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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.

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

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

**THE TWENTY-FOURTH
NEW ZEALAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE**
of the Australasian Wesleyan Methodist Church, which was also the First United Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, the United Methodist Free Churches, and the Bible Christian Church in New Zealand, was held in 1897.

THE FIRST ANNUAL CONFERENCE
of the Methodist Church of Australasia in New Zealand was held in 1903.

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

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1944	6	Allen, Robert H., 125 High Street, Blenheim (Phone 3806)	87
1969	3	Alley, David R., 203 Chelmsford St, Invercargill	116
1973	1	Anderson, Ian E. M., 26 Cavendish St, Ashburton	106
1956	1	Andrews, Robert S., 22 Mersey Street, Island Bay, Wellington 2 (Phone 837-409)	74
1963	5	Ansell, David H., 37 Banks Street, Te Awamutu	45
1963	WA	Armstrong, David, C/o. Mrs F. Gatman, P.O. Silverdale, Auckland	21
1947	S	Attwood, A. Francis, 22 Carisbrook Street, Katikati, Bay of Plenty.	
1924	S	Bailey, John H., 317 Cambridge Road, Hillcrest Hamilton (1956)	36
1949	1	Baker, Edward, Methodist Parsonage, Otorohanga	46
1963	4	Ball, Niven G., Otara Road, Otara, Papatoetoe	23
1941	S	Bell, Charles H., 196 Great North Road, Wanganui (1967)	57
1957	5	Bell, G. Basil W., 19 King Street, Whakatane	44
1944	3	Bell, R. Graham, 54 Clevedon Road, P.O. Box 243, Papakura, Auckland (Phone 88-110)	24
1967	1	Bennett, Enid J., 135 Ruahine Street, Palmerston North	70
1956	2	Bennett, George L., 23 Landscape Road, Pukekohe	25
1955	5	Bennett, Trevor L., P.O. Box 374, Langley, Washington 98260, U.S.A.	33
1949	S	Benny, T. Ralph, 123 Havelock Street, Ashburton	106
1913	S	Bensley, Arthur A., Tyler House, 61 Allendale Road, Mt. Albert, Auckland	15
1951	4	Besant, H. David, 24 Mouatt Street, Waitara	51

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1954	3	Billingshurst, Noel D., 63 Tukapa Street, Westtown New Plymouth	50
1923	S	Blakemore, Albert, Tyler House, 61 Allendale Road, Mt. Albert, Auckland 3 (1946)	10
1917	S	Blight, William T., 76 Halton Street, Papanui, Christchurch 5 (1958)	88
1971	1	Blundell, Warren H., 67 Palmerston St, Riverton	116a
1966	1	Bowden, A. Roy, 65 Marne St, Palmerston North	66
1959	6	Bowen, Lewis A., 21 Horoeke St, Stokes Valley, Lower Hutt	77
1955	1	Boyd, Edward P., 17 Lewis Street, Invercargill	PC
1960	1	Brazendale, Graham, 19 Graham Avenue, Te Atatu, Auckland 8	16
1969	2	Brookes, Norman E., 82 Murray Pl., Christ- church 1	95
1957	2	Brough, Gordon D., 54 Chester Street West, Christchurch 1 (Telephones: Office 42-065, Home 79-864)	88
1943	5	Brown, Clifford G., 23 Cuba Street, Marton	69
1916	S	Brown, George E., Cates Road, R.D. Rototuna, Hamilton (1956)	36
1941	3	Brown, Harold K., 320 Hardy Street, Nelson (Phone 4672)	83
1924	S	Brown, Hubert G., 138 Jarrold Street, Spreydon, Christchurch 2 (1964)	93
1949	6	Burt, Douglas H., P.O. Box 88, Waiuku	26
1935	S	Burton, Ormond E., 55 Lupin Road, Otaki (1960)	81
1944	5	Bycroft, Leslie F., 151 Kennedy Road, Napier	61
1955	5	Cable, Wilfred J., 4 Claude Street, Hamilton	36
1931	S	Carr, Thomas H., Clarks Beach Road, R.D. Patumahoe, South Auckland (1966)	25
1931	S	Carr, W. E. Allon, 45 Fir Street, Waterview Auckland 7 (1971)	15
1951	8	Carter, George G., P.O. Box 5023W, Auckland (Phone 32-172 office)	OD
1944	5	Chambers, Wesley A., 20 Yaldhurst Road, Christ- church 4 (Phone 45-519)	94
1965	1	Chessum, William A., Wesley College, P.O. Box 58, Pukekohe	25
1969	2	Chapman, Wallace C., 4 Myers Road, Manurewa, Auckland	24
1960	6	Chick, Hector H., Hiri St, Ohura, King Country Christian, Owen L., 304 Stanmore Road, Christ- church 1	49
1933	S	Chrystall, Bernard M., 23 Waitemata St, Taka- puna, Auckland	90
1950	1	Clark, Colin D., 31 Court Road, Tawa, Wellington	18
1965	4	Clarke, Edwin B., P.O. Box 41, Kaeo, Northland	76a
1965	3	Clarke, Ian L., 55 Tipahi Street, Nelson	3
1942	2	Clement, R. Frederick, 474 Pakuranga Road, Auckland 6 (Phone 578-489)	83a
1947	WA	Clements, Leslie C., Francois Lehmann, 25, 1218 Grand-Saconnex, Geneva, Switzerland	13
1958	4	Climo, Frederick J., P.O. Box 120, Silverdale	72
1951	6	Clucas, Ivan J., P.O. Box 2019, Tauranga South	28
1939	5	Cochrane, Herbert A., 53 Fullers Street, Kaiapoi	42
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1965	1	Collingwood, Ronald C., 33 Johnson Street, Milton	113
1960	4	Conway, James H., 52 Queens Drive, Musselburgh Dunedin	112
1969	2	Corlett, Ashley I., 18 Taitua Street, Tūmaranui	48
1949	3	Cornwell, Gordon A. R., 5 Paice Avenue, Mt. Eden, Auckland 3	11
1918	S	Costain, Alfred M., 8 Sadlier Street, Stoke, Nelson (1955)	83
1968	5	Couch, Moke A. G., 5 Mission St, New Plymouth	[5]
1953	6	Craig, Hughan M., 9 Paynters Avenue, New Plymouth	50
1943	9	Cramond, George W., Selwyn Street, Leeston	98
1962	WA	Currie, John B., C/o. N. Harvey, Tiraumia R.D. 3, Eketahuna	79b
1973	1	Currie Lawrence H., P.O. Box 10, Paparoa	7
1968	5	Curtis, Darrell R., Willowby R.D. 3, Ashburton	107
1941	7	Darvill, Harold A., 519A Mt. Albert Rd, Auckland 4	[2]
1940	1	Dawson, John B., 28 Marion Ave, Auckland	11
1943	2	Dawson, W. Selwyn, 130 Grafton Road, Auckland 3 (Phones: Office 372-869, Home 372-323)	9
1942	S	Day, Reginald, 121 Ferguson Drive, Thames (1968)	30
1969	2	de Zoete, Pieter K. F., 17 Lyford Crescent, Takapuna, Auckland 10	18
1929	S	Dickens, Charles E., 41 Idris Road, Christchurch 5 (1967)	95
1972	WA	Dickie, Arthur W., 173 River Road, Kawerau	44
1959	3	Dine, Mervyn L., 19 Hillside Crescent, Mt. Eden, Auckland 3	10
1940	WA	Dixon, Haddon C., P.O. Box 2500, Wellington (Phone 59-585 Office)	77
1944	S	Dorrian, A. Peter, 2 Attlee Place, Feilding (1969)	68
1935	5	Duder, Clifford L., 24 Eden Street, Oamaru	107a
1969	3	Eagle, Brian R. J., 30 Kelso Street, Tokoroa	40
1954	4	Eastwood, Eric R., 2 Hohaia Crescent, Matamata	37a
1948	3	Eisner, Wilf G., Tokanui, P.B., Te Awamutu	HC
1943	23	Falkingham, Wilfred E., Central Mission, P.O. Box 1449, Christchurch 1 (Phone 82-519 Home)	89
1964	2	Felderhof, Ludwig, 244 Rodney Street, Wellsford	8
1970	2	Ferguson, Ronald W., 21 Pah Road, Onerahi, Whangarei	5
1924	S	Fiebig, Herbert L., 725 Gloucester Street, Christchurch 6 (1964)	88
1948	5	Ford, Wilfred F., 7 Cleveland Street, Brooklyn, Wellington (Phones: Home 897-689, Office 557-699), 75 Taranaki Street	72
1916	S	Fordyce, Robert E., 27A Lorna Street, New Plymouth (1957)	50
1957	3	Fowler, Irwin J., The Parsonage, Ngatea	30a
1937	4	Francis, William R., 83 Brougham Street, New Plymouth	50
1952	4	George R. Leslie, 73 Molesworth Street, Taita, Lower Hutt	77a
1964	6	Gerritsen, Hendrik, 82 Pah Street, Motueka	85

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1952	7	Gibson, Loyal J., 8 Tabak St, Palmerston North (Phone 87-436)	66
1951	6	Gilbert, Geoffrey T., 142 North Street, Timaru (Phone 88-401)	103
1958	1	Gilbert, Wilfred S., 22 Hakanoa Street, Huntly	37
1940	5	Gilmore, Leslie R. M., 406 Thames Street, Morrinsville	34
1934	S	Goodman, George H., 13 Middleton Road, Hannah Bay, Rotorua (1969)	41
1950	2	Gordon, D. Bruce, Box 5104, Wellesley Street, Auckland 1 (Phone 83-387)	10
1959	6	Goudge, Stanley R., 17 Pukehana Ave., Auckland 3	13
1970	1	Graham, Duncan R., 230 High Street, Dannevirke	64
1956	2	Grant, Ian D., 97 Birkenhead Avenue, Birken- head, Auckland 10	19
1973	1	Grant, Stuart C., 49 Bryndwr Rd, Christchurch 5	95
1959	10	Greening, G. Kingsley, 23 Aynsley Tce, Opawa, Christchurch 2	91
1940	WA	Greenslade, Lawrence, 30 Richardson Road, Mt. Albert, Auckland 4	15
1931	S	Greenslade, William W. H., 18 Matai Road, Hataitai, Wellington 3 (1971)	75
1972	2	Greenwood, Russell J., 49 Murphys Rd, Blenheim	87
1939	S	Grice, Reginald, 105 Queen St, Cambridge (1968)	34a
1969	6	Griffith, Keith C., 11 Hobart Street, Miramar, Wellington 3	75
1928	S	Grocott, John D., 3 Chiselhurst Place, Christ- church 5 (1969)	94
1943	1	Grounds, Edmund D., 135 Queen St., Northcote, Auckland 9	20
1960	5	Grundy, Albert A., 32 Hammersley Avenue, Christchurch 1	90
1954	5	Grundy, John, 16 Duncan Street, Tawa, Welling- ton (Phone 3095), Office — 75 Taranaki Street, Wellington (Phone 557-699)	ED
1960	6	Gust, Warwick, 19 Rothesay Bay Road, Rothesay Bay, Auckland 10	18
1957	4	Guthardt, Phyllis M., C/o. University of Waikato, Hamilton	UC
1928	S	Hailwood, Charlie O., Flat 1, 144 Galloway Street, Hamilton (1968)	35
1947	WA	Hall, Allen H., 16 St. Lucia Road, Brisbane, Queensland, Australia	9
1952	1	Hall, John R., 24 Tauranga Road, Waihi	32
1923	S	Hames, Eric W., 25 Lucerne Road, Remuera, Auckland 5 (1963)	14
1954	2	Hammond, George M., 17 Nottingham Avenue, Halswell, Christchurch.	93
1958	13	Hamlin, R. John, 5 Mitre Grove, Trentham	78
1952	1	Handyside, Allan J., 4 Oroua Street, Te Puke	43
1935	S	Hanna, L. Gordon, P.O. Box 47, Silverdale	28
1960	3	Hanson, E. Francis I., 79 Pretoria Street, Lower Hutt	77
1969	3	Harkness, Barry G., 38 Cranford St, Christ- church 1	95
1938	3	Harkness, Howard E., 5 Miriona Grove, Paekaka- riki, Wellington	76

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1926	S	Harris, G. Raymond, 41 Humariri Street, Point Chevalier, Auckland 2	9
1962	3	Hawkey, Graham E., 179 Regan St, Stratford	52
1968	3	Hay, J. Cedric, 4 Hingaia Street, Turangi	48a
1965	2	Hayhurst, John G., 3 Goldsbrough Avenue, Raumati Beach	82
1960	S	Henderson, W. John, 43 Abbotsford Rd, Waipawa (1963)	71
1966	4	Hendry, Richard J., P.O. Box 21, Rawene, Hokianga	4
1954	4	Heppelthwaite, Ernest, 356 Wairakei Road, Christchurch 5.	95
1965	6	Herbert, C. Brice, 202 Cambridge Ave, Ashhurst	67
1965	5	Hey, Roger J.E., 81 Gloucester St, Greenmeadows, Napier	61
1932	S	Hickman, D. J. Donald, 37 Albert St, Ashburton (1961)	106
1948	6	Hilder, Basil J., 817 W. St. Aubyn St, Hastings	62
1962	3	Hight, Arnold C., 88 Linwood Ave., Christchurch 1	90
1936	S	Hopper, H. Ian K., 20 Woodham Road, Avonside, Christchurch 6 (1970)	88
1962	1	Hornblow, Edgar R., 801E Queen St, Hastings	62
1960	3	Hornblow, Maxwell A., 4 Titoki St, Stoke, Nelson	83
1960	1	Horrill, C. Seton, 336 Selwyn St, Christchurch 2	93
1929	S	Horwood, Leonard C., 12 Weston Avenue, Mt. Albert, Auckland 3 (1968)	15
1967	2	Hosking, Bruce L., 48 Lincoln Road, Masterton	79
1959	1	Hosking, John S., 106 Rata St, Lower Hutt	ED
1942	S	Ivory, Arthur H., 41 Paine St, Judea, Tauranga (1966)	42
1961	5	James, Russell E., 5A William Street, Gore	115
1967	5	Jamieson, Colin G., The Manse, 50 Wakefield St, Westport	87c
1919	S	Jefferson, Alfred E., Flat 2, 8 Shadwell Place, St. Heliers, Auckland 5 (1954)	14
1932	S	Jenkin, William C., 75 Grey St, Woodville (1969)	65
1934	S	Johnston, Andrew J., 20 Byron St, Mornington, Dunedin (1970)	110
1943	S	Jolly, Albert, 48 The Crescent, Waihi Beach South	42
1940	7	Jones, Alan O., 175 Wicksteed Street, Wanganui	57
1962	1	Jones, Barry E., 11 Kakariki Avenue, Mt. Eden, Auckland 1. (P.O. Box 5023 W.) (Phone 32-172 office)	OD
1949	6	Keightley, Clifford J., 2 Westend Road, Herne Bay, Auckland 2	12
1916	S	Kendon, Charles H., 170 Lemon St, New Plymouth (1954)	50
1929	S	Kent, Arthur T., 13 Esk Street, Tauranga (1969)	42
1957	5	Kitchingman, Henry W., 83 Kolmar Road, Papatotote, Auckland	23
1956	4	Kitchingman, Owen A., 26 Charles Upham Ave., Hillmorton, Christchurch	IC
1961	4	Langley, John E., 149 Kamo Road, Whangarei (Phone 72-624)	5

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1927	S	Larsen, Norman P., Flat 2, 308 Market Street South, Hastings (1966)	62
1927	S	Laurenson, George I., 15 Ashton Road, Mt. Eden, Auckland 3 (1968)	13
1963	5	Laws, Derek G., 216 Earn Street, Invercargill	116
1938	10	Laws, William R., 17 Merivale Lane, Christchurch 1 (Phone 558-257 home, 66-049 office)	GS
1930	S	Leadley, E. Clarence, 42 Tainui Street, Torbay, Auckland 10.	18
1953	3	Le Couteur, E. Raymond, 173 Barrington Street, Christchurch 2	88
1958	2	Lewis, Evan R., 31 Whitby Street, Mornington, Dunedin	110
1942	21	Lewis, John J., Richmond House, Trinity College, 136 Grafton Road, Auckland 3 (Phone 48-584)	ThC
1968	1	Loader, William R. G., 14 St. Vincent Avenue, Remuera, Auckland 5.	14
1939	4	Lucas, Campbell P., 33 Clothier Street, Putaruru	39
1935	S	Luxton, Clarence T. J., 1 Melandra Road, 1 R.D., Silverdale (1971)	28
1957	3	Mabon, John C. F., 43 Miro Street, Rongotai, Wellington 3 (Phone 888-553)	PC
1965	4	Mackie, Bruce E., 237 Salisbury St, Christchurch 1	89
1964	WA	Major, Ronald G., 30 Matai Street, Hamilton	35
1968	2	Malcouronne, Brian J., 302 West Coast Road, Glen Eden, Auckland	16
1966	1	Manihera, John I., 2 Geison Road, Feilding	68
1961	WA	Marshall, C. Russell, 283 St. Hill St, Wanganui	57
1948	S	Marshall, Edward M., Ardern Avenue, R.D. 1, Silverdale (1971)	28
1934	3	Matthews, Howard C., 119 Burnett St, Ashburton	106
1946	5	McDonald, D. I. Alister, 5 Hexham St, Warkworth	29
1930	S	McDowell, M. Alexander, 4 Huia Street, Wai-kanae (1970)	81
1968	2	McIver, Graeme M., 24 Tyne Street, Timaru	103a
1953	3	McKay, Archibald W., 43 Cowper St, Greymouth	87d
1968	WA	Meredith, John D., 16 Fulton St, Invercargill	116
1960	1	McKenzie, Ian H., 1 Seabrook Ave., New Lynn, Auckland 7	15
1972	2	MacLeod, D. Ian, 56 Foyle Street, Bluff	117
1967	3	Michie, Laurie A., 148 Browns Rd, Manurewa	24
1946	S	Moore, Harry, 195 Richardson Road, Owairaka, Auckland (1971)	11
1931	S	Moore, William E., 56 Nottingham St, Westmere, Auckland 2 (1968)	9
1959	2	Morrison, William, The Manse, Manaia	54a
1942	5	Morrison, William J., 249 Cambridge Road, Hillcrest, Hamilton	36
1960	2	Mullan, David S., P.O. Box 5076, Dunedin (Phone 70-303 office, 44-165 home)	108
1964	3	Neal, Barry W., C/o. Papakura Military Camp, Papakura	24
1953	3	Newman, Alan, 48 Hillcrest Avenue, Rotorua	41
1954	WA	Newton, Alan H. V., Church of the Redeemer, 4411 Dallas Avenue, Houston, Texas, 77023 U.S.A.	35

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1959	1	Noble, Dorothea M., 113 Oroua St, Eastbourne	77
1968	6	Norwell, Ian C., 112 High Street, Masterton	79a
1937	3	Norwell, Leslie T., Thompson Street, Leamington, Cambridge	34a
1939	6	Oldfield, Charles B., 235 Karori Road, Karori, Wellington 5	73
1949	5	Olds, J. Stanley, 11 Redwood St, Upper Hutt	78
1946	4	Olds, Norman W., 62 Wiggins Street, Sumner, Christchurch 8	90a
1951	5	Olds, O. McLennan, 463 Gladstone Road, Gisborne	63
1964	WA	Olsen, Brian L., 83 Manaia Street, Tokoroa	40
1953	7	Osborne, John H., 12 Poronui Street, Auckland 3	13
1947	5	Parker, Francis H., 15 Penrhyn Road, Mt. Eden, Auckland 3 (Phone 603-970)	HC
1931	S	Parker, Gordon, 4 Barnett Crescent, Auckland 3	10
1918	S	Parker, James W., 143 St. John's Rd, Meadowbank, Auckland 5 (1950)	14
1929	S	Parker, Walter, 261 Manukau Road, Epsom, Auckland 3 (1965)	9
1930	S	Parker, J. Wesley, 8 Ranui Rd, Remuera, Auckland (1971)	10
1933	S	Patchett, Ralph E., 118 Knowles St, Christchurch 1 (1965)	88
1931	S	Payne, Herbert W., 995 Beach Road, Torbay, Auckland (1967)	18
1955	WA	Pear, Cuthbert F., 79 Clarkin Road, Hamilton	36
1952	7	Penman, John A., 38 McFarlane St, Wellington, C4 (Phone 557-699 office, 559-309 home)	72
1927	S	Penn, Athol R., Flat 3, 774 Mt. Eden Road, Auckland 4 (1966)	13
1938	2	Petch, Ashleigh K., 1 Tennyson Ave., Takapuna, Auckland 9	18
1960	WA	Peterson, Frederick D., 270 Whangaparaoa Road, Silverdale, Auckland	28
1925	S	Peterson, Gordon R. H., 1 Randwick Road, Northland, Wellington 5 (1968)	73
1968	3	Phillips, Donald J., P.O. Box 968, Dunedin	UC
1966	5	Pihama, Te Taotahi John, 12 John St, Tokoroa	[3]
1962	4	Pomeroy, Harold C., 8 Cambridge Street, Gonville Wanganui	59
1967	1	Pratt, David C., 72 Poole Street, Greerton	42a
1966	5	Prince, Donald F., 75 Scotland St, Roxburgh	117a
1954	12	Rakena, Ruawai D., 28 Mt. Albert Road, Auckland 3, P.O. Box 5023W (Phone 32-172 office)	MD
1949	3	Ramage, Ian C. E., Leigh House, Trinity College, 136 Grafton Road, Auckland 3	ThC
1950	WA	Ramsay, Phillip D., C/o. The Canberra Hotel, Edward and Ann Sts, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Australia	104
1927	S	Raynor, Ivo M., 9 Konini Street, Levin (1966)	80
1957	S	Reddibough, John W., 19 Prestwick Street, Maori Hill, Dunedin (1967)	108
1960	S	Reid, Andrew G., C/o. Algies Bay Store, Warkworth (1972)	29
1969	5	Rigby, Russell G., 87 Forfar Street, Mosgiel	111
1955	9	Rigg, Frank S., 61 Main Road, Greytown	78b
1947	S	Riseley, Benjamin H., 401 Devon Park, 45 Stanley Point Road, Devonport, Auckland 9 (1969)	9

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1962	WA	Robertson, Ian H., 35 Imlay Crescent, Ngaio, Wellington 4	75a
1960	S	Roke, Charles E., Kawhia, King Country (1969)	[4]
1963	3	Rowe, B. Keith, 50 Meadowvale Ave., Forrest Hill, Auckland 10	ED
1911	S	Rowe, William, 3 South Beach Road, Plimmerton, Wellington (1949)	76
1951	S	Ruck, Idris J., 48 Nixons Street, Hamilton (1966)	36
1954	6	Rushton, Percy P., 994 New North Road, Mt. Albert, Auckland 3	15
1957	3	Russell, Kenneth H., 100 Jed Street, Invercargill (Phone 3539)	116
1962	4	Rutherford, Maynard G., 8 Hulke Street, Foxton	71a
1916	S	Sage, Ernest E., 1 Willis St, Mt. Albert, Auckland 3 (1955)	15
1971	3	Salmon, John B., 890 George Street, Dunedin	109
1959	7	Salter, Lawrence E., 6 Derwent St, Wainuiomata, Wellington	78a
1956	5	Scammell, Bruce, 100 West Street, Feilding	68
1950	4	Schroeder, Leonard P., 524 Church St, Palmerston North	66
1945	3	Shapcott, Leonard, 162 King Street, Rangiora	102
1952	2	Shaw, Harry I., 5 Duke Street, Pahiatua	65a
1946	7	Shepherd, Trevor, 20 Wellington St, Hamilton	36
1941	S	Sherson, Donald G., 54 Rangatira Road, Birkdale, Auckland 10.	19
1961	4	Sides, Brian W., Te Reinga Street, Kaitia	1
1938	10	Silvester, John, Ranston House, Trinity College, 134A Grafton Rd, Auckland 3 (Phone 42-501)	ThC
1971	3	Simpson, Ronald N., 55 Warspite Road, Porirua East, Wellington	76
1915	S	Slade, William G., 71 Mooray Ave., Christchurch 5 (1958)	88
1964	WA	Slinn, Stuart G., Wesley House, Picton	103
1970	WA	Smiley, Rowan E., C/o. 61 Uxbridge Road, Howick	13
1970	4	Smith, G. Clive, 19 Wilson Avenue, St. Clair, Dunedin	111
1952	5	Spindler, Sydney J., 18 Tennyson Street, Opunake	55
1951	2	Stead, Peter A., 24 Liverpool Street, Hamilton (Phone 41-047)	35
1973	1	Stringer, John A., 15 Naish St, Balclutha	114
1953	5	Stubbs, David G., 28 Oxford St, Richmond, Nelson	84
1954	7	Tahere, Te Awa W., P.O. Box 400, Hamilton	[3]
1955	5	Tauroa, Lane M., Waikeria Youth Centre, P.O. Box 400, Te Awamutu	PC
1961	WA	Taylor, A. Kerry, 47 Maughan Drive, Bucklands Beach	13
1966	4	Taylor, Keith J., 15 Nelson Street, Christchurch 1	94
1957	7	Taylor, Phillip F., 77 Grey Street, Onehunga, Auckland 6	21
1911	S	Te Tuhi, Eruera, 6 Rimu Place, Dargaville (1954)	[1]
1968	6	Te Whare, Morehu, 296 Massey Road, Mangere, East Auckland	[2]
1966	4	Te Whare, Robert, Te Piringa Maori Centre, Haerehuka Street, Otorohanga	[4]
1941	3	Thomas, Gordon V., 92 Cambridge Street, Levin	80
1946	S	Thompson, George R., 1582 Great North Road, Waterview, Auckland 7 (1971)	15

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1951	S	Thompson, J. Herbert, Flat D, 32 Brittan Street, Linwood, Christchurch 1 (1971)	90
1955	5	Thornicroft, Neville, 2 Melville Street, Waipawa, Hawkes Bay	71
1935	2	Thornley, Robert, 211 Sealey Street, Thames	30
1963	1	Toomer, Kenneth L., 1 Waterview Rd, Mangere, Auckland	21
1951	3	Toothill, Harry W., 44 Ottawa Road, Ngaio, Wellington 4	75a
1954	10	Trebilco, David L., 193 Victoria Road, Devonport, Auckland 9	17
1926	S	Voyce, A. Henry, 17 Prospect Terrace, Milford, Auckland 9 (1959)	18
1965	7	Waaka, Napi, 107 Waihi Road, Hawera	[5]
1962	4	Waine, Frederick E., 43 Cleary St, Lower Hutt	77
1962	3	Wakeling, W. J. Douglas, 164 High Street South, Carterton	78d
1961	1	Wallace, William L., 12 Gilberthorpes Road, Christchurch 4	97
1945	3	Watson, Alexander C., 3 De Merle Street, Kaikohe	2
1939	3	Watson, John K., 12 Nahum Street, Paeroa	31
1965	4	West, Norman J., 79 Arthur Street, Timaru	102
1966	5	West, Stanley J., 60 Mulford St, Green Island, Dunedin	108
1959	3	Widdup, Robert W., 18 Chapel St, Christchurch 5 (Phone 529-782)	96
1931	S	Williams, David O., 20 Weston Ave., Mt. Albert, Auckland 3 (1971)	15
1943	7	Williams, J. C. Aldwyn, 10 New Bond Street, Kingsland, Auckland 3	9
1942	3	Willing, Leonard V., 104 Manawapou Rd, Hawera (Phone 6270)	54
1935	3	Witheford, Arthur R., 120 Colombo Street, Christchurch 2	92
1950	WA	Woodfield, Frank H., 233 Dowse Drive, Lower Hutt	77
1950	1	Woodfield, Owen T., 153 Kohimarama Rd, Auckland 5	14
1962	4	Woodley, Alan K., 34 Edmonton Rd, Henderson, Auckland 8	16
1941	2	Woolford, J. Henry, P.O. Box 196, Dargaville	6
1971	3	Wright, Jack, Okato, Taranaki	56
1956	WA	Ziesler, John, 9 Eden Grove, Bristol, B.S7.OPQ, England	14

MINISTERIAL SUPPLIES

Buck, Stanley J., 67 Shearman Street, Waimate	104
Chick, H. H., Hihi Street, Ohura, King Country	49
Crawford, Samuel J., C/o. P.O. Box 2019, Tauranga South	42
Ogier, Ian W., P.O. Box 711, Whangarei	5
Sweet, George L., 84 Hackthorne Rd, Cashmere, Christchurch 2	88
Vickery, John H., 176 West Tamaki Road, Glen Innes, Auckland	14
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RESIDING IN NEW ZEALAND

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

HOME MISSIONARIES

Ent.	Years	Name and Address	Circuit
1924	R. T. Alexander (Retired),	86A Neale Ave., Stoke, Nelson.	
1928	R. Coombridge (Retired),	No. 3 R.D., Otorohanga.	
1939	H. R. Wright (Retired).	7 Tor St, Westown, New Plymouth.	
1940	D. I. Robertson (Retired),	50 Puriri Avenue, Beach Haven, Auckland 5.	
1948	H. Prowse (Retired),	2 Kowhai Flats, Cuba Street, Marton.	
1952	F. L. Johnston (Senior Home Missionary),	Garfield Road, Helensville.	
1961	A. E. Tardif (Retired).	Deborah Bay, Port Chalmers, Otago.	

HOME MISSIONARY SUPPLIES

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

UNION CHURCH MINISTERS

North Hokianga Community Church: Fuge, D. N., Kohukohu, Northland

Hikurangi: McDonald, I. C., The Manse, Whakapara	3a
Ruawai: 92 Freyberg Road, Ruawai, Northland	4a
Avondale: J. C. McKean, 2166 Great North Road, Auckland	6a
Birkdale/Beach Haven:	15a
Tuakau:	19a
Hauraki Plains: Fowler, Irwin J., The Parsonage, Haywards Road, Ngatea, Hauraki Plains	25a
Raglan: The Manse, Raglan	30a
Turangi: Hay, J. C., 4 Hingaia Street, Turangi	35a
Kiwara, R., 95 Taukhang Road, Turangi	48a
Cambridge: Norwell, L. T., Thompson Street, Leamington, Cambridge	48a
Johnson, A. E. B., 22 Alpha St, Cambridge	34a
Ngaruawahia: McIntyre, D. L., Presbyterian Manse, 30 Galileo Street, Ngaruawahia	36a
Inglewood: Ralph, B., 3 Totara Terrace, Inglewood	60a
Manaia: Morrison, W., The Manse, Manaia	54a
Greytown: Rigg, Frank S., 61 Main Street, Greytown	78b
Featherston: Gordon T., The Manse, Featherston	78c
Carterton: Wakeling, W. J. D., 164 High St South, Carterton	78d
Masterton, St James: Norwell, Ian C., 112 High St, Masterton	79a
Foxton: Rutherford, Maynard G., Hulke Street, Foxton	71a
Wairoa: Murray F. Hall, 89 Lucknow Street, Wairoa, H.B.	63b
Mervyn A. Aitken, 175 Queen Street, Wairoa, H.B.	
Matamata: Eric R. Eastwood, 2 Hohaia Crescent, Matamata	38
Taupo: Donald D. Knight, The Manse, Taupo	41a
Greerton: David C. Pratt, 72 Pooles Rd, Greerton, Tauranga	42a
Opotiki	44a
Mangapapa: Weeks, R., 314 Ormond Road, Gisborne	63a
Pahiatua: Shaw, Harry I., 5 Duke Street, Pahiatua	65a
Newlands: Doig, John C., St. Oswalds Crescent, Newlands	75c
Eketahuna: Harding, G. G. E., Haswell St, Eketahuna	79b
Johnsonville: Tankersley, H. A., 55 Frankmore Avenue, Johnsonville, Wellington 4	75b
Ngaio: Toothill, Harry W., 44 Ottawa Rd. Ngaio, Wellington 4	75a
Taita: George. R. Leslie, 73 Molesworth St, Taita, Lower Hutt	77a
Wainuiomata: Vinten, W., 115 Main Road, Wainuiomata	78a
Salter, Lawrence E., 6 Derwent Street, Wainuiomata	
Tawa: Clark, Colin D., 31 Court Road, Tawa, Wellington	76a

Morreau, P., 330 Main Rd, Linden	
Hollier, D. I., 85 Redwood Avenue, Tawa, Wellington	
Nelson, St. Luke's Church: Clarke, Ian L., 55 Tipahi St, Nelson	83a
Greymouth: McKay, Archibald W., 43 Cowper St, Greymouth	87d
Churcher, Neil G., The Manse, Greymouth.	
The Manse, Cobden, Greymouth.	
Picton: Earle, William, Wairau Rd, Picton	87a
Buller: Jamieson, Colin G., The Manse, 50 Wakefield Street, Westport	87c
Reefton District: Goss, Alan, The Manse, 9 Mace St, Reefton	87b
Hokitika: Graves, Sister Norma, Flat 4, 37 Hamden Street, Hokitika	87
Jenkins, O. T., 118 Fitzherbert Street, Hokitika.	
Oxford District: Clearwater, D., 3 Park Avenue, Oxford	101a
Redcliffs-Sumner: Olds, N. W., 62 Wiggins Street, Sumner, Christchurch 8	90a
South East Christchurch: van der Kley, Neil, 64 St. Johns St, Woolston 6	90b
Lyttelton: Ives, Dudley, The Manse, Lyttelton	90c
Lincoln: R. M. Rogers, The Manse, Lincoln.	
St. David's, Marchwiell, Timaru: McIver, Graeme M., 24 Tyne Street, Timaru	103a
Oamaru (Church of Christ — Methodist): Duder, Clifford, L., 24 Eden Street, Oamaru	107a
West Harbour, Dunedin: Fleming, I., 19 Ascog Rd, Ravensbourne, Dunedin	109a
Grants Braes: Angus, G. C. M., 145 Larnach Road, Waverley, Dunedin	112a
West Dunedin Union Parish, Kaikorai: Clarke, Ross K. L., 29 Farley Street, Kaikorai, Dunedin	110a
Wakari: Stevens, Ewing C., 99 Centennial Avenue, Wakari, Dunedin	110a
Halfway Bush: Bathgate, A. K. T., 31 Balmain Street, Halfway Bush, Dunedin	
Corstorphine-Concord: Wilson, R., 149 Hillhead Road, Corstorphine, Dunedin	111a
Teviot Union Parish: Prince, D. F., 75 Scotland St, Roxburgh	117a
Alexandra-Clyde: Povey, D., 13 Centennial Avenue, Alexandra	117b
Coates, R., 21 Fox Street, Alexandra	
Riverton: Blundell, Warren H., Palmerston St, Riverton	116a
Otautau: Brown, Philip W., 68 Main Street, Otautau	116b
Waiono: Duncan, Glen, The Manse, Nightcaps	116c

MAORI HOME MISSIONARIES

Ent.	Name and Address	Years
(a) Full Time:		
1960	Matu Makiha, Methodist Parsonage, 51 Hall Road. Manurewa	4
1962	Herehere Maihi Maaka, Waima, Hokianga.	4
(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 Road, Hillcrest, Hamilton.	
1942	Tawai Te Riri Kawiti, Waiomio R.D., Kawakawa, Bay of Islands.	
1946	Tumu Te Huia, C/o. Box 400, Hamilton.	
1946	Waaka Kukutai, Tauranganui, via Tuakau, Waikato.	
1947	Whaterau Ira Wharehoka, Pungarehu, Taranaki.	

