practice. This ordination before the term of probation has already been practised in exceptional circumstances under para. 95.

If this was made the usual practice, it could obscure the fact that these ministers were still on trial, still under supervision, and that the full relationship to conference has not yet been given.

(b) ordaining probationers as deacons. This would authorise probationers to preach and do pastoral work in the church's name, but not to administer the sacraments. This would show more clearly that we regard probation as a period of curacy, as in the Plan for Union. The committee would not favour the introduction of a diaconate merely as a stage on the way to the ministry, but if a full diaconate was introduced, this would be an acceptable alternative. Candidates for the ministry would be ordained into the diaconate either on their admission as lay preachers, or on dismissal from college. Such deacons would continue to serve under many of the same conditions as ministers; but it would be made clearer that they were subject to examinations and reports on their circuit work preparatory to their admission into full connexion and ordination to the ministry.

Neither of these alternatives would solve the practical problems involved. Probationers would still be involved in examinations and unable to give their full time to circuit work. They would still be as expensive and as hard to place in circuits where suitable supervision could be provided.

All we should expect to achieve is clarification of what the probationer has been authorised to do. This very clarity could make a deacon less acceptable in remote areas, and union causes or situations where inter-communion was desirable.

A division of discipline is involved in either case. As deacon, the probationer would be linked with lay preachers, but would serve under the laws for an ordained minster. As ordained minister, the probationer would have a licence, but would not have been received into full connexion.

A decision on this would depend on a decision about the diaconate generally. But a decision to ordain to the diaconate could not be justified on a consideration of the probation system alone. Our **present** practice would be made clearer by ordaining probationers as ministers with a conditional licence to serve, but this itself could contain anomalies.

(c) ordaining and receiving into Full Connexion after a fourth year in training. After three years training much as at present, a student could have a fourth year, in which the emphasis would be on in-service training under suitable superintendents, who would both help to train and help to assess the ability and suitability of the student. There would need to be feed-back periods in the college, and at least some variety of experience on a practical level, and there would be no doubt that a student would be in a circuit (or other situation) primarily to learn and to be tested, and not as an extra man in the circuit.

All men finally leaving College would then have full status, and no minister would be in an ambiguous position. In effect, probation as we have known it would be replaced by the fourth year, in which the man's status would be clearly that of a student. This would mean, of course, that very great care would need to be taken before a man was sent out from College, and the Staff and the Examination Committee would have to take very seriously indeed the assessments of the superintendents under whom men had trained. Thereafter, an act of faith would be necessary, but it may be questioned whether this would be as great as that demanded now when a man proceeds to probation.

7. A WIDER DIACONATE (1968 Mins. p. 54 res 3):

In the Plan for Union, an ordained order of deacons is envisaged. Traditionally the term dioconate has covered a variety of appointments, ministerial and lay. Usually it was a ministry within the church involving an auxilary role in worship and teaching, and service in the church's name. The committee was asked to consider this as a possibility for the Methodist church of N.Z. Two particular factors raise this issue. The suggestion of ordaining probationers as deacons; the fact that we already have a partial ordained diaconate, since the ordination of deaconesses in 1968. In making a decision we should consider:

- (a) What we mean by ordination. It involves the recognition of a person as called by God, and the appointment of him/her to a position where he will represent the church, after suitable training.
- (b) Who would be included in the order? At present both ministry and diaconate are clearly defined groups. The members serve in a variety of positions, but each order has the unity of a common discipline and system of appointment. A general diaconate would be harder to define. It would presumably include the present deaconesses, lay preachers (who should have to be called local preachers again!) and probationers. It could include other representatives of the church such as lay pastors, directors of church departments.
 - (i) Would these varied roles have some unity in the church's mind? Would they regard one another as members of the same order?
 - (ii) Would the order have sufficient distinctness over against the ministry to warrant being a separate order? e.g. in which order would probationers, or ministers serving in church departments, regard themselves as belonging?
 - (iii) Would the order have sufficient distinctness over against the laity? We do ask of some laymen whether they are called by God, but would the church regard them as official church representatives, or as private lay persons?
- (c) terms of appointment. These would be varied. Some would not be at the church's d.sposal; some would be at the church's disposal all their lives; some would be in order only during their term of probation. Some kind of licensing principle would be needed, to give this flexibility.
- (d) relationship to church courts. This would not be parallel to the position of full connexion for ministers. Deaconesses at present are members of ministerial committee and synod, and appoint two members to conference. Full time deacons would presumably share this kind of position; but part-time deacons would remain appointed only to local church courts.

8. THE ORDINATION SERVICE (1969 Mins. p. 273 res 6; 1968 Mins. p. 310):

Our intention in having ordained ministries should be brought out in the form of the ordination service. If deaconesses and ministers are ordained in the same service, the distinct functions of each order should be made clear in the service. If conference adopts a definition of the deaconess order, as in section 4 above, a combined ordination service could be considered for subsequent years.

In accepting the candidates as called by God, conference is acting in the name of God, and of the whole church. The service should provide for the candidates to affirm that they believe God has called them, and for the congregation to accept them as persons called by God.

At present the president and general secretary take part in the laying-on of hands, representing the authority of the church through the conference. As a representative of the church, the vice-president is also an appropriate member of the group.

The concept of succession is also important. The concern here is not with any particular rite, nor with an unbroken link episcopal or otherwise, but with continuous fidelity to the apostolic gospel. This succession resides in the whole church, but the ministry is delegated a special responsibility for the church's preservation and proclamation of the gospel. Most of those involved in this act are ministers. The right of the ordained to nominate one of the ministers taking part gives a personal element to the idea of succession in the same order. In the case of deaconess ordination it would be appropriate to include one or m're members of the deaconess order for the same reason.

The laying on of hands is not the fundamental part of the service. It serves to focus the prayers and intentions of the church on the person concerned.

L. GREENSLADE, Chairman.

D. L. HINES, Convener.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That sections 1-5, and sections 8 of the report be adopted.

2. That sections 6 and 7 of the report be received and the Committee be given approvel to continue its work.

3. That the following be referred to the Law Revision Committee. That question 2 on the conference agenda be amended to read: 2(a) Who are now ordained as ministers? (b) Who are now admitted as ministers in full connexion with the conference?

4. That the Faith and Order Committee in consultation with the Law Revision Committe draft regulations which will permit:

(a) ministers resting to accept employment outside the church;

(b) circuit ministers to accept part-time employment outside the church;

(c) supernumerary ministers to enter into some form of employment without losing their ordained status.

5. (a) That the vice-president be an additional member of the ordaining group in the laying on of hands in conference ordination services.

(b) That at Deaconess ordinations in addition to the minister or the deaconess nominated by the candidate the Deaconess Order be represented by one of their number in the laying-on of hands.

6. That the Law Revision Committee be asked to redraft Section VII of Part II of the Law Book with a view to using terminology that is more in keeping with the modern understanding of the ministry (especially the terms "resting" and "without pastoral charge".)

7. The Conference wishes to place on record its deep appreciation of the leadership of the Reverend E. W. Hames as Chairman since the inception of the Faith and Order Committee. The Committee grew out of a sub-committee of the Board of Studies, appointed in 1949 to consider the possibility of ordaining Probationers as Deacons. In the years that followed, a very large volume of work has been undertaken with considerable benefit to the Church and not least to the members of the Committee. Mr Hames has led the Committee with skill, wisdom, wit and unfailing good humour. Breadth of vision and a warm humanity mark all his statements. In expressing gratitude for his leadership, the Conference is glad to know that the Committee will continue to profit from Mr Hames' participation in its discussions.

8. That Conference ask the Faith and Order Committee to revise the order of service for confirmation with a view to making the vows such as contemporary young Christians can readily understand and profess. 9. That the principle involved in making the Presidency of our Church open to any church member be referred to the Faith and Order Committee for study and report.

10. That the Committee for 1971 be as printed on page 7 herein. Pulpit Dress: (1969 Mins. P. 299)

The Committe was asked to report on the principles involved in determining appropriate dress for ministers in the conduct of worship. We see no need for Conference to legislate in what is largely a matter of fashion. A questionnaire sent to a number of ministers and laymen showed a wide divergence of views. A summary of these, with a pro forma recommendation, was sent to synods to see if there was sufficient demand to warrant an official redesigning of clerical dress. We feel there is not.

Four synods favoured discussing or designing a new pulpit dress at JCCU level; two felt the time was inopportune; four opposed the suggestion without comment.

Other Services:

During the year the Committee has published a further experimental communion order and an infant baptism order; and work is recommencing on the production of a booklet of services for ordinary Sundays.

RESOLUTION

1. That the report be received and adopted.

QUESTION 50-What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Chaplaincy matters:

(a) Naval, military and air force?

(b) Institutional chaplains?

Armed Services Chaplaincy Committee

ANNUAL REPORT 1970

Three meetings of the Committee were held during the year when reports were received from the Services through the Chaplains' Dominion Advisory Council on the needs of the Services and the Chaplains' work. We continue to provide three full-time Regular chaplains and nine part-time Territorial chaplains. During the year the Reverend W. Morrison has assisted as an Officiating Chaplain at RNZAF Base Woodbourne. Reports received indicate that Methodist Chaplains are providing a most helpful and effective ministry to the Armed Forces.

The Rev. M. L. Dine has indicated a desire to return to circuit work when he completes his present contract on 31st January 1971 and will therefore be available for appointment by Conference 1970.

Army has asked for a replacement for Chaplain Dine. The President has approved the nomination of the Reverend B. W. Neal to Army for appointment to a commission in January 1971.

The Reverend R. J. Hamlin continues to serve as Principal Chaplain RNZAF in Defence Headquarters with additional duties as Base Chaplain Shelly Bay, being responsible for chaplain services to all RNZAF personnel in the Wellington area.

The Reverend H. I. Shaw has completed his tour in South Vietnam and has been posted for duties with NZ Forces in Singapore, where he has been joined by his wife and family. The committee reports a credit balance of \$508 at 30th June 1970. Expenses for the year amounted to \$100.

R. F. CLEMENT, Senior Chaplain.

R. J HAMLIN, Secretary.

ADDENDUM

The superannuation of the Rev. G. R. Thompson, E.D. at this Conference severs a long association with Chaplaincy work commencing during World War II in the Pacific Region and continuing since in both Methodist and interdenominational advisory committess. Mr Thompson has also maintained contact with his old unit and acted as Chaplain on three occasions when it returned to old battle areas. The thanks of the Committee and the Church is extended to him for his services and best wishes in his retirement.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted.

2. That the greetings of the Conference be sent to the Reverend H. I. Shaw serving in Singapore.

3. That the thanks of the Church be extended to the Rev. G. R. Thompson, E.D., for many years of faithful service to Armed Forces Chaplaincy on behalf of the Church.

4. The Committee for 1971 be as printed on page 6 herein.

QUESTION 50 (c):

- a. Full-time: R. J. Hamlin (RNZAF), H. I. Shaw and B. W. Neal (Army).
- b. Part-time: R. F Clement (Snr. Chaplain), J. B. Currie, J. S. Hosking, D. S. Mullan, C. F. Peart, P. P. Rushton, K. J. Taylor, N. Waaka, M. L. Dine, J. Manihera.

QUESTION 51.—What is the Report of: (a) Wesley Historical Society (N.Z.)?

Wesley Historical Society (New Zealand)

INTERIM REPORT FOR SYNOD, 1970

150th Anniversary of Methodism in New Zealand.

During the year, the Special Committee appointed by the 1969 Conference has been working steadily on plans for a worthy celebration of the 150th Anniversary of Methodism in New Zealand. These celebrations are planned to begin at the 1972 Conference, which we understand is likely to be held in Whangarei and will continue throughout 1973.

The special part the Society has to play, is to produce on behalf of our Church, a popular history of N.Z. Methodism in four volumes, under the general editorship of the Rev. E. W. Hames. The project, at the present early stage of planning, is envisaged as consisting of a volume on the Maori Mission (G. I. Laurenson), two volumes on the European Circuits (E. W. Hames) and one volume on the Overseas Mission Outreach (G. G. Carter).

Proceedings.

We have held over publication of "Aotea" (Oorginally to be number Vol. 24, No. 2.) To keep our serial numbering right, we should now renumber as follows:

Vol. 24, Nos 1 and 2: "A Century of Light", by Hazel R. Harris.

Our major publication this year will be Vol. 25, Nos. 1-4, "The Maori Response to the Gospel" by Ruawai D. Rakena. At the time of writing, a commercial publisher is considering this important manuscript for possible publication as part of a "research studies" series.

Annual Meeting and Lecture.

The Annual Meeting and Tea will be held at Central Mission, Christchurch, on Saturday, 31st October. at 4.30 p.m. The Annual Lecture will be given by the Rev. W. A. Chambers, M.A., on: "The Effect of Roman Catholic Spirituality on John Wesley and the Development of Methodism".

A Notable Achievement.

We note with pleasure that Dr J. M. R. Owens, Acting-Head of the History Department, Massey University, was recently awarded a Ph.D. for a doctoral thesis on "The Wesleyan Mission in New Zealand to 1840", by Victoria University of Wellington. We understand that this important work will eventually be published. Meanwhile, it is a most valuable addition to our store of knowledge about early New Zealand Methodism.

L. R. M. GILMORE, Secretary. E. W. HAMES, President.

RESOLUTION

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

QUESTION 51 (c).—Report of Committee on 150th Anniversary of Methodism in New Zealand.

In our planning for an adequate celebration of this important anniversary, we have borne two matters constantly in mind:—

(a) The importance of people, rather than 'bricks and mortar,' in our objectives.

(b) The imminence of the vote on Church Union.

Historical: In conjunction with the officers of the Wesley Historical Society (N.Z.), the Committee have assisted in the preparation of a plan to publish 'histories' of Methodism's 150 years, under the general headings of the Maori Mission, the European Circuits and the Overseas Outreach. It is envisaged that publication will be spread over several years. If we are indeed on the verge of Church Union, it is additionally important that the Methodist story should be recorded in an accurate and effective manner. (See Resolution 2 below).

Financial: We are convinced that the success of a financial appeal depends on there being a single nation-wide objective. While acknowledging the importance of some of the schemes suggested, e.g. increasing Supernumerary Fund capital, maintaining historic monuments, training social workers, etc., we have found wide support for the idea of a fund providing a range of scholarships or bursaries (both theological and general) available to Maoris, Pacific Islanders and members of the United Church of Papua-New Guinea and the Solomon Islands. We envisage the fund being spent entirely over a period of no more than 5-7 years. We believe that such an objective will commend itself especially to the younger section of our Church. (See Resolutions 3 and 4 below).

Study Programme: As a preparation for the celebrations we recommend that the Board of Evangelism be requested to arrange for study material to be available for a nation-wide programme of witness and evangelism between Easter and Whitsuntide, 1972. It is envisaged that the programme would be adapted locally in varied ways, e.g. "teach-ins," work-and-study camps, house groups, envangelistic missions, etc. Publicity material accompanying the study programme, might include essay competitions for the young, and poetry, hymn and poster competitions for adults, the use of car stickers, etc. We recommend that the emphasis throughout be on the evangelical interpretation of the Gospel as Methodists understand it. The underlying purpose is to prepare our people to move into Church Union with a firm grasp of what we have to contribute to a united church. (See Resolution 5 below).

District Celebrations: Our Northland sub-committee will plan the celebrations at the 1972 Whangarei Conference, including bus tours of historic sites; the Auckland sub-committee will collaborate with Wesley Historical Society in the preparation of the 150th Anniversary 'histories,' and the Waikato sub-committee will attend to the financial objective.

It is hoped that all District Synods will take the opportunity of planning suitable celebrations at significant times and places, throughout the whole anniversary period.

G. I. LAURENSON) Joint Chairmen. E. W. HAMES

L. R. M. GILMORE, Secretary.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted.

2. That Conference hears with pleasure that Wesley Historical Society (N.Z.) plans to issue a series of 150th Anniversary 'histories,' and commends these publications to our people.

3. That—as an Anniversary gesture—Conference authorises the immediate establishment of a fund and approves an appropriate appeal to provide a range of scholarships or bursaries (both theological and general) to be available for Maoris, Pacific Islanders and members of the United Church of Papua, New Guinea and the Solomon Islands—such fund to be fully spent over a limited period of years.

4. That Conference ask the Church Council to nominate the personnel of a Committee to plan and administer the Scholarship Fund.

5. That Conference request the Board of Evangelism to prepare study material relating to a programme of witness and envangelism, emphasising the evangelical interpretation of the Gospel as Methodists see it—such material to be available for use between Easter and Whitsuntide, 1972.

6. That Conference request the Church Council to consider the matter of invitations to Overseas Visitors at the 150th Anniversary Celebrations.

7. That a grant of \$10 be made to the Committee through the Contingent Fund.

QUESTION 52 (a).—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting the laws of the Church including the rulings of the President during the year?

Law Revision Committee

ANNUAL REPORT 1970

The Committee submits its Annual Report and Recommendations.

1. BOARD OF NEW ZEALAND METHODIST

Additional members from negotiating churches

The Committee has conferred with the Board of New Zealand Methodist as to the appropriate changes to be made to the Board's Constitution so that a limited number of members of other church union negotiating churches be appointed as full members of the Board. Both the Board and the Committee agree that care must be taken to fully protect the interests of the Methodist Church or one of its duly appointed Boards. This can best be done, making provision for a quorum where the majority will always be members of the Methodist Church.

Therefore it is now recommended:-

That Section 524 (1) to (4) inclusive be repealed and the following substituted therefore:-

524 (1) There shall be a Board of Management which shall be responsible for the management and publication of the Offical Church paper.

(2) The Board, which shall be appointed annually by the Conference, shall consist of sixteen members of whom, notwithstanding the provisions of Section 491 subsection (4) up to four members may be members of the churches engaged in negotiations for Church Union.

(3) At least one third of the membership of the Board shall form a quorum provided always that the quorum must include a majority who are members of the Methodist Church.

(4) The Board shall be under the control of the Conference.

(5) The Editor of the official church paper shall be appointed by the Conference on the nomination of the Board.

(6) The Board shall annually submit a report to Synods and a report and financial statement to the Conference.

2. MINISTERS AND A CLEAR ASSURANCE OF APPOINTMENT

As instructed, the Committee investigated the issues involved in giving Ministers a clear assurance of appointment and submitted a report thereon to the 1970 Church Council.

3. BALLOTS WITHOUT NOMINATION

The Committee was unable to give full consideration to the question of ballots without nomination in time for the 1970 Church Council and seeks permission to submit its report to the 1971 Church Council.

4. MEMBERS AND OTHER ROLLS

A communication has been received from the President suggesting that there is a conflict between sections 1 and 3. The Committee seeks leave to consider this matter and report to the 1971 Conference.

5. NEW ZEALAND MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The following resolution was passed at last Conference stating, "That the Men's Fellowship as a national movement be discontinued". (Resolution 2 page 119, 1969 Minutes.) A further resolution states that the appropriate section of the Law Book relating to the National Men's Fellowship be repealed. (Resolution 5).

Section xxxi of the Law Book definitely refers to a Men's Fellowship covering the whole church. There are local branches, district and national committees but there, is one Men's Fellowship for the whole church. Each year, prior to the publication of the Minutes, the supplement to the Law Book has to be prepared. As the Men's Fellowship as a whole is a national body, it was stated in the supplement (page 337) that Section XXI was repealed and details were given of consequential amendments. Information later reached the Committee that it was intended

Information later reached the Committee that it was intended that a local Men's Fellowship could continue and would be entitled to be represented at the Leaders' Meeting and perhaps at Synod.

The position is not at all clear and it is respectfully suggested that perhaps this matter could be considered again by the Conference.

6. ADDENDUM TO THE REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON THE GREY INSTITUTE TRUST

The Committee has considered the matters mentioned in the addendum and has submitted a report to the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee.

H. de R. Flesher

Convener

RESOLUTION

That the Report be received and adopted.

QUESTION 52 (b).-Who is appointed President's Legal Adviser?

RESOLUTION

1. That Mr H. de R. Flesher, M.A., Ll.B. be thanked for his services and reappointed.

QUESTION 53.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference on matters previously remitted to Synods, Quarterly Meetings and Committees?

Standing Committee on Stipends

A.-REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON STIPENDS

Conference 1969 resolved that the Stipends Committee should, each year, inform the October Budget Committee of details regarding the minimum rates of stipends which it considers should be allowed for in the ensuing budget year, having first established the rates according to an agreed basis and retaining purchasing power; this basis to be reported to Synods and Conference 1970 for approval. The Conference also requested the Committee, in conjunction with the Finance and Stewardship Committee, to prepare a scheme for the esablishment of a "Connexional Stipend Reserve". The first of these matters is dealt with in this report; the second will be the subject of a later report.

Before dealing with the specific request of Conference to recommend a basis for future stipend rates, it is desirable to examine past bases and adjustments made from time to time.

Bases used in Past: The Standing Committee on Stipends, which was set up by Conference 1953, has met regularly each year since 1954; and over the years has worked from a number of bases in framing its recommendations for adjustments to stipend minima. These bases have included:

(a) Comparisons with stipend minima of sister Churches (particularly the Anglicans and Presbyterians), with allowances for different accommodation provisions.

(b) General levels of income in the community, in particular, nominal weekly wage rates for Adult Male Industrial Workers and average weekly earnings of employees in Labour Department surveyed industries.

(c) Salaries of groups of employees somewhat related to Ministers, e.g., Boys' Welfare Officers, Policemen, Teachers, Nurses, Basic Grade Public Service Clerks.

(d) State Service ruling rate survey increases.

Normal practice has been to examine all these bases and, in the light of movements revealed in them to assess a reasonable adjustment in Ministers' stipends. In doing so account has always been taken of factors such as the provision of a free furnished house for the Minister.

Adjustments to stipends have, of course, also been made over the years following General Wage Orders of the Arbitration Court.

Past Adjustments: Since 1954 the minimum stipend for an ordained Methodist minister has been adjusted as follows:

	£		£
1/ 2/55	510	1/ 8/62	764
1/ 2/56	565	1/ 7/64	790
19/11/56	594	1/2/65	850
1/ 2/57	615	1/ 2/66	900
1/ 2/58	635	1/12/66	923
1/ 2/59	655	1/ 2/67	948
1/10/59	705	19/ 8/68	\$2000
1/ 2/61	725	1/ 7/69	\$2100
1/ 2/62	745		

These adjustments took place primarily to meet depreciation in the value of money, but also enabled the ministers to share to some extent in the rising standard of living of the community in general. In the main, however, they have been minimum adjustments. For a minister with a growing family, to live on a minimum stipend can sometimes be a hardship, especially when they must save to make provision for a home after retirement.

Comparison with other Stipends: The stipend of \$2100 as at 1/7/69 compares with other rates of remuneration as follows:

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 (a) Minimum stipend for a Presbyterian minister plus \$100 non-taxable allowance (increasing to \$2450 from 1/7/70). (b) Minimum stipend for an Anglican minister:

Wellington Diocese	 	 2400 since 1968	
Christchurch Diocese	 	 2460	
Dunedin Diocese	 	 2280	

This Committee indicated to Conference 1969 that the Methodist minimum of \$2100 was considered equitable as at Conference time. but the Committee was concerned that by mid-1970 it would be lagging behind other rates of remuneration, e.g. the Presbyterian and Anglican minima and Public Service salaries. Conference rejected a motion proposing an increase of \$100 from 1st July, 1970.

Proposed New Basis: The Committee submits for the consideration of Synods and Conference a proposal that from Conference 1970 percentage adjustments in salary approved for the State Services (some 200,000 employees) be applied to the stipend rates of Methodist ministers.

A new deal for State employees was negotiated between Government and representatives of the employees in 1969, based on recommendations of the Royal Commission on Salary and Wage Fixing Procedures in the State Services. It was agreed by all parties that it represented a decided improvement on previous arrangements. The agreement was given legislative approval in the State Services Remuneration and Conditions of Employment Act 1969.

Section 24 of the Act provides for review of pay scales in the State Services in April and October each year, with adjustments in scales being made by employing authorities to reflect the movement in pay scales outside the State Services. There is also provision for interim adjustments at other times, following General Orders of the Court of Arbitration.

It is provided that any movement in pay scales outside the State Services shall be ascertained by obtaining, from the half-yearly survey conducted by the Department of Labour, the average weekly ordinary time earnings outside the State Services (excluding income of persons employed in local authorities and public corporations).

It is considered that application of approved State Service percentage adjustments to stipends would provide the most satisfactory means of keeping them in proper relationship to remuneration within the community generally, even although the ministers would be at some disadvantage because of the time lag.

It is the Committee's firm conviction that adjustments to our ministers' stipends made to retain purchasing power and parity with other wages must be taken out of the area of debate. To this end a procedure (recommendations B and C) is offered which allows circuits and departments three months' notice but which recognises that stipends will be adjusted by the same percentage as announced for State Service salaries.

The Standing Committee on stipends will continue to meet to review policy and the operation of the scheme proposed and to consider other matters referred to it by Conference. The Committee will report to Synods and Conference.

The first State Service adjustment under the new system is a 3% increase payable retrospectively to 15th June, 1969. In the light of this, a good case could be made for some retrospection in the case of Methodist Ministers stipends—to, say, 1st July, 1970. However, the 1969 Conference made a decision against any increase prior to Conference 1970. The Committee's view is that, in the circumstances, an adjustment from 1st January, 1971 would be appropriate, thus enabling some prior notice to be given to Circuits and Departments.

The Committee also takes this opportunity of pointing out that

adequate provision for stipends should have priority in all forward budgets, Circuit and Departmental; this has been accepted by the Conference and the Church as a whole.

March, 1970.

W. F. FORD, Chairman. E. G. HEGGIE, Convener.

B.—ADDENDUM TO REPORT SENT TO SYNODS IN MARCH 1970 Ministers' Living Costs:

Conference 1969 (Resolution 6, p. 315) asked the committee to consider "other ways of assisting in the living costs of the ministry e.g. additional Children's Fund allowances, parsonage utilities for power and heat, hospitality allowances etc."

The committee felt that first priority this year had to be given to establishing a more adequate stipend and provision for regular adjustments to keep pace with costs of living. However, some preliminary work has been done on allowances and it is considered that the matter warrants further investigation. The committee will report to Synods and Conference 1971.

Connexional Stipends Reserve Fund:

Conference 1969 (Resolution 5, p. 315) asked the committee to prepare a scheme for the establishment of the "Connexional Stipends Reserve Fund". The committee has no recommendation to make. Adoption of the recommendation about provision for percentage increases in stipends in forward budgets each year (see committee's report to Synods March 1970) would meet the position.

Synod reactions to report:

The committee submitted a report to Synods in March 1970, dealing with a new basis for fixing stipend minima. All Synods adopted the report, but some minor amendments were suggested to the four recommendations put forward. The amendments have now been considered by the committee which has no recommendation to make on all but the Wellington one which simply clarifies the committee's intention.

The North Canterbury and Otago Synods raised questions about delays in payment to ministers compared with state servants and retrospective payments. Whilst there is merit in the points raised, which had already been fully considered by the committee, it is satisfied that the procedure which it has recommended, that of three months warning to circuits of increases, is the only practicable one at present.

The Hawke's Bay-Manawatu Synod suggested that increases be not granted automatically, but channelled through a Standing Commitee or Church Department; and that the Stipends Committee undertake a survey to determine whether present stipend minima deterred men from entering the ministry. The committee cannot support either proposal. The latter is considered not to be a function of the committee; and the former is met in a more expeditious manner in the report.

Stipend Minima 1971:

In its report to Synods dated March 1970, the Committee recommended that the minimum stipend for ordained ministers be \$2,250 p.a. from 1st January 1971 with proportionate increases from the same date in other stipend minima.

This recommendation was based on information available to the committee at its February meeting. Since then the salary and wage situation in N.Z. has changed dramatically. Escalation has been at a rate which has confounded even the most knowledgable experts.

In February it was the committee's view that a stipend minimum of \$2,250 from 1st January 1971 would provide a satisfactory base from which to start the new system of automatic adjustments in line with State Service increases. This base figure is now considered to be inadequate and its use would clearly mean a continuing injustice to our ministers. A figure of \$2,350 from 1st January 1971 is now considered necessary to constitute a satisfactory base.

The following information is submitted to support this proposal. (a) State Service Comparisons:

Date	Minimum Stipend	State Services Basic Grade Clerical
1966 16/6/69 (1/7/69)	\$1,850 \$2,100	\$2,110 \$2,425
15/1/70	(increase of 14% from 1966) \$2,100	\$2.630

State Service increase between 15/6/69 and 15/1/70 was 8.45% On a comparable basis, minimum stipend from 15/1/70 should be \$2.278.

State Services will receive a further increase based on Labour Department's ½ yearly survey for period ending 1st October, 1970, from mid-July—expected to be at least 4%. But as of now, August, 1970, negotiations are proceeding to have the figure of \$2,630 increased immediately. The employees objective is \$3,000.

(b) Anglican Comparisons: The Auckland Anglican Diocesan Synod recently increased minimum stipend by \$300 to \$2,300 and approved a \$100 child allowance, payable from 5th to 18th birthday or until child begins full-time employment. Wellington Anglican Synod recently increased stipends from \$2,550 to \$2,650.

> W. F. FORD, Chairman. E. G. HEGGIE, Convener.

August, 1970.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted.

2. That in the light of the facts set out in the report, there be provided from 1st January 1971 a new minimum stipend of \$2,350 p.a. for ordained minsters, with proportionate increases from the same date for other stipend minima.

3. That after 1st January 1971 State Service percentage adjustments in salary be automatically applied to stipend minima, three months from the date of the announcement of those adjustments.

4. That responsibility for advising Circuits and Departments of the periodic adjustments be placed in the hands of the General Treasurer, advices to be conveyed by letter above signatures of the President and himself.

5. That all Circuits and departments be requested to make appropriate provision in their forward budgets each year for a percentage increase in stipends.

6. That the committee for 1971 be as printed on page 9 herein.

QUESTION 54.-What are the Resolutions of the Conference on any other matter?

Forms of Ordained Ministry.

1969 Minutes, page 299, resolution 5 (a).

There is one Body of the Church into which we are called. All who are baptised into the Church are commissioned in the name of Christ to share his ministry of reconciliation.

Within this general ministry of the laos, or people of God, some experience a call to exercise special ministries. They are ordained by prayer and the laying on of hands to fulfil various functions on behalf of the organised church, and to provide it with constant reminders of what is its total responsibility and mission to the world.

Traditionally ordination has been thought of as an act of the whole Church commissioning a person to responsibility for the ministry of Word. Sacrament and Pastoral Care in a specific field usually considered in terms of a parish. The ordained minister was thought of as representing the whole Church in whatever community he served; he was under the discipline of the Church, responsible for preserving the essentials of Faith and Order, and for co-ordination and oversight in the work of the Church.

Within the ordained ministry, various specialised fields have for some time been recognised, e.g. chaplaincies in the armed services and schools, and these have more recently extended into fields such as prisons, hospitals, universities and industrial areas. The Church has no difficulty in accepting such as valid expressions of the pastoral ministry—the question here is mainly related to how many the Church can provide.

Recent developments theologically and sociologically have caused considerable rethinking of the roles of ordained ministers. Some wish to move into new fields of service which are not always so clearly seen as lying within the sphere of the ministry of the past. But a changing world may demand new forms of ministry. We believe it is important that the Church should be sufficiently flexible to allow for and recognise valid new developments. One which seems to us to have much potential is the concept of team ministries—including both ordained and lay workers.

In all our consideration we believe it is important to keep in mind the corporate nature of the Church and of the ministry: 'Word and Sacrament' does not mean a ministry of the Word plus a ministry of the Sacraments. These are two poles of one pastoral ministry. Where one is the other is, though at any given point one may be more apparent than another. This understanding needs always to be borne in mind when specialised ministries of one kind or another are being considered. For example, departmental officers, college tutors, Christian Education directors and others perform a valid ministry serving not a local community of people but the Church in general.

Likewise the minister who wishes to go into a new field, or to attempt a new relationship with a congregation in terms of time and finance needs to be thought of as remaining part of the body though he may not perform all the functions traditionally thought of as the work of the minister. It should not be felt that he is deserting the Church. Rather there needs to be greater flexibility in our views so that a person may more readily move into and out of parish work as opportunity calls. All ministries are likely to be in a state of flux in the next decade at least, and the Church must be able to adapt if she is not just to survive but to be effective.

Certain possibilities are already before us:

(a) The full-time ordained minister in the parish will probably be required for as long as we can foresee, though here too modifications such as team ministries are likely to increase and be of benefit, particularly with the growth of ecumenical relationships.

(b) Various chaplaincies extend the Church's ministry of caring in frontier situations.

(c) A minister may wish to take part-time employment for a variety of reasons. There are cases where this may be clearly desirable and practicable without the man in any sense contracting out of the ministry as we have thought of it in the past. Conference will need to take steps to meet any situation in which a man works more than one day a week outside his charge. Stipend and other terms of relationship ought to be defined according to some clear principle.

(d) A minister may wish to take full-time secular employment for part of the year and spend the other part in full-time church employment—again for various reasons. In principle there appears to be no objection to this if suitable arrangements with the circuit can be made.

(e) A minister may wish to take secular employment and serve the church at the same time. He would go into this employment primarily as a worker, though he may well also become a pastor to the people with whom he works. We believe it is desirable that he should remain part of a team ministry for his own support, and also for the contribution he can make to keep his colleagues in touch with the thinking of his work world. The Committee however considers that this role in a team ministry would be more appropriately served by a layman.

We are well aware of the difficulties these arrangements may raise. The question of availability of a part-time minister needs to be borne in mind, though possibly a team ministry could overcome this. There is the question of stamina and energy: but many inessentials of the present minister's role woud have to go. The congregation could become used to paying for 'half-time' ministry. whereas the next minister might not wish or be able to sustain the double role. But every such arrangement would have to be decided on an ad hoc basis, and should be made with full and open consultation leading to the mutual consent of all parties concerned.

In addition a minister may feel, at certain times throughout his ministry, the need to take up secular employment for a short period, partly for his own refreshment, partly to enable him to keep in contact with the world in a way not ordinarily possible for him. We envisage this as a valuable means of enabling him to bring fresh insights to his task and assisting him to maintain a proper perspective. Such 'rest' periods could take the form of, for example. one day per week for a specified period, or a longer period between appointments.

We should like to see schemes being put up for consideration by people interested in pursuing them, and by Synods aware of needs in their districts. Also means for speedy permission to be given by the church should be clear; and for frequent reviewing of the situation. It does however seem important to us not only that a minister's special interests and abilities be kept in mind, but also the fact that caring for people in the name of Christ is his chief and continuing commission.

In all our thinking we are concerned lest the understanding of the laity as the basic serving and responsible body of the Church be debased. Ordination has too often in the past been thought of in terms of status rather than commission to the reconciling work of the gospel. We do not wish to adopt any view of ordination which suggests by inference that a layman in secular employment is not fully a representative of the church engaged in "full-time" service.

We find it salutary to be reminded constantly that we are planning not for the past nor even the present, but for a future which will demand not only new forms of ordained ministry, but renewal of all our commitment and an openness to discover where Christ is leading his Church.

JOHN A. ZIESLER, Chairman. PHYLLIS GUTHARDT, Convener.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted.

2. In the light of the President's intended emphases during the year, he be asked to prepare guidelines for a post-ordination training strategy. These guidelines are to be reported to Conference 1971 and if approved then referred for implementation to the proposed Committee on Ministry.

3. Believing that the concept of team ministry is a viable pattern of ministry today, Conference resolves that the Home Mission Department, in consultation with the Christian Education Department, should arrange a consultation to:

- (a) Collate, assess, and evaluate information on team ministry experiments in New Zealand.
- (b) Prepare a list of general principles which may help Churches in establishing units of ministry.
- (c) Investigate the means of using Connexional resources to encourage and facilitate team ministries (e.g., Stationing Committee, Church Building and Loan Fund Committee, Home Mission grants).
- (d) Report directly to Quarterly Meetings, Synods and Conference. (Synods to receive reports from Quarterly Meetings and maintain a continuing dialogue with Circuits on these matters).
- (e) Disseminate findings by every available means (e.g., N.Z. Methodist, T.V., Christian Education Handbook).

4. Conference requires the Pastoral Committee to take particular pastoral care of persons involved in specialist ministries, with perhaps in some Districts arranging the appointment of Synod Committees to share this responsibility of care.

5. That the Standing Committee on Stipends, the Supernumerary Fund Board, and the Home Mission Board be asked to give consideration to financial and other aspects of relationship in the report, so that some guidelines may be laid down for the benefit of the ministers concerned and the circuits/sectors of society that may be involved. (Iniatiator, General Treasurer).

6. That the committee be thanked for its services and given leave to disband.

7. (a) That the Department of Christian Education prepare some resources for facilitating dialogue between ministers and leaders in local settings:-

- (i) to clarify the expectations of ministry.
- (ii) to prepare strategies and goals for a shared ministry.
 - (b) That the Department of Christian Education-
- (i) take steps to collate some findings from this local dialogue,
- (ii) arrange for a representative group of laymen and ministers to meet in consultation on the findings,
- (iii) report the consultation's findings to the appropriate Boards and Committees responsible for planning selection, recruitment, training (college and post-ordination), and the development of new styles of ministry.

8. That a thorough re-examination of the training for theological students be a first task of the proposed Committee on ministry. During 1971, the Board of Studies is asked to undertake preparatory work for this.

QUESTION 55.—What can be done to promote the work of God throughout the Connexion?

MISCELLANEOUS

Congregational Worship

1. (a) That Synods be asked to arrange for Worship Workshops to enable Ministers and Lay people to become better informed about developments in thinking regarding worship and the resources available.

(b) That the Department of Christian Education be asked to consider the possibility of identifying and training suitable leaders for such workshops.

2. That the Department of Christian Education be asked to consider the possibility of publishing (by cyclostyling), a continuing manual of worship experiments and resources as part of "The Christian Education Handbook".

3. That Leaders Meetings be asked to provide the Editor of the "N.Z. Methodist" with details of significant local worship experiments.

4. That the Department of Christian Education be asked to provide a suitable agenda of questions to assist Worship Pastoral and Evangelism Committees to plan worship experiences appropriate for their congregations.

5. That the Lay Preachers Association be asked to appraise the role of the Preachers Meetings in the light of the existence of Worship, Pastoral and Evangelism Committees.

6. (a) That the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee and Board of Christian Education consultation on Church Buildings give urgency to the preparation of material for the guidance of Church Trusts on the following matters:—

- (i) Basic questions concerning the task of the congregation as a worshipping group and as a part of the total community.
- (ii) The possibility of consultation between Church groups and Community planning groups to establish common needs and to arrange for the sharing of facilities.

(iii) The concept of sacred and secular in our use of buildings.

(b) That the Consultation give consideration to the need for continuing research on the use of Church buildings, bearing in mind world trends and plans already available.

7. (a) That Synods be asked to consider the re-constitution of the District Property Advisory Committees so that they exercise a more advisory and resource role, i.e., to meet and discuss with Trusts and Congregations ideas for making the most effective use of their resources.

(b) That Trusts be encouraged to consult the District Property Advisory Committee early in the planning stages of a new building.

QUESTION 56 (a).—When and where shall the next Conference be held?

WESLEY CHURCH, Taranaki Street, Wellington, on Saturday, November 6, 1971.

QUESTION 56 (b).-When shall the next District Synods meet?

At least Quarterly, provided that the August meeting be held in the period August 13th-22nd.

AMENDMENTS TO LAW BOOK Adopted by Conference 1970

APPOINTMENT OF MINISTERS

Law Book page 17

Add the following :--

Section 122A. If the June Quarterly Meeting has confirmed that there be no change in the pastoral tie, no Minister shall accept an invitation to another Circuit in that Connexional year, except in special circumstances, with the prior approval of the President. (1970 Minutes, page 110).

PRESIDENT OF THE METHODIST CHURCH

Page 24, Section 162, is hereby amended by repealing the first sentence thereof and substituting therefor the following:-

There shall be a President of the Methodist Church who is the Chief Pastor of the Church. He exercises a prophetic function and shares in the administrative work of the Church. (1970 Minutes page 110).

VII. CHILDREN'S FUND

Page 103. Section 508 subsection 7 is hereby repealed. (1970 Minutes, page 240).

XI. THE SUPERNUMERARY FUND

Page 113 section 512 subsection (34) 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 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 and the option either of receiving an annuity according to scale or to commute a specified part of his interest in the Fund shall be exercised not later than 12 months from the date of the minister's retirement. (1970 Minutes page 249).

Page 113 section 512 sub-section (36) is hereby amended by repealing the first sentence thereof and substituting therefor the following:

(36) No amount of annuity shall be commuted so as to reduce the remaining annuity of the minister or the remaining annuity of his widow below 25% of his or her entitlement. (1970 Minutes page 250).

XIII. DEACONESS RETIRING FUND

Page 120 section 514 is hereby amended by repealing sub-section 9 and substituting therefor the following:-

(9) All members of this Fund shall be required to retire on attaining the age of 60 years but shall have the right to retire on the completion of 30 years service unless the appropriate Board deems it advisable to continue their employment. (1970 Minutes page 249).

XXIII. THE BOARD OF THE NEW ZEALAND METHODIST

Page 134 Section 524 (1) to (4) inclusive is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:-

524. (1) There shall be a Board of Management which shall be responsible for the management and publication of the Official Church paper.

(2) The Board, which shall be appointed annually by the Conference, shall consist of sixteen members of whom, notwithstanding the provisions of Section 491 sub-section (4), up to four members may be members of the churches engaged in negotiations for Church Union.

(3) At least one-third of the membership of the Board shall form a quorum provided always that the quorum must include a majority who are members of the Methodist Church.

(4) The Board shall be under the control of the Conference.

(5) The Editor of the official church paper shall be appointed by the Conference on the nomination of the Board.

(6) The Board shall annually submit a report to Synods and a report and financial statement to the Conference.

(1970 Minutes page 306).

Amendments to Law Book

ADOPTED BY CONFERENCE 1969 THE MINISTRY

Page 8, Section 53 is hereby amended by deleting at the end thereof the words "and work of the Ministry" and substituting therefor, the words "of the Ministry of Word and Sacrament and Pastoral Care". (1969 Minutes, page 114)

APPOINTMENT OF MINISTERS

Page 17, Section 116 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:

116. When a Minister seeks a change of appointment, the following procedure shall apply:

- (a) A Minister seeking a change of appointment shall notify the Circuit Stewards and the Chairman of the District at least 28 days before the date of the March Quarterly Meeting.
- (b) At the March Quarterly Meeting a small committee representative of all churches in the Circuit shall be appointed to consult with the Chairman of the District and the Leaders' Meeting of the Church or Churches concerned.
- (c) The Circuit Stewards, after consultation with the representative committee and the Chairman of the District may make an approach to a Minister to ascertain if he would be willing to accept an official invitation to be issued by the June Quarterly Meeting.
- (d) The Circuit Stewards shall approach only one Minister at one time and no other approach shall be made until a definite reply has been received.
- (e) If an affirmative reply is received, the Circuit Stewards shall recommend to the June Quarterly Meeting that an official invitation be extended.
- (f) Immediately after the March Quarterly Meeting, the Circuit Stewards shall, in writing, inform the District Chairman of any decision made thereat concerning the pastoral tie. Upon receipt thereof the District Chairman shall notify the General Secretary of contemplated ministerial changes. The General Secretary shall compile a list of such changes and forward copies thereof to all District Chairmen. (1969 Minutes, page 305). Law Book page 17. Add the following:-

Section 122A. If the June Quarterly Meeting has confirmed that there be no change in the pastoral tie, no Minister shall accept an invitation to another Circuit in that Connexional year, except in special circumstances, with the prior approval of the President, (1970 Minutes page 110).

PRESIDENT OF THE METHODIST CHURCH

Page 24 Section 162 is hereby amended by repealing the first sentence thereof and substituting therefor the following:-

There shall be a President of the Methodist Church who is the Chief Pastor of the Church. He exercises a prophetic function and shares in the administrative work of the Church. (1970 Minutes page 110).

Page 25, Section 171 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:

117. Conference shall make available to the President such assistance, either ministerial or lay, as is necessary. The cost of same shall be a charge on the Contingent Fund. (1969 Minutes, page 312).

CIRCUIT STEWARDS

Page 31, Section 218 is hereby amended by adding after (d) the following:

- (dd) Provide such accommodation for Deaconesses as shall from time to time be determined by the Conference.
- Page 32, Section 218 is hereby further amended by repealing (j) and substituting therefor:
- (i) Make such arrangements for the Minister's annual vacation which shall be for four weeks, of which not more than three weeks shall be taken at any one time. (1969 Minutes, page 314).

Section IX.—QUARTERLY MEETING

(b) Finance and Stewardship.

Page 42. Section 283. Question (4) is hereby amended by adding the following:

(d) Have transport allowances been paid, or have adequate arrangements been made for transport? (1969 Minutes, page 312).

Part V.-DISTRICT COURTS

District Synods

Page 49, Sections 316 to 343 inclusive are hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:

DISTRICT SYNODS

316. Circuits, City Missions and Home Mission Stations shall, for purposes of administration be grouped by the Conference under Districts, which Districts shall be named in the Station-Sheet of the Conference.

317. Conference may at any time fix the boundaries of a District and when so fixed such boundaries shall not be altered except in accordance with the procedure set out in Sections 492 and 494. Conference may for the purposes of administration subdivide a district into areas.

318. Each District shall be under the supervision of a Minister, to be called the Chairman, who shall be elected by ballot at the Conference after the Station-Sheet has been confirmed. The Chairman shall preside at all meetings of the Synod in his District, except when the President of the Church is present.

319. Each Synod shall meet in the months of March, June, August and October and at such other times as may be considered necessary. It shall comprise:

- (a) The District Ministerial Committee(b) The Representative Session

320. The District Ministerial Committee shall consist of: Ministers, Supernumerary Ministers, Deaconesses and Home Missionaries in full status whose names appear on the Station-Sheet for that District.

321. Deaconesses may speak and vote on all matters except those related to the selection and training of the Ministry. Home Missionaries in full status shall be present and vote when matters referring to Home Missionaries are being considered. Home Missionary Probationers may attend when invited by the Chairman.

322. The Representative Session shall consist of:

(a) All members of the District Ministerial Committee, and Probationers whose names appear on the Station-Sheet for the District.

- (b) Members of the Order of Deaconesses who are employed in the District
- (c) Home Missionaries in the District in full status. Home Missionary Probationers may attend when invited by the Chairman. (d) The Vice-President of the Conference, if he resides in the
- District.
- (e) The National President of the New Zealand Methodist Women's Fellowship, if she resides in the District.
- (f) All laymen appointed by the Conference to connexional positions shall be ex officio members of the Synod in which they reside.
- (g) One Lay Representative from each Circuit Quarterly Meeting, with an additional representative for each Minister or Probationer appointed by Conference to the Circuit, after the first.
- (h) One Lay Representative from each Home Mission Station.
 (i) Lay Representatives of a Union Parish constituted under a constitution approved by the Conference as in (g).
- Two Representatives of each District Education Council in the (i) the District.
- (k) One Representative of the District C.Y.M.M. Council or its equivalent.
- (1)The District Secretary of Church Property.
- (m) The District Secretary for Overseas Mossions.
- (n) The District Secretary for Home Missions.
- (o) A Lay Representative of Conference and Connexional Funds, and Connexional Trust Funds and Institutions administered in the District, and a Lay Representative elected by and from the Committee of each Institution or Department located in the District and to which a Minister is set apart, and an additional Lay Representative for each Minister so set apart after the first.
- (p) Two Representatives of the New Zealand Methodist Women's Fellowship who shall be appointed by the District Council of the Fellowship provided always where there is more than one District Council in the Synodal District, each District Council may elect one representative.
- (q) Two Representatives of the District Branch of the Lay Preachers' Association.
- (r) One Lay Representative from each Maori Circuit with an additional Representative for each Maori Minister in Full Connexion appointed by the Conference to the Circuit, after the first.
- (s) The District Financial Secretary, if a layman.
- (t) One Lay Representative of any other Committee in the District approved by the Conference.

323. All Lay Representatives referred to in the previous section shall be elected by ballot after nomination.

324. Every Minister and Probationer is required to attend the sessions of the District Ministerial Commitee and the Representative Sessions unless a dispensation has been applied for and granted by the Chairman.

325. Only a person who is a member of the Church shall be eligible to attend Synod as a representative.

326. All reports and material for Synods from Departments and Committees, as soon as the same are available shall be forwarded to the General Secretary, who shall be responsible for the distribution thereof to Synods. Such reports and material shall be received by him not later than the first day of the month preceding the session at which the same will be considered. 327. On assembling, the District Ministerial Committee and Representative session shall elect from amongst their members such officers other than the Secretary as may be considered necessary and shall fix the hours of session.

328. The District Ministerial Committee and the Representative Session shall conduct their business under the questions set out in Sections 335 and 338 respectively and under such further questions as Conference from time to time may prescribe—the answers to such questions shall be recorded in the Minutes.

329. Unless a Synod otherwise determine, the rules of debate shall be as set out in the Standing Orders of Conference.

330. Each session shall open with devotional exercises.

331. In each Synod where practicable, there shall be the following Committees:

- (a) Executive
- (b) Finance and Stewardship
- (c) Property
- (d) Education

(e) Home Mission and Church Extension

(f) Church Welfare and Evangelism

(g) Such other Committees as the Synod may deem necessary

332. Each Committee shall be appointed annually by the Synod and shall be responsible to it. The Convener must be a member of the Synod. Church Members who are not members of the Synod may be included in its personnel.

(a) DISTRICT MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE

333. The District Ministerial Committee shall meet at least twice each year. One of its meetings shall be held prior to the August meeting of the Synod. It is directed to review and consider the District Ministerial business of the year, to inquire into the character and efficiency of the Ministry, to examine Probationers, Candidates for the Ministry and Home Missionary Probationers to consider matters relating to the Training of the Ministry and to make recommendations thereon.

334. At its first meeting (commonly known as "The March Meeting") in each year, it shall consider:

- (a) The work of God in the District
- (b) Pastoral efficiency and in-service training
- (c) Any Conference resolutions bearing on the above matters and such other questions as may be referred to it

335. The business of the meeting held prior to the August session of the Synod shall be dealt with in accordance with the following questions:

- (1) Who are present?
- (2) Are there are objections to any Minister or Probationer connected with the District? The Chairman shall ask the following questions concerning each Minister and Probationer:

(a) Is there any objection to his moral or religious character?(b) Is there any objection to his doctrinal belief or teaching?

(c) Has he duly observed and enforced our discipline?

- (d) Is he competent for his work?
- (3) Are there any Theses due from Porbationers stationed within the District?
- (4) What Probationers are recommended to be received into Full Connexion at the ensuing Conference pursuant to Section 90?

- (5) What Preachers remain on probation pursuant to Section 79?(6) What Candidates for the Ministry are recommended to be
- received by the ensuing Conference pursuant to Sections 60 to 65? The voting for, against and neutral is to be recorded and forwarded to Conference through the Secretary of the Board of Examiners.
- (7) What are the recommendations of the Committee respecting the training of students for the Ministry?
- (8) Is there any objection to any Home Missionary or Deaconess connected with the District? The Chairman shall ask the following questions concerning each Home Missionary:
 - (a) Is there any objection to his moral or religious character?
 - (b) Is there any objection to his doctrinal belief or teaching?
 - (c) Has he duly observed and enforced our discipline?
 - (d) Has he competent abilities for the work of a Home Missionary?

The Chairman shall ask the same questions' concerning each Deaconess.

- (9) Have the Home Missionary Probationers in the District passed the prescribed examination in their respective years?
- (10) What are the replies from Circuits to the following questions: (These to be entered on printed forms supplied for the purpose.)
 - (a) Has the Annual Audit of Trust Accounts been made?
 - (b) Have all changes in the personnel of the Trusts been reported to the Authorised Representative?
 - (c) Have the proper entries been made in the Circuit Schedules? (d) Have all baptisms been duly registered?
 - (e) Have Leaders' Meetings been regularly held and has the
 - Membership Roll been duly revised?
 - (f) Have the Conference requirements relating to Home and Overseas Missions been complied with?
- (g) Have Membership preparatory classes been regularly held?
 (11) Can any measures be adopted to promote our own pastoral efficiency? [When considering this question the Pastoral Resolutions (appendix II) shall be read.]

336. The findings and recommendations of this Committee shall be recorded in the District Synod Journal and a complete copy forwarded to the Secretary of Conference, to the Secretary of the Board of Examiners, to the District Chairman and to the District Ministerial Representative on the Stationing Committee.

(b) REPRESENTATIVE SESSION

337. The Representative Session shall review all the work of the Church within the District, except that dealt with in the District Ministerial Committee, and such other business as may be referred to it by the Conference.

338. The business of the various Representative Sessions shall be dealt with in accordance with the following questions:

I. ALL SESSIONS

(1) Who are present?

DISTRICT MATTERS

- (2) What recommendations do we make concerning:
 - (a) The Welfare of the Church?
 - (b) The Lay Preachers' Association?
 - (c) Men's Fellowship?
 - (d) Women's Fellowship?

- (3) What recommendations do we make in regard to the work of Christian Education in the District?
- (4) What are the reports of the following District Committees:
 - (a) Executive
 - (b) Finance and Stewardship
 - (c) Property
 - (d) Home Mission and Church Extension
 - (e) Church Welfare and Evangelism
- (5) What is the report relating to the Social Service work in the District, including Children's Homes?
- (6) What is the report of the District Chaplains' Committee?
- (7) What do we recommend respecting matters remitted to us (if any) by the Conference?
- (8) Are there any Resolutions or Recommendations on matters of which notice has been given?
- (9) When and where shall the next session be held?

II. MARCH SESSIONS

Connexional Matters

- (10) What are the reports of the following Committees. Boards and Institutions:
 - (i) Faith and Order Committee(ii) Theological College

 - (iii) Deaconess Institution and Deaconesses
 - (iv) Wesley College and other schools, colleges or hostels
 - (v) Wesley Historical Society
- (11) Who are nominated as representatives to the Church Council?

III. JUNE SESSION

Connexional Matters

- (12) What is the report of the Department of Christian Education?
- (13) What are the reports of the following Committees and Boards: (i) Welfare of the Church Committee
 - (ii) Board of Evangelism
 - (iii) Public Questions
 - (iv) International Affairs
 - (v) Temperance
 - (vi) Radio and Television
 - (vii) Church Union

IV. AUGUST SESSION

- (14) Have the Conference appointments for this District been observed?
- (15) Has any Minister or Probationer died since the last Conference?
- (16) Does the Synod recommend that any Minister be made a Supernumerary at the ensuing Conference?
- (17) Does the Synod recommend that any Supernumerary return to the regular work?
- (18) Does the Synod recommend that any Minister have permission to rest for a year?
- (19) Does the Synod recommend that any Minister be left without Pastoral Charge?
- (20) Does any Minister or Probationer offer himself for Overseas Mission work?
- (21) Do we recommend the division or alteration of the Districts or of any Circuit or Home Mission Station in the District?
- (22) Do we recommend any change in the status or staffing of any Circuit or Home Mission Station?

- (23) To what Circuits do we recommend that additional preachers be appointed?
- (24) From what Circuits do we recommend that Preachers be withdrawn?
- (25) What Circuits in the District are suitable appointments for the training of a Probationer?
- (26) What do we recommend in regard to the constitution of new Circuits or Home Mission Stations?
- (27) What can be done in the Circuits of this District to advance the cause of Church Union and co-operation with other Churches?
- (28) Do we recommend that any Home Mission Station be constituted a Circuit?
- (29) What Circuits become due to provide for married Ministers at next Conference? What is being done by Circuits to which Probationers are appointed to prepare for appointment of married Ministers in due course?
- (30) What is the state of the Circuit Funds in the District? Has the audit been held in each Circuit?
- (31) What are the Annual Statistical Returns?
- (32) What is the report of the District Statistical Secretary regarding the increase or decrease in the number of churches or preaching places in any Circuit or Home Mission Station in the District?
- places in any Circuit or Home Mission Station in the District?
 (33) What explanation has the Superintendent Minister or Home Missionary to give to the Synod regarding the closing of any preaching place or Sunday School?
- (34) What is the District Secretary's report on Church Property?
- (35) What recommendations do we make on matters connected with the above report?
- (36) Are there any recommendations to Conference with regard to any properties in the District?
- (37) What is the report of the Secretary of the Church Building and Loan Fund with regard to loans current in the District? Are there any recommendations on the Report?
- (38) Who are nominated as members of the District Property Advisory Committee?
- (39) What are the Income and Expenditure of Connexional Properties or Investments in the District?
- (40) What are the reports on any Special Trust Funds administered in the District?
- (41) (a) What is the report of the Finance and Stewardship Committee?
 - (b) Have the Circuit contributions to the Connexional Budget been paid?
- (42) (a) What recommendations do we make respecting Overseas Missions?
 - (b) Whom do we nominate to the Conference for appointment as members of the District Overseas Mission Committee?
- (43) (a) What recommendations do we make respecting Home and Maori Mission, Connexional and District?
 - (b) What Home Mission Grants are recommended for next year?
 - (c) Whom do we nominate to the Conference for appointment
- as members of the District Home Mission Committee? (44) What is the report of the New Zealand Methodist Social
- Service Association ?
- (45) What is the report of the Board of the New Zealand Methodist?
- (46) What is the report of the Church Council?
- (47) What recommendations do we make in regard to Public Questions?

- (48) What is the report of the Board of Management of the Connexional Office?
- (49) What is the report of the Connexional Fire Insurance Board?
- (50) What is the report relating to the Removal Expenses Fund?
- (51) Whom do we nominate as members of Connexional Committees in the District?
- (52) Whom do we nominate for election by the Conference as Chairman and Secretary for this District next year?
- (53) Whom do we elect as the Ministerial and Lay Representatives of this District to the Stationing Committee at the ensuing Conference and whom do we elect as substitute?
- (54) Is there any substitute Representative to the ensuing Conference to be elected by the Synod in place of the Lay Treasurer of any Fund which has no administrative Committee in the District?

OCTOBER SESSION

- (55) What are the reports of the following Associations, Committees and Boards:
 - (i) New Zealand Methodist Lay Preachers' Association
 - (ii) Ecumenical Committee

 - (iii) Women's Fellowship(iv) Board of Publications
 - (v) Committee on Healing
 - (vi) Custodian of Early Church Records

339. The President and the General Secretary from time to time may, as circumstances require, decide which matters shall be considered at a particular session of the Synod.

340. After each session a certified copy of the Minutes shall be forwarded to the Secretary of the Conference.

341. Copies of all Resolutions bearing upon the work of Connexional Boards and Committees and all relevant information relating thereto must be forwarded to the bodies concerned.

342. Travelling expenses to the March Ministerial Committee of those entitled or summoned to attend thereat and to the August Session of the District Synod of Ministers, Probationers, Home Missionary Probationers, Deaconesses and Lay Representatives shall be a charge on the Contingent Fund.

343. The travelling expenses for all representatives attending all its other sessions shall be the responsibility of the District Synod concerned. (1969 Minutes, page 306).

SYNOD STANDING COMMITTEE

Page 55. Consequent to the adoption of the new Constitution for District Synods Section II Synod Standing Committee and Sections 350-354 inclusive are hereby repealed.

THE CONFERENCE

(d) Conduct of Business

Page 62, Section 381 is hereby amended by repealing question (7) (a), (b) and (c) thereof. (1969 Minutes, page ____.)

THE CONFERENCE CORRECTION OF TITLE F. Committee on Church Welfare

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CHURCH COUNCIL

Page 78, Section 486 is hereby amended by adding to sub-section (2) (a) "one Minister who is within ten years of his Ordination, one Probationer Minister".

Sub-section (2) is hereby further amended by deleting the words "The President may each year appoint two additional members whose ages shall not exceed thirty years" and adding at the end of (b) "Laymen, the following: One representative of the Maori Policy Committee, the General Treasurer, the Executive Officer of the Finance and Stewardship Committee, one representative of the Deaconess Order, one representative of the Methodist Women's Fellowship, two laymen who shall be under thirty years of age". (1969 Minutes, page 112).

GENERAL PROVISIONS RELATING TO COMMITTEES BOARDS AND COUNCILS

Page 79, Section 491 is hereby amended by deleting from subsection (3) the word "lay" wherever it appears. (1969 Minutes, page 114).

VII. CHILDREN'S FUND

Page 103 Section 508 subsection 7 is hereby repealed, (1970 Minutes page 240).

CONTINGENT FUND

Page 106, Section 511, sub-section 8 is hereby amended by repealing the first sentence of (a) and substituting therefor, the following:

(a) Travelling expenses to the March Ministerial Committee of those entitled or summoned to attend and to the August Session of the District Synod of Ministers, Probationers, Home Missionaries, Home Missionary Probationers, Deaconesses and Lay Representatives. (1969 Minutes, page 243).

XI. THE SUPERNUMERARY FUND

Page 113 section 512 subsection (34) 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 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 and the option either of receiving an annuity according to scale or to commute a specified part of his interest in the Fund shall be exercised not later than 12 months from the date of the minister's retirement. (1970 Minutes page 249).

Page 113 section 512 sub-section (36) is hereby amended by repealing the first sentence thereof and substituting therefor the following:

(36) No amount of annuity shall be commuted so as to reduce the remaining annuity of the minister or the remaining annuity of his widow below 25% of his or her entitlement. (1970 Minutes page 250).

XIII. DEACONESS RETIRING FUND

Page 120 section 514 is hereby amended by repealing sub-section 9 and substituting therefor the following:-

(9) All members of this Fund shall be required to retire on attaining the age of 60 years but shall have the right to retire on the completion of 30 years service unless the appropriate Board deems it advisable to continue their employment. (1970 Minutes page 249).

METHODIST GENERAL PURPOSES TRUST BOARD

Page 124, Section 517 is hereby amended by adding the following sub-sections:

- (7) Subject however in all cases to any trusts and the terms thereof specifically declared in respect of any real or personal property vested in the Board, the Board shall have power to invest moneys held by it in all or any of the following investments:
 - (a) In investments authorised for the investment of trust funds by the provisions of Part II of the Trustee Act 1956 or any amendment thereof:
 - (b) On first mortgage of the interest of the lessee under any lease in perpetuity, or lease with the right of perpetual renewal, or any other lease for an unexpired term (including any right of renewal thereof) in excess of 21 years of any land, where all conditions of improvement required under the lease have been complied with, and the lease is not liable to forfeiture in respect of default in complying with the aforesaid conditions, and the lessee is entitled under his lease to compensation or adequate protection in respect of all improvements on the land which are made by him or in which he has an interest;
 - (c) In the purchase or subscription of fully paid ordinary or preferred shares, stocks, bonds or debentures, or notes, whether registered or unregistered, and whether conveying the right of conversion to shares or not or of any other securities of any company or other incorporated body, which are at the time of the acquisition listed on the official list of the Stock Exchange in New Zealand or in the Commonwealth of Australia or any state thereof or in the United Kingdom or in respect of which application for such listing has been made, and, without restricting the meaning of the term "fully paid" it is hereby declared that for the purposes of this paragraph, shares, stocks, bonds, debentures, notes or other securities as aforesaid, shall be deemed to be fully paid if the calls on them are payable by instalments on such terms that all calls shall be paid within a period of two years from the date of initial allotment, provided that nothing contained or implied in this paragraph shall authorise the investment of any part of the said money in the shares or other securities of any company whose business and objects in the judgment of the Board conflict with the general rules and usage of the Church and which are likely to bring reproach upon the Church and provided also that before making any such investment, the Board shall first obtain advice of a person or persons who are reasonably believed by the Board to be qualified to advise on the investment:
 - (d) In the purchase or acquisition of any freehold or leasehold interest in land, including any buildings or other improvements on any such land, or in the execution of any works connected with the subdivision development, improvement or maintenance of any such property held by the Board

including (without in any way limiting the generality of the foregoing), the construction, alteration, repair, renovation, demolition or reconstruction of, or addition to any buildings or other improvements erected or intended to be erected therein, provided always that no such purchase or acquisition of interest in land or erection or alteration to buildings shall be made without the prior consent of the Conference or of any Committee authorised by the Conference to consent to the same:

- (e) In a contributory mortgage of land or any interest therein:
- (f) On advance to any Trustees of any property held under the Methodist Model Deed on such terms as the Board things fit of moneys as may be requisite or necessary in or for the due execution and accomplishment of the trusts and purposes of such property or any of them:
- (g) On deposit with any of the bodies referred to in paragraphs (c), (d), (e) and (i) of sub-section (1) of Section 4 of the Trustee Act 1956 or any amendment thereof, or on deposit with any dealer in the short term money market, who has been approved by the Reserve Bank of New Zealand, or on deposit with such further or other bodies corporate as the Conference may from time to time by resolution authorise:
- (8) The Board shall have power to sell, exchange, vary or transpose any investments from time to time held by it provided always that no sale or exchange of land and/or buildings shall be made without the prior consent of the Conference or of any Committee authorised by the Conference to consent to the same. (1969 Minutes, page 247).

CONNEXIONAL FIRE INSURANCE FUND

Page 124, Section 518 is hereby amended by adding the following sections:

3A. That all moneys belonging to the Fire Insurance Fund may be invested by the Board in any of the following ways:

- (a) First mortgage of freehold properties in New Zealand including contributory mortgages.
- (b) Stocks, funds or other securities of the Government of the Dominion of New Zealand.
- (c) Bonds, debentures or other securities of any Municipal Corporation or local body in New Zealand, having authority by law to borrow.
- (d) On deposit with any Bank having statutory authority to carry on business in New Zealand, or in any Post Office Savings Bank or Permanent Building Society.
- (e) Advances—with or without security—to other Methodist Church funds.
- (f) In the purchase either on its own account or jointly with any other Methodist Church body of freehold property and/or erection of buildings, when approved by at least three-fourths of the members of the Board, and sanctioned by the Conference or any Committee authorised by the Conference to sanction any such purchase or erection.
- (g) In the purchase or subscription of fully paid ordinary or preferred shares, stocks, bonds or debentures or notes, whether registered or unregistered and whether conveying the right of conversion to shares or not, or of any other Securities of any

company or other incorporated body, which are at the time of acquisition listed in the official list of the Stock Exchange in New Zealand or in the Commonwealth of Australia, or any state thereof, or in the United Kingdom, provided that nothing contained or implied in this paragraph shall authorise the investment of any part of the said Fund in the shares or other securities of any company whose business and objects, in the judgment of the Board, conflict with the general rules and usage of the Church and which are likely to bring reproach upon the Church provided always that at any one time the Board shall have at least 50% of its total assets invested in the manner provided in (a), (b), (c) and (d) hereof and also provided that the Board shall not invest more than 5% of its total assets in such shares and other securities in any one such company or other incorporated body and in no case shall the total sum so invested in such company or other incorporated body exceed 5% of the paid up capital of such company or other incorporated body and provided further that in the event of shares being allotted resulting in the holding of shares then exceeding the 5% of the Funds total assets the investment may remain an authorised investment unless and until Conference directs otherwise.

3B. (a) No loan upon mortgage of freehold property shall be made except upon the unanimous vote of the members of the Board present at the meeting at which the application for such loan is considered.

(b) No advance on the security of freehold property shall exceed two-thirds of the amount at which such property shall be valued by the Valuer or Valuers appointed by the Board. (1969 Minutes, page 250).

METHODIST MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Page 131. 1969 Conference resolved that the Men's Fellowship as a National movement be dissolved and that the appropriate sections in the Law Book re repealed. (1969 Minutes, page 121).

Pages 131-132, Section XXI. Methodist Men's Fellowship and Section 522, sub-sections 1 to 16 and hereby repealed. (1969 Minutes, page 121).

THE VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE METHODIST CHURCH

Page 30, Section 212 is hereby repealed. (1969 Minutes, page 121).

LEADERS' MEETING

Page 36, Section 251 is hereby amended by deleting from (f) the words "and one representative of the Methodist Men's Fellowship". (1969 Minutes, page 121).

DISTRICT SYNODS

Page 53, Section 339 is hereby amended by deleting from question (21) the words "(c) Men's Fellowship". (1969 Minutes, page 121).

THE CONFERENCE

(a) Constitution

Page 59, Section 363 is hereby amended by repealing (11) National Committee of the Men's Fellowship. (1969 Minutes, page 121).

(d) Conduct of Business

Page 64, Section 381 is hereby amended by deleting from question (36) the words "(c) Methodist Men's Fellowship". (1969 Minutes, page 121).

XXIII. THE BOARD OF THE NEW ZEALAND METHODIST

Page 134 Section 524 (1) to (4) inclusive is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:-

524. (1) There shall be a Board of Management which shall be responsible for the management and publication of the Official Church paper.

(2) The Board, which shall be appointed annually by the Conference, shall consist of sixteen members of whom, notwithstanding the provisions of Section 491 sub-section (4), up to four members may be members of the churches engaged in negotiations for Church Union.

(3) At least one-third of the membership of the Board shall form a quorum provided always that the quorum must include a majority who are members of the Methodist Church.

(4) The Board shall be under the control of the Conference.

(5) The Editor of the official church paper shall be appointed by the Conference on the nomination of the Board.

(6) The Board shall annually submit a report to Synods and a report and financial statement to the Conference. (1970 Minutes page 306).

PASTORAL RESOLUTIONS FOR DISTRICT MINISTERIAL COMMITTEES

Page 143. Before "Ourselves and our Families" add "A. Liverpool Minutes".

Page 145, add B.

REVISED PASTORAL RESOLUTIONS

Our Ordination:

We recall that at our ordination we received, under the hand of the church, the promise of God's Spirit, and were commissioned to proclaim the Gospel, maintain the Faith, build up the Body of Christ and equip God's people for their work of mission. In humble obedience we now renew our ordination vows. We place ourselves again at the disposal of Christ and accept the "discipline" of His Church.

The Kingdom:

The world we live in is one of hope and fear, love and hatred, unity and division. Yet, for all its confusion, this world is God's world, Christ is Lord and His love will prevail. Therefore we pledge ourselves to the task of breaking down all racial, political and religious barriers, and of confronting all mankind with that fullness of life which is to be found only in Jesus Christ.

The Living Word:

At the heart of the Gospel there stands Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. We therefore resolve in all our preaching, teaching and administering of the Sacraments, to place ourselves at the disposal of the Holy Spirit so that our words and actions may confront men and women with the Risen Christ. To this end we submit to the discipline of study, and accept the challenge to wrestle with contemporary thought so that we may proclaim a relevant word for this age.

Pastoral Responsibilities and Administration:

Remembering our Lord's infinite love for people, we resolve to give our pastoral responsibilities a central place in our ministry. We will counsel people as need arise, and will endeavour to give adequate preparation for Baptism, Confirmation and Marriage. We are determined to be careful in administration, sensitive in our conduct of meetings and constantly alert to the particular needs of each person.

Relationship with other Ministers:

In a unique way we are brothers in Christ to all Ordained Ministers. With shame we admit that this fellowship has at times been broken by misunderstanding and rivalry. We resolve to build up the brotherhood and to promote mutual friendship and understanding.

Stewardship:

We are determined to exercise a wise and disciplined stewardship of our time, abilities, possessions, friendships and health. We resolve to remember our responsibilities to home and family as well as to our pastorate.

Our Devotional Life:

We remind ourselves that all our efforts are of little consequence unless they spring out of a lively relationship with Jesus Christ. We confess that we have neither devoted sufficient time to prayer and meditation, nor been eager to discover God in the people we meet and the situation in which we find ourselves.

We now offer ourselves afresh to God, in love and for the work of the Ministry.

Response:

All that we have is Yours, O Lord; We give you but Your own. Grant us grace to be faithful,

Now to Him who by His power within us is able to do far more than we ever dare to ask or imagine to Him be glory in the Church through Jesus Christ for ever and ever. —Amen. (1969 Minutes, page 116).

THE JOINT COMMISSION ON CHURCH UNION

1970

Roll of Members, July 22, 1970.

Anglican: The Rt Rev. A. H. Johnston (Convener), Most Rev. N. A. Lesser, Rt Rev. H. W. Baines, Rt Rev. G. M. McKenzie, Very Rev. J. O. Rymer, Ven. R. B. Somerville, Rev. Canon R. S. Foster, Mr D. M. Wylie. Proxy: Dr B. R. Davis.

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Secretary: The Rev. J. E. Stewart.

SIXTH REPORT TO THE NEGOTIATING CHURCHES

The Joint Commission on Church Union submits this, its Sixth Report, to the negotiating Churches, dated September 11, 1970.

The Report comprises the following sections:

I.—INTRODUCTION

- (a) The Meetings in 1970
 (b) The Chairman.
 (c) The Executive.
 (d) The Committees.

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- (a) Presentation.
- (b) Publications.
- (c) Study and Review in 1970.
- (d) Revision of the Plan.

III.—THE FOUNDATIONS OF AGREEMENT

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- (b) Some Matters being Considered.
- (c) Reports from the Study Committees:
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 The Ministry.
 Worship.

 - 4. General Administration and Finance.

5. The Life and Mission of the Church.

- 6. Women's Organisations.
- 7. Maori Participation.
- 8. Overseas Mission.

IV.-CONSULTATION AND CO-OPERATIVE ACTION

- (a) The Joint National Committee on Church Extension.
- (b) The Joint Board of Theological Studies.
- (c) Superannuation Funds.

V.-THE WORKING OF THE COMMISSION

- (a) The Title.
- (b) The Membership:
 - 1. The Congregational Union of New Zealand.

2. The Representatives of the Other Churches.

- (c) Finance.
- (d) The Meetings in 1971.

I.—INTRODUCTION

(a) THE MEETINGS IN 1970

The Commission has met twice, first at St John's College, Auckland, February 10-12, 1970, and second at the Cambridge Terrace Congregational Church Hall, Wellington, July 22-23.

The first meeting was held when the College was in session and members of the staff and the students shared in the various services of worship which were held in the College Chapel. The opening worship was conducted by the Rev. R. D. Rakena. The Chairman presided, 29 members and proxies being present. The Commission expressed its thanks to the Warden and the Board of Governors for the hospitality so warmly extended.

The second meeting was opened with worship conducted by the Rev. R. H. Easton and the Chairman presided over an attendance of 29 members and proxies. At noon on Thursday, 23rd, the Commission adjourned to the Church for the celebration of the Sacrament of Holy Communion, the Chairman presiding, the four Conveners of the other Churches' Committees and Rev. Canon R. H. Rangiihu assisting. The Commission expressed its thanks to the Minister for his help and to the Diaconate of the Church for the use of the Church and Hall.

Both meetings were attended by several Conveners of Committees.

(b) THE CHAIRMAN

In 1968 the Rt Rev. A. H. Johnston was appointed Chairman for a period of two years as from June 1, 1968. At the meeting in February, members expressed their deep appreciation of his services and unanimously appointed him Chairman for a further term of two years.

(c) THE EXECUTIVE

The Executive has met on six occasions and has reported fully to the meetings of the Commission.

(d) THE COMMITTEES

The Study Committees comprise the following:

- The Faith of the Church (the Rev. J. J. Lewis, Convener).
 The Sacraments (the Rt Rev. H. W. Baines, Convener).
 The Ministry (the Rev. Professor F. W. R. Nichol, Convener).
- 4. Legal and Property Matters (Professor G. P. Barton, Convener).
- Worship (the Ven. A. R. Anderson, Convener).
 Marriage and Divorce (the Rev. W. S. Dawson, Convener).
- 7. General Administration and Finance (the Rev. H. S. Scott, Convener).
- 8. Church Government (the Rev. W. J. Morrison, Convener).
- 9. Women's Organisations (Mrs H. P. Anderson, Convener).
- The Life and Mission of the Church (the Rt Rev. E. A. Gowing, 10. Convener).
- 11. Maori Participation (the Rev. Canon R. H. Rangiihu, Convener).
- 12. Overseas Mission (the Rev. D. C. Evans, Convener).

The following other committees have been appointed: Publicity (Mr D. M. Wylie, Convener).

Christian Education (the Rev. W. J. Schrader, Convener).

In addition, the following report to the Churches through the Commission:

The Joint Board of Theological Studies (the Rev. Canon R. S. Foster, Chairman; the Rev. J. J. Lewis, Secretary).

The Joint National Committee on Church Extension (the Rev. C. D. Clark, Convener).

II.—THE PLAN FOR UNION

(a) PRESENTATION

The "Plan for Union" which was submitted to the Churches with the Fifth Report of the Commission was published at a Press conference given by the Chairman on September 25, 1969.

Meetings were arranged at 22 centres throughout New Zealand so that the Plan could be presented to the people of the Churches as soon as possible after publication. Some 34 speakers assisted by addressing these meetings.

(b) PUBLICATIONS

Three printings of the Plan were made totalling 36,200 copies, and only 200 copies remain on hand. Each Church arranged an initial distribution, the remainder being sold through Church Bookshops, booksellers and the Commission's office.

The preparation of the text and the format of the pamphlet, "Building Together", involved much work for those responsible. One printing was made of 149,000 copies and only 1,450 remain on hand.

The "Brief Outline of the Plan", was duplicated, and altogether some 4,550 copies have been issued.

The Departments of Christian Education arranged for the preparation of a kit-set and guide to assist ministers in arranging for the study of the Plan. This was prepared very promptly with helpful diagrams, and was issued by the Departments to ministers without cost to the Commission.

Three issues of "Background" have been made during the year to the ministers of the Churches. "Background" is available on request; a small number of interested persons have asked for copies, and a few ministers receive extra copies for distribution.

(c) STUDY AND REVIEW IN 1970

In submitting the "Plan for Union" to the Churches in 1969, the Commission requested "that any amendments which may be desired be forwarded to the Commission by each Church through its own Church Union Committee by November 30, 1970".

Each Church was requested to encourage study of the Plan within its own fellowship and also in meetings with those of the other Churches. Joint Regional Committees were asked to promote joint meetings for study. It was considered that these joint meetings would be felt to have much more significance if there was some way by which any recommendations arising from the discussion could be made more widely known. The Joint Regional Committees were therefore asked to collate the recommendations of the meetings in their own area and to forward them to the Commission and to the Church Union Committee of each Church.

(d) REVISION OF THE PLAN

The Commission has made arrangements for revising the Plan in the light of the replies from the five Churches and recommendations from Joint Regional Committees. In view of the widely expressed desire that the work of revision should be accomplished during 1971 if at all possible, three meetings have been arranged as follows:

> February 23-25—at Hamilton. May 11-13—at Knox College, Dunedin. July 27-29—at Wellington.

It is hoped that at the May meeting it will be possible to formulate the necessary amendments to the Plan and refer them to Church Union Committees. The reactions of the Committees would be considered at the July meeting which could possibly approve a revised form of the Plan for submission to the Churches.

III.—THE FOUNDATIONS OF AGREEMENT

(a) PRELIMINARY

The Study Committees have continued to be a most valuable aid to the work of the Commission. The progress of the negotiations has meant a gradual increase in their number so that there are now 12 as listed in the introduction, and one other, on Social Services, is being formed.

Their work is inevitably at varying stages. The publication of the Plan means that some have completed the main task assigned, though other matters may still arise. The results of the work of others will appear later, perhaps in the provisions of the Plan or perhaps in the growing together in consultation, mutual confidence and common action which are the essential preparation for union.

(b) SOME MATTERS BEING CONSIDERED

There are a number of important matters which are being considered but the work has not yet reached the stage where a report can be issued by the Commission. They are as follows:

- The report on Diocesan Boundaries as in paragraphs 191-211 of the Plan was referred to Church Union Committees for passing on to District Courts and to the J.N.C.C.E. for passing on to Joint Regional Committees. The Commission asked the Study Committee on General Admin
 - istration and Finance to reconsider the areas Auckland, Wellington, Christchurch and Dunedin. The Committee's report on these areas was also forwarded for information. Replies were to be received by June 30, but the number received was not sufficient to permit an adequate discussion at the July meeting. The matter will be considered in February.
- 2. At the time of the publication of the Plan it was realised that further attention should be given to the section on Deacons, paragraphs 64-69. The Executive reported to the February meeting:
- "At its meeting on November 14, the Executive gave attention to the section of the Plan on the Diaconate. It seemed clear that there ought to be further consideration of this section so that its meaning should be more explicit, and also that further consideration should be given to its reference to deaconesses. Members felt that making the function of the diaconate more explicit involved relating it to the life of the Church and its function in the world, and therefore it was agreed to ask the Study Committee on the Life and Mission of the Church to undertake this. It was also agreed to suggest that the Study Committee co-opt some additional members with special qualifications."

This was approved by the Commission.

Sister E. G. Lewis and Sister A. Pengelly were co-opted as members for this special purpose, and the Rev. P. Morreau, Convener of the Presbyterian Assembly's Special Committee on the Diaconate, was co-opted as a corresponding member. The Committee's work is still proceeding and it is expected that their report will be ready later this year so that it may be considered at the February meeting.

As its report shows, the work of the Study Committee on Women's Organisations has led it to consider the diaconate and the ordination of women. The Commission, in February, encouraged it to continue in this, and their report is also expected for the February meeting.

- 3. A number of questions have been raised with regard to the situation where there would be several congregations (paragraph 73) in one parish with oversight exercised by the Parish Council (paragraph 82) and with regard to the congregational participation within the Parish (paragraph 94). These were referred to the Study Committee on Church Government which reported to the July meeting. After discussion, the Study Committee was requested to give further consideration to the matters.
- 4. The words "assent to the constitution" in paragraph 20 have caused some questions to be asked about their meaning, not only with regard to the nature of "assent" but also with regard

to the provisions of "the constitution". The Commission at the July meeting requested the Executive to bring to the next meeting a definite proposal regarding this matter.

5. Several suggestions have been made regarding the desirability of providing a common hymnbook and the Commission has been informed of the progress being made in Australia in this connection. As a first step, a group is being formed to prepare a preliminary paper on "Music in Worship".

(c) REPORTS FROM THE STUDY COMMITTEES

I.—The Sacraments

1. At the meeting of the Commission in August, 1967, the Study Committee on the Sacraments was asked to give consideration to the policy of the united Church concerning the status of each of the following: confirmation, confession, holy matrimony, ordination and the anointing of the sick.

The report of the Study Committee was received by the Commission, October 2-4, 1968, was revised and was referred to Church Union Committees for comment. It was again considered by the Commission at the meeting, February 11-13, 1969, in the light of the comments received. The Commission agreed to approve the following introductory statement, to send it to the Basis of Union Committee and to report it to the Churches:

STATEMENT ON OTHER RITES

The . . . Church affirms.

- (1) That in His creation of the world, in His Son's redemption of the world and in His Spirit in the Church, God acts sacramentally. By this is meant that in His world and towards His creatures He acts in terms of material and finite existence. This activity is most obviously evidenced in the incarnation and in the Church where men, women and things are transformed by God and convey His presence and grace. Further, it anticipates the fulfilment of God's purpose for the whole creation.
- (2) (a) That in particular the way of salvation from grace to faith is initiated by the Holy Spirit, is normally responded to in Holy Baptism and in sustained by Holy Communion —sacraments given by Christ Himself.
 - (b) That the negotiating Churches have used rites such as confirmation, confession, ordination, marriage, laying-on-of-hands, and/or the anointing of the sick, to bless men. The . . . Church will further study these matters and will make provision for such rites to continue to be available in the life of the . . . Church.

2. The Study Committee is preparing a statement on each of these other rites. It was earlier intended to furnish all five together, but at the meeting in July, 1970, the Commission agreed that the following statement on Confession, which it had approved in February, 1969, should be included in the Sixth Report.

CONFESSION

All five negotiating Churches view the prayers of confession, and prayers for or declaration of forgiveness, to be an integral part of normal public worship. This is set out explicitly in the respective Orders of Service for Holy Communion. Indeed, the Sacraments of Holy Baptism and Holy Communion, through which, by God's grace, we enter into the Church, and continue in the experience and mission of reconciliation, are the liturgical bases of our practices of confession, forgiveness, and renewal for Christian living. Also, confession is understood by all to be an important part of the individual Christian's personal devotional practice. We all teach that God's mercy and forgiveness are available to any who turn to Him in penitence.

In addition to these public and personal opportunities for making confession and receiving assurance of pardon, the private hearing of confession and the declaring of forgiveness play a vital and increasing part in the counselling and pastoral duties of ministers in the five negotiating Churches. It is the Anglican Church alone, however, which makes specific provision for private confession before a minister. The first address at Holy Communion has these words: "Therefore if there be any of you, who by this means cannot quiet his conscience herein, but requireth further comfort or counsel, let him come to me, or to some other discreet and learned Minister of God's Word, and open his grief, that by the ministry of God's holy word he may receive the benefit of absolution." That is, private confession is recommended to some, but it is not made compulsory. The Anglican Communion does not say that the sin-burdened person should not confess before a minister, nor that he must confess, but it invites that person to confess in certain cases.

The other four negotiating Churches make provision for reconciling members who have lapsed in the Christian life. Every effort is made by the ministers, and laymen representing the Church, to counsel and encourage a defaulter to forsake his way and where necessary make amends. The aim is clearly the restoration of the penitent to the full fellowship of the Church in the knowledge of the forgiveness of God.

Therefore:

We acknowledge that we all need a full trust in God's mercy through Christ, for the forgiveness of our sins, and that Christians are called to minister this reconciliation to one another.

Accordingly there should be means by which persons may corporately or individually make confession of sin and receive in Christ's Name assurance of the forgiveness of God and of reconciliation within the Body of Christ. We believe that the . . . Church proclaiming the love of God for sinful men, should find a recognised place for a regular ministry of reconciliation through confession and absolution in the presence of the presbyter. It is the part of the presbyter to convey not the pardon itself, for God does that, but the assurance of pardon granted by God to all who, believing the promises of the Gospel, truly repent with intent to amend. The efficacy of absolution does not depend on the will of the presbyter, but on the action of God received by the penitent in faith and sincerity.

II.-The Ministry

1. The Study Committee was requested to consider whether provision should be made for participation by representatives of other Churches in all or some of the inaugural services.

At the July meeting of the Commission it was agreed that the following paragraph be included in the 1970 Report:

"While other Churches either in New Zealand or overseas would be unable to participate in the Act of Unification, since they are not themselves to form part of the Church of Christ in New Zealand, the Joint Commission sees value in the suggestion that representatives from them be invited to be present at the service. Such an invitation would be a token of the uniting Church's desire to foster wider union in the future, a reminder that Christ's one Church is not limited to these shores, and a demonstration of catholicity and sense of fellowship with other Christians. The Commission therefore suggests in this regard that invitations be sent at an appropriate time to enable such representatives to be present at the service from:

- Churches which have either entered union or are engaged in union discussions nearing fruition, from Africa, Asia and the Pacific.
- (2) World Confessional bodies or similar agencies through which the uniting Churches already foster close ecclesiastical relations.
- (3) New Zealand Churches not entering union."

2. At its meeting in July, 1969, the Commission considered the place of deacons in the Service For Entering Into Union. It was agreed that deacons be included in the Act of Unification, and at the next meeting the matter was referred to the Study Committee on the Ministry. It recommended that the Study Committee on Worship be asked "to devise ways to ensure that Anglican Deacons and Deaconesses in all the uniting Churches share appropriately in the Service of Unification". This was agreed to.

3. The Study Committee submitted to the meeting of the Commission on August 16, 1967, a statement on the Unification of the Ministry. It was decided to hold the statement until the order of service had been completed. In February, 1969, both were referred to Church Union Committees for their consideration. The statement was considered again at the meeting in February, 1970, and it was agreed that it be issued to Church Union Committees for their use. It was printed and copies were made available for distribution.

4. The ministry of bishops was one of the matters considered at the meeting in February, 1970, and the Commission asked the Executive to arrange for a working paper which would enable it to consider the place of cathedrals in the united Church. The Executive asked the Revs. R. K. J. Clarke and D. B. Gordon and the Very Rev. T. J. Raphael, all of Dunedin, to do this. The following working paper was received at the July meeting and referred to Church Union Committees for comment. The Executive decided that it should be included in the Report for general information.

A PAPER ON "CATHEDRALS IN THE UNITED CHURCH" FOR THE MEETING JULY 22-23, 1970

The term "Cathedral" (like the word "Church") has more than one reference.

1. The Cathedral is the team at the centre of each diocese. This team includes the bishop, presbyters and laymen with particular responsibility for the mission and ministry of the Church in the diocese. This team needs to be flexible enough to meet the changing needs of the area, and to reflect the Gospel out into the commercial, industrial, political and recreational sectors of community life. It would include existing city mission and social service staff. education and stewardship officers, industrial missioners, etc. These men and women plan and work together under the chairmanship of the bishop and enjoy fellowship in worship and study. Many of them will go out from the centre to assist as required in the parishes and provide facilities for church people and others to attend conferences, lectures and workshops at the centre. The resources of the Cathedral are at the disposal of the whole diocese and flexibility and mobility should be their most obvious characteristics.

2. The Cathedral is a congregation who recognise a particular responsibility. Stephen Verney of Coventry Cathedral writes—" There is no excuse for a Cathedral to have a congregation at all, and to cream off leadership from the parishes, unless its members catch this vision of service to the city and diocese, and indeed to the world. Nor is it easy to be a member of such a congregation for its members do not meet one another socially in any one geographical area, and when they come to worship priority must often be given to the visitors and not to the 'regulars'. But many people are content to put up with such difficulties for the privilege of taking part in a Christian adventure. By dividing into small companies, for meeting and study and action, they can overcome some of these handicaps and equip themselves for service. Most important of all they have a holy fellowship of love at the heart of the city and the diocese, and proclaim Jesus by what they are."

3. The Cathedral is a building. Traditionally the word means the Church where the bishop has his seat (Cathedra). Usually it would be situated in the main town or city of the diocese, but the choice should be governed not chiefly by concentration of population but by convenience of access to the whole diocese and the natural focal point of the area in terms of markets and local government, etc.

A Cathedral does not have to be an imposing Church building for emphasis should be on what the Cathedral does rather than on what it is. The Provost of Coventry Cathedral has written, "The Cathedral must first be the base for an outgoing pastoral operation into the Diocesan community before the Diocesan community can be expected to have anything to express in a Diocesan service within it. The Cathedral must be charged with the first duty of creating and strengthening a Diocesan consciousness before it can offer itself as the place where that consciousness can be expressed."

Which Church is chosen as the Cathedral will be a diocesan and local decision and in the early stages of union some inconsistencies are bound to exist. For example, in Dunedin at least two Church buildings would share the role of Cathedral in the foreseeable future. In most Dioceses the Cathedral will not be large enough to hold the congregation for a major diocesan service. On such occasions the Town Hall or some similar building should be hired. It is imperative that the newly formed diocese will avoid concentrating their efforts on duplicating plant. The Cathedral is not a status symbol but a springboard for service and its usefulness in terms of local needs should be paramount. Because it is not a parish Church in the ordinary sense the Cathedral can experiment in methods of worship and ministry and make the fruit of its experience available to the wider Church.