- 1948 Nguru, Winikerei, Marokopa Valley R.D. 4, Te Kuiti.
- 1951 Pukerau Rangitutia, Aotearoa R.D. 7, Te Awamutu.
- 1952 Matene Hori de Thierry, Settlement Road, Pukekohe.
- 1952 Ngerungeru Tame Pihama, C/o. 36 Barrie Cres., Hamilton.
- 1952 Home Wilcox, 81 Premier Ave, Pt Chevalier, Auckland
- 1952 Hohepa Hemara, Cartwright's Rd, Onerahi, Northland.
- 1955 Wera Couch, P.O. Box 20, Lyttelton.
- 1958 Himiona Waata, No. 3 R.D., Hikurangi.
- 1960 Hoera Whakaari Hakopa, Whatawhata, Waikato.
- 1962 Robert Taka, C/o. Post Office, Kaeo, Northland.
- 1962 Te Orah Tonga, Box 110, Ngaruawahia
- 1964 Para Piripi Livingstone, Matawaia, No. 12 R.D., Moerewa, Northland.
- 1967 Samson, Toia, 35 Pirika Street, Dargaville.
- 1967 Philip Te Uira, Taharoa, Te Kuiti.
- 1968 Wiremu Huirama Te Hiko, 31 Manaia St, Tokoroa.
- 1969 Mare Rogers, 27 Orr's Road, Kaikohe.
- 1969 John Hoani Heremaia, Pareroa Pa, Kaharamea.
- 1969 Henare Pate, 10 Amisfield Road, Tokoroa.
- 1970 Rewi Tautari, Waioio, via Kawa Kawa.
- 1970 Geo. Taha, Dason's Road, Glen Massey, Ngaruawahia.
- 1971 Aperahama Tutaneikai Rogers, 10 Tawa Street, Te Atatu, Auckland 8.
- 1972 Henare Te Huia Gray, Te Kowhai Road, Horotiu.
- 1972 Alan Skinner Pickering, Poutu, Te Kopuru R.D.
- 1972 Tohu Cassidy, Omania, via Rawene, Hokianga.
- 1972 Winiata Morunga, 33 Clark's Road, Kamo.
- 1972 Mack Morunga, Whirinaki, Hokianga.

DEACONESSES

- 1921 Sister Eleanor Dobby, 409 Main North Road, Papanui, Christchurch 5.
- 1936 Sister Heeni Wharemaru, 294 River Road, Hamilton.
- 1948 Sister Rona Collins, Methodist Children's Home, 93 Harewood Road, Papanui, Christchurch 5.
- 1948 Sister Grace Clement, 515 Remuera Road, Auckland 5.
- 1949 Sister Betty Yearbury, P.O. Box 102, Te Kuiti.
- 1957 Sister Beverley Taylor, Flat 7, 8 Begbie Place, Sandringham, Auckland 3.
- 1960 Sister Joan Wedding, Rangiatea Maori Girls' Hostel, South Road, Spotswood, New Plymouth.
- 1962 Sister Edna Jenkin, C/o. Borneo Evangelical Mission, P.O. Box 46, Lawas, Sarawak, East Malaysia.
- 1963 Sister Barbara Miller, Taheke P.O., Hokianga.
- 1963 Sister Shirley Wiki, 105 Lancaster Road, Birkdale, Auckland.
- 1964 Sister Shirley Ungemuth, Eventide Home, Company Bay, Private Bag, Dunedin.
- 1969 Sister Ruth Tattersall, 21 Longfellow Street, Opunake.
- 1972 Sister Hana Hauraki, 216 Victoria Street, Dargaville.
- 1972 Sister Norma Graves, Flat 4, 37 Hamden Street, Hokitika.

RETIRED DEACONESSES

- 1909 Sister Ruth Fawcett, Woodchester, 76 Banks Av., Ch'ch 5.
- Sister May Barnett, R.D. 2, Tai Tapu, Christchurch.
- 1928 Sister Ivy Jones, Flat 1, 3 Grange Road, Mt. Eden, Auckland 3.
- 1928 Sister Rita Snowden, Flat 1, 16 Bracken Avenue, Takapuna, Auckland 9.
- 1929 Sister Airini Hobbs, 14 Richmond Street, Cambridge.
- 1945 Sister Jean Miller, 38 Havistock Road, Sandringham, Auckland.
- 1921 Sister Margaret W. Nicholls, Ngaruawahia.

- 1964 Sister Constance Sage, 1 Willis Street, Auckland 3.
 1935 Sister Madeline Holland, C/o. Tyler House, 63 Allendale Road, Auckland.
 1968 Sister Atawhai George, C/o. Post Office, Waihaha, Bay of Islands.
 1939 Sister Dorothy Pointon, 102 Sandspit Road, Howick, Auckland.
 1943 Sister Anne Wilson, C/o. Tyler House, 63 Allendale Road, Mt. Albert, Auckland 3.

DEACONESS SUPPLIES

Miss Beth Sutton, Seamer House, 515 Remuera Road, Auckland 5.
 Mrs E. Bettany, 175 Waihi Road, Hawera.

MINISTERS SERVING WITH OTHER CONFERENCES/CHURCHES

Andrews, Stanley G., P.O. Box 357, Suva, Fiji.
 Glen, Frank G., P.O. Box 25, Te Anau, New Zealand.
 Campbell, M. Jackson, 68 Kiwi Crescent, Tawa, Wellington.

OVERSEAS DIVISION

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.

Rev. Frederick J. K. Baker, Mendi, S.H.D., P.N.G.
 Rev. Maxwell L. Bruce, Arawa, Bougainville, P.N.G.
 Rev. James F. Cropp, Honiara, B.S.I.P.
 Rev. Alan J. Leadley, Malmaluan, via Rabaul, P.N.G.
 Rev. Robert G. Stringer, Sasamunga, Choiseul, B.S.I.P.
 Rev. Brian H. Turner, C/o. P.O. Box 5023W, Auckland (until April);
 Rarongo Theological College, via Rabaul (from May).
 Rev. W. Geoffrey Tucker, Honiara, B.S.I.P.

Deaconesses

Sister Lucy Money, M.B.E., Sasamunga, via Gizo, B.S.I.P.
 Sister Pamela Beaumont, Saingraru, Buin, P.N.G.
 Sister Lesley Bowen, Kekesu, Buka, P.N.G.

Lay Women

Miss Beverley A. Baker, Nipa, S.H.D., P.N.G.
 Miss Diane Bellamy, Gaulin, via Rabaul, P.N.G.
 Miss Marilyn Harkness, Ramelek, via Kavieng, P.N.G.
 Miss Patricia A. Moodie, P.O. Box 35, Mendi, S.H.D., P.N.G.
 Miss Lynette M. Sadler, Goldie College, Munda, B.S.I.P.
 Miss Eileen F. Schick, Munda, B.S.I.P.

Laymen

Mr Donald Bennett, Tari, S.H.D., P.N.G.
 Mr Eion Field, Tonu, Free Bag, Buin, P.N.G.
 Mr Eric Harney, Munda, B.S.I.P.
 Mr Douglas C. McKenzie, Wesley High School, Salamo, P.N.G.
 Mr Ian Shakespeare, Munda, B.S.I.P.
 Dr Roger Scown, Helena Goldie Hospital, Munda, B.S.I.P.

A CHRONOLOGICAL LIST

OF THE

MINISTERS and PROBATIONERS

IN CONNECTON WITH THE

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND

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| <p>1899—Keall, Robert P. (Sup.)</p> <p>1911—Rowe, William (Sup.)
 „ Te Tuhi, Eruera, O.B.E. (Sup.)</p> <p>1913—Bensley, Arthur A. (Sup.)</p> <p>1915—Slade, William G., M.A., D.D.
 (Toronto) (Sup.)</p> <p>1916—Brown, George E. (Sup.)
 „ Fordyce, Robert E., S.B.St.J.
 (Sup.)
 „ Kendon, Charles H. (Sup.)
 „ Sage, Ernest E. (Sup.)</p> <p>1917—Blight, William T., B.A., B.D.
 (Melb.) (Sup.)</p> <p>1918—Costain, Alfred M., Dip.Soc.Sc.
 (Sup.)
 „ Parker, James W. (Sup.)</p> <p>1919—Jefferson, Alfred E. (Sup.)</p> <p>1923—Blakemore, Albert (Sup.)
 „ Hames, Eric W., M.A. (Fellow
 of Trinity College) (Sup.)</p> <p>1924—Bailey, John H. (Sup.)
 „ Brown, Hubert G. (Sup.)
 „ Fiebig, Herbert L., B.A. (Sup.)</p> <p>1925—Peterson, Gordon R. H. (Sup.)</p> <p>1926—Harris, G. Raymond (Sup.)
 „ Voyce, A. Henry (Sup.)</p> <p>1927—Larsen, Norman P. (Sup.)
 „ Laurenson, George I., C.B.E.
 (Sup.)
 „ Penn, Athol R. (Sup.)
 „ Raynor, Ivo M. (Sup.)</p> <p>1928—Grocott, John D., B.A. (Sup.)
 „ Hailwood, Charlie O. (Sup.)</p> | <p>1929—Dickens, Charles E. (Sup.)
 „ Horwood, Leonard C. (Sup.)
 „ Kent, Arthur T. (Sup.)
 „ Parker, Walter (Sup.)</p> <p>1930—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.)</p> <p>1931—Carr, Thomas H. (Sup.)
 „ Carr, W. E. Allon (Sup.)
 „ Greenslade, William W. H.,
 M.B.E. (Sup.)
 „ Moore, William E. (Sup.)
 „ Parker, Gordon, M.A., Ph.D.
 (London) (Sup.)
 „ Payne, Herbert W. (Sup.)
 „ Williams, David O., M.A.
 Litt.D. (Fellow of Trinity
 College) (Sup.)</p> <p>1932—Day, Reginald (Sup.)
 „ Hickman, D. J. Donald (Sup.)
 „ Jenkin, William C. (Sup.)</p> <p>1933—Chrystall, Bernard M., B.A.
 (Sup.)
 „ Patchett, Ralph E. (Sup.)</p> <p>1934—Goodman, George H. (Sup.)
 „ Johnston, Andrew J. (Sup.)
 „ Matthews, Howard C., B.A.</p> <p>1935—Burton, Ormond E., M.A.
 (Sup.)
 „ Duder, Clifford L.
 „ Hanna, L. Gordon (Sup.)
 „ Luxton, Clarence T. J. (Sup.)
 „ Thornley, Robert, M.A.
 Dip.Soc.Sc.
 „ Witheford, Arthur R., B.A.</p> <p>1936—Hopper, Ian H. K., B.A.
 (Sup.)</p> |
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CHRONOLOGICAL LIST—Continued

- 1937—Francis, William R., B.A., B.D.
(Lond.)
,, Norwell, Leslie T.
- 1938—Harkness, Howard E., M.A.
B.D. (Melb.)
,, Laws, William R., M.A., B.D.
(Melb.)
,, Petch, Ashleigh K., B.A.
,, Silvester, John, M.A.
- 1939—Cochrane, Herbert A.
,, Grice, Reginald (Sup.)
,, Lucas, Campbell P., L.Th.
,, Oldfield, Charles B.
,, Watson, John K., M.C., B.A.
- 1940—Dawson, John B., B.A.
,, Dixon, Haddon C., O.B.E.,
M.A., B.D.
,, Gilmore, Leslie R. M., B.A.
,, Greenslade, Lawrence
,, Jones, Alan O.
- 1941—Bell, Charles H., B.A. (Sup.)
,, Brown, Harold K.
,, Darvill, Harold A.
,, Thomas, Gordon V., B.A.
,, Woolford, J. Henry, M.A.
- 1942—Clement, R. Frederick, M.A.
,, Ivory, Arthur H., LL.B.,
B.Com. (Sup.)
,, Lewis, John J., M.A., B.D.
(Melb.), Ph.D. (Lond.)
,, Morrison, William J., M.A.
,, Willing, Leonard V.
,, Williams, J. C. Aldwyn
- 1943—Brown, Clifford G.
,, Cramond, George W.
,, Dawson, W. Selwyn, M.A.
,, Falkingham, Wilfred E.
,, Grounds, Edmund D.
,, Jolly, Albert (Sup.)
- 1944—Allen, Robert H., B.A.
,, Bell, R. Graham, M.A., B.D.,
Theol.M. (Melb.)
,, Bycroft, Leslie F.
,, Chambers, Wesley A., M.A.
,, Dorrian, A. Peter (Sup.)
,, Sherson, Donald G., B.A.
(Sup.)
- 1945—Shapcott, Leonard
- 1946—McDonald, D. I. Alister
,, Moore, Harry (Sup.)
- ,, Olds, Norman W.
,, Shepherd, Trevor
,, Thompson, George R., E.D.
(Sup.)
- 1947—Attwood, A. Francis (Sup.)
,, Clements, Leslie C.
,, Hall, Allen H., M.A.,
Dip. Tchg. (N.Z.),
M.A. (Q'land)
,, Parker, Francis H.
,, Riseley, Benjamin H. (Sup.)
- 1948—Eisner, Wilf. G., B.A.
,, Hilder, Basil J.
,, Marshall, Edward M., B.A.,
(Sup.)
- 1949—Baker, Edward
,, Benny, T. Ralph (Sup.)
,, Burt, Douglas H.
,, Cornwell, Gordon A. R.
,, Ford, Wilfred F., B.A.
,, Keightley, Clifford J.
,, Olds, J. Stanley
,, Ramage, Ian C. E., M.A.
- 1950—Clark, Colin D., M.A.
,, Gordon, D. Bruce, M.A.
,, Ramsay, Phillip D.
,, Schroeder, Leonard P., B.A.,
B.D. (Melb.)
,, Woodfield, Frank H.
,, Woodfield, Owen T., B.A.
- 1951—Besant, H. David, B.A., B.D.
,, Carter, George, M.A., Dip.Ed.
,, Clucas, Ivan J.
,, Gilbert, Geoffrey T.
,, Ruck, Idris J. (Sup.)
,, Stead, Peter A., B.A.
,, Toothill, Harry W.
,, Olds, O. McLennan
- 1952—George, R. Leslie
,, Gibson, Loyal J.
,, Hall, John R.
,, Handyside, Allan J.
,, Penman, John A., B.A.
,, Shaw, Harry I.
,, Spindler, Sydney J.
,, Thompson, John H. (Sup.)
- 1953—LeCouteur, E. Raymond
,, Craig, Hughan M.
,, McKay, Archibald W.
,, Newman, Alan
,, Osborne, John H., M.A.
,, Stubbs, David G.

CHRONOLOGICAL LIST—Continued

- 1954—Billinghurst, Noel D.
 „ Eastwood, Eric R.
 „ Grundy, John, M.A.
 „ Hammond, George M.
 „ Heppelthwaite, Ernest
 „ Newton, Alan H. V.
 „ Rakena, Ruawai D.
 „ Rushton, Percy P., B.A., B.D.
 „ Tahere, Te Awa W.
 „ Trebilco, David L.
 „ Watson, Alexander C.
- 1955—Abbott, William K.
 „ Bennett, Trevor L.
 „ Boyd, Edward P.
 „ Cable, Wilfred J.
 „ Peart, Cuthbert F.
 „ Rigg, Frank S.
 „ Tauroa, Lane M., B.A.
 „ Thornicroft, Neville
- 1956—Andrews, Robert S.
 „ Bennett, George L.
 „ Grant, Ian D.
 „ Kitchingham, Owen A., B.A.
 „ Scammell, Bruce
 „ Ziesler, John A., M.A. (Bristol)
 B.D., Ph.D. (Lond.)
- 1957—Bell, G. Basil W.
 „ Brough, Gordon D., B.A.
 „ Fowler, Irwin J.
 „ Guthardt, Phyllis M., M.A.
 Ph.D. (Camb.)
 „ Kitchingman, Henry W.
 „ Mabon, John C. F.
 „ Reddihough, John W., F.R.G.S.
 (Sup.)
 „ Reid, Andrew G. (Sup.)
 „ Russell, Kenneth H.
 „ Taylor, Philip F.
- 1958—Climo, Frederick J.
 „ Gilbert, Wilfred S.
 „ Hamlin, R. John
 „ Lewis, Evan R., M.Sc., B.A.
- 1959—Bowen, Lewis A.
 „ Dine, Mervyn L.
 „ Goudge, Stanley R., B.A.
 „ Greening, G. Kingsley
 „ Griffith, Keith C.
 „ Hosking, John S., M.A.,
 Dip.Mus.
 „ Morrison, William
 „ Noble, Dorothea, B.A.
 „ Salter, Lawrence E.
 „ Widdup, Robert W.

- 1960—Brazendale, Graham
 „ Grundy, Albert A., M.A.
 „ Christian, Owen L.
 „ Conway, James H.
 „ Gust, Warwick, B.A.,
 B.D. (Melb.)
 „ Hanson, E. Francis I., B.A.,
 B.D.
 „ Henderson, W. John (Sup.)
 „ Hornblow, Maxwell A.
 „ Horrill, C. Seton
 „ McKenzie, Ian H., M.Sc., B.D.
 „ Mullan, David S., M.A.
 „ Peterson, Frederick D.
 „ Roke, Charles E. (Sup.)
- 1961—James, Russell E.
 „ Langley, John E.
 „ Marshall, C. Russell, M.R.
 „ Sides, Brian W.
 „ Taylor, A. Kerry
 „ Wallace, William L., B.A.
- 1962—Currie, John B., B.A.
 „ Hawkey, Graham E.
 „ Hight, Arnold C.
 „ Hornblow, Edgar R., LL.B.
 „ Jones, Barry E., B.A.
 „ Pomeroy, Harold C., B.A.,
 B.D., A.C.A., C.M.A., A.C.I.S.
 „ Robertson, Ian H.
 „ Rutherford, Maynard G.
 „ Waine, Frederick E.
 „ Wakeling, W. J. Douglas
 „ Woodley, Alan K., B.A.
- 1963—Ansell, David H.
 „ Armstrong, David
 „ Ball, Niven G.
 „ Clarke, Ian L.
 „ Laws, Derek G., F.C.A.
 „ Rowe, B. Keith, B.A., B.D.,
 S.T.M. (Union, N.Y.)
 „ Toomer, Kenneth L., L.Th.
- 1964—Felderhof, Ludwig
 „ Gerritsen, Hendrik, B.A.
 „ Major, Ronald G., B.A.
 „ Neal, Barry W., C.F., B.A.,
 Dip. Ed.
 „ Olsen, Brian L.
 „ Slinn, Stuart G.
- 1965—Chessum, William A., Mus.B.
 „ Clarke, Edwin B., M.A.
 „ Collingwood, Ronald C.
 „ Hayhurst, John G.
 „ Herbert, C. Brice
 „ Mackie, Bruce E.
 „ Waaka, Napi
 „ West, Norman J.

CHRONOLOGICAL LIST—Continued

- 1966—Alexander, Roy M.
" Bowden, A. Roy, B.A.
" Ferguson, Ronald W.
" Hendry, Richard J.
" Manihera, John I.
" Pihama, Te Taotahi John
" Prince, Donald F.
" Taylor, Keith J., B.A.
" Te Whare, Robert
" West, Stanley J.
- 1967—Bennett, Enid J., M.A., B.D.
" Jamieson, Colin G.
" Michie, Laurie A.
" Pratt, David C.
- 1968—Allan, Robert A.
" Couch, Moke A. G.
" Curtis, Darrell R., B.A.
" Hay, J. Cedric
" Hey, Roger J. E.
" Hosking, Bruce L., B.A.,
B.Com., S.T.M., (Union N.Y.),
A.C.A.
" Leadley, Alan J., B.A., B.D.
" Loader, William R. G., B.A.,
B.D., Dr. Theol. (M.A.I.N.Z.)
" McIver, Graeme M., B.A.
" Malcouronne, Brian J.
" Meredith, John D.
" Norwell, Ian C.
- " Phillipps, Donald J., B.A., B.D.
" Te Whare, Morehu
- 1969—Alley, David R.
" Brookes, Norman E., B.A.
" Chapman, Wallace C.
" Corlett, Ashley I.
" de Zoete, Pieter K. F.
" Eagle, Brian R. J.
" Ferguson, Ronald W.
" Harkness, Barry G., B.A., B.D.
" Rigby, Russell G.
" Stringer, Robert G.
" Turner, Brian H., B.A.
- 1970—Graham, Duncan R.
" Smiley, Rowan E.
" Smith, G. Clive
- 1971—Blundell, Warren H.
" Salmon, John B., B.A., A.C.A.,
A.C.I.S., L.Th.
" Simpson, Ronald N.
" Wright, Jack
- 1972—Dickie, Arthur W.
" Greenwood, Russell J., B.A.
" MacLeod, D. Ian
- 1973—Anderson, Ian E. M.
" Currie, Laurence H.
" Grant, Stuart C., B.A., LL.B.
" Stringer, John A., Dip. Theol.

Methodist Church of New Zealand

IN MEMORIAM

MINISTERS AND PROBATIONERS

Who have laboured in New Zealand and were still in the Methodist Ministry at the date of their death.

The following list of our honoured dead has been compiled by direction of the Conference. In some particulars it is incomplete. Information concerning any errors or omissions should be sent to the Rev. W. R. Laws, P.O. Box 931, Christchurch, 1, New Zealand.

Name of Minister	Birthplace	Year of Birth	Entered the Ministry	Date of Death	Place of Burial
Abbey, William H. E.	Melbourne	1883	1907	8th August, 1944	Fawcner, Melbourne
Abernethy, Christopher	Shetland Islands	1845	1879	29th April, 1927	Christchurch
Aldred, John	Suffolk, England	1818	1839	14th January, 1894	Christchurch
Allen, Alexander	Christchurch, New Zealand	1884	1910	8th May, 1918	France
Allen, James Henry	Normanby, New Zealand	1891	1922	6th December, 1955	Whangarei
Alley, Donald C.	Clinton	1906	1932	— June, 1942	Lost at Sea
Armitage, John	Leeds, England	1834	1875	29th April, 1881	Drowned in <i>Tararua</i>
Ashcroft, Arthur	Lancashire, England	1869	1895	15th December, 1943	Palmerston North
Avery, William W.	Blenheim	1878	1906	15th March, 1954	Christchurch
Ayrton, Moses	Yorkshire, England	1879	1924	3rd October, 1950	Wellington
Bailey, Samuel	Staffordshire, England	1871	1901	27th October, 1949	Wellington
Barley, Charles E.	Fincham, England	1851	1874	5th October, 1888	Hawera
Bateup, Frank	Patea, New Zealand	1884	1924	29th November, 1962	Hamilton East
Batley, Percy	Yorkshire, England	1886	1913	12th July, 1923	New Plymouth
Baumber, William	Lincolnshire, England	1852	1876	8th September, 1932	Christchurch
Bavin, Rainsford	Lincolnshire, England	1845	1866	2nd August, 1905	Gore Hill, N.S.W.
Baxter, Matthew	Cumberland, England	1812	1831	1st May, 1893	Oxford, Nth. Canty.
Beck, William Henry	Sussex, England	1837	1869	20th November, 1922	Blenheim
Beecroft, Charles E.	Lowestoft, Suffolk	1844	1870	17th November, 1913	Auckland
Bellhouse, Harold E.	Leeds, Yorkshire, England	1869	1894	4th October, 1948	Auckland
Benning, Job	Wednesday, England	1858	1905	22nd November, 1915	Waikouaiti
Benny, Henry	Broadfield	1888	1921	16th December, 1956	New Plymouth
Berry, Joseph	Preston, England	1846	1865	9th July, 1907	Payneham, S. Aust.
Best, Edward	Newry, Ireland	1824	1848	18th November, 1900	Auckland

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Binet, Vincent Le C.	Channel Islands	1883	1914	10th January, 1943	Auckland
Blair, Charles	Creswick, Victoria	1881	1907	4th September, 1972	Christchurch
Blamires, Edgar Percy	Melbourne, Australia	1878	1900	16th March, 1967	Auckland
Blamires, Ernest O.	Warrnabool, Victoria	1881	1904	6th June, 1963	Auckland
Blamires, Henry L.	Melbourne, Australia	1871	1896	18th August, 1965	Auckland
Blight, J. Montgomery	Temuka, New Zealand	1902	1930	10th May, 1972	Matamata
Blight, Joseph	Clare, South Australia	1858	1887	24th October, 1933	Auckland
Bond, George	Durham, England	1848	1871	6th November, 1931	Auckland
Bowie, William S.	Scarsdale, Victoria	1865	1896	19th December, 1914	Victoria
Brasell, H. Maurice	Masterton, New Zealand	1910	1949	9th July, 1953	Napier
Brooke, Thomas G.	Berkshire, England	1849	1880	31st August, 1931	Auckland
Brooks, Leslie A. G.	Christchurch	1894	1922	25th February, 1964	Hamilton
Buddle, Thomas	Durham, England	1812	1835	26th June, 1883	Auckland
Bull, Henry	London, England	1843	1868	1st August, 1919	Christchurch
Buller, James	Cornwall, England	1812	1837	6th November, 1884	Christchurch
Bumby, John Hewgill	Thirsk, England	1808	1829	26th June, 1840	Dr'wed, Hauraki Gulf
Bunn, Robert S.	Dublin, Ireland	1835	1860	22nd March, 1907	Sydney, N.S.W.
Burley, William A., M.A.	Otago, New Zealand	1885	1910	20th May, 1969	Hamilton
Burnet, Oswald	Woodend, Nth. Canterbury	1888	1914	4th March, 1960	Christchurch
Buttle, George	Yorkshire, England	1810	1838	10th July, 1874	Auckland
Buttle, Joseph Newman	Waipa, New Zealand	1850	1878	23rd December, 1914	Christchurch
Cannell, William	Manchester, England	1836	1861	8th September, 1921	New Plymouth
Carr, Thomas Goodwill	Eastwood, Notts, England	1846	1871	2nd August, 1935	Auckland
Chambers, Ernest Bernard	Northamptonshire, England	1892	1917	22nd February, 1967	Auckland
Chappell, Albert B., M.A.	Southsea, England	1872	1896	28th August, 1942	Auckland
Chapman, John G.	London, England	1865	1889	30th December, 1925	Wellington
Churchill, John	Northwood, England	1909	1937	5th November, 1972	Auckland
Clark, James R.	Maysbury, Bucks, England	1854	1906	1st August, 1928	Christchurch
Clement, George	Yorkshire, England	1860	1887	4th October, 1948	Dunedin
Clover, James	Suffolk, England	1850	1874	7th December, 1919	Hamilton
Coatsworth, Thomas	Durham, England	1877	1902	21st March, 1953	Palmerston North
Cocker, James	Derbyshire, England	1862	1890	6th March, 1935	Masterton
Collins, Alan F.	Kaipoi	1916	1942	2nd September, 1959	Dunedin
Cook, George S.	Braidwood, N.S.W.	1864	1901	23rd February, 1945	Otaki

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Cooke, Percy I.	Blenheim, New Zealand.	1885	1915	24th June, 1970	Auckland
Copeland, Fred	Waikato, New Zealand.	1880	1905	19th September, 1970	Auckland
Cossum, Percy J.	Kent, England	1869	1897	9th September, 1933	Wellington
Cottom, Harry	Birmingham, England	1879	1909	10th February, 1963	Christchurch
Creed, Charles	Somerset, England	1812	1837	18th February, 1879	Rookwood, N.S.W.
Crump, John	Kingsland, Herefordshire, Eng.	1828	1857	28th May, 1912	Stoke, Nelson
Daglish, John Ainsley	Stanley, Durham	1907	1933	14th November, 1967	Wellington
Daniel, Herbert	London, England	1881	1906	21st February, 1939	Matamata
Dawson, John	Keighly, Yorkshire, England	1859	1888	13th September, 1925	Wellington
Dawson, William	Northumberland, England	1865	1894	24th July, 1906	Christchurch
Dean, William John	Hereford, England	1826	1854	9th September, 1905	Wellington
Dellow, John	Kent, England	1851	1879	21st November, 1897	Woodend
Dennis, John	Otago, New Zealand	1885	1917	25th August, 1969	Auckland
Dewsbury, Henry R.	Alloa, Scotland	1849	1871	8th June, 1926	Auckland
Divers, W. Lloyd	Dunedin	1921	1947	— 1966	Medford, Oregon, U.S.
Drake, Edward	Staffordshire, England	1868	1893	28th April, 1953	Christchurch
Draper, Joseph C.	Teddington, England	1903	1930	24th February, 1969	Auckland
Dudley, Ben	London	1872	1898	1st January 1948	Christchurch
Dudley, Raymond, M.A., D.D., F.R.E.S.	Suva, Fiji	1904	1931	10th December, 1963	Napier
Dukes, John	Staffordshire, England	1845	1880	16th August, 1919	Manurewa, Auckland
Dumbell, John	Isle of Man	1830	1852	28th September, 1923	Wellington
Eaton, Clarence	Auckland	1878	1901	26th August, 1949	Christchurch
Eketone, Hare	Kawhia	1828	1857	1862	Mokau
Elliott, William J.	Waimate	1866	1893	16th August, 1946	Auckland
Ellis, Henry	Bundoran, Ireland	1828	1877	17th June, 1879	Woodend
Emmitt, Ernest S., M.C.	Hull, England	1879	1903	4th June, 1944	Auckland
Enticott, Walter J.	Lewisham, England	1880	1911	23rd June, 1969	Auckland
Evans, Matthew Joseph	Thames, New Zealand	1882	1912	3rd May, 1920	Auckland
Fairclough, Paul W.	South Australia	1852	1874	17th April, 1917	Christchurch
Featherston, Jacob	Weardale, England	1864	1901	24th June, 1951	Christchurch
Fee, Thomas	County Down, Ireland	1850	1876	18th April, 1940	Christchurch
Fellows, Samuel B.	Derbyshire, England	1858	1888	21st October, 1933	Mt. Barker, W. Aust.
Fletcher, Joseph Horner	St. Vincent, West Indies	1823	1847	30th June, 1890	Rookwood, N.S.W.

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Fletcher, William, B.A.	Granada, West Indies	1829	1856	20th June, 1881	Rookwood, N.S.W.
Ford, Herbert	Latchford, England	1882	1919	28th November, 1962	Christchurch
Foston, Charles A.	Lincolnshire	1870	1914	4th June, 1944	Levin
Fowles, Arthur H.	Davenham, England	1885	1911	7th April, 1963	Christchurch
Frost, George	Suffolk, England	1866	1893	29th March, 1944	Auckland
Garland, Charles H.	London, England	1857	1881	4th November, 1918	Auckland
Garlick, Samuel J.	Greenwich, England	1848	1876	27th August, 1917	Wellington
Gatman, William	Hull, England	1884	1919	21st September, 1960	Auckland
Ginger, Barton H.	Watford, England	1861	1885	27th January, 1914	Hutt
Gittos, William	Durham, England	1829	1856	26th May, 1916	Auckland
Goldie, John F.	Hobart	1870	1897	29th June, 1954	Melbourne
Gordon, Aldwyn Remington, M.A.	St. Leonards, New Zealand	1890	1915	26th August, 1918	France
Gosnell, Robert B.	Sydney, N.S.W.	1882	1912	20th August, 1944	Ashburton
Gray, Joseph H.	Cornwall, England	1841	1878	3rd January, 1902	Greymouth
Greenslade, William	Nelson, New Zealand	1875	1900	19th August, 1931	Christchurch
Greenwood, Fred	England	1868	1897	18th October, 1956	Wellington
Griffin, Cornelius	Oldbury, England	1851	1876	18th June, 1929	Auckland
Griffin, John Wesley	Ireland	1853	1894	6th January, 1932	Auckland
Griffin, Thomas N.	Whitehaven, England	1853	1880	20th August, 1924	Christchurch
Griffith, Samuel	London, England	1859	1882	19th December, 1937	Auckland
Grigg, William	Cornwall, England	1862	1888	3rd October, 1951	Christchurch
Guy, James	Kent, England	1855	1875	6th March, 1934	Christchurch
Haddon, Robert Tahupotiki	Taranaki	1866	1900	5th November, 1936	Normanby
Hall, James H.	Invercargill	1901	1926	5th November, 1963	Auckland
Hammond, Thomas Godfrey	Richmond, Nelson	1846	1874	15th December, 1926	Putaruru
Hana, Piripi	Wellington	—	1856	1857	Auckland
Handy, Francis J.	Birmingham, England	1900	1928	20th January, 1961	Otahuhu
Harding, Arthur	Ludlow, Shropshire	1861	1887	25th November, 1938	Lower Hutt
Harding, Isaac	Wanstron, England	1815	1836	17th July, 1897	Toowong, Queensland
Harkness, Edwin S.	Bendigo, Victoria	1878	1916	21st April, 1966	Auckland
Harper, George S.	Yorkshire, England	1840	1864	24th September, 1911	Palmerston North
Harris, Archer O.	Christchurch	1885	1910	10th December, 1965	Christchurch
Harris, Francis Thomas	Christchurch	1888	1914	19th April, 1933	Christchurch

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Harris, Walter	Cornwall, England	1874	1905	27th August, 1936	Christchurch
Harris, John	Warwickshire, England	1848	1872	9th March, 1926	Christchurch
Harrison, Colin C.	Allendale, England	1867	1893	22nd November, 1943	Wellington
Haslam, Jonathan H.	Christchurch, New Zealand	1874	1900	19th October, 1969	Waimate
Haylock, Donald C.	Bradford, England	1913	1946	30th July, 1954	Auckland
Henderson, Samuel	Armagh, Ireland	1865	1894	28th April, 1942	New Plymouth
Heretini, Te Tuhi	Whirinaki	1857	1896	9th October, 1933	Whirinaki
Hinton, George B.	Durham, England	1884	1912	10th March, 1965	Auckland
Hobbs, John	Kent, England	1800	1824	24th June, 1883	Auckland
Hoddinott, Ernest Sydney	Hawera	1911	1938	16th May, 1967	Wellington
Hopper, Arthur	Christchurch, New Zealand	1869	1911	28th March, 1969	Hastings
Hosking, James Alfred	Coromandel, New Zealand	1872	1896	1st October, 1924	Otahuhu
Hounsell, George	Sussex, England	—	1879	3rd March, 1906	Gisborne, N.Z.
Hudson, Lewis	London	1855	1879	13th April, 1922	Auckland
Hunt, George P.	Rongotea	1875	1900	29th January, 1964	Auckland
Innes, Jonathan	Newcastle-on-Tyne, England	1809	1845	6th May, 1864	Nelson, N.Z.
Ironside, Samuel	Sheffield, England	1814	1837	24th April, 1897	Hobart, Tasmania
Isitt, Frank Whitmore	Bedford, England	1846	1870	11th November, 1916	Dunedin
Jack, J. Francis	Palmerston South, N.Z.	1893	1922	8th September, 1961	Auckland
James, Benjamin J.	Victoria	1874	1903	20th July, 1955	Christchurch
Jamieson, Victor Roy	Lower Hutt	1904	1932	11th May, 1968	Hamilton
Jones, Peter W.	Cheshire, England	1846	1876	2nd December, 1929	Feilding
Jones, T. Francis	South Wales	1853	1882	16th May, 1943	Auckland
Jordan, Charles B., M.A., B.D., F.R.E.S.	Motueka, New Zealand	1880	1908	19th October, 1953	Stoke, Nelson
Jory, John D.	Cornwall, England	1846	1874	16th June, 1935	Auckland
Joughin, Thomas A.	Isle of Man	1863	1887	10th January, 1942	Auckland
Kakuere, Hori	Mangere	1863	1911	21st August, 1938	Pukekohe
Kapa, Henare			1946	25th October, 1968	Poua, Kaipara
Keall, Robert Purcell	Richmond, Nelson.	1875	1899	16th December, 1972	Wellington
Keall, William	Holbeach, Lincolnshire, Eng.	1838	1869	31st August, 1906	Palmerston North
Keast, W. H.			1880		Christchurch
Kings, Harry Stanley	England	1890	1924	19th June, 1968	Levin
Kirk, William	Owston, Lincolnshire, Eng.	1825	1846	19th May, 1915	Wellington

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Knight, Percy N., B.A.	Norwood, Australia	1867	1889	16th August, 1944	Auckland
Kukutai, Ngatete, M.B.E.	Te Kohanga	1878	1941	2nd August, 1966	Taupiri
Kuri, Te Hori	Hokianga	1828	1879	6th May, 1891	Hokianga
Law, John	Lancashire, England	1841	1868	1st August, 1908	Auckland
Lawrence, Frederick B.	London	1883	1912	16th July, 1959	Nelson
Lawry, Albert Charles	Auckland, New Zealand	1862	1885	21st June, 1940	Christchurch
Lawrie, Henry Hassall	New South Wales	1821	1845	8th May, 1906	Auckland
Lawry, Samuel	Cornwall, England	1854	1877	26th July, 1933	Christchurch
Lawry, Walter	Cornwall, England	1793	1817	30th March, 1859	Paramatta, N.S.W.
Laws, Charles H., B.A., D.D.	Newcastle-on-Tyne, England	1867	1887	8th February, 1958	Auckland
Laycock, William	Lancashire, England	1851	1884	13th November, 1927	Christchurch
Leadley, Frank E.	Yorkshire, England	1876	1900	25th July, 1964	Auckland
Lee, William	Yorkshire, England	1848	1864	12th November, 1925	Auckland
Leigh, Samuel	Milton, England	1788	1812	2nd May, 1852	Reading, England
Lewis, John James	Abergavenny, Wales	1844	1870	12th June, 1931	Auckland
Liddell, Ralph J.	Ballarat, Australia	1876	1903	21st July, 1948	Auckland
Liversedge, Arthur	Barnsley, England	1874	1898	31st December, 1948	Christchurch
Lochorc, John Alexander	Westland, New Zealand	1869	1895	2nd June, 1931	Dunedin
Long, Joseph	Carlisle, England	1818	1843	24th February, 1892	Auckland
Long, Wesley L.	Onewhero	1902	1938	16th August, 1946	Paeroa
Luke, James Henry	St. Just, Cornwall, England	1860	1881	22nd November, 1884	Wellington
Luxford, John A., C.M.G.	Hutt, New Zealand	1854	1876	28th January, 1921	Auckland
Lyth, Richard Burdsall, M.R.C.S.	Yorkshire, England	1810	1836	27th February, 1887	York, England
McArthur, John D.	Christchurch	1880	1909	3rd March, 1961	Blenheim
Macfarlane, Samuel	Liverpool, England	1828	1852	25th June, 1898	Christchurch
Mann, George Henry	Yorkshire, England	1868	1894	26th October, 1918	Gore
Marshall, George T.	Warwickshire, England	1853	1883	2nd August, 1938	Auckland
Marten, William Benjamin	Essex, England	1847	1871	15th February, 1907	Hutt
Martin, J. Frederick	Waimate	1879	1908	28th July, 1952	Wanganui
Mather, Joseph John	Leeds, England	1854	1883	8th November, 1921	Auckland
McBean, Angus	Ballarat, Victoria	1876	1904	4th May, 1947	Christchurch
McGregor, Robert	Dunedin	1887	1924	14th August, 1956	Paeroa
McNicoll, David	Liverpool, England	1843	1868	8th June, 1925	Auckland
Mercer, Victor Stanley	Adelaide, S.A.	1888	1920	7th December, 1923	Bluff

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Metson, Basil	Temuka	1879	1905	8th February, 1952	Rangiora
Mitchell, Arthur	Truro, England	1866	1890	19th August, 1951	Auckland
Mitchell, John L.	Kent, England	1892	1933	12th July, 1950	Hutt
Morley, William, D.D.	Notts, England	1842	1863	24th May, 1926	Kew, Victoria
Murray, Daniel J.	Cambridge, England	1851	1875	27th September, 1928	Auckland
Murray, Richard James	London, England	1862	1896	26th March, 1928	Rookwood, N.S.W.
Nielsen, Edward	Norway	1842	1877	12th June, 1894	Palmerston North
Ngaropi, Hamiora	Waikato	1809	1856	1887	Whatawhata
Neal, Wallace S.	Napier	1888	1918	12th November, 1972	Christchurch
Neale, Leslie B., M.B.E., B.A., F.R.G.S.	Auckland	1886	1911	26th August, 1959	Auckland
Nelson, John R.	Cumberland, England	1883	1917	22nd February, 1951	Auckland
Newbold, Thomas Walter	Auckland	1862	1886	19th October, 1930	Dunedin
Nixon, John	Scotland	1852	1875	2nd March, 1947	New Plymouth
Odell, Henry J.	New South Wales	1888	1915	16th March, 1961	London
Olds, Charles H.	Oamaru	1884	1910	29th September, 1969	Auckland
Olds, E. Thomas	Enfield, North Otago	1890	1915	25th August, 1966	Auckland
Oliver, William C.	Sutherlandshire, Scotland	1842	1867	14th April, 1922	Christchurch
Olphert, John	Auckland	1866	1888	5th March, 1950	Auckland
Orchard, Hector C.	Geelong, Australia	1884	1920	16th May, 1957	Dunedin
Orchard, John	Devonshire, England	1838	1861	6th January, 1907	Christchurch
Orr, A. Everil, M.B.E.	Roxburgh, New Zealand	1904	1933	25th August, 1971	Auckland
Oxbrow, Walter	Ballarat, Victoria	1873	1902	29th June, 1956	Auckland
Parker, Frederick John	Dunedin	1892	1917	15th November, 1959	Auckland
Paris, Percy R.	Dunedin, N.Z.	1882	1906	29th March, 1942	Wellington
Parsons, John Ernest	Birmingham, England	1885	1912	8th April, 1932	Palmerston North
Parsonson, William George	Lerwick, Shetland Islands	1854	1881	8th September, 1903	Christchurch
Patchett, Ernest D.	Styx, North Canterbury	1878	1902	13th September, 1958	Auckland
Patene, Wiremu	Waikato	1810	1859	December, 1884	Karakariki
Paul, Hauraki	Orakei	—	1882	1910	Kaipara
Peat, Harold T.	Thames	1885	1913	24th August, 1948	
Pendray, John J.	Camborne, Cornwall, England	1845	1870	2nd July, 1914	Taumarunui
Penney, Charles	Camborne, Cornwall, England	1851	1875	17th March, 1917	Reefton
Peryman, Samuel H. D.	Tai Tapu, N.Z.	1867	1892	16th August, 1945	Wellington

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Peters, Alfred	Truro, Cornwall, England	1850	1877	8th November, 1939	Christchurch
Pewa, Wiremu Warana	Waima	1852	1879	31st July, 1907	Waikato
Pickering, William B.	Staffordshire, England	1881	1920	1st November, 1948	Rotorua
Pinfold, James Thomas, D.D.	Manchester, England	1855	1876	30th July, 1933	Wellington
Potter, William Smith	London, England	1854	1896	30th January, 1929	Auckland
Pratt, M. A., Rugby	Gisborne	1875	1902	6th March, 1946	Christchurch
Prior, Samuel F.	Bedford, England	1851	1875	1919	Masterton, N.Z.
Prosser, Frederick O.	Blaenavon, Wales	1883	1897	26th March, 1963	Wellington
Purchon, Samuel R.	Leeds, England	1851	1943	24th January, 1878	Motueka
Pybus, T. Arthur	Yorkshire, England	1873	1875	28th August, 1957	Port Chalmers
Raine, Robert	Durham, England	1868	1892	17th March, 1942	Wellington
Rakena, Piripi	—	—	1882	25th March, 1934	Mangamuka
Rakena, Rakena P.	Maungamuka, Northland	1890	1908	February, 1956	Rapaki
Rands, Frederick	Methven, New Zealand	1883	1908	14th February, 1919	Germany
Ranston, Harry	Keighley, England	1878	1901	6th June, 1971	Auckland
Ratou, W. Te Kote Te	Wairarapa	1820	1859	4th May, 1895	Lower Wairarapa
Read, Frederick T.	Sleaford, Lincolnshire, Eng.	1867	1889	29th July, 1937	Christchurch
Reader, Amos	Northamptonshire, England	1875	1901	20th June, 1926	Dargaville
Ready, William	London, England	1860	1885	7th September, 1927	Auckland
Redstone, Harry B.	Tavistock, Devon, England	1836	1862	20th September, 1914	Wellington
Reed, Alexander John	Middlesex, England	1879	1904	5th May, 1912	Te Aroha
Reid, Alexander	Edinburgh, Scotland	1821	1848	25th August, 1891	Auckland
Richard, Henry L.	Moonta, South Australia	1883	1911	14th August, 1961	Christchurch
Richards, James	Victoria, Australia	1883	1910	7th March, 1957	Christchurch
Richards, Raymond	Mooroopna, Victoria	1879	1905	13th August, 1948	Christchurch
Richards, Thomas R.	Wodonga, Victoria	1867	1895	9th January, 1944	
Richardson, John B.	Nottingham, England	1840	1864	29th April, 1881	Drowned in <i>Tararua</i>
Rigg, Charles W.	—	—	1850	July, 1883	
Rishworth, John S.	Bingley, Yorkshire, England	1835	1864	21st October, 1918	Auckland
Roberts, Charles M.	Henderson, Auckland	1882	1906	17th May, 1958	New Plymouth
Rogers, Ranginohora	Waima, New Zealand.	1911	1942	21st October, 1971	Otaua
Rothwell, Benjamin Francis	Wexford, Ireland	1860	1885	11th September, 1924	Hamilton
Rowse, William	Cornwall, England	1835	1858	15th July, 1899	Greytown
Ryan, Lawrence J.	Island of Jersey	—	1893	4th January, 1902	Roxburgh

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Ryan, Henry	London, England	1880	1906	22nd July, 1971	Auckland
Schnackenberg, Cort Henry	Hanover	1812	1853	10th August, 1880	Auckland
Scott, William Bramwell	Thames, New Zealand	1873	1907	13th March, 1935	Wellington
Scotter, Adolphus N., B.A.	Napier	1875	1900	8th October, 1955	Christchurch
Servin, Arthur H.	London, England	1883	1912	13th July, 1969	Auckland
Seamer, Arthur J., C.M.G.	Tongala, Victoria	1877	1903	17th September, 1963	Auckland
Serpell, Samuel J.	Victoria, Australia	—	1884	9th July, 1918	Thames
Sharp, Harold A.	Christchurch	1885	1910	27th September, 1956	Christchurch
Sharp, Joseph	Maidstone, Kent, England	1849	1871	15th August, 1916	Auckland
Shaw, Joseph T.	Yorkshire, England	1826	1859	13th February, 1894	Hawthorn, Victoria
Silvester, Archie W.	Ellesmere, Irwell, Canterbury	1899	1927	18th December, 1967	Auckland
Simmonds, Joseph H.	Nelson	1845	1869	30th June, 1936	Auckland
Sinclair, William A.	Christchurch	1868	1891	4th January, 1950	Auckland
Skevington, John	Nottingham, England	1814	1839	21st September, 1845	Auckland
Skuse, Thomas	Wales	1890	1918	27th July, 1965	Auckland
Slade, William	Staffordshire, England	1859	1881	20th April, 1916	Onehunga
Smalley, Joseph S.	London, England	1845	1868	26th April, 1921	London
Smith, G. Knowles	Yorkshire, England	1870	1892	1st June, 1951	Greytown
Smith, John	Prince Edward Island	1835	1862	19th August, 1926	Auckland
Southern, John	Oldham, England	1874	1899	23rd December, 1933	Christchurch
Speer, William H.	Bergalia, N.S.W.	1874	1908	18th February, 1954	Rotorua
Spence, George W. J.	Dromore, Ireland	1852	1879	20th May, 1917	Auckland
Spencer, Herbert	Lancashire, England	1881	1923	15th September, 1961	Wanganui
Standage, Charles Henry	Campbell Town, Tasmania	1847	1875	8th June, 1936	Dunedin
Stannard, George	Yorkshire, England	1803	1844	8th December, 1888	Wanganui
Stockwell, George F.	Leicestershire, England	1876	1904	20th December, 1945	Auckland
Suckling, Joseph B.	Chelmsford, England	1880	1909	7th December, 1918	Nadroga, Fiji
Taylor, Cecil R.	Shropshire, England	1892	1924	21st June, 1966	Christchurch
Taylor, Robert	Rochdale, Lancashire, England	1839	1866	28th May, 1918	Christchurch
Thomas, James	Hobart, Tasmania	1846	1871	14th May, 1926	Melbourne, Victoria
Thomas, Thomas, E., M.A.	Auburn, S.A.	1851	1876	6th March, 1909	Christchurch
Thomas, William George	Milford Haven, South Wales	1843	1887	2nd December, 1909	Auckland
Tinsley, Robert Borrows	Port Chalmers	1880	1908	4th April 1968	Hamilton
Tinsley, William	Hertfordshire, England	1848	1869	22nd August, 1913	Levin

Name of Minister	Birthplace	Year of Birth	Entered the Ministry	Date of Death	Place of Burial
Trebilco, George R.	Waikari, New Zealand	1926	1952	21st October, 1971	Christchurch
Trestrail, Thomas	Penwortham, S.A.	1859	1887	18th March, 1920	Woodville, S. Aust.
Tuhimata, Ngaweke		—	1936	1968	
Turner, Nathaniel	Wednesbury, England	1793	1821	5th December, 1864	Toowong, Queensland
Turner, Nicholas	Kent, England	1863	1909	19th February, 1930	Christchurch
Utting, Harry V.	Auckland	1904	1927	25th September, 1965	Christchurch
Vealie, Thomas W.	St. Just, England	1864	1889	1st January, 1950	Hutt
Waiti, Hoani	Kaipara	1820	1860	1879	Kaipara
Waiti, Karawini	Kaipara	1851	1878	25th May, 1878	Auckland
Waiti, Martini L.	Kaipara	1860	1880	1887	Kaipara
Walker, William	Bradford, England	1880	1912	20th June, 1969	Auckland
Wallis, James	Blackwell, England	1809	1833	5th July, 1895	Auckland
Wallis, James W.	Waingaroa (Raglan)	1842	1864	2nd August, 1877	Auckland
Wallis, T. Jackson	Raglan, N.Z.	1863	1885	25th December, 1943	Turakina
Ward, Charles Ebenezer	New Plymouth, N.Z.	1846	1870	24th August, 1935	Christchurch
Ward, Josiah	New Plymouth, N.Z.	1848	1872	19th September, 1926	Wellington
Ward, Robert	Sporle, Norfolk, England	1816	1835	13th October, 1876	Wellington
Warihi, Heteraka	Te Kuiti	1826	1865	10th July, 1898	Blenheim
Warren, John	Norfolk, England	1814	1836	23rd November, 1883	Auckland
Watkin, James	Manchester, England	1805	1830	14th May, 1886	Rookwood, N.S.W.
Watkin, William James	Tonga	1833	1857	28th September, 1909	Auckland
Werren, Samuel J.	Little River, Canterbury	1890	1914	10th September, 1965	Hamilton
Whewell, John	Hadfield, England	1825	1854	11th December, 1886	Remuera
Whiteley, John	Nottinghamshire, England	1806	1832	13th February, 1869	New Plymouth
White, Hedley	Silchester, England	1883	1906	14th December, 1950	Wellington
Whitfield, Harris	Durham, England	1905	1938	13th May, 1967	Auckland
Whittaker, J. D.	Lancashire, England	1822	1845	3rd October, 1862	Wellington
Wilcox, Davis Pou	Hokianga		1911	January, 1937	Waikare
Williams, Alfred E.	Streatham, London	1906	1966	16th January, 1969	Auckland
Williams, William James	Redruth, Cornwall, England	1847	1870	11th May, 1936	Auckland
Wills, Peter	Staffordshire, England	1853	1879	29th September, 1884	Springston
Wills, William	Cornwall, England	1872	1899	3rd September, 1950	Auckland

Name of Minister	Birthplace	Year of Birth	Entered the Ministry	Date of Death	Place of Burial
Woodward, William Coombs	Auckland	1868	1890	27th September, 1901	At Sea
Woolloxall, Thomas R. B.	Liverpool, England	1873	1901	29th January, 1946	Auckland
Woon, William	Cornwall, England	1804	1830	2nd September, 1858	Wanganui
Worboys, John Wesley	London, England	1843	1874	10th July, 1908	Wellington
Worker, William	Cornwall, England	1817	1841	2nd February, 1900	Wellsford
Wrigley, James	Yorkshire, England	1857	1887	3rd June, 1937	Auckland

IN MEMORIAM—DEACONESSES

Button, Edna Lenna	Scottsdale, Tasmania	1901	1930	30th August, 1940	Biggin Hill, Kent
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THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND

Place	Year	President	Vice-President	Secretary
Wellington	1913	Samuel Lawry	Hon. C. M. Luke	Charles H. Laws, B.A.
Dunedin	1914	Samuel J. Serpell	E. Rosevear	Charles H. Laws, B.A.
Christchurch	1915	John Dawson	H. Holland	William A. Sinclair
Auckland	1916	Albert C. Lawry	G. Winstone	William A. Sinclair
Wellington	1917	William A. Sinclair	John Veale	Edward Drake
Dunedin	1918	Thomas A. Joughin	Edwin Dixon	Edward Drake
Christchurch	1919	Harold E. Bellhouse	J. H. Blackwell	Edward Drake
Auckland	1920	Edward Drake	E. H. Penny	Arthur Ashcroft
Wellington	1921	William Grigg	W. Dobbs	Arthur Ashcroft
Auckland	1922	Charles H. Laws, B.A.	L. M. Isitt, M.P.	Arthur Ashcroft
Dunedin	1923	Benjamin F. Rothwell	H. Field	Arthur Ashcroft
Christchurch	1924	Arthur Ashcroft	F. Thompson	Adolphus N. Scotter, B.A.
Wellington	1925	Thomas R. Richards	H. P. Mourant	Adolphus N. Scotter, B.A.
Dunedin	1926	Percy N. Knight, B.A.	Sir Donald Cameron	Adolphus N. Scotter, B.A.
Auckland	1927	Harry Ranston, M.A., Litt. D.	J. A. Flesher, O.B.E.	Adolphus N. Scotter, B.A.
Christchurch	1928	William J. Elliott	J. W. Shackelford	Adolphus N. Scotter, B.A.
Auckland	1929	John F. Goldie	T. P. Hughson	Adolphus N. Scotter, B.A.
Wellington	1930	Adolphus N. Scotter, B.A.	Arch. Peak	Jonathan, H. Haslam
Dunedin*	1931	Ernest D. Patchett	Wm. S. Mackay	Jonathan, H. Haslam
Christchurch	1932	M. A. Rugby Pratt	J. Voss	Jonathan, H. Haslam
Auckland	1933	Arthur J. Seamer	S. T. S. Martin	Jonathan, H. Haslam
Wellington	1934	Clarence Eaton	J. T. Johnson	William A. Burley, M.A.
Dunedin	1935	Jonathan H. Haslam	W. Charles Francis	William A. Burley, M.A.
Christchurch	1936	E. Percy Blamires	Richard Hampton	William A. Burley, M.A.
Auckland	1937	Fred Copeland	Henry R. French	William A. Burley, M.A.
Wellington	1938	Percy R. Paris	John C. Tietjens	William A. Burley, M.A.
Christchurch	1939	Angus McBean	Mark Kershaw	William A. Burley, M.A.
Dunedin	1940	Leslie B. Neale, B.A., F.R.G.S.	David J. Wesney	William A. Burley, M.A.
Auckland	1941	William A. Burley, M.A.	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.
Auckland†	1944	Robert B. Tinsley	Charlie E. Bellringer	William G. Slade, M.A.

Place	Year	President	Vice-President	Secretary
Dunedin	1945	Arthur H. Scrivin	William E. Burley, B.A.	William G. Slade, M.A.
Auckland	1946	William T. Blight, B.A., B.D.	James Tyler	William G. Slade, M.A.
Wellington	1947	William G. Slade, M.A., D.D.	Gordon S. Gapper	Herbert L. Fiebig, B.A.
Christchurch	1948	E. Thomas Olds	Harry H. Johnson	Herbert L. Fiebig, B.A.
Wellington†	1949	E. Thomas Olds	Harry H. Johnson	Herbert L. Fiebig, B.A.
Napier (Nov.)	1949	Henry J. Odell	John B. Beeche	Herbert L. Fiebig, B.A.
Dunedin	1950	Eric W. Hames, M.A.	Sidney E. Chappell	Herbert L. Fiebig, B.A.
Auckland	1951	George I. Laurenson	James H. Oldham	Herbert L. Fiebig, B.A.
Nelson	1952	J. Henry Allen	Francis H. Southgate	Herbert L. Fiebig, B.A.
Wellington	1953	Herbert L. Fiebig, B.A.	Hugh M. Patrick, M.V.O.	Gordon R. H. Peterson
Christchurch	1954	Charlie O. Hailwood	E. Laurence F. Buxton	Gordon R. H. Peterson
Dunedin	1955	M. Alexander McDowell, D.D.	Leonard A. Davis	Gordon R. H. Peterson
Auckland	1956	Raymond Dudley, M.A., D.D., F.R.E.S.	Sister Rita F. Snowden	Gordon R. H. Peterson
Palmerston North	1957	David O. Williams, M.A., Litt.D.	Philip A. LeBrun, J.P.	Gordon R. H. Peterson
Christchurch	1958	Gordon R. H. Peterson	Allen A. Dingwall	Athol R. Penn
Wellington	1959	A. Everil Orr, M.B.E.	Magnus S. Hughson	Athol R. Penn
Invercargill	1960	Bernard M. Chrystall, B.A.	Hubert de R. Flesher, M.A., LL.B.	Athol R. Penn
Auckland	1961	E. Clarence Leadley	Eric A. Humphries	Athol R. Penn
Christchurch	1962	Robert Thornley, M.A.	Frank M. Souster	Athol R. Penn
Wellington	1963	Athol R. Penn	G. Cyril Burton, 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, M.A., Dip.Ed. (N.Z.)	William R. Laws, M.A., B.D.
Dunedin	1967	John D. Grocott, B.A.	William E. Donnelly, M.B.E.	William R. Laws, M.A., B.D.
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.	H. Clifford Vince	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.
Wellington	1971	R. Frederick Clement, M.A.	N. Patrick Alcorn M.Sc.	William R. Laws, M.A., B.D.
Whangarei	1972	W. Selwyn Dewson, M.A.	E. Clifford Flyger	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, 4th November, 1972, in the Whangarei Town Hall, by the retiring President, Rev. R. Frederick Clement, M.A., after which the Rev. W. Selwyn Dawson, M.A., was inducted to the Presidency. Mr E. Clifford Flyger was inducted as Vice-President.

LECTIONARY: 1973-1974

(FOR THE OPTIONAL USE OF PREACHERS)

1973

APRIL		MORNING	EVENING
4th in Lent	1	Amos 5:18-24 Luke 23:1-25	Genesis 29:1-20 1 Peter 2:11-25
5th in Lent (Passion Sunday)	8	Amos 8:1-12 Luke 23:26-49	Genesis 32:22-32 1 Peter 3:8-22
Palm Sunday	15	Isaiah 59:12-20 Matthew 21:1-17	Isaiah 52:13-53:12 John 12:20-36
Easter Day	22	No. 72 (Passages) Luke 23:50-24:12	Exodus 12:21-36 Luke 24:13-35
1st after Easter	29	1 Kings 17:8-24 John 20:19-31	Exodus 13:3-16 1 John 5:1-12

MAY

2nd after Easter (Bible Sunday in N.Z.)	6	Psalm 19 (No. 23) 2 Tim. 3:14-4:8 Deut. 11:13-28	Exodus 16:2-15 Romans 15:4-21 Deut. 8:11-20
3rd after Easter (Home and Family Day)	13	Ephes. 5:22-6:4 Deut. 4:1, 23-35	Ephes. 2:1-10 Exodus 13:17-22
4th after Easter	20	Luke 7:1-17	John 15:1-11
5th after Easter (Rogation)	27	Deut. 6:4-9; 17-25 Luke 8:40-56	Exodus 15:20-27 John 15:12-27

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

JUNE

		MORNING	EVENING
Sunday after Ascension	8	2 Kings 2:1-15 Acts 1:1-14	Exodus 3:1-12 Ephes. 4:1-16
Pentecost	10	Joel 2:21-32 Acts 2:1-12	Judges 2:1-5 John 16:7-24
Trinity or next after Pentecost	17	Exodus 6:2-9 John 14:1-24	Isaiah 58 1 John 4:7-21
2nd after Pentecost	24	Genesis 45:1-13 Luke 10:25-37	Genesis 4:1-15 James 1:12-27

JULY

3rd after Pentecost	1	Daniel 5:1-12 Luke 14:12-24	Nehemiah 5:1-13 2 Cor. 5:11-19
4th after Pentecost	8	Exodus 14:1-14 Matthew 16:1-12	Deut. 4:1-10 Phil. 3:1-16
5th after Pentecost (Youth Day)	15	1 Sam. 3:1-10 Luke 18:18-30	1 Sam. 17:33-51 Mark 10:35-45
6th after Pentecost	22	Psalm 23 (No. 25) Luke 15:1-10	Numbers 21:4-9 1 Cor. 1:18-31
7th after Pentecost	29	2 Sam. 15:1-12 Luke 15:11-37	Isaiah 12 Phil. 2:1-18

AUGUST	MORNING	EVENING
8th after Pentecost	Daniel 5:13-31	Ezekiel 36:22-38
5	Luke 12:13-21	Col. 1:3-23
9th after Pentecost	Genesis 43:16-34	Hosea 14
(L.P. Sunday)	Luke 7:36-50	Romans 8:1-11
12	1 Sam. 4:1-11	Isaiah 64
10th after Pentecost	Mark 12:1-12	2 Cor. 1:1-14
19	Joshua 2:1-21	Daniel 3:19-30
11th after Pentecost	Luke 16:1-13	Romans 1:1-17
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SEPTEMBER		
12th after Pentecost	Judges 12:1-6	Hosea 2:14-23
2	Matthew 25:1-13	Romans 8:12-30
13th after Pentecost	Ezekiel 39:21-29	2 Sam. 9:1-11
9	1 John 5:1-12	Luke 19:1-10
14th after Pentecost	1 Kings 8:46-53	Genesis 41:25-45
16	Hebrews 10:19-39	John 4:43-54
15th after Pentecost	Isaiah 32:1-8	1 Chron. 29:10-18
(Christian Citizen-ship)	1 Tim. 1:8-17, 2:1-7	Rev. 19:1, 4-10
23	Job 14	Isaiah 40:18-31
16th after Pentecost	1 Cor. 15:12-28	Luke 8:26-39
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OCTOBER		
17th after Pentecost	Genesis 1:1-19	Judges 6:1-18
(World Communion 7	Rev. 21:1-8	John 3:1-21
18th after Pentecost	2 Chron. 15:1-15	Isaiah 61
14	James 2:1-12	Mark 2:1-12
19th after Pentecost	Psalms 15 (No. 19)	Nehemiah 2:1-11, 17-18
(Industrial Sunday)	James 2:12-26	Luke 4:14-22
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***N.B. The Social Principles should be read on this Day.
(See MINUTES 1967, page 113).

20th after Pentecost	Numbers 23:17-30	Numbers 24:15-25
28	James 3:1-12	John 5:1-15

NOVEMBER		
21st after Pentecost	Psalms 1 (No. 15)	2 Kings 8:1-6
4	Matthew 5:1-12	John 11:1-11
22nd after Pentecost	Joshua 4:1-9	Wisdom 3:1-19 (No. 74)
(Remembrance Day)	Rev. 7:9-17	Romans 8:18-39
11		
23rd after Pentecost	Genesis 15:1-11	Ezra 3:8-13
18	Matthew 6:1-15	Phil. 4:4-20
Next before Advent	Joel 2:1-14	Isaiah 40:1-11
25	2 Thess. 1:3-12	John 1:15-34

DECEMBER	MORNING	EVENING
1st in Advent	Jeremiah 23:1-8	Zeph. 3:8-17
	Luke 7:18-35	Rev. 1:1-8
2nd in Advent	Psalms 119:97-112	2 Kings 22:8-20
	John 5:30-47	2 Cor. 3:1-11
3rd in Advent	Daniel 7:9-14	Jeremiah 24
	Matthew 25:31-46	1 Peter 4:12-19
4th in Advent	Isaiah 42:1-9	Isaiah 52:1-10
	Matthew 3:1-12	Matthew 18:1-14
Sunday after	Isaiah 62	Psalms 8 (No. 18)
Christmas	John 1	John 1:1-14
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1974

JANUARY

EPIPHANY	6	Isaiah 61:1-11 Matthew 2:1-12 Exodus 13:17-22	Isaiah 49:1-13 Ephes. 2:1-22 Job 28 (No. 66)
1st after Epiphany	13	Luke 2:25-40	1 Cor. 1:18-25
2nd after Epiphany	20	Genesis 22:1-19 Luke 1:67-79 (No. 5)	1 Sam. 2:1-11 Luke 1:46-55 (No. 7)
3rd after Epiphany	27	Ezra 7:11-28 Matthew 8:5-17	Jonah 3 Acts 10:24-45

FEBRUARY

MORNING

EVENING

4th after Epiphany	3	Deut. 6:1-15 Matthew 8:18-34	1 Samuel 3 Luke 2:40-52
Septuagesima or 9th before Easter (Covenant Sunday)	10	Genesis 9:8-17 Romans 12	Job 42:7-17 Mark 9:14-29
Sexagesima or 8th before Easter	17	Isaiah 6 Matthew 13:1-2, 18-23	2 Chron. 30:13-22 2 Cor. 7:5-16
Quinquagesima or 7th before Easter	24	Job 42:1-6 Luke 18:31-43	Judges 7:1-14 Matthew 4:12-22

MARCH

1st in Lent	3	Ruth 1:15-22 Matthew 11:20-30	Proverbs 10:1-12 1 Cor. 12:31-13:13
2nd in Lent	10	Ruth 2:8-23 Ephes. 5:1-14	Daniel 3:8-18 Matthew 15:21-28
3rd in Lent	17	Psalms 95 (No. 1) Hebrews 4	2 Kings 5:20-27 Matthew 4:1-11
4th in Lent	24	1 Kings 19:1-18 John 6:1-14	Nehemiah 4:1-6; 21-23 Luke 11:14-26
5th in Lent (Passion Sunday)	31	1 Kings 1:41-53 Matthew 26:35-46	2 Kings 6:8-23 Hebrews 9:11-22

APRIL

Palm Sunday	7	Jer. 29:1-14 Matthew 24:1-14	Zech. 9:9-17 Matthew 21:1-11
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ALTERNATIVE AND ADDITIONAL PASSAGES FOR SPECIAL DAYS

HOLY WEEK:

Monday:	Job 19:1-9; 21-29	Marks 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 Psalm 22:1-8; 15-18; 22-24	Mark 15:16-41 Luke 23:26-49
Easter Even:	Hosea 6:1-6	Mark 15:42-47
Ascension Day:	2 Kings 2:1-15 Luke 24:36-53	Daniel 7:9-10; 13-14 Acts 1:1-14

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (Ascension to Pentecost):

2 Chron. 30:1-9; Psalm 122; 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; 1 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 1:8-25; 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; 1 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.—(a) Who are now ordained as Ministers?