The ministry of the Cathedral is not only to the Church but to the world. Albert van den Heuvel, himself not a member of a Church that traditionally accepts Cathedrals, has given 14 imaginative titles by which a Cathedral should judge its life.

- 1. A Sign of Pro-existence (i.e., existence for others). The Church exists for the world.
- 2. A Symbol of Diversity in Unity. Diversity is going to be doubly important in a united Church.
- A Pentecostal Laboratory. Many languages are spoken in our society—science, philosophy, sport, politics, etc. We must provide a place where this Babel of languages can be spoken together—and understand one another.
- 4. A Theatre of Basic Drama. The Liturgy is drama—the Incarnation the basic drama. We have to find the dramatic forces of the day in which we live.
- A Temple of Dialogue. Between East and West, North and South, Church and world. Not just talking, but hearing and sharing.
- 6. A Centre of Creativity. Through education.
- 7. An Academy of Committed Information. What is really happening in the world—beyond the headlines?
- A Clinic for Public Exorcism. There are public demons to be cast out—pessimism, self-interest, etc. Then unacceptable truths can be taught about race and peace and community.
- 9. An International Exchange. Modern man is a tourist. He visits Cathedrals. He must be met and welcomed and introduced.
- 10. A Broadcasting Station for the Voice of the Poor. Who else will broadcast their needs? Who else will amplify the voice of the refugee, the minority group, the unpopular, the persecuted?
- A Tower of Reconciliation. We need lots of reconciliation today between warring parties not least between the generations.
- 12. A Motel of Pilgrims. Modern man is a commuter. In his personal life he is a pilgrim. We can help him to an occasional "uplifting experience".
- The House of Vicarious Feasts. There is far too little celebration in modern life. We don't know how to celebrate a birthday or the great Christian festivals.
- 14. The Hut of the Sheperd. A place where pastoral care is shown in the name of the Bishop where people can be as anonymous as they wish. We need to know that somewhere there is a hut where you can call a shepherd.

Every Church and congregation shares in these tasks but in the modern world where a person's work and interests take him more and more away from the place where he lives and where the pace of change is increasing, the Cathedral if it is flexible and courageous enough can and must take a leading part in the mission of the united Church.

III.-Worship

The Commission, in February, 1970, asked the Study Committee on Worship to continue its work on the Ordinal; it appointed a subcommittee with the Ven. W. M. Davies as Convener to prepare certain material in consultation with the Study Committee on the Ministry; it also asked that the ordinal be submitted to the Study Committee on the Sacraments. The Study Committee on Worship circulated its first draft and the others their material and comments. The three Study Committees were thus able to share in the completion of the final draft which was received and considered by the Commission in July. It was agreed, "That general approval be given to the draft of the ordinal, that it be referred to Church Union Committees for comment and that it be printed in the 1970 Report of the Commission ".

THE ORDINATION OF BISHOPS SERVICE FOR THE ORDINATION OF BISHOPS THE ORDINATION OF PRESBYTERS THE ORDINATION OF DEACONS IN THE CHURCH OF GOD ACCORDING TO THE ORDER OF THE CHURCH OF CHRIST IN NEW ZEALAND

PREFACE

The source of all Christian ministry is Jesus Christ, prophet, priest and king in Whom God reconciles the world to Himself. The Church as His Body, sharing His Life, is called to offer prophetic, priestly and pastoral service deriving from Him. In this every member has his lifelong place and share.

Within the ministry of the whole people, Christ in His Church establishes the ordained ministry, and calls some to serve within it. As His ambassadors among the people of God, they represent that same prophetic, priestly and pastoral service.

In ordination, the Church having tested the call of the candidate, prays for the gift of the Spirit, believes that God gives grace appropriate for this service, and authorises this ministry in the Church and to the world.

The intention of the Church of Christ in New Zealand is to continue the ministry of Bishops, Presbyters and Deacons. Within this historic pattern, a variety and flexibility of ministry is envisaged. The nature of each order is expressed in the respective forms of ordination which include acceptance by the people and prayer for the Holy Spirit, with the laying on of hands.

THE ORDINATION OF PRESBYTERS

- 1. At the entry, a hymn or psalm may be sung.
- 2. The Bishop shall begin the Communion Service with the Salutation:

The Lord be with you. And the people respond: The Lord Bless you.

3. Then follow:

The Collect (an invariant for the occasion). The Old Testament Lesson, e.g., Isaiah 6: 1-8. Hymn or Psalm. The Epistle, e.g., 1 Peter 5: 1-4. The Gospel, e.g., John 21: 15-19. The Sermon—There shall always be a proclamation of the Gospel in a sermon which includes an acknowledgment of Christ's gift of the ministry and a solemn charge to the ordinand(s) and to the Church.

The Nicene Creed. Hymn.

4. The person appointed to do so shall present to the Bishop those who are to be ordained Presbyters, saying:

Reverend Father in God, I present to you these persons to be ordained Presbyters.

- 5. Then shall be read the name of each person to be ordained, and after each name may be added the position in which he is to serve.
- 6. The Bishop shall say to the people:

These are the persons whom we intend, God willing, to ordain as Presbyters in the Ministry of His Church. Those appointed to enquire about them and to examine them believe them to be called and equipped for this ministry. Do you give assent?

The people respond:

We do assent. Thanks be to God.

7. The Bishop then declares:

In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, the Head of the Church, who has given gifts to men for the building up of His Body, we are here to ordain you as Presbyters, by prayer and the laying on of hands.

In ordination we belive that God gives you grace and authority for the office and work to which you are called, and that He does this in answer to the prayers of His Church and through the actions and words of His appointed ministers. We act and speak as part of the One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church, and in the faith we declare together.

My brothers, in order that we may hear from you that you hold this faith, and desire by God's grace to fulfil this ministry, we require you to answer these questions:

- 8. Q. 1. Do you believe that God has called you to the ministry of word and sacraments in His Church? And do you believe zeal for His glory, love for the Lord Jesus Christ, and a desire for the salvation of men, are your chief motives in seeking to become a Presbyter?
 - Ans. So far as I know my own heart, I do.
- 9. Q. 2. Do you accept the Holy Scriptures as containing all things necessary for salvation, and as the supreme standard of faith? And do you accept the Apostles' and Nicene Creeds as witnessing to the faith set forth in Scripture?
 - Ans. I do.
- 10. Q. 3. Will you faithfully teach and proclaim the Word of God and minister the sacraments of the Gospel; will you endeavour to be a faithful pastor, seeking to maintain peace and love among God's people, bringing sinners to repentence, and declaring God's forgiveness?
 - Ans. With God's help, I will.

- 11. Q. 4. Will you endeavour to lead a prayerful and disciplined life, be diligent in the study of Holy Scripture, and witness to Christ amongst those with whom you live?
 - Ans. I shall endeavour to do this.
- 12. Q. 5. Do you accept the discipline of this Church and undertake to serve responsibly as one under authority in the Lord? Do you accept your share in the Church's life and work, upholding its doctrine, worship, government and discipline, and cherishing a spirit of brotherhood toward all followers of the Lord?

Or as an alternative:

Will you be loyal to the fellowship of this Church, accepting its order and discipline, to the end that it may more and more realise the will of God in Christ for this world?

- Ans. I gladly accept.
- 13. Q. 6. Do you accept the call of God to be a Presbyter within His Church?

Ans. In all sincerity I do.

14. The Bishop then declares:

Almighty God, who has given you the will to do these things, give you also the strength and power to perform them; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen (congregation).

- 15. The Bishop calls the people to silent prayer.
- The hymn "Come Holy Ghost" (Veni Creator Spiritus) is sung, candidates kneeling.
- 17. The congregation stands.

The Bishop with the representative ministers and elders and with the candidates kneeling before him, then prays:

Almighty and most merciful Father: in your infinite goodness you have given your only Son, Jesus Christ, to be our Redeemer and the Author of eternal life. You have exalted Him and given Him authority so that, through your Holy Spirit, He guides, helps and strengthens your people. You have provided within your Church an ordained ministry, that your people might be built up and encouraged in faith, hope and love. We worship and adore you, thankfully acknowledging all that you have done for us in Jesus Christ.

(Here the Bishop lays his hands and representative Presbyters lay their right hands on the head of each candidate in turn, and the Bishop repeats the words in capitals over each one.) GIVE YOUR HOLY SPIRIT TO YOUR SERVANT N....N...

WHOM WE, IN YOUR NAME AND BY THE LAYING ON OF OUR HANDS, ORDAIN AND APPOINT TO THE OFFICE OF PRESBYTER IN YOUR CHURCH, COMMITTING TO HIM AUTHORITY TO MINISTER YOUR WORD AND SACRAMENTS, TO DECLARE YOUR FORGIVENESS, AND TO BE A SHEPHERD OF YOUR PEOPLE.

(When all the candidates have been so ordained, the Bishop will continue in prayer.)

Almighty God, impart to these your servants, such grace as shall fit them more and more to share in the prophetic, priestly and pastoral ministry of Christ among His people. Give them wisdom, understanding and utterance, that they may truly discern and boldly proclaim your word and will. Make them watchful and loving guardians of your people and enable them in all things to fulfil their ministry without reproach in your sight. Grant that, remaining steadfast to the end, they may be received with all your servants into the joy of their Lord. These things we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all glory, world without end.

And all respond: Amen.

18. The Bishop shall give a Bible to each new Presbyter saying:

Take this Bible, a token of the authority which you have received from God to preach the Gospel of Christ and to minister the sacraments; and be a faithful pastor wherever you shall serve.

Here an appropriate symbol of their office may, if desired, be given to the newly ordained Presbyters.

19. The Bishop says:

We give you the right hand of fellowship, and receive you to take part with us in this ministry.

Then the Bishop and the representative Presbyters shake hands with those newly ordained.

20. The Bishop then says:

We declare that N . . . N . . . are Presbyters in the Church of God: in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

And all respond:

Amen. Thanks be to God!

 The communion service continues with such modification as is fitting.

IV.—General Administration and Finance

1. Report on Administrative Structure:

The Study Committee on General Administration and Finance presented to the Commission in October, 1968, the first draft of a report on administrative structure. This was reviewed by the Commission in February, 1970, and again in July, 1970. It has been forwarded to Church Union Committees for their comments by November 30, and it is expected that it will be included in the next Report of the Commission.

2. Consultation on the Vesting of Property and Legal Matters:

The Executive reported to the February meeting that it had been informed that some concern was felt regarding the provisions in the Plan for the vesting of property (paragraphs 263-266). After consulting with members of the two Study Committees, Legal and Property, General Administration and Finance, it recommended that "a consultation on the vesting of property and legal matters be held". The Commission agreed, appointed the Rev. H. S. Scott, Convener, asked the Church Union Committees to appoint other representatives to attend with the two Study Committees, and specified the following order of reference:

- (1) To consider paragraphs 263-266 and 276-281 of the Plan and advise the Commission on any modification which should be considered.
- (2) To consider any other related matters and make recommendations.

The Consultation was held on April 16, 1970, at the Diocesan Office, Wellington. The Rev. H. S. Scott presided and the following were present:

S/C General Administration and Finance: Revs. W. R. Laws, T. Pearson and G. V. Thomas, Messrs L. A. Atkinson, M. Hardie-Boys, J. C. Smaill.

S/C Legal and Property: Professor G. P. Barton (Convener), Rev. I. H. McCaul, Very Rev. S. C. Read, Rev. L. W. Rothwell, Professor I. L. M. Richardson, Messrs H. M. S. Dawson, K. L. Johnston, S. T. C. Sprott and H. J. Voice.

Diocese of Christchurch Standing Committee: Messrs J. C. Cottrell, J. A. Sanderson.

Church Property Trustees: Messrs H. M. S. Dawson (also S/C Legal), A. Heald.

Waikato Diocesan Trust Board: Messrs W. D. Rawlings, R. H. Wynyard.

Wellington Diocesan Board of Trustees: Messrs K. L. Johnston and S. T. C. Sprott (both also S/C Legal).

Nelson Diocesan Trust Board: Rev. W. F. Wilkens, Mr I. E. Fitchett. Presbyterian Church Property Trustees: Messrs R. T. Feist, J. L. Mandeno.

Synod of Otago and Southland: Rev. L. W. Rothwell (also S/C Legal). Presbyterian Social Service Committee: Very Rev. J. S. Somerville, Mr G. R. Milne.

J.C.C.U.: Rev. J. E. Stewart.

Secretary: Rev. G. E. Dallard.

Written submissions were received and circulated before the meeting and considered. They included the following:

The Diocese of Christchurch:

These comments are not directed against Church Union as such, for the purpose of this particular exercise Church Union is accepted, but more detailed consideration is required as to how this shall be implemented, especially in relation to existing trust funds already vested in Trustees and administration generally.

It is requested that paragraphs 263-266 of the Plan of Union be revised to make provision that in appropriate cases Church property and Diocesan Trusts can continue vested in local trustees but held in trust for the united Church. In Christchurch all Church and Trust property is already held by the Church Property Trustees, a corporate body under existing statute. The three main trusts, General Trust, Bishopric Estate and Dean and Chapter state are all geographical in origin and owe their inception to the appropriation of land in Canterbury. The income is used as voted by the present Diocesan Synod and this in turn might well be as voted by the three Diocesan Synods.

The re-investment of these funds in the community which provided them is an important aspect of reciprocity which should not be overlooked. Basically capital funds in the hand of the Canterbury Church Property Trustees are invested in mortgages in Canterbury, Local Body Loans in Canterbury and other similar investments and the withdrawal of these funds to other localities through a centralised investment policy would break down ties with the business community. If they are to be invested locally then they should be held and administered locally.

Waikato Diocesan Trust Board:

As Diocese of Christchurch; also—" and make the observation that the cost of administration on a national basis will be considerable."

Wellington Diocesan Board of Trustees:

Thus under the present Anglican system, unity of the Church is secured by the trustees' declaration of submission to the authority of the General Synod and all its regulations, but actual administration in each Diocese is subject to the control of the Diocesan Synod or Standing Committee. This seems to the Wellington Board of Trustees to be practically greatly preferable to the system proposed in the Plan for Union though the Board of course agrees that realty and funds held for national purposes of the united Church should be held by national trustees.

The Wellington Diocesan Board of Trustees hold that it is essential that those who actually decide upon these transactions should have local interest and knowledge and that they should not have to refer to a national body. The need to refer to a national body, even if only formally, would in the Board's opinion be in many cases gravely inconvenient and would be prohibitive in cases where prompt action is necessary. It may be that the clauses in the Plan for Union are intended to give this unimpeded freedom of action to the local committees, but, if so, the fact should be much more clearly defined.

Finance Committee-Synod of Otago and Southland (Presbyterian):

1. That Waitaki should still remain part of the provincial district of Otago in terms of the Act of 1962 and not be incorporated into South Canterbury.

2. That in regard to the vesting of property this should not be held in the name of national trustees but rather on a synodical basis.

Secretary, Social Service Committee of Presbyterian General Assembly:

Each Association is an autonomous body with its own trusts and property and funds vested in such trusts. Each Association has been dependent largely on its own moneys gifted or bequeathed for particular purposes in particular areas, and totally administered by the committees of individual associations.

At a consultation on Social Service on April 18, 1968, arranged by the J.C.C.U., it was agreed that in view of the Act of Commitment and the nature of work we are called upon to do in Social Service, we declare our conviction that the negotiating churches should cooperate wherever desirable and practicable to the maximum extent possible in future social service activities in various ways such as:

(a) Complete identification, including capital assets;

(b) Delegation to one church of complete responsibility for all the others with a governing committee representative of all churches;

(c) Where no property is involved, the complete sharing of responsibility:

(d) Holding trusts with a board of management;

(e) Other ways.

It was further stated that as a general rule, the consultation did not favour the proliferation of a lot of separate independent trusts.

Director, Auckland Presbyterian Social Service Association:

My Association is convinced that there are substantial disadvantages in the proposal which runs counter to generally recommended practice in fields similar to Social Service, and which, in the case of my own Association would have the effect of returning to a situation from which it emerged when it was incorporated as a separate entity. In fact my Association, on the basis of its own needs and experience, is strongly against a national vesting of property and assets.

The following unanimous resolution speaks for itself:

(i) That this Association request the appointment of a Study Committee on Social Services in the united Church, which should consider and report on:

- (a) Social Service as it is at present-its scope, size, etc.
- (b) The proposal that Social Services should be regionally grouped.
- (c) The proposed diocesan system as it would relate to (b).
- (d) The advantages and disadvantages of the proposed national vesting of property, etc.
- (e) The way in which the national vesting of property and assets would relate to (a), (b) and (c). (f) The experience of Church Social Services relative to (b),
- (c) and (d).
- (g) Any other matters.

(ii) That the full report and recommendations of the Study Committee be submitted to Social Services generally (but especially to those separately incorporated) for study and approval.

Finance Committee of Christchurch Presbyterian Social Service Association:

The application of paragraph 265 requires some modification in its reference to Social Service properties.

Social Services in each of the Churches have been autonomous as far as trusteeship and control of funds and property are concerned. It is difficult to see how social services in the united church can be organised other than regionally. In order for social service bodies to operate efficiently they should have control of their own funds and property and this would appear to be effected more naturally through their own regional trustees than through the suggested trustees.

Consequently our thinking is that:

(1) Property and assets vested for instance, in the Christchurch P.S.S.A. could, on union, become vested in a Canterbury S.S.A. of the Church of Christ in New Zealand to be held subject to the same trusts that applied to the Christchurch P.S.S.A. Legal steps, with the approval of the P.S.S.A., would need to be taken to enact this change. (2) The Property and assets of the Christchurch Methodist Central Mission, and South Island Methodist Children's Homes and the Social Service Council of the Diocese of Christchurch could likewise become vested, if approved by these bodies.

(3) The relationship of several separate trusts to the united Church would also have to be provided for.

(4) It may not be possible legally to transfer all trust funds and some may have to continue as they are but administered by a regional Social Service Association of the united church on behalf of the P.S.S.A., cp. Presbyterian Synod funds within the Presbyterian Church.

(5) Difficulty will be experienced in fixing regional boundaries and attention will need to be given to this at a national level, e.g., P.S.S.A. boundaries do not coincide with either of the other two bodies in the Christchurch area.

South Canterbury P.S.S.A.

That this Committee, in an interim opinion, feels that the vesting of property and affairs in a national body would be a retrograde step, this Committee favours local control on a united basis. We feel that our support from the public would be more effective with local control and ownership of property and trusts, etc.

Otago P.S.S.A.

The vesting of assets with a national body appears unnecessary and has many practical disadvantages. The regional or local operations would be greatly handicapped by such an arrangement. Knowledge of local conditions and requirements is essential to efficient operation and the need to refer to a central office would hold

Knowledge of local conditions and requirements is essential to efficient operation and the need to refer to a central office would hold up decisions which might be required urgently. It should be borne in mind that financial support is obtained locally and investments are to a great extent channelled to local bodies and institutions. There is a great deal of reciprocity in this respect that only local control can safeguard.

We feel that all the implications of Para. 265 have not been considered. At the same time, retaining the status quo and combining with the local Social Service Organisations of the other Churches will not create any difficulty in the proposed union.

Director, Southland P.S.S.A.

When the alternative ways of co-operation were discussed by my Council in February 1968, members were of the opinion that if social service was to be controlled on a national basis, local interest and support may suffer considerably.

The meeting passed the following resolutions:

- (1) That it be recommended to the J.C.C.U. that effective control of property be on a regional and congregational basis and that the question of vesting be reconsidered.
- (2) That it be recommended to the J.C.C.U. to appoint a Study Committee on Social Services with an order of reference as in the submissions from the Auckland P.S.S.A., and that the full report and recommendations of the Study Committee be submitted to Social Services generally (but especially to those separately incorporated) for study and decision.

- (3) That it be recommended to the J.C.C.U. that in Section 281 "in the legislation mentioned in 278" replace "in such legislation mentioned above".
- (4) That it be recommended to the J.C.C.U. that Section 280 be referred back to the Legal Committee for further consideration in the light of the discussion.

When the report of this consultation was presented to the Commission on July 22, the Very Rev. S. C. Read and Messrs J. C. Cottrell, H. M. S. Dawson, R. T. Feist and J. L. Olphert were also present. The Commission agreed as follows:

That Paras. 263-266 be referred back to the S/C on General Administration and Finance in consultation with the S/C Legal and Property Matters for further consideration in the light of the discussion.

That in Para. 281 the words should read " in the legislation mentioned in 278 ".

That section 280 be referred back to the S/C Legal and Property Matters for further consideration.

That a Study Committee on Social Services be set up with the following order of reference:

- 1. The Study Committee on Social Services shall consider any matters related to:
 - (a) The present activities of the social service agencies of the negotiating Churches.
 - (b) New developments in the social work of the Church.
 - (c) The relationships between the social service agencies of the negotiating Churches and the ways of promoting cooperation.
 - (d) The provisions which should be made for the organisation of social services in the Church formed by the union of the negotiating Churches.
 - (e) (i) The report and recommendations of the Consultation on Social Services, April 1968.
 - (ii) The recommendations of the Consultation on the Vesting of Property, April 1970.
- 2. It shall report on these matters for the information of the Commission.
- 3. It shall consult with the social service agencies of the negotiating Churches so as to promote full mutual understanding.
- It shall make recommendations to the Commission on such matters as it considers would:
 - (a) Assist the progress of negotiations for union.
 - (b) Assist the negotiating Churches to find ways of common action in social service.
 - (c) Assist the organisation and functioning of the Social Services of the United Church.
- 5. It shall have regard to the work of other Study Committees which have been or may be set up by the Commission.

V. The Life and Mission of the Church

The Study Committee reports as follows:

"The Study Committee on the Life and Mission of the Church presented its first report to the J.C.C.U. in May 1969. Some members of the Study Committee had the opportunity of giving further consideration to the report with the J.C.C.U. in February 1970. An interim report was presented to the J.C.C.U. in July 1970.

In February the J.C.C.U. passed the following resolution:

".... That the J.C.C.U. recognising the special importance of mission in the life and work of the Church and that the whole community should be able to see this importance, even in the midst of the movement towards union, ask the Life and Mission Committee:

- (a) To prepare for it a document setting forth this concern.
- (b) To indicate whether there might be other related activities in which the committee thinks it should engage.
- (c) To make suggestions for amendments to the Plan of Union which it thinks desirable. . . ."

In its reports the Study Committee is asking, in effect, whether this "special importance of mission in the life and work of the Church" is being recognised. Can "the whole community" see this importance? The Study Committee's contention is that, if the Church is to be the Church, if its life is to manifest the divine purpose, mission must be its first priority. Mission is not to be thought as one of the functions of the Church for the Church is Mission. What is the mission of the Church? The mission of the Church

What is the mission of the Church? The mission of the Church in the world is the mission of its Lord: that of the suffering servant. "We see our mission as God's call to us to find Him at work in the world and to co-operate with Him in the earthly realities of specific situations. Our conscious response to God in Jesus Christ is to witness to Him by action and by words." (First report—S/C Life and Mission of the Church.)

Mission is to be dominant in all areas of the Church's life. Its faith built upon the outgoing love and service of the living God; its worship strengthening with the grace of God the people of God; its ministry the service of the whole body of Christ given to the world; its government the structure by which the Church's mission is effected.

There is too little evidence of the priority of mission in our negotiating Churches. Union must provide the opportunity for the radical renewal of the Church which is essential today and in the future. "The Plan could signal the death and resurrection of the Church. It could rise above the denominational squabbles and obsession with the past and set new horizons for the Church in the contemporary world. Concurrent with the birth of the new Church would be new life and vision and a new awareness of Christ's purpose in the World. All that seems so mundane and frustrating in the present Plan could be illumined if set in such a context. The Plan could set forward a Church which would not only be an organic union of old structures, but would allow the comfortable and restless to live in creative interchange. Such a Plan must, if it is true to the whole purpose of Christ's Church, allow for continuing renewal and restructuring or, more aptly, death and resurrection. There must be no built-in suppressors. Such structures as there are, must be a means to an end and not an end in themselves.

In the Plan mission does not appear to have the significance it should. "The purpose of 'Church Government' is to facilitate the accomplishment of the Church's mission. All legislation must explicitly reflect this principle and be shaped by it. We are too familiar with cumbersome Church procedures which have become an end in themselves to be happy with the Church Government Report. We should expect that the united Church would offer us better qualities than any one of our present structures gives us: things like the promotion of local initiative, flexibility and adaptability, rationalisation of research and resources of all kinds. We look for a renewed Church, whose dominating concern, shining in its life and expressed in its legislation will be 'for the world'—for those outside its present membership." (First report—S/C Life and Mission of the Church.)

Does the Plan suggest that the Church of Christ in New Zealand will turn its back upon such things as the preservation of an institution, the bids for power by individuals and by groups, the pre-occupation with money. Will there be "a practical outgoing concern for the world of today "?

The members of the Study Committee identify themselves with the Limuru Report (April 1970): "The Church which is to come into being through union cannot simply be the joining together or accumulation of various confessional traditions. Union must be used as an opportunity for renewal in which the United Church will be led to new discoveries. The process is not completed in the moment of the consummation of union but the act of uniting is to be understood as a stage on the way. The uniting Churches should therefore aim at maximum flexibility and build into their schemes the possibility of future change ".

To this end the Study Committee recommends the re-writing of the Plan. "The revised Plan could deal in the main body of the report with all that is so important and relegate to appendices constitutional and administrative detail. The 'principles' should be a preface to the relevant section or a preface to the whole Plan." (Interim Report.)

VI. Women's Organisations

1. The Study Committee on Women's Organisations furnished its first report to the meeting of the Commission in February 1969. This "included a detailed examination of the history, aims, constitution, structure and work of each organisation" and is included in the 1969 Report (pp. 8-11).

Its second report was received at the meeting of the Commission in February 1970. It deals with "certain basic principles which will determine the nature of women's work in the future". The Commission agreed that it be sent to the Churches, Church papers and Church Union Committees and included in the 1970 Report. It is as follows:

CERTAIN BASIC PRINCIPLES

Following upon the study of the women's organisations within the negotiating churches, the Study Committee has turned its attention to certain basic principles which will determine the nature of women's work in the future. These include the changing role of women in today's world, co-operation of men and women in the life and mission of the Church, the ministry of women, and the necessity for a women's organisation in the united Church.

The Changing Role of Women

Until some thirty years ago, the New Zealand woman was regarded in society as the homemaker. For modern woman, however, her great difficulty lies in her multiple choice of roles in society. Not only can she maintain her business or professional job after marriage, but also new occupations are open to her through technological advances. Labour-saving devices give her more time, and she faces pressure, especially from industry, to enter the labour market. Her social, economic and legal status is improved, and she is more conscious of the contribution she can make to society.

Within the Christian community the same questions of the place and task of women arise, the same concern for a better balance of relationships between men and women, and the same desire to make the fullest use of her abilities in the service of the Church. The Church by nature tends to be more conservative about the status of women than the society it serves, but the role still traditionally assigned to, or assumed by, women is no longer sufficient to many who are seeking a different pattern of Christian involvement. The ordination of women is a live issue, involving the relationship between men and women, the true understanding of the biblical teaching, and the essential question of church order. The renewed concern for the witness of the laity raises the question of the participation of women in the lay service of the congregation, in church government, and in lay calling and ministry in the world.

Co-operation of Men and Women in the Life and Mission of the Church

The traditional pattern of men's and women's groups working independently is continually being questioned. Every Christian is called upon to share in the full ministry of the Church in the priesthood of all believers. The work and witness of the Body of Christ in the world is the joint responsibility of clergy and laity, men and women, young and old. The whole fellowship is called, and to each may be given some work of ministry. We believe that men and women have been created to carry out the will of God together and to serve together His purpose in the world.

The aims of the present women's organisations include prayer and study, fellowship and service, enrichment of marriage and family life. These belong, however, to the total mission of the Church, and separation into men's and women's groups diminishes the witness of the whole.

We believe that there should be a fuller understanding and development of co-operation between men and women in the prayer, study and education that has previously been sought in women's organisations. Studies in personal relationships, partnership in the family, marriage and family life, are best undertaken by men and women together. The Christian Family Movement in the Roman Catholic Church highlights this involvement of husband and wife together, and provides for partnership in resultant action in family and community life. Widening of study groups to include both men and women encourages them to understand their complementary responsibilities as Christian in the life and work of society, and to action together.

Service together strengthens the ministry of the Church. Too often women have been given, or have assumed, responsibility for support of missions at home and overseas, for service projects to meet community needs, for finance to meet church budgets or special monetary appeals. Raising finance has too often been a main activity of women's groups. Direct giving of time, talents and money is the responsibility of the whole Church, not any particular section.

The gathered community of the Church meets regularly together for worship. The Church must likewise provide a meeting ground for young married couples; for husband and wife in retirement. For the widowed, the solo parent, the single man and woman who enjoy the fellowship they would otherwise miss; for all men and women to share the enrichment of being together, as well as undertaking the more active roles of study and service.

If equal partnership is to be experienced at all levels of church life, women must share fully in the responsibilities of church life, work and membership. They should not only be given opportunity of sharing in making decisions and in administration, but they must also understand and accept these responsibilities. We believe, however, that both men and women should be chosen for, and appointed to, positions of responsibility because their gifts, training and abilities are needed, irrespective of their sex.

The government of the united Church as described in the Plan for Union provides for women to hold office at each level—parish, diocese and national assembly. We would expect, therefore, that a due proportion of women be elected by the Parish Meeting as lay members of the Parish Council, and that women be included in the number of lay representatives of each parish on the Diocesan Synod, on its Executive Committee and other committees; and that women be included in the number of lay representatives of each Diocese in the National Assembly, on its Executive and on the committees and departments responsible for the various spheres of the Church's life.

The Special Ministry of Women

"The Church exists as the Servant People of God—to it belongs the task of ministry in Christ's name." (Second Report J.C.C.U.) Within this ministry the Church recognises a rich diversity of gifts both to men and to women. The equality of men and women before God as affirmed in the Bible does not mean that their ministries are necessarily the same. It is the concern of the Church that all its members should participate fully in its life of worship, witness and service, and that their particular gifts be used to the maximum extent. "All the negotiating Churches affirm that there is a ministry for women in the Church, that this is a part of God's purpose both for women and the Church, and that this ministry is important to the life of the Church." (Second Report, J.C.C.U.)

How is this Ministry Exercised?

Within the home women minister as wives and as mothers in relation to creation. The building up of the Christian home and family is a ministry shared by husband and wife. So also is the ministry of hospitality, within which women may use their special gifts of time and practical service.

Within the fellowship of the Church women are called to play their proper part as members of the whole in the worship and responsibilities of church life. Their specal contribution lies in the use of their womanly gifts in ministry to men, to women and to children through intercession, pastoral care, teaching and practical service. For some women their contribution lies in the full-time employment of the Church in evangelism, education, healing, counselling, social welfare and other forms of service.

Within the ministry of the People of God in and to the world women exercise their particular ministries in neighbourhood and community, through hospitality, concern for the needs of the community, leadership and participation in service organisations, witness in places of daily work and care for women in employment.

Is There any Necessity for a Women's Organisation?

In most churches, strong women's organisations have usually arisen where women took up works of charity, where they supported missions, or where they arranged bazaars in order to collect money for projects and equipment within their own congregations. These quite practical and concrete beginnings have often led to a widespread and varied educational programme. In these women's groups were found genuine efforts at lay training, and it was from these groups that the first women to participate in church committees were designated. The changing role of women, the insistence on men and women being together, the increasing service of women in community organisations and projects, the lack of leadership and interest due to these and other related reasons, these factors have led to a dwindling of numbers and enthusiasm. These genuine concerns should not, however, cause the achievements of the women's organisations to sink without trace. It is rather a matter of their proper integration into the life of the whole Church. The parish group is the chief unit for women's work. To be

The parish group is the chief unit for women's work. To be justified it must have a specific appeal for women and its activities should be peculiarly suited to women. We recognise that many women have times available to them to do certain things when men and other women are not free. We need to keep in mind the different types of women in the area of our concern.

(a) Practical Service: Those who enjoy making things, e.g., service and missionary projects.

(b) Devotion: Those who prefer Bible study and prayer together, or listening to devotional or missionary speakers.

(c) Education: Those interested in learning more about national and world problems, e.g., welfare work, drug addiction, population explosion, war, etc.

(d) Social Welfare Work: Those interested in working in the community as counsellors, helping the elderly and sick, visiting hospitals, etc.

(e) Fellowship: Those who need friendship and pastoral care within a group.

All these need an opportunity to develop such interests, and if there is no such suitable parish group involving both men and women (and no possibility of one being formed) then a women's group is warranted. We would stress that such a group should be spontaneous, flexible, formed to meet a need, a discontinued when that need has passed.

2. The Study Committee reported to the July meeting as follows: "The Committee has met monthly and is currently studying the matter of the ordination of women. It is planned to report on this study to the J.C.C.U. meeting, February 1971.

The committee has also discussed its order of reference which is as follows:

- (1) The Study Committee on Women's Organisations shall consider any matters related to (a) the nature of women's organisations within the five negotiating Churches; and (b) the provision which should be made for women's organisations in the United Church.
- (2) It shall report on these matters to the Joint Commission for the information of the Commission.

(3) It shall have regard to the work of other Study Committees

which have been or may be set up by the Commission. Some of the women's organisations within the negotiating Churches have expressed the need for further co-operation at parish, district and national level, and have expected the Study Committee to act in an advisory capacity. When the Study Com-mittee was set up, the Joint Commission agreed: 'That Church Union Committees strongly encourage joint meetings of women's organisations at the national executive, regional executive and parish levels, in order that a basis of common understanding may be fostered and the foundations laid for the future needs of the United Church in this area of its life'

The Study Committee asks the Joint Commission to advise on these matters, and to define what authority, if any, the Study Committee has in advising the women's organisations on matters referred to it.

The committee also met with the Study Committee on Life and Mission of the Church for joint discussion of reports of each committee already submitted to the Joint Commission."

The Commission agreed: "That the Executive draft extensions to the order of reference to enable the Study Committee to act in an advisory capacity to women's organisations".

VII. Maori Participation

1. In its 1969 Report, the Commission referred to the consultation leading up to the appointment of the Study Committee on Maori Participation.

Its order of reference was approved at the meeting in July 1969 as follows:

- 1. The Study Committee on Maori Participation shall consider any matters related to:
 - (a) Maori participation in the total structure, life and programme in the United Church.
 - (b) Provisions which would enable the Maori people to make their full and distinctive contribution to the richness of the life and witness of the United Church.
 - (c) Maori participation in the mission of the Church with particular reference to their own distinctive responsibilities and opportunities.
- 2. It shall report on these matters to the Joint Commission for the information of the Commission.
- 3. It shall make such recommendations to the Commission on these matters as it considers would:
 - (a) Assist the progress of negotiations for union.
 - (b) Contribute to the preparation of the Plan for Union.
 - (c) Aid the functioning of a United Church.
- 4. It shall have regard to the work of other Study Committees which have been or may be set up by the Commission.

2. The report of the Study Committee to the Commission in February 1970 was presented by the convener, the Rev. Canon R. H. Rangiihu. He outlined the two alternative proposals regarding Church government which had emerged from a meeting of the Study Committee at Hamilton on July 9, 1969, and had been circulated to the members for study. At the following meeting on November 18, "it was felt that in reaching a common mind, it would be helpful to know the reaction of the member Churches to the proposals A and B now in circulation".

The proposals had been circulated in the following diagrammatic form with explanatory comments:

Illustrated Report of Discussion on July 9, 1969

Diagram A represents proposal of the Church Government Committee.

At Parish Level it sees three groups:

- 1. Maori congregations which form part of a larger parish together with pakeha congregations.
- 2. In high Maori populated areas, there could be Maori parish.
- Scattered Maori congregations may be grouped together into a Maori pastorate.

At Diocesan Level the above may be represented both in a Diocesan Maori Council and the Diocesan Synod. The Maori Council may well cover the area of two or more Dioceses.

At the National Level there could be a department as under No. 4 of the "Outline" describing the N. Assembly. The bishop will exercise his office in association with this department.

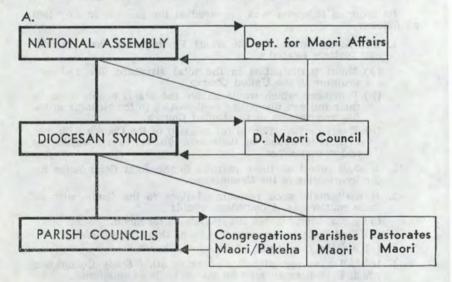
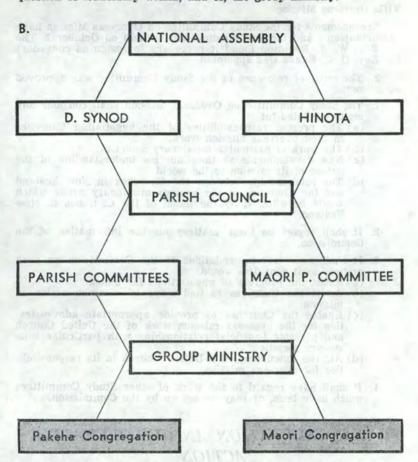


Diagram B represents an alternative proposal arising out of discussion of A.

The concern it seeks to meet is the freedom Maoris require to discover and develop their particular contribution, but at the same time, preserve the unity of the Church at all levels.

The basic principle is one of "co-mingling and withdrawal". A more favourable acceptance of the proposal focused on the question of leadership within, and of, the group ministry.



3. At the meeting of the Commission in July, the convener reported on the meeting held in June when reports were received of the action taken in the member Churches to consider the proposals. The reports showed that the report was being fully discussed; that considerable difficulty was experienced when it came to expressing some of the terminology of the Plan into Maori. e.g., Presbyter; that while the Plan received further study, it was also necessary to get to know the members of the other Churches; that it was important that the Maori voice be heard at all levels; that some felt that as the Plan was structured by the pakeha section of the Church, it is difficult to see where and how the Maori members are to participate. It was resolved that the two proposals be studied in conjunction with the whole Plan and comments returned in November. These will be considered at the next meeting at "Kohupatiki", Hastings, in November.

VIII. Overseas Mission

Arrangements for the Study Committee on Overseas Mission have been completed and the first meeting will be held on October 7. The Rt. Rev. W. W. Robinson found it necessary to resign as convener: the Rev. D. C. Evans was appointed.

2. The order of reference of the Study Committee was approved as follows:

- The Study Committee on Overseas Mission shall consider any matters related to:
 - (a) The present responsibilities of the negotiating Churches in their overseas mission work.
 - (b) The work of particular missionary societies.
 - (c) New developments in the Church's understanding of the nature of its mission to the world.
 - (d) The relationships between the Churches in New Zealand and the Churches in the various missionary areas which would be affected by the union of the Churches in New Zealand.
- 2. It shall report on these matters for the information of the Commission.
- 3. It shall make recommendations to the Commission on such matters as it considers would:
 - (a) Assist the progress of negotiations for union.
 - (b) Assist the Churches to find ways of common action in mission.
 - (c) Enable the Churches to provide appropriate administration for the overseas mission work of the United Church and promote beneficial relationships with particular missionary societies.
 - (d) Aid the functioning of a United Church in its responsibilities for overseas mission.
- 4. It shall have regard to the work of other Study Committees which have been, or may be set up by the Commission.

IV.—CONSULTATION AND CO-OPERATIVE ACTION

A.—THE JOINT NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON CHURCH EXTENSION—ANNUAL REPORT TO THE J.C.C.U. AND THE NEGOTIATING CHURCHES, 1970

Introduction:

Some matters discussed in earlier reports are still being raised. This suggests that the Annual Report of the Joint National Committee on Church Extension should receive more detailed study at Joint Regional Committee level, the district courts of the negotiating Churches and by the Church at large. In particular reference is made to the 1969 Annual Report and the section referring to "the purchase of building sites or the erection of buildings by one denomination without any prior consultation with the other Churches, or reference to the Joint Regional Committee". While in general the Churches do consult before taking action, there are occasional complaints of unilateral action in this regard.

Survey of Co-operative Ventures:

The J.C.C.U. "Fourth Report to the Negotiating Churches" (pp. 33-35) contained a list of "places in New Zealand where the negotiating Churches have prepared co-operative agreements, obtained official approval and commenced operation".

At the request of the J.C.C.U. a further survey was made, and the "Survey of Co-operative Ventures (July, 1970)" appended to this report indicates the current situation at July, 1970. Places previously listed are incorporated in this list.

Joint Regional Committees were requested to supply information concerning the co-operative ventures operating in their area, or to indicate where discussions between congregations were proceeding. Not all Joint Regional Committees returned the questionnaire, so there may be some errors or omissions in the list. It is difficult to assess how serious some preliminary discussions are, or whether exploratory conversations will lead to serious negotiations. But within these limits, the following appears to be the situation (1968 figures in brackets):

Places where discussions between congregations have begun with a view to possible agreements being prepared

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Of the additional 20 co-operative ventures reported in 1970, 18 have been inaugurated since the last report in October, 1968. The 30 places listed as places where serious discussions are continuing, even on a conservative estimate of possible success, point to the confident expectation of a steady flow of co-operative agreements for the foreseeable future.

It is of interest to note the type of situation where co-operative ventures are operating. They are to be found in two main types of area—in country areas or small provincial towns, where a low density population makes it difficult for separate denominations to maintain their independent life; in new suburbs of cities, where high building costs would cripple denominational resources if it was necessary for each denomination to maintain a separate witness.

The cynical may wish to suggest that practical necessity rather than any fundamental theological concern, or the undertaking given in the Act of Commitment to "seek ways of common action", is responsible for the significant increase in the number of co-operative ventures. Whatever the motivation, an increasing number of Church members are experiencing in these co-operative schemes a richer congregational life than would have been possible in their own denomination. There is little joy or effective witness if a small congregation is burdened with financial difficulties and has to put all of its effort into survival.

There must be many places where existing congregations will be

able to maintain their independent existence indefinitely, but where it would be possible to work in co-operation with other congregations as part of a Union Parish, or a Joint Use scheme, and to discover the rewards of more effective working. More exploratory discussions in these areas could lead to a more varied scene of co-operative ventures throughout the country.

The negotiating Churches are committed to consult with each other before sites are purchased or buildings erected. It is desirable for this type of consultation to be suggested for major items of maintenance in existing buildings. Normal maintenance is necessary to keep buildings attractive and usable, but an ageing building reaches a stage where it is necessary to undertake extensive renovation to prevent more serious deterioration. Such a task can require the spending of a large sum of money. The expenditure can only be justified if the building is to be restored for use for a considerable number of years, and this in turn assumes that the pattern of denominational life in that area is to continue indefinitely. If consultations were held between the negotiating Churches of the area, and with the Joint Regional Committee, before undertaking such work, a more imaginative building programme could be devised that would serve the future as well as the present.

Team Ministry:

In recent years the whole Church has been re-examining the pattern of its life and its relationship with the world. This has included a reassessment of the ministry of the whole people of God and the role of the ordained ministry in relation to it. Within this context has developed an awareness of the contribution which a team ministry can make to the more effective work of the Church in some circumstances.

In most Churches in New Zealand where more than one minister is serving, the role of the additional minister or ministers is that of assistant. Some Methodist circuits have a staff of several ministers but in the everyday running of the separate Churches involved in the circuit each minister works independently within his own area. There seems to be a very limited possibility of establishing team ministries within our existing denominations. It would be a practicable policy only within the largest New Zealand congregations.

Union Parishes and Joint Use schemes provide fruitful areas for ecumenical experiment in team ministry. It is important for the negotiating Churches to study what is already happening in an increasing number of places in New Zealand so that the insights gained can be shared and made available to other places where the Church could offer more effective pastoral care to its members, and provide a stronger witness in the community, through team ministries.

When the Parish organisation as envisaged in the Plan for Union is established, and several congregations in a defined geographical area are working together under the oversight of the Parish Council, many further opportunities for team ministry will be opened up. The present transitional period offers opportunities for the negotiating Churches to gain experience in the work of Team Ministries which will be invaluable later in working out the relationships that will enable Parish ministers of the Church of Christ in New Zealand to work together harmoniously and effectively.

The Joint National Committee, at the time it was beginning to look at this important area of church life, received a request from the J.C.C.U. to study team ministries. Two statements from overseas sources, and two papers arising from experience in different New Zealand settings were requested. The New Zealand material consisted of a report prepared by the Rev. R. K. J. Clarke on "The Team Ministry of the West Dunedin Parish" where a team of four ministers work closely together, and "The Wellington Inner City Ministry" prepared by the Rev. Dr G. R. Ferguson, arising out of the experience of ministers from the Anglican, Presbyterian and Methodist Churches involved in the Wellington Inner City Ministry. Requests for information and comment have been made of the places where team ministries are operating and it is hoped that a comprehensive statement will be prepared later this year.

Joint Use of Buildings:

These issues concerning the "Standard Agreement for Co-operative Ventures Based on the Joint Use of Buildings" have been raised with the Joint National Committee:

(a) The rewording of Clauses 7-11, Property and Finance, and a suggested Deed of Trust.

(b) Comments from the Wellington and Christchurch Dioceses.

The Legal and Property Committee of the J.C.C.U. has been requested to guide the Joint National Committee in these legal questions.

A "Memorandum on Various Aspects of Co-operative and Joint Use Ventures Requiring Consideration" was prepared in April, 1968, and submitted to the negotiating Churches for comment. The comments have now been received.

Each denomination has its own policy concerning Church Extension, and the different practices of the negotiating Churches can cause difficulty in the planning and financing of new ventures on a joint basis. At present it is possible for the Churches involved to buy adjacent sites or for one Church to have the title for the whole site. The buildings erected on the site may be erected in the name of that Church, or another Church, with finance regarded as in the nature of interest-free loans in agreed proportions provided by the other Churches who are partners in the scheme. It is unlikely that the Churches will be able to move to a completely co-operative extension programme for some time, and each individual situation will have to be considered separately by using the method that best suits that particular situation.

Arising from the consideration of this memorandum, each of the negotiating Churches has been asked to supply information concerning:

- (a) Its present policy in regard to Church Extension.
- (b) An estimate of the extension needs over the next five years, likely cost and source of finance.
- (c) What it considers to be the most practicable way of establishing the work of the Churches in new areas.

Union Parishes:

The Joint National Committee is required by the "Standard Rules, Procedures and Constitution for Union Parishes" to decide the denomination of the minister to be appointed to a Union Parish when a vacancy occurs. This decision is made in the light of the recommendations of the Joint Regional Committee and the Union Parish concerned. In each case referred to it, the Joint National Committee has endorsed the recommendations that have come from the parish and region.

It is important to ensure a reasonable balance between the numbers of ministers of the co-operating Churches employed in

union parishes. A denomination could be embarrassed if it was required to provide a disproportionate number of ministers at one period. A schedule has been prepared of the 22 union parishes showing the denomination of the present minister and when a review of the appointment is required. This will assist the Joint National Committee in making decisions in specific cases referred to it. to it.

There are 22 union parishes involving Presbyterian, Methodist and Congregational congregations with appointments for 29 ministers. At present they are being served by 17 Presbyterian and 10 Methodist ministers, with two Presbyterian appointments to be made. The Methodist-Church of Christ union parish is staffed by a Methodist minister.

Research

The "Second Report to the Negotiating Churches", p. 36, and the "Fourth Report to the Negotiating Churches", p. 33, contain reference to the need for research in consultation with sociologists, urban planners, etc., of the future shape of New Zealand society and the type of Church life that will best meet these needs. This study is necessary to enable the Church to plan now for that future. To date it has not been possible to find a group to do this work, although the Church and Society Commission of the National Council of Churches, while unable to undertake the research, made some useful suggestions as to how the matter could be approached. Further inquiries are being made.

"Co-operation Between the Churches in Rural Areas"

The Joint National Committee has prepared a report on this subject (Appendix II). It is available from the J.C.C.U. as a separate leaflet for study by Churches in rural areas looking for a more effective congregational life and witness.

APPENDIX I

Survey of Co-operative Ventures (July, 1970) Note:

(c) Type of Agreement.

- U.P. = Union Parish, under the "Standard Rules, Pro-cedures and Constitution for Union Parishes". (J.C.C.U., Fourth Report, pp. 40-44.) Joint = Joint Use, under an agreement similar to the
- "Standard Agreement for Co-operative Ventures Based on the Joint Use of Buildings ". (J.C.C.U. Fourth Report, pp. 36-40.) Such an agreement makes provision for the maximum possible combined worship and other activities. Recip. = Reciprocal Membership. Members of one denomi
 - nation are received as reciprocal members on the roll of another denomination. The ministry and Church government is that of the host denomination, but reciprocal members may be appointed to official positions in the congregation, support their own national Church budget, etc.

(d) Denomination of Minister/Church

In the case of a Union Parish, the denomination of the pressent minister(s) is given. In the case of Reciprocal Membership Scheme, the denomi-

nation listed is that of the host Church.

* Not listed in 1968.

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Place

Denominations Involved

1.	Moerewa		Ang. Pres
2.	Kawakawa		Ang. Pres. Meth.
3.	Ruawai		Pres. Meth.
4.	Hikurangi		Pres. Meth.
5.	Otaika (Whangarei)		Pres. Meth. Ch/Xst.
6.	Tikipunga (Whang)		Pres. Meth.
7.	*Waterview (Auck)		Pres. Meth.
8.	*Lynnfield (Auck)		Ang. Pres. Meth.
9.	*Hillsborough (Auck)		Pres. Meth.
10.	Hauraki Plains		Pres. Meth.
11.	Chartwell		Ang. Pres. Meth.
12.	Raglan		Pres. Meth. Cong.
13.	Turangi		Pres. Meth. (Ang.)
	*Reporoa		Ang. Pres.
15.	Patea		Pres. Meth
16.	Halcombe		Ang. Pres. Meth.
17.	Milson (PN)		Ang. Pres. Meth.
18.	*Botanical Rd (PN)		Meth. Ch/Xst.
19.	Shannon		Pres. Meth
20.	*Pahiatua		Pres. Meth.
21.	*Foxton		Pres. Meth
22.	Norsewood		Pres. Meth
23.	Mangapapa		Pres. Meth
24.	*Eketahuna		Pres. Meth
25.	*Pongaroa		Ang. Pres
26.	Taita		Pres. Meth. Cong.
27.	Wainuiomata		Pres. Meth
28.	Porirua East		Ang. Pres. Meth. Cong. Ch/Xst.
29.	Karori West		Pres. Cong
30.	Newlands		Pres. Meth.
31.	Paekakariki		Pres. Meth
32.	Tawa		Pres. Ch/Xst.
33.	Maungaraki-Normand	ale	Ang. Pres. Meth.

Type of Agr	eeme	ent			Dat	e Comm.
Joint					 	1967
Joint					 	1969
U.P. Meth. Minister					 	1968
U.P. Meth. Minister					 	1968
Recip. Ch/Xst. Minister					 	1969
Recip. Pres. Minister					 	1968
Recip. Meth. Minister					 	1952
Joint					 	1967
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U.P. Pres. Minister					 	1967
Joint					 	1967
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Joint					 	1969
Recip. Pres. Minister					 	1962
Joint					 	1965
Joint					 	1968
Recip. Ch/Xst. Minister					 	1961
Recip. Pres. Minister					 	1967
U.P. Pres. Minister					 	1969
U.P. Meth. Minister					 	1970
Recip. Pres. Minister					 	1965?
U.P. Pres. Minister					 	1967
U.P. Pres. Minister					 	1970
Recip. Ang. Minister					 	1970
U.P. Meth. Minister					 	1947
U.P. and Joint Pres. and	l Me	eth.	Mini	isters	 1953	3, Joint '64
Joint					 	1965
U.P. Pres. Minister					 	1968
U.P. Pres. Minister					 	1968
Recip					 	1968
Recip. Ch/Xst. Minister					 	1968
Joint					 	1967

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Date Comm.

Place

Denominations Involved

34. *Johnsonville	Pres. Meth
35. St Luke's (Nelson)	Pres. Meth
36. Wakefield	Pres. Meth
37. Havelock	Ang. Meth.
38. Westport	Pres. Meth
39. *Buller	Pres. Meth
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40. *Picton	Pres. Meth
41. *Reefton	Pres. Meth
42. *Hokitika	Pres. Meth.
43. *Murchison	Pres. Meth
44. Greymouth	Pres. Ch/Xst.
45. Mairehau	Pres. Meth.
46. Avonhead	Ang. Meth
47. Masham	Ang. Meth.
48. Burwood	Pres. Meth. Cong.
49. Rolleston	Ang. Meth. Pres. (S.A.)
50. Hallswell	Meth. Pres. Ch/Xst.
51. Woodend	Pres. Meth.
52. Amberley	Pres. Meth.
53. Wairaki Rd (Bryndwr)	Pres. Meth
54. *Upper Waitaki Chaplaincy	
55. *Allenton	Pres. Meth.
56. *Glenwood	Ang. Meth
57. *Gleniti	Meth. Pres
58. Pareora	Ang. Pres
59. Marchwiel (Timaru)	Meth. Pres. Cong.
60. *Oamaru	Meth. Ch/Xst.
61. *Grants Braes	Pres. Meth.
62. *Teviot	Pres. Meth
63. West Dunedin	Pres. Meth. Cong.
64. Corstorphine	Dee Math Care
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66. Broad Bay	Ang. Meth
67. Port Chalmers/Sawyers Ba	y Pres. Meth. Cong

Type of Agreement

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Recip					1967	
Joint					1967	
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Pres. and Meth.					1970	
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U.P. Pres. Minister					1970	
U.P. Pres. and Meth. Ministers					1970	
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Joint					1966	
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Joint					1968	
Joint				•••••	1968	
Recip. Pres. Minister					1968	
Joint					1968	
U.P. Pres. Minister					1952	
U.P. Meth. Minister					1970	
U.P. Pres. Minister					1970	
U.P. Meth. Minister					1970	
U.P. three Pres. and one Meth. M	liniste				1968	
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Joint					1007	
					1060	
					1965-6	
Recip					1909-0	

APPENDIX II

CO-OPERATION BETWEEN THE NEGOTIATING CHURCHES IN RURAL AREAS

A statement prepared by the Joint National Committee on Church Extension, June 1970

1. The Provisional Report published by the Department of Statistics on the 1966 Census shows that the movement of the population from the rural areas is continuing at a high rate. The larger towns and cities offer wider employment, educational and cultural opportunities for the increasing numbers of young people, and most immigrants tend to settle in the larger centres. On the other hand, increasing mechanisation and developments in farming practices have enabled production to be increased without an accompanying increase in the work force.

Since 1961 most rural areas and smaller towns either lost population or showed an increase well below the national average. (For details of population trends see additional note.)

2. This movement to the larger towns and cities affects the churches in rural areas in the following ways:

(a) There is a constant drain of young people leaving for education and employment . . . with an imbalance in the rural community, and a loss of potential leaders as a result.

(b) The cost of maintaining the ministry requires help from central funds; e.g., travelling costs are high. (c) With fewer lay people to accept responsibility, church life

tends to become minister-centred.

3. Characteristics of Church Life in Rural Areas

(a) The ministers generally live in boroughs or towns where they have sufficient people to organise their churches on the normal pattern, with regular services of worship, and a Christian education programme at least for the Sunday.

(b) Few semi-rural towns have enough young people for the churches to run, separately, a weekly youth programme for social or club purposes. The obvious solution is a combined youth group run by churches for their own, and all young people, of the area.

(c) In the country areas around the towns worship is provided by the ministers of the negotiating churches, e.g., one Sunday, Anglican; the next, Presbyterian; the third, Methodist. In some places all the people come to the service without regard to the denomination; in other places people attend only the services of the denomination to which they belong.

(d) Many country Sunday Schools are run by some enthusiast who has gathered the children and often runs the Sunday School at his/her own expense. Such "undenominational" Sunday Schools have often little link with the churches in the area. Children grow up with little sense of obligation to the church.

(e) Some of the negotiating churches find the rural areas produce more candidates for the ministry and leaders for the church than the cities do. This may be a result of the need for every member of the rural congregation to accept responsibility and leadership for the church to continue at all.

4. Possible Ways for More Effective Congregational Life and Witness in Rural Areas.

(a) In towns less than 2,000 in population, and where the negotiating churches cannot maintain separate Christian Education programmes, they should combine to provide youth and adult activities for all. This could be controlled by a council representative of all the churches.

(b) An Inter-Church Council of ministers and people could plan the churches' ministry to the surrounding areas so that all living in the area would see they belong together in the Church, as in the community. The aim would be to do all things possible together, and only do separately those not possible to do jointly.

(c) In some areas the life of congregations may centre on one building. This would help people to recognise they belong together, as well as reduce the costs of Christian witness in the area.

(d) Where possible Union Parishes, or Reciprocal Membership Parishes, should be thoroughly considered. In Union Parishes congregations unite under a constitution approved by the negotiating churches. In the latter, one denomination withdraws and encourages members to become reciprocal members of the denomination that remains. At present Anglicans are unable to become part of a Union Parish, but they can work in Reciprocal Membership and Joint Use of Buildings Schemes.

(e) It may be possible to develop a form of team ministry, in which the ministers of a rural area so plan their work that each is responsible for a defined area; e.g., Christian Education for all in the community.

IF THE ACT OF COMMITMENT IS TO PRODUCE FRUIT, IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT THE NEGOTIATING CHURCHES EXPLORE COMMON WAYS TO WORK TOGETHER IN RURAL AREAS.

Population Trends in Rural Areas

In 1961 59.6 percent of the total population lived in 18 major urban areas. In 1966 62.5 percent lived in these areas. The areas are (with percent increase since 1961 in brackets):

Whangarei				(34.6%)	Wanganui			(6.9%)
Auckland				(22.2%)	Palmerston 1	North		(14.0%)
Hamilton				(25.4%)	Hutt			(15.9%)
Tauranga				(28.2%)	Wellington			(11.5%)
Rotorua				(30.8%)	Nelson .			(9.1%)
Gisborne				(10.7%)	Christchurch			(11.9%)
Napier				(19.5%)	Timaru .			(5.8%)
Hastings				(14.9%)	Dunedin .			(3.9%)
New Plym	outh	1		(10.4%)	Invercargill			(11.9%)
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The most northerly urban areas of Whangarei, Auckland, Hamilton, Tauranga and Rotorua have shown such substantial growth that all other urban areas, except Napier, are below the average rate of increase for urban areas of 16.1 percent.

Only 10 counties, all adjacent to the larger cities, show a rate of increase above the rate of growth in the total population. Sixtynine of the 112 counties in New Zealand have decreased, one shows no change, 42 (?) show a slight increase, and 10 an increase above 10.8 percent for the intercensus period.

B. The Joint Board of Theological Studies—Annual Report to the J.C.C.U. and the Negotiating Churches, 1970.

1. In 1969 the Joint Board of Theological Studies offered examinations in all papers for the Diploma L.Th.: 288 papers were taken, with the following distribution of passes: A 6, B 67, C 154, D 40, E 21.

2. The course for the Diploma Scholar in Theology will be offered as from February 1971. To be eligible, candidates are required to have gained an L.Th. from the Joint Board of Theological Studies with not less than a B grade in the area in which it is proposed to continue research, or an equivalent qualification.

3. The Joint Board of Theological Studies believes that there is no longer any need to continue the Committee on Theological Training. It suggests that the Joint Board itself be granted a relationship to the Joint Commission on Church Union parallel to that of the Joint National Committee on Church Extension. It would report to the parent Churches through the Joint Commission.

4. The Joint Board urges that consideration be given the matter of Multi-racial Training, and commends to the Churches the following statement:

MULTI-RACIAL TRAINING

Between the New Zealand censuses of 1961 and 1966 the Maori population increased from 167,086 to 198,188. This high rate of increase is due to a combination of a high birth rate with a low death rate. Future patterns of age distribution and growth of the Maori population are difficult to predict if only because intermarriage is increasing rapidly as also are Maori interest in family planning and aspiration to higher socio-economic status.

Till 1945 over 80 percent of Maoris lived in the country. This situation is changing dramatically. Northland and East Coast-Wairoa have now become "reservoir areas," consistently losing their natural increase to other areas. In contrast the Maori population of Rotorua-Taupo has increased by eight percent and that of Auckland region by 13 percent. Today Auckland has almost twice as many Maoris as any other region.

This redistribution of the Maori population is closely linked to migration from rural to urban areas. In 1966 Maoris living in urban areas slightly outnumbered those living in rural areas (54.8 percent compared with 45.2 percent). The Maoris are no longer predominantly a rural people. As a result of urban migration, and this applies to Pacific Islanders concentrated in areas such as Auckland and Tokoroa, Maoris are now living in areas where they are in a relatively small minority, subject not only to discrimination and prejudice but also to pressures to conform to a pre-existent pattern of traditional Maori life. On the other hand urban Maoris are in a much better position for improving their economic status especially through educational and occupational training and facilities. Increased contact with Pakehas frequently leads to increased knowledge and understanding as well as tension and conflict. In 1954 Te Wananga A Rangi Maori Theological College was

In 1954 Te Wananga A Rangi Maori Theological College was established by the Presbyterian Church on the grounds that Maoris have a distinctive culture, world-view and values. Since then the whole social situation has altered radically. The Principal of Te Wananga A Rangi writes, "The world has changed in vast ways since this College was established. The life of our own country has significantly altered. It is obvious that Maori ministers must be able to minister to more than Maori people, just as Europeans must increasingly face the fact that they also must be capable of ministering to the needs of Polynesians as well as Westerners." This new social situation is easily and perhaps usefully described as multi-racial. But this is to describe not so much a state as a dynamic process. In urban areas, especially, people of differing ethnic backgrounds are mixing, making contacts, meeting other life values and ambitions to a degree which has not happened before.

It is impossible to describe some finished final state which will be the New Zealand of the future. At the most we can describe general directions and narrow the range of possibilities. Let us then dispose of two extreme positions. One is a society in which by the process of assimilation minority groups have discarded their culture in favour of that of the dominant group. The other is the society in which various contributing groups and their cultures have fused to form a distinctively new culture. Somewhere between these two positions and probably more indicative of the evolving New Zealand scene, is the society in which all share a common culture but certain sections maintain a range of distinctive ways.

The immediate issue as raised by the Principal of Te Wananga A Rangi is to find the form of ministry needed for this situation which itself is a compound of things held in common and things distinctive of certain people. Several correspondents felt a team ministry, welding men with special skills or particular cultural insight has many potential advantages. This remains to be explored but increasingly in New Zealand men must be prepared to minister to peoples of other cultures.

Quite obviously multi-racial, theological training in New Zealand is not simply the problem of how to equip the Polynesian student. As one member of the Commission wrote: "It should not be possible for a man to be ordained into the ministry of New Zealand without knowledge of the culture of the various races in New Zealand and not to have had in his training some studies to this end."

Yet it is probable that the needs of the European student will be covered by an adequate recognition of the presence of Maoris. By and large the previous theological training of Maoris has been one of conformity. He has been a rare bird in most colleges, not present in numbers large enough to have much impact. Generally speaking, Europeans have set the agenda and criteria for questioning and solution. Only incidentally have Maoris been able to explore what their experience means and how they can serve and support others who emerge from the same ethos.

The future equipping and training of Polynesian students does not lie in separate racial colleges, which tend to be regarded as substandard. The ideal is a large ecumenical college where Polynesian students would live as part of a large student body. They would have the security of equal training, become more familiar with Western orientated culture and where academic problems are met, the emotional effect would also be eased if men of other cultures were seen to be having problems also.

A large student roll would mean a large staff able to offer a range of courses geared to the needs of particular students. There must be studies in the sociological and cultural patterns of the ethnic groups in New Zealand and also a knowledge of the local history which provides much of the background for these groups.

A multi-racial college places great responsibilities on staff members. They must have the ability to mediate between and learn from other cultures. Perhaps there should be a Polynesian specialist on the staff, who, as well as teaching aspects of Polynesian culture, would support and encourage his colleagues. Above all, a multi-racial college must allow Polynesian students to live as Maoris or Pacific Islanders, to exercise what is distinctive to them as well as encouraging them to share the common life of the college. This Polynesian rhythm of life is very different from that of many Europeans. Will the time-table be flexible enough to allow for this?

Conclusion

To talk of multi-racial theological training in New Zealand is to envisage a major regrouping of our theological resources. Such training can best be carried out in large colleges which provide diversity in curriculum and timetable.

Until such colleges eventuate, the training of Polynesian students should be carried out in conjunction with existing theological colleges and preferably in Auckland.

C. Superannuation Funds

Arrangements are being completed for the appointment of a Committee on Superannuation Funds which would be representative of existing superannuation funds. The report of the Consultation in 1968 (Fourth Report, pp. 14-16) will be referred to this Committee.

The Executive received advice that the first step should be the provision of a preliminary outline of a superannuation scheme prepared for the use of the Committee when it begins its work. It convened a small group of experienced people in Wellington, one nominated from each Church, and they have prepared the outline. The Commission has appointed Mr L. A. Atkinson, Convener of the Committee; the appointment of the members by the appropriate committees of the Churches is being arranged.

V.-THE WORKING OF THE COMMISSION

A.-The Title

In order to make the identity of the Commission quite clear, the Commission decided to add to its title the words "in New Zealand." It reports this formally in order that the change may have the approval of the negotiating Churches which have appointed the Commission.

B.-The Membership

I. The Congregational Union of New Zealand

A letter dated 4/12/1969 received from the Rev. L. A. Brame included the following:

The continuing Congregational Churches now form the Congregational Union, which is reduced to about 400 members or 600 members if certain churches in union situations are included. The remaining churches now in the Union have expressed the desire to continue in negotiations. They have nominated some representatives though in view of the lessening of numbers you may think it proper that your executive should consider some reduction in representation.

Would you please note the Church Union Report on page 12 of the Digest, and convey to the Commission the resolution reading as follows:

"Resolved that: This Assembly convey its greeting to the Chairman of the Joint Commission on Church Union and express appreciation for the work of the Commission in preparing the Plan for Union which has been commended to the Churches."

Furthermore, the Assembly wishes to inform the Commission that whilst many of the Congregational Churches are merging with the Presbyterian Church the Congregational Union will continue to be a member of the Joint Commission on Church Union and will seek as before the Union of the five negotiating churches.

The Executive met with the Rev. J. B. Chambers and Mr E. J. T. Hill to consider the number of members of the Commission to be appointed by the Union and it was agreed to recommend to the Commission that the number be two. This recommendation was agreed to.

II. The Representatives of the Other Churches

The Executive recommended to the February meeting that in view of the reduced membership of the Congregational Union, some adjustment be made in the number of representatives appointed by the other Churches. This was considered by the Commission, and after deliberation, it was agreed that in view of the stage in the negotiations now being entered it would be advantageous to have a slightly larger number of members.

It was agreed to recommend to the Churches that the membership of the Commission consist of representatives appointed by the Churches as follows:

The	Associated Churches of Christ	in	N.Z.	 	 	5
The	Church of the Province of N.Z.			 	 	12
The	Congregational Union of N.Z.			 	 	2
The	Methodist Church of N.Z.			 	 	8
The	Presbyterian Church of N.Z.			 	 	9
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C.-Finance

The Treasurer, Mr D. A. Larsen, presented to the Commission at the February meeting a statement of Receipts and Payments for the year ended December 31, 1969, duly signed by the auditor appointed by the Commission, Mr F. W. G. Claridge. This was adopted.

The summarised statement is as follows:

GENERAL ACCOUNT

	\$ \$
Balance at 1/1/69	449.47
Receipts:	
Contributions from Churches:	
Anglican	3,102
Churches of Christ	
Congregational	
Methodist	
Presbyterian	
Tuland and Provide	6,600.00
Interest and Donations	
Transfer from Publications Account	436.14
	7,543.66
Payments:	1,010.00
Stipend and House Allowance	3,800.04
Office rent	
Secretarial Assistance	
Travelling Expenses	639.45
Superannuation Fund Contribution	356.40
supervision a unit contribution	000.20

Postages, Telephone,	Stationery	and	Office		
Expenses Study Committee Expen				1,216.06 282.35	7,543.66
Balance at 31/12/69					-
PUB	LICATIONS	ACCOU	NT		
Balance Overdrawn at	1/1/69			\$	\$ 591.25
Receipts: Sales Publications Offerings, Presentation					7,597.42
Payments:					7,006.17
Printing Publications Travelling Expenses, Sp Transfer to General Ac	peakers Plan	n Meeti	ngs	492.72	
					7,418.87
Balance Overdrawn at	31/12/69				\$412.70
NOTE: Sundry Debtors	for Publica	tions—3	1/12/69		\$1,166.95
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Hon. Treaurer.

I have examined the books and vouchers of the Joint Commission on Church Union for the year ended December 31, 1969, and have obtained all the information and explanations I have required. In my opinion the statement of receipts and payments of the General Account and the Publications Account are properly drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the results of the transactions during the year ending on that date. 19/3/70 F. W. G. CLARIDGE.

F. W. G. CLARIDGE, B.Com., A.C.A., A.C.I.S.

2. At this meeting, the Commission approved a budget of \$6,800 for the year ending December 31, 1970. The estimates were retained at the same rate as last year except for the increase in the salary of the Secretary following the increase in the basic stipend of the Presbyterian Church.

The allocation to the Churches is as follows:

				\$
Anglican		 	 	 3,196.00
Churches of Chri	st	 	 	 . 95.50
Congregational		 	 	 20.00
Methodist		 	 	 898.50
Presbyterian		 	 	 2,590.00
				\$6,800.00

D.-Meetings in 1971

The Commission is to meet at Hamilton, February 23-25, 1971; Knox College, Dunedin, May 11-13; and Wellington, July 27-29. September 11, 1970.

†ALLEN WAIKATO, Chairman.

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APPENDIX



District		Totals	Membership Fees	Missions General A/c.	Kurahuna	Stamps Etc. Fund	Legacy A/c.	Other Objects
		1,204.60	31.70 38.70	939.46 962.79	77.48	155.96 203.10		
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Thames Valley		0.00.10	21.60	704.20	146.00	70.39		
Bay of Plenty _		- 639.20	23.90	415.92	43.46	144.92		75.00 New Curriculum 50.00 Turangi
								100.00 Mendi 6 00 Deaconess Board
Taranaki		2,082.66	47.30	1,624.89	116.95	278.75		14.77 Overseas Extension Fund
Wanganui		_ 773.93	14.00	460,75	114.27	84.91		100.00 Srs. L. Money, B. Grice, M. McCormack
Manawatu		3,121.42	49.60	2,456.01	183 00	297.52		85.05 United Church Scholarship
								25.00 Renovation Maori Centres 10.24 Overseas Travel Fund
II. has D		1 435 03	20.50	1 100 10	04.20	142.22		15.00 Gaulim College
Hawkes Bay Wairarapa		- 1,435.82 - 658.65	28.50 11.90	1,108.10 529.77	94.20 13.06	143.32 69.92		61.70 United Church Scholarship 10.00 United Church Scholarship
M. ICaster		2 122 00	75.54	2 170 (2	339.79	299.02	200.00	24.00 P.N.G. Halls of Residence
Wellington Nelson/Marlborougi		. 3,133.99	75.56 34.80	2,179.62	154.70	166.09	200.00	40.00 Sally Street Memorial Cot
West Coast _		_ 206.25	8.10	109.46	18.74	67.95		2.00 United Church Scholarship
North Canterbury		3,602.13	146.50 43.80	2,539.58	289.11 176.02	606.94 224.79		20.00 Honda Cycle 8.00 Fraternal Workers
South Canterbury	-	_ 1,549.02	00.67	1,091.41	170.02	224.19		5.00 Sr, N, Graves
Otago		. 1,602.33	49.20	1,059.63	46.77	236.73		150.00 Duplicator Rev. J. Cropp 60.00 Sr. N. Graves
Southland		. 1,442.05	30.20	1,022.48	201.64	187.73		00.00 Sr. IV. Graves
Women's Fellows Other Sources	ship	- 7.50 - 120.00			120.00			7.50 United Church Scholarship
1970 TOTALS		. 33,445.70	845.60	23,844.95	2,703.98	4,483.91	200.00	1,367.26
1969 TOTALS		34,640.74	868.45	24,926.14	3,432.53	4,668.20	100.00	645.42

NEW ZEALAND METHODIST WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP SUMMARY OF CONTRIBUTIONS FROM DISTRICTS YEAR ENDED 31st AUGUST, 1970

NEW ZEALAND METHODIST WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP "KURAHUNA" MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 31st JULY, 1970

GENERAL

INCOME \$ Cash, Bank N.Z. 1/8/69 438.02 Donations Direct to Committee 20.00 Buttle Centennial Fund 50.39 Rentals 1,740.40 Distribution Estate late Mrs Trewin 37.34 Insurance Claim Mower 40.00 Bank Interest 3.37	EXPENDITURE \$ Rates and Water Rates
\$2,329.52	Credit Balance 31/7/70
STALL	ACCOUNT
Cash Bank N.Z. 1/8/69 \$	Uniform Allowance 1 Pupil 14.00 Assistance Fees "Rangiatea" 1 Pupil 87.00
	Credit Balance 31/7/70 101.00 40.55
\$141.55	\$141.55
LEGACY ACCOUNTS Est. late Mrs Woodward: Credit Bal. 1/8/69 Interest 1 year 258.59 258.59 7.74 266.33	
Est. late Mrs Denton: Credit Bal. 1/8/69 477.89 Interest 1 year 14.32	SUMMARY OF CASH
Est, late Miss Fathers: Credit Bal, 1/8/69 207.50 492.21	Credit Balance Maintenance Account 909.17 Credit Balance Stall Account 40.55
Interest 1 year 6.00	Credit Balance Stall Account 40.55 Credit Balance Legacy Accounts 1,274.28
Est. late Miss Roget: Credit Bal. 1/8/69 100.00 Interest 1 year 2.24	Cash Bank N.Z. 31/7/70 \$2,224.00
Est. late Miss J. Buttle: Cash 102.24 200.00	
\$1,274.28	and the second se

NEW ZEALAND METHODIST WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR YEAR ENDED 31st AUGUST, 1970

INCOME	e	EXPENDITURE	e	e
Balances in Banks and Loan at Call 31/8/69 Contributions from Districts as Summary: Membership Fees	\$ \$ 35,267.98 845.60 .844.95 703.98 483.91 200.00 .367.26 33,445.70 370.34 123.84 494.18 23.85 10.05 15.00 1,103.34	1969 National Council Resolutions: Home Mission Department Overseas Missions Department Special Objective, United Church Scholarship Epsom Church Trust, Use Office, Etc. National Treasurer: Honorarium Expenses Allowance Stamps etc. Fund Allocations Grants Overseas Workers, Medical, Educa- tional and Box Fund Allowance Deaconess Trainees Sister Ruth Tattersall, Uniform Allowance on Ordination Distribution 1970 "Other Objects" as speci- fied by Districts Distribution 1969 Legacy Account: Home Dission Department Overseas Missions Department	\$ 8,200.00 8,200.00 5,000.00 12.00 150.00 4,635.00 3,000.00 117.00 3,000.00 300.00 300.00	\$ 29,634.00 62.50 48.00 50.00 1,357.02 600.00 1,574.85
		Overseas Travel: President's Fare etc. W.F.M.W. Seminar, Fiji	125.15 276.87 149.14	220.40
		Subscription: World Federation of Methodist Women	36.00 8.00	551.16
				44.00
				34,141.93

	Credit Balances 31/8/70: Missions, General Account Kurahuna Revenue Account Stamps etc. Fund Kurahuna Emergency Account Overseas Travel Fund Smethurst Estate Revenue Account	14,897.68 10,891.23 4,587.11 3,944.39 456.31 1,441.45	36,218.17
\$70,360.10			\$70,360.10

NEW ZEALAND METHODIST WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

	SUMMARY OF CAPITAL INVESTMENT 31st AUGUST, 1970 "Kurahuna" Capital and Depreciation A/c.	ACCOUNTS	š,
	Credit Balance 1/9/69	4,725.98 236.12	\$4,962.10
	"Kurahuna" Bequest A/c. Credit Balance 1/9/69 Interest Accrued 1 Year	1,000.00	\$1,902.10
354	Less Interest Transferred to Kurahuna Revenue A/c	1,050.00	
	Smethurst Estate Investment A/c. Credit Balance 1/9/69 Interest Accrued 1 Year	8,000.00	\$1,000.00
	Less Payment to Maori Mission Department	8,260.00	
	towards Stipend Maori Minister	260.00	\$8,000.00

DETAILS OVERSEAS TRAVEL FUND	
Credit Balance 1/9/69 561.91	
Plus Appropriation from:	
Membership Fees on basis of one cent per	
member at 30th June, 1969	
Plus Donation Mrs F. Baber 15.00	
Plus Donation Manawatu District 10.24	
	676.71
Less Fares etc. W.F.M.W. Seminar, Fiji	220.40
Cradit Palance 21/0/70	
Credit Balance 31/8/70	\$456.31

NEW ZEALAND METHODIST WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st AUGUST, 1970

	LIABILITIES Missions, General Account Stamps etc. Fund Overseas Travel Fund "Kurahuna" Maori Girls' School Hostel:	\$	\$ 14,897.68 4,587.11 456.31	ASSETS \$ Credit Balances Banks Factor Call Home Mission Department Factor Call Home Mission Department Factor Call Home Board Debentures Factor Call Call Call Call Call Call Call Cal	\$ 33,986.17 4,456.00 4,962.10 9,000.00
	Capital and Department Account Property Account	10,891.23 2,224.00 3,944.39 1,000.00 4,962.10 14,089.80	37,111.52	Properties: "Kurahuna" Maori Girls' School Smethurst Estate	- 14,089.80 - 8,000.00
355	Smethurst Estate: Revenue Accounts Investment Account Property Account	1,441.45 8,000.00 8,000.00	17,441.45		\$74,494.07

I have examined the accounts of the New Zealand Methodist Women's Fellowship and have received all the information and explanations required. In my opinion the above accounts show the true and correct position of this organisation as at 31st August, 1970.

5th September, 1970.

W. T. WALTON, A.R.A.N.Z., A.C.I.S., A.C.A.I. Auditor. LENA I. HENDRA, Treasurer.

METHODIST CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st MAY, 1970

1969		1970		1969		197	70
\$		\$	\$	\$		\$	\$
	Current Liabilities:			377,077	Loans Current	405,824	
202	Sundry Creditors		230		Less Working Expenses relating to		
7,282	Sites Fund Account		9,127	18,645	Future Periods	22,126	
15,519	Development Fund Account		18,730	358,432	Principal Portion of Loans		
	Accumulated Funds:				Outstanding		383,69
351,359	(i) Capital Account 31st May, 1969	359,980			Current Assets:		
8,621	Add Legacies and Donations			10	Cash in Hand	10	
	Received	18,758		4,175	Cash at Bank	331	
				5	Debtors	-	
		378,738		455	Interest Accrued—General	448	
600	(ii) Administration Account:			146	Interest Accrued—Sites Fund	253	
	Capital	600					1,04
	Balance 31 May, 1969 2,953			< 000	Deposits:		
2,953	Deficit for Year 496	0 157		6,000	General Purposes Trust (Sites)	6,158	
2/2 522	T.1.1	2,457	201 205	6,813	General Purposes Trust (General)	8,484	
363,533	Total Accumulated Funds		381,795	8,000	New Zealand Insurance Co. Ltd	8,000	22.00
					Other Annal		22,64
				2 500	Other Assets:		
				2,500	Shares in Unlisted Companies		2 50
					(Legacies)		2,50
\$386,536			\$409,882	\$386,536			\$409,88

H. C. MATTHEWS, Chairman.

W. R. LAWS, Secretary.

C. R. HASSELDINE, Treasurer.

We have examined the books of account and records of the Methodist Church Building and Loan Fund for the year ended 31st May, 1970.

In our opinion, according to the information and explanations given to us, and as shown by the said books of account, the Loans Account, Sites Fund Account, Development Fund Account, Administration Account and Balance Sheet are properly drawn up so as to give respectively a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Fund as at 31st May, 1970, and of its income and expenditure for the year ended on that date.

Christchurch, 19th June, 1970.

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CAYGILL, HIBBARD, PAYNE & HILSON, Chartered Accountants.

METHODIST CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND LOANS ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 31st MAY, 1970

	Loans at 31st May, 1969 New Loans Advanced	_	1970 \$ \$ 358,433 70,088	358,433	Loans Repaid Loans at 31st May, 1970	 _	1970 \$ \$ 44,823 383,698
\$406,987		_	\$428,521	\$406,987		-	\$428,521

SITES FUND ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31st MAY, 1970

	Grants Made: Omapere — Hokianga Rotorua Banks Street, Timaru	120 400 300	8	Balance 31st May, 1969		800 1,600	7,282
357	1,300 Total Grants 7,282 Balance of Fund 31st May, 1970 \$8,582	=	820 9,127 \$9,947 \$8,5	Total Contributions 49 Interest 82	-		2,400 265 9,947

DEVELOPMENT FUND ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31st MAY, 1970

1969 \$	Grants Made: Turangi Union North Beach—Christchurch Waitangirua—Wellington	\$ 3,300 2,000 4,000	\$	14,495	Balance 31st May, 1969 Received from Budget Account Interest	1970 \$ 15,520 16,760
4.000	Devonport	4,000 250	13,550			
	Balance of Fund 31st May, 1970	-	13,550 18,730 \$32,280	\$19,519		\$32,280

METHODIST CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND

ADMINISTRATION ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31st MAY, 1970

	1969 \$	s	1970 \$	1969 \$			\$ 1970	\$
	2,600 Administration Charges Other Expenses: Advertising Audit and General	115 130	3,200	2,275 Working Ex 917 Interest Re 30 Commission	eceivable	=	2,048 1,087 286	
	Postages Stationery and Telephone Travelling	96 284 252		160 Dividends Deficit for	 Year	-	160	3,581 496
24	719 63 Surplus for Year	-	877 4,077					
~	\$3,382	-	\$4,077	\$3,382	a contraction		\$	4,077

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THE BOARD OF THE WELLINGTON METHODIST CHARITABLE AND EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENTS

1969		1	970	1969			1970)
\$		\$	\$	\$			\$	\$
141,401 56,446 4,128		60,395 11,453 139	141,401	60,860 46,299 7,320 27,217 45,102 1,000	Loans on Mortgage Deposit Transport Trust Board			60,860 46,178 8,229 27,217 58,494 1,000
	Less Transfer to Current Account	71,987 3,981		4,152 9,457 400	Shares Wairarapa Building	ount		4,298 4,040 400
60,395 134 2,400	Newcombe Trust Rangiatea Maori College Rent Paid in Advance		68,006 2,400 71	1,126 1,397	Sundry Debtors			1,162
\$ \$204,330		-	\$211,878	\$204,330			-	\$211,878

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1970

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, 1970, 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.

17th September, 1970.

T. M. STEPHENS, F.C.A., Auditor.

THE BOARD OF THE WELLINGTON METHODIST CHARITABLE AND EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENTS

1969 \$ 36 202 200 6,946 246	To General Expenses , Land Tax , Secretarial Fee , Carried Down , Valuation and Legal Expenses	·····	1970 \$ 31 202 300 7,135	1969 \$ 4,796 2,834	By Rent	1970 \$ 4,768 2,900
7,630 2,400 4,546			7,668	7,630		7,668
\$6,946	", Masterton Children's Home		4,735	6,946 \$6,946	By Balance Brought Down	7,135 \$7,135

REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1970

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EMSLEY TRUST STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1970

1970—June 30 To Interest on Auckland Electric Power Board Debentures to 1/3/70 (matured) , Interest on Auckland Hospital Board Stock 1/4/70	\$ 190.0 17.17	1970—June 30 By Trinity College	-	-	-	_	-	\$ 207.17
	\$207.17							\$207.17

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INVESTMENT ACCOUNT

\$ 1970—June 30 To Capital 3,800.00 \$3,800.00	\$ 1970—June 30 By Auckland Hospital Board 53% Registered Stock due 1/4/76 3,800.30 \$3,800.00
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Audited and found correct.

A. R. MARTIN, R. EVANS,

Auditors.

T. L. HAMES, Treasurer.

PUBLIC TRUST OFFICE — ROBERT GIBSON METHODIST TRUST BOARD ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 30th JUNE, 1970

Plant:	
Upper Riverlea Farm, GVB Milking Plant and Sundries (as at 30/6/69)	2,032.20
Less Depreciation	203.22
	1,828.98
Addition — Pump	92.55
	1,921.53
Lower Riverlea Farm, LKJ Milking Plant and Sundries (as at 30/6/69)	339.29
Less Depreciation	33.92
	305.37
Addition Milking Plant 350.40	505.57
Pump 482.83	
Sludge Pump 119.98	953.21
	1,258.58
Whiteley Farm, Milk Machine and Spray Outfit	2,474.55
(as at 30/6/69)	247.55
	2 227 00
Addition Water Pump	2,227.00
Water Supply 547.84	and the second sec
	902.97 3,129.97
Wai-iti Lease Farm, Milking Machines and Manure	
Tank (as at 30/6/69)	2,770.84
Less Depreciation	277.08 2,493.76
	8,803.84
Loan: Steffert — Due on Stock Interest Free	542.96
Shares:	
18 Producers Meat Ordinary, 1.00 F.P	18.00
5 Newton King Ltd 100 F.P.	1,262.00 5,00
18 Producers Meat Ordinary, 1.00 F.P.	754.00
Land and Buildings:	2.039.00
Riverlea Upper and Lower Farms, C.T. 46/67 and	
37/250 G.V. 69 Whiteley Pukearuhe, C.T. 138/247 and Other	99,400.00
PCHSE Price	90,000.00
Wai-iti Pukearuhe Lessee Int. C.T. 98/168,	No. 1 100 100 00
129/213	Not assessed 189,400.00
Total Assets	200,785.80
Liabilities: Overdraft:	
Residuary Accumulation Account	7,249.21
Less Income Account	6,305.32
Bank:	943.89
National Bank of New Zealand	9,132.26
Mortgage:	
8 Wilkinson 6% 17/4/83	30,000,00
B. Wilkinson 6% 17/4/83	30,000.00
Net Assets 30 June, 1969	159,643.51
Leaving Net Capital Worth:	
And Increases in Assets	159,643.51 1,603.67 161,247.18
Net Assets 30 June, 1969	159,643.51 1,603.67 161,247.18 537.53
Less Increases in Liabilities	159,643.51 1,603.67 161,247.18
And Increases in Assets	159,643.51 1,603.67 161,247.18 537.53

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ROBERT GIBSON METHODIST TRUST BOARD

RESIDUARY ACCUMULATION ACCOUNT

Residuary Accumulation	Accoun	t					
Capital Account: 30 June, 1969 to 30 June	, 1970						
Balance Overdraft Receipts:							5,181.12
National Bank					_		1,784.47
Steffert-due on Stock							297.04
Depreciation:							
Upper Riverlea Farm					203.22		
Lower Riverlea Farm					33.92		
Whiteley Farm				*****	247.55		
Wai-iti Lease Farm					277.08		761.77
Refund:							101.11
Cowshed							10.00
						TOTAL	\$2,327.84
Property Expenses:						IUIAL	\$2,521.04
Lower Riverlea Farm:							
Car Shed and Men's Ro	om				1,741.75		
Wall Heater					45.00		
Sludge Pit					335.52		
Sludge Pump					119.98		
Whiteley:							
Hut		*****	*****		60.00		
Costs re Mortgage	*****		*****		244.62		
Wai-iti Lease Farm: Hut					60.00		
Hut			******	*****	60.00		2,606.87
Plant and Implements:							2,000.07
Upper Riverlea - Electr	ical W	ork (vater p	ump)	92.55		
Lower Riverlea - Milkin					350.40		
-	g 1 10111				482.83		
Whiteley - Water Pum					355.13		
- Water Supp					547.84		
							1,828:75
Shares and Stock Units:							
Clifton Dairy Co.	•••••		•••••				135.75
Charge for Administratio	n						350.00
						TOTAL	4,921.37
Balance					01/	ERDRAFT	7,249.21
balance				*****	01	LINDRAFT	1,249.21

PUBLIC TRUST OFFICE — R. GIBSON METHODIST TRUST BOARD INCOME CASH STATEMENT 30th JUNE, 1969 to 30th JUNE, 1970

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Balance from Last Statement		 		CREDIT	2,990.29
Receipts:					
Farm Balances Transferred:					
Upper River!ea Farm		 	3,542.28		
Lower Riverlea Farm		 	3,939.16		
Whiteley Farm	*****	 	746.32		
			8,227.76		
Wai-iti Lease Farm		 	10.68		
Other Receipts:					8,217.08
Refund Bursary — Nixon		 			60.00
				TOTAL	11,267.37
Payments:				ISTAL	11,201.51
Other Expenses:					
Meeting Expenses					
Photostating Minutes		 	13.50 193.22		
Mileage Meals, etc.		 	50.00		
		 		256.72	
Re Bursaries and Grants		 	10.00		
Advertising and Printing Hall Repairs		 	10.08		
Sundry		 	46.00		
Legal		 	25.00	05.00	
				85.33	342.05
Distribution:					512.05
Bursaries and Grants:					
Wesley Training College:				1,330.00	
Under Section B:				1,550.00	
Under Section D:				220.00	
onder section D.				1,070.00	
Other Grants:					
Auckland Methodist Children's H		 	200.00		
Manaia Trust Masterton Children's Home		 	400.00		
Masterion cindren's rione		 	1,100.00	2,000.00	
					4,620.00
				TOTAL	4,962.05
				IUIAL	
Balance at End:					6,305.32

Hawera, N.Z.

THE GREY INSTITUTE TRUST

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR YEAR ENDING 30th JUNE, 1970.

EXPENDITURE			INCOME
Advertising, Printing and Stationery Land TaxPostages and Petties SecretaryGrant to Rangiatea College Trust City Rates Mission Hill Dwelling Special Renovations at Rangiatea Hostel Property Expenses Insurances Legal Expenses Commission Expenses Audit Fees (2 years)		\$ 26.82 1,070.62 27.58 700.00 3,200.00 65.17 229.21 1,040.47 113.78 11.30 67.60 134.30 50.40	Rentals
Surplus for Year	-	6,737.25 	\$13,751.34

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1970

LIABILITIES	.	ASSETS
Accumulated Funds as at 1/7/69Add Surplus for Year		Balance at Bank of N.S.W.

W. P. OKEY, Secretary.

AUDITOR'S REPORT

I hereby certify that I have examined the Income and Expenditure Account and the Balance Sheet of the Grey Institute Trust for the year ended 30th June, 1970. All receipts as shown by the Secretary's books have been banked and vouchers produced for all payments. I have also checked the various lessees accounts and found same in order. New Plymouth, Oth August, 1970. G. V. DUFF, A.C.A., Auditor.