Warren H. Blundell	G. Clive Smith
Duncan R. Graham	Jack Wright
John B. Salmon, B.A., A.G.A., A.G.I.S., L.Th.	

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

See Question 2(a).

QUESTION 3.—What Preachers remain on Probation?

Russell J. Greenwood, B.A.
D. Ian MacLeod
Rowan E. Smiley

Who have travelled one year.

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

Ian E. M. Anderson
Laurence H. Currie
Stuart C. Grant, B.A., LL.B.
John A. Stringer, Dip. Theol.

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

Jan D. de Zoete
John H. Roberts, B.A.

Who are continued for a third year.

Gordon B. Sharp

Who will pursue University studies in 1973.

Anthony Norman Bell
Restell Albert Burton
G. Douglas Pratt, B.A.
Paul Frederick Sinclair
John Andrew Thomson (with permission to study in England)
Who are continued for a second year.

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

Dougall Bruce
Peter E. Glensor (List of Reserve)
Michael W. Greer
Patricia M. Jacobson
Ailsa R. Thorburn
Graeme R. White
Vaiao Etevari (on behalf of Samoan Conference)

QUESTION 7.—No longer applies.

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

None.

(b) What Students are continued on Deaconess Probation ?

Hana Hauraki (who is continued for a second year).

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

None.

(d) What Candidates are now received for Deaconess Training?

Diana A. Tana

QUESTION 9.—What Home Missionary Probationers are there and have they passed their examinations in their respective years?

There are none.

QUESTION 10(a)—What Ministers, Probationers, Deaconesses or Home Missionaries have died since last Conference?

Charles Blair

J. Montgomery Blight

John Churchill

Edward H. Moody

Frank E. Trim

CHARLES BLAIR

The Rev. Charles Blair died at Wesley Hospital, Christchurch on the 4th September, 1972 in his 91st year. Mr Blair arrived from Australia in 1903 with humble educational beginnings and a farming background. In answer to a call to Christian ministry he served for two years as a Home Missionary and trained at Prince Albert College.

Charles Blair's first appointment was to Greytown in 1907 and thereafter he travelled in ten further Circuits. These included rural centres at Kaponga and Rangiora, the demands of a seaport at Lyttelton and urban ministry at Petone and Karori. For six years, while stationed at Woodlands Street, Timaru, Mr Blair was Secretary of his district and in the last five years of active ministry at St. John's, Nelson, he was the District Chairman before superannuating in 1947.

Charles Blair was a methodical tradesman in Christian ministry. For him, preaching could never be an unconsidered exercise in language. He was a wide reader with the Bible never losing its place as the pre-eminent book for him. His sermons were always well-prepared and worked on with thoroughness. He could not be guilty of what John Wesley described as "the vulgar gospel sermon" in which "a pert self-sufficient animal that has neither sense nor grace bawls out something about Christ and His blood, or justification by faith and his hearers cry out, 'What a fine gospel sermon'."

By nature Charles Blair was a shy man but with his fine resonant voice he was ready to speak with force on matters where he felt a word for God needed to be said. He gained the respect of his fellow ministers and lay leaders as is evidenced by the District positions he held. To his people he was known as a minister who could be stern if that was needed, but whose word could be trusted as having been thoroughly considered and clearly stated.

With Mrs Blair, our brother entered into the life of communities in which he was stationed. In his supernumerary years he continued to exercise a ministry to people around him. His reading continued and the witness for Christ in personal and community contracts went on until his death.

The funeral service in Durham Street Church was attended by brother ministers of all ages as well as many lay men who represented innumerable people influenced by the witness and work of one who devotedly carried out the work of a Methodist Circuit Minister.

J. MONTGOMERY BLIGHT

The Rev. J. Montgomery Blight was born in Temuka in 1902, was son of the Rev. Joseph Blight. As a young man he took up the carpentry trade, and after receiving his call to the ministry trained in Dunholme and Trinity College, and served conscientiously in Gisborne (Te Hapara), Wairoa, Mangonui, Inglewood, Riverton, Gore, Riccarton, Matamata, Stratford and Ashhurst.

It was in his 8th year at Ashhurst that he was forced to superannuate after 38 years of active ministry.

In all his circuits, "Monty" is remembered as a great friend who ably and willingly shared with his people in experiences both grave and gay, and he commended his Lord graciously and sincerely as he did so. "Monty" was an able preacher, a strong singer, and a diligent and faithful pastor with a concern for people that set a standard hard to follow. He was a warm personality with an infectious inner peace and joy who gave strong leadership to every aspect of the Church's work, being admired by old and young alike.

"Monty was an easy man to work with, and used all his talents to the glory of God. He was always willing to accept responsibility without complaint in both Circuit and District.

In 1934 he married Miss Mary Diprose who graciously and ably assisted and encouraged him in his ministry. Their Christian home was a strong witness in both church and community.

We extend the sympathy of the church to Mary and to their four children, Warwick, Anne, Derek and John, and we commend them all to the comfort and care of our heavenly Father.

JOHN CHURCHILL

Born — Northwood, Middlesex, England.

Left school when 12 years of age owing to farm-labour shortage following World War 1.

Attended Anglican Church School and became soprano soloist of a male voice choir of a large church in his home town. Here was born his appreciation of church music and the training of a voice that was to serve as his main gift to the ministry of Methodism.

He came to New Zealand in 1927 and for five years was a farm hand near Riverton in Southland. Two influences prepared him for his call to the ministry of the Methodist Church. He became a member of the Wild Bush Literary and Debating Society. This helped to fill out his educational deficiencies and foster his interest in public speaking. The friendship and influence of Rev. F. O. Prosser and the Methodist people of the Riverton Home Mission Station brought him to a deeper and personal acceptance of Christ as Lord and Saviour and opened to him opportunities of youth leadership and lay preaching.

In 1932 he supplied in the Cromwell Home Mission Station before appointment to the Kaihu-Tangiteroria Home Mission Station in the Northern Wairoa. Here he served for two years and was the last Home Missionary to ride a horse as the Circuit means of transport. In two years he travelled over 7,000 miles on horse and push-bike to fulfil his ministry.

His reading in preparation as a candidate for the ministry was done mainly during long rides between scattered settlements of the area. In 1934 John Churchill was accepted for training for the full ministry and in 1936 was appointed to the Huntly Circuit for two years and then to Putaruru. At the outbreak of World War 2 some of the young men in his own Circuit were called up and John felt the challenge to become involved in meeting their needs. As a consequence he became YMCA Secretary in Burnham Military Camp before serving for four years as R.N.Z.A.F. Chaplain both in New

Zealand and in the Pacific Islands. While Chaplain in Fiji he regularly visited a detached flight in Tonga. Here he met Rev. R. C. G. Page, President of the Methodist Church in Tonga, who was anxious to secure the services of a man qualified to establish an Agricultural College as a post-educational training centre for senior students leaving Tupou College. A practical farmer at heart Mr Churchill offered his services, took a course on Tropical Agriculture under the Services Educational Programme and at the conclusion of his Air Force Service was released by our New Zealand Conference for this special piece of mission work. During his term of three years in Tonga 800 acres of land was developed to give support and economic stability to the College which cared for 400 boys. Tropical foods were grown and in addition Dairy and Beef herds were pioneered. John Churchill was instrumental in initiating the move to transfer Tupou College to the Toloa property and incorporated agriculture as part of the curriculum. Unfortunately Mr Churchill contracted Filariasis and had to return to New Zealand. In 1948 he was appointed to Eltham in Taranaki and later to Mangonui where the continuing effects of tropical disease necessitated two years leave from active ministry. In 1956 John Churchill was appointed to Te Aroha, then to Te Awamutu, Mahurangi and Otahuhu.

In every Circuit Mr Churchill ministered he was able to assess the future and present needs with clarity and brought practical skills to implement these plans, as for instance in the restoration of the Otahuhu Church after the fire in early 1970. Throughout his ministry he used every opportunity to promote Church unity. Mr Churchill was a true pastor. People mattered to him and he gave himself unsparingly to them. His sincerity, depth of understanding, cheery personality were evident to all who knew him.

In 1941 he married Muriel Janet Robertson and over the years they have served as a team together in the ministry of Christ and His Church. Throughout his ministry John Churchill was ably supported by his wife who was active in M.W.F. and M.W. Missionary Auxiliary at both Circuit and District levels. Hospitality at the parsonage was extended to both young and old and Mrs Churchill saw this as part of the church's pastoral ministry. Both shared an active interest in the youth work of the Church and numerous young people were helped in their faith through their personal concern. John Churchill's active interest in sport — especially cricket and association football — gave him an added link with young people.

With Mr Churchill's death in November 1972, the whole Church felt a real sense of loss, but gives thanks to God for his worthy, gracious and unselfish ministry. To Mrs Churchill and her family Barbara, John and Wesley the Church extends deepest sympathy and love.

EDWARD H. MOODY

The Rev. Edward H. Moody, General Secretary of the Bible Society in New Zealand, died in Wellington on 7th July, 1972, aged 64, at the end of a brief illness. He is survived by his widow, Beatrice, and two children.

Edward Moody spent 19 years as a Methodist missionary in China up until the communist take-over in the early 1950's. Following this, he returned to circuit work in the Midlands of the United Kingdom after which he was appointed a senior Regional Field Secretary of the British and Foreign Bible Society, responsible for the South East London region.

In 1964 he was invited to become General Secretary of what was then the British & Foreign Bible Society (New Zealand) Inc. During his eight years of leadership of the Bible Society movement in New

Zealand and the South Pacific, Mr Moody saw expansion in every aspect of the Society's activities.

In 1969 the Bible Society in N.Z. became an autonomous reality. Circulation of the Scriptures within New Zealand increased markedly. The most striking advance however was in the South Pacific. Advances have taken place especially in Fiji, Indonesia and the French South Pacific.

As an indication of the esteem in which Mr Moody was held on the World Bible Society Scene, he was currently Vice-Chairman of the General Committee of the United Bible Societies.

Mr Moody was associated with our N.Z. Conference as a minister of the British Conference. He preached acceptably in many of our pulpits and was an effective link between our church and the Bible Society.

FRANCIS EDGAR TRIM

Francis Edgar Trim was born in Wellington on April 12th, 1892, where he lived for the greater part of his early life. In 1915 he married Miss Nellie Grindrod and after a time in Wellington the couple made their home in Hawera, later moving to Christchurch and then Levin where for some years he ran a grocery business.

During the Second World War he served in the Y.M.C.A. Canteen.

Over many years Frank Trim served the Church as a lay preacher and took an active interest in local body affairs. In answer to the call for laymen to serve the church in the Home Mission Service, he was appointed as a supply to Reefton in 1946. During that year Mrs Trim died. After being appointed to Lyttelton in 1949 he married Mrs Jane Isabella Stead and later moved to Waikouaiti Home Mission Station.

In 1956 he applied for full Home Missionary status and was appointed to Woodville where he served until his retirement in 1959. Hearing that Reefton was vacant he voluntarily went there once more, finally retiring to Rangiora in 1961.

On the death of his wife in 1970 he went to the War Veterans Home in Levin where he lived until his death on March 17th, 1972.

A man of rugged temperament, which appealed especially to men, Frank Trim was dedicated to Christ and his Church, which he served well, often in very difficult circumstances.

The attendance of a number of people from his previous appointments at the funeral service in Levin was a worthy tribute to his memory and his work. He is survived by his five children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren to whom we express our sympathy and give thanks for a life-time of service gladly given.

QUESTION 10(b)—What Laymen who have occupied positions of leadership in the Conference have died during the year?

E. Malcolm Brown

Herbert Philip Mourant

Eric M. Fraser

Charles D. Shave

H. J. Stanley Harrington

Derek de Preston Tayler

Helena Inglis Hendra

H. Temple White, O.B.E.

Ivy Metcalfe

EDWIN MALCOLM BROWN

It is with sorrow that we record the passing on June 4th, 1972 of Malcolm Brown — sorrow in the loss of a friend, leader and guide counsellor. It is a sorrow lightened by thanksgiving for the enrichment his life has given to so many and for the shining example of a man who was a Christian in every sense of the term.

For some fifty years Mr Brown served the Murchison Methodist Church and Circuit in position of Circuit Steward, Trustee (many years Secretary) and Local Preacher. Through these offices and in many other ways over the years he enriched and strengthened the life and fellowship of the Church — and his own life in turn was strengthened and enriched by the fellowship of Christ.

He was a man who carried his faith wherever he went and will be long remembered in the Murchison District for his work on the County Council — for 33 years some 23 years of this as chairman — and his many years on the Board of Directors of the Dairy Company.

He will be remembered not only for what he did, the organisations he belonged to and sponsored but mainly for the many personal ways in which his life touched the community, that is for the man he was faithful, humble, quiet and unassuming yet with a great underlying strength quality of life and leadership.

ERIC M. FRASER

The life of Eric M. Fraser was short in terms of years, but full when remembered for the amount which he gave to people during his time with us. He died in a tragic car accident in January 1972, aged 48. As District Child Welfare Officer he was very widely known by many with whom he had worked in the Department and respected and loved by young people under his supervision to whom he brought love and offered guidance of a high standard.

There can only be very few aspects of the life of the Church to which Eric did not make a rich contribution. In singing, preaching, children's and youth work, social service and stewardship, he led and inspired others. He held practically every office open to him, and as Circuit Steward at the time of his death was sharing prominently in the reshaping of the church life to adequately fulfil our ministry in the present day. Every minister who was fortunate enough to work alongside Eric Fraser would pay generous tribute to his friendship, insight and encouragement. He is remembered with affection in the Port Chalmers, Pukekohe and Trinity, Palmerston North Churches in particular.

His wife Betty, three daughters and two sons have been sadly bereft, but the way in which they have lived through this tragedy is in itself a tribute to the quality of the family life they shared together. To them we pledge our continuing love and support.

H. J. S. HARRINGTON

Born in 1886, Stan Harrington's death on 29th September, 1972 terminated a life which demonstrated great Christian characteristics and reflected the deep faith in Christ that was the motivating force in all his life.

He was a man with many interests and pursuits as well as his trade as a builder. A foundation member of the New Brighton Power Boat Club, he rose to hold the office of commodore and president; he was involved in the beginnings of the Linwood Scout Troop from which he received two Thanks Badges and a citation signed by Lord Cobham; he was a fancier of cage birds, especially border canaries, winning many championships throughout the country.

As a builder, Stan Harrington served the church in many ways. Churches and parsonages stand as a memorial to him. To mention a few, he designed and built the Linwood Church and parsonage, the North Beach Church, Baptist and Anglican Churches in and around Christchurch.

He served for forty years on the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee, and for twenty-nine years he was a member of the Committee of the South Island Children's Home.

Music played a great part in his life. At the age of 10 years he joined the choir of the newly established Linwood Church and remained a member all his life, singing each Sunday until three months before his death. For fifty-five years he was choir master. Many a Sunday School choir was trained by Mr Harrington who not only loved music but loved children and was loved by them. Concert parties, items, solos, duets, musical novelties all formed part of his repertoire which entertained as well as raised money.

Without a doubt, Stan Harrington's first love was Jesus Christ and his church. He has held virtually every office in the local church, was a Circuit representative to Synod and Conference. For thirty-seven consecutive years he attended Conference and after missing one or two attended some more.

He is survived by two daughters, Miss N. Harrington and Mrs H. G. Smith.

So we have a portrait of a man whose very life spoke of the realities of God and the truth of the Christian faith.

"Well done! Good and faithful servant. You have fought the good fight, you have finished the race, you have kept the faith. Enter into the joy of your Lord."

HELENA INGLIS HENDRA

God's servants come in many shapes and sizes. Of King Saul, the Bible says, "He was a head taller than any of his fellows." The opposite is true of Lena Hendra, only 4 feet 11½ inches high (she was the same height as Queen Victoria), but she achieved great things for Christ and His Kingdom. There is scarcely a lay woman so well known in the Methodist Church of New Zealand, or as well loved as she was.

The Hendra Family came to New Zealand from Camborne in Cornwall in 1898, and settled in Dunedin, where, shortly after their arrival the eighth member of her family was born. They called her . . . Helena Inglis Hendra. She made early contact with the Wesleyan Church at Dundas Street, Dunedin, and it was here, in a loving family circle of church and home, that she grew up. It was here that she developed her dramatic and elocutionary skills in Church and City Competitions. She was educated at the Otago Girls' High School, and grew to love the college with its rich traditions. She was a keen member of the Auckland Branch of the Old Girls' Association, and served as Secretary, President and Vice-President, and was elected a Life Member.

It was in Dunedin that she grew to love the Methodist Bible Class Movement, and was early fascinated by the Missionary Task of the Church. She began her working life as a typist and book-keeper, and showed that exactness for detail and the efficiency, that were to take her to the top of her profession. In 1924 Miss Hendra moved to Auckland with her mother and sisters, first to Mt Eden and then in 1927 to Epsom. In 1926 she started work for Carmichael and Company, a firm trading in printing supplies, and over the next 32 years she rendered outstanding service to the firm. The fact that she became Company Secretary, in charge of a sizable staff, is a tribute to her exactness, ability and personality.

For over 44 years Lena Hendra was associated with the life and work of the Epsom Methodist Church, and what a record of devoted service was hers. A Bible Class Leader of outstanding ability, her influence on the lives of hundreds of girls, will never be forgotten. Sunday School Treasurer, Leader in Local M.W.M.U. and the Women's Fellowship, Trustee and Trust Treasurer, Circuit Steward in the Auckland East Circuit for nine years in a period of rapid growth

and development, Circuit Treasurer and Circuit Stewardship Recorder for 12 years.

Her interests were wider than the local church, for Lena Hendra served on District and Connexional Committees too. On the Methodist Board of Publications, and on the Home Mission Board, as well as in her involvement with the women's work of the Church. She was National Treasurer for the Methodist Women's Missionary Union, and after its merger with the Guild Fellowship as the Women's Methodist Fellowship, she remained as Treasurer of the new organisation. Officers came and went, but Lena continued in office, her books in perfect order until her death in December 1971. She kept a good set of books in all the varied activities of the Fellowship. Kurahuna, Smethurst, Overseas Sisters Accounts, Maori and Home Missions Sisters, all their work and activity came under her loving scrutiny and concern. She had a great capacity for friendship, and many colleagues and correspondents soon finished up as firm friends. Her circle of friendship and influence widened with the years, she attended many Conventions and Church Conferences, travelled overseas, and always had wise and pertinent comments and observations to make.

A woman of great ability, charm and graciousness. Truly "liberated" she adorned the Gospel of our Lord Christ in all things. Her name is worthy to be included in the record of those men and women who have made an outstanding contribution to the life and work of the Methodist Church of New Zealand.

IVY STANTON METCALFE

Ivy Stanton went from Victoria to the Solomons in 1916 as a missionary sister, she married the Rev. John R. Metcalfe in 1922. Thereafter she served with him on Choiseul, at Teop, at Choiseul again and then as Chairman's wife at Roviana for the last seven years of their joint ministry. They retired at the end of 1957. During that long period of 41 years there were many times of ill health, many of disappointment and frustration, but Marama (as she was known to all) faced them with a serenity born of deep faith and a shining love for others. She was a tremendous help to her husband and all who had the privilege of working with her. No one was more loved by the people of all races, and when she died on November 22nd, 1971 in her eightieth year, everyone who knew her felt a real sense of personal loss.

HERBERT PHILIP MOURANT

"A true son of John Wesley," that phrase is perhaps the best one to sum up the life and work of Herbert Philip Mourant, for in nearly 91 years of living, he typified all that was best in the Methodist tradition.

Born in Timaru in 1881, of strong Wesleyan parents, recently arrived from Jersey in the Channel Islands with a Wesleyan Grandfather Minister, from whom he took the name Philip; he was born and bred a Methodist, and following his conversion, was a staunch Methodist until his dying day, on June 27th, 1972.

His father was a Bank Officer, and H.P. followed him into the profession (as his own son and grandson were to do later). On leaving Wellington College in 1887, he joined the Bank of New South Wales, where he served for 22 years, in Wellington, Westport, Nelson, Auckland and Wellington again. A loyal Bank Officer, he was nevertheless far from happy with the wages and conditions that Bank Officers received in those days. There was no organisation to protect their rights, and Mr Mourant's strong feelings for righteousness and justice, led him to seek for others of like mind. Between them,

they formed in 1919 the Bank Officers Guild. It was a major development, and one of the greatest achievements in H.P.'s life. He was appointed the first Secretary and guided the Guild's affairs for 20 years. As an organisation it was wide ranging in its interests, not just "union matters," like wages and conditions, but educational courses, investment opportunities, a Beneficent Society — and all under the strong leadership of this man of God.

Because he was a man of justice and integrity, he was appointed in 1932 as a Justice of the Peace, and here too he was to give long and distinguished service. One of his greatest personal achievements was his development as New Zealand's foremost Handwriting Legal Expert. It began as a hobby in his banking days, but by diligent study, research, and a painstaking attention to detail, he was able to give 40 years of expert testimony to the Courts of New Zealand, featuring in many notable legal trials.

A keen bowler, in Wellington and in Auckland, he was made a life member of the Onehunga Bowling Club, and was their sick visitor for many years.

In the Methodist Church, his service as a layman is outstanding. He held nearly every position except that of President of the Women's Fellowship! Sunday School Teacher and Superintendent, Bible Class Leader, Choir Master, Circuit Steward, Trustee, Committeeman and so on. (How many Synods and Conferences did H.P. Mourant attend? Did he set a record?) In 1925 he was appointed Vice-President of the Methodist Conference, a position he held as a great honour and responsibility. In the Epsom Methodist Church for nearly 28 years he was a loved and respected Father in God.

But above all else, Herbert Philip Mourant was a Preacher. A Preacher of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. For 66 years it was his endeavour to spread "scriptural holiness throughout the land." He was one of the founders of the New Zealand Local Preachers' Association, and its first President in 1929. He had a great love for the Brotherhood of the Preachers, he loved and supported his minister, and to be H.P.'s Minister was a great honour indeed.

He was a keen evangelist, a great temperance worker, a great fighter for peoples and causes. Sometimes in the heat of the debate he became impassioned, and sometimes fought alone, with great tenacity, in a minority position. But once the issue was decided, he would accept the democratic decision, and would go on to find another cause to fight.

In 1909 he married Miss Mable Constance Seager, and together they shared 56 years of marriage, and three children, Ian, Alice and Elise. He was a loving and kindly father, but he was fortunate, in that his capable wife was able to maintain a smooth running base, from which he was able to operate so successfully. His long hours of work, his frequent travels, must have put some strain on family relationships — but he was one of the first to say so, and acknowledge the debt to his wife and family.

Let our last words for him, be those from a well loved Hymn of Charles Wesley,

"Happy, if with my latest breath
I might but gasp his name;
Preach Him to all, and cry in death:
Behold, behold the Lamb."

(Hymn 92. Verse 6.)

CHARLES DAVID SHAVE

Charles David Shave died in Invercargill on October 9th, 1972, in his 40th year, following a short illness.

He was brought up in the life of the Methodist Church at Otatara, where he was active in youth leadership. He learned the joinery trade, but his desire to fulfil a pastoral ministry led to his offering and being accepted as a home missionary probationer at Green Island, Dunedin.

In order to better equip himself for ministry, he attended the School for Christian Workers in 1960, after which he was accepted as a candidate for the ministry, training at Trinity College from 1961 to 1963. His fellow students remember him for the manner in which he applied himself with a self-effacing devotion to the student's task, and for the deep interest he took in the welfare of troubled people. Following marriage in 1962, these same characteristics were hallmarks of his ministries in Ngatea (3 years) and Ruawai (2 years).

His resignation from the ministry for health and personal reasons were tendered with real regret on his part and on the part of the church, but on the Gold Coast of Australia, where he resumed his work as a joiner machinist, he found renewed satisfaction in lay teaching and preaching in the Methodist Church. In "Lifeline" he became a valued and much employed counsellor, rediscovering much of the motivation that had led him into the ministry. It was shortly after making a personal decision to apply for reinstatement as an ordained minister that terminal cancer was diagnosed and the family returned immediately to New Zealand.

Charlie Shave faced his plight with characteristic acceptance and faith. When hospitalisation became necessary, he faced pain and increasing weakness with fortitude and bravery, winning the admiration of nursing staff and visitors alike. He never doubted the sufficiency of the grace of God, and his consistent witness was the humble assertion that he was living in Christ. This assurance sustained him as much in sickness as in health and he died peacefully in that faith.

The Church expresses her thanks for Charlie Shave's life and work, and offers loving sympathy to his wife, Rae, and daughter, Lyndel.

DEREK de PRESTON TAYLER

On Saturday, February 19th, Derek de Preston Tayler passed away at his residence at 66 Khandallah Road, Khandallah. The funeral service was conducted in Wesley Methodist Church on Tuesday, February 22nd, at 2 p.m., the Church being packed to capacity. Reverend W. F. Ford and H. W. Toothill conducted the service assisted by the Orpheus Choir with Mr M. Rickard as organist and choirmaster. The Choir chanted the 23rd Psalm and the Nunc Dimittus, the latter as the congregation was retiring.

The tribute was given by the minister of the Ngaio Union Church, the Rev. H. W. Toothill, who referred to Derek Tayler's long association with the Hāitaitai and Ngaio Methodist Churches, and more recently, the Ngaio Union Church. Mr Tayler rendered magnificent service as a Circuit Steward, Trustee, Bible Class Leader, Sunday School Superintendent and a member of the Quarterly Board during his attachment to these Methodist Churches in the Wellington District.

For many years he was the treasurer of the Transport Trust Board of the Methodist Conference and was responsible for the administration of financial assistance to the clergy to assist them with their own transport in Circuit work.

He was employed by A. S. Paterson & Co. wholesale grocery and general merchants for 25 years as their Retail Manager, and overlapping this period was in close association with the Institute of

Management and was employed in part-time teaching at the Technical College. Later, he joined the staff of the Victoria University on a full-time basis as a Reader of the University in Stage II Accountancy. In the past twelve months, he has been revising and bringing up to date, one of the accountancy text books used and this is now ready for publication.

Derek Tayler was essentially an evangelist by nature, being nurtured in an evangelical understanding of the Christian faith, and out of his own sure experience of the grace of God continually shared this with our people — especially the young people. Their home was noted for its generous hospitality and for the times of fellowship experienced there. We are grateful for the sincerity of his life and witness, and for his sense of commitment as a Christian person. He loved people and they loved him, and to the end, he served His Lord faithfully and well.

HAROLD TEMPLE WHITE, O.B.E.

Harold Temple White, who made a distinguished contribution to the music of New Zealand Methodism, died in Wellington 8th September 1972, aged 90.

He came to N.Z. in the 1890's with his father, Mr J. H. White, a lay preacher who became a Home Missionary in this country doing pioneering work for our church in the Taranaki. His last appointment was at Brooklyn, Wellington Central, 1913-20.

Temple White was educated in New Plymouth. He started school teaching but soon left it to teach music and to be organist-choirmaster at Wesley Methodist Church, Feilding where his reputation was established. In 1913 he came to Wellington to be organist-choirmaster of Wesley Church, Taranaki Street, and to commence a most active and effective musical career in the city. The following year he established the Wellington Harmonic Society and remained its conductor for 43 years. He remained in his position at Wesley Church until 1959, and in that capacity enhanced the life of many annual Conferences.

As conductor of numerous choirs, composer, music teacher, adjudicator at Competitions, administrator and leader in the music profession, Harold Temple White has left his mark on the music of the capital city. As a person he is remembered for his dignity and gentlemanly spirit and his love for the church—especially for the music of worship.

QUESTION 11.—(a) What Ministers continue to be Supernumeraries?

Robert P. Keall

William Rowe
Eruera Te Tui
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. Halliwood
Charles E. Dickens
Leonard C. Horwood
Arthur T. Kent
Walter Parker
E. Clarence Leadley
M. Alexander McDowell

J. Wesley Parker
 Thomas H. Carr
 W. E. Allon Carr
 William W. H. Greenslade
 William E. Moore
 Gordon Parker
 Herbert W. Payne
 David O. Williams
 Reginald Day
 D. J. Donald Hickman
 William C. Jenkin
 Ralph E. Patchett
 George H. Goodman
 Andrew J. Johnston
 Ormond E. Burton
 L. Gordon Hanna
 Clarence T. J. Luxton

Ian H. K. Hopper
 Reginald Grice
 Charles H. Bell
 Arthur H. Ivory
 A. Peter Dorrian
 Donald G. Sherson
 Harry Moore
 George R. Thompson
 A. Francis Attwood
 Benjamin H. Riseley
 Edward M. Marshall
 T. Ralph Benny
 Idris J. Ruck
 John H. Thompson
 John W. Reddihough
 W. John Henderson
 Charles E. Roke

QUESTION 11(b)—What Ministers now become Supernumeraries?

Bernard M. Chrystall

Albert Jolly

John Churchill (1971)

Andrew G. Reid (Tribute to be published in 1973 Minutes).

BERNARD MCGREGOR CHRYSTALL, B.A.

Bernard M. Chrystall was born at Foxton, and received his early education there and at the Palmerston North High School. Later he served the Ministry of Works in Wellington as a Cadet, where he showed the makings of a brilliant career. In the capital he became deeply involved in the work of the Church in the Bible Class Movement, and later became a candidate for the Ministry.

He entered Trinity College in 1930, a young student, whose clear mind and rebel conscience soon made their presence felt. In all matters of "Social Justice" as protest was then called, he gave a daring lead. Whilst at the Auckland University College he gave the Student Christian Movement a period of strong leadership.

After College he served as a Probationer at Waitea and Huntly, and was later appointed to Devonport. Then followed two Chaplaincy terms — in the Army in New Zealand and then in the Air Force in the Pacific. For this latter service he was officially "Mentioned in Despatches." According to reports of the day he served the Church there, as everywhere else, with great acceptance.

In 1946 Conference appointed him Assistant Superintendent of Home and Maori Missions. He had married in the meantime, Barbara Franks of Papatoetoe, but this was not for them to be a time of quiet settling down and adjustment after military life. They both faced (and endured) those taxing years of Home Mission deputation work, when regularly, and for months at a time, they were separated. This period of being constantly "on the road" lasted for the first thirteen years of their married life, and more. In all this, as in all his numerous responsibilities, his wife shared lovingly and gladly. Her recent death leaves him greatly bereft. There then followed a short but intensive Circuit ministry of five years at Trinity, Wanganui, during which time the erection of the long planned new Church was commenced. This ministry was richly rewarding and of deep meaning for all concerned. For this term he was Chairman of the Taranaki-Wanganui District, and while there he was elected as President of Conference, and in 1960 represented the Church at the World Methodist Council in Uppsala. He had earlier been a member of the New Zealand representation to the World Council of Churches at Evanston.

Over the past eight years he has been General Superintendent of the Home and Maori Mission Department. In this position every aspect of the Church's life has profited from his statesmanship and his devotion. To list the areas of service would be tedious. Suffice it to say that not a Connexional Committee, not an Ecumenical Council, not an Inter-Church Commission, not a Church Union project in the country but has gladly received his wide knowledge, his practical sense and his Christian zeal. All felt the impact of his powerful personality. He can quickly thrust through non-essentials to the heart of the problem with sound judgment.

His interest in Maori life was both deep and sustained. While this aspect of his responsibilities was adequately covered by the work of the Associate Superintendent, he responded warmly and with gratitude to every acceptance of himself by the Maori people. He has great teaching gifts and the Maori staff, in particular, remember with gratitude the many occasions when he shared with them his strong Christian convictions in a series of carefully prepared lectures. Mr Chrystall has always been a voracious reader and has sought to keep abreast of developing views on Christian thought. He knows the questions men are asking today and his preaching has always been vital and relevant.

As a person there were always those who found his bearing somewhat forbidding; but Bernard Chrystall is a very sensitive soul. Early in life he learned the depths of personal sorrow — three of his six brothers being killed over a space of a few years, each in tragic circumstances. His ministry has always run on a deep level, particularly among his colleagues in the Christian Ministry.

Early in his life it was noted that he had the makings of a brilliant cynic. It is certain he would have been such, but for the fact that Christ the Victor captured him, mind and soul, and moderated and channelled his brilliance and cynicism into creative service within the Church. He responded with a life of selfless devotion. He gave all there was of Bernard Chrystall, with generosity. The Church is grateful for the standard of commitment shown and the high level of leadership given to every section he has touched. We pray he may long be spared to us and to his son and two daughters.

ALBERT JOLLY

With the retirement of the Rev. Albert Jolly the Church loses from the active ministry, one of her most diligent and faithful ministers. Born in Preston, Lancashire, England on February 23rd, 1913, Albert Jolly came to New Zealand with his parents in 1921. Completing his education here he embarked on a business career. In his late twenties he was involved in a serious accident in which one of his friends died. During his convalescence he heard again the call of God to the Christian ministry. Chosen as a candidate he was trained at Trinity College but before ordination in 1947 his preparation was twice interrupted by terms of service with the Armed Services during the Second World War.