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND - KAI IWI MISSION ESTATE

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1970

EXPENDIT	TURE				INCOME	-
General Expenses Interest (State Advances Mortgage) Depreciation Fund Reserve Grants to— Rangiatea Maori Boys' Hostel Income for Year			111 111	\$ 12.15 145.33 761.06 600.00 600.00 262.89	Repurchase Cheque Forms	90.00 0.24 30.13 61.06
				\$2,381.43	\$2,3	81.43

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MAORI BOYS HOSTEL FUND

Balance as Loan on Call with Methodist Home Mission and Church Extension Investment Funds Board	\$ 3,305.44 \$3,305.44	Transferred from Accumulated Add Grant for 1970 — Add Interest on Investment	Fund	111		111	\$ 2,617.34 600.00 88.10 \$3,305.44
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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1970

LIABILITIES		ASSETS
Mortgage, State Advances Corp Maori Boys' Hostel Fund Accumulated Funds as at 1/7/69 Less Transferred to Depreciation Fund Reserve (Accrued Interest) Less Transferred to Maori Boys' Hostel Fund Add Increase Valuation of Property Add Income for Year	32,028.41	Farm Property at Govt. Valuation 59,020 Less Depreciation Fund Reserve 4,000,00 And Accumulated Interest 1,483.51 Sundry Debtors 52 Bank N.S.W. Current Account 71 Depreciation Fund Investments: 71 Depreciation Fund Investments: 53,53 Local Body Loans 5,100.00 Loan H.M. and Church Extention Investment 5,48 Funds Board 3,30 \$63,55

Audited and found correct. D. R. SMART, Hon. Auditor.

24th August, 1970. ALAN O. JONES, Chairman. E. L. F. BUXTON, Hon, Secretary.

THE PROBERT TRUST BOARD OF THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1970

LIABILITIES		ASSETS		
\$	\$ 100,000.00	Freehold Properties:	\$ 35,160.00	\$
Capital Account	100,000.00	Buildings	67,946.97	
Income Account:	10.00	buildings		103,106.9
Balance as at 30th June, 1970	72,068.45	Buildings Renewal Fund Investments:		
Building Renewal Fund	99,000.00	Registered Stock:		
Government Valuation, 1/1/70:		Auckland City Council, 51% 1/10/75	4,000.00	
Unimproved Value		Auckland Harbour Board, 5% 10/8/70	4,000.00	
Value of Improvements 49,200.	00	Auckland Hospital Board, 53% 5/8/73 Auckland Hospital Board, 51% 1/4/76	6,000.00	
C200.000		Auckland Hospital Board, 53% 1/10/75	20,000.00	
\$389,000.	224.92	Auckland Regional Authority Drainage	13,000.00	
Realization Account	224.92	Division, 53% 1/7/76	6,000.00	
		Mortgages:	0,000.00	
		Ashby, P. and K. A., 71% 6/3/72	6,000.00	
		Blackwell, D. M. and J. D., 7% 1/11/71	7,000.00	
		Henry Cannell Ltd., 71% 18/3/72	5,000.00	
			14,000.00	
		B. G. Pirrit Ltd., 71% 26/7/72	5,000.00	
		Wong, S. Y. and L. M. Y., 71% 28/2/72	7,000.00	00.000.0
				99,000.0
		Loan:		12,000,0
		Trinity Methodist Theological College Mortgages:		12,000,0
		Hipperson, I. M. and J. C., 71% 3/5/71	5,250.00	
		Rasmussen, P. M., 71% 25/3/72	4,900.00	
		Reilly, A. and P., 71% 5/12/70	7,000.00	
		Starkey, H., 7% 21/12/70	5,250.00	
		Stringer, G. C. and Y. M., 71% 8/5/71	6,000.00	
		Thompson, R., 72% 29/3/11	5,500.00	
		Walker, R. K. and M. P., 71% 28/2/72	7,600.00	
		Wilson, B. R. and M. R., 71% 8/8/72	7,000.00	
		Part Office Carines Bank		48,500.0
		Post Office Savings Bank Bank of New Zealand:		01.0
		Current Account		7,865.5
		Cash in Hand		769.8
	\$271,303.37			\$271,303.3

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We have examined the books and accounts of the Probert Trust Board for the year ended 30th June, 1970, and certify that all our requirements as Auditors have been complied with. We report that the foregoing Balance Sheet is properly drawn up 50 as to exhibit a correct view of the Board's position on the 30th June, 1970, as shown by the books.

Auditors.

THE PROBERT TRUST BOARD OF THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1970

EXPENDITURE	s s	INCOME	
No. 3 Block Cottages, etc Rates Sundries: Audit Fee Costs of Photocopying Land Tax Sundries Sundries	768.62 532.00 1,247.56 723.60 3,271.78 532.24 686.21 63.00 41.60 480.62 116.08 500.00 956.15 2,157.45 29,369.02	N.Z. Government Stock Debentures and Registered Stock 1, P.O. Savings Bank	26,352.26 213.29 250.00 697.86 1.77 458.55 9,621.47 42.97
Appropriated to Building Renewal Fund Paid to Theological College Balance, 30th June, 1970	\$36,016.70 10,000.00 6,600.00 72,068.45 \$88,668.45	Balance, 30th June, 1969 Surplus for the Year	\$36,016.70 59,299.43 29,369.02 \$88,668.45

Auditors.

Examined and found correct.

A. R. MARTIN,

R. EVANS, T. L. HAMES, Member. F. M. IZZARD, Secretary.

THE PROBERT TRUST BOARD OF THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1970

1969—June 30 \$ To Balance at Credit of Bank of N.Z. 10,616. ", Cash in Hand	56 30 10,927.38 00 00 73 97 00 00 00	1970—June 30 \$ By General Expenses: Repairs, Maintenance and Renovations etc. 3,271.7/ Cost of Photocopying 41.6/ Rates 686.2 Insurance Premiums 532.2/ Audit Fee 63.0 Land Tax 480.6 Sundries 116.0 Secretary's Salary 500.0 Commission on Rent etc. Collected 956.11 "Theological College Trustees	0 1 4 0 2 8 6,647.68 6,600.00 8,000.00 7,000.00 0 - 35,000.00 1 7
	\$71,944.08	" Balance at Credit of P.O.S.B 61.0	7 - 8,696.40 \$71,944.08

Examined and found correct.

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A. R. MARTIN, R. EVANS,

Auditors.

PRINCE ALBERT COLLEGE TRUST BOARD

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1970

1969 \$ 1970 \$ Income: \$ \$ 13,087 Rentals—Shops 13,336 13,336 7,395 Private Hotel 7,395 7,395 4,201 Carparks 5,421 5,421 27,336 Commercial Buildings 28,720 478 212 Rates Collected—Shops 478 208 1,598 Interest 6,437 6,437 54,435 6,437 61,991 400 Administration Expenses 400 400 10 Advertising 263 263 211 Rent Collection and Supervision Carparks 271 1,298 Rent Collection Commercial Buildings 1,608 300 Rent Collection Hotel and Shops 300
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6,458 Depreciation—Buildings 6,858
19 Equipment
728 Insurance—Shops and General 1,016
6,894 Interest-Mortgages 6,091
433 Depositors
724 Land Tax
45 Drinting Stationary and Postages 60
1 1EC Dreparty Maintonance Change 910
1,738 Carparks 117
161 Buildings 1,097
245 Rates—Turner Street 259
223 Shops 235
156 Share Commercial Building Expenses 340
110 Sundry Expenses 104
362 Survey and Valuation Expenses
21,677 24,57
22.750 Note Currelys for Very
32,758 Nett Surplus for Year
Advanced Theological Study 700
100 Tripity College 100
400 Educational Assistance 92
800 1,19
\$31,958 Surplus Transferred to Accumulated Funds for the Year \$36,23

PRINCE ALBERT COLLEGE TRUST BOARD COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1970

1969 \$			1970 \$	s
4,829 1,626 634 616	Current Assets: Funds at Bank of New Zealand DebtorsRecoverable Expenses Interest Accrued PrepaymentsInsurance	\$	3 13,708 1,405 2,984 616	\$
7,705				18,713
4,577 508	Less Current Liabilities: Prepaid RentAccrued Interest on Deposits		3,521 1,738	
5,085				5,259
2,620	Nett Working Funds			13,454
35,000 21,500 5,000	N.Z. Insurance Company Trust Fund No. 1, 3 year deposit		124,000 24,500 5,000	
23,572 4,759	Mortgage Redemption Sinking Fund No. 1		27,556 6,391	
89,831				187,447
76	Fixed Assets Cost Accumulated Depreciation	67		
330,818 122,000 10,857 2,000	Buildings	323,960 122,000 10,857 2,248		
465,751	478,195 19,063		459,132	

63,000 No. 1 Mortgage 64%—\$120,000 Less Repaid \$60,000 60,000 32,000 No. 2 Mortgage 7% — \$36,000 Less Repaid \$7,200 28,800 35,200 Funds Held on Deposit by Methodist Trust Board 106,999 130,200 195,799	
	22
263,3	53
\$335,551 Nett Assets \$464,2	34
Accumulated Funds:	-
396,044 As at June 30th, 1970 428,002	
31,958 Plus Surplus from 1970 Operations 36,232	
\$428,002 \$464,2	34

Note 1 Valuation: The current Government Valuation of the land and buildings above is \$686,000.

Note 2 Sinking Funds: Reversionary bonuses have been credited on both sinking funds but have not been included. The approximate current value of these credits is \$7,973.

Note 3 Contingent Liabilities: Uninvoiced architect's fees of approximately \$3,000 have not been included.

AUDITOR'S REPORT:

I hereby certify that I have examined the books and vouchers of the Prince Albert College Trust. In my opinion the above Income and Expenditure Account and the Balance Sheet have been properly drawn up so as to show a true and fair view of the Trust's affairs as at June 30th, 1970.

Auckland, September, 1970.

J. C. WIGGLESWORTH, B.Com., A.P.A.N.Z., A.C.I.S.

THE JAMES AND MARTHA TROUNSON BENEVOLENT TRUST FUND BOARD INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FROM 1st JULY, 1969 to 30th JUNE, 1970.

	E	XPENDI	TURE			INCOME	5
Grants Expenses	 =	Ξ	-	11	 1,338.00 68.44 \$1,406.44	Interest Harbour Bridge Loan No. 9 Interest Government Stock Interest Bank of New Zealand Interest Auckland Savings Bank Investment Account Interest Auckland Savings Bank General Account Excess of Expenditure over Income	585.00 581.00 27.39 45.00 17.30 150.75 \$1,406.44

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1970

LIABILITIES	ASSETS
Trust Fund Account 23,620.00 Income Account 2,475.87	Auckland Harbour Bridge Loan No. 9 43% 12,000.00 1971 12,000.00 N.Z. Government Inscribed Stock 5% 1974- 1976 11,620.00 Auckland Savings Bank Investment Account Bank of New Zealand 605.74 1,000.00 870.13 2,475.87
\$26,095.87	\$25,095.87

Audited and found correct.

J. C. WIGGLESWORTH, B.Com., A.C.A., A.C.I.S. Auckland, 15th July, 1970. L. W. PEAK, Chairman. E. E. SAGE, Secretary,

AUCKLAND METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME AND ORPHANAGE - MOUNT ROSKILL

REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1970

1970 \$

\$

9,846.42

4,081.50 _____ 13,927.92 18,004.81 \$31,932.73

9,786.72 8,218.09

\$18,004.81

	1969 \$	\$ 1970 \$ \$	1969 \$		19 \$
	11,595 To Wages 3,450 ,, Provisions 1,298 ,, Repairs and Maintenance 1,408 ,, Clothing and Shoes	11,575.91 5,051.57 1,223.85 1,833.03	8,232 3,536	Maintenance: Parents Family Benefit Government Subsidy	4,834.12 5,897.39 3,693.99
	473 "Garden 1,368 ", Power and Fuel 314 ", Printing and Stationery 31 ", Medical and Dental Expenses	416.65 1,353.28 657.64 65.25	11,768 5,495	Less Paid to Foster Parents	14,425.50 4,579.08
	435 ,, Postage and Telephones	556.80 999.08 204.49 537.07 307.70	6,273 475 " 2,580	Donations: Connexional Budget Auckland United Orphanages Council	317.50
375	687 ,, Rates	733.43 50.00 724.06 50.50	1,200 200 47 100	J. R. McKenzie Trust Auckland Savings Bank Churches Ladies' Committee Robert Gibson Trust	200.00 45.00 100.00
	4,020 ,, Depreciation Bad Debts School Fees and Books Laundry	4,367.95 	100 818	Robert Gibson Trust Walters Farm Trust General	200.00 100.00 252.00
	\$27,630 15,837 To Deficit on Working for Year Brou	\$31,932.73 ught Down 18,004.81	11,793 15,837 \$27,630	Income for Home Purposes Deficit on Working for Year	5
			93 " 3,111 5,573	Investment Income: Dividends Interest Leasehold and Ground Rent	216.48 4,087.15 5,483.09
	and the second se		7,060 ,,	Net Deficit for Year	
	\$15,837	\$18,004.81	15,837		\$

AUCKLAND METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME AND ORPHANAGE - MOUNT ROSKILL

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1970

	LIABILITIES	
3	S \$ \$ \$ Add Legacies Estates of—	Fixed Prop Ep W M Ac Ac
376	Capital Distribution E. Astley & Sons Ltd Less Net Deficit for Year 8,218.09	Le Of Furn Ac
	Endowment Legacies: 266,097.01 Eliza Gilmore Trust	Le M Inve Go
	F. E. Finlay Holiday Fund 14,583.96 Add Interest 649.90 15,233.86 21,633.86	Sh

ASSETS		s	5
Fixed Assets: Properties—			
Epsom—Sections at Valuation Wesley—Sections at Valuation			21,000.00 31,150.00
		18,906.84	51,150.00
	-		20,586.24
Add Additions	_	122,870.00 3,753.48	
Less Depreciation		126,623.48	123,576.00
Office-Central Mission Building			4,233.00
Furnishings and Plant Add Additions	_	7,147.00 3,380.47	
		10,527.47	
Less Depreciation		955.47	9,572.00
Motor Vehicle and Motor Mowers	-		1,461.00
Government and Local Body Stock \$36,80 at Cost (including investments of Endow			
ment Legacies)		36,565.00	
Shares E. Astley & Sons Limited 180 Ordinary \$1 Shares at Valuation		2,706.00	
Deposit Prince Albert College Trust Boar at 61%	rd	22,400.00	
			61,671.00

Current Liabilities: Sundry Creditors Ground Rent and Payments in Advance Sunshine Funds	2,013.39 1,112.86 24.87 3,151.12	Specific Investments—F. E. Finlay Holding Fund: A.R.A. Stock 1/8/71 at Par Prince Albert College Trust Board at 6½% Auckland Savings Bank Sundry Debtors Current Assets: Bank of New Zealand Payment in Advance and Sundry Debtors Stock on Hand	559.89 15,233.85 1,057.97 1,240.92 100.00 2,398.89
			\$290,881.99
377	\$290,881.99	Trounson Bequest—With General Purposes Trust Board	\$1,020.00

AUDITOR'S REPORT

I have examined the books and accounts of the Auckland Children's Home and Orphanage for the year ended 30th June, 1970, 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 by the books of the Trust.

Mrs J. DIVERS, Treasurer.

A. R. W. GREGORY, F.C.A., Chartered Accountant.

MASTERTON METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1970

1969		1970	1969		1970	0
\$	Current Liabilities:	\$ \$	\$	Current Assets:	\$	\$
3,372	Sundry Creditors	1,56	358	Bank of New Zealand		216
50	Deep Freeze Fund	8		Depreciation Fund Account:		2:0
	Capital being Excess of Assets over Liabilities:			Balance 30/6/69 Added 1970	1,569	
	Balance at 30/6/69	61,854		Less Equipment Purchased	78	
	Legacies — Est. F. A. W. Frost Est. A. M. Hampton	4,735	1,569			1,788
	Est. D. Smith	95	1,040	Sundry Debtors		2,084
	Est. E. B. Hume Est. G. E. Hare	5,300	28	Livestock		140
	Newcombe Trust	140	2,995			4,228
		73,446	60 395	Investments: Held by Wellington Board		68,005
	Less Excess of Expenditure over		00,575	Fixed Assets:		00,005
	Income	1,217		Land and Buildings (vested in Wel- lington Board \$46,178)		
61,854	Balance of Capital 30/6/70	72,22		Furniture and Plant at 30/6/69	1,866	
			-	Additions (Net)	78 297	
			1,866	Total Fixed Assets	-	1,647
\$65,256		\$73,88	\$65,256		-	\$73,880

I have examined the books and vouchers of the Masterton Methodist Children's Home for the year ended 30th June, 1970, and have obtained all the information and explanations I have required.

In my 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, 1970, and the result of its transactions for the year ended at that date. Carterton,

18th August, 1970.

I. L. CLARKE, A.C.A. Auditor. J. F. CODY, F.C.A., Secretary-Treasurer.

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\$ 1969 7,479 5,089 2,734 854 71 20 81 34 1,408 105 22 524 407 359 26 120 476 284 178 60 18 2,000 331	Drapery and Clothing	7; 1, 1, 5; 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1	\$ \$ 70 2,61 250 1,83 712 5,400 366 1,033 605 2,197 71 1,200 30 500 55 400 403 71 522 2,255 481 4,544 468 1,201 515 60 - 2 206 0,000 297 -	1 Connexional Budget	
\$22,680		\$22,	,954 \$22,68	0	\$22,954

MASTERTON METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1970

SOUTH ISLAND METHODIST ORPHANAGE INVESTMENT BOARD

REVENUE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH, 1970

1969		1970	1969	1970	0
1 4,0	55 Expenses and Commissions 16 Interest Payable 10 Grant to Children's Home 15 Surplus for Year (1969)	\$ \$ <u>48</u> <u>6,000</u> <u>6,048</u>	Interest Receivable: 321 Bank	\$ 611 5,154	\$ 5,765 283
\$5,5	36	\$6,048	\$5,536		\$6,048

BALANCE SHEET AT 31st MARCH, 1970

1969		19	970	1969					1	970
\$ 4,611	Current Liabilities: Children's Home and Orphanage	\$ 1,000	\$	\$ 5,558 115	Current Assets: Bank of New Zea Post Office Savin		k	-	\$ 6,413 118	\$
92,363	Capital Account: Balance at 31 March, 1969 Add (i) Capital Profit on Invest- ment	108,772		1,265 14,779	Accrued Interest Other Current As Total Current Investments:	sets	111		1,255	7,786
11,893 5,119	(ii) Legacies Received (iii) Govt. Subsidy Received	24,767 8,150 142,265		5,520 15,166 67,995	Loans to Trusts Mortgages Local Body and			=	5,478 26,912 60,010	92,400
(1,928)	Less Transfers to Home Account (i) Barrington (ii) Harewood Alterations, Cost to Date	42,796		2,985	Other Assets	-	-	-		-
+ 1,325	Less Deficit for Year Capital at 31 March, 1970	99,469 283	99,186							
\$113,383		5	100,186	\$113,383					-	\$100,186

We have examined the books of account and records of the South Island Methodist Orphanage Investment Board for the year ended 31st March, 1970. In our opinion, according to the information and explanations given to us, and as shown by the said books of account, the Revenue Account and Balance Sheet are properly drawn up so as to give respectively a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Board as at 31st March, 1970, and of its income and expenditure for the year ended on that date.

H. C. MATTHEWS, Chairman. O. T. WOODFIELD, Secretary. C. R. HASSELDINE, Treasurer. Christchurch, 26th May, 1970. CAYGILL, HIBBARD, PAYNE & HILSON Chartered Accountants

SOUTH ISLAND METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME

BALANCE SHEET AT 31st MARCH, 1970

\$		\$	\$	\$
1969	Current Liabilities:		1970	
2,116	Sundry Creditors			1,179
20,125	Capital		20,125	
72,291	Accumulated Funds at 31/3/69 Add Transfers from Invest-	69,762		
1,928	ment Board Harewood Alterations Barrington Street	42,796		
(4,457)	Less Deficit for Year	112,558 6,921		
69,762			105,637	
775 6	Reserves: Renovations Sports Equipment		775	
	Total Capital & Reserve	es		126,53

969			1970	-
\$ 2,256 90 321 875 4,611	Current Assets: Bank of New Zealand Petty Cash P.O.S.B Connexional Budget S.I. Investment Board Sundry Debtors	\$	\$ 650 90 331 1,150	\$ 2,221
19,834	Fixed Assets: Land— Harewood Rd. — Barrington St. —	15,569 4.375	19,944	
23,815	Harewood Home Less Depreciation	23,815	23,220	
1,025	Harewood Home Altns Harewood Dwelling Less Depreciation	1,025	42,796	
5,363	Harewood Furnishings Less Depreciation	5,720 572	5,148	
29,130	Barrington St. Home Less Depreciation	29,130 582	28,548	
4,672	Barrington St. Furnishings Less Depreciation	4,672	4,205	
344	Less Depreciation	344 68	276	

		448	Bedford Van 448 Less Depreciation 90 Total Fixed Assets	358 125,495
CO2 704	\$127,716	\$92,784		\$127,716
\$92,784	\$121,110	\$72,104		\$121,110

We have examined the books of account and records of the South Island Methodist Children's Home for the year ended 31st March, 1970. In our Opinion, according to the information and explanations given to us, and as shown by the said books of account, the Revenue Account and Balance Sheet are properly drawn up so as to give respectively a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Home as at 31st March, 1970, and of its income and expenditure for the year ended on that date.

Christchurch,

H. C. MATTHEWS, Chairman. O. T. WOODFIELD, Secretary. C. R. HASSELDINE, Treasurer. 26th May, 1970. CAYGILL, HIBBARD, PAYNE & HILSON, Chartered Accountants.

SOUTH ISLAND METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME REVENUE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH, 1970

1969 \$ 600 2,566 1,269 5,474 507 2,182 580 424 685 2,015 15,109 124 592 121 568 2,559	Administration Charges Board Payments Grounds Expenses Cleaning Clothing and Drapery House supplies Insurance Power, Light and Heat Music Lessons Medical Supplies Pocket Money Rates Repairs and Maintenance Salaries and Wages School Requisites Stationery and General Telephone and Tolls Travelling and Acenteral Telephone and Tolls Travelling and Acenteral Travelling and Acenteral Travelling and Acenteral Depreciation	Harewood \$ 9 372 9 372 9 372 4.394 4.28 2,719 77 34 540 353 715 1,415 13,540 480 197 523 92	197 Barrington \$ 28 64 989 115 420 1 68 47 87 256 1,739 8 2 54	Total \$ 800 2,269 9 400 995 5,383 543 3,139 3,139 3,139 400 802 1,671 15,279 78 482 251 523 92 2,399	1969 \$ 17,108 3,438 3,900 783 705 296 655 61 40 4,488 4,000 4,457 \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$	Maintenance Fees Connexional Budget Combined Orphanage Appeal McKenzie Trust Arthur Hall Fletcher Donations: Sundry In Kind Interest Miscellaneous Receipts Rents Grant from Investment Board Deficit for Year		1970 \$ 14,50 3,02: 3,21: 78:
\$35,891			- 5	\$36,235	\$35.891	No. of the second s		\$36,235

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND — SUPERNUMERARY FUND REVENUE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1970

1969		1970	1969			197	10
\$		\$ \$	\$			\$	\$
2,759 565 34 7,597	Administration Charges Stationery and General Expenses Insurance Interest: Paid to Allied Funds Fund Disbursements: Annuities	3,344 687 28 4,059 8,680 25,501		Subsidy Portion Payable by Contributors		20,588 29,130 1,753	51,471
28,054 5,962 1,886	Furniture Grants Refunds of Contributions on Resignation	2,760 1,708 29,969 42,708	289 1,672 16,409 857	Commissions Investment Income: Bank Interest Local Body Stock Mortgages Dividends		414 1,771 16,074 1,323	518
36,997	Balance Transferred to Accumulated Funds	43,539	22,523 (10,714)	Property Income: Epworth Chambers	= =	22,728 14,573	8,155
			5,800 (4) (1,052)	Century Property: Rents Less (1) Expenses (2) Interest	<u>32</u> 2,148	8,700	
		the second	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1				6,521
\$83,854		\$86,247	\$83,854				\$86,247

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND — SUPERNUMERARY FUND BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1970

Current Liabilities: Current Assets: 1,681 Creditors	1969		1970	1969		197	0
	\$ 1,681 844 1,703 1,052 2,938 75,087 5,610 64,654 36,650 10,000 426,085 (41,790)	Creditors	\$ 	\$ 30 16,248 1,480 395 2,528 1,305 34,518 245,877 20,233 211,687	Cash in Hand Bank of N.Z. Current Account Bank of N.Z. Term Deposit Subscriptions Due: Personal Subsidy Interest Accrued Sundry Debtors Investments: Local Body Stocks First Mortgages Shares at Cost Property: Epworth Chambers	\$ 5,616 15,000 988 312 2,638 3,711 33,612 246,379 42,928 211,688 87,310	0 \$ 28,295 322,919 298,998

We have examined the books of account and records of the Methodist Church Supernumerary Fund for the year ended 30th June, 1970. In our opinion, according to the information and explanations given to us, and as shown by the said books of account, the Revenue Account and Balance Sheet are properly drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Fund as at 30th June, 1970, and of its income and expenditure for the year ended on that date.

CAYGILL, HIBBARD, PAYNE & HILSON, Chartered Accountants.

Christchurch, 11th September, 1970.

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W. E. CLOTHIER, Chairman. W. R. LAWS, Secretary. C. R. HASSELDINE, Treasurer.

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND - SUPERNUMERARY FUND and BENEVOLENT FUND INCOME and EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1970

1969 \$ 138 \$138	Grants Excess of Income over Expenditure	\$	970 \$ 269 \$ \$269	1969 \$ 138 \$138	Interest Received Excess of Grants over Inc	ome	\$	1970
		ACCUM	ULATED R	EVENUE ACC	OUNT			
288 138 \$426	Deficit Balance Excess of Grants over Income Credit Balance 30/6/70		122 85 \$207	138 288 \$426	Balance at 30/6/69 Net Income for Year Donations Received		-	
		BALANCE	SHEET AS	AT 30th JUI	NE, 1970			
2,800 138	Capital Accumulated Revenue	= =	2,800	2,938	Deposit with Supernumer	rary Fund	-	2,885

	Capital	-	-	 	2,800 85	2,938	Deposit with	Supernumerary	Fund	-	-	2,885
		*										
\$2,938				 	\$2,885	\$2,938		1	-		-	\$2,885

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND - HOME ACQUIREMENT FUND

CONTRIBUTORS ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1970

1969	1970	1969	1970
216	Funds Withdrawn 5,810 Subsidies Forfeited 127 Balance of Contributors Accounts at 30/6/70 77,555	71,444 Balance 30 June, 1969 2,077 Add Personal Contributions 842 Subsidies 3,443 Interest on Accounts Special Bonus Allocation	
\$77,806	\$83,492	\$77,806	\$83,492

INCOME and EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1970

388	286	Interest Allowed to Contributors Administration Charges	3,748 347 70 122	3,582 Interest Earned 216 Subsidies Forfeited 6 Excess of Expenditure over Income	4,160
	\$3,804		\$4,287	\$3,804	4,287

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND - HOME ACQUIREMENT FUND

ACCUMULATED REVENUE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1970

1969			19	70	1969			1970	
6	Balance 30 June, 1969 Excess of Expenditure over Incon Balance 30 June, 1970	ie		306	1,593	Balance 30 June, 1969 Income and Expenditure Account	Ξ	Ξ	184 122
\$1,593				\$306	\$1,593				\$306

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1970

w	40 73,304	Sundry Creditor—Fire Interest Accrued Contributors Accounts Accumulated Revenue	 Fund	1111	163 40 77,555 307	75,087	Supernumerary	Fund Deposit	-1 -	78	8,065
00	\$75,087				\$78,065	\$75,087				\$78	8,065

We have examined the books of account and records of the Methodist Church Home Acquirement Fund for the year ended 30th June, 1970. In our opinion, according to the information and explanations given to us, and as shown by the said books of account, the Contributors Account, Income and Expenditure Account, Accumulated Revenue Account and Balance Sheet are properly drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Fund as at 30th June, 1970, and of its income and expenditure for the year ended on that date.

Christchurch,

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11th September, 1970. CAYGILL, HIBBARD, PAYNE & HILSON, Chartered Accountants. W. E. CLOTHIER, Ghairman. W. R. LAWS, Secretary. C. R. HASSELDINE, Treasurer.

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND - HOME MISSIONARIES RETIRING FUND

CONTRIBUTORS ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1970

1969 \$ 443 Funds Withdrawn 4,690 Balance 30th June, 1970	1970 \$ 195 6,011	1969 \$ 3,599 536 734	Balance 30 June, 1969 Contributions: Personal Budget Subsidy	 \$	1970 \$ 4,690 470 734
		264	Interest Allowed	 	1,204 312
\$5,133	\$6,206	\$5,133			\$6,206

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1970

390	30 26	Interest Allowed Administration Charges Stationery and General Expenses Excess of Income over Expenditure			312 36 25 16	311 Interest Earned 9 Excess of Expediture over Income	389
	\$320				\$389	\$320 \$	5389

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND - HOME MISSIONARIES RETIRING FUND

ACCUMULATED REVENUE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1970

1969 \$		2.	1970 \$	1969 \$		100		-	1970 \$
	Deficit for Year Balance 30 June, 1970		253	244	Balance 30 June, 1969 Net Income for Year	-	-	-	237 16
\$244			\$253	\$244					\$253

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1970

	4,690 1,290 236	Contributors' Accounts Accumulated Fund: Balance 30 June, 1969 Balance Revenue Account	 1,289 253	6,010	6 Interest Accrued 600 Local Body Stock 5,610 Deposit Account Supernumerary Fund Sundry Debtors	7,366
391	\$6,216		a ser a ser de	\$7,552	\$6,216	\$7,552

We have examined the books of account and records of the Methodist Church Home Missionaries Retiring Fund for the year ended 30 June, 1970. In our opinion, according to the information and explanations given to us, and as shown by the said books of account, the Contributors Account, Income and Expenditure Account, Accumulated Revenue Account and Balance Sheet are properly drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Fund as at 30th June, 1970, and of its income and expenditure for the year ended on that date.

Christchurch,

11th September, 1970.

CAYGILL, HIBBARD, PAYNE & HILSON, Chartered Accountants. W. E. CLOTHIER, Chairman. W. R. LAWS, Secretary. C. R. HASSELDINE, Treasurer.

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND — DEACONESS RETIRING FUND CONTRIBUTORS ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1970

1969		1970	1969						1970
2,476 Contributions and Interest Withdrawn Subsidies Surrendered	-	7,956	46,629	Balance 30 June, Contributions:	1969	-	-		52,03
242 (a) To Fund		-	1,975	Personal		S		1,732	
 (b) To Budget Account 		236	3,315	Budget				3,290	
52,036 Balance 30 June, 1970		51,957							5,02
			2,835	Interest Allowed	t t				3,09
\$54,754		\$60,149	\$54,754						\$60,14

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1970

2,835 Interest Allowed 225 Administration Charges 57 Stationery and General Expenses 347 Annuity Paid	 3,090 273 70 347	242	Interest Earned Subsidies Surrendered Income Mabel Morley	 	111	 4,012 376
3,464 455 Net Income to Accumulated Revenue \$3,919	 608 4,388	\$3,919				\$4,388

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND - DEACONESS RETIRING FUND

ACCUMULATED REVENUE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1970

1969 \$ 3,259 \$3,259	Balance 30 June, 1970	-		1970 \$ 3,866 \$3,866	1969 \$ 2,804 455 \$3,259	Balance 30 June, 1969 Net Income for Year	1970 \$ 3,258 608 \$3,866
			BALANCE	SHEET AS	AT 30th JU	NE, 1970	
 570 52,036 52,606 11,010 3,259	Liabilities: Creditors Contributors Accounts Total Liabilities Accumulated Funds: Capital Accumulated Revenue			52,743 14,876	2,000 200 21 64,654	Assets: Local Body Stock Sundry Debtors Accrued Interest Deposit Supernumerary Fund	659 66,960
\$ 66,875				\$67,619	\$66,875	and the second sec	\$67,619

We have examined the books of account and records of the Methodist Church Deaconess Retiring Fund for the year ended 30th June, 1970. In our opinion, according to the information and explanations given to us, and as shown by the said books of account, the Contributors Account, Income and Expenditure Account, Accumulated Revenue Account and Balance Sheet are properly drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Fund as at 30th June, 1970, and of its income and expenditure for the year ended on that date.

Christchurch,

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11th September, 1970. CAYGILL, HIBBARD, PAYNE & HILSON, Chartered Accountants. W. E. CLOTHIER, Chairman. W. R. LAWS, Secretary. C. R. HASSELDINE, Treasurer.

BOARD OF MANAGEMENT CONNEXIONAL OFFICE

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1970

1969 \$		\$ 1970 \$ \$	1969 \$	1970 S
15	Advertising	52.49	12,576 Appropriation	16,100.00
150	Interest	150.00	2 Board Room Rents	1.00
161	Lighting and Heating	161.94		2,596.00
760		760.00		
86	Repairs to Equipment	149.84 14,368.91	16 Sundry Sales	
167	Travel Expenses	158.58	1,520 Dencit for real	
427	Telephones, P.O. Box & Postages	603.56		
782	Stationery and General Expenses	765.03		
513	Depreciation on Office Equipment	468.35		
16	House Property Account:	23.50		
90	Interest	90.00		
58	Repairs	419.47		
134 215	Rates	148.69 212.49		
215	Depreciation on Furniture	894.15	and the second second	
16,784		18,532.85		
-	Excess of Income over Expenditure	175.42		
\$16,784		\$18,708.27	\$16,784	\$18,708.27

BOARD OF MANAGEMENT CONNEXIONAL OFFICE BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1970

1969			1970	1969			1970
\$ 225 130 150 611	Current Liabilities: Bank Overdraft Sundry Creditors Accrued Interest Payable Balance Due Children's Fund Balance Due Contingent Fund	\$ 527.13 631.57 22.40 744.89	\$	\$ 50 94 26 375	Current Assets: Bank Balance Cash in Hand N.A.C. Bulk Air Account Prepayments Sundry Debtors Church Budget Account	\$ 312.76 50.00 133.00 437.10 796.00	ş
3,000 3,000 1,000 36 5,523 1,328	Total Current Liabilities Loans: General Purposes Trust Fire Insurance Fund Beserves: Salaries Fluctuation Reserve House Maintenance Reserve Balance 30th June, 1969 Balance for Year	3,000.00 1,000.00 35.62 4,195.07	1,925.99 6,000.00 1,035.62 4,370.49	5,243 1,937 3,554 1,068	Total Current Assets Fixed Assets: House Property — 17 Merivale Lae House Furniture 2,133.49 Less Depreciation 212.49 Office Furnishings 3,619.35 Less Depreciation 361.35 Office Equipment 1,068.00 Additions 12.20.00 1,288.00 Less Depreciation 107.00 Total Fixed Assets	5,243.24 1,921.00 3,258.00 1,181.00	1,728.86
\$12,347			\$13,332.10	\$12,347	A income the second		\$13,332.10

A. A. DINGWALL, Chairman. W. R. LAWS, Secretary. C. R. HASSELDINE, Treasurer.

Audited and found correct.

W. E. CLOTHIER, B.Com., A.C.A., A.I.A.N.Z., A.C.I.S. 3rd October, 1970.

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND - CONNEXIONAL FIRE INSURANCE FUND

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st MAY, 1970

1969 \$	\$	1970 \$	1969 S		s 1	970 \$
1,000	Current Liabilities: Loans from General Purposes Trust	-	20	Current Assets:	20	
114	Premiums Payable to Reinsurers 3,2 Sundry Creditors 2		467	Bank of N.Z. (Current Account) Bank of N.Z. Term Deposit	2,610 25,000	
			-	Sundry Debtors	616	
1,114	Provisions:	3,421	5,022	Premiums from Trusts etc. due to Fund	1,691	
14,000	Provisions for Grants	13,500	2,573	Accrued Interest Prepayments of Premiums to	2,385	
500	Doubtful Debts Reserve			Reinsurers	1,615	
3,118 8,109	Natural Calamities Fund 3,1 Investment Contingency Reserve 8,1			Balance Held by Sharebrokers	2,000	-
11,727		11,727	18,082	Total Current Assets		35,937
	Accumulated Funds: Capital Funds 31st May, 1969 161,2		55,490 6,000	First Mortgages Loans to Church Trusts and Boards	38,000	
158,452 2,800	Add Transfer from Appropriation A/c 2,8		109,232	Local Body Stock		
	164.0	52	170,722			157,171
711		08				
161,963		164,460				
\$188,804		\$193,108	\$188,804		-	\$193,108

A. A. DINGWALL, Chairman.

C. R. HASSELDINE. Treasurer.

W. R. LAWS, Secretary,

We have examined the books of account and records of the Methodist Church Connexional Fire Insurance Fund for the year ended 31st May, 1970, and have obtained all the information and explanations that we have required. Because of changes in the method ot accounting for premiums and the introduction of common reinsurance and renewal dates, the Profit and Loss Account reflects past profits which had not previously been taken into account (Note on the accounts). Subject to the above, in our opinion the Balance Sheet, Profit and Loss Account and Profit and loss Appropriation Account are properly drawn up so as to give respectively a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Fund as at 31st May, 1970, and of its income and expenditure for the year ended on that date. Christchurch. CAYGILL, HIBBARD, PAYNE & HILSON,

31st July, 1970.

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Chartered Accountants.

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND - CONNEXIONAL FIRE INSURANCE FUND

1969		1970	1969		-1	970
	Administration Charges Stationery and General Expenses Unpaid Premiums Written Off Profit for year before cost of insurance boo by Fund	\$ 4,800 	\$ 13,021 291 151 6,043 3,355 —	Net Commission earned before charg- ing costs of Insurance borne by Fund (Note 1) Interest Earnings: Bank Loans Local Body Stock Mortgages Other Interest	\$ 755 121 5,724 3,059 103	\$ 15,632
			9,841	Premiums Written Off Subsequently Recovered		9,762 13
\$22,862		\$25,407	\$22,862			\$25,407

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31st MAY, 1970

PROFIT AND LOSS APPROPRIATION ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31st MAY, 1970

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2,800	Transfer to Capital Profits Available for Church:	2,800	20 Balance 31st May, 190 17,991 Profit for Year	69	 - 711
-	(a) Cost of Insurance on No Charge Basis	3.713	17,991 Plott for fear		 _ 19,110
14,000	(b) Provision for Grants	13,500			
500 711	Transfer to Doubtful Debts Reserve	408			
\$18,011		\$20,421	\$18,011		\$20,421

Note on the Accounts:

There is an "exceptional" Profit element of \$1,690 in the profit for the year due to changes in the method of accounting for premiums with the introduction of common renewal and reinsurance dates.

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND — REMOVAL EXPENSES FUND INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1970

1969		5	1970	1969			s	1970 \$
10,069	Removal Costs	8,551.11 250.00			Budget Allocation Less Refunded to Budget	=	11,000.00 1,000.00	
54	Stationery and General Expenses		8,301.11 26.87	9,000	Interest Receivable	-		10,000.00 50.04
10,123	Excess of Income over Expenditure		8,327.98 1,722.06	1,079	Excess of Expenditure Income	over		
\$10,123			\$10,050.04	\$10,123				\$10,050.04

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1970

1969 \$ 240 1,528 (1,079)	Sundry Creditors Accumulated Funds: Bajance 30th June, 1969 Income for Year	\$ 1970 \$ <u>\$</u> 449.96 1,722.06	1969 S Current Assets: 610 Bank of New Zealand 5 P.O. Sundry Account 74 Sundry Debtors	\$ 1,666.65 5.37 500.00	
449 \$689	Accumulated Funds 30/6/70	2,172.02 \$2,172.02	Total Current Assets \$689	-	2,172.02 \$2,172.02

A. DINGWALL, Chairman, Board of Management
 C. R. HASSELDINE, General Treasurer.
 W. R. LAWS, General Secretary.

Audited and found correct.

W. E. CLOTHIER, B.Com., A.C.A., A.I.A.N.Z., A.C.I.S. 20th September, 1970.

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND - TRANSPORT TRUST BOARD (INC.)

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1970

1969		\$ 197	1969 \$ \$		1970
	Current Liabilities:	*	34,087	Secured Advances	\$ 46,162
2,535	Bank of N.Z. Overdraft	3,914			
40	Sundry Creditors	48			
522	Interest Accrued	110			
3,097	Total Current Liabilities		4,072		
-,	Loans:				
20,000	General Purposes Trust	20,950			
1,800	General Purposes Trust	1 000			
1,000	(Methven Account)	1,800			
1,000	& Educational Endowment Trust	1,000			
2,000	Wesley Social Services Trust	2,000			
2,000	Home Missions Department	2,000			
-	Connexional Fire Insurance Fund	8,000			
-	Hamilton Trust	2,000			
26,800	Total Loans		37,750		
20,000	Accumulated Funds:				
4,041	Balance 30th June, 1969	4,190			
149	Add Income for Year	150		And and the second second	
4,190	Balance 30th June, 1970		4,340		
		-			
\$34,087		\$	46,162 \$34,087		\$46,162

H. C. MATTHEWS, Chairman. W. R. LAWS, Secretary. C. R. HASSELDINE, Treasurer.

We have examined the books of account and records of the Methodist Church Transport Trust Board Incorporated for the year ended 30th June, 1970. In our opinion, according to the information and explanations given to us, and as shown by the said books of account, the Income and Expenditure Account and Balance Sheet are properly drawn up so as to give respectively a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Methodist Transport Trust Board Incorporated as at 30th June, 1970, and of its Income and Expenditure for the year ended on that date.

Christchurch, 15th July, 1970. CAYGILL, HIBBARD, PAYNE & HILSON, Chartered Accountants.

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND - TRANSPORT TRUST BOARD (INC.)

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1970

	1969	and the second second			1970	1969		1970
400	1,110	Administration Charges Interest Payable Stationery and General Expenses	=	111	300 1,337 52	1,476 Interest Receivable	-	 - 1,839
	149	Excess of Income over Expenditure	_		1,689 150			
	\$1,476				\$1,839	\$1,476		\$1,839

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METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND - CHILDREN'S FUND

INCOME AN DEXPENDITURE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1970

	Allowances to Ministers Postages and General Expenses	11		\$ 1970 9,275 42		Grant from Connexional Budget		1970 \$ 10,000
9,912 \$9,912	Excess of Income over Expenditure	-	-	9,317 683 \$10,000	8,514 1,398 \$9,912	Excess of Expenditure over Income	-	10,000

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1970

1969 \$		1970 \$ \$	Current Assets: Balances Held by Board and Management,
4 41	Current Liabilities:		Connexional Office 632
41 493		483 483	
	Accumulated Funds:	105	
864 Deficit	Balance at 30/6/69 (Deficit)	534	
1,398	Excess of Income over Expenditure for Year	683	
Deficit			
534	Accumulated Funds 30/6/70	149	
		\$632	\$632

A. A. DINGWALL, Chairman, Board of Management Connexional Office. Audited and found correct. C. R. HASSELDINE, General Treasurer. W. E. CLOTHIER, B.Com., A.C.A., A.C.I.S., W. R. LAWS, General Secretary. 7th August, 1970. Auditor.

NOTE ON ACCOUNTS:

There has not been any dramatic fall in children eligible for grants, but in 1968-69 when allowances began to be paid "direct" from the Connexional Office, the former practice of paying "arrears" in the March quarter was discontinued. Hence all allowances now begin immediately after notification. The 1968-69 year reflected the "overtaking" of the arrears, i.e. Rule 7 of the Fund (p. 130 Law Book) is not now being applied.

METHODIST CONFERENCE CONTINGENT FUND

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1970

1969 \$		\$	1970 \$
1.287	Conference Travel: Equalisation Fund	1,292	
821	Official Representatives, Ordinands etc	857	
2,108			2,149
1 224	Conference Printing & General Expenses:		
1,334 2,075	Conference Agendas Conference Minutes	1,617 2,283	
86	Station Lists	112	
139	Supplementary Agendas	174	
88	Balance Sheets	117	
106	Estimates	68 24	
56 367	Ordinand's Bibles	24	
507	Expenses	505	
4,251			4,900
	Connexional Printing:		
745	Synod Agendas	374	
601	J.C.C.U. Printing	158	
	Membership Cards and Guide to	202	
-	Law Book Costs	1,572	
-	Baptism and Confirmation Cards	69	
5	Sundry Printing and Binding Costs	55	
1,351			2,430
ונכ,ו	Connexional Payments:		2,150
-	President's Stole	111	
1,030	Presidential Travel Expenses	1,334	
	Presidential Gown and Photo	68 260	
119	President's Allowances (2 years) Vice-President's Expenses	236	
109	Sundry Expenses	46	

1969				1970
17,940	Connexional Budget Payments	5	 	17,940
262	Conference Collections		 	161
	Synod Collections		 	17
220	Refunds and Donations		 	12
1,037	Sales of Printed Matter		 	923
24	Interest Received		 	44
 -	Excess of Expenditure Over	Income	 	19,097 1,117

1,304 690 2,838 1,303 1,179 1,054	Church Council Expenses District Expenses Synod Expenses Connexional & J.C.C.U. Committee Expenses: District Payments Paid Direct by Fund	2,055 368 2,940 1,200 1,421 1,145		
2,233	General Expenses Stationery, Tolls and	2,566		
_	Postages	123 3		
230	Grants First Year Probationers Study and Book Grants	120		
516 54	Sundry Committee Grants	340 270		
800	Special Payment (Supernumerary Fund) Excess of Income Over Expenditure	730 750		
\$19,638	Excess of moome Over Expenditure	\$20,214	\$19,638	

METHODIST CONFERENCE CONTINGENT FUND

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1970

1969		1	970	1969		1970)
\$	Current Liabilities: Supernumerary Fund Sundry Creditors Baalnces Due to District Eynods: Auckland Waikato-Bay of Plenty Taranaki-Wanganui Wellington South Canterbury Otago-Southland	364	\$ 1,491	\$ 3,384 712	Current Assets: Bank of New Zealand Debtors: Budget Account Board of Management, Connexional Office Balances Due from District Synods: Northland Hawkes Bay-Manawatu Nelson	\$ 1,968 745 35 44 26 29	\$ 26 2,71
2,515	Accumulated Funds: Balance to 30th June, 1969 Less Excess of Expenditure over Income for Year	1,545	1,193	108			13
\$4,204			\$3,112	\$4,204			\$3,11

For the Board of Management, Connexional Office.

A. A. DINGWALL, Chairman. C. R. HASSELDINE, Treasurer. W. R. LAWS, Secretary. Audited and found correct.

W. E. CLOTHIER, B.Com., A.C.A., A.I.A.N.Z., A.C.I.S. 10th October, 1970.

METHODIST GENERAL PURPOSES TRUST BOARD (INC.)

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1970

1969 \$ 14,592 1,950 490 17,032 1,829	Interest Allowed to Trusts Administration Charges Stationery and General Expenses	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	1969 \$ 9,216 7,247 1,107 473 280	Interest Earned: Local Body Stock Mortgages Loans Bank Other Interest	1970 \$ \$ 9,790 6,600 4,499 291 337
\$18,861		\$21,899	18,323 538 \$18,861	Commissions Dividends and Interest on Convertible Notes	21,517 363 19 \$21,899

APPROPRIATION ACCOUNT

1,829 Balance 30th June, 1970	2,380	Balance 30th June, 1969 1,829 Net Income for Year	1,829 551
\$1,829	\$2,380	\$1,829	\$2,380

METHODIST GENERAL PURPOSES TRUST BOARD (INC.) BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1970

10,176 19,424 220,939	Other Liabilities: Sundry Church and Other Trust Deposits 303,772	1969 \$ 10 	Term Deposit at Bank of N.Z. N.Z. Insurance Group Investment Loan Fire Insurance Fund Deposit Christchurch Mutual Build- ing Society Debtors	13,000 10,000 206 4,410	0 \$ \$0,989
	Accumulated Funds: Capital 8,243 Add Balance from Appropriation Account 2,380	572 106,549 36,650 39,809 171,119	Less Depreciation13,208 Loan Transport Trust Board: Winstone Fund14,000	36,650 40,205 181,831 14,000 10,534 4,000 36,792	461.095
\$438,414	\$512,	084 \$438,414		-	\$512,084

We have examined the books of account and records of the Methodist General Purposes Trust Board Incorporated for the year ended 30th June, 1970. In our opinion, according to the information and explanations given to us, and as shown by the said books of account, the Income and Expenditure Account, Appropriation Account and Balance Sheet are properly drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the affairs of the Board as at 30th June, 1970, and of its income and expenditure for the year ended on that date. Christchurch,

28th September, 1970.

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CAYGILL, HIBBARD, PAYNE & HILSON, Chartered Accountants. W. E. CLOTHIER, Chairman, C. R. HASSELDINE, Treasurer, W. R. LAWS, Secretary,

FINANCE AND STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1970

	INCOME				EXPENDITURE		
1969 \$		\$	1970	1969		\$	1970 \$
112.79	Bank Interest Circuit Payments for Steward- ship Missions: Uncompleted Work and Ad- vance Payments 30/6/69	924.00	62.33	11,787.24 1,445.86	Salaries Travelling Expenses 1,602.19 Less Refunds—NAC & Union Steamship 99.04	12,417.86	
12,037.36	Receipts from Circuits 1969- 1970	11,046.50		319.26 78.77 1.00	Superannuation Printing and Stationery Bank Charge (cheque book)	319.26	
924.00	Less Uncompleted Work Connexional Budget Donation—St. Giles' and Knox	988.00	10,982.50 800.00	8.33 211.28	Insurances	229.33 20.00	9.21
	Presbyterian Churches Excess Expenditure over Income		30.00 2,954.30	144.60	tion Rent to 30/6/70 Wesley Social Services Trust		209.33
			\$14,829.13		Board (Interest on Loan)		7.50

Audited and found correct. F. H. TURLEY, A.C.A., Auditor. Wellington, 25th July, 1970.

S. N. ROBERTS, Chairman. E. C. FLYGER, Treasurer.

FINANCE AND STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1970

1969	RECEIPTS		1970	1969	PAYMENTS		1970
1909	Balances in Hand 1 July, 1969:	s	\$	1909		s	1910
1,364.00	Advance Payments for Stew-			11,787.24		2,417.86	*
2 0 2 0 2 1	ship Missions			1,460.86	Travelling Expenses		
3,038.31	Credit Balance—Committee Account			319.26	Superannuation	319.26	14.339.31
	necount	1,110.00	2,634.06	78.77	Printing and Stationery		134:82
	Circuit Payments for Steward-			1.00	Bank Charges (cheque book)		3.00
10 (72 2)	ship Missions:	10.050.50		211.28	Postages, Tolls, Miscellaneous		229.33
10,673.36 924.00		10,058.50 988.00		8.55	Insurances Department of Christian Educa-		9.21
721.00	not ret completed		11,046.50	111.00	tion (Rent to 30/6/70)		225.00
112.79	Bank Interest		62.33	-	Wesley Social Services Trust		
	Connexional Budget		800.00		Board (Interest on Loan)		7.50
	Wesley Social Services Trust Board (Loan at 3%)		1.000.00	924.00	Balances in Hand 30 June, 1970: Advance Payments for Stew-		
	Donation-St. Giles' Presbyter-		1,000.00	721.00	ardship Missions	988.00	
	ian Church		10.00		Loan ex Wesley Social Ser-		
	Overseas Mission Dept. (Refund		11.00		vices Trust Board	1,000.00	
	Union Steamship)		11.00			1,988.00	
	S.S. (Refund Air Fares)		71.60	1,710.00		1,700.00	
	Methodist Contingent Fund					1,244.24	
	(Refund Deposit Paid Otaki		22.22				
	Camp) Methodist Contingent Fund		20.00		Bank Balance		743.76
	(Refund Travelling Exps. to						
	Otaki Camp)		16.44				
	Knox Presbyterian Church						
	(Dannevirke) Donation to- wards Travelling Expenses		20.00				
	mores mayering expenses	-	20.00	1			
		\$	15,691.93				\$15,691.93

Audited and found correct. F. H. TURLEY, A.C.A., Auditor.

S. N. ROBERTS, Chairman. E. C. FLYGER, Treasurer.

Wellington, 25th July, 1970.

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND

CONNEXIONAL BUDGET ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1970 - SCHEDULE II

DISTRICT POSITION

District	Connexional Allocation	District Expenses added to Budget		District Contributions	Percentage Achieved	District Expenses Refunded from Budget
Northland	8535		8535	7583	88.85	
Auckland	73398	1974	75372	75104	99.65	1967
Waikato-Bay of Plenty	47628	504	48132	47823	99.36	501
Taranaki-Wanganui	0/10/		26124	22794	87.25	
Hawkes Bay-Manawatu	37499	193	37692	35347	93.78	181
Wellington	42120	180	42300	41553	98.24	177
Nelson	19016	20	19036	17681	92.88	20
North Canterbury	59181	951	60132	55444	91.93	874
South Canterbury	19371	309	19680	17181	87.30	270
Otago-Southland	22570	1032	23602	22860	96.86	1000
	355442	5163	360605	343370	95.22	4990
	-		-			interest

District			Circuits and Union Parishes whose allocation met in full	Circuits and Union Parishes with allocation not met in full	Total
Northland	 	 	 7	4	11
Auckland	 	 	 21	2	23
Waikato-Bay of Plenty	 	 	 24	4	28
Taranaki-Wanganui	 	 	 4	9	13
Hawkes Bay-Manawatu	 	 	 12	6	18
Wellington	 	 	 17	3	20
Nelson	 	 	 7	3	10
North Canterbury	 	 	 11	4	15
South Canterbury	 	 	 4	4	8
Otago-Southland	 	 	 11	4	15
				_	
			118	43	161

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CIRCUIT POSITION

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND CONNEXIONAL BUDGET ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1970

1969 \$	\$	1970 \$	1969 \$	1970 \$ \$
2,207	Funds Held 30th June, 1969		344,407 4,527 82	Payments to Departments and Funds (Schedule I) 341,715.50 Expenses Collected by District and Refunded (Schedule II) 4,990.00 Stationery and General Expenses and Bank Charges 86.70
1,812	Refunds from Departments and Funds: Retiring Funds 2,615.0 Removal Expenses Fund 1,000.0		1,126	Total Disbursements 346,792.20 Balance of Funds Held 30th June, 1970 1,495.45
10,294 280 7,845 71,144 45,997 24,157 35,361 40,337 16,987 16,987 53,432 18,486 21,803	Interest Received	0 5 0 0 0 0 5 5 0		
335,549		343,369.72		S Party and the second second second
\$350,142		\$348,287.65	\$350,142	\$348,287.55

Audited and found correct. W. E. CLOTHIER, B.Com., A.C.A., A.I.A.N.Z., A.C.I.S., 27th August, 1970. C. R. HASSELDINE, Budget Treasurer.

PAYMENTS TO DEPARTMENTS AND FUNDS-Schedule I

Departments and Funds	Allocation	Payment
Supernumerary Fund	30045	30045.00 funded \$915)
Home Missionaries Retiring Fund	686	686.00
Descenses Potising Fund	5109	5109.00
Deaconess Retring Fund		unded \$1200)
Lay Missionaries Retiring Fund	3240	3240.00
Lay Missionaries Retiring Fund		funded \$500)
Children's Fund	10000	10000.00
Removal Expenses Fund	11000	11000.00
		unded \$1000)
Contingent Fund	17940	17940.00
Connexional Office	2800	2652.00
N.Z. Methodist	12000	12000.00
Overseas Mission Department	95703	90631.00
Home Mission Department	90358	85569.00
	3640	3447.00
	18650	17662.00
	16000	15152.00
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Children's Homes: Auckland	500	474.00
Masterton	4000	3788.00
South Island	3500	3315.00
Central Missions: Auckland	1620	1534.00
Christchurch	1782	1687.00
Dunedin	1296	1227.00
Wellington	1782	1687.00
Trinity College	13000	12311.00
Deaconess Institution	800	758.00
National Council of Churches	1980	1980.00
do (TV)	1334	1334.00
World Council of Churches	814	814.00
N.C.C. — Prison Chaplaincy	60	60.00
N.Z. Council of Christian Education	800	800.00
Armed Forces Chaplaincy	150	150.00
N.Z. Alliance	200	200.00
National Society of Alcoholism	50	50.00
Religious Film Society	500	500.00
University Chaplaincy - N.C.C.	275	
and Local Universities	580	
		1875.00
Spiritual Advance Committee	100	100.00
Board of Publication	154	154.00
Overseas Travel Fund	1000	947.00
Joint Commission on Church Union	926	*789.50
Fast Asian Council of Churches	68	68.00
East Asian Council of Churches	00	00.00
	\$355442	\$241715 50
	\$33344Z	\$341715.50

*J.C.C.U. paid in full to 30th June, 1970.

TRINITY METHODIST THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE GENERAL ACCOUNT INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1970

EXPENDITURE

			9
	Stipends and Allowances	 	 10,707.50
	Divinity Student Fees	 	 3,600.00
	Bursaries	 	 192.00
	University and Examination Fees	 	 297.00
	Library Fund	 	 300.00
	Travelling Expenses	 	 128.00
	Overseas Travelling Expenses	 	 600.00
	Interest	 	 252.78
	Legal Expenses	 	 14.50
	Printing and Stationery	 	 61.41
	Trinity College Staff Houses Account	 	 1,000.00
1	Building Loan Repayments	 	 225.00
ω	NOICS	 	 12.27
	General Expenses	 	 25.25
	Excess Income over Expenditure	 	 156.46
			\$17,572.17

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Connexional Budget				 	11,365.00
Probert Trust			-	 	4,600.00
Emsley Trust				 	190.00
Prince Albert Trust				 	400.00
Interest Received				 	17.17
Hostel Administration	ree			 	1,000.00

\$17,572.17

GENERAL ACCOUNT - CASH POSITION

Opening Balance Overdrawn Less Excess of Income over Expenditure	-	-	 567.07 156.46
			\$410.61

	ORGAN FUND			STAFF HOUSES ACCOUNT	
	Balance at 1st July, 1969	\$ 210.60 8.40	\$ 3,139.96 219.00	Balance 1st July, 1969	2,050.60 4,500.00 200.00 1,000.00 1,000.00 57.44
	Less Organ Tuning Add Revaluation to \$5 of South British Insur-		3,358.96 24.90 \$3,334.06	Repairs	8,808.04
414	ance Shares	5,400.00 454.06	2,520.00	B.N.Z. Savings Account 3,287.66 Plus Transfer from B.N.Z. No. 2 Account 3,245.00 \$4,532.66	\$4,532.66
	\$!	5,854.06			

TRINITY METHODIST THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

TRINITY METHODIST THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE CAPITAL ACCOUNT AS AT 30th JUNE, 1970

Loan from Probert Trust Balance Carried Down	= =	-	\$ 	Balance at 1st July, 1969 Probert Trust Principal Forgiven Excess Income over Expenditure	=		221,140.70 2,000.00 156.46
			\$223,297.16	Balance Brought Down	-	-	\$223,297.16 215,297.16

BUILDING ACCOUNT

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1970

4	EX	PENDI	TURE		c	INCOME	s
Renovations-College					 15,369.46	Connexional Fire Insurance	2,500.00
Renovations—Courtyard	-			-	 1,029.60	Probert Trust Loan	3,500.00 4,557.44
a dimension of the second second						Trinity House Account	3,360.00
						Interest	65.04
						Excess Expenditure over Income	2,416.58
					\$16,399.06	5	16,399 06

BUILDING FUND ACCOUNT

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Balance at 1st July, 1969 Less Excess Expenditure over Income	2,909.72 2,416.58
Bank of New Zealand No. 2 Account 1,738.14 Less Transfer to B.N.Z. Savings Account 1,245.00	\$493.14
\$493.14	

TRINITY METHODIST THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE HOUSE ACCOUNT

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1970

EXPENDITURE	s	INCOME	5
House and Services General		Divinity Student Fees 3,600.00 Less Living Out Allowances 2,550.00 Donations Furniture Sold Interest Sundry Income Excess Expenditure over Income	2,402.6 1,050.0 100.0 21.0 133.1 30.4 3,530.2 7,267.4

HOUSE AND SERVICE ACCOUNT FUND

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Opening Balance 1/7/69 Less Excess Expenditure over Income	-	_	-	5,989.72 3,530.23
Less Deposits from Students	_	_	_	2,459.49 1,152.83
				\$1,306.66

TRINITY METHODIST THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1970

LIABILITIES	ASSETS
Capital Account 215,297.16 Organ Fund 5,854.96 Loan Probert Trust 12,000.00 Church Building and Loan Fund 2,77.16 Staff Houses Account 4,532.66 House Account 1,306.66 Building Fund 493.14 Deposits from Students 1,152.83 Bank of New Zealand No. 1 Account 410.61	Freehold Land
\$243,219.37	Shares—South British Insurance 4,350.00 Auckland Savings Bank 4.1. 4,540.00 Bank of N.Z. Savings Bank Ltd. 4,532.66 Bank of New Zealand No. 2 Account 493.14 House Account Bank Balance 2,459.49 \$243,219.37

I have examined the books, vouchers, and bank statements of the Trinity Methodist Theological College Council ,and have compared them with the Balance Sheet as at 30th June, 1970, and certify that in my opinion the Balance Sheet shows the correct position of the affairs of the Council as at that date.

27th July, 1970.

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JOHN B. SALMON, A.C.A., A.C.I.S., Hon. Auditor.

METHODIST DEACONESS HOUSE COMMITTEE BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1970

LIABILITIES		ASSETS	c
Furniture Renewals	693.87 3,606.65	Freehold Property 46,000.00 Furniture and Plant 2367.10 Add Kitchen Equipment 123.83	
Balance at 1/7/69 20,273. Add Excess Income 184. Add Increase Government Valuation of Property 20,200.	54	Less Depreciation Reserve 48,490.93 Bank of N.Z. Investment Account Canterbury Savings Bank Bank of N.Z. Current Account	40,524.26 2,400.00 1,118.21 915.63
	\$44,958.10		\$44,958.10

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H. C. MATTHEWS, Chairman. R. DE R. FLESHER, Treasurer.

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Note: Freehold Property has been written up by \$20,000 to latest Government valuation of \$46,000.

Audited and found correct. J. O. YOUNG, A.C.A., Auditor.

METHODIST DEACONESS HOUSE COMMITTEE HOSTEL REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED_Oth JUNE, 1970

1969 \$	EXPENDITURE	1970 \$	1969 \$	1970 \$
2,308 1,019 3,555 107 519 708 20 140 	House Supplies	3,987.50 123,72 596.13 783.01 33.00 144.89 16.75 125.82 200.00	8,483 Hostel Receipts	10,044.98 56.00 134.20 \$10,235.18 182.27 693.87 \$876.14 \$809.86 10.00 56.28
\$9,403		\$10,235.18	\$1,075	\$876.14

THE METHODIST DEACONESS BOARD AUCKLAND WARDEN AND DEACONESS TRAINEES ACCOUNT — 1st JULY, 1969 to 30th JUNE, 1970

Wardens Honorarium, Rev. W. Chambers, July to December, 1969 Wardens Honorarium, Rev. J. Osborne, January to June, 1970	50.00 Connexional Budget (\$800 grant)	\$ 38.00 600.00 2.30
Board Winstone Lodge	165.00 Allowances	117.00 41.48 5.70 130.19 \$934.37

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1970

LIABILITIES	•	\$	ASSETS	¢
Trainees Emergency Fund Less Deficit for Wardens and Deoconess A/c. Maori Library Fund Lenna Button Fund Bequest Estate Lily Louisa White	1,084.24 130.19	954.05 99.22 39.04 228.56 \$1,320.87	Cash at National Bank of N.Z	1,320.87

Audited and found correct.

L. I. WINDSOR, A.C.A., A.C.I.S.

C. J. KEIGHTLEY, Chairman. F. T. BARTLEY, Treasurer.

10th July, 1970.

Note: Since closing of the Books, further Income relating to the Year ending on 30/6/70 has been received as follows:-

1. From the Connexional Budget further distributions amounting to \$158.00 making a total of \$758.00 for the year.

2. Interest from the Sister Lenna Button Trust \$6.66, bringing the total to \$45.70.

RANGIATEA MAORI COLLEGE TRUST BOARD

1969	30th JUNE, 1970	1970
\$ 15,680	Income from: Fees \$ \$	\$ 14,705
192	Staff Board	192
30	Grazing	1,000
1,000 3,200	Lease N.P. High School Board Grants—Grey Institute 3,200	1,000
600	Kai Iwi Farm 600	
2,400	Wgtn. Meth. C.E. and E 2,400	
6,200	Internet	6,200
40 195	Rent	20 245
137	Sundry Receipts	171
	Profit on Livestock	1/1
23,455	TOTAL INCOME	22,533
	EXPENSES FOR: Administration:	
205	Audit Fee 230	
19 152	Bank Charges and Exchange 16 Printing and Stationery 172 Secretary's Salary 750	
750	Secretary's Salary 750	
98	Telephone Rental and Tolls 96	
	1,277	
231	Grounds: Maintenance	
79	Repairs to Equipment 69	
1,116	Wages 2,065	
1,426	2,470	
	Hostel Working Expenses:	
_	Advertising 30 Car Depreciation and Travelling 520	
305	Cleaning 341	
302 803	General Expenses 114 Electricity	
530	Heating and Fuel	
521 399	Insurances 553 Rates 408	
145	Rates	
4 328	Start Transport 55	
920	Buildings 489	
503	House Equipment 552	
87	Laundry Equipment 2 Linen 550	
168	Crockery II	
9,119	Wages 9,739	
14,134	Provisions: 15,178	
623	Bread 579	
2,798	Meat, Fish, Eggs 3,044 Milk 722	
3,635	Groceries 3,643	
905	Fruit and Vegetables 950	
34 193	Medicines and Medical Supplies 71 Outside Meals 300	
8,725		
	Financial Charges: 9,309	
352	Interest Paid 480 Depreciation :	
1,233	Buildings 1,233	
680	Furniture and Fittings 612	
1,913	1,845	
		20 550
\$27,776	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	30,559
4,321	Net Loss transferred to Accumulated Funds A/c.	8,026
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RANGIATEA MAORI COLLEGE TRUST BOARD BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1970

1969		1970	1969		197	0
\$ 7,137 1,440 413 318 35 9,343 123,167 2,059	Current Liabilities: Bank of N.S.W. (Secured)	8,024	\$ 387 	Current Assets: Canteen Stock on Hand Matrons Imprest Account Bank Cash Fees Due Students Accounts Due to Board Livestock on Hand Investments: 5 x \$200 Waikato Country 32 Debentures Paid 1/9/69 Fixed Assets: Land 8,592 Land Sold 8,592	\$ 91 6 3,221 335	\$ 4,573 —
915 457 1,372 166 1,206	Funds for Special Purposes: Balance 1/7/69Add Profit from Canteen Add Profit from Canteen Less Expended During the Year	1,206 165 1,371	8,592 17,194 11,071 6,123 123,363 12,839 110,524 125,239	Furniture and Equipment 17,194 Depreciation 11,683 Hostel Buildings 123,363 Depreciation 14,072 ;	8,592 5,511 109,291	123,394
\$131,657		\$127,967	\$131,657			\$127,96

AUDITOR'S REPORT

We have examined the Books, Accounts and Vouchers of the Rangiatea Maori College Trust Board for the year ended 30th June, 1970, 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.

MORINE & JAMES, Chartered Accountants, Auditors. 9th September, 1970.

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M. H. BURN, A.C.A., Secretary.

WESLEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY (New Zealand)

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1970

10/0	RECEIPTS		1070	1969	PAYMENTS	e 1	970
1969		s	1970	325.63	Printing Costs	Ŷ	*
	Funds at Southland Savings			8.30	Sundry Book Purchases		19.23
150.00	Bank 1/7/69: For Publishing Rev. C. H.			38.70 3.08	Postages, Stationery Expenses Subscriptions		58.96 24.79
150.00	Schnackenberg (Received			5.00	Waingaroa Mission Print	20.00	2
	1963-64)	150.00			Less Donation Received	10.00	
537.60	General Funds	754.71					10.00
687.60			904.71	_	Early N.Z. Methodism-Dupli-		10.00
305.25	Subscriptions Received-Cur-				cate Set of Slides		23.92
170.00	rent, Arrears and Future		380.75	-	Funds at Southland Savings		
179.80 0.25		4.25	31.96	150.00	Bank 30/6/70: For Publishing Rev. C. H.		
90.00	Special, Rev. Rua Rakena	1.25		150.00	Schnackenberg (Received		
	Lecture	20.00			1963-64)	150.00	
90.25			24.25	_	For Publishing Rev. Rua Rakena Lecture	20.00	
-	Collections Secretary's Meetings		10.66	754.71		1,074.96	
17.52	Savings Bank Interest		29.53				1 244 00
				904.71			1,244.96
\$1,280.42			\$1,381.86	\$1,280.42			\$1,381.86

Audited and found correct.

A. J. WOOD, A.C.A., A.C.I.S., Hon. Auditor. 23rd July, 1970. L. R. M. GILMORE, B.A., Hon. Secretary. D. G. LAWS, A.C.I.S., Treasurer.

THE BOARD OF THE WESLEY TRAINING COLLEGE

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1969

1968	and the second second second		1969
\$ 589,934 923 20 12,995 1,500 2,285	Capital Account: Balance at 1/1/69 Grafton Lease Conversions Bad Debts Recovered Excess Income over Expenditure Donation Received Capital Investment Fund	\$ 605,746.72 923.20 19.00 38,953.14 	\$
607,657 910 1,000	Less Bad Debts Written Off Increase Reserve for Bad Debts	3,056.36 1,000.00	645,642.0
1,910			4,056.3
605,747			641,585.70
4,000 2,000 2,000 1,593 769 500	Scholarship Funds: Marianne Caughey Smith- Preston George Winstone Stephen James Ambury Kingswood War Memorial (Maori) Henry Wills Memorial	4,000.00 2,000.00 2,000.00 1,593.01 769.00 500.00	
10,862 300	Special Funds: Blacklock Library Bequest	10,862.01 300.00	
11.162			11.162.0

1968			1	1969
\$	Land, Buildings and Improv	mont	\$	\$
476,876 17,980 35,810 37,460 20	Paerata Maurice Harding Park Grafton Waikowhai Hobson County		520,585.99 17,780.00 35,810.00	
568,146				616,309.99
850 2,700 28,300	Plant and Equipment: Farm Machinery Motor Vehicles Furniture and Equipment		700.00 1,900.00 27,400.00	
31,850				30,000.00
12,936 1,256	Stocks on Hand: Livestock Produce and Sundries	-	13,775.00 2,163.42	
14,192				15,938.42
636	General Investments: Shares—Auckland Co-op. Producers Ltd.	Milk	672.00	
8,582 1,382 10,000	Bank of New Zealand Savings Bank Accounts Deposits on Short Term		9,262.86 3,696.63 10,000.00	
20,600				23,631.49

\$665,948		-	722,561.16	19,998			25,519.25
				11,162	Sundry Debtors and Prepayments Less Reserve for Bad Debts	28,519.25 3,000.00	11,162.01
49,039			69,813.45	1,143	(3,750 Ordinary Shares of \$1 each fully paid) Savings Bank Accounts	1,143.01	
	Income	1,020.68		2,250	Frank M. Winstone (Merchants)	2,250.00	
10,112 927	Trade and Other Creditors Undistributed Scholarship			1,000	Auckland Methodist Central Mission Debenture	1,000.00	
	Preston Memorial Rest Homes Trust Board	51,000.00		2,000	(Maturity Value \$4,800) Loan on Mortgage	2,000.00	
38,000	Sundry Creditors: Loan on Mortgage- Marianne Caughey Smith-			4,769	Scholarship and Special Funds Investments: N.Z. Government Stock	4,769.00	

Auckland, 31st January, 1970.

J. S. CAUGHEY, Chairman. G. C. B. MINOGUE, Secretary.

AUDITORS' 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 the 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 31st December, 1969, and of its income and expenditure for the year ended on that date. We have obtained from the Solicitors of the Board, Messrs Peak, Long-land and Co. a certificate that all the Title Deeds and Securities are in order.

Auckland, 3rd April, 1970.

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HUTCHISON, ELLIFFE, DAVIES, ANDERSON & CO., Chartered Accountants.

THE BOARD OF THE WESLEY TRAINING COLLEGE

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1969

1968 \$	\$	1969	1968 \$			\$ 1	969
107,350 28,409 10,850 5,016 2,961 8,187	College Working Account: Salaries and Wages		25,096 2,207	Farm Working Account Dairy Receipts Profit on Sheep Profit on Cattle Wool Receipts Sale of Timber	24,868.86 4.18 4,344.94 91.87		
10,743 173,516 135,274	Other Expenses 6,830.31		27,303 9,241 2,546 3,851	Less Wages Seeds & Manure Repairs and Re- newals	1,622.40	29,730.70	
38,242 8,663 4,437	Depreciation Buildings and Improvements	20,427.96 10,207.23 5,140.14	738 5,306 466	Depreciation Other Expenses Loss on Sheep	740.00		
	Interest: Charged 2,470.00 Less Received 896.12	5,140.14	22,148 5,155	Maurice Harding Parks		24,227.78	5,502.92
1,127		1,573.88	22,628	Scoria and Metal	26,640.94		
12,995	Excess Income over Expenditure	38,953.14	12,312	Rents			
			34,940 409 400 534	Less Rates Repairs Other Expenses	409.50 429.80 851.42	45,443.45	
			1,343			1,690.72	
			33,597				43,752.73

		26,596 1,075	Waikowhai Park: Rents Timber Royalty	27,761.83		
		27,671 1,941 860	Less Rates Other Expenses	1,498.56 1,210.82	27,914.72	
		2,801		1.2.2	2,709.38	
		24,870	Carllen David			25,205.34
		1,842	Grafton Property: Rents			1,841.36
\$65,464	\$76,302.35	\$65,464				\$76,302.35

THE NEW ZEALAND METHODIST BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1970

Sundry Creditors	\$ 1,607.77	Cash at Bank	\$ 2,583.23 2,445.64
Accumulated Funds: Balance 1/7/69 Plus Excess of Income over Expenditure	1,766.38 2,061.18 3,827.56 5,435.33	Sundry Debtors Office Furniture and Equipment at Cost Less Depreciation to Date	640.86 234.40 406.46 \$5,435.33

THE NEW ZEALAND METHODIST

REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1970

Payments to Contributors	\$ 3,775.82 35.65 171.17 1,685.39 163.76 400.00 675.96 c.) 1,334.19 12,974.12 86.12 1,368.67 326.64 45.16 2,061.18 \$ \$25,103.83	Advertising Receipts Partners-in-Print and Donations Connexional Budget Subscriptions etc Interest		\$ 9,039.01 3,916.72 12,000.00 140.58 7.52 \$25,103.83
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	INCOME and EXPEN	DITORE ACCOUNT I	on the ten			
1969 \$ 1,588 1,153 2,742 1,431 1,310 223 50	Cost of Sales Advertising	\$ 1970 \$ 1,431.42 139.96 163.59 398.74 184.82 481.44 112.50 1,481.05 2,912.47 1,327.20 1,585.27 96.49 131.49 50.00	150	Sale of Booklets Grant—Connexional Budget Interest—National Bank of New Zealand Ltd. Interest—Investment Funds Board Donation Excess Expenditure over Income for Year	\$ 29.07 104.97	970 1,111.2 154.0 134.0 30.0 443.9
1,583	Board Room Rent Total Expenditure Excess Income over Expenditure for Year	10.00				
\$1,641			-1 C 11			\$1,873.2
\$1,041		\$1,873.25	\$1,641			
\$1,011		\$1,873.25 BALANCE SHEET AS	1	NE, 1970		
5,936 57 5,993	Accumulated Funds: Balance at 30th June, 1969 Plus Income for Year Less Loss for Year Balance at 30th June, 1970	BALANCE SHEET AS 5,993.11 443.99	AT 30th JU 1,274 2,600 360 263 1,431	Cash at National Bank of New Zealand Ltd	2,600.00 465.35	935.9 3,065.3 155.6 1,327.2 65.0
5,936 57	Balance at 30th June, 1969 Plus Income for Year Less Loss for Year	BALANCE SHEET AS 5,993.11 443.99	AT 30th JU 1,274 2,600 360 263 1,431	Cash at National Bank of New Zealand Ltd Loans at 3 Months Call: Investment Funds Board Interest Added to Date Sundry Debtors		3,065.3 155.6

METHODIST BOARD OF PUBLICATIONS

R. H. HAMES, B.Com., A.C.A., Hon. Auditor. Auckland, 12th August, 1970.

JOHN C. WIGGLESWORTH, B.Com., A.C.A., A.C.I.S., Hon. Treasurer.

BOARD OF EVANGELISM									
STATEMENT	OF	INCOME	and	EXPENDITURE	TO	30th	JUNE,	1970.	

Interest	 -	-	100.00 3.78	Subscription to C.O.F.A.E. Reprint Study Resource Books	 	_	-	1.26 10.00 11.75
431				Cheque Books	 	_		0.34
-			\$224.69					\$224.69

THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND — ARMED SERVICES CHAPLAINCY FUND STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1970.

1969			V. and	1970	1969 \$	and the second			1970
374 150 13	Receipts: Balance at 1/7/69 Budget Allocation 1969-70 Bank Interest			443 150 15	10 60 20	Payments: Grants to T.F. Chaplains Grants to R.F. Chaplains Expenses of Senior Chaplain			30 40 20
1	Refund Cheque Book	-		-	5 443	Expenses of Secretary Sundry Balance at N.B.N.Z, 30/6/70	=	111	5 508
538				\$608	\$538				\$608

I hereby certify that I have examined the receipts, vouchers, bank Statements and cash book supporting the Methodist Church Chaplaincy Fund Statement of Receipts and Payments for the year ended 30th June, 1970, and I am of the opinion that the statement correctly shows the movement in that Fund for the year ended 30th June, 1970.

T. J. MARTIN, A.C.A., Auditor.

E. C. D. WATSON, J. B. McKINNEY, Hon. Treasurers.

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND — DEPARTMENT OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1970.

380 Gra 1,300 Tra 63 Ho 1,354 Pri 1,127 Ge 141 Ins De 258 Na 300 Lea 460 Ott	ffice Accommodation	725.00 703.67 243.50 1,289.62 52.49 1,583.98 1,515.32 110.64 298.35 208.60 500.00 131.79 424.04		Adult Summer Conference Family Camps Donations	= =	28.75
\$17,341		\$18,711.76	\$17,341	And the second of	and the	\$18,711.76

115	Interest on Loans		1,572 Rent Received	2,021.32
110	Insurances	117.09	151 Interest	39.50
507	Phones and Power	901.94	the star where the second s	
	General Expenses	1.00		
826	Depreciation	833.50	and a ware by and the fully such as	
164	Excess Income over Expenditure	62.29		
				\$2.060.92
\$1,723		\$2,060.82	\$1,723	32,000.02
		\$2,060.82	\$1,723	\$2,060.82

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND - DEPARTMENT OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1970.

1969	LIABILITIES:	1970	1969	1970
831	Sundry Creditors	540.66	Assets: 1,823 National Bank of N.Z	2,273.37
1,720	Home Mission Board Loan (on Parsonage Property)	1,569.60	411 National Bank of N.Z. (Youth Confer- ence Account)	410.92
	Special Reserves:	1,309.00	3,900 Wellington District Savings Bank Special	410.92
	Special Purposes	4,368.52 230.38	Purposes Account	4,368.52
5,428	Furniture Fund	4,598.90	30 Furniture Account 22 Cash on Hand	30.38 38.79
	Other Reserves:	2.551.72	159 Sundry Debtors	2,116.05
	Leadership Training	2,551.73 143.25	900 Stock of Printing and Stationery 200 Films	950.00 200.00
1,404		2,694.98	1,163 Office Equipment	1,000.00
	C.Y.M.M. Projects Youth Conference	714.44 397.19	10,540 Parsonage Property	10,540.53 1,200.00
1,284		1,111.63		1,200.00
	Accumulated Funds: Balance 1/7/69	9,691.02		
	Transferred from Special Purposes			
	Reserve	1,497.73		
	for Working Capital	1,000.00	and the second	
0.001	Excess Income over Expenditure	424.04 12,612.79		
9,691		12,012.79		
\$20,358		\$23,128.56	\$20,358 \$	23,128.56

14,725 Building Reserves 15,175.00 27,686 Building and Fittings 27.784.06 Loans - Building and Loan Fund 724 National Bank of N.Z. (No. 2 A/c.) 2,600.00 698.63 Home Mission Department 3,749.80 Fire Insurance Fund 5,000.00 12.695 11.349.80 826 Depreciation Provision 1.659.70 Sundry Creditors 71.86 Accumulated Funds: Balance 1/7/69 164.04 164 Excess Income over Expenditure 62.29 226.33 435 \$28,410 \$28,482.69 \$28,410 \$28,482.69

I report that I have examined the books, accounts and vouchers of the Methodist Church of New Zealand, Department of Christian Education for the year ended the 30th June, 1970, and have obtained all the information and explanations I have required in respect of the accounts. I certify that in my opinion, the Balance Sheet and Income and Expenditure Account are properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and fair statement of the financial position of the Methodist Church of New Zealand, Department of Christian Education for the year.

20th August, 1970.

T. M. STEPHENS, F.C.A., Chartered Accountant, Auditor.

BUILDING ACCOUNT

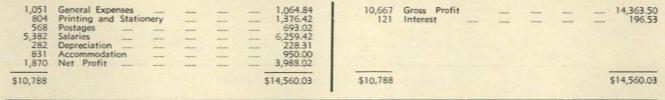
METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND — EPWORTH BOOKROOM (WELLINGTON) STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1970

BALANCE SHEET

	1969		197	10	1969		19	70
	\$ 7,107 5,000	Equilisation Reserve Capital Account:	20,062.44 3,988.02	\$ 7,326.42 5,000.00 2,000.00	8,065	Less Sales in Advance Stock on Hand: Trade	= = 10,914.44 = 5,000.00 = 11,325.00	5,914.44
436	20,062	Department of C.E		2,050.46	12,000 3,900 564	Stationery Share in Building Equipment (Book Value or Co Less Depreciation)		11,625.00 3,700.00 457.00
	\$32,169		\$3	6,376.88	\$32,169			\$36,376.88

TRADING ACCOUNT

27,663 10,294	Stock 1969 Purchases Sales in Advances 1970 Joint Board Equalisation Gross Profit	_		11,600.0 44,622.6 5,000.0 2,000.0 14,363.5	11,851 11,600	Sales Sales in Advance Stock 1970	1969	 10,293.89
\$60,374			32.34	\$77,586.1	\$60,374			\$77,586.15



PROFIT & LOSS ACCOUNT

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J. A. PENMAN.

JOHN GRUNDY, M.A., Director. 24/9/70.

F. W. G. CLARIDGE, B.Com., A.C.A., A.C.I.S., Hon. Treasurer.

I report that I have examined the books, accounts and vouchers of the Epworth Bookroom (Wellington) for the year ended the 30th June, 1970, and have obtained all the information and explanations I have required in respect of the accounts. I certify that in my opinion, the Balance Sheet and Income and Expenditure account are properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and fair statement of the financial position of the Epworth Bookroom for the year.

Wellington,

T. M. STEPHENS, F.C.A.,

20th August, 1970.

Chartered Accountant, Auditor.

NEW ZEALAND METHODIST LAY PREACHERS ASSOCIATION

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1970.

Interest — Government Stock — National Bank — General Purposes Account	Ξ	47.50 38.06 90.00 175.56 120.75	Printing of "Preacher" Postages Book Award Cheque Book	III		1111		70.23 7.84 1.50 50 80.07
Subscriptions from Branches	-	\$296.31	Excess Income over Expenditure	-	-	-	-	216.24 \$296.31

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1970.

Benevolent Fund General Fund Add Excess Income over Expenditure	1,510.18 216.24	2,300.00 1,726.42	N.Z. Methodist Church General Purposes Account N.Z. Government Stock 4월% 15/10/71-73 National Bank of N.Z. Ltd. General Account Savings Account	1,800.00 1,000.00 226.42 1,000.00
		\$4,025.42	ş.	4,026.42

F. H. TURLEY, A.C.A., Auditor.

E. C. D. WATSON, F.C.A., Treasurer.

GENERAL STATISTICAL RETURNS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30th JUNE, 1970

The Methodist Church of New Zealand NATIONAL SUMMARY of Districts General Statistical Returns for the year ending 30th June, 1970

		2.5				2			-						CHU	RCH	MEMB	ERSH	HP				
						1						3		Members	Received	during	the y	year		Membr	ers Re		d
														By Con	firmation	By	T'fer	from		By T	ransf	er to	
CIRCUITS	Churches	Other Preaching Places	Schoolrooms	Parsonages	Ministers/Probationers Active	Ministers/Supernumeraries	Home Missionaries/Active	Home Missionaries/Retired	Deaconesses/Active	Deaconesses/Retired	Lay Preachers/Active	Lay Preachers/Inactive	No. of Members on Roll at 30th June last year	Under 20	20 and over	Other N.Z. Circuits	Other Countries	Other Denominations	By Death	Other N.Z. Ccts.	Other Countries	Other Denominations	Ceased to Attend
NORTHLAND	36	37	23	16	14	-	1	-	-	-	29	11	1327	13	20	71	1	10	23	72	-	6	11
AUCKLAND	71	23	59	.18	51	23	2	2	3	3	108	30	6561	111	105	493	32	43	115	177	50	38	142
WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY	56	43	48	35	31	11	-	1	-	1	69	20	4404	59	49	266	18	17	62	382	14	28	4
TARAMAKI-WANGANUI	30	10	23	15	13	6	-	1	1	-	23	5	2212	41	7	89	1	4	35	126	4	5	
HANKES BAY-MANAWATU	39	13	34	22	19	6	-	1	-	-	54	11	3062	37	9	164	3	7	57	180	4	13	6
WELLINGTON	50	6	41	32	36	8	-	-	-	1	_ 69	11	4054	51	30	34.9	9	14	56	388	33	35	10
NELSON	26	19	18	15	12	1		1	-	-	29	11	1650	19	20	63	6	12	32	68	3	11	3
NORTH CANTER BURY	- 56	11	57	32	_28	11	-	1	1	2	69	21	4861	67	40	205	4	32	78	235	19	26	7
SOUTH CANTERBURY	15	9	16	8	9	3	-	-	-	-	16	3	1416	19	4	67	-	5	29	93	2	9	4
OTAGO-SOUTHLAND	39	15	28	22	20	2	-	1	1	1	35	6	2395	17	29	142	4	- 3	31	210	-4	31	7
NATIONAL TOTALS :	418	186	347	245	236	71	3	8	6	8	501	129	31942	434	313	1000	78	11.7		2151	133	202	-

NATIONAL SUMMARY of Districts

PART 2

General Statistical Returns for the year ending 30th June, 1970

STIPENDS etc.