Albert Jolly will be remembered as one who took great care of his personal appearance, who had a strong sense of churchmanship, and was ecumenical in outlook and practice. He placed great value on the prophetic ministry and gave himself wholeheartedly to the task of preaching, with special care and emphasis in dealing with children. In every circuit he set a high standard in the development of church properties, realising the effect of this provision both for the worship of God, and Christian witness to the community. During his ministry new church buildings were erected or initiated in Pirongia, Onehunga, Westney Road, Papatoetoe, and East Tamaki.

In the last named district he played a part in the restoration of the historic St John's Church after its destruction by vandals.

After his ordination in 1947 Mr Jolly served at Te Awamutu, Dunedin, Onehunga, Papatoetoe and New Lynn, his probation circuits being Huntly and Greytown Featherston.

While superintendent of the Onehunga Circuit he led his church to undertake the first Methodist directed stewardship campaign in June, 1956.

Albert's churchmanship led him to place high value on the right emphasis and form of the Sacraments of the Church, and the dignity of public worship. He was suspicious of all attempts to influence people by unworthy means, of popularity gained by slick methods, and of pandering to the tastes of those who made terms with the Gospel without surrendering to its demands.

Albert Jolly derived great satisfaction in his ministry in the establishment of the Avondale Union Parish, and from initiating steps which led to the formation of the South Auckland Marriage Guidance Council. He was a padre in the Rotary Movement, a member of the Board of Publications of the Methodist Church, and Secretary of the South Auckland (Sub-District) Synod.

In paying this testimony mention must be made of Mrs Jolly, the youngest daughter of the Rev. Hedley White. They met during his ministry in Greytown-Featherston and were married. Ruth White has proved an admirable partner and her background of parsonages and church life stood her in good stead and were invaluable. She entered fully into the life of all the circuits where they were appointed, and played her part loyally. They have had the full support of their son and two daughters in the work.

In recent years declining health has made it advisable on medical advice to seek early retirement five years before the appointed time. While deeply regretting this necessity the church recognises her debt to Albert Jolly and is gratified for his rich and full ministry. The love and goodwill of the whole church goes to this family as Mr and Mrs Jolly start this new phase of their life and work.

GORDON PARKER (1971)

Gordon Parker is a man of the deepest convictions, always directing his efforts to relating men and women, in real experience, to Christ. He has always been convinced that caring for people is the paramount task of the Church. In achieving this goal he sought to meet people face to face in the flux of life. While not denying the Church's stress on caring for the converted, he was determined to reach the "outsider". To this end he spent much time working with men, discarding clerical attire or any other part of the Church's life which tended to separate the Christian minister from the man of the world.

Gordon Parker saw clearly, at a time when university training was not stressed or sought as it is today, that to achieve the mission of Christ in the modern world a man needed to be thoroughly trained and equipped. Setting himself to this task with his usual zeal he gained his Master of Arts degree in New Zealand, and later, in London, his Ph.D.

The new forms of ministry with which we are familiar today were untrodden ground generally in the early days of Dr Parker's ministry. He was driven by his desire to relate all men to Christ to explore new avenues of service. This ended in over 12 years of work in the prisons and borstals in New Zealand.

At an early date sickness threatened Dr Parker's ministry but this was overcome and he was ordained at Dunedin in 1935. His first

circuit was Paparoa in Northland where, probably, the last Methodist minister to do so, he travelled on horseback. Later he was stationed at Tai Tapu, Milton and Kaiapoi, which circuits were worked on a bicycle.

On his return from England, at a time of severe ministerial shortages, Dr Parker agreed to supply for a year at Waimate. The response was so heartening that he stayed for four years.

Then followed what was to be a prelude to his later ministry, a unique and experimental service as labourer-minister, in the new setting of Kawerau the mushroom town of the great paper mill. Days of twelve hours were not unusual, meaning often a 60 hour week. This experiment, however, did not bring a desired result to those concerned, so he laid down the regular ministry and entered Government service in prison work.

John Wesley has always been a guiding star and his influence affected Dr Parker's conception of the ministry and his preaching. These emphases were continued in his new work, which has proved both fruitful and satisfying in spite of pioneering trials, disappointments and frustrations. Contacts with hundreds of men and women has given unique opportunities for witness and caring ministry.

No record of Dr Parker's ministry would be complete without reference to two other fields of influence. His own home in the parsonages of the land with his parents, the Rev. and Mrs J. W. Parker. This family has contributed much to Methodism. Secondly, to the part played by his wife, Joy Dodds, whose sister married his twin brother. Mrs Parker has achieved distinction in her own right with her artistic work, and shown great understanding in supporting her husband in his versatile ministry. Much of the success of this ministry comes from the fine team work of these faithful Christians.

The Church will be glad to pay this tribute and wish to Dr and Mrs Parker every joy in the days to come, whatever fields of service may engage their time and talents.

QUESTION 11.—(c) What Supernumeraries return to regular work?

None.

QUESTION 12.—What Deaconesses are to be:

(a) Retained on the Retired List?

May Barnett
Ruth Fawcett
Airini Hobbs
Ivy Jones
Rita F. Snowden

Jean A. Miller
Margaret Nicholls
Madeline Holland
Constance Sage

(b) Placed on the Retired List?

Atawhai George
Dorothy Pointon

Anne Wilson

SISTER ATAWHAI GEORGE

REBECCA ATAWHAI GEORGE is a daughter of the late Mr Romana and Mrs Wilcox and a niece of the late Reverend Pou Wilcox of the Bay of Islands. After training at Deaconess House, Christchurch, Sister Atawhai was appointed in 1931 to the King Country, living at Te Kuiti. Here she immediately revealed her capacity of Christian leadership among a people who still held strong reservations

against Pakeha ways, and who were outspoken in their criticism of a Maori woman allying herself with the church. She persisted bravely and won great respect for her patience and forbearance.

In 1934 she was appointed to Taranaki to live at Okaiawa and in 1937 moved to New Plymouth. While there she made two extensive visits a year to Maori Settlements and homes in the South Island where she was welcomed with great appreciation.

In 1940 she was moved to Hokianga and then to the Bay of Islands in 1942. In both of these areas she was working among many close relatives and handled her task there with firmness and grace.

Sister Atawhai resigned in 1944 to marry Mr George George of Waikare, a somewhat isolated settlement in the Bay of Islands. Until 1959 when she offered to return to the staff on a part-time basis, she was a wise and helpful counsellor to the Deaconesses appointed to that area.

She returned to the active work with equal vigour and devotion and her experience and Christian conviction have been warmly welcomed, both among her own people and fellow staff members and elsewhere.

In 1962 Sister Atawhai had the joy of seeing the "Atawhai" Maori Centre opened in Kawakawa—the result of the Women's Missionary Union's special objective. Since its opening the Centre has become a most effective agent for the expression of Christian concern and care under her leadership.

In 1967 Sister Atawhai was able to accept full time service once again and to the great satisfaction of her colleagues, Conference duly received her back into full status in the Deaconess Order.

She now retires with the love and gratitude of all who have served with her. Her ministry all through the years has been characterised by loyalty, devotion and Christian concern. She is a much beloved Sister and Mother in the Faith. We pray for her and her husband many happy years of retirement.

SISTER DOROTHY M. POINTON

Sister Dorothy Pointon, whose retirement came after many years of devoted service to the Church, has filled many tasks with dedicated efficiency.

After training at Deaconess House, Christchurch, she was appointed by the 1939 Conference at Te Kuiti. Here began a wide association with the Methodist Maori people in rural and isolated communities, visiting work camps at well as the people of the pa.

Later appointments took her to Okaiawa in South Taranaki, to Opunake and the Hokianga. In all these places she tackled her work in a systematic manner. In 1952 she was appointed to the Auckland Maori Centre.

In 1955 she began a new sphere of service in the European work with an appointment at Tauranga where she served as pastor at Mt. Maunganui. This was followed by two years at Dunedin Central Mission and then four years at Halcombe in the Feilding Circuit. In these appointments Sister Dorothy was able to exercise her considerable talents as a preacher and pastor. Because of her love of preaching the Word, the Conference in 1962 gave her leave to take up an appointment with the Bible Society for whom she worked with diligence these last ten years. In the organisation of this task both in Northland and in Auckland she was able to use her business-like skills of organisation to good effect as the records of the Bible Society amply show.

Sister Dorothy has served the Church as fully as possible within the Deaconess Order—the Maori Mission, the European Circuits and

the wider Church have all received undeniable benefits from the dedication of her life to the service of her Lord.

As she now retires from the work of the Deaconess Order the thanks of the Church are given in all sincerity, and our prayer is that she may continue to be blessed by God in the years that are ahead.

SISTER ANNE WILSON

Anne Wilson's faith was nurtured in a Christian home and under the long ministry of the Rev. T. A. Pybus at Port Chalmers. Out of this faith she gave willing acceptance to the call to Deaconess service.

After training in Deaconess House in 1941-2 she was appointed to the Taranaki Maori Circuit and moved to Hawera in 1943 to begin a remarkable ministry there which lasted 22 years. In 1965 she was appointed to the Auckland Maori Circuit and in 1966 became Matron of Seamer House hostel for young Maori women, a position she has occupied till the present time.

It must have been a testing experience for a young woman of her temperament who had had no contact with Maori people to begin working amongst them, but the devotion and imagination which have always marked her work enabled her to identify in a very complete way with the Taranaki people. Her sincerity, willingness to learn and industry soon won her a place in the people's affections.

Sister Anne's work has always been characterised by careful planning and faithfulness to her programme. She used her imagination and sensitivity to initiate work that met the needs of the people. She was responsible for introducing the mixed youth camps which became such a feature; the Maori Women's Fellowship which existed there long before it became a national movement; the Hui Aroha; the Circuit Choir Festival. She planned trips away for groups of predominantly young people, two of them being to Dunedin and North Auckland. In dozens of thoughtful and in some cases unusual ways she revealed how much people meant to her. Her ministry has left its mark on a great number of people now scattered throughout New Zealand and beyond. She is remembered by a host of folk with great affection.

Two things have been Sister Anne's mainstay. First, her devotion to Jesus Christ. What she has done she has done for God's Kingdom and His people. She has had her share of disappointments and problems, and her years at Seamer House have not been easy, but her faith has always been strong enough to prevent these from overcoming her. The other thing is the confidence she has gained, the encouragement she has received and the joy she has experienced because of her acceptance by the people amongst whom she has worked. She would claim that they have ministered to her as much as she has to them.

It is hard to imagine Sister Anne not serving, and on her retirement from the Order the church expresses its gratitude for her years of devoted service, and wishes her well as she begins her ministry in another area of the Church's life.

QUESTION 13.—What Home Missionaries are to be:

(a) Retained on the Retired List?

R. T. Alexander
Roy Coombridge
D. I. Robertson

H. Prowse
H. R. Wright
A. E. Tardif

(b) Placed on the Retired List?

None.

QUESTION 14.—(a) Is any Minister or Probationer designated for Overseas Missions?

Brian H. Turner

(b) Is any Deaconess designated for Overseas Missions?

No.

QUESTION 15—What Ministers or Probationers or Deaconesses are transferred to or received from any other Conference?

Sister Norma Graves who is received from UCPNGSI.

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 overseas.

Stanley G. Andrews

Alan J. Leadley

Frederick J. K. Baker

W. Geoffrey Tucker

Maxwell L. Bruce

William D. Griffiths

James F. Cropp

Robert G. Stringer

(b) What Ministers does 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.

Brian H. Turner (UCPNGSI).

(c) What Ministers does the Conference now release to exercise their ministry in other Churches within New Zealand, such Ministers having the right to return to the Conference on the completion of their service?

M. Jackson Campbell, Director of Communications in the Presbyterian Church of New Zealand.

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 Edna Jenkin

Sister Pamela Beaumont

Sister Lesley H. Bowen

(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?

None.

QUESTION 18.—What Ministers are left without appointment?

(a) Without appointment — for health reasons?

Lawrence Greenslade

Frederick D. Peterson

Cuthbert F. Peart

(b) Without appointment — for purpose of travel or study within New Zealand or Overseas?

David Armstrong

Allen H. Hall

Ronald G. Major

Alan H. V. Newton

(c) Without appointment — Woman Minister Married.

(d) With permission to serve with any other organisations?

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

Wilf G. Eisner (with permission to serve as Chaplain of the Tokonui Psychiatric Hospital).

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

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

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

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

Edward P. Boyd (with permission to serve with the Justice Department).

Owen A. Kitchingman (with permission to serve with the Inter-Church Trade and Industry Mission as Chaplain resident in Christchurch).

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

Phillip D. Ramsay (with permission to serve with the Queensland Temperance League).

(e) With permission to engage in any trade, business or profession — full time:

Arthur W. Dickie

Ronald W. Fergusson

Brian L. Olsen

A Kerry Taylor

Ian H. Robertson

John B. Currie

C. Russell Marshall

John Meredith

Stuart G. Slinn

Frank H. Woodfield

(f) With permission to engage in any trade, business or profession part time with a pastoral charge?

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

None.

QUESTION 20.—(a) What Ministers who were in full connexion now cease to be recognised as Ministers of the Conference?

Amos W. Burrough (who has voluntarily resigned).

N.B. Ronald E. Fields tendered his resignation to the President who accepted it as from January 31st, 1973.

(b) What persons who were Deaconesses now cease to be recognised 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?

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THE PROBATION SYSTEM

The committee was set up by the initiative of the Faith and Order Committee in accordance with the decision of the 1971 Conference (Minutes, pp. 310f) also rec. 1, p. 313; cf. also 1970 Minutes, p. 299, Section C, and Rec. 2, p. 301). The committee consisted of Mr W. E. Donnelly and the Rev. A. K. Woodley (Faith

and Order), the Revs. B. M. Chrystall and I. C. E. Ramage (College Council), Mr J. R. Osborne and the Rev. Dr J. J. Lewis (Board of Studies), the Revs. R. G. Bell and W. C. Chapman (Examination Committee), with Dr J. A. Ziesler as convener. This report has been submitted to the three committees for their approval.

The Committee has not seen its job to be that of arguing a case for or against a change in the probation system. It has assumed that the desirability and direction of a change has already been in principle accepted by the reaction of Synods and Conference in 1970 to the report of the Faith and Order Committee in that year, where the alternatives were set out. Our concern has therefore been to examine and seek answers to the matters listed under "Implementation" in the 1971 Minutes, p. 311. We assume that under the scheme probation as we have known it is abolished, that all students are ordained and received into Full Connexion upon leaving college, and that the training requirements formerly satisfied during probation will now need to be met during a four-year period in college.

1. Use of the Fourth Year

While it would seem better to take advantage of the four-year training period by spreading a certain amount of practical work "on section" throughout each year, it is hard to see a way of doing this as long as Trinity works in a combined programme with St John's on the present pattern. If St. John's were to move to a four-year course the whole matter of practical training could be examined on a combined basis, but meanwhile we shall have to be content to concentrate most of the "section" work in the fourth year. The following scheme is on this assumption.

(a) By the end of the third year each student selects a particular topic in which he is to do a "mini-research" project, to be completed and written up during the fourth year. The pastoral theology tutor is consulted both in the selection of the topic and in the arrangement of supervision of the research.

(b) In each of the first two terms of the fourth year, and early in those terms, the student goes out on section to a selected circuit in the Auckland area for a period of four weeks, during which the Superintendent is asked to ensure that he has supervised experience in such matters as visitation, stewardship programmes, worship, circuit administration, and Christian education (including adult groups, and work in day schools). If possible, different types of circuit are chosen for each term, e.g. suburban and rural.

(c) At the end of his period in the circuit the student returns to College for a week in which to write up a detailed report of his experience, to take part in the tutorial groups related to it, and to work on his research.

(d) In the second half of each of these terms, the student is sent to work for a four-week period in some specialised form of ministry, e.g. with prison, general hospital, or psychiatric hospital chaplains, industrial chaplains, or in clinical pastoral education or a counselling centre. As before, he then returns for a week of report, assessment, tutorials, etc. in College.

(e) During the third term the student undertakes practical work in some area of ministry of his own choosing, and completes his mini-research task.

(f) With the approval of the Board of Studies, fourth year students could do a certain amount of L.Th. work also, but the main emphasis would be on practical training. The year's work will be assessed on the basis of reports submitted by Circuit

Superintendents etc., the student's own reports, and the original research in an area of practical ministry.

It would, of course, be the responsibility of the Board of Studies to arrange, supervise and assist in the evaluation of the whole programme, though some immediate supervision would be by people in circuits and other sectors of ministry.

2. Timing

The new scheme should begin in 1973 with the candidates received from the 1972 Conference. All the present (1972) students will proceed to probation. The first four-year course would be run in 1976, and there would be no probationers coming out of college at the end of 1975 for appointment in 1976. All present (1972) students, even if some have to do the full three years of probation, will be ordained by the 1977 Conference, but in the interests of order it seems desirable that the probation courses be shortened for students received in 1972 to enable them to be ordained and received into Full Connexion at the 1976 Conference, along with the students who will have completed the fourth year course at the same Conference, for appointment at the beginning of the 1977 Connexional Year.

3. The Cost of the New Scheme of Training

(a) For the circuits it will mean finding the difference between the stipends of a minister and a probationer, at present \$365, for each appointment formerly served by a probationer. As most of the seven probationers now employed in circuit are in appointments formerly served by ordained ministers, the additional cost will not be felt immediately. But by 1977 it is hardly likely that the church will want to employ probationers; it will be more ready to receive ministers at the full rate of stipend.

Note: From 1962-71 the average number of probationers employed in circuits was 26, but over the past three years the number has been drastically reduced to eleven last year and seven this year.

(b) The cost to the Connexional Budget will be an additional maintenance grant to each student carried for a fourth year, the grant being at present \$450 per student. The 1972-73 amount for student grants is \$6,750 for fifteen students. If five of these are continued for a fourth year, then the annual amount from the Budget will be increased by $5 \times \$450 = \$2,250$ to \$9,000. As the Church needs from seven to eight candidates a year to maintain ministerial strength, it would be wise to think in terms of an annual intake of a minimum of six students, which would mean a budget annually for 24 students which at present rate per student would be \$10,800.

(c) The cost to the married student: Because of the smaller number of married students being trained, the College has been able to supplement the \$450 Living Out Allowance which each married student receives, by a \$200 grant from the Walters Fund, for each of the three years of training. If the course is extended an additional year, then there will be an increase in the number to share in that Fund, and thus a decrease in the grant.

This committee has two concerns:

- i. It wonders how many married students would be able to maintain themselves and their dependents for four years.
- ii. It thinks that the time has come for the church to increase allowances to married students, even if the money has to come from the Connexional Budget.

Note: Anglican married students receive rent-free accommodation; where a wife works full-time, there is no cash grant, but where there is a family and the wife cannot work, the cash grant averages

about \$1200 p.a., though it varies according to the diocese from which the student comes. In addition, all students receive a book grant of \$80 p.a.

We have not found it possible to draw up proposals to meet the case of a student who because of age or for some other reason is not required to do the full four years of training. The precise balance of academic and practical work, and the circumstances in which each should be carried out, will have to be determined *ad hoc*.

J. A. ZIESLER, Convener.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted.
2. That from Conference 1972 accepted candidates be normally given a four-year period of training, and be ordained and received into Full Connexion upon completing that training.

ADDITIONAL REPORT ON PROBATION SYSTEM

The Committee has noted Synod reactions to hand and is grateful for them. It believes that practical and theoretical training belong together and that the practical should not be restricted to the final year. It sees some difficulties in reducing the present College and Probation courses to three years:

- (a) In the light of overseas experience, a four Term year could be difficult for students to sustain.
- (b) University study would not be possible during the College course.
- (c) In too crowded a course it would not be possible to do justice to the practical as well as the theoretical. Methodist students have recently requested that, in the changes of curriculum under consideration by both Colleges, room be left for the acquisition of the basic skills, biblical and theological as well as pastoral.
- (d) Although Anglican Staff members first recommended a four Term year, in view of present negotiations and changes, this scheme could not be implemented next year.

Conference has already granted Trinity College the four year course and some students have been able to benefit. The Committee believes that four years would be needed for the course to be effective and desires to see this made available to all students.

RESOLUTION

1. That the report be received and adopted.

STUDENT ACCOMMODATION AND ALLOWANCES

In the report on the Probation System, the Committee drew attention to the probable additional costs that would have to be carried by the Connexion should it decide that our students should receive allowances in harmony with those received by the Anglican students at the united College, and that a fourth year for all students be instituted. The College Council is now recommending that in the united College Methodist students be placed on a parity financially with Anglican students. Anglican married students are to receive free accommodation plus \$1500.00 annual allowance, unless the wife of the student works, in which case there is no allowance. Accommodation is valued at \$20.00 per week. All students, married and single, receive in addition an \$80.00 annual book allowance.

The cost to the Connexional Budget for the new scheme for five married students could be:

Accommodation, 5 x \$1,040.00	5,200.00
Allowances, 5 x \$1,500.00	7,500.00
Book Allowances, 5 x \$80.00	400.00
Travelling expenses and additional costs at \$200.00 per student	1,000.00
	<hr/> \$14,100.00

These are maximum costs and could e.g. be reduced within the area of the \$7,500.00 allowances. There may, however, need to be some compensation in cases where the wife's income is inadequate or for loss of income for the student during vacation periods.

RESOLUTION

1. That the report be received and adopted.

EXAMINERS

Secretary of Examinations: Rev. R. G. Bell

Principal of Theological College: Rev. J. J. Lewis

(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. K. Rowe.

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. R. J. Hendry.

Comparative Religion—Rev. H. C. Pomeroy.

Maori 1 and 2—Rev. N. Waaka.

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

1st Section	.....	.....	.....	.....	Rev. G. D. Brough
2nd Section	.....	.....	.....	.....	Rev. E. R. Le Couteur
3rd Section	.....	.....	.....	.....	Rev. M. J. Campbell

Correspondence Tutor in Greek

Rev. D. J. Phillipps.

(B) Examiners for Candidates

Bible Knowledge I (O.T.)	.....	.....	Rev. E. F. I. Hanson
Bible Knowledge II (N.T.)	.....	.....	Rev. C. B. Oldfield
Theology	.....	.....	Rev. E. R. Hornblow

(C) Examiners for Home Missionaries

English	.....	.....	.....	Rev. R. H. Allen
Theology	.....	.....	.....	Rev. J. H. Osborne
Bible Knowledge	.....	.....	.....	Rev. H. A. Darvill
Church History	.....	.....	.....	Rev. D. H. Burt
Homiletics	.....	.....	.....	Rev. E. B. Clarke

(D) Tutors in Bible Knowledge (for Home Missionaries)

1st Year	.....	.....	.....	Rev. K. H. Russell
2nd Year	.....	.....	.....	Rev. W. A. Chessum
3rd Year	.....	.....	.....	Rev. L. T. Norwell
4th Year	.....	.....	.....	Rev. W. L. Wallace

GUIDELINES FOR POST-ORDINATION TRAINING

1. That the preparation of guidelines for a Post Ordination Training strategy be referred to the following committee for report to Synods and Conference 1972: Revs. Dr J. J. Lewis, Dr P. M. Guthardt, J. Grundy, B. K. Rowe (Convener).

2. That Synods requiring assistance as to how to use 1972 March ministerial session for in-service training be invited to communicate with the Director of Christian Education, the Rev. John Grundy.

3. That in view of the importance of in-service training being shared by ministers of the five churches planning for Union, the Joint Commission on Church Union through the Joint Board of Theological Studies be kept informed of the proposals.

(E) Examiners for Lay Preachers

Old Testament	.....	.....	.....	Rev. O. T. Woodfield
New Testament	.....	.....	.....	Rev. H. K. Brown
Theology	.....	.....	.....	Rev. D. S. Mullan
Homiletics	.....	.....	.....	Rev. B. E. Jones
The Church (History, Organisation, and Mission)	.....	.....	.....	Rev. C. D. Clark

(F) Examiners for Deaconess Candidates

Old Testament	.....	.....	.....	Rev. B. L. Hosking
New Testament	.....	.....	.....	Rev. W. L. Wallace
Theology	.....	.....	.....	Rev. E. J. Bennett
English	.....	.....	.....	Rev. D. G. Sherson

(G) Tutors and Examiners for Maori Lay Preachers and Home Missionaries

Theology	.....	.....	Rev. R. D. Rakena (Tutor); Rev. H. A. Darvill (Examiner).
Bible Knowledge	.....	.....	Rev. W. Tahere (Tutor); Rev. L. M. Tauroa (Examiner).
Homiletics	.....	.....	Rev. L. M. Tauroa (Tutor); Rev. W. Tahere (Examiner).
The Church	.....	.....	Rev. H. A. Darvill (Tutor); Rev. R. D. Rakena (Examiner).

1—COURSE OF STUDY FOR PROBATIONERS

The Course of Probation is designed—

- To consolidate the training and instruction given in College;
- 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 Committee on Ministry 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 Examinations 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 Examinations 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 of the books and articles consulted during the period of research.

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

(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.

2. A. GREEK NEW TESTAMENT, Section for 1973.

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

2nd year: Mark 1-10; Acts 2-4; 1 Thess. 4-5.

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

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).

3. THEOLOGY A. For 1973. First Section. "God. Man. Sin."

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 1973, First 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 the Rev. R. D. Rakena.

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 Board of Studies, 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. Probationers, to whom (1) and/or (2) do not apply, shall be permitted to take the alternative English Old Testament and/or English New Testament in lieu of Hebrew and/or Greek respectively.
4. The Examination in Hebrew Old Testament and Greek New Testament shall be mainly on translation, grammar, and exegesis, and that in English O.T. and English N.T. shall be mainly on the exegesis of the sections specified.
5. (a) Greek and Theology shall be taken under Correspondence Tutors. Tutorial papers shall be done, marks being assessed as follows: Correspondence work, 40; Examination, 60. Each Tutor appointed shall send out study papers for four consecutive months beginning in mid-January and mid-May respectively. He shall mark the work sent in, return the corrected work together with suitable guidance. (Maximum marks for each study paper, 10). Each Tutor shall keep full records of every individual case, and, on or before October 1, forward a complete report to the Secretary of Examinations. 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 text-book, shall be on the subject as a whole. Text-books are intended to provide a basis for wider and more thorough reading in the subject and Probationers are encouraged to pursue the more extensive study, rather than limit it to one or two works.
 7. Any Probationer pursuing a University Course shall be entitled to exemption from subjects (1) and (4) for two years of his Probation, but such exemption shall not be granted in his 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 Examinations 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

General Theme: The People of God in the Changing World.

1. **MAN AND HIS WORLD:**
 Man and his environment—physical and social; the phenomenon of Religion.
 The New Zealand Scene—multiracial, rural, urban.
 The ethical dilemma—political, social, ethical issues.
2. **CHRISTIAN THEOLOGICAL REFLECTION:**
 The resources of theology—reason, nature, experience, history, revelation.
 The Bible—Old and New Testaments; Intertestamental Literature.
 God.
 Jesus.
 The Church as the People of God.
 The Spirit of God in the Church and the World.
 The Church in History.
3. **THE MISSION OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD:**
 Pastoral Care—understanding people, training, worship.
 Education.
 Evangelism and outreach.
 Christian Citizenship.

Within this general context, students are prepared for—

- (a) the Diploma course, Licentiate in Theology, of the Joint Board of Theological Studies.
- or (b) the Degree course, Bachelor of Divinity, of the Faculty of Theology of Otago University.
- or (c) a three year course in basic disciplines with provision for an elective course in the third year in one of the following—
 - (i) Social Services and Chaplaincies.
 - (ii) Counselling.
 - (iii) Christian Education.
 - (iv) Cultural studies, Maori and Island.

The elective course involves guided practical and theoretical research in the field chosen together with related biblical and theological study.

Under special circumstances, a student may be granted a fourth year of training.

III.—COURSE OF STUDY FOR CANDIDATES

NOTE: The Examination Course is at present suspended as experimental procedures for Candidates for the Ministry are continued. Details available from the Convener of the National Selection Committee (the Rev. D. S. Mullan).

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
- XII The Means of Grace
- 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.
2. Theology—"An Outline of Christian Theology". W. N. Clarke. 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.
2. Theology—"An Outline of Christian Theology". W. N. Clarke. Pp. 369-427. "Christian Doctrine". J. S. Whale.
3. Bible Knowledge—"Introducing the New Testament". A. M. Hunter. (S.C.M. Press).
4. Homiletics—"A Preacher's Handbook". 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 Secretary of Examinations.

V.—COURSE OF STUDIES — DEACONESSES

(a) ENTRANCE EXAMINATION.

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).
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 St. John's United 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), or "An Approach to the Old Testament", Horace Cleaver.
2. New Testament: "A Guide to the New Testament", A. W. Wainwright (Epworth Press), or "An Approach to the New Testament", G. P. Lewis.
3. Theology: "An Approach to Christian Doctrine", Ed. by G. P. Lewis (Epworth Press).
4. Homiletics: "In Church — An Introduction to Worship and Preaching" edited by John Stacey.
5. 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 STUDIES—

NEW TESTAMENT—

THEOLOGY—

HISTORY AND POLITY OF THE CHURCH—

TRAINING FOR LEADERSHIP—

Worship and Preaching.

Understanding People (Training for Pastoral Care, Visitation, Evangelism, etc.).

Elementary Christian Education Course.

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

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

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

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

B. Regulations—

Applications: Applications for admission to the school shall be made to the Principal, with the support and approval of the Superintendent and the Quarterly Meeting of the Circuit to which the applicant belongs. Applicants shall be members of the Methodist Church. A satisfactory medical certificate shall be presented. The Board of Studies shall have the right to refuse any applicant considered unsuitable or 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 1973—

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:

- i. To raise the general standard of Maori workers;
- 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 Preliminary Course of Study.

Theology:	Te Katikihama (Catechism) I Believe In (with selected chapters and supplementary material)	Maori Service Book Norman Snaith
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:	A People Prepared	John Banks

B Preparatory Lay Preacher's Course 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 Reading: "A Manual for Preachers".

"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 1973 shall be required on the following dates:

Probationers—May 8th and 9th, September 4th and 5th.

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 Examinations by June 30th in the Ordination year. See the Regulations in the Minutes of Conference, Question 21 (a), "Course of Study for Probationers" for preliminary years.

Probationers' Extended Essay Course—Essays must be in the hands of the Secretary of Examinations 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 4th and 5th.

Bible Knowledge for Home Missionary Probationers—Tutorials to commence on March 6th.

Candidates for the Deaconess Order—July 10th, 11th and 12th.

Lay Preachers—First week in June and December.

QUESTION 21.—(b) Who have gained the Diploma of the School for Christian workers?

Epery Malini Su'a
Leao Si'itia
Paul F. Sinclair

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Oral Examiner for 1973 be the Rev. I. C. E. Ramage.
2. That the National Selection Committee for 1973 be: the Revs. D. S. Mullan (Convener), O. A. Kitchingman, Messrs A. M. Alcorn, T. I. Grant.
3. That the Selection Committee be nominated annually by the Committee on Ministry.
4. That the following be added to the Selection Procedures:
7(d) A vote to reject any candidate recommended in A or B categories shall not be considered final unless the candidate has appeared before the full committee and been interviewed by an ad hoc committee.
5. That Mr C. B. Fenwick having served his term on the National Selection Committee and now retiring be warmly thanked for his contributions to its work.
6. That the Oral Examiner for the year, if not a member of the Committee be associated with the Committee on Ministry.
7. That the Board of Studies for 1973 be: the Teaching Staff of the Theological College, the Secretary of Examinations, the Revs. B. M. Chrystall, J. H. Osborne, B. K. Rowe, Mrs E. N. Tibble, Messrs J. R. Osborne, J. Cuffley, Dr J. White.
8. That the Committee for Continuing Education for Ministry be: the Revs. B. K. Rowe (Convener), I. C. E. Ramage, W. Gust, J. B. Dawson, B. E. Jones, I. H. McKenzie, Mr G. L. R. Aker.
9. That the Secretary of Examinations be the Rev. R. G. Bell.
10. That the following Ministers and Student be congratulated on gaining degrees and diplomas and that these be printed in the Minutes of Conference:
M.A. (Queensland) & Dip Tchg (N.Z.): The Rev. A. H. Hall, M.A. (N.Z.)
B.A.: The Revs. N. E. Brookes, G. M. McIver, B. W. Neal, Dip.Ed., A. K. Woodley, Student G. D. Pratt.
11. That as the Deaconess Order is an order of Ministry it is considered proper that matters relating to the Order, its welfare and training, should be considered by the Committee on Ministry.
- 12(a) That the Warden of the Deaconess Order be added to the membership of the Committee on Ministry.
- 12(b) That the President-elect be added to the membership of the Committee on Ministry.
13. That the Convener of the Committee on Ministry be Rev. P. A. Stead, B.A.
14. That in view of the transitional stage of development of the United Theological College, the Triennial Visitation to the College, due in 1973, be deferred till 1974.
15. **Long Service Leave for the Ministry** — and the possibility of permitting Ministers to delay taking their period of leave so that they may make best possible use of it.
That this matter be referred to the Executive of the Committee on Ministry to appoint an appropriate sub-committee to investigate and report.

16. That the question of ordaining Maori Home Missionaries be referred to the Maori Policy Committee and Board; That the Board report to the Committee on Ministry who shall report to Synods and Conference.

Special Committee on Probation System

17. That the reports — Special Committee on Probation System, Additional Report on Probation System, Student Accommodation and Allowances — be received.

18. That in the light of recent developments in joint theological training in Auckland the reports be referred back to the Committee on Ministry and Board of Studies for consideration and report to Synods and Conference 1973.

19. That the Trinity College Council be given authority to extend the College course to at least the end of November should this prove possible from 1973.

20. That the Executive of the Committee on Ministry be those members of the Committee located in the Auckland and Waikato-Bay of Plenty Districts.

QUESTION 21.—(b) Who have gained the Diploma of the School for Christian Workers?

Michael W. Greer

Brian N. Small

QUESTION 22.—(a) Does the Conference sanction the amalgamation or division of any district, circuit or Home Mission Station, or does it originate any proposal having reference thereto?