State of Finances at 30 June

Adults Pastoral Care Circuit Children Yoeth Membership Baptisms Credit Debit No. of Members on Roll at 30th June this year. Car Balance Balance Families Annual Stipend Allowance No. of People and or Ownership of 0 increase decrease Kindergarten Intermediate Intermediate Bonus and o Allowance Travelling o CIRCUITS Believers Nursery Primary Infants Junior Junior Senior No. of Net Car Net C 1 64 20 116 1961 5863 28190 7650 1095. 3820. 41 4 194 188 195 211 122 NORTHLAND 1327 41 85 71 1114 240 C 1 17170 12561. 228 609 21 1051 947 940 981 731 495 410 29 652 10055 30389 83436 5695. AUCKLAND 6523 190 835 3878 C 42 3878 N302 5126 N12 65 111 366 15 766 656 645 741 528 356 256138 182 6400 20255 70517 13878 4601 . 9015. WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY 4358 905 54 179 5 330 301 223 301 191 151 118 29 60 3528 9870 30058 2625 1676. TARANAKT-WANGANTIT 2177 19 210 8110 M20 2852. 1853. HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU 128 232 5 498 480 372 397 298 198 195 77 283 4204 12351 38220 2968 34 967 3894 6 651 592 604 786 502 327 248 47 105 6961 22689 63049 13457 M30 8370. 71. WELLINGTON 133 293 318 1539 4990 0 2 1979. 6 261 295 299 395 217 134 107 25 153 3053 9385 25760 301 . NELSON 1625 24 49 141 350 66 146 371 14 878 686 600 805 529 388 287 265 323 7327 21150 59891 9613 C 1 2483. 1322. NORTH CANTERBURY 4781 330 128 3897 1 9 6122 1856B 1552. 1160. - 205 172 121 210 102 42 149 42 149 1991 SOUTH CANTERBURY 1333 8 91 71 339 C 1 9 325 282 256 299 267 196 174 62 189 3259 9333 37876 7641 2016. 5387. OTACO-SOUTHLAND 2238 42 199 146 MAG 457 622 1340 2518 85 545945994254 5036 3487 2358 2008 1074 2212 48739 147607 5565 6072 37166. C121 33278. 31224 91532 MATIONAL TOTALS :

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NORTHLAND District General Statistical Returns for the year ending 30th June, 1970

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	CIRCUITS	Churches	Other Preaching Places	Schoolrooms	Parsonages	Ministers/Probationers Active	Ministers/Supernumeraries	Home Missionaries/Active	Home Missionaries/Retired	Deaconesses/Active	Deaconesses/Retired	Lay Preachers/Active	Lay Preachers/Inactive	No. of Members on Roll at 30th June last year	Under 20	20 and over	Other N.Z. Circuits	Other Countries	Other Denominations	By Death	Other N.Z. Ccts.	Other Countries	Other Denominations	Ceased to Attend
1.	MANGONUI.	3	1	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	118	-	-	7	-	-	3	6	-	2	2
2.	KAIKOHE-BAY OF ISLANDS.	3	5	3	- 2	2	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	105	7	2	7	-	-	3	17	-	-	4
3.	WHANGAROA.	2	1	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	101	-	-	5	1	-	3	4	-	2	-
4.	NORTH HOKIANGA.	3	3	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	50	1	1	-	-	2	-	5	-	-	-
5.	HOMIANGA.	4	1	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	78	-	1	2	-	1	-	.4	-	-	-
6.	WHANGAREI	4	5	5	3	3	-	-	-	-	-	11	2	297	3	-	39	1	6	7	_5	-	2	-
7.	DARGAVILLE.	3	4	4	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	3	2	250	-	3	4	-	-	2.0	12	-	-	-
8.	PAPAROA.	3	4	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	74	-	1	-	-	-	-	6	-	-	1
2.	PORT ALBERT.	7	3	3	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	129	-	4	9	-	1	4	6	-	-	3
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58.	HIKURANGI UNION.	1	8	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	48	2	-	-	-	-		2	-	-	4
78.	RUAJAI UNION.	3	2	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	77	-	8	2	-	-	-	4	-	-	-
	TOTALS:	36	37	23	16	14	-	1	-	-	-	29	11	1327	13	20	71	1	10	23	72	-	6	14

PART 2

NORTHLAND District General Statistical Returns for the year ending 30th June, 1970

STIPENDS etc. State of Finances at 30 June

-		Mer	nbershi	p	Bapt	isms			Chil	dren		-	Youth	1	Adults	Pasto	oral Care			-		Circ	wit
	CIRCUITS	No. of Members on Roll at 30th June this year.	Net increase	Net decrease	Infants	Believers	Nursery	Kindergarten	Primary	Junior	Intermediate	Junior	Intermediate	Senior		No. of Families	No. of People	Annual Stipend	Bonus and/or Allowance	Travelling or Car Allowance	Ownership of Car	Credit Balance	Debit Balance
1.	MANGONUI.	111	-	3	2	-	14	11	13	16	5	1	4	-	-	209	820	145	9 -	606	M	-	56
2.	KAIKOHE - BAY OF IS.	97	-	3	3	-	5	3	10	12	6	4	9	2	25	230	545	3800	56	1484	104	-	1784
3.	WHANGAROA.	97	-	4	-	-	13	16	9	14	8	5	4	-	20	120	475	2100	5 -	576	M	-	350
4.	NORTH HOKIANGA.	49	-	1	4	-	-	4	6	6	6	-	2	-	2	71	245	177	30	860	C	-	25
5.	HCKIANGA.	78	-	-	2	-	9	14	18	12	2	3	-	-	35	107	355	2100	- 0	800	22	17	
6.	WHANGAREI.	337	40	-	41	1	90	47	50	36	34	18	16	S	19	481	1133	507	-	736	MAR	-	11.79
7.	DARGAVILLE.	242	-	8	16	-	26	45	34	34	26	28	16	9	15	282	835	358	-	620	KR.	450	
8.	PAPAROA.	68	-	6	-	-	18	12	18	16	9	-	-	-	-	108	335	1900	0 -	428	M	-	126
9.	PORT ALBERT.	126	-	3	9	-	15	20	20	40	15	2	2	-	-	178	540	210	24	480	M	-	
50.	HIKURANGI UNION.	43	-	5	7	2	4	7	9	12	5	4	3	1	-	70	230	2200	100	500	K	87	-
78.	RUAMAI UNION.	83	6	-	1	1	-	9	8	13	6	6	8	-	-	105	350	21.00	30	560	M	541	-
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	TOTALS.	1331	46	38	85	4	194	188	195	211	122	71	64	20	116	1961	5863	-	240	7650	14 M	1095	3820
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AUCKLAND District

strict General Statistical Returns for the year ending 30th June, 1970

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CIRCUITS	Churches	Other Preaching Places	Schoolrooms	Parsonages	Ministers/Probationers Active	Ministers/Supernumeraries	Home Missionaries/Active	Home Missionaries/Retired	Deaconesses/Active	Deaconesses/Retired	Lay Preachers/Active	Lay Preachers/Inactive	No. of Members on Roll at 30th June last year	Under 20	20 and over	Other N.Z. Circuits	Other Countries	Other Denominations	By Death	Other N.Z. Ccts.	Other Countries	Other Denominations	Ceased to Attend
AUCKLAND CENTRAL	4	-	4	7	7	5	-	-	1	-	9	3	496	8	14	17	4	-	15		9	3	11
AUCKLAND CENTRAL MISSION	2	-	1	2	2	1	-	-	-	1	.8	-	296	9	19	4	2	2	7	10	4	-	17
AUCKLAND SOUTH	4	-	4	3	4	-	-	-	-	1	6	2	479	4	7	31	1	7	6	-	-	-	16
AUCKLAND WEST	2	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	76	-	-	3	2	-	2	-	-	-	-
AUCKLAND BAST	4	-	4	4	6	2	-	-	1	1	13	-	635	6	10	48	-	1	15	-	2	8	15
ORAKEI	4	-	3	3	3	3	-	-	-	-	8	2	515	6	10	27	3	3	9	24	3	-	4
AVONDALE	4	2	4	2	3	5	-	-	-	-	12	2	434	6	11	23	-	3	13		2	4	20
HENDERSON	5	4	4	3	2	-	1	-	-	-	5	3	395	7	1	19	2	2	7	8	-	5	2
DEVONPORT	2	-	2	2	1	-	-	1.	-	-	4	-	134	5	10	6	-	-	1		-	-	-
TAKAPUNA	4	-	4	3	4	3	-	-	-	-	9	8	701	10	3	39	1	3		42	2	3	14
BIRKENHEAD	3	1	3	2	2	1	-	1	-	-	5	3	447	6	7	31	-	-	7		2	3	3
NORTHCOTE	2	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	149	-	1	3	6	-	1	-
ONEHUNGA	4	-	6	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	251	-	4	14	1	2	5	10	-	1	2
OTAHUHU	2	1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	155	-	1	3	2	-	3	6	1	-	1

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t General Statistical Returns for the year ending 30th June, 1970

PART 1 (continued)

TOTAL 1969 71 20					1					1	10	-		CHU	RCHI	NEME	ERSH					
CIRCUITSSettingPAPATOETOE5PAPAKURA3PUKEKOHE52BOMBAY-TUAKAU2WATUKU1KATPARA4WHANGAPAROA3MAHURANGI2TOTAL 197071TOTAL 196971													Members	Received	during	the	year		Membe			d
CIRCUITSSettingPAPATOSTOE5PAPAKURA3PUKEKOHE5POMBAY-TUAKAU2WAIUKU1KAIPARA4WHANGAPAROA3MAHURANGI223TOTAL 197071TOTAL 196971													By Conf	irmation	By	T'fer	from		By T	ransfe	er to	
2 - PAPAKURA 3 PUKEKOHE 5 BOMBAY-TUAKAU 2 WAIUKU 1 KAIPARA 4 WHANGAPAROA 3 TOTAL 1970 71 TOTAL 1969 71	rooms	Preaching	Parsonages	Ministers/Probationers Active	Ministers/Supernumeraries	Home Missionaries/Active	Home Missionaries/Retired	Deaconesses/Active	Deaconesses/Retired	Lay Preachers/Active	Lay Preachers/Inactive	No. of Members on Roll at 30th June last year	Under 20	20 and over	Other N.Z. Circuits	Other Countries	Other Denominations	By Death	Other N.Z. Ccts.	Other Countries	Other Denominations	Ceased to Attend
PUKEKOHE 5 2 BOMBAY-TUAKAU 2 3 WAIUKU 1 1 KAIPARA 4 5 WHANGAPAROA 3 - MAHURANGI 2 3 TOTAL 1970 71 23 TOTAL 1969 71 20	- 3	-	3 2	2	-	-	-	1	-	6	-	456	11	3	13	2	-	-	23	4	-	1
BOMBAY-TUAKAU 2 3 WAIUKU 1 1 1 KAIPARA 4 5 WHANGAPAROA 3 - MAHURANGI 2 3 TOTAL 1970 71 23 TOTAL 1969 71 20	1 2	1	2 3	3	-	1	-	-	-	4	1	368	11	3	20	4	5	3	23	6	5	6
WAIUKU 1 1 1 KAIPARA 4 5 WHANGAPAROA 3 - MAHURANGI 2 3 TOTAL 1970 71 23 TOTAL 1969 71 20	2 4	2	4 1	2	1	-	-	-	-	4	-	249	6		17	-	3	2	-	14	1	=
KAIPARA 4 5 WHANGAPAROA 3 - MAHURANGI 2 3 TOTAL 1970 71 23 TOTAL 1969 71 20	3 -	3	- 2	1	-	-	-	-	-	4	1	69	-	-	5	1	4	2	10	-	-	-
WHANGAPAROA 3 - MAHURANGI 2 3 TOTAL 1970 71 23 TOTAL 1969 71 20	1 1	1	1 1	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	123	6	-	3	7	-	4	15	-	4	
MAHURANGI 2 3 TOTAL 1970 71 23 TOTAL 1969 71 20	5 4	5	4 1	1	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	68	10	-	2	-	-	1	3	-	-	
TOTAL 1970 71 23 TOTAL 1969 71 20	- 1	-	1 1	1	2	-	-	-	-	1	-	94	-	-	16	-	2	1	7	1	-	
TOTAL 1969 71 20	3 2	3	2 1	1	-	_	-	-	-	3	1	120	-	2	3	-	5	1	2	-	-	1
	23 59	23	59 4	8 51	23	2	2	3	3	108	30	6523	111	105	493	32	43	115	477	50	38	1
	0 63	20	3 49	9 69	-	5	-	11	-	139	-	6561	91	63	373	38	39	107	332	58	59	1
INCREASE - 3	-	3			23	-	2	-	3	-	30	-	20	42	120	-	4	8	145	-	-	
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	CIRCUITS	No. of Members on Roll at 30th June this year.	Net increase	Net decrease	infants	Believers	Nursery	Kindergarten	Primary	Junior	Intermediate	Junior	Intermediate	Senior		No. of Families	No. of People-	Annual Stipend	Bonus and/or Allowance	Travelling or Car Allowance	Ownership of Car	Credit Balance	Debit Balance
	AUCKLAND CENTRAL	476	-	20	42	2	124	28	32	38	24	38	29	12	62	665	1560	216	10		M	126	
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	AUCKLAND WEST	74	-	2	17	-	-25	15	8	3	7	3	8	8	-	127		2100		265	M		104
	AUCKLAND BAST	626	-	9	35	-	53	73	69	73	44	37	37	16	81	838	1798	2130		546 340 322	M		246
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	ORAKEI	524	9	-	26	2	34	38	27	42	33	30	29	31	20	586	1460	2100		450	M	2560	
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	AVONDALE	415	-	19	43	4	38	44	50	67	36	26	30	23	45	750	1900	2100		0.300	M		965
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	DEVONPORT	142	8	-	8	1	25	24	16	19	9	10	17	17	63	305	770	2100	32	392	M	242	
	TAKAPUNA	692	-	9	35	2	31	26	63	56	61	53	39	30	63	844	2568	2100	18	4450	M		774
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STIPENDS etc. State of Finances at 30 June

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CIRCUITS	No. of Members on Roll at 30th June this year.	Net increase	Net decrease	Infants	Believers	Nursery	Kindergarten	Primary	Junior	Intermediate	Junior	Intermediate	Senior		No. of Families	No. of People	Annual Stipend	Bonus and/or Allowance	Travelling or Car Allowance	Ownership of Car	Credit Balance	Debit Balanci
BIRKENHEAD	323	-	124	31	-	133	86	56	74	49	31	30	1	50	621	1845	-	-	300	N		658
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NORTHCOTS	140	140	-	19	-	32	25	18	22	24	4	3	-	15	195	623	210	þ	300	Ν	563	1
ONEHUNGA	254	3	-	30	2	35	53	70	59	40	39	30	25	34	470	1880	210		200	K	210	
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OTAHUHU	150	-	5	15	-	47	25	23	30	25	17	-7	2	10	276	746	205	þ	400	M		
PAPATOETOE	450	-	6	63	2	27	68	89	70	52	43	18	25	10	650	2800	210	0 50		M		1540
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BOMBAY-TUAKAU	65	-	4	5	-	30	8	-	-	10	-	9	8	15	130		210	-	650		225	-
WAIUKU	116	-	7	12	2	-	30		12	-	9	-	-	-	205		210	-	400		Contain 1	378
KAIPARA	76	8	-	4	-	1	12	_	28		8	3	6	2	10+		164	-	480			52
WHANGA PARAOA	103	9	-	7	-	16	14	-	13		6	4	-	12	144		210		340		124	5
MAHURANGI	107	2045	13	4	-	9	17	16	29	18	3	3	4	12	141	370	210	0	576		3	
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AUCKLAND District General Statistical Returns for the year ending 30th June, 1970

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CIRCUITS	No. of Members on Roll at 30th June this year.	Net increase	Net decrease	Infants	Believers	Nursery	Kindergarten	Primary	Junior	Intermediate	Junior	Intermediate	Senior		No. of Families	No. of People	Annual Stipend	Bonus and/or Allowance	Travelling or Car Allowance	Ownership of Car	Credit Balance	Debit Balance
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CIRCUITS	Churches	Other Preaching Places	Schoolrooms	Parsonages .	Ministers/Probationers Active	Ministers/Supernumeraries	Home Missionaries/Active	Home Missionaries/Retired	Deaconesses/Active	Deaconesses/Retired	Lay Preachers/Active	Lay Preachers/Inactive	No. of Members on Roll at 30th June last year	Under 20	20 and over	Other N.Z. Circuits	Other Countries	Other Denominations	By Death	Other N.Z. Ccts.	Other Countries	Other Denominations	Ceased to Attend
THANKS	3	4	1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	3	2	146	6	2	17		3	1	9	-	1	
HAURAKT PLATNS UNITON	3	1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	44	-	-	3	-	-	1	-	-	-	
PAIROA	1	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	70	3	-	4	-	1	1	4	-	3	
WAIHI	1	2	1	1	1	-	-	-	-		1	-	83	-	-	2	-	-	1	10	-	-	
TE ARCEA	2	1	2	1	1		-	-	-	-	1	-	177	6	5	11	-	-	5	14	-	-	
MOBRINSVILLE	3	5	3	2	2	-		-	-	-	4	-	292	4	6	11	1	-	1	20	2	3	
CAMPRIDE	3	1	2	1	1	1	-	-	-	1	5	1	173	-	2	6	-	1	2	6	-	-	
HAMILTON	5	3	5	3	3	1	-		-	-	4	5	636	8	4	53	2	1	11	44	1	1	L
HAMILTON BAST	4	2	6	3	3	2	-	-	-	-	6	3	506	10	11	9	-	4	3	29	-	-	
NGARUAWAHTA	2	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	55		-	4	-	-	2	3	-	1	
HUNTLY	1	6	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	107	6	1	7	-	-	2	8	-	-	
RATAWATA	2	2	2	1	1	1	-		-	-	3	1	265	-	-	11	-	-	3	21	7	2	
TOKOROA	1	1	2	1	1	-	-	-			2	1	107	3	2	11	11	1	-	6	-	2	
STR.TOTALS CARRIED PORMARE :	74	28	28	18	18	6				. 1	74	13	2661	46	33	149	14	11	33	174	10	13	3

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General Statistical Returns for the year ending 30th June, 1970

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CIRCUITS	Churches	Other Preaching Places	Schoolrooms	Parsonages	Ministers/Probationers Active	Ministers/Supernumeraries	Home Missionaries/Active	Home Missionaries/Retired	Deaconesses/Active	Deaconesses/Retired	Lay Preachers/Active	Lay Preachers/Inactive	No. of Members on Roll at 30th June last year	Under 20	20 and over	Other N.Z. Circuits	Other Countries	Other Denominations	By Death	Other N.Z. Ccts.	Other Countries	Other Denominations	Ceased to Attend
PUTARURU	1	1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	75	-	-	5	-	-	1	8	-	3	-
ROTORUA	3	-	1	. 1	1	1	-	-	-	-	4	5	230	9	1	23		1	6	12	1	5	-
TAUPO	1	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	46	-	-	6		-	-	2	-	-	1
TAURANGA	4	1	1	3	3	2	-	-	-	-	6	1	510	-	2	43	2	-	7	34	2	4	1
TE PUKE	1	1	1	1	1	1	-	-	-		1	-	83	-	-	5	-	-	1	4	-	-	-
WHAKATANE-KANERAU	2	-	1	1	1		-	-	-	-	4		116	-	-	5	2	1	2	12	-	2	2
OPOTINI	2	-	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	74	1	-	7	-	-	-	2	1	-	2
TE ATAMUTU	2	2	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	239	-	9	9	-	-	1	16	-	-	
OTOROHANGA	1	3	1	1	11	-	-	1	-	-	2	-	108	-	-	4	-	-	2	14	-	-	-
TE AUITI	1	3	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	72	-	-	7		-	2	6	-		-
TATIWAR ANTIT	1	2	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	77	-	4	-	-	-	2	8	-	-	7
TIRANGI UNION	1		1	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	3	-			-								
OHIRA	3	1	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	1 1	-	45	-	-	3	-	-	2	3	-	-	-
COROMANDEL	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	16	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	-	-	-
RAGIAN UNION	1	1	1	1	1	-	-		-	-	3	-	52	3	-	-	-	4	1	6	-	1	-
DISTRICT TOTALS :	56	43	48	35	34	11	-	1	-	1 (69	20	11a	59	19	266	18	17	62	302	14	28	49

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		Mer	nbershi	p	Bapt	ISHS			Chil	dren		1	Youth	1	Adults	Pasto	nal Care					Cir	cuit
CIRC	UITS	No. of Members on Roll at 30th June this year.	Net increase	Net decrease	Infants	Believers	Nursery	Kindergarten	Primary	Junior	Intermediate	Junior	Intermediate	Senior		No. of Families	No. of People	Annual Stipend	Bonus and or Allowance	Travelling or Car Allowance	Ownership of Car	Credit Balance	Debit Balance
THAMES		163	17	-	13	-	25	21	14	13	14	12	14	-	20	264	690	21 00	-	357	M	\$ 9.	
HAURAKI PI	AINS UNION	43	-	1	8	-	2	2	7	3	5	4	2	-	-	100	300	2200	100	691	H		27.
PARROA		70	-	-	4	-	16	26	10	13	14	8	10	-	-	116	383	21 00	-	270	M		205.
WAIHI		68	-	16	7	-	10	8	8	6	8	7	6	-	-	104	341	2100	-	288	M	43.	
TE ARCHA		180	3	-	10	3	34	27	22	23	14	18	8	3	-	176	545	2094	-	405	M	83.	
MORAINSVII	LE	286	-	6	29	-	101	43	45	50	51	24	20	-	15	530	1420			550	M		1216.
CANERIDOR		173	-	-	15	-	40	48	27	27	27	4	6	7	39	186	543	1820	-	525 300	X	198.	
HANTLING		644	-8	-	63	4	124	77	98	88	61	57	41	30	30	750					C		1943.
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HAMILTON I	-	497	-	9	37	-	77	84	85	80	79	20	17	35	10	620	1830	2152	-	4.08	M		-
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NGARUAWAHI	4	52	-	3	7	-	25	23	32	24	21	10	7	-	-	151	64.0	21.00		288	X		784.
HUNTLY		111	+	-	19	1	31	7	10	17	-6	7	5	-	-		-			485		127.	
MATAMATA		240	-	25	20	-	10	- 35	12	27	14	15	12	12	16	270	1000			552		746.	
TOKOROA		123	16		10	2	_41	32	40	50	12	15	17	7	9	163	738	2000	-	612	M		1638.
SUB-TOTAL	CARRIED FED ;	264.9	48	60	242	10	536	433	410	426	317	201	165	94	139	3731	11712	LET .	LEO	7179		1206	5813

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CHRISTIAN EDUCATION STIPFNDS etc. State of Finances at 30 June PART 2 (continued) Adults Pastoral Care Youth Circuit Membership Baotisms Children Debit Credit of Members on I at 30th June year. Car Ralance Balance Families Bonus and/or Allowance Travelling or Car Allowance Annual Stipend People 10 decrease garten increase ate Intermediate CIRCUITS Ownership Believers ntermedi sery mary Infants nder Junior 5 of 10 5 Roll Juni Senic Net Net No. NUL No. à X x 14 .25 3 147 515 21 00 432 150. 68 -7 10 19 14 14 9 2 -PUTARURU -920 21 00 80 3 10 28 29 35 21 25 23 13 12 310 444 H 71. ROTORUA 240 10 18 -4.51 1600 283 H 13. - 119 TAIPO 49 3 10 - 15 4 10 15 6 -- ---9 543 1661 21.00 50 424 C -17 - 48 39 47 96 42 37 37 15 TAURANGA 509 --C 1955 443 -21.00 288 G -250. 435 1798 321 M 83 8 - 16 16 12 14 12 5 1 -- 125 -TE PURE --630 2100 576 M 71. 40 20 22 38 20 8 4 2 - 215 106 10 8 -WHAKATANE_NATER AU -H 160 2100 120 258. 8 131 OPOTINI 77 7 6 9 9 8 L - 5 -3 603. 41 25 15 19 25 23 -21 00125 464 X TE ATAMUTU 240 9 305 1005 1193. 2100 -327 C/M 20 40 38 30 22 15 9 6 - 134 100 96 12 OTORCEANCA. 9 -782. - 210 600 1815 -360 H TE KUITI 71 1 -13 12 11 13 9 --6 360 469. 567 2100 -莨 3 6 2 7. - 164 TATMARANUT 64 13 2 4 3 1 ---270 2200 100 M 1715 3 54 455 6 5 3 12 TURANGI UNION 2 4 2200 100 447 H 366. 320 200 ¥ - 104 345 43 2 10 9 12 11 10 --CHURA -80 157. 40 12 CORCHANDEL -204 2052 - 455 Ħ 499. 10 8 6 6 68 51 31 -4 4 -1 --RAGLAN UNION -4601. 9015. 366 15 766 656 45 741 528 356 256 138 182 6400 20255 70517 13878 DISTRICT TOTALS : 4358 65 111 905

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	CIRCUITS	Churches	Other Preaching Places		Parsonages	Ministers/Probationers Active	Ministers/Supernumeraries	Home Missionaries Active	Home Missionaries/Retired	Deaconesses/Active	Deaconesses/ Retired	Lay Preachers/Active	Lay Preachers Inactive	No. of Members on Roll at 30th June last year	Under 20	20 and over	Other N.Z. Circuits	Other Countries	Other Denominations	By Death	Other N.Z. Ccts.	Other Countries	Other Denominations	Ceased to Attend
	NEW PLYMOUTH	5	1	5	3	3	3	-	1	1	-	5	1	645	13	2	26	-	-	8	24	1	-	3
	WAITARA	3	2	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	146	-	1	3	-	-	3	12	1	-	1
	STRATFORD	3	1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	175	-	-	4	-	-	2	3	2	-	-
	ELTHAM-KAPONGA	2	-	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	136	-	-	2	-	-	-	10	-	-	-
	HAWERA	2	1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	157	2	3	9	1	-	3	10	-	3	1
-	MANAIA	2	1	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	76		-	4	-	-	-	20	-	-	-
	OPUNAKE	6	-	5	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	201	8	1	7	-	1	3	14	-	-	2
	WANGANUI CENTRAL	1	-	1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	4	2	292	7	-	11	-	-	7	5	-	-	-
1	WANGANUI NORTH	2	2	2	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	2	1	115	3	-	6	-	-	2	3	-	-	-
	WANGANUI WEST	2	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	106	1	-	9	-	2	5	7	-	2	-
	TAIHAPE	1	1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	49	-	-	5	-	1	1	10	-	-	-
-	INGLEWOOD	1	1	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	88	7		3	-	-	-	6	-	-	-
	PATEA (Reciprocal)	-			-	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	26	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	-	-	-
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CIRCUITS	No. of Members on Roll at 30th June this year.	Net increase	Net decrease	Infants	Believers	Nursery	Kindergarten	Primary	Junior	Intermediate	Junior	Intermediate	Senior	Addits	No. of Families	No. of People	Annual Stipend	Bortus and/or Allowance	Travelling or Car Allowance	Ownership of Car	Credit Balance	Debit Balance
NEW PLYMOUTH	650	5	-	34	-	105	71	54	96	60	46	28	8	23	1115	2758	2252		354	M	500	
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					1												2100) -	390	M	1	
WAITARA	133	-	13	19	2	9	28	17	20	13	6	3	-	-	270	800	2020) -	551	M		726
STRATFORD	172	-	3	20	-	16	9	12	26	12	12	10	3	6	270	830	2100	- 1	450	M	449	
ELTHAM-KAPONGA	128	-	8	8	-	20	22	15	19	6	5	2	3	8	169	573	2200	- 1	480	M		290
HAWERA	155	-	2	1	-	12	11	13	15	12	10	5	1	-	251	649	2100	- (312	M	63	
MANAIA -	60	-	16	8	-	1	6	7	7	6	-	-	-	-	103	389	890	- 1	180	-	168	
OPUNAKE	179	-	2	42	3	64	72	40	26	17	11	18	2	-	296	971	2100) -	600	M		611
																	2100	- 1	-	C		-
WANGANUI CENTRAL	298	6	-	17	-	41	21	23	22	16	17	16	. 3	10	366	985	2100	210	333	M	707	
WANGANUI NORTH	119	4	-	6	-	12	17	13	19	13	16	8	2	4	182	456	181	-	240	M	147	-
WANGANUI WEST	104	-	2	15	-	17	30	14	25	18	13	6	1	9	201	635	2100	-	300	M	509	
TAIHAPE	44	-	5	1	-	-	8	2	11	9	7	12	6	-	85	188	198	-	252	11		49
INGLEWOOD	92	4	-	8	-	32	5	9	12	8	8	10	-	-	172		2100		360	11	82	
PATEA	53.	-	3	-	-	1	1	3	3	1	-	-	-	-	48	139	-		-			
TOTALS	2177	19	54	179	5	330	301	223	301	189	151	118	29	60	3528	9870 3	0058	210	5126		2625	1676

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GISBORNE	z	-	1	1	1	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	135	8		11	-	4	2	4	-	-	-
MANGAPAPA UNION	1	1	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	40	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	12
WAIRCA	1	2	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	47	-	-	6	-	-	-	9	-	-	-
DANS EVIRK E-NORSEWOOD	z	1	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	145	-	-	6	-	1	1	5	1	2	2
WOODVILLE	1	-	1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	86		-	1	-	-	1	1	-	-	-
PALMERSTON NORTH (ST PAUL'S)	2	2	2	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	11	4	438	8	-	25	-	-	13	39	2	2	34
PALMERSTON NORTH (TRINITY)	3	1	3	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	8	-	329	8	-	26	2	-	3	25	-	-	4
ASHHURST-BURN TTHORPE	3	-	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	103	-	-	3	-	2	2	-	-	-	-
PARLATUA UNION	3	1	1	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	3	1	84	-	-	1	-	-	1	12	-	-	1
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FEILDING	1	1	1	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	2.	1	343	-	-	2	-	-	.8	12	+7	4	-
MARTON	1	-	1	1	1	-	-	1	-	-	3	-	95	-	-	9	-	-	1	5	-	-	3
SANSON-RONGOT BA	3	\$	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	149	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-
APITI	3	1	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	65	-	-	7	-	-	1	4	-	1	-
WAIPAWA-WAIPUKURAU	2	2	2	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	2	-	66	-	-	9	-	-	1	6	-	-	2
FORTON UNION	3	-	4	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	89	6	3	1	-	-	4	1	-		-
TOTALS	39	13	34	22	19	6	-	1	-	-	54	11	3062*	37	9	164	3	7	57	180	4	13	60
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	Меп	bership	p	Bapti	sms			Chil	dren			Youth	1	Adults	Pasto	wal Care					Circ	uit
CIRCUITS	No. of Members on Roll at 30th June this year.	Net increase	Net decrease	Infants	Believers	Nursery	Kindergarten	Primary	Junior	Intermediate	Junior	Intermediate	Senior		No. of Families	No. of People	Annual Stipend	Bonus and/or Allowance	Travelling or Car Allowance	Ownership of Car	Credit Balance	Debit Balance \$
KAPIER	401	1	-	27	-	82	71	60	76	48	31	23	3	10	602	1857	2100			¥	658	
WASTINGS	434	-	14	33	-	27	84	42	32	29	30	24	2	22	579	1707	2100	40	402	M.	86	
CISBORNE	152	17	-	17	2	54	18	9	28	18	12	10	-	-	330	1040	2100	-	300	M		594
MANCAPAPA UNION	26	-	14	30	-	16	8	14	10	6	2	2	-	-	78	184	2241	100	380	м		249
MAIRCA	44	-	3	6	-	-	6	5	7	2	2	1	-	-	79	281	1612	-	261	M	1	
DANN EVIRE E-NORSEWOOD	141	-	4	5	-	37	17	12	14	14	13	7	-	-	208	668	2100	-	259	м	100	
WOODVILLE	85	-	1	2	-	4	6	9	11	6	2	11	-	14	80	253	1815	-	250	M	56	
PALMERSTON NORTH(ST. PAULS)	• 381	-	57	.25	-	60	87	51	59	43	27	22	29	30	442	1210	2100	200	412	M		618
PALMERSTON NORTH(TRINITY)	333	4	-	16	-	52	61	41	46	-28	16	18	17	47	335	10 10	2205	117	588	M	226	
ASHEURST-BUNN YTHORPE	106	3	-	8	-	10	15	26	16	15	9	-	-	25	193	510	2100	50	450	M	403	
FEILDING	321	-	22	20	-	40	20	26	12	22	14	14	5	20	402	1206	2 100	200	690	M	10	
MARTOS	95	-	-	12	-	8	14	4	24	9	9	9	-	12	160	420	2 101	-	432	M	152	
SANSON-RONGOT EA	150	1	-	5	-	26	29	24	18	6	8	8	-	30	129	373	2104	-	744	M		74
APITI	66	1	-	12	-	18	12	9	17	12	6	5	6	13	127	441	1166	-	500	M		318
RAIPANA-HAIFWKURAU	66	-	-	6	-	16	9	12	7	11	2	8	-	-	160	511	2100	-	516	M	193	
FOXTON UNION	96	7	-	3	3	40	19	15	15	26	14	30	15	60	140	330	2 100	-	400	M	171	
PARIATUA UNION	71	-	13	5	-	8	4	7	5	3	1	3	-	-	140	350					776	
TOTALS	2968	34	128	232	5	498	480	372	397	298	198	195	77	283	4204	12354	8220	967	8110	2011	2832	1853
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TELLINGTON CENTRAL	2		2	2	6					-	7		1,04	4	5	37	3	3	3	44	20	6	8
TELLINGTON WEST	3		2	. 2	2	2					4	1	274	10		7			1	31		1	2
WELLINGTON SOUTH	2		2	2	1						3	-	115	1		11			1	7			
WELLINGTON BAST	4		3	2	2						3		250	6	4	6			2	5		2	4
WELLINGTON NORTH	2	-	3	1	1						1		268	2	2	19			2	129	4	2	2
PORTRUA	6	2	2	3	3	1				1	8	2	506	6		32		5	4	24	2	17	15
LOWER HUTT - PETONE	6		6	4	4	3					17	3	787	11	10	37	1	6	16	61	5	4	9
UPPER HUTT	3	1	2	2	2						4	2	219	5	5	23				9			
GREYTOWN - MEATHERSTON	2		3	1	1						3	1	80	1			-	-	2	6			7
CARCTERTON	1		1	1	1								90						3	2		1	
MASTERTON	3		2	2	2						4		314	7	3	29	-		8	24	1	1	
LEVIN	2		1	1	2	1				2	1	2	349			9			10	14	1	1	
DATO	2		1	1	1	1					4		72			1			2	1		1	
PARAPARIEN	3	1	1	1	1						2		137			8			2	12			1

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TAITA UNION	2			4	4								16		1	3				5			
WAINUICEATA UNION	3		4	2	2						5		57	1	1	4				4		-	i
NEWLANDS UNION	1		1	1	1								39			1				6			3
JOE SOWTLLS UNION	1		4	2	2						3				1	119			-	4			18
ERETARUNA UNION	2	2	1	1	_1	-			_		_	_	77		-		5			-			31
TOTALS	50	6	41	32	36	8				1	69	11	4054	51	30	31.9	9	14	56	388	33	35	101
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CIRCUITS	No. of Members on Roll at 30th June this year.	Net increase	Net decrease	Infants	Believers	Nursery	Kindergarten	Primary	Junior	Intermediate	Junior	Intermediate	Senior		No. of Families	No. of People	Annual Stipend	Borus and/or Allowance	Travelling or Car Allowance	Ownership of Car	Credit Balance	Debit Balance
WELLINGTON CENTRAL	375		29	21		26	19	14	17	17	8	5	6	20	456	856	2560	80	420	M	2084	
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WELLINGTON WEST	256		18	12		29	37	30	36	20	7	18	11		234		2 18		-	1	103	
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RELLINGTON BAST	253	3		15		44	27	26	38	26	22	13	-2		236	876	2151	1		1000	m	
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PORTRIA	437		19	26		60	115	01	407	75	30	20	20	40	363	3359	1225		165 M6		37 8	
PURISUA	- 491-			- 64		~	112	-	101	-10		- 42		14-2			2100	1	551			
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LOWER HUTT - PETOLE	757		30	61	2	136	06	06	103	74	58	54	51		1115	3004	100	130	572		331	
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UPPER HUTT	21.3	24		30		25	32	35	36	30	24	14	8		395	1380	2100		600	H		59
GREETTOWN FRATHERSTON	66		14	-	-	25	15	-	-	15	15	6	5	10	120	383	2100	-	1,50		430	
CARTERTON	84		6	3	-	18	C	26	15	S	11	10			12	1 345	2107	59	142	K.	632	

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MASTERTON	319	5	-	30		61	41	38	37	24	31	24			495	1450	2100	134	455	M	127.	2
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LEVIN	312		17	14	1	10	40	43	67	53	19	15	2		475	1660	2145	77	633	M	1133	
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PARAPARAUMU	130		7	8		34	11	15	16	. 10	7	8	1		186	554	2100		586	M	2	
TAITA UNION	14		2	9		41	2	3	9	3	5				287	782	2100		300	M	24	
WAINUICHATA UNION	' 58	1	-	43	2	60	90	110	195	65	20	25	6	25	1250	5500	2100		516	M	-	-
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NEWLANDS UNION	34		5	13	-	20	15	20	13	7	5	4			37	158	2200	100	390	M	-	
JOHNSONVILLE UNION	97	97		7	-	28	21	8	20	16	14	6	2	-	177	534	875	-	184	M	480	
	-	-		-	-	-					-						958		162	M		
SKETAHUNA UNION	51		26	3	-	2	2	3	3	5			-	-	95	270	2100		400	M	3	
TOTALS	3894	133	293	318	6	651	592	604	786	502	327	248	147	105	5961	22889 6	8049	146	1345		8370	71
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	Members	By Cont	Under 20		1	1		18	1	1	1	1	1	19
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			Lay Preachers/Inactive	5	1	1	1	5	1	-	1	1	1	11
			Lay Preachers/Active	5	3	4		88	-	1	-	5	2	29
			Deaconesses/Retired	1	1	1	8	,	1	1	1	1	1	1
			Deaconesses/Active	1	1	1		L	1	1	1	1	"	1
			Home Missionaries/Retired	-	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	1	-
			Home Missionaries/Active	1	1	1	I	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
			Ministers/Supernumeraries	-	ł	1	1	1	1	'	1	1	1	-
			Ministers/Probationers Active	2	-	-	-	3	-	-	1	-	2	12
	-		Parsonages	2	-	+	-	3	-	-	-	~	2	15
			Schoolrooms	2	٢	~	-	20	2	-	-	-	2	18
			Other Preaching Places	1	-	+	3	5	3	1	~	. 1	~	19
			Churches	2	4	~	-	9	~	-	4	~	2	8
			CIRCUITS	97 NELSON		ANDTON 69	1 mm. MURCHISON	101 BLENHEIM		NOINI SI INKE I	101a REEFTON DISTRICT UNION	101b MESTFORT UNDON	162a HDKITTKA UNION	TOTALS

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CIRCUITS	No. of Members on Roll at 30th June this year.	Net increase	Net decrease	Infants	Believers	Nursery	Kindergarten	Primary	Junior	Intermediate	Junior	Intermediate	Senior		No. of Families	No. of People	Annual Stipend	Bonus and/or Allowance	Travelling or Car Allowance	Ownership of Car	Credit Batance	Debit Balance
97 NELSON	397	-	7	30	-	54	52	61	51	67	26	24	2	24	561	1457		8 38		M	33.78	
98 WAINEA	201	-	7	22.	-	61	41	47	37	33	23	13	-	9	376	1303	2100	-	480	M	131.40	
99 NOTUEKA	111	-	11	2	1	6	18	9	6	12	9	5	1	40	170	500	2100	-	360	M	235.00	
100 MURCHISON	37	-	2	2	-	-	10	10	11	6	-	-	-	-	107		1815		300	М	201.21	
101 BLENHEIM	499	24	-	45	5	67	64	47	90	43	37	36	8	22	595	1755	2158	50	150	8	.50	
102 GREYDOUTH	166	-	4	3	-	20	8	14	16	5	6	4	2	-	225	598	2100	-	420	M		47.16
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97a ST LUKE'S UNION	46	-	1	3	-	14	1.00			_	-	15	2	-					330			5.00
101a RESTON DISTRICT UNION	42	-	2	2						2	6		-	-	102	310	680		403	M	811.16	
101 MESTPORT UNION	68	-	7	22	-	12	24	30	20	11	6	10	-	16	357	1178	2100		516	M	566.13	
102a HOKETIKA UNION	58	-	8	10	-	25	54	38	30	28	18	-	10	42	300	1120	2100	100	338	M		249,00
		~	10	4/4	4	24	-		200		42	100	- 25	100	2052	9385	-	350	4990		4000 40	204 4/
TOTALS.	1625	24	49	141	0	201	477	477	303	211	134	10	47	133	2002	9303	45,10	-	4990	1	1979.18	301,16
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	Durham Street	3	-	4	3	3	5	-	-	-	1	6	3	777	8	12	25	-	3	15	1,8	5	3	21
	Christchurch Central Mission and	.1	-	1	2	2		-	-	-	-	2	-	86	-	-	4	-	-	4	7	-	-	1,
	Cambridge Terrace Church						-																	
	Christehurch East	\$	3	10	5	4	1	-	-	-	1	6	3	285	6	3	34	-	-	10	47	7	3	7
	Moolston-Lyttelton	6	1	6	3	3	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	298	3	1	12	1	1	5	13	1	-	9
	Sylenham	2	-	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	103	7	5	13	-	-	5	5	-	4	3
	Spreydon	2	1	5	2	2	1	-	-	-	-	1	3	323	14	3	8	1	3	3	2	-	7	5
12	Riccarton	14	1	1	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	11	1	232	16	1	23	1	-	3	17	-	-	2
	St Albans	3	2	7	4	4	4	-	-	-	-	9	3	791	13	3	35	-	2	2	32	2	5	7
	Paparui	2	-	1	2	1	-	-	-	1	1	5	1	269	-	1	23	1	3	5	2	-	-	-
	Springston	6	1	1.	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	156	-	3	5	-	-	3	3	2	2	1
	Leeston	4	-	3	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	204	-	-	-	-	-	3	13	1	-	-
	Kalapol	3	-	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	160	4	3	3	-	3	2	3	1	-	-
	Rangiora	6	1	5	2	1	-	-	1	-	-	5	5	316	-		2	-	2	7	15	-	12	11

NORTH CANTERBURY District

General Statistical Returns for the year ending 30th June, 1970

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CIRCUITS	Churches	Other Preaching Places	Schoolrooms	Parsonages	Ministers/Probationers Active	Ministers/Supernumeraries	Home Missionaries/Active	Home Missionaries/Retired	Deaconesses/Active	Deaconesses/Retired	Lay Preachers/Active	Lay Preachers/Inactive	No. of Members on Roll at 30th June last year	Under 20	20 and over	Other N.Z. Circuits	Other Countries	The Denominations	By Death	Other N.Z. Ccts.	Other Countries	Other Denominations	Ceased to Attend
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Greenlale	3	1	1	1	1	-	-		-	-	1	-	92	8	2 '	2	-	-	2		-	2	-
Oxfort	3	-	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	5	11	104		- '	1	-	-	2	2.	-	-	-
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NORTH CANTERBURY District General Statistical Returns for the year ending 30th June, 1970

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CIRCUÌTS	No. of Members on Roll at 30th June this year.	Net increase	Net decrease	Infants	Believers	Nursery	Kindergarten	Primary	Junior	Intermediate	Junior	Intermediate	Senior		No. of Families	No. of People	Annual Stipend	Bortus and/or Allowance	Travelling or Car Allowance	Ownership of Car	Credit Balance	Debit Balance
Durham Street	738	-	39	33	3	56	35	33	54	14	25	20	60	82	715	1572				-	23 -	
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& Carbridge Terrace Church				-		-					-		-				-		rates	M		
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Moolston-Lyttelton	291	-	7	21	1	56	18	14	55	23	31	3:	27	26	614	1976	2200	-	222		12	
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Sylenham	198	10	-	13	-	20	15	29	21	24	22	23	10	-	252	530	2700	-	305	-	1155	
Spreylon	329	6	-	24	3	73	19	1,9	71	33	46	19	22	-	533	2230	2100	-	370	+	1	12005
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Riccarton	239	7	-	33	1	55	12	15	83	15	37	123	20	15	551	1653	2100	-	in		tria	
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NORTH CANTERBURY District General Statistical Returns for the year ending 30th June, 1970

STIPENDS etc. State of Finances at 30 June PART 2 (continued) CHRISTIAN EDUCATION Adults Pastoral Care Circuit Membership Baptisms Children Youth Credit Debit No. of Members on Roll at 30th June this year. Car Balance Balance Bonus and/or Allowance Traveiling or Car Allowance No. of Families Annual Stipend Kindergarten No. of People Ownership of Net decrease Net increase Intermediate Intermediate CIRCUITS Believers Primary Nursery Infants Junior Junior Senior 2926 11 58 17 38 1085 2152 30 276 1 118 116 95 135 110 73 St Albans 797 6 2.5. -2100 30 20% 2200 30 276 1931 30 276 18 15 25 28 21 20 18 1 65 69 20 100 1100 2100 100 27 \$130 291 22 Paparn1 --1 221 13 37 33 26 10 11,3 3 - 20 1.2 13 2 273 928 2100 719 Sprintston ---19 17 13 10 2071 1,80 17 187 17 1 22 16 11 18 153 453 M Leeston 2 ----18 13 23 2100 -312 30 158 167 11 111 2 2 12 278 \$49 Kalanoi 2 1 35 11 -23 - 66 13 10 51 25 12 18 113 359 938 2100 -1.85 11 176 316 30 -Rangiora -1225 312 30 -Greendale A - 21 8 12 17 12 9 11 6 05 31.9 2100 517 -1726 100 3 --12 14 10 - 15 6 251 2100 -20 \$ 13 Oxford 101 -2 . ---1.90 -372 11 878 685 600 805 529388 287 265 323 7327 21,150 1 1322 1753 11 116 330 0613 121.83 9891

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CIRCUITS		Churches	Other Preaching Places	Schoolrooms	Parsonages	Ministers Probationers Active	Ministers/Supernumeraries	Home Missionaries Active	Home Missionaries/Retired	Deaconesses/Active	Deaconesses, Retired	Lay Preachers/Active	Lay Preachers Inactive	No. of Members on Roll at 30th June last year	Under 20	20 and over	Other N.Z. Circuits	Other Countries	Other Denominations	By Death	Other N.Z. Ccts.	Other Countries	Other Denominations	Ceased to Attend
Bank Street	118	1		1		1					1	1		133	1		7		2	2	4			33
Woodlands Street	119	2	2	3	1	1						2		247		1	13			8	19	1	1	
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Geraldine - Temuka	121	2		2	1	1	1+					3		139	11		6	-			5		3	1
Ashburton	122	4	2	3	2	2	2					6	2	329			21	-	2	5	21			
Willowby	123	-2	3	3	1	1					-	2		80	1		2				8		1	
St David's Marchwiel (Union)	119a	1	1	-	1	1								177	6		11			4	10			6
Qamaru (Union)	123a	1		2	1	1	-		-			2	-	171	2	4	4		1	7	8		1	
		15	9	16	8	9	3				-	16	3	1416	19	4	67		5	29	103	2	9	45

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PART 2

SOUTH CANTERBURY District General Statistical Returns for the year ending 30th June, 1970 to

STIPENDS etc State of Finances at 30 June

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		Mer	nbership	p	Bapt	isms			Chil	Idren			Youth	1	Adults	Paste	nal Care	0				Circ	uit
CIRCUITS		No. of Members on Roll at 30th June this year.	Net increase	Net decrease	Infants	Believers	Nursery	Kindergarten	Primary	Junior	Intermediate	Junior	Intermediate	Senior		No. of Families	No. of People	Annual Stipend	Bonus and/or Allowance	Travelling or Car Allowance	Ownership of Car	Credit Balance	Debit Balance
Bank Street	118	103		30	6		7	10	11	10	6	11	6	8	5	172	397	2100	104	330	M	100.	
Woodlands Street	119	231		16	9		31	38	30	22	12	16	15	20	4	325	936	2100	100	300	M	39	
Waimate	.120	113		27	5		16	9	10	17		7	9	3	48	151	442	2100		454	M		934
Geraldine-Temuka	121	147	8		8		26	17	8	13	7	11	15		. 55	119	359	2100	1	552	M	145	
Ashburton	122	326	-	3	15		38	19	18	16	24	12	10	8	24	400	1050	1		300	1	546	
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Willowby	123	73		1	9		20	16	20	28	10	9	1	2		.94	298	1815		740	M	722	
St David's Marchwi	el(Union)179/53	+ 2		14		23	47		83	18	33	17			460	1900	2200	100	430	M		
Oamaru (Union)	123a	166		. 5	5	-	44	16	24	21	19	8	23	1	13	270	740	2100		491	M		226
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t David's Marchwiel	(Method	ist)													_								
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CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND District General Statistical Returns for the year ending 30th June, 1970