AUCKLAND DISTRICT—

Tuakau Union Parish: That the formation of a Union Parish by the joining together of the Tuakau Presbyterian Parish and the Bombay Tuakau Circuit be approved, the boundaries to be those of the present Presbyterian Parish, but the membership of the parish to include the members and adherents of the Methodist Church living outside those boundaries, and the Union Parish to be responsible for the maintenance of the properties owned by the present circuit located outside the parish boundaries, and that the first minister be a Presbyterian to be inducted after February 1st 1973.

Birkdale-Beachhaven Union Parish: That approval be given to the formation of a Union Parish as from February 1st 1973 by uniting the work of the St. Andrews Presbyterian Parish, Birkenhead in the Birkdale-Beachhaven area with that of the Birkenhead Methodist Circuit in the same area, with the Presbyterian Church appointing the first Minister. That the area be as set out in the agreement.

Birkenhead Circuit: That the boundaries of the Birkenhead Circuit be adjusted to conform to the boundaries of the Birkdale-Beachhaven Union Parish.

Green Bay: That Conference accepts and approves the arrangement by which —

- (a) The Mt. Albert Methodist Circuit, The Parochial District of Blockhouse Bay, the Blockhouse Bay Presbyterian Parish, and the St. Paul's Interdominational Church of Green Bay, have committed themselves to develop a "United Parish" in the Green Bay area, based upon the present buildings owned by the St. Paul's Interdenominational Church.
- (b) The Churches agree to accept from February 1st 1973 a representative ministry provided by the Methodist Minister from New Lynn who will work with the people to establish a united parish at the earliest possible time.

(c) The Methodist Conference of New Zealand, the Auckland Presbytery, the District Committees of the Congregational Union and the Associated Churches of Christ give support to this plan.

Papakura Circuit: That the Papakura Circuit be known as the Papakura-Manurewa Circuit.

WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY DISTRICT

Taupo Union Parish: That approval be given to the formation of a Union Parish by uniting the St. Paul's Presbyterian Church of Taupo with the Taupo Methodist Circuit, the first minister to be the present minister of the Presbyterian Parish, and the boundaries be as described in the agreement now approved.

Matamata Union Parish (Church of Christ — Methodist): That approval be given to the formation of a Union Parish (Church of Christ — Methodist) by uniting the Matamata Circuit with the Matamata Church of Christ, the first minister to be the present Methodist Minister in the circuit. That approval be given to the principles set out in the agreement by which provision is made for the acceptance of differing concepts and practices of Baptism within the Parish, and by which provision is made for the annual authorisation by Conference of selected lay persons to administer the Communion, and the Conference notes that the agreement is to be interpreted in the light of statements on the Sacraments as set out in the Plan for Union.

Greerton Union Parish: That approval be given to the formation of a Union Parish by uniting the St. Andrews Presbyterian Parish, Greerton, with the St. Luke's Methodist Church of the Tauranga Circuit, with the first minister a Methodist. That the boundaries of the parish be as defined in the agreement, with the area of the Tauranga Circuit adjusted accordingly.

Opotiki Union Parish: That approval be given to the formation of a Union Parish by uniting the St. John's Presbyterian Parish of Opotiki with the Opotiki Circuit, the first minister to be appointed by the Presbyterian Church. The boundaries to be defined in the agreement, with provision made for the pastoral care of Methodists who are not within the Union Parish area by the Taneatua Presbyterian Parish on the west and the south, and by the Gisborne circuit on the East and South.

TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT

That the Opunake Circuit be divided into two Circuits to be known as the Opunake Circuit and the Okato Circuit.

WELLINGTON DISTRICT

Tawa Union Parish: That Conference confirms the action of the President and the Home Mission Department in approving the formation of a Union Parish as from July 1st 1972 by the union of the Tawa Methodist Church, the St. Aidan's Presbyterian Church at Linden, and the Redwood Christian Centre of the Associated Churches of Christ with three ministers, a Presbyterian, a Methodist, and Church of Christ. The Conference notes that the agreement provides for differing concepts and practices relating to Baptism, and also for the administration of Holy Communion by Authorised laymen, in accordance with the principles set out in the Plan for Union.

Porirua Circuit: That Conference approve that division of the Porirua Circuit by which Tawa became part of the new Union Parish, and Porirua Circuit continues to be made up of Porirua East, Plimmerton, Pukerua Bay, Paekakariki, and notes that the Tawa Union Parish has accepted responsibility of assisting the circuit with grants for up to 10 years.

NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

Lincoln Union Parish: That Conference confirms the action of the President and the Home Mission Board in approving the formation as from October 1st 1972 of the Lincoln Union Parish made up of an amalgamation of the Lincoln Prebbleton Presbyterian Parish, and the Springston and Tai Tapu Methodist Churches of the Springston Methodist Circuit, with the first minister the Presbyterian Minister of the former Presbyterian Parish, the boundaries to be as set out in the Agreement.

Hornby Circuit: That Conference confirm the action of the President and the Home Mission Board in forming the new Hornby Circuit by uniting the Methodist Churches of the former Springston Circuit — Weedons, Templeton, and Islington with Sockburn of the Riccarton Circuit, with the staffing of one Methodist minister — the boundaries to be adjusted to those of the Lincoln Union Parish and the new boundary with the Riccarton Circuit.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND DISTRICT

Western Southland Circuit: That Conference approve of the division of the Western Southland Circuit into three Union Parishes — Waiono, Otautau, and Riverton as set out below:—

Waiono Union Parish: That approval be given to the formation of the Waiono Union Parish by uniting the Waiono Presbyterian Parish with the northern area of the Western Southland Circuit which includes Ohai and Nightcaps, the boundaries to be set out in agreement, with the first minister the present Presbyterian Minister of the Waiono Parish.

Otautau Union Parish: That as from February 1st 1973 a Union Parish be formed by uniting the Otautau Presbyterian Parish and the Otautau Methodist Church, the first minister to be the present Presbyterian Minister of Otautau Parish, and the boundaries to be those set out in the Agreement, which are those of the present Otautau Presbyterian Parish.

Riverton Union Parish: That as from February 1st 1973 the Riverton Union Parish be formed by uniting the Riverton Presbyterian Parish with the Riverton Methodist Church of the Western Southland Circuit, the first minister to be a Methodist, and the boundaries to be those described in the Agreement.

West Dunedin Union Parish: That Conference approves of the alteration and amendments to the Agreement by which the staffing of the parish is reduced from four ministers to three, with the provision that when there is a change from the present appointments the first vacancy shall be filled with a Methodist minister, and further notes the amendment by which the agreement is brought into line with the Standard Agreement as far as the appointment of ministers are concerned, namely all ministers will be settled in the parish by appointment.

(Note: This removes the word "Special" from the name of the Parish).

Milton-Lawrence Circuit: That approval be given to the Agreement between the Milton-Lawrence Methodist Circuit and the Tokomairiro Presbyterian Parish by which the Superintendent Minister of the Circuit share with the Presbyterian Minister of the Tokomairiro Parish a Joint Ministry in Milton, and by which the Presbyterian Parish will make a grant from its funds to the Milton-Lawrence Circuit, it being agreed that the arrangement shall be reviewed annually.

QUESTION 22.—(b) What new Districts, Circuits or Home Mission Stations are constituted?

Tuakau Union Parish, Birkdale-Beachhaven Union Parish, Taupo Union Parish, Matamata Union Parish, Greerton Union Parish, Opotiki Union Parish, Tawa Union Parish, Lincoln Union Parish, Hornby Circuit, Waiono Union Parish, Otatau Union Parish, Riverton Union Parish.

QUESTION 22.—(c) What other agreements affecting Circuits and/or use of buildings are approved by the Conference?

Hamilton North: That approval be given to the Joint Use Agreement between the Vestry of the Anglican Parish of Holy Trinity, Forest Lake and the Quarterly Meeting of the Hamilton Circuit by which the Churches covenant to work together to erect suitable buildings initially on Anglican Property for joint use and to cooperate in such United Worship, Christian Education as may be possible, in Hamilton North an area from Vardon Road, north through the Bryant Estate and Te Rapa areas.

Frankton and Dinsdale: That approval be given to the Joint Use agreement by which the Anglican Vestry of St. George's and the Hamilton Quarterly Meeting, and the Presbyterian Parish of Frankton agree to use their resources to centre their work in the Frankton-Dinsdale Area on the St. David's Anglican Buildings in Dinsdale and to promote the greatest degree of cooperation in worship, Christian Education and other related activities as possible.

Hillcrest-Hamilton East: That approval be given to the Joint Agreement by which the Vestry of the Anglican Parochial District the Hillcrest Leaders' Meeting of the Hamilton East Circuit and the Session of the Hillcrest Presbyterian Parish agree to cooperate in serving the areas of Hillcrest, Matangi and Tauwhare by joint use of buildings and such cooperation in Worship, Christian Education as is possible and that at Hillcrest the St. Francis Anglican Church become the Workshop Centre the Methodist Church the Centre for Christian Education and the Hillcrest Presbyterian Church to Social Centre and Centre for Youth Activities.

Wainuiomata: That approval be given to an Agreement by which the Wainuiomata Union Parish and the Holy Trinity Parochial District include the provisions of the former Glendale agreement and agree to joint use of all the buildings and to promote united worship, with combined Christian Education Programmes throughout the whole area of Wainuiomata.

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

NORTHLAND DISTRICT

Port Albert Circuit: That the staffing be one ordained minister.

AUCKLAND DISTRICT

Tuakau Union Parish: That the first minister be a Presbyterian.

Birkdale-Beachhaven Union Parish: That the first minister be a Presbyterian.

Birkenhead Circuit: That the staffing be one ordained minister.

WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY DISTRICT

Taupo Union Parish: That the first minister be a Presbyterian.

Greerton Union Parish: That the first minister be a Methodist.

Tauranga Circuit: That the staffing be two ordained ministers.

Opotiki Union Parish: That the first minister be a Presbyterian.

WELLINGTON DISTRICT

Tawa Union Parish: That one of the ministers be a Methodist.

Porirua Circuit: That the staffing be two ordained ministers.

NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

Lincoln Union Parish: That the first minister be a Presbyterian.

Hornby Circuit: That the staffing be one ordained minister.

SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

Ashburton Circuit: That the staffing be two ordained ministers.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND DISTRICT

Waiono Union Parish: That the first minister be a Presbyterian.

Otautau Union Parish: That the first minister be a Presbyterian.

Riverton Union Parish: That the first minister be a Methodist.

QUESTION 23.—(b) To what circuits are additional preachers appointed?

Greerton Union Parish, Tawa Union Parish, Hornby Circuit, Riverton Union Parish.

QUESTION 23.—(c) From what Circuits are preachers withdrawn?

Port Albert, Birkenhead, Bombay-Tuakau, Taupo, Tauranga, Johnsonville Union Parish, Porirua, Levin, Springston, Western Southland, West Dunedin Union Parish.

QUESTION 24.—What new circuits are constituted?

See Question 22 (b) above.

QUESTION 24.—What new Circuits or Home Mission Stations are Constituted?

See Question 22 (b) above.

QUESTION 25.—(a) What Circuits are due to provide standard Parsonages?

QUESTION 25.—(b) What Circuits are suitable for the training of a Probationer?

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

LIST OF STATIONS OF THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND

President—REV. R. FREDERICK CLEMENT, M.A.
Vice-President—MR N. PATRICK ALCORN, M.Sc.
Secretary—REV. WILLIAM R. LAWS, M.A., B.D.

STATIONS OF MINISTERS, 1972

(N.B.—Each of the places mentioned in the Stations and numbered consecutively 1 to 120 and [1] to [5] 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 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.
2. **Kaikohe-Bay of Islands—**
Alexander C. Watson.
One Wanted.
3. **Whangaroa—**
Edwin B. Clarke, M.A.
- 3a. **North Hokianga Community Church—**
Anglican Appointment (N. Fuge, M.A., L.Th.).
4. **Hokianga—**
Richard J. Hendry.
- 4a. **Hikurangi Union Parish—**
Presbyterian Appointment (Ian McDonald).
5. **Whangarei—**
John E. Langley
One wanted (Supply: Ian W. Ogier, B.A., Associated Churches of Christ)
One wanted.
Ronald W. Ferguson (without appointment — Profession).
6. **Dargaville—**
J. Henry Woolford, M.A. (who shall supervise the Paparoa Circuit).
One Wanted.
- 6a. **Ruawai Union Parish—**
Presbyterian Appointment.

7. **Paparoa**—
Laurence H. Currie.

8. **Port Albert**—
Ludwig Felderhof.

Maori Mission—

[1] **Northland**—

One wanted—(Acting—Herehere Maaka).

Ernera Te Tuhi, O.B.E. (Sup.).

6 Home Missionaries.

3 Deaconesses.

EDWIN B. CLARKE, M.A. (Chairman of the District).

W. J. COURT, O.B.E. (Financial Secretary).

II. AUCKLAND DISTRICT

Development Division—

Barry E. Jones, B.A. (Superintendent).

Maori Division—

Ruawai D. Rakena (Tumuaki).

Overseas Division—

George G. Carter, M.A., Dip Ed. (Gen. Sec.).

Education Division—

B. Keith Rowe, B.A., B.D., S.T.M. (Associate Director).

Board of New Zealand Methodist—

Rev. John Bluck, M.A., B.D. is a priest of the Church of England serving as Editor of "The New Zealand Methodist".

Trinity Theological College—

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

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

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

William R. G. Loader, B.A., B.D. (Associate Tutor in N. T. Language, Literature and Teaching).

Auckland Hospital Chaplain—

Francis H. Parker.

9. **Auckland Central—**

W. Selwyn Dawson, M.A.

J. C. Aldwyn Williams (Kingsland).

One wanted.

John J. Lewis, M.A., B.D., Ph.D.

John Silvester, M.A.

Allan H. Hall, M.A., Dip. Tchg. (without appointment — overseas study).

Benjamin H. Riseley (Sup.).

G. Raymond Harris (Sup.).

William E. Moore (Sup.).

Walter Parker (Sup.).

A Deaconess

10 **Auckland Central Mission—**

D. Bruce Gordon, M.A. (Joint Chaplain to Astley House and Tyler House).

Mervyn L. Dine

Albert Blakemore (Sup.).

J. Weslev Parker, M.A., B.D. (Sup.).

Gordon Parker, M.A., Ph.D. (Sup.).

A Deaconess

11. **Auckland South—**

John B. Dawson, B.A. (Roskill).

- Gordon A. R. Cornwell (Dominion Road)
 Lynfield Community Church—Anglican Appointment (Canon
 Manga Cameron).
 Children's Home Chaplains, Revs. John B. Dawson, B.A. and
 Gordon A. R. Cornwell.
 Harry Moore (Sup.).
12. **Auckland West**—
 Clifford J. Keightley.
13. **Auckland East**—
 John H. Osborne, M.A. (Warden of the Deaconess Order).
 Stanley R. Goudge, B.A.
 R. Frederick Clement, M.A. (Pakuranga).
 One wanted.
 Barry E. Jones, B.A. (Development Division).
 George G. Carter, M.A., Dip. Ed. (Overseas Division).
 Francis H. Parker (Hospital Chaplain).
 Ian C. E. Ramage, M.A. (Trinity Theological College).
 Rowan E. Smiley.
 A. Kerry Taylor (without appointment — profession).
 George I. Laurenson, C.B.E. (Sup.).
 Athol R. Penn (Sup.).
14. **Orakei**—
 Owen T. Woodfield, B.A.
 William R. G. Loader, B.A., B.D.
 One wanted (Supply: John H. Vickery — Associated
 Churches of Christ).
 John A. Ziesler, M.A., B.D., Ph.D. (without appointment in N.Z.)
 Eric W. Hames, M.A., Fellow of Trinity College (Sup.).
 Alfred E. Jefferson (Sup.).
 James W. Parker (Sup.).
15. **Mt. Albert**—
 Percy P. Rushton, B.A., B.D. (Joint Chaplain to Astley House
 and Tyler House).
 Ian H. McKenzie, M.Sc., B.D. (New Lynn)
 Ruawai D. Rakena (Maori Division — Tumuaki).
 Lawrence Greenslade (without appointment — health).
 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.).
- 15a. **Avondale Union Parish**—
 Presbyterian Appointment (J. C. McKean).
16. **Henderson**—
 Alan K. Woodley, B.A. (who shall supervise the Kaipara
 Circuit).
 Brian J. Malcouronne (Glen Eden).
 Graham Brazendale.
17. **Devonport**—
 David L. Trebilco.
18. **Takapuna**—
 Ashleigh K. Petch, B.A.
 Warwick Gust, B.A., B.D.
 Pieter K. F. de Zoete
 B. Keith Rowe, B.A., B.D., S.T.M.
 A. Henry Vovce (Sup.).
 Herbert W. Payne (Sup.).
 F. Clarence Leadley (Sup.).
 B. M. Chrystall, B.A. (Sup.).

19. **Birkenhead—**
Ian D. Grant.
Donald G. Sherson, B.A. (Sup.).
- 19a. **Birkdale-Beach Haven Union Parish—**
Presbyterian appointment.
20. **Northcote—**
Edmund D. Grounds.
21. **Onehunga—**
Philip F. Taylor.
Kenneth L. Toomer, L.Th.
David Armstrong (without appointment — Travel).
22. **Otahuhu—**
One wanted.
23. **Papatoetoe—**
Henry W. Kitchingman.
Niven G. Ball.
24. **Papakura-Manurewa—**
R. Graham Bell, M.A., B.D., Theol. M.
Wallace C. Chapman.
Laurie A. Michie.
Barry W. Neal, C.F., B.A., Dip.Ed.
25. **Pukekohe—**
George L. Bennett.
Thomas H. Carr (Sup.).
Wesley Training College, Paerata. Teacher-Chaplain, William A. Chessum, Mus.B.
- 25a. **Tuakau Union Parish—**
Presbyterian appointment.
26. **Waiuku—**
Douglas H. Burt.
27. **Kaipara—**
One Wanted. (Supply: F. L. Johnson).
28. **Whangaparaoa—**
Frederick J. Climo.
Frederick D. Peterson (without appointment — Health).
Edward M. Marshall, B.A., Dip.Ed. (Sup.).
L. Gordon Hanna (Sup.).
Clarence T. J. Luxton (Sup.).
29. **Mahurangi—**
D. I. Alister McDonald.
Andrew G. Reid (Sup.).
- [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.
EDMUND D. GROUNDS (Chairman of the District).
R. GRAHAM BELL, M.A., B.D., Theol.M. (Deputy Chairman—South Auckland Sub-district).
ASHLEIGH K. PETCH, B.A. (Deputy Chairman—North Shore).
A. TURNER, A.C.A. (Financial Secretary).

III. WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY DISTRICT

30. **Thames—**
Robert Thornley. M.A., Dip.Soc.
Reginald Day (Sup.).

- 30a. **Hauraki Plains Union Parish—**
Irwin J. Fowler.
31. **Paeroa—**
John K. Watson, M.C., B.A.
32. **Waihi—**
John R. Hall.
Albert Jolly (Sup.).
33. **Te Aroha—**
Trevor L. Bennett.
34. **Morrinsville—**
Leslie R. M. Gilmore, B.A.
One Wanted.
- 34a. **Cambridge Union Parish—**
Leslie T. Norwell.
Presbyterian Appointment (E. Johnson).
Reginald Grice (Sup.).
35. **Hamilton—**
Peter A. Stead, B.A.
One Wanted (Supply: Ronald G. Major).
Roy M. Alexander.
Phyllis M. Guthardt, M.A., Ph.D. (Chaplain to University of
Waikato).
Alan H. V. Newton (without appointment—overseas).
Ronald G. Major (without appointment—studies).
Charlie O. Hailwood (Sup.).
- 35a. **Raglan Union Parish—**
Presbyterian Appointment.
36. **Hamilton East—**
Trevor Shepherd.
Wilfred J. Cable.
William J. Morrison, M.A. (Chaplain to Tamahere Eventide
Home).
Cuthbert F. Peart (without appointment—health).
John H. Bailey (Sup.).
George E. Brown (Sup.).
Idris J. Ruck (Sup.).
- 36a. **Ngaruawahi Union Parish—**
Presbyterian Appointment.
37. **Huntly—**
Wilfred S. Gilbert.
- 37a. **Matamata Union Parish (Methodist, Associated Churches of
Christ)—**
Eric R. Eastwood.
39. **Putaruru—**
Campbell P. Lucas, L.Th.
40. **Tokoroa—**
Brian R. J. Eagle.
Brian L. Olsen (without appointment—profession).
41. **Rotorua—**
Alan Newman.
One wanted.
George H. Goodman (Sup.).
- 41a. **Taupo Union Parish—**
Presbyterian Appointment (Donald D. Knight).

42. **Tauranga—**
Ivan J. Clucas.
One wanted. (Supply: Samuel J. Crawford—a Minister from the Irish Conference).
A. Francis Attwood (Sup.).
Arthur T. Kent (Sup.).
Arthur H. Ivory, LL.B., B.Com. (Sup.).

- 42a. **Greerton Union Parish—**
David C. Pratt.

43. **Te Puke—**
Allan J. Handyside.

44. **Whakatane-Kawerau—**
G. Basil W. Bell.
Arthur W. Dickie (with permission to engage in industry).

- 44a. **Opotiki Union Parish—**
Presbyterian Appointment.

45. **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.)

46. **Otorohanga—**
Edward Baker.

47. **Te Kuiti—**
One wanted.
A Home Missionary.

48. **Taumaranui—**
Ashley I. Corlett (who shall supervise Ohura Circuit).

- 48a. **Turangi Union Parish—**
Presbyterian appointment (R. R. Kiwarra).
J. Cedric Hay.

49. **Ohura—**
One wanted.
H. H. Chick is a Minister from the British Methodist Conference resident in New Zealand.

- [3] **Waikato—**
Te Awa W. Tahere.
Te Taotahi John Pihama.
One wanted.
10 Home Missionaries.
4 Deaconesses.

- [4] **King Country—**
Robert Te Whare.
One wanted.
12 Home Missionaries.
3 Deaconesses.

KAWHIA—
A Home Missionary.
Charles E. Roke (Sup.).

COROMANDEL—
A Home Missionary.
WILLIAM J. MORRISON, M.A. (Chairman of the District).
PETER A. STEAD, B.A., Deputy Chairman (Waikato).
IVAN J. CLUCAS Deputy Chairman, (Bay of Plenty).
C. R. SHOOSMITH, A.C.A. (Financial Secretary).

IV. TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT

50. **New Plymouth—**
William R. Francis, B.A., B.D. (Joint Chaplain to Rangiatea Hostel).
Hughan M. Craig.
Noel D. Billingham.
Robert E. Fordyce, S.B.St.J. (Sup.).
Charles H. Kendon (Sup.).
51. **Waitara—**
H. David Besant, B.A., B.D.
52. **Stratford—**
Graham E. Hawkey.
53. **Eltham-Kaponga—**
William K. Abbott.
54. **Hawera—**
Leonard V. Willing.
- 54a. **Manaia Union Parish—**
William Morrison.
55. **Opunake—**
Sydney J. Spindler.
56. **Okato—**
Jack Wright.
57. **Wanganui Central—**
Alan O. Jones.
Charles H. Bell, B.A. (Sup.).
C. Russell Marshall (without Appointment—Member of Parliament).
58. **Wanganui North—**
One wanted.
59. **Wanganui West—**
Harold C. Pomeroy, B.A., B.D., A.C.A., C.M.A., A.C.I.S.
60. **Taihape—**
One Wanted.
- 60a. **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.
LEONARD V. WILLING, (Chairman of the District).
ALAN O. JONES (Deputy Chairman).
A. K. SURREY, J.P. (Financial Secretary).

V. HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU DISTRICT

61. **Napier—**
Leslie F. Bycroft.
Roger J. Hey.
One wanted.
62. **Hastings—**
Edgar R. Hornblow, LL.B.
Basil J. Hilder.
Norman P. Larsen (Sup.).

63. **Gisborne—**
O. McLennan Olds.
- 63a. **Mangapapa Union Parish—**
Presbyterian appointment (Reginald J. Weeks).
- 63b. **Presbyterian-Methodist Parish of Wairoa—**
Presbyterian Appointments (Murray F. Hall, Mervyn A. Aitken).
64. **Dannevirke-Norsewood—**
Duncan R. Graham.
65. **Woodville—**
One Wanted.
William C. Jenkin (Sup.).
- 65a. **Pahiatua Union Parish—**
Harry I. Shaw (who shall supervise Woodville Circuit).
66. **Palmerston North—**
Leonard P. Schroeder, B.A., B.D.
Loyal J. Gibson.
One wanted.
A. Roy Bowden, B.A.
67. **Ashhurst-Bunnythorpe—**
C. Brice Herbert.
68. **Feilding-Oroua—**
Bruce Scammell.
John I. Manihera.
A. Peter Dorrian (Sup.).
69. **Martori—**
Clifford G. Brown.
70. **Sanson-Rongotea—**
Enid J. Bennett, M.A., B.D.
71. **Waipawa-Waipukurau—**
Neville Thornicroft.
W. J. Henderson (Sup.).
- 71a. **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

Education Division—

Director: John Grundy, M.A.
Associate Director: B. Keith Rowe, B.A., B.D., S.T.M.
(Auckland).
Associate Director: See Question 28.
Associate Director of Finance and Stewardship: John S. Hosking, M.A., Dip.Mus.

72. **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).
John C. F. Mabon (Chaplain with Justice Department).
73. **Wellington West—**
Charles B. Oldfield.
One wanted.
Gordon R. H. Peterson (Sup.).

74. **Wellington South—**
Robert S. Andrews.
75. **Wellington East—**
Keith C. Griffith.
One wanted (Supply: William W. H. Greenslade, M.B.E.)
William W. H. Greenslade, M.B.E. (Sup.).
- 75a. **Ngaio Union Parish—**
Harry W. Toothill.
Ian H. Robertson (without appointment—business).
- 75b. **Johnsonville Union Parish—**
Presbyterian Appointment.
- 75c. **Newlands Union Parish—**
Presbyterian Appointment (J. C. Doig).
76. **Porirua—**
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).
- 76a. **Tawa Union Parish—**
Methodist, Colin D. Clark, M.A.
Presbyterian, P. Morreau.
Associated Churches of Christ: D. I. Hollier.
77. **Lower Hutt-Petone—**
E. Francis I. Hanson, B.A., B.D.
Frederick E. Waïne.
Lewis A. Bowen.
Dorothea M. Noble, B.A. (part time).
John S. Hosking, M.A., Dip.Mus. (Education Division).
Haddon C. Dixon, O.B.E., M.A., B.D. (serving with CORSO).
Frank H. Woodfield (without appointment — business).
- 77a. **Taita Union Parish—**
R. Leslie George.
78. **Upper Hutt—**
J. Stanley Olds.
One wanted.
R. John Hamlin, C.F.
- 78a. **Wainuiomata Union Parish—**
Presbyterian appointment (William R. Vinten).
Laurie E. Salter (Associate).
- 78b. **Greytown Union Parish—**
Frank S. Rigg.
- 78c. **Featherston Union Parish—**
Presbyterian appointment
- 78d. **Carterton Union Parish—**
W. J. Douglas Wakeling.
79. **Masterton—**
Bruce L. Hosking, B.A., B.Com., S.T.M., A.C.A.
Masterton Children's Home: Chaplain, Bruce L. Hosking.
- 79a. **St James Masterton Union Parish—**
Ian C. Norwell.
- 79b. **Eketahuna Union Parish—**
Presbyterian appointment (C. G. Harding).
John B. Currie, B.A. (Without appointment—industry).

80. **Levin**—
Gordon V. Thomas, B.A.
Ivo M. Raynor (Sup.).
81. **Otaki**—
One wanted.
Ormond E. Burton, M.A. (Sup.).
82. **Paraparaumu**—
John G. Hayhurst.
R. Purcell Keall, (Sup.).
M. Alexander McDowell, D.D. (Sup.) (who shall supervise Otaki Circuit).
WILFRED F. FORD, B.A. (Chairman of the District).
TREVOR J. MARTIN, A.C.A. (Financial Secretary).

VII. NELSON DISTRICT

83. **Nelson**—
Harold K. Brown.
Maxwell A. Hornblow (who shall supervise Murchison Circuit).
Alfred M. Costain, Dip.Soc.Sc. (Sup.).
- 83a. **Nelson St Luke's Parish**—
Ian L. Clarke.
84. **Waimea**—
David G. Stubbs.
85. **Motueka**—
Hendrik Gerritsen, B.A.
86. **Murchison**—
One wanted.
87. **Blenheim**—
Robert H. Allen, B.A.
Russell J. Greenwood, B.A.
Stuart G. Slinn (without appointment).
- 87a. **Picton Union Parish**—
Presbyterian appointment (William Earle).
- 87b. **Reefton District Union Parish**—
Presbyterian appointment (A. Goss).
- 87c. **Buller Union Parish**—
Colin G. Jamieson.
One wanted (Presbyterian appointment).
- 87d. **Greymouth District Union Parish**—
Archibald W. McKay.
Presbyterian appointments:
Neil G. Churcher.
One wanted.
- 87e. **Hokitika Union Parish**—
One wanted—(Deaconess supply: Sister Norma Graves).
Presbyterian appointment (Owen T. Jenkin).
ROBERT H. ALLEN, B.A. (Chairman of the District).
O. M. SMITH, F.C.A. (Financial Secretary).

VIII. NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

GENERAL AND CONFERENCE SECRETARY AND AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE—William R. Laws, M.A., B.D.
GENERAL TREASURER—See Question 28.

88. **Christchurch (Durham Street)**—
Gordon D. Brough, B.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 Secre-
 tary).
- 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.).
89. **Christchurch Central Mission and Cambridge Terrace Church—**
 Wilfred E. Falkingham.
 Bruce E. Mackie.
 A Deaconess.
90. **Christchurch East—**
 Arnold C. Hight.
 Albert A. Grundy, M.A.
 One wanted.
 Owen L. Christian
-
- Wallace S. Neal (Sup.).
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- J. Herbert Thompson (Sup.).
- 90a. **Sumner-Redcliffs Union Parish—**
 Norman W. Olds.
 Presbyterian Appointment (Ian R. Polson).
- 90b. **South East Christchurch Union Parish—**
 Presbyterian Appointment (Cornelius Van der Kley).
 One Wanted.
- 90c. **Lyttelton Union Parish—**
 A Presbyterian Appointment (Dudley Ives).
91. **Christchurch (Opawa)—**
 G. Kingsley Greening.
92. **Christchurch (Sydenham)—**
 Arthur R. Witheford, B.A.
93. **Christchurch (Spreydon)—**
 C. Seton Horrill.
 George M. Hammond.
 Owen A. Kitchingman, B.A. (Industrial Chaplain).
 Hubert G. Brown (Sup.).
94. **Christchurch (Riccarton)—**
 Wesley A. Chambers, M.A.
 Keith J. Taylor, B.A.
 One wanted.
 John D. Grocott, B.A. (Sup.).
95. **Christchurch (St Albans)—**
 Ernest Heppelthwaite.
 Barry G. Harkness, B.A., B.D.
 Norman E. Brookes, B.A.
 Stuart C. Grant, B.A., LL.B. (Fendalton).
 Charles E. Dickens (Sup.).
96. **Christchurch (Papanui)—**
 Robert W. Widdup.
 South Island Children's Home—Chaplain: Robert W. Widdup.

97. **Hornby—**
William L. Wallace, B.A.
- 97a. **Lincoln Union Parish—**
Presbyterian Appointment: Rowlatt M. Rogers.
98. **Leeston—**
George W. Cramond.
99. **Kaiapoi—**
Herbert A. Cochrane.
100. **Rangiora—**
Leonard P. Shapecott.
One wanted.
101. **Greendale—**
Robert A. Allan.
- 101a. **Oxford District Union Parish—**
Presbyterian Appointment (Donald G. Clearwater).
WESLEY A. CHAMBERS, M.A. (Chairman of the District).
D. A. WHITE, B.Com., A.C.A. (Financial Secretary).

IX. SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

102. **Timaru (Banks Street)—**
Norman J. West (who shall supervise Geraldine-Temuka Circuit).
103. **Timaru (Woodlands Street)—**
Geoffrey T. Gilbert.
- 103a. **St David's Marchwiell Union Parish—**
Graeme M. McIver, B.A.
104. **Waimate—**
One Wanted. (Supply: Stanley J. Buck).
Phillip D. Ramsay (serving with Queensland Temperance League).
105. **Geraldine-Temuka—**
One Wanted (Supply: Mr J. H. Fruin).
106. **Ashburton—**
Howard C. Matthews, B.A.
Ian E. M. Anderson.
D. J. Donald Hickman (Sup.).
T. Ralph Benny (Sup.).
107. **Willowby—**
Darrell R. Curtis, B.A.
- 107a. **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

108. **Central Mission (Dunedin)—**
David S. Mullan, M.A.
Stanley J. West.
A Deaconess.
John W. Reddihough, F.R.G.S. (Sup.).
109. **North Dunedin—**
John B. Salmon, B.A., A.C.A., A.C.I.S., L.Th. (Part-time: with permission to study).
Donald J. Phillinps, B.A., B.D. (Chaplain Otago University)
- 109a. **West Harbour United Parish—**
Presbyterian Appointment. (Ian Fleming).
110. **Mornington—**
Evan R. Lewis, M.Sc., B.A.
Andrew J. Johnston (Sup.).