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CIRCUITS	Churches	Other Preaching Places	Schoolrooms	Parsonages	Ministers/Probationers Active	Ministers/Supernumeraries	Home Missionaries/Active	Home Missionaries/Retired	Deaconesses/Active	Deaconesses/Retired	Lay Preachers/Active	Lay Preachers/Inactive	No. of Members on Roll at 30th June tast year	Under 20	20 and over	Other N.Z. Circuits	Other Countries	Other Denominations	By Death	Other N.Z. Ccts.	Other Countries	Other Denominations	Ceased to Attend
CENTRAL MISSION	2	1	2	3	2	1	-	-	1	-	5	2	288	5	1	16	-	-	1	36	2	9	4
NORTH DUNEDIN	4	1	4	1	2	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	151	-	-	5	-	-	2	6	-	-	6
MORNINGTON	1	-	1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	128	-	-	5	-	-	2	7	-	3	-
DUNEDIN SOUTH	4	-	3	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	3	1	278	-	-	7	-	-	2	16	-	3	14
DUNEDIN ST KILDA	3	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	3	-	193	1	-	6	-	-	3	42	-	8	4
MILTON-LAWRENCE	2	1	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	68	-	2	5	-	-	1	13	-	-	-
BALCLUTHA	2	2	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	129	1	3	10	-	-	2	14	-	1	-
CORE	3	-	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	118	-	-	8	2	-	5	8	-		6
INVERCARGILL	6	-	6	4	3	-	-	-	-	-	8	1	600	3	15	26	2	3	10	35	2	4	7
WESTERN SOUTHLAND	5	2	4	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	157	-	1	4	-	-	2	17	-	-	-
BLUFF	2	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	58	6	6	-	-	-	1	2	-	-	-
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CARRIED FORWARD	34	7	26	18	16	2	-	1	1	1	28	6	2168	16	28	92	4	3	31	196	4	28	41

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General Statistical Returns for the year ending 30th June, 1970

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CIRCUITS	Churches	Other Preaching Places	Schoolrooms	Parsonages .	Ministers/Probationers Active	Ministers/Supernumeraries	Home Missionaries Active	Home Missionaries/Retired	Deaconesse's/Active	Deaconesses/ Retired	Lay Preachers/Active	Lay Preachers/Inactive	No. of Members on Roll at 30th June last year	Under 20	20 and over	Other N.Z. Circuits	Other Countries	Other Denominations	By Death	Other N.Z. Ccts.	Other Countries	Other Denominations	Ceased to Attend
WEST DINEDIN INION	1	7	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	103	1	1	18	-	-	-	6	-	-	11
COESTORFHINE UNION	1	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	40	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	-	-
GRANTS BRAES UNION	1	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-		-	30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TEVIOT UNION	2	1	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.47	-	-	2	-	-	-	2	-	3	6
ALEXANDRA/CLYDE UNION								1					37							-			
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1969 TOTALS	44	15	29	20	21	1	1	-	-	-	32	-	2446	19	23	172	-	11		175		20	25
1970 TOTALS	39	15	28	22	20	2	-	1	1	1	35	6	2395	17	29	142	4	3	31	210	4	31	58

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OTAGO-SOUTHLAND District General Statistical Returns for the year ending 30th June, 1970

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CIRCUITS	No. of Members on Roll at 30th June this year.	Net increase	Net decrease	Infants	Believers	Nursery	Kindergarten	Primary	Junior	Intermediate	Junior	Intermediate	Senior		No. of Families	No. of People	Annual Stipend	Bonus and or Allowance	Traveiling or Car Ailowance	Ownership of Car	Credit Balance	Debit Balance
CENTRAL MISSION	258	-	30	8	-	24	12	13	9	12	10	3	20	25	282	607	2415 2100 1545	100		MMC	253	
NORTH DUNEDIN	142	-	9	4	-	-	10	8	15	8	-	-	-	-	190	500	2100	-	320	M	170	
MORNINGTON	121	-	7	1	-	5	7	12	16	12	6	12	8	10	120	380	2100	-	280	M		3204
DUNEDIN SOUTH	250	-	28	13	-	19	41	35	22	34	19	25	2	10	339	1030	1786	-	275	M		171
DUNEDIN ST KILDA	143	-	50	7	-	20	5	8	14	16	6	5	8	-	229		2100		319			55
MILTON-LAWRENCE	61	-	7	3	-	15			10	10	8	2	-	-	112	346	1560	-	520	M		146
BALCLUTHA	126	-	3	12		32		8	9	9	5	6	5	8	198	556	2100	104	536	M	808	
GORE	109	-	9	9	-	37	27	10	22	15	15	7	-	17	185	589	2100	-	418	M	303	
INVERCARGILL	591	-	9	26	6	80	94	100	103	74	43	46	7	44	887	2426	2100 2100 2100	-	400 400 400	N N	289	
WESTERN SOUTHLAND	143	-	14	20	-	35	10	9	25	31	40	20	3	64	254	860	2100	-	600 554	M		1811
BLUFF	67	9	-	2	1	8	12	12	12	12	19	22	2	-	169	510	1		270	M	223	
CARRIED FORWARD	2011	9	166	105	8	275	348	219	257	233	154	148	55	178	2955	8338	3 3693	257	6523		2046	5387

AUDICTION CONCLETION

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND District General Statistical Returns for the year ending 30th June, 1970

		PART	2 (co	ntinue	d)			CH	RIST	IAN E	DUC	ATION	N					STIPE	ENDS et	с.	State of Financi	es at 30 June
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CIRCUITS	No. of Members on Roll at 30th June this year.	Net increase	Net decrease	Infants	Believers	Nursery	Kindergarten	Primary	Junior	Intermediate	Junior	Intermediate	Senior		No. of Families	No. of People	Annual Stipend	Bonus and/or Allowance	Travelling or Car Allowance	Ownership of Car	Credit Balance	Debit Balance
WEST DUNEDIN UNION	106	3	-	8	1	34	13	16	19	19	4	5	3	4	146	503	2100	100	418	M		
CORSTORPHINE UNION	34	-	6	28	-	8	7	10	7	6	15	10	4	-	45	126	-	-	-	-	-	
GRANTS BRAES UNION	30	30	-	-	-	8	12	10	14	6	4	7	-	-	40	146	-	-	-	-		
TEVIOT UNION	38	-	9	5	-	-	2	1	2	3	2	4	-	7	63	220	2083	100	700	M	1	
ALEXANDRA/CLYDE UNION	19	-	18			-							13	1	1			1	-			
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1969 TOTALS	2395	68	119	164	4	405	346	334	397	288	235	189	86	196	3512	12220	\$6584	304	7467		1423	4100
1970 TOTALS	2238	42	199	146	9	325	282	256	299	267	196	174	62	189	3259	9333	57876	457	7641		2046	5387

METHODIST OVERSEAS MISSIONS DEPARTMENT

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1970

In

RECEIPTS

PAYMENTS

Cash in Bank of New Zealand, Auckland 30/6/69 Cash in Bank of New Zealand, Sydney 30/6/69	5,574.08 3,086.06	8,660.14
	117751	1-1-1
Interest on Investments Transferred to Boat Insurance Fund 2,386.31 Transferred Fire Insurance Fund 1,487.70 Transferred General Account 508.42 Transferred Sundry Accounts 2,235.13		
	6,617.56	1000
Investments Realised		2,127.50
Capital Receipts:		
Building & Equipment Fund Extension Fund — Donations 733.05 From Development Fund 5.260.00		
Leper Fund	5,993.05 149.42	50,224,21
Boat Insurance Fund Fire Insurance Fund	2,386.31 1,487.70	3,874.01
S.S.I. Staff Retiring Funds Interest		9.00
Lepers' Trust Board Grants:		
General	22,984.00	
Leper Vessel Maintenance	7,000.00	29,984.00
The United Church:		- sint
Recoveries, Solomon Is. Region Recoveries, N.G. Highlands Region	12,975.56 3,612.95	16,588.51

Investments: Cash Invested — General General Secretary's Residence Sinking Fund Car Replacement Fund	3,160.54 600.00 250.00	4,010.54
Copital Payments: Building & Equipment Fund Lepers' Trust Board Account Leper Fund New Guinea Highlands Appeal General Secretary's House	35,293.18 6,012.04 2,004.01 2,491.36 52.78	45,853.37
Lepers' Trust Board Grants: General Leper Vessel Maintenance	22,340.64 7,001.36	29,342.00

The United Church: Solomons Is. Region. General Staff	86,953.76	
N.G. Highlands Region. General Staff	32,360.20	119,313.96
Retiring Fund S.S.I. Ministers. Payment on retirement		719.68

General:

Circuit & Sundry Donations Connexional Budget Balance: 1968-69 1969-70	3,006.00 87,000.00	1,995.70	
Methodist Women's Fellowship Medical Income Interest, General Account		90,006.00 8,200.00 2,614.55 508.42	103,324.67
Scholarship Fund Literature Account Subscriptions, Open Door & Lotu Sickness & Accident Fund Fraternal Workers' Fund Vanes Bequest			6,328.20 96.34 2,475.71 80.00 18.00 64.73
Cliff & Noreen Keightley Educa- tional Trust E. M. Rishworth Trust Sundry Receipts Sundry Refunds Sundry Gifts for Transfer			42.60 500.00 132.85 558.66 8,406.91

GENERAL:

General Administration:

General Secretary's Stipend & Allowances	2,250.00	
General Secretary's Travel & Car Expenses	1.077.86	
General Secretary's House Maintenance	303.42	
Office Salaries	2,375.11	
Office Rent & Rates	1.246.52	
Printing & Stationery	187.78	
General Office Expenses	458.72	
Telephones	263.90	
and the second se		8,163.31

Publicity & Deputation:

Material & Open Door	& Lotu	607.81 3,265.37	
Literature	Account	 265.12	4,138.30

Sundry Administration:

Audit Fee Insurances, Employers' Liability, Fire, Air	160.00	
Travel, Accident Advertising, N.Z. Methodist Office Equipment	612.91 52.35 74.50	899 76

Miscellaneous:

Sickness & Accident Fund		161.63
Scholarship Fund Other Funds for assistance to Students Vanes Bequest		1,065.81
On Account of Overseas Churches		575.50
Expenses Overseas Travel C.W.M.S.		730.00 98.00
All Saints' College		568.00 500.00
Sundry Gifts for Transfer		8,446.91 88.40
Balance, Bank of New Zealand, Auckland Balance, Bank of New Zealand, Sydney	5,371.26	00.40
		5,375.97
	\$	223,496.04

\$223,496.04

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

1968-9	EXPENDITURE	1969-70
	The United Church:	
	Solomon Island Region:	
37,124.29	General	35,133.18
39,441.31	Staff	43,003.08
		78,136.26
	New Guinea Highlands Region:	22.593.34
20,280.20	General	6,444.43
14,918.23	Staff	and the second second second
229.00	Less Interest on Appeal Funds Medical	29,037.77
21,548.13	General	22,340.64
140,883.16		129,514.67
	Home Base Expenditure General Administration	n:
2,137.03	General Secretary's Stipend & Allowance	2,250.00
542.40	General Secretary's Travel & Car Expenses	1,095.77
600.00	General Secretary's Residence	870.67
2,318.12	Office Salaries	2,375.11
1,230.80	Office Rent & Rates	1,292.77 247.78
743.36	Printing & Stationery	395.33
562.02	General Office Expenses	263.90
283.62 71.60	Telephones Travelling & Board Meetings	203.90
/1.00	Travening & board meetings	0.701.00
	Publicity & Deputation:	8,791.33
581.03	Material & Travel	607.81
884.22	Subsidy, Open Door & Lotu	789.66
UUTILL	Subsidy, open boor a cora	1.397.47
	Miscellaneous:	1,397.47
210.00	Audit Fee	160.00
75.00	Staff Superannuation	_
208.86	Insurance, Employer's Liability	-
611.55	Air Travel & Fire	612.91
193.10	Advertising N.Z. Methodist	52.35
7,139.40	Expenses 1st Assembly V.C.	
101.32 326.60	Office Equipment Expenses Rep. to Annual Meeting Aust. Bd.	74.50
98.00	C.W.M.S. (C.O.M.I.C.A.)	98.00
501.02	Bishop Leslie Boseto's E. Asian Travel	98.00
902.35	All Saints' College	568.00
200.00	All Saints' College Principal's Travel	
600.00	P.I.C.E.C.	500.00
	Overseas Travel	368.00
557.27	Sundry Expenses	13.38
250.00	Motor Car Depreciation	250.00
156.491.83		142,400.61

	INCOME	
661.86	Interest, Working Capital	1,133.85
3,198.77	Income Medical Fund	4,169.28
3,619.51	Donations outside Budget	2,001.90
1,796.94	Donations outside Budget Special Appeal	_
3,920.00	Connexional Budget:	
	Balance 1968-69	3,006.00
7,130.00	1969-70	90,631.00
8,200.00	Methodist Women's Fellowship	8,200.00
00.000	Leper's Trust Board Grant for Medical	-,
	Expenses	28,500.00
5,964.75	Deficit Carried Down	-
3,706.11	Deficit Transferred to Accum. Fund	4,758.58
8.258.64	M.W.F. Funds Transferred	_

156,491.83



BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1970

1969	LIABILITIES: Special Funds, Transferred to United Church:		1970	1969 AS	SETS: he United Church:		1970
43,000	Boat Insurance Boat Replacement: Balance 30/6/69	7,095.65	43,000.00	103.045	Net Assets Transferred Less Funds as under: Boat Insurance 43,000.00		103,045.44
7,096	Interest added during Year Fire Insurance:	7,095.65	9,481.96		Boat Replacements 9,481.96 Fire Insurance		
31,267		31,267.07 1,487.70			Leper 4,307.00 Leprosarium Bequest 439.02		
	Leper: Balance 30/6/69	6,037.11	32,754.77		Building & Equipment Fund Transfer	13,062.00	103,045.44
	Added during Year	273.90		852 47,000	Sundries A/c. (recoverable) Boats Less Boats Reserve	47,000.00	
6,037	Expended during Year	2,004.01		1.	Less Dours Reserve	47,000.00	
439	Leprosarium Bequest		4,307.00 439.02				
			89,982.75	67			
47,000	Boat Reserve: Transferred to Boats A/c.		47,000.00				

N.B.: Items listed above represent the handing over of various assets to the United Church in Papua, New Guinea and the Solomon Islands and will not appear in future Balance Sheets. See also Building and Equipment Fund.

	Leper Vessel Maintenance:		1	Investments:	
	Balance 30/6/69 L.T. Board Grant	13,090.55 5,000.00		N.Z. Govt. Inscribed Stock 3,480.00 Local Body Stock 61,000.00	
13,091	Expended during Year	18,090.55 7,606.36	10,984.19	Mortgage 2,000.00 Shares & Stock 14,870.30 Savings Banks & Na-	
70,259	Medical		70,258.69	tional Savings	
1,061	Medical Orderly		1,060.97	Building	
1,010	Sickness & Accident:		1,000.00	119,905.10	
	Balance 30/6/69	3,259.26		Medical Fund	70,258.69
	Added during Year	535.76	3000	Medical Orderly Vanes Beguest	1,060.97
2.300		3,795.02		Sickness & Accident Fund South Sea Islanders Re-	3,631.39
3,259	Expended during Year	163.63	3,631.39	tiring Fund	311.83
	South Sea Islands Catechists:	1	The second second	Lepers Trust Board	
	Retiring Fund		Same and	Capital Grants	10,725.79

1969				1970
	Balance 30/6/69 Contributions & Subsidy	635.11 396.40		
635	Payment on Retirement		1,031.51 719.68	311.83
	Lepers' Trust Board Capital Grants:			
	Balance 30/6/69			
16,738	Expended during Year	6,012.04	10,725.79	
	New Guinea Highlands Special Appeal:			
2,491	Balance 30/6/69 Expended during Year	2,491.36 2,491.36	-	98,327.92
20,547	Working Capital			21,996.05
	Building & Equipment: Balance 30/6/69		26,096.26	
	Added during Year		44,081.74	
	Expended during Year		70,178.00 37,753.27	
	Expended during real		32,424.73	
29,096	Less Transfer to United			10.0/0.04
	Church		13,062.69	19,362.04
	Extension Fund: Balance 30/6/69		6,483.24	
6,483	Added during Year		5,993.05	12,476.29
62	M.W.F. Translation M.W.F. Scholarship for			61.72
1	Girls:	200.00		
399	Balance 30/6/69 Solomon Islands Jubilee Scholarship:	398.88		
958	Balance 30/6/69	958.34		
		1,357.22		
	Added during Year	6,522.90	7,880.12	
	Expended during Year	-	3,630.62	4,249.50
164	Fraternal Workers' Fund Cliff & Noreen Keightley			181.85
345	Educational Trust E. M. Rishworth Trust			387.60
	Account			500.00
165	Solomon Islands History A/c. Reserve			72.97

1969		1970
116,573	General Investments	32,561.37
3,912	Residence General Sec. Maintenance Account:	3,964.58
1,142	Motor Car Capital Projector & Tape Recorder	891.65 43.62
351	Stock Head Office Sundry Debtors	351.25 42,143.57
6,012	Kieta Building Loan A/c.	6,012.04
5,574 3,087	Cash in B.N.Z. Auckland Cash in B.N.Z. Sydney	5,371.26 4.71
		5,375.97

9		1969	
00 Loan at Call 57 Sundry Creditors	1,600.00 7,481.62		
General Secretary's Resi- dence Sinking Fund: Appropriation from Ac- cumulated Fund & Interest	1,234.55		
Motor Car Replacement Fund: Appropriation from Ac- cumulated Fund & Interest	514.80		
IMULATED FUND:			
lance 30/6/69 ss Appropriation to General Secretary's Residence Simking Fund (2 years) 1,200.00 propiation to Motor Car Re- placement Fund (2 years) 500.00			
s Income & Expenditure A/c. Deficit for Year Transferred	14,999.45 4,758.58 10,240.87		
	\$178,687.78	\$320,664.00	\$17

G. S. CAPPER, A.C.A. TREASURER

We hereby certify that we have examined the books, accounts and vouchers of the Overseas Missions Department of the Methodist Church of New Zealand and that in our opinion the above balance sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the accounts of the Department as at 30th June 1970, subject to the vertification of payments through the Sydney bank account for which evidence is not yet to hand.

17th October, 1970.

MACKY & FREAR AUDITORS

METHODIST HOME MISSION DEPARTMENT GENERAL FUND STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st JULY, 1970

		RECE	IPTS	
BALANCES AT 31st JULY, Legacies for Disburse- ment (Cash) Legacies for Disburse- ment (Savings Bank) Edith Winstome Black- well Trust	 1969: 4,437.75 4,000.00 1,213.65 		METHODIST WOMEN'S FELLOWSHP: Annual Grant 7,400.00 Special Gift 800.00 Smethurst Interest 260.00 EDITH WINSTONE BLACKWELL TRUST	8,460.00
Home Mission Training Conference Picture Department Less General Account (Debit Balance)	216.26 584.42 10,452.08 6,764.85		CONNEXIONAL BUDGET:	85,016.00 8,588.72
LEGACIES received during		3,687.23 1,595.00	Rent, Spring Creek 24.00 Sundry	93.35
SUNDRY INCOME: Maori Circutis General M. Gilmore Estate	4,224.00 758.57 272.62	5,255.19	DONATION FOR SPECIAL PURPOSES	200.00 14,039.26

LEGACY DISBURSEMENT Auckland Maori Girls'	GRANTS:	
Hostel — Seamer House Hamilton Maori Boy's Hostel — Te Rahui	2,000.00	
Tane Epworth House,	2,000.00	
Wellington Russell Parsonage Ohai Parsonage Putaruru Parsonage	250.00 40.00 300.00	
Renovation Bluff Church	500.00 30.00	5,120.00
MAORI MISSION:		
Stipends Travelling Deaconess Cars Mission Hill Rent Maori Parsonage Rents	7,722.71 2,700.00 350.04	
Deaconess Cottages & Accommodation Parsonage Allowances Circuit Expenses	1,452.00 540.00 950.04	
Maori Section, National Council of Churches Contingencies	80.00	57,337,44
EDITH WINSTONE BLACK	WELL	
TRUST GRANTS: Kaikohe-Bay of Islands North Hokianga Turangi Union Parish Porirua	275.00	1,213.00
CIRCUIT GRANTS:		1,213.00
Northland District: Whangaroa North Hokianga Paparoa	875.00	

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PAYMENTS

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Hokianga	200.00	
Hikuranai	375.00	
Kaikohe-Bay of Islands	1,000.00	
the second s		3,100.00
Auckland District:		
Auckland South	200.00	
Birkenhead	830.00	
Auckland West	250.00	
Bombay-Tuakau	600.00	
Whangaparoa	200.00	
Henderson	700.00	
Papatoetoe	500.00	
Onehunga	300.00	
Kaipara	450.00	
Mahurangi	200.00	
Northcote	120.00	
		4,350.00
Waikato-Bay of Plenty		
Te Kuiti	600.00	
Thames Taumarunui	150.00	
	300.00	
Ohura	400.00	
Ngaruawahia	725.00	
Waihi	400.00	
Putaruaru	350.00	
Tokoroa	700.00	
Таиро	900.00	
Huntly	350.00 700.00	
Te Puke	250.00	
Whakatane-Kawerau	350.00	
Tauranga Turangi Union Parish	608.34	
Turangi Union Parish	000.34	6,783.34
		0,100.01
Taranaki-Wanganui Dis	trict:	
Inglewood	200.00	
Manaia	200.00	
Taihape	200.00	
Waitara	175.00	
		775.00

CIRCUIT GRANTS (cont.)			OFFICE & GENERAL EXPE	NSES:	
Hawkes Bay-Manawatu I Waipawa-Waipukurau	900.00		Office Salaries Rent and Rates Expenses, postages ttc.	1,975.96 1,488.53 474.06	
Wairoa (H.B.)	500.00	1,400.00	Light, Power & Clean- ing	238.12	
Wellington District: Paraparaumu	150.00		Printing & Stationery Telephones & Tolls	698.46 308.12	5,183.2
Taita Union Parish Newlands Union	163.50 400.00		MICOTIL ANDONE DAVID	177	
Wainui-o-mata Union	425.00		Bulk Air & Rail Travel	415:	
Porirua	612.00	1,750.50	Account	172.34	
and the second	172 - 21	1,7 50.50	Insurances	57.41	
Nelson District:	E 41 7E		Audit Fee Equipment	82.00 43.69	
Reefton Hokitika	541.75		Rent - Parking Lots	50.00	
Murchison	800.00		Maori Policy Com-	10/ /0	
20.07		1,741.75	mittee Expenses Spring Creek Rates	106.62 20.44	
North Canterbury Distric	t:		Interest	64.19	
Woolston-Lyttelton	375.00		Sundry Expenses	21.76	(10.4
Spreydon Riccarton	200.00		and the second		618.4
Riccurton	100.00	675.00	SUPERINTENDENTS:		
			Stipends (two)	4,215.26	
Otago-Southland District: Milton-Lawrence	200.00		General Allowances		
Bluff	275.00		Parsonage Allowances Travelling		
Western Southland	500.00		I.F.B. Parsonage Rents	1,233.37	
West Dunedin Union North Dunedin	150.00				6,527.03
North Dunedin	100.00	1,225.00	BALANCES 31st JULY, 1	970:	
Total Grants to Circuits:			Legacies for Disburse-		
E.W.B 1,213.00			ment (Cash)	912.75	
General 21,800.59			Legacies for Disburse- ment (Savings Bank)	4,000.00	
23.013.59			Home Missionaries	4,000.00	
23,013.59			Training Conference	216.26	
			Picture Department	584.42	
HAPLAINCY GRANTS:			Edith Winstone Black- well Trust for 1970/7	1,144.42	
Auckland Hospital	1,690.69		Donation for Special	1331010	
Oakley Psychiatric			Purposes General A/c. (credit)	200.00 4,170.47	
Hospital	900.00		contrar river (credity		11,228.32
Porirua Psychiatric Hospital	900.00		Bank of N.Z. 7,228.32		
Manapouri-N.C.C.			B.N.Z. Savings		
Chaplain	170.00	2440 40	Bank 4,000.00	11,228.32	
And a state of the		3,660.69			
UNDRY GRANTS:					
	800.00				
Church Sites Fund	000 00				
Seamer House Hostel	200.00				
Church Sites Fund Seamer House Hostel Panmure Parsonage Rent	200.00		15-11-11-11-11-11-11-11-11-11-11-11-11-1		
Seamer House Hostel Panmure Parsonage	200.00	1,080.00	15 martin		
Seamer House Hostel Panmure Parsonage	200.00	1,080.00	1		14,039.26

I have audited the Books and Accounts of the Home and Maori Mission Department for the year ended 31st July, 1970, and certify that the foregoing Statement of Receipts and Payments for the General Account is correct. Receipts and payments made through the Maori Mission Account have been shown on a supplementary statement which has also been audited.

M. C. COPELAND, A.C.A., AUDITOR.

THE METHODIST HOME MISSION & CHURCH EXTENSION INVESTMENT FUNDS BOARD

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st JULY, 1970

RECEIPTS

Balance, Bank of New Zealand, 31/7/69:

Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust T. G. Brooke Memorial Fund M.W.F. Emergency Fund On Account of Capital	976.89 2,796.89 2,125.62 15,025.91	
Maintenance Account overdrawn	20,925.31 689.35	20,235.96

Cash on Account of Capital:

Estate of "Anonymous"	1,050.00	
Estate of M. M. Paton	80.00	
Estate of E. M. Rishworth	800.00	
Estate of G. N. Fleming	1,000.00	
Estate of M. A. Bundensen	100.00	
Estate of Amelia Rendall	500.00	
Estate of R. J. M. King	4,500.00	
Estate of A. W. Buttle	8,000.00	
Estate of G. A. Thomas	2,477.29	
Estate of A. Vincent	595.00	
Estate of A. G. C. Yarborough	1,000.00	
	20,102.29	
Less Proportion for Disbursement	1,475.00	
		18,627.29
Legacies, Proportions for Disbursement		1,475.00
New Loans at Call		17,573.60
Repayments of Special Loans		38,194.27

PAYMENTS

Interest, Transferred to Home Mission Fund: Through Mornington Through Invercargill Direct Legacies for Disbursement	7.00 17.50 8,564.22	8,588.72 1,475.00
Capital Invested:		
Special Loans Post Office Savings J. Wattie Canneries Ltd. — Shares Gabriel Lyons Trust Term Deposit, Bank of New Zealand	66,111.20 2.57 331.00 522.33 20,000.00	86,967.10
Properties:		
Hamilton Maori Boys Hostel Otorohanga Maori Centre Hamilton Maori Parsonage Mangere Maori Parsonage New Plymouth Maori Parsonage Furniture Opunake Deaconess Cottage Waima Maori Parsonage M.W.F. Grant for Centre Renovations	51,100.31 830.78 607.61 36.01 29.75 152.86 122.00	52,879.32 367.99
Service Renovations		307.99
Repayment of Loans:		
Auckland Maori Girls Hostel Hamilton Maori Boys' Hostel Hamilton Maori Boys Hostel (C.B. & L. Fund) Kamo Maori Parsonage Tokoroa Maori Parsonage (C.B. & L. Fund) Loans at Call	520.00 326.50 150.00 101.29 300.00 32,697.69	34,095.48

THE METHODIST HOME MISSION & CHURCH EXTENSION INVESTMENT FUNDS BOARD

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st JULY, 1970

Securities Realised:		
Waitemata Co., Co. Stock Matured	8,000.00	
Part Gabriel Lyons Trust E. Astley & Sons Ltd. Shares Reducion of	1,344.00	
Capital	1,127.50	10 170 00
		10,672.38
New Capital: Auckland Maori Girls Hostel	2.000.00	
M.W.F. Grant for Maori Centre Renovations	50.00	
Hamilton Maori Girls' Hostel	10.00	
Hamilton Maori Boys' Hostel	30,601.16	32,661,16
Property Sales:		
Hamilton Maori Boys' Hostel, London Street	40,000.00	
Hawera Maori Parsonage	2,500.00	42,500.00
Repayment of Loan:		12,000.00
Hamilton Maori Boys' Hostel		1,123.05
Repayment of Mortgage		231.53
Sinking Funds		3,954.86
The Rev. T. G. & Mrs. Brooke Memorial Fund		98.75
The Rev. Thomas Buddle Library Fund		11.00
The Rev. George & Mrs. Buttle Centennial Gift		54.50
The E. S. & M. E. Jones Trust		20.00
Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust Net Rents		3,784.39
Sundry Receipt		4.88
Net Interest & Rents	8,588.72	
		8,588.72
Maintenance Accounts, Net Receipts	3,225.84	3,225.84
Auckland Hospital Chaplain's Residence:		
Auckland Savings Bank Account 31/7/69	500.00	
Donations Refunds: Interest & Expenses	977.67	
-	1,200.07	2,761.34
		\$205,798.52

Edith Winstone Blockwell Trust		2,658.62
Interest Disbursed:		
Thomas Buddle Library Fund George Buttle Centennial Gift	11.00 54.50	65.50
Miscallaneous		.95
Auckland Hospital Chaplains' Residence:		
Repayment of Loans & Mortgage Equipment Interest Insurance Balance, Auckland Savings Bank	5,600.00 161.63 1,002.75 79.68 9.50	6,853.56
Balance, Bank of New Zealand 31/7/70:		
Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust T. G. Brooke Memorial Fund M.W.F. Emergency Fund Maintenance Accounts On Account of Capital	2,120.66 2,895.64 2,125.62 3,225.84 1,478.52	
	1,470.52	11,846.28
	\$	205,798.52

THE METHODIST HOME MISSION AND CHURCH INVESTMENT FUNDS BOARD BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st JULY, 1970

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LIABILI	ITIES		
CREDITORS: Loans at Call T. G. Brooke Memorial Fund 31/7/69	2,796.89	220,022.84	
Added during year Kamo Maori Parsonage Mortgage	98.75	2,895.64 4,502.52	
Loan, Church Building & Loan Fund Hamilton Maori Boy's			227,421.00
Hostel Loan Church Building & Loan Fund Tokoroa Maori Parsonage			2,600.00
SUNDRY FUNDS: Thomas Buddle Memorial Library Fund George Buttle Centennial Gift		200.00	
Fund E. D. & M. E. Jones Trust		1,000.00	1,200.00
M.W.F. Emergency Fund Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust A. J. Seamer Legacy Anonymous. Special Purposes			2,125.62 2,120.66 600.00 1,150.00
M.W.F. for Maori Centre Renovations RESERVES:			1,182.01
Sinking fund 31/7/69 Added during year		40,523.07	
Investment Reserves Hostel Painting Reserve		800.00 350.00	41,673.07
Mortgoges: Auckland Maori Girl's Hostel Less paid during the year			
Hamilton Maori Boy's Hostel Less Paid during the year	16,792.24	2,181.75	
CAPITAL RECEIPTS: Auckland Maori Girls' Hostel Hamilton Maori Girls' Hostel		44,882.33 24,608.17	18,647.49
Hamilton Maori Boy's Hostel (River Rd.)		97,687.28	

ASSETS

ASSETS	
CASH, BANK OF NEW ZEALAND: Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust T. G. Brooke Memorial Fund M.W.F. Emergency Fund Gabriel Lyons Legacy	2,120.66 2,895.64 2,125.62 1,562.35
Maintenance Accounts On Account of Capital	2,536.49 605.52 11,846.28
Term Deposit	20,000.00
INVESTMENTS:	
Memorial Gifts Local Body Stock: George Buttle Memorial Gift Thomas Buddle Library Fund	1,000.00 200.00 1,200.00
General:	
Mortgage Government Stock Local Body Stock Sundry Shares Post Office Savings Bank Space in Central Mission Building Investment in Gabriel Lyons Trust Special Loans	104.20 9,400.00 23,600.00 10,870.50 88.22 24,725.46 1,079.72 69,868.10 283.973.43
PROPERTIES: Parsonages, etc. Maori Hostels & Centres: Auckland Maori Girls' Hostel Hamilton Maori Girls' Hostel Hamilton Maori Centre Hawera Maori Centre Kawakawa Maori Centre Otorohanga Maori Centre Patea Maori Centre Te Kuiti Maori Centre Opunake Deaconess Centre Kawakawa Deaconess Cottage	116,647.92 66,144.11 24,598.17 138.322.95 4,115.68 4,790.03 8,744.45 7,772.34 1,245.63 2,825.41 1,296.63 68.03 259,923.43

LIABILITIES		ASSETS	
CAPITAL RECEIPTS: Dargaville Maori Centre Hawera Maori Centre Kawakawa Maori Centre Otorohonga Maori Centre Te Kuiti Maori Centre Opunake Deaconess Centre	4,195.73 4,744.16 8,058.45 850.00 1,699.51 141.00 186,866.63	Properties (cont.) Mt. Wesley, Mangawhare Mt. Wesley Parsonage site Kaeo property Kaeo Farm Development Waima Opononi Kawhia (Te Waitere)	763,459.16 3.731.92 3,134.15 4,768.46 240.30 200.00 461.82 200.00
CAPITAL RECEIPTS SUNDRY: Hawera Deaconess Cottage Hokianga Deaconess Cottage Dargaville Deaconess Cottage Taheke Deaconess Cottage Hamilton Maori Parsonage Kawera Maori Parsonage	766.59 50.00 200.00 4,220.00 350.00 8,000.00 2,500.00	Raglan Ratana Pa Cottage Sundry Debtors: AUCKLAND HOSPITAL CHAPLAIN'S RESIDENCE ACCOUNT On Account of the District Synod:	1,607.01 1,607.01 14,443.66 196.00
Kamo Maori Parsonage Mangere Maori Parsonage Tokoroa Maori Parsonage Kaeo Property Sales Kakariki Ave. Property Sales Fairfield Section Sale	270.00 2,000.00 500.00	Buildings and Furnishings Auckland Savings Bank A/c	21,865.41 9.50 21,874.91
Maintenance Accounts: AUCKLAND HOSPITAL CHAPLAIN'S RESIDENT ACCOUNT: On Account of District Synod: Church Building & Loan Fund Auckland Savings Bank Mortgage Donations	2,536.49 3,800.00 9,600.00 4,045.49		
CAPITAL: Balance 31/7/69 Add Legacies	17,445.49 244,355.16 20,258.44 264,613.60	International Contraction	
Account	1,475.00 263.138.60 \$799,973.73		\$799,973.73

I have audited the Books and Accounts of the Methodist Home Mission and Church Extension Investment Funds Board for the year ended 31st July, 1970.

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 Boaks of the Board at 31st July, 1970.

M. C. COPELAND, A.C.A. AUDITOR.

EDITH WINSTONE BLACKWELL TRUST

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st JULY, 1970

EXPENDITURE		INCOME	
Repairs Rates Insurance Commission Depreciation Reserve	154.47 549.98 403.94 257.12 1,365.57 550.00	Rent and Rates	5,149.90
Net Income Carried Down	3,234.39 5,149.90		\$5,149.90
Transfer to Capital Transfer to Maintenance Reserve Transfer to Home Mission Fund Transfer to Investment Funds Board	1,143.77	Net Income Brought Down	3,234.39
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EDITH WINSTONE BLACKWELL TRUST

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st JULY, 1970

LIA	BILITIES			BUILDINGS	20.000.00
CAPITAL:			1.1.1.1.1.1	INVESTMENTS:	20,000.00
Balance 31/7/69 Added During the Year:		30,211.64		National Savings Investment 11,050 Post Office Savings Bank 55	8.14 7.51
From Income				Auckland City Council Stock	0.00
From Interest	449.97	1,096.82		Auckland Harbour Bridge Authority Stock 5,000 Auckland Regional Authority Stock	0.00
			31,308.46	Manukau County Council Stock	0.00
DEPRECIATION RESERVE:				Waitemata County Council Stock 2,000	0.00
Balance 31/7/69		15,972.19			
Added During Year: From Income	550.00				
From Interest					
		1,252.69	17,224.88		
MAINTENANCE RESERVE:			17,224.00		
Balance 31/7/69		1,227,82			
Added During Year:					
From Income	300.00				
From Interest	54.49		1.1.1.1		
		354.49	1,582.31		
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		and the	\$50,115.65	A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A	\$50,115.65

I have audited the Books and Accounts of the Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust for the year ended 31st July, 1970.

In my opinion the foregoing Balance Sheet shows the position of the Trust's affairs according to the best of my information, and the explanations given to me and as shown by the Books of the Trust at 31st July, 1970.

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1969 29,258 377 28 13,048 20,070	Sales Sales Upper Room Less Postages Less Cost of Sales Stock at 1/7/69 Purchases	397.90 30.33 11,718.00 23,873.74	32,396.15 367.57 32,763.72	3,154 4,982 284 45 485 148 396 203 21	Rent Salaries General Expenses Insurance Interest Telephone Rates Travelling Expenses Repairs & Maintenance		NED I
33,118 11,718 21,400 8,207	Less Stock at 30/6/70 Cost of Sales GROSS PROFIT		25,208.11	71 563 135 285 22	Cartage Monthly Accounting Superannuation Depreciation — Furniture & Fittings Bad Debts Written Off	49.06 507.91 135.00 255.00 28.30	
135 443 282 361	Less Expenses: Audit & Annual Accounts Advertisng & Stationery Light & Power Postages	135.00 559.71	7,555.01	12,015	Total Expenses	-	10,165.53 \$2,609.92
200	1 4 4 1 4 A		RTH BOOKR				
1969 2,604 3,053 171	CURRENT LIABILITIES: Bank Overdraft Trade Creditors Bills Payable	3,990.18	100	1969 28 11,718 3,322 100	CURRENT ASSETS: Cash in Hand Stock on Hand Sundry Debtors Less Provision for Doubtful	10,383.63	
5,828 5,800	Total Current Liabilities TERM LIABILITIES: Loans		6,244.71 5.800.00	190	Debts 100.00 Superannuation in Advance	3,646.12 190.00	
9,896 6,089	CAPITAL: Balances 1/7/69 Plus Home Mission Grant		0,000.00	15,158	Total Current Assets FIXED ASSETS: Furniture & Fittings B.V. Depreciation 10%	2,559.00 255.00	14,219.75
3,807	Less Nett Loss	7,088.96 2,609.92	4,479.04	2,559	Totol Fixed Assets	1	2,304.00
17,717		-	\$16,523.75	17,717			\$16,523.75

EPWORTH BOOKROOM (AUCKLAND) TRADING & PROFIT & LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1970

AUDITOR'S REPORT:

We have examined the books and accounts of Epworth Bookroom (Auckland) for the year ended 30th June, 1970 and in my opinion the above Balance Sheet and accompanying Trading and Profit and Loss Accounts give a true and fair view of the financial affairs for the period. We have accepted the figures supplied by the Manager for Sundry Debtors and Value of Stock on Hand as at Balance Date.

HOME MISSION DEPARTMENT

Estimates for 1971

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS

(1) PROPERTIES & INVESTMENTS		8,000
(2) METHODIST WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP Grant	7,400	
Special Gift	800	
Smethurst Interest	260	
		8,460
(3) EDITH WINSTONE BLACKWELL TRUST		1,144
(4) MAORI CIRCUITS		5,000
(5) MISCELLANEOUS DONATIONS		650
(6) CONNEXIONAL BUDGET:		
1970-71 (5 Months)	34,083	
1971-72 (7 Months)	46,667	
		80,750
		-

\$104,004

ESTIMATED PAYMENTS

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NORTHLAND DISTRICT

Maori Work

Superintendent Minister-No appointme	ent.
Supernumerary Minister-Honarirum	104
Travelling	250
Home Missionary-Stipend	2,034
Travelling	400
Special Travelling	100
Parsonage Allowance	30
General Circuit Expenses	200
Deaconess-Stipend	1.884
Travelling	300
Rent	156
Deaconess (Special Arrangement) -	
Stipend	1,700
Travelling	300
Deaconess Supply-Stipend	1,614
Provision for Car	300
Rent	156

nvestment Funds Board for Rents — Parsonages Kamo Waima Cottages Taheke Dargaville	700 400 150
	\$10,828
Circuit Grants	
aikohe-Bay of Islands-M	1,500 R.B.
Vhangaroa-M	500
Jorth Hokiapaa-P	1 100

Hikurangi Union Parish-M 340

Dargaville-M+P

 	250
\$3	3,690

AUCKLAND DISTRICT

Maori Circuit

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Superintendent Minister-Stipend	2,350
Travelling	500
Parsonage Allowance	30
Minister-Stipend	2,350
Travelling	400
Parsonage Allowance	30
Home Missionary-Stipend	2,034
Travelling	400
Parsonage Allowance	30
Deaconess-Stipend	1,956
Provision for Car	300
Rent	156
Deaconess Supply-Stipend	1,614
Rent	156
Provision for Car	300
Deaconess Supply-Stipend	1,614
Rent	156
Travelling	25
Circuit Expenses	200
Investment Funds Board-Rents	
Auckland	600
Mangere	700
Manurewa	700
Tuakau	300
	\$16,901

Circuit Grants

Auckland West-M	400
Henderson-3M	600
Birkenhead-2M	600
Onehunga-2M	400
Papatoetoe-2M	300
Bombay-Tuakau-M	400
Kaipara-P	450
Special Trav.	100
Whangaparoa-M	300
	\$3.550

WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY DISTRICT

Maori Work (a) Waikato Circuit:

Superintendent Minister-Stipend	2,350
Travelling	500
Parsonage Allowance	30
Minister-Stipend	2,350
Travelling	400
Parsonage Allowance	30
Home Missionary-Stipend	2,034
Provision for Car	300
Travelling	150
Parsonage Allowance	30
Circuit Expenses	200
Deaconess-Stipend	1,614
Provision for Car	300
Rent	156
Deserves Ma succlusterest	

Deaconess-No appointment.

vestment Funds Board—Rents: Deaconess Accommodation Hamilton Tokoroa Ngaruawahia	150 700 600 300
	\$14.264

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Maori Work (b) King Country Circuit:

Superintendent Minister-Si	ipend 2,350
Travelling	500
Parsonage Allowar	nce 30
Minister-Stipend	2 3 50
Travelling	400
Parsonage Allowar	nce 30
Circuit European	100
Home Missionary (retired) Ho	phorarium 104
Deaconess-Stipend	1,956
Provision for Car	300
Rent	
Investment Funds Board: Re	150
Deaconess Accom	
Otorohanga Kawhia	
Otorohanga	400
ororonanga	
	£0.407

\$9,407

Circuit Grants

Thames-M	100
Waihi-M	500
Ngaruawhia—Supply	800 R.B.
Huntly-M	200
Puturaru-M	400
Tokoroa-P	600
Te Puke-M	700
Whakatane-M	200
Te Kuiti —Supply	400 R.B.
Taumarunui-M	300
Turangi Union Parish-2M	800
Taupo-M	1,000
	\$6,000

TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT Maori Work

Superintendent Minister—Stipend	2,350
Travelling	500
Parsonage Allowance	30
Minister—Stipend	2,350
Travelling	400
Parsonage Allowance	30
Circuit Expenses	150
Deaconess Supply—Stipend	1,614
Provision for Car	300
Rent	156
Deaconess Supply—Stipend	1,614
Provision for Car	300
Rent	156
Investment Funds Board—Rents Opunake Hawera Hawera New Plymouth	150 150 500 350
	\$11,100

Circuit Grants	GENERAL PAYMENTS
	00 Maori Work:
Taihape—M	50 South Island Deaconess -
\$9	50 Honorarum
	General South Island Travelling 200
HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU DISTRICT	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Circuit Grants	bedeentees een bepressententen i
	Maori Section, National Coun- cil of Church 80
	50 Contingencies
	- 2,63
\$1,4	50
A CONTRACTOR OF A CONTRACTOR A CONT	Miscellaneous:
WELLINGTON DISTRICT	N.Z.M.S.S.A
Circuit Grants	Publicity & General Travel 650
	50 Staff Insurance
	00 Ministerial Supplies 400
Taita Union Parish—M	0 President's Supply 900
	50 Sundries 210
	Long Service Supplies
\$1,7	2,61
	Chaplaincies:
NELSON DISTRICT	
Circuit Grants	Porirua Psychiatric Hospital 950 Oakley Psychiatric Hospital 1,200
Murchison—M 1,000	
Hokitika Union Parish—2M R Reefton Union Parish—M	B. Tokanui Pscyhiatric Hospital 1,000
Buller Union Parish—if 2M 500 R	B.
\$1,750	Superintendents (Two)
\$1,750	Stipends 4,700
	General Allowances 200
NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT	Parsonage Allowances
Circuit Grants	Travelling 1,000
	00 I.F.B. Rents 1,200
Spreydon-M Special 5	7,16
04	orriter and enter
	Book-keeping & Secretarial 2,500
OTAGO-SOUTHLAND DISTRICT	Interest & Rates
Circuit Grants	Tons, Telephones, Tostage in
West Dunedin Union Parish	no Light & cicaning
Western Southland-Special	50 Printing & Stationery 400 5.30
Bluff—M	50
\$1,4	GRAND TOTAL: \$106,55
SUMMARY OF	ESTIMATES FOR 1971
RECEIPTS	PAYMENTS
Properties & Investments 80	00 Maori Work
Methodist Women's Fellowship	60 Circuit Grants

		7,160 5,300
Estimated deficit	\$1	06,556

Note: The credit balance in the General Fund carried forward at the 31st July, 1969 was \$4,170.47.

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