- 110a. **West Dunedin Union Parish—**
 Presbyterian Appointments:
 Ewing C. Stevens, B.A.
 Ross K. J. Clark, B.A., B.D., S.T.M.
 A. K. T. Bathgate
111. **Dunedin South—**
 Russell G. Rigby.
 G. Clive Smith.
- 111a. **Corstorphine-Concord Union Parish—**
 Presbyterian Appointment (R. Wilson).
112. **Dunedin (St Kilda)—**
 James H. Conway.
- 112a. **Grants Braes-Tomahawk Union Parish—**
 Presbyterian Appointment (C. M. Angus).
113. **Milton-Lawrence—**
 Ronald C. Collingwood (who shall supervise Balclutha Circuit).
114. **Balclutha—**
 John A. Stringer, Dip.Theol.
115. **Gore—**
 Russell E. James.
116. **Invercargill—**
 Kenneth H. Russell.
 Derek G. Laws, F.C.A. (who shall supervise Bluff Circuit).
 David R. Alley.
 One Wanted.
 Edward P. Boyd (serving with Justice Department).
 John D. Meredith, (without appointment—profession).
- 116a. **Riverton Union Parish—**
 Warren H. Blundell.
- 116b. **Otautau Union Parish—**
 Presbyterian appointment (Philip W. Brown).
- 116c. **Waiono Union Parish—**
 Presbyterian Appointment (Glen D. Duncan).
117. **Bluff—**
 D. Ian MacLeod.
- 117a. **Teviot Union Parish—**
 Donald F. Prince.
- 117b. **Alexandra-Clyde Union Parish—**
 Presbyterian Appointments:
 D. Povey and R. Coates.
 KENNETH H. RUSSELL (Chairman of the District).
 DAVID S. MULLAN, M.A. (Deputy Chairman).
 ALLAN J. WOOD, A.C.A., A.C.I.S., A.N.Z.I.M. (Financial Secretary).

XI. SOLOMON ISLANDS DISTRICT

XII. PAPUA-NEW GUINEA HIGHLANDS DISTRICT

These Districts are now in the United Church of 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
 Hokitika Union Parish—Sister Norma Graves.

(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
Hana Hauraki (Dargaville)
Auckland Maori Circuit—
Sister Grace Clement, Auckland
One Wanted
One Wanted (Supply: Miss Beth Sutton)
Waikato Maori Circuit—
Sister Heeni Wharemaru, M.B.E., Hamilton
One Wanted (Waikato)
One Wanted (Waikato)
One Wanted (Hamilton)
King Country Circuit—
Sister Betty Yearbury, Te Kuiti
One Wanted (Otorohanga)
Taranaki Maori Circuit—
Ruth Tattersall
One Wanted (Supply: Mrs E. Bettany)
South Island—
Sister Eleanor Dobby

(b) In Maori Hostels:

Seamer House, Auckland—One wanted.
Rangiatea, New Plymouth—Sister Joan Wedding, Matron
Te Rahui Tane, Hamilton—Sister Heeni Wharemaru, M.B.E.,
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 Edna Jenkin (with the Borneo Evangelical Mission)

(c) Married Sisters:

Sister Shirley Wiki

6. ON PROBATION

Hana Hauraki

7. RETIRED DEACONESSES

Sister May Barnett

Sister Ruth Fawcett

Sis'er Ivy Jones, M.B.E., J.P.

Sister Rita Snowden, F.I.A.L.
Sister Margaret Nicholls, M.B.E.
Sister Eleanor Dobby
Sister Airini Hobbs
Sister Jean Miller
Sister Madeline Holland
Sister Constance Sage
Sister Atawhai George
Sister Anne Wilson
Sister Dorothy Pointon

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

Kaikohe—Bay of Islands (2nd)—One wanted.
Whangarei (2nd)—Supply: Ian W. Ogier, B.A., Associated Churches of Christ.
Dargaville (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 (Panmure)—One wanted.
Birkenhead—D. I. Robertson (Retired).
Orakei—Glen Innes—Supply: John H. Vickery (Associated Churches of Christ).
Kaipara—Frank L. Johnson.

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

Morrinsville (2nd)—One Wanted.
Hamilton (2nd)—Supply: Rev. R. G. Major.
Rotorua (2nd)—One Wanted.
Tauranga (2nd)—One wanted.
(Supply: Samuel J. Crawford).
Te Awamutu (2nd)—One Wanted.
Otorohanga—R. Coombridge (retired).
Te Kuiti—One Wanted.
Ohura—One Wanted.

Kawhia—One Wanted.
Coromandel—One Wanted.

Maori Mission: (a) Waikato

Frankton—Tumu Te Huia (Retired).
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

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.
Taihape—One Wanted.

Maori Mission:

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

HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU DISTRICT

Palmerston North (3rd)—One wanted.
Napier (3rd)—One wanted.
Marton—H. Prowse (Retired).
Woodville—One wanted.

WELLINGTON DISTRICT

Wellington West (2nd)—Supply: Frank H. Woodfield.
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).
Murchison—One Wanted.

NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

Durham Street (3rd)—Supply: George L. Sweet (Associated
Churches of Christ).
Riccarton (3rd)—One wanted.
Rangiora (2nd)—One wanted.

Maori Mission:

Rapaki—Wera Couch.

SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

Waimate—One Wanted. (Supply: Stanley J. Buck).

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

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND DISTRICT

North Dunedin—A. E. Tardif (Retired).

Invercargill (4th)—One wanted.

(b) LAY WORKERS

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

Connexional Board of Management: General Treasurer—Mr C. R. Hasseldine, B.Com., A.C.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—

Whangarei Base—Rev. E. H. Reynolds.

AUCKLAND DISTRICT—

Auckland and Mater—Rev. F. H. Parker.

Middlemore—Rev. J. G. Drummond (Presbyterian).

Wesley-Geriatric—Rev. W. E. Moore.

National Women's and Greenlane—Rev. A. McG. Kirkwood,
(Presbyterian).

Oakley Hospital—Rev. R. R. Welsh (Presbyterian).

Kingseat Psychiatric Hospital and Cornwall—Rev. T. H. Carr.

Ravensthorpe Psychiatric Hospital—Rev. R. G. Bell.

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.

Gisborne—Rev. O. M. Olds.

"Pukeora" Waipukurau—Rev. N. Thornicroft.
Palmerston North—Rev. C. B. Herbert.
Lake Alice—Rev. C. G. Brown.

WELLINGTON DISTRICT—

Wellington Public Hospital—Rev. R. S. Andrews.
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. O. T. Jenkin.
Presbyterian).
Westland Hospital (Greymouth)—Rev. A. W. McKay.

NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

Christchurch Hospital—Revs. H. J. Crawford and D. Morrell.
Princess Margaret Hospital and National Women's Hospital —
Rev. J. Edgar and Deaconess M. Finney.
Coronation Hospital—Rev. A. R. Witheford.
Sunnyside Hospital—Revs. I. B. Wilson, W. D. Harding, H. G.
Brown.
Sunnyside Hospital—Rev. H. G. Brown.
Templeton Hospital—Rev. I. B. Wilson.
Calvary Hospital—Rev. B. G. Harkness.
St. George's Hospital—Rev. N. E. Brookes.

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—
Kew Hospital (Invercargill)—Rev. D. R. Alley.

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

(1) What Probationers are Authorised to Administer the Sacra-
ments?

Laurence H. Currie
Ian E. M. Anderson
D. Ian McLeod

Stuart C. Grant
Russell J. Greenwood
John A. Stringer

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

All Senior Home Missionaries
F. L. Johnson
Wera Couch
Matu Makiha
J. H. Fruin
Sister Barbara Miller
H. M. Maaka
Sister Norma Graves
C. A. M. Stevens
Para Livingstone
H. Hemara
Sister Beverley Taylor

H. Toia
Tawai Te R. Kawiti
Te Orahi Tonga
J. V. Salisbury, LL.B.
J. D. Curwood
B. Wright
W. Horne
E. Clifford Flyger
Rewi Tautari
H. Wata
Mare Rogers
Henry Kelly

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

William R. Laws, M.A., B.D.

(b) Have adequate arrangements been made for President's supply?

Yes.

(c) Who is elected as Vice-President for the ensuing year?

Eric G. Heggie, M. Comm., A.C.A.

QUESTION 30.—Who are elected as District Chairmen for the ensuing year?

Northland—Rev. Edwin B. Clarke, M.A.

Auckland—Rev. Edmund D. Grounds.

Waikato-Bay of Plenty—Rev. William J. Morrison, M.A.

Taranaki-Wanganui—Rev. Leonard V. Willing.

Hawkes Bay-Manawatu—Rev. Leslie F. Bycroft.

Wellington—Rev. Wilfred F. Ford, B.A.

Nelson—Rev. Robert H. Allen, B.A.

North Canterbury—Rev. Wesley A. Chambers, M.A.

South Canterbury—Rev. Geoffrey T. Gilbert.

Otago-Southland—Rev. Kenneth H. Russell.

QUESTION 31.— Who are elected and/or appointed for the ensuing year as:—

(a) Secretaries of Synods?

Northland—Rev. J. Henry Woolford, M.A.

Auckland—Rev. Ian H. McKenzie, M.Sc., B.D.

Waikato-Bay of Plenty—Rev. Wilfred J. Cable.

Taranaki-Wanganui—Rev. Noel D. Billingham.

Hawkes Bay-Manawatu—Rev. Basil J. Hilder.

Wellington—Rev. Robert S. Andrews.

Nelson—Rev. H. Kilford Brown.

North Canterbury—Rev. Robert W. Widdup.

South Canterbury—Rev. Norman J. West.

Otago-Southland—

QUESTION 31.—(b) (i) District Financial Secretaries?

Northland—Mr W. J. Court, O.B.E., P.O. Box 5031, Regent P.O., Whangarei.

Auckland—Mr A. Turner, A.C.A., 129 Exmouth Road, Northcote, Auckland, 9.

Waikato-Bay of Plenty—Mr C. R. Shoosmith, Thames Road, Paeroa.

Taranaki-Wanganui—Mr A. K. Surrey, J.P., 36 Seymour Street, Waitara.

Hawkes Bay-Manawatu—Mr L. A. Davis, P.O. Box 68, Napier.

Wellington—Mr T. J. Martin, P.O. Box 3846, Wellington.

Nelson—Mr O. M. Smith, F.C.A., P.O. Box 140, Blenheim.

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, Ashburton.

Otago-Southland—Mr A. J. Wood, A.C.A., A.C.I.S., A.N.Z.I.M., 47 Arthur Street, Invercargill.

(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, the President's Legal Adviser, Ministers and Laymen to be appointed. Convener: Secretary of Conference.

Committee of Exigency:

To be appointed as required.

(b) President's Committee of Advice:

Ex-President, President-Elect, General Secretary, Revs. A. K. Petch, R. G. Bell, H. A. Darvill, D. B. Gordon, Vice-President, Ex-Vice-President, the Legal Adviser, Messrs W. E. Donnelly, A. Turner, J. R. Osborne, C. Edgar.

(c) Pastoral Committee:

The President, President-Elect, Revs. J. J. Lewis, P. P. Rushton, Messrs N. P. Alcorn, E. C. Flyger, G. E. Hill, W. E. Donnelly. Consultants: General Secretary, Director of Development Division.

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

Last Conference decided (Res. 2, p. 108 Minutes 1971) that in future the General Statistical Report should be made only every five years and that this report should be the first such quinquennial assessment. Unfortunately, the degree to which the church's internal material can be related to external factors general to the community is limited by the fact that the Religious Professions material arising out of the 1971 National Census is not yet available. We understand that it will not, in fact, be ready for publication until late 1973 or early 1974. This report, therefore, amounts merely to a rather more extended version of the usual annual assessment. I have, however, referred to the 1966 material wherever that has seemed helpful. I have also taken into account the 1967 statistical returns so that, in fact, this assessment covers a period of six years rather than five only.

MEMBERSHIP

Since 1967 the total membership of the church in New Zealand has fallen by 9.27% from 32,730 to 29,694. This fall is spread over all districts ranging from a 20% fall in Otago-Southland to a 5.5% fall in Hawkes Bay-Manawatu. There does not appear to be any clear pattern as between, for example, rural and urban areas or districts. Closer analysis on a circuit by circuit basis might reveal this.

When we look at more specific aspects of the situation some disturbing factors emerge. Thus, during the six year period, 3,316 members have been removed as having ceased to attend. 980 of this number were removed during the 1971-72 year (presumably affected

by the purging of rolls prior to the Vote for Union). This amounts to a loss of one in every ten members on the mean annual membership over the period.

Deaths have been remarkably constant at just under or over 500 per annum. The average was 505 over the six year period. This would appear to indicate that as the total membership falls, the proportion of older members is rising in relation to that total. Otherwise the death rate should fall with the general fall in membership. The total of all deaths at 3,030 represents 9.7% of the mean annual membership taken over the period.

In view of the general assumption of a drift from country to town which is established by other external criteria, one would expect the pattern of transfers in and out of circuits to show general tendency that way. This does not appear to be the case. I can discover no clear tendency which would justify a conclusion. Transfers ought to be a self-balancing mechanism. But, in fact, over the period of 1967-72 there has been a Nett Total Loss on transfers of 967 members. This takes into account all sources of transfer. If the field is narrowed to the purely internal mechanisms of Methodism, the loss is 845 members. That is, in transfers exclusively between the Methodist Circuits 2.69% of our membership got lost in the mail! Overall, 3.6% of the membership was lost during removal from place to place (these are people whose removals are known and recorded). Only in the current 1971-72 year was there any gain in this area, four districts (Auckland, Waikato, Hawkes Bay and North Canterbury) showing a nett gain on both counts. In every previous year there was a substantial nett loss of members in this way.

Confirmations were 4,348 during the six year period — 2,560 under 20 years of age and 1,788 over 20 years of age. This amounts to a substantial increase of 13.85% on the mean average membership over the period. Apart from the low year of 1970-71, the number of confirmations has remained steady at between seven and eight hundred, the average being 725. During this past year the number of confirmations in the two age groups was very nearly equal. This is, as yet, an isolated instance on a national scale of a trend apparent in some circuits over the period.

PASTORAL CARE

Any close assessment in this field is hindered by the unavailability of the 1971 Census figures and by the fact that Methodist District boundaries do not always coincide with the Statistical Area boundaries used by the Government Statistician. However, some general comparisons are possible as the following table shows:

District	Methodist Pastoral Rolls 1967	National Census Declarations 1966
NORTHLAND (No Maori Return available)	7,219	8,487
WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY	19,938	31,596
NELSON	7,516	5,085
MARLBOROUGH		2,270
WEST COAST		1,168
OTAGO	11,235	9,251
SOUTHLAND		5,240
SOUTH CANTERBURY	6,200	
NORTH CANTERBURY	20,881	28,247
AUCKLAND	31,271	43,894

The other district boundaries conflict too substantially with the Census Districts to give any effective comparison without much more detailed analysis. Another problem is that Maori Circuit returns have been spasmodic over the years and that no separate figures

for Maori and European affiliations are given by districts in the census tables. More thorough analysis would be difficult unless done by local circuits and districts with an intimate knowledge of their own boundaries and Maori-European affiliations. A specific example ready to hand will serve to illustrate this. The 1966 Census shows that there were 2,356 Methodists in the Whangarei Urban area. The 1967 Statistical Returns from the local Circuit showed 1,226 persons under pastoral care. Even allowing for the unknown proportion of Maori folk from the Northern Maori Circuit living in the area, clearly there is a gap between the sociological reality and the circuit's knowledge. This could be multiplied many times and demonstrates the urgent need for tools such as, "Let's Find Out" (referred to in last year's report) to enable districts and circuits to attack their own situation more fruitfully.

Taken over all, the 1966 Returns showed that there were 186,280 persons who declared themselves Methodist in the Census. At the time of the 1967 Conference Statistical Returns the church knew of 144,161 persons in the European Circuits — to which, of course, must be added the numbers under pastoral care in the Maori Circuits. In 1968 the known figure was 150,178. In 1969 — 147,640; 1970 — 147,607; 1971 — 145,818. In the current year the totals declared under pastoral care were 139,701! This represents a substantial fall, the causes of which deserve to be closely examined. During 1972 the total population of New Zealand passed the 3,000,000 mark. On the basis of the 1966 figure of 7% Methodists, this would indicate a total Methodist or potential Methodist constituency of 210,000 persons. At the present time, therefore, the church has no contact — or rather no formal record of contact with one-third of all those who confess themselves (upon whatever basis) to be Methodist.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION RETURNS

During the period under consideration, the church moved into the Christian Life Curriculum, the age classifications for which are slightly different from those formerly applying. No exact comparative analysis is, therefore, possible at this stage. Again, however, some general indications can be obtained from the figures. The Nursery totals have fallen from 6,414 to 4,182, i.e. by more than one-third over the six year span. All other categories have shown substantial falls: Kindergarten from 5,049 to 3,918, more than 20%; Primary from 5,016 to 3,862, a fall of 23% Junior (Standards 3-4) from 6,558 to 3,859, 41% down; Intermediate (Forms 1-2) have dropped from 4,269 to 3,086 which amounts to a 27.7% loss. Overall in the Sunday School range the fall has been from 27,306 to 18,907, 30.75% down over the six years. In the Youth Categories the falls have also been marked: Junior from 2,664 to 2,050; Intermediate from 2,192 to 1,451; Senior from 1,565 to 1,170. Taking this field as a whole the fall has amounted to 27.26%.

It will be seen that the falls have been substantial in an absolute sense. At this point of time, the changeover to the Christian Life Curriculum does not appear to be having any impact on numbers. Except in two minor instances, the figures for 1971 (the first year in which the Curriculum's classifications were used) show further falls over 1970. The 1972 figures show that numbers have again fallen in every category.

If we set the 1966 census returns against the youth returns of the Church, the following picture emerges:—

Age Group	Census Total	1967 Conf.	1972 Conf.	Est. 1972
4 years and under	20,772	6,414	4,182	23,415
5 years to 9 years	20,449	13,344	9,709	23,058
10 to 15 years incl.	22,501	15,308	7,792	25,368
16 to 20 years incl.	17,176	2,661	1,895	19,362

It should be emphasised that this picture is only an approximation. The 1972 estimates are based upon a projection of the 1966 Census proportions into the most recent population estimate of the Government Statistician at 3,000,000. Until such time as the 1971 figures are available this is the best figure attainable. The Conference figures have been adjusted by splitting age groups to conform roughly to the age groups used by the Statistician. Even when the necessary adjustments had been made to secure an exact picture, the general pattern would still adhere reasonably closely to the foregoing.

Ignoring the Nursery classification altogether, the general picture which emerges is that whereas in 1967 we reached through our Sunday School work, 65.25% of those in the 5-9 age group, by 1972 we are only reaching 42.1%. In the 10-15 age group, in 1967 we reached 68.03%. Today we reach 30.72%. In the Young Adult classification, the 1967 figures suggest that only 15.4% were touched by this area of work. By 1972, this proportion has fallen to 9.79%.

BAPTISMS

By way of contrast, the figures for Infant and Believers' Baptisms have remained remarkably constant. Only in 1971 and 1972 has there been any significant variation in the number of Infant Baptisms. Prior to 1971 this figure stayed at around 2,500. In 1971 this fell to 2,249 and again this year to 2,059. It is, as yet, too early to suggest that these falls may have any real significance.

STAFFING

Since the introduction of Active and Supernumerary (Inactive?) Classifications for Ministry and Lay Preachers, the general picture has become somewhat clearer. In 1967, 294 Ministers were returned. This rose to 300 by 1969. When in 1971 the new sub-classifications were introduced the returns showed 236 Ministers in the Active work and 71 retired. In 1972 these figures have changed to 214 Active and 73 retired.

So far as Lay Preachers are concerned, the position shows some little variation. Whereas in 1967, 660 Lay Preachers were declared, by 1970 the figures were 501 Active and 129 Inactive, a total of 630. By 1972 the position is that there are 475 Active Lay Preachers and 130 inactive, a total of 605. There has been a fall off of approximately 10% in the available resources in the six year span. About one-quarter of all qualified Lay Preachers are today Inactive, so classified by Superintendent Ministers.

GENERAL

When this Quinquennial Evaluation was sought, it seemed clear that the major emphasis in the Conference's interest was towards the Membership and Pastoral Returns rather than Property and Finance. I have, therefore, omitted any reference to this aspect of the Statistical Returns as it is not germane. The growing desire for more thorough and extensive sociological investigation — more adequate tools for local circuit evaluation and study, and for Church's situation in the community and the community's relation to the church, is only emphasised by the somewhat unhappy picture which this report contains. In view of the establishment of the Development Division precisely to undertake the large scale research and planning in these areas, it seemed appropriate that the office of General Statistical Secretary should be discontinued and the work involved taken over by that Division. Discussions have been held with the General Secretary and the incoming Director of the new Division to that end.

A suitable resolution is appended to this report.

JOHN G. HAYHURST.

General Statistical Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the office of General Statistical Secretary be discontinued.
3. That the responsibility for Statistical Reports be transferred to the Development Division as from 1st February, 1973.
4. That the retiring General Statistical Secretary be thanked for his services.
5. That the question of more adequate arrangements for Statistical Returns from Union Parishes be taken up again with the Joint National Committee on Church Extension with a view to a common form being devised and introduced.

Question 35.—What is the Report of the Church Council?

CHURCH COUNCIL

The Church Council met at the City Mission Camp, Otaki, on May 29-31, 1972.

In the absence of the President overseas, Rev. R. F. Clement, M.A., the immediate past President, Rev. W. F. Ford, B.A., presided.

A. CHURCH STRUCTURE: COUNCIL OF MISSION

The 1971 Conference asked that detailed consideration be given to:

- (a) The establishment of the Five Divisions and the Council of Mission with specific reference to—
 - Board of Evangelism
 - Finance and Stewardship
 - Centralisation of Accounting and Control of Funds.
- (b) A time-table for the transfer of functions.
- (c) The functions to be allocated to the Five Divisions (Minutes 1971, p. 119, Res. 3).

The Church Council received the report of the Structure Committee and now recommends to Conference as follows:—

COUNCIL OF MISSION:

While the Five Divisions will operate with supporting Boards/Committees and will report to Conference, the Council of Mission is an essential meeting ground for Divisional leaders, the Principal of the Theological College and two laymen.

It is a team ministry which will develop a team approach to mission.

It will co-ordinate the resources of the Church and thus equip the Church for mission.

It is a sounding board and a forum requiring flexibility in approach and in suggesting Divisional responsibility for particular functions.

It is necessary to set the Council of Mission within the context of the two Statements adopted by Conference (1971 Minutes, pp. 110-112) on:

- (a) The Mission of the Church; and
- (b) Team Ministry.

DEVELOPMENT DIVISION:

Objective:

The Development Division will be responsible for assisting the Church to use its resources for mission in New Zealand in outreach, evangelism, Church extension and the provision of new ministries as may be required.

Functions:

- (1) Undertake research into population trends at Circuit and National level, changes in community life and ways in which the ministries of the Church can be equipped and shaped to meet such changes.
- (2) Plan for the development of the Church through the strengthening of present churches and circuits, through the creation of new churches and circuits and new forms of church enterprise and service.
- (3) Maintain constant and regular contact with Circuits and Synods so that the resources of the Connexion may be made available to each part of the church, so that in each place ministry and service may be constantly under review and local churches assisted to develop outreach and service.
- (4) To be responsible for the Church's policy and programme of evangelism.
- (5) To co-operate with the Maori and Overseas Divisions in providing ministries for cultural and ethnic groups.
- (6) Formulate in consultation with Synods and Circuits plans for co-operative work with the negotiating churches, the formation of Union Parishes, Joint Use Ventures, Inner City Ministries and other forms of co-operation.
- (7) Maintain close liaison with N.Z.M.S.S.A. and encourage the development and extension of other forms of social service, such as Counselling Centres and Industrial Chaplaincies.
- (8) Arrange for such forms of promotion and publicity which will enlist the support of all our people in the task of Mission.
- (9) To be responsible for the Literature and Colporteur Society (in the meantime).
The following specific functions can best be handled in the meantime by this Division:
- (10) Provide financial assistance by way of grants to Circuits, etc. and to administer the Church Extension grants from the Development Fund at present for Churches and other buildings in new areas, new ministries, chaplaincies, etc.
- (11) Provide "supply" ministries for ministers who are ill, for the President, or for Circuits without appointments and arrange "long service leave".
- (12) To consider and recommend all matters relating to Circuit and District boundaries, etc.

EDUCATION DIVISION:

Objectives:

To guide and supervise the Christian Education programme of the church.

To help people understand, experience and value—

Their faith and its implications.

The world in which they live.

Persons in relationship.

Ministry and mission of the church in the world.

To provide opportunities for ministers and people to develop skills in living out their understandings in a Christian style of life, thus equipping ministers and congregations for their mission, making them free to take responsible action in the world.

Functions:

- (a) To help the Church to develop and deepen its understanding and service by providing—
Consultant services.

Resources.
Opportunities of learning.
Training in appropriate skills.

for those—

Giving leadership in the educational ministry with adults, youth and children.

Responsible for planning and co-ordinating the Church's educational ministry.

Learning to live out their lives as responsible members of Christian Churches.

- (b) To study and carry through experiments for the Church so as to discover and test new approaches in education. Ministers and congregations need constant help to work at frontiers of their educational ministries, to be guided into new and more effective ways of teaching and learning.
- (c) Formulate programmes of education for all aspects of Christian Stewardship, including finance, and be responsible for fund raising.
- (d) To represent the Methodist Church in its dealings with those bodies responsible for educational and youth services to churches and community, e.g. Christian Education Departments, N.Z.C.C.E., Uniformed Groups, National Youth Council, N.C.C. Christian Education Commission, National Council of Adult Education.

MAORI DIVISION:

Objective:

To give oversight and direction to the Church's ministry with Maori people including the development of Maori styles of Christian life, witness and service.

Functions:

- (a) To give oversight and direction to the Church's ministry with Maori people.
- (b) In consultation with other appropriate Boards and Committees, and Maori Circuits generally, recruit, advise and, where possible, help in the training of staff, appoint and attend to their general welfare.
- (c) Provide promotional and publicity material as required and in conjunction with the Education Division provide Maori-orientated educational resources.
- (d) Foster relationships between Maori and other members within the Church and with other Maori Churches and groups (N.C.C. Maori section, Ratana Church, etc.).
- (e) Administer finance required.
- (f) Be responsible for management of Maori investments and properties, such as Maori Centres, Parsonages, Cottages, Hostels, etc.
- (g) Such other functions as Conference may determine.

OVERSEAS DIVISION:

Objective:

To maintain, develop and direct our involvement with the mission of the church overseas.

Functions:

- (a) To promote within the Methodist Church of New Zealand continuing interest, education and support for the mission of the church in other lands in particular those to which it has sent personnel.

- (b) To make provision for the adequate preparation and equipment of those sent by the Methodist Church of New Zealand to other lands; and to assist them in their rehabilitation when they finally return.
- (c) To co-operate with other churches and church organisations in maintaining and extending the mission of the Church.
- (d) To encourage and facilitate the coming to New Zealand of Christian workers who will exercise a ministry within the Methodist Church of New Zealand.
- (e) To maintain and develop relationships with the World Council of Churches, Asian Christian Conference, Pacific Council of Churches, and such other organisations and overseas churches as the Conference may from time to time decide.
- (f) To foster relationships with other churches especially those facing extreme pressures in their society.
- (g) To continue to take a practical interest in the United Church in Papua, New Guinea and the Solomon Islands.

ADMINISTRATION DIVISION:

Objectives:

To promote knowledge and understanding of the outworking of the Church's life and mission.

To provide leadership and guidance to the church in matters affecting its basic polity, its day to day administration, the management of funds, the growth and development of Connexional properties and Trusts and the implementation of such policies that Conference shall entrust to it.

To exercise a pastoral role among ministers, in particular in matters affecting their personal financial position and among both ministers and laymen in matters affecting finance and administration at circuit, district and connexional levels.

Functions:

- (a) Facilitate the implementation of such policies of the Conference as shall be entrusted to it.
- (b) Serve the interests of the various Funds located in the Central Office.
- (c) Provide for the collection and housing of Conference and Church records.
- (d) Make arrangements for the holding of District Synods and the Annual Conference.
- (e) Administer church property.
- (f) Exercise a pastoral ministry on behalf of the Conference to the ministers of the church, in particular in their relationship to the Funds and Boards of the Church.
- (g) Provide financial guidance, accounting services and administration for National Funds.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Board of Evangelism:

That the Board of Evangelism be included in the Development Division.

2. Finance and Stewardship:

- (a) As the work of the Standing Committee on Finance and Stewardship has had three aspects in the past—education, fund raising and administration of the Connexional Budget — the

educational and fund raising aspects now come under the Education Division, and the administration of the Connexional Budget under the Administration Division.

- (b) That the two Field Directors and the Office Secretary at present employed by the Finance and Stewardship Committee be transferred to the Education Division and an additional Associate Director be appointed to the Division—with special responsibility for Finance and Stewardship—such appointment to be in place of filling the present position of Director of Stewardship.

Addendum:

Church Council wishes to point out that there would be an increase in the amount to be provided each year for the Education Division (Finance and Stewardship section) should there be a change from the present policy of recovering Stewardship administrative costs in the charges made to Circuits who employ Stewardship Directors, to one under which such charges would be included in the Connexional Budget.

- 3. (a) That any further moves towards centralisation of accounting be proceeded with gradually after the Five Divisions have become established.
- (b) That for the time being the Home Mission and Church Extension Investment Funds Board be reconstituted and continue its operations; its personnel to represent the Development and Maori Divisions.

4. Legal Description of Five Divisions:

That the need for changes in law providing for the Five Divisions to be the legal successors to the existing Departments be referred to the legal adviser for report to Church Council.

5. Ecumenical Committee:

- (a) That the work of the present Ecumenical Committee now be incorporated in the work of three of the Divisions—Development Maori and Overseas—and the National Council of Churches report to the Conference through the General Secretary who will act as liaison officer and will channel matters from the N.C.C. to the various Divisions.
- (b) That relationships with the Audio-Visual Society be the responsibility of the Education Division.
- ~~(c) The official link with the World Methodist Council be through the Administration Division.~~

6. Administration Division:

That the Board of Management be asked to give consideration to the establishment of a Regional Office in Auckland that would assist the Church in the administration of—

- (i) Some local trusts and organisations.
- (ii) Some Connexional Funds.

Date of Establishment:

The Council of Mission and its Divisions are to be instituted at February 1, 1973.

Future of Committee on Structure:

With the establishment of the Council of Mission and its Five Divisions the Church Council agreed that there was no need for the Committee on Structure to be re-appointed.

Rev J. A. Penman was thanked for his services.

B. WORLD METHODIST CONFERENCE AND COUNCIL:

"That the Ecumenical Committee prepare a memorandum for consideration by Church Council 1972 on the implications of the report of our representatives to the World Methodist Conference and Council especially as it affects the continuing relationship of the Methodist Church of New Zealand to the World Methodist Council, and that the memorandum and the recommendations of Church Council be submitted to Synods and Conference 1972" (Res. 15, p. 236 1971 Minutes).

Church Council received the following report of the Ecumenical Committee:—

First of all, the Committee would like to record its thanks to members of our delegation to the Denver Conference for their very helpful and reassuring comments concerning the nature of our continuing relationship to the World Methodist Council.

The Ecumenical Compulsion:

The Committee has reviewed our relationship to the World Methodist Council and is very much aware of the growing compulsion to develop and expand our ecumenical contacts locally and regionally, and through the World Council of Churches, to support the ecumenical thrusts and action occurring at the world level. It therefore reaffirms the priorities of membership and relationship (together with their financial implications) adopted by Conference in 1966, namely:

1. Those churches with which we are negotiating for union (JCCU) and our other sister churches in New Zealand (NCC).
2. The churches within the Pacific region (UPNGSI/PCC).
3. The E.A.C.C.
4. The W.C.C.
5. The World Methodist Council.

A Relationship of Ecumenical Relevance:

The Committee is in full sympathy with those who see World Confessionalism as a potential threat to world Ecumenism and would again reaffirm the statement made in 1966 that membership in the World Methodist Council must not be allowed to impair active participation in respect to the priorities mentioned above.

Although it has been far from happy with the existing relationship—and reports of the Denver Conference have done nothing to enhance it—the committee, nevertheless, is prepared to see Conference retain its membership with this understanding firmly in mind.

In view of the proposed changes outlined in the 1971 report it is the hope that the World Methodist Council may yet realise a role and function that are ecumenically relevant and therefore inescapably oriented to the challenges and trends in current world affairs.

A continuing membership, if only until the next quinquennium or church union takes place will, at least, allow us the opportunity to participate in the reshaping that is obviously called for and if necessary, to take a stand alongside the small minorities who may still see fit to maintain their positions of protest.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That Conference retain its membership with the World Methodist Council for the next five years, but the matter be reviewed at the end of that time.

2. That, through its appropriate representatives, Conference endeavour as fully as possible to play its part in making the new constitution work and so reshape the role and function of the World Methodist Council that it becomes a more effective 'handmaid' of the ecumenical cause.

3. That Conference commitments to the World Methodist Council be constantly weighed in terms of the priorities listed.

4. That the report be adopted and included in the report of Church Council to Synods and Conference 1972.

SYNOD RECOMMENDATIONS

B. WORLD METHODIST CONFERENCE AND COUNCIL:

All Synods adopted this section of report and Recommendations 1-4.

C. MINISTERIAL APPOINTMENTS:

(1) Review of Ministerial Appointments:

"That Conference recognises the need to retain, with proper safeguards, the right of a congregation to have a ministerial appointment reviewed.

"That the present provision (Law Book, page 17, para. 118) is unsatisfactory as it can encourage the matter to be raised in a divisive and contentious spirit rather than a consultative one.

"That the Welfare of the Church Committee be asked to prepare a revised procedure after consultation with the Church Council 1972 and report to Synods and Conference 1972" (1971 Minutes of Conference, p. 127, Res. 5).

A report was received from the Welfare of the Church Committee and the comments of Church Council have been forwarded to it. The Welfare of the Church Committee will be reporting to Synods and Conference.

(2) October Meeting of Stationing Committee:

"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" (Minutes of Conference 1970, p. 110, Res. 9).

A memorandum prepared by the Vice-President, Mr N. P. Alcorn, and the General Secretary, was received by Church Council.

RESOLUTION

That the present procedures continue, but that there be no alteration to the regulations set out in the Law Book pp. 72-73, 444-456.

Personnel of the Committee on Ministry:

Church Council received a memorandum prepared by the Committee set up by Conference to look at the constitution of the Examination Committee, Board of Studies, etc.

The 1971 Conference had decided that the Committee on Ministry consist of 40 persons, but further consideration had brought the special Committee to the conclusion that a Committee of this size was too large and unwieldy to function effectively and that Conference had given undue weight to the factor of representation. The primary emphasis of the work of the Committee on Ministry would be pastoral; it would check over the potentials of the ministry as a whole group and this kind of work was best done by a small committee. The sub-committee therefore recommended a Committee consisting of 21.

Church Council found itself in substantial agreement with the viewpoint of the special Committee, but felt that for the 1972 Conference the Ministry Committee should be made up of 40 persons in terms of the resolution of the 1971 Conference.

RESOLUTION

1. That the matter of the personnel of the Committee on Ministry be referred back to the Church Council for further consideration, particularly with regard to having greater lay representation.

D. GENERAL:

Dates for 1973:

Church Council agreed to recommend as follows to Conference:

- (a) Church Council May 14-16, 1973, to be held at the City Mission Camp, Otaki.
- (b) Finance and Stewardship Committee of Detail (Budget Committee) October 2-3 at Wesley Church, Taranaki Street, Wellington.
- (c) "October" Committee for Stationing, etc, October 3-4.

Allocation of Development Fund 1973-74:

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 the provision for the purchase of land where required.

Church Council resolved to recommend that \$20,000 be included in the Connexional Budget for 1973-74 to be allocated as follows:

- (a) 75% for grants for Church Extension.
- (b) 25% to be made available for special training purposes, this matter to be a consultation between the Home Mission Department and the Department of Christian Education.

Staffing Needs for 1973:

A memorandum was received from the General Superintendent of the Home Mission Department, who was thanked for his services in this regard over the years.

Location of Conference:

The Chairmen of the Auckland and the Otago-Southland Districts were asked to consult with their respective Synods regarding the practicability of the following order:

1973: Auckland

1974: Dunedin

or in the event of the Plan for Union being accepted by the five negotiating Churches:

1973: Dunedin

1974: Auckland

if 1974 should prove to be the year of the last Methodist Conference.

USE OF PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENT FOR 1973:

Regret was expressed at the unavoidable absence of the President-Elect, Rev. W. S. Dawson.

The Vice-President-Elect, Mr E. C. Flyger, indicated that the theme of his year might well be entitled "Reflections of a Stewardship Director". He had thought of discussing with groups of people the movements over the past 10 years in the realm of stewardship

and ways in which the ideals of stewardship could be more effectively realised in the future. He would like to discuss some aspects of the ministry with the ministers, especially their participation in social service.

The Rev. J. Grundy indicated that the President-Elect had requested the preparation of a film strip illustrating experiments in fresh aspects of ministry being undertaken around the country. The film strip would be shown at Conference and made available to Circuits during the year.

The General Secretary suggested that a small Committee meet with the President-Elect in Auckland to give further consideration to the arrangements for his Presidential year.

W. F. FORD, Acting President.

W. R. LAWS, General Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the Welfare of the Church Committee prepare a Memorandum for consideration by Church Council on the cost of the travelling of members of Conference to Conferences held in relatively remote centres.
3. That the General Secretary prepare a Memorandum for consideration by the Church Council on the operation of District Synods.
4. That Rev. Leslie R. M. Gilmore, B.A., be appointed Acting-Secretary of the Conference for 1973 and 1974.

QUESTION 36.—What are the Reports of:—

(a) Welfare of the Church Committee?

WELFARE OF THE CHURCH COMMITTEE

REPORT TO SYNODS AND CONFERENCE 1972

A. REVIEW OF MINISTERIAL APPOINTMENTS

Minutes of Conference 1971 para (5) p.127

Introduction

The recommendations of the committee on this matter of the review of ministerial appointments are not given in the form of new regulations, but as an expression of principles the committee feels need to be at least considered if not instituted.

The intentions behind these revisions which allow for the anonymity of the five people who raise the issue of a review, and which directs the issue immediately from the Quarterly Meeting where it is raised into the hands of a sub-committee, are twofold.

In the first place we have sought to minimise the possibilities of such problems as personality conflicts etc., and secondly we have sought to provide the time and the procedures to allow a greater objectivity in considering the matter, than is at present provided. While recognising some difficulties in these recommendations we also see clearly the possibility of a happier solution to, and even a healing of, the pastoral situation involved, because some of the heat and the tension that might be there can be relieved.

The committee also feels that as a law can never cover all situations, a pastoral letter should be sent out explaining the intention of the law regarding the review of appointments, especially with regard to any revision the church makes to them or new procedures she institutes.

Church Council suggested that a Pastoral Committee could be established in each district of the representatives to the coming Stationing Committee to deal with ministerial appointments, and that a circuit on seeking a review would state its reasons to this committee. The Welfare of the Church Committee was not in full agreement on this and at most, felt that a Chairman of the District could if necessary call on the previous year's representatives to Stationing Committee to be involved in any meetings or discussions on a review of appointment.

Recommended Procedures

- (1) That when a minister, a Circuit Steward or five members of the Quarterly Meeting seek a review of an appointment, the Chairman of the District should not only be notified, as at present provided, but it should become mandatory that he be involved in any meetings or discussions held on the matter. When the Chairman of the District's own appointment is involved the President or his deputy shall take his place.
- (2) That the matter when raised by Circuit Stewards or members, should be raised 28 days before the March Quarterly Meeting and not as provided, i.e. 28 days before the June Quarterly Meeting.
- (3) That no discussion of the requested review be held at the March Quarterly Meeting, but that that meeting set up a Committee to look into the matter and bring forward a report to the June Quarterly Meeting.
- (4) That in the event of a Circuit Steward not raising the matter of a review, five members of the Quarterly Meeting may do so as already provided. However, we suggest that they should do it through the Circuit Steward who should, if so approached, raise it at the March Quarterly Meeting.

B. STATISTICAL INFORMATION AND THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

The Special Report on the Use of Statistics in the Church (1971 p. 108) indicates that there is administrative, but little pastoral, use of the published annual returns. We see a variety of reasons for this situation.

- (1) Quantitative statistics are recognised to have inherent limitations as an index of the quality and character of church life.
 - (2) The range of statistics selected for compilation on a national basis is not recognised as specially appropriate to evaluation of particular local situations.
 - (3) It is well known to potential users that much of the information we collect is of low accuracy. Where definitions are difficult to arrive at or difficult to apply, or where conscientious application would require an inordinate amount of labour, personal factors can make the figures so uncertain as to be useless for comparative purposes.
 - (4) Over-attention to numerical statistics is felt to distort a church's apprehension of its mission. The will of God for a particular situation is not necessarily, perhaps not often, simply in the direction of maximising the statistical measures.
- We believe Conference should respond, not by looking for more subtle statistical criteria, but by accepting that the primary purpose

of our statistics is administrative. Conference should therefore collect little more than the minimum of data required for administrative purposes, and it should make sure that the information it asks for is such as can be accurately provided without placing unreasonable burdens on ministers or local church officials. We append a recommendation to give effect to this.

In framing our recommendation we have noted that information on the staffing of circuits is elsewhere recorded in the Minutes of Conference, and that information on property matters is filed in the Connexional Office. The general considerations above support our conclusion that it is not necessary to have an annual census of Christian Education activities. The categories hitherto applied to the breakdown of gains and losses in the Membership Roll have diminishing relevance to the operation of an Electoral Roll, and their appearance of precision is largely illusory. We consider that the figures worthy of permanent record are those that derive from the Baptismal-Confirmation Register.

While proposing that fewer statistics be assembled on a national basis we support a move for better evaluation of the real effectiveness of the church. We see this as essentially a local-church task. Leaders and Quarterly Meetings should give more attention to self-assessment—to determining and regularly revising goals and priorities, and to checking progress. Churches willing to take this seriously would do well to seek the guidance of the Christian Education Department.

R. G. RIGBY,
Convener.

REPORT

I. SURVEY OF RESIGNEES FROM THE MINISTRY

(1971 Minutes of Conference, p.127, Resolution 4).

After careful consideration of the matter the Committee decided, for the following reasons, that it was unwise to produce a questionnaire as suggested by Conference.

- (1) The size of the sample (13) is inadequate statistically.
- (2) Complexity of data. Overseas studies have revealed that. . .
 - (a) Such a wide range of reasons is given as to make it very difficult to isolate significant factors.
 - (b) The ones that are given are often those which constitute the "last straw" rather than being the underlying reason. Indeed it is doubtful whether a questionnaire is likely to produce this sort of information.
- (3) A type of survey has already been conducted through the N.Z. Methodist. However we would like to make the following points.
 - (a) The American Survey "Ex Pastors" by Jud Mills and Burch clearly shows that the most significant single reason put forward for withdrawal was disillusionment with the Church's relevance to the problems of the modern world.
 - (b) If any survey of ex Pastors is to be conducted in N.Z. it should be on an ecumenical basis to ensure adequate size of sample.
 - (c) Research into the discontents of Ex Pastors should be seen within the total context of lay and ministerial criticism of the Church.

- (d) The American Survey mentioned above indicates that the clear cut distinction which we often tend to draw between pastors and ex-pastors is not confirmed, in the experience of many of those who resign. Most ex-pastors in this survey considered themselves still to be ministers and, in fact, more able to express a valuable Christian ministry outside the Church's pastoral ministry than within it.
- (e) Another major concern expressed in the American Survey was the felt lack of support by fellow ministers, laymen, church leaders, and the lack of real opportunity to talk over problems and dissatisfactions. The most often used person for support was the pastor's wife, adding a further strain on the family.
- (4) Perhaps the major lesson for us all is that minister and layman must learn to listen to each other more carefully. Each has a right to offer constructive criticism of the other and of the Church as a whole; but each has also the obligation to encourage the other and to work for the building up of the Body of Christ.

2. SUSPENSION OF THE INVITATION SYSTEM

(p.127, 1971 Conference Minutes—6.)

That the Welfare of the Church Committee consider and report to the Synods and Conference 1972 on the proposition that the system of Circuit appointments by Invitation be suspended until the position on Church Union becomes clarified. No recommendations are made.

The Welfare of the Church Committee considered the submissions carefully and in detail, with an awareness of the problem submitted, however, the Committee came to the conclusion that the advantages suggested did not outweigh the difficulties and strains that would be imposed by drastically limiting the movement of Ministers during the next few years.

3. PROCEDURES FOR HANDLING MINISTERIAL RESIGNATIONS

(p.127, 1971 Conference Minutes—7.)

"That the Welfare of the Church Committee be asked to prepare a revised procedure for handling ministerial resignations which will give expression to connexional pastoral concern for and involvement in the reaching of the final decision by each individual minister."

The Committee is sensitive to the difficult problems that have occurred over some resignations. It is convinced that the Church's attitude to ministerial resignations is not adequately embodied in the present Law, and is particularly concerned about the words "and shall promise that if his views on doctrine or discipline change he will quietly retire from the Ministry", in para. 91.

We point out that very few ministers go through their time of service without some change in views or doctrine. Secondly, the implication that a change in ministerial employment should be covered over without fuss is quite unacceptable to us; we do not see a resignation as necessarily implying a "loss of faith" or "going back" on one's "call", as have sometimes been inferred from this clause.

The Committee contends that the Church's pastoral concern for men contemplating resignation would be much better expressed if the act of leaving the full-time service of the Church were made more open and straightforward. It has discussed involved procedures which would be laid down, but is not convinced that the answer will be found in writing new Law. However the removal of the above clause might enable freer discussion and counselling to take place.

A minister contemplating resignation should feel free to discuss his concerns with anyone of his own choosing, and those who are

sought out for counselling should not interpret their roles in terms of trying to "keep him in the work". In the normal course of events, the chairman should be involved at some point, and any letter of resignation forwarded to the President could include some reference to those who shared in the process of decision.

The Committee is of the opinion that pressure on ministers contemplating resignation could be still further reduced if a more clearly defined distinction was made between "ordination" and "reception" into full connexion. We feel that the rights and obligations conferred in the act of ordination need not necessarily be assumed to be exercised continuously for the rest of the ordinand's life.

If reception into full connexion was to be seen as relating the ordinand to the discipline, administration and employment of the Conference, then a more comfortable path might be provided both out of and back into the full-time service of the Church without the act of ordination being drawn into question at all. Other denominations seem to be able to handle this situation more adequately than Methodism; yet our history should make it quite possible for us to do the same. We recommend this suggestion to the Conference and append a suitable recommendation.

4. EXPERIMENTATION WITH ROLES OF MINISTRY

Conference Resolution:—"That the Conference be asked to give approval for Circuits to have the freedom to experiment with the roles of ministry, so that the Clergy are not directed to the chair, nor the laity to their traditional roles."

This issue involves much more than giving a blanket approval for Circuits to experiment in Chairmanship. It provides the opportunity to re-examine the traditional Methodist system of Church Government. The Law Book states that the Superintendent Minister, or in some circumstances another minister, of the Circuit shall assume the role of Chairman of all major Church committees. Behind this lies the assumption that all major leadership functions in the Circuit are primarily the responsibility of the Superintendent minister. See Law Book section 151.

In practice the Law Book is seldom now adhered to at this point and it is a wise superintendent who shares his responsibilities with his colleagues. In the past major leadership functions were tied to the status of superintendency. It is now coming to be seen that within the Church, leadership should be primarily a function rather than a status, and that the role of leadership more properly belongs to the whole group who may delegate certain specific functions to particular people. These conclusions are in line with the doctrine of the priesthood of all believers and the rediscovery of the Church as the "Servant People of God."

In the Methodist Church we must seek to develop a system whereby a balance is achieved between the official authority of the Conference, Chairman and Superintendents on one hand and on the other hand the need to encourage local leadership and creativity. Responsibility to the Conference may primarily need to lie with one person within a Circuit but it does not necessarily follow that this person (the Superintendent) must necessarily undertake all the major functions of leadership. Indeed it is most unlikely that this one man is more capable in every respect of leadership than all his colleagues (lay and ministerial) in the Circuit. However, even if he were, a shared style of leadership is the one most likely to encourage local initiative and a sense of belonging. In particular, Chairmanship of meetings and administration (such as filling in annual returns) need not necessarily be performed by the Superintendent.

Behind our thinking must lie the affirmation that ministry is a function of the whole Church — ministers and laymen working together as a team. This type of leadership provides the only practical alternative to a minister dominated Church. It can give full-time ministers opportunity to exercise more creative ministries, in which their particular gifts and abilities can be more adequately used. It will also make it easier for the Church to adapt to the part-time ministries which for financial if not for theological reasons are being thrust upon us. But more important it can release a hitherto largely untapped well of creativity and ability which lies within the lay folk of the Church.

It could well be that a minister would find himself taking a more effective role within the Church — that of Convener — a position to which he is peculiarly suited with his greater overall view of the Church. He would then be the co-ordinator, the initiator, the educator who was constantly seeking to facilitate the total ministry of the whole Church.

R. G. RIGBY, Convener.

W. L. WALLACE, Chairman.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Reports of the Welfare of Church Committee be referred back to the Committee for re-presentation to the next Conference.

2. That the Section of the Report and its recommendation relating to "Procedures for Handling Resignations" be referred to ministerial Committees and Synods for study and report back to the Committee.

3. That the Hawkes Bay-Manawatu recommendation:—
"Realising the failure of statistical information to present a true picture of current trends in Church life, and noting the need for continual evaluation of the effectiveness of our work, we ask the Development Division to give early attention to assisting Circuits in this matter" be forwarded to the Development Division for examination and report to Synods and Conference 1973.

4. That the Committee for 1973 be as printed on page 9.

QUESTION 36.—(b)

N.Z. METHODIST LAY PREACHERS' ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL REPORT FOR YEAR ENDED JUNE 30th, 1972

Regular meetings of the Dominion Executive have been managed throughout the year, although not without some difficulties. We have been fortunate in retaining the services of Mr R. E. Sullivan as Secretary, despite a considerable work load elsewhere; also Mr J. Daley as Editor of "The Preacher". During the year we lost the services of Mr E. G. Heggie and Mr B. Bowden on the Executive and record appreciation of their contribution. A particular word of thanks to Mr Heggie for the material he provides for "The Preacher".

Tributes: We record with a sense of considerable loss, the deaths of two veteran members: Mr H. P. Mourant, Auckland and Mr H. E. Hosking, Kaiapoi. We give thanks for their witness and fidelity to the Gospel they proclaimed and the worth of their work on behalf of the Association over a long period. Mr Mourant held several positions in the Association and Mr Hosking gave excellent service as Secretary to the Dominion Executive while it was located in Christchurch in 1966-69

Examination Results: Thirteen candidates entered for the examinations in December 1971 and June 1972, with the following results:—

	Passed	Failed	Total
Theology	1 (2)	1 (2)	2 (4)
Old Testament	5 (3)	2 (2)	7 (5)
New Testament	3 (6)	—	3 (7)
Homiletics	4 (4)	2 (1)	6 (5)
The Church	1 (2)	2 (—)	3 (2)
	<hr/> 14 (15)	<hr/> 7 (6)	<hr/> 21 (23)

(Results for last year in parentheses).

Of the thirteen candidates, four were women candidates and nine men.

Examination Arrangements: These are now undertaken by the Department of Christian Education. From discussion with the Director of Christian Education concerning preparation for the examination, it appears that not all candidates are enrolling with the Department and making use of the study and other facilities it offers to lay preachers in training.

Accreditation Certificates: Only three persons have been received as fully accredited lay preachers during the year. They are:—Graham R. White, Dunedin South (411); Rhondda M. Mason, Auckland East (412) and John M. Muir, Hokianga (413).

Long Service Diplomas: In recognition of service as lay preachers for 25 years or longer.

The issue of a diploma during the year to Mr T. P. Hughson, New Plymouth, for 64 years of service calls for special mention. Since they were introduced in 1930, diplomas have been issued to only two lay preachers for periods longer than Mr Hughson has served. They were for 68 and 65 years. The Association acknowledges Mr Hughson's length and quality of service with gratitude.

Others to receive diplomas were:—B. Barnett (New Plymouth), 33 years; Mrs A. M. Grounds (Orakei), 25 years; C. W. Malcolm (Orakei), 40 years; G. O. Dixon (Onehunga), 27 years; R. W. Clucas (Willowby), 31 years; J. Kermode (Willowby), 50 years.

Newsletter — "The Preacher": The number of issues this year has been slightly reduced, but rising costs of printing and postage are firm and inescapable facts. In addition, branches in general, are not in a position to contribute beyond the extent of their active and financial membership. In consequence, the past policy of levying branches on a membership basis has been discontinued. It is hoped that income from invested funds will be enough to meet the major part of the newsletter costs.

Recognition of Samoan and Pacific Island Lay Preachers: The Executive has agreed that a modified form of accreditation certificate be provided to Samoan and Tongan Methodist lay preachers who undertake a course of study and examination in N.Z. to enable them to conduct services in their own language, to their own people in N.Z. At present these services are held regularly in Auckland and Wellington. Training assistance is given by N.Z. ministers working with interpreters on the content of the training course and the examinations.

Questionnaire: A questionnaire prepared by the Dominion Executive and distributed to members through branches, drew a response from 110 fully accredited lay preachers and 8 auxiliaries. 15 women and 94 men responded. Although not representing a high rate of response in relation to total membership, it is apparent that lay

preachers who fall into the category of "active" replied. 89 whose length of service ranges from 1-30 years replied, plus 29 who have served as lay preachers for 31-55 years.

The average number of services per preacher is 12 per annum, although more than half of those who answered the questionnaire took less than the average. At the other extreme, there were 5 with responsibility for 35-40 services annually. 73% answered that present calls on their services are sufficient, although they would accept more if required. 18% would prefer more appointments. The majority indicate a diminished call as lay preachers and with few exceptions, the reasons are as expected — fewer preaching places, staggered hours for morning services enabling ministers to conduct more than one service, and a reduction in evening services.

More than half report that there has been an increased call on their services for other than lay preaching. It is clear from the replies that lay preachers are involved at most levels of the church's organisation and responsibility, i.e. Christian education, administration and social service.

On the whole, the views expressed as to the future of lay preaching indicate a realistic awareness of the changing situation. Apart from a few marked exceptions, the views reflect a readiness to adapt to the challenge which faces the church in her task of mission in the present age. Evidence of a desire to retain the status quo for its own sake, or an undisturbed role for lay preachers is rare in the comments.

The general consensus indicates a belief that there will be a continuing opportunity in the United Church for the ministry of the Word through the laity (and the hope in some quarters that this may be more clearly stated). Along with this, is the recognition that lay preachers will be called upon to exercise their capacities in a more diverse and supportive role e.g. Christian education, lay leadership, especially in adult groups, counselling and lay pastoral work. Above all, the note is sounded by several that lay preachers must not forget they are called to serve God and His people, rather than to be concerned with questions of status.

R. E. BOWDEN, President.

RESOLUTION

1. That the report and financial statements be received and adopted.

QUESTION 36.—(c) No longer applies.

QUESTION 36.—(d).

METHODIST WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

ANNUAL REPORT 1972

The passing of our beloved Miss Hendra in December 1971 was more than a sad loss, it was almost the complete severance of the filial cord attaching us to the past, for, although the union of Guild fellowships and Missionary Union groups brought forth the Women's Fellowship, shades of the past still breathed their spirit into our actions. We rejoice that this should be so. However, like most fledglings, understanding comes only when doing one's own thing, and until the National Executive could replace our Treasurer, this is what we had to do — learning much in the process. We believe that in the future, each Executive could appoint the National Treasurer, if possible within its ranks, so sharing more helpfully the responsibilities of this important office.

We would record here our expression of loss in the death of Miss Lena Hendra who became Treasurer of the M.W.M.U. in 1959, continuing her interest in us through into the Fellowship, becoming our first M.W.F. Treasurer in February, 1964. Her alert mind, ready wit, encouraging friendship and sincere Christian faith enabled her to be a tremendous support and adviser to each of the Executives she worked with. Known and loved throughout New Zealand and countries beyond, through gifts of communication that she possessed, Lena was held in high esteem by hundreds of women. She was a "tradition" whose contribution to the life of the M.W.F. is quite beyond comprehension. We know her example of Christian love and grace will remain with us for ever.

We would also note here the passing of Mrs Phyllis Clark of Wellington, Vice-President of the immediate past National Executive.

Presidents from all Districts, West Coast Union District, Mrs T. Rogers of Te Roopu Wahine, and Sister Myra Fraser met with the Executive in Auckland 1971 for the biennial Council meeting. All who attended found this a most worthwhile exercise, with time for a closer and more personal evaluation of each other's concerns for the Fellowship and ways and means of carrying out our objectives—

- (a) To promote by worship, study and service, the spiritual and social life of its members so that they may make a Christian witness in home, Church and community.
- (b) To support the work of the church at home and abroad.

We believe the women of the M.W.F. do promote the objects we ask of them. Through our Fellowship National Programme Committee, material in such subjects as social questions, seasonal devotional material, study on Freedom and Bible Study material is available and ready for all who desire to use it. Serving in the community comes as second nature to the women of the Fellowship. It would be impossible to list in this report areas of social concern in which they are active. As answer to supporting the church, one must just read the financial report attached, as well as knowing that Fellowships have raised in excess of \$32,263 for Circuits and \$6,798 for objects other than Fellowship or Church, surely indicates the measure of their concern.

Membership stands at 8,128 although it is not easy to get a true picture of these facts because of the increasing number of Union groups. There are 19 Districts including two Union Districts.

National Executive: During the year the President has visited seven District Councils (13 in the two year period), attended the October and June Hui-e-tau, Church Council and the National Executive of the National Council of Women. She has also represented the Fellowship on the Home and Overseas Mission Boards and the 150th Anniversary Committee and has attended all their meetings.

In March, Mrs Thelma Haddock joined the Executive taking over the duties of National Treasurer.

We have maintained an active interest in National Council of Women. Sub-Committees have studied and prepared reports on (1) Mass Media and its relationship to women, (2) The implementation in N.Z. of the U.N. Declaration 1965 for the promotion of the ideals of peace, mutual respect and understanding among young people. These for the International Council of Women.

Fellowships still require guidance when planning for Union groups. On our behalf three members led by Mrs L. G. White, have been in consultation with the national officers of the Church of Christ fellowship, discussing our respective policies and making preparation, through understanding of each other, for closer relationships.

Overseas Communication: Following policy made at the 1971 Council, all Districts have undertaken to supervise and freight their own gift parcels, resolving the ever increasing cost of double freighting goods for the United Church which was the case when Fellowships used the services of a national organiser.

Here we gratefully acknowledge the years of untiring service given in this task by Mrs D. Gibson of Auckland and Mrs E. McNeill of Christchurch. It would be impossible to compile a dossier on the number, combined weight and hours taken in sorting and packing of the parcels and tea chests sent over nine and six years respectively, to workers in Papua, New Guinea and British Solomon Islands Protectorate. Loving concern has gone into every package large or small. Mrs Gibson and Mrs McNeill have shouldered this responsibility with real fortitude and we are exceedingly indebted to them for their devotion to this task.

Programme Committee: This Committee has further extended the library of material available for study groups and would gladly share this excellent material with groups even though they may not be specifically M.W.F.'s. A minor charge is made for copy, and, up to date schedules are always available.

Kurahuna Scholarship Committee: Mrs Huia Martin representing Te Roopu Wahine has joined the Committee of Mrs Jean Wikiriwhi, Mrs B. Hughes, Mrs V. Dowie (Convener), Rev. R. Rakena (Chairman) and Rev. M. Te Whare bring the membership to six. Fourteen girls are at present receiving educational assistance through the Kurahuna Grants, which vary in value according to the needs of the girls who come from Canterbury to the Northland and points in between. We perceive an even greater demand for grants in 1973.

Smethurst House: This Committee under the guidance of Mrs C. Firth, has maintained a high standard of stewardship to "Smethurst". There has been some property improvements this year, and we report the Flat is constantly in use.

World Federation of Methodist Women: The Fellowship maintains its links with the Federation which were physically strengthened in January of this year by a very successful visit to our shores by Mrs A. Pfeiffer, the World President.

We would thank the Departments of the Church for courteous co-operation received during our term of office, and express our very best wishes to Rev. B. M. Chystall on his retirement from the Home Mission Department. Through the years he has been a tower of strength. His invaluable advice and clear thinking has been most helpful and deeply appreciated. We congratulate him and wish God's richest blessings upon him in his well earned leisure years.

To Sister Ann Wilson, Sister Atiwhai George and Sister Dorothy Pointon, we would also wish much health and happiness, as each moves this year from long years of activity in the life of the Church into another phase of living. All are very well known to Fellowship members who would reiterate with us "Thanks be to God" for those women.

We thank all members of the Fellowship, those who have represented us at the Conferences of sister organisations, on the Boards, CORSO, N.C.W., the Convener and her team of the Programme Committee and the personnel of the various sub-committees who worked on our behalf these two years — your co-operation has been fantastic, we feel humble indeed. This has been a rewarding two years for us. We have done as much as we could for the fellowship in the time allotted us. There is still sorting out to be done regarding

our overseas mission commitments — this we leave in the capable hands of our incoming President, Mrs R. Price, and her North Canterbury team.

Issues of conscience will always be with us. We have given the members opportunity to express their feelings on those topics which are pressing and not yet found unanimity of opinion on all matters. May we all, through Jesus Christ, continue to seek the TRUTH.

On behalf of the Executive,

VERA DOWIE, President.

HAZEL WILLIAMS, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

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

2. That paragraph 248 (b) (Lawbook p. 43) be amended to add "one representative elected by the Women's Fellowships in the circuit."

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

METHODIST BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

ANNUAL REPORT, 1972

1. THE FUNCTIONING OF THE BOARD

(a) During 1971, there was a clearly expressed need for changes in the way the Board gathers. So experiments have been made in 1972 to plan the agenda so as to balance five functions. This has been fairly satisfactory, and may be useful to others.

* **Meeting together**, where the emphasis is on building better interpersonal relationships. For example, Board members meal together on occasion, and at each meeting spend time to share personal values, experiences and hopes, or to exchange ideas on Christian education programmes in which they have been or will be involved.

* **Informing one another**. For example, reports on staff activities, sharing reports on Christian education experiments, reviewing key books and articles.

* **Working and planning together**, generally with an emphasis on planning by ad hoc sub groups of the Board.

* **Making decisions together**, as the responsible policy making body for the Conference in Christian education.

* **Initiating new ventures**. For example, in 1972, arranging for regular joint meetings with the Presbyterian Assembly Christian Education Committee, and the preparation of a filmstrip for use at the 1972 Conference and in local churches in 1973.

(b) The Board is concerned that it and other Church bodies still do not provide satisfactory structures or procedures for youth opinion to be effectively heard in the decision-making process. This concern has been aggravated by the lowering of CYMM age limits. The Board intends to give attention to this matter, and changes will be recommended to the Church in due course.

2. SOME ASPECTS OF THE EDUCATIONAL TASK

(a) Children's Ministry?

- (i) Looking at the means by which Synods may best support the work with children under the new structures, it would appear that initiatives might be taken in these directions:
 - * Since in effect most ministers have to assume the role of director of Christian education in the local church, Synod needs to offer special help to ministers.
Planning for worship experiences for children and for helping children to feel themselves a significant part of the church's ministry or outreach even before they reach the age where they can assume much responsibility are two themes which could be included.
 - * The Synod can help to select and train consultant people. Such consultants would visit local Sunday Schools to help in equipping teachers for their task. They could also be available to help local churches assess strengths and weaknesses in their ministry to the children. This would enable the churches to share the expertise that is available in any given area.
 - * Training events for leaders of children's activities again need to be a focus of the church's concern. During the initial stages of the introduction of the Christian Life Curriculum, leaders were aware of the underlying educational and theological assumptions. In the intervening two years some of the impact of the emphasis on these undergirdings of the C.L.C. has been lost. In 1973, the Department will provide training and resources to assist Synods which choose to give priority to these initiatives.
- (ii) Jean Angus has taken part in training events in several districts for children's leaders. Because the five denominations use a joint curriculum it has been possible to plan ecumenically for training functions. Staff experience is that teachers who attend such ecumenical events have gained new insights from those who do things differently.
- (iii) New Christian Life Curriculum resources available:
Nursery material—a manual/course book and a teacher's packet will be available from November 1972. These will be permanent resources, not annual publications. It would be helpful if nursery teachers, perhaps from several neighbouring churches, were to get together to discuss plans and ideas about the rooms, equipment and new understandings for nursery classes. The children's first introduction to the planned educational programme provided by the church needs special attention.
A manual for Small Churches, price \$1.00 is now available and gives practical help for churches where it is not possible to have classes for each age group or where the number or diversity in ability of children in one particular age group makes it difficult to have a satisfactory class experience. **Self Study Project Books** and a manual for their use is available for the Junior and Intermediate grades where difficulties of numbers or diversity of ability are experienced. The new teachers' kit **"Effective use of the Christian Life Curriculum"** (price \$1.25) picks up this same issue of how to adapt the C.L.C. materials to the above situations. It also deals with the problems of lack of sufficient time or space to use the C.L.C. effectively. This kit also covers the basic educational and theological principles of the curriculum, which have tended to be overlooked in many churches since the ACE programme.

(b) Youth Ministry.

- (i) The major youth leadership training initiated by the Department has been a series of six youth consultations led by Keith Rowe. Each gathered approximately 20 leaders from a district on a 1:1 youth/adult ratio for a weekend, where together they would explore the meaning of youth ministry, gain experience in planning to put ideas into action, and develop leadership skills. The results of these consultations have confirmed some important emphases in youth ministry, e.g.

- * The need to recognise youth as part of the Church of today and not simply in training to be the church of tomorrow.
- * Youth ministry means youth engaged in ministry, i.e. acting out the gospel in witness and service.
- * Youth ministry means ministering to the youth outside the church as well as caring for those in our midst.
- * The desire of youth to have opportunities to engage in action and conversation with adults in the congregation.
- * The desire of youth to be given the opportunity to clarify their beliefs and values.

- (ii) There are many hopeful signs in the church's youth ministry. In a number of places the traditional "Bible Class" structure is breaking down, but is being replaced by an open "club" approach through which these churches are making a conscious effort to make contact with alienated youth. These groups represent an important "growing edge" in the church's ministry to youth. Such groups do not take the place of a study and action programme for those already identified with the church, but are aimed at a different group.

The whole church will want to join with the Department in congratulating the Palmerston North CYMM on receiving one of the 1972 Governor General's Youth Awards in recognition of their service to the community. The citation accompanying the announcement of the award stated "The provision of social, recreational and community activities for the benefit of both young and old has been a principal concern of the Palmerston North Methodist Youth Movement. The group's activities are an outstanding example of the work being done by similar groups throughout New Zealand today."

- (iii) There appears to be a decline in the numbers using the Christian Life Curriculum youth materials. For churches which are operating a "club type" approach, the C.L.C. materials are often inappropriate. However, they remain the best materials available for use in a study setting. The Joint Board of Christian Education will be publishing a small booklet for youth leaders early in 1973, which will provide practical suggestions for new and different patterns of using the C.L.C. Youth 1 and 2 grades for 1973 (year 2).

(c) Adult Ministry:

- (i) In co-operation with the Board of Evangelism, the Department trained selected persons from all Synods as leaders for the Shalom events in the local church. This involved two pilot programmes in Wellington, evaluations to determine a training design, and 3 weekend training programmes, held at Pukekohe, Feilding and Timaru.

Shalom is a programme which is co-ordinated by the Board of Evangelism. It provides for two trained resource people to visit by invitation a meeting of Leaders in a local church community,

and to help them to identify and choose an issue of major concern in that church's life. The programme is arranged to enable the leaders:

- * To share hopes, convictions, feelings and understandings about the chosen issue in an open spirit where there is honest and even forceful expression, with acceptance and appreciation of one another and one another's feelings and ideas.

- * To prepare some goals for action on the church's concern.

- * To start the process of planning to carry through those goals.

One hoped for bi-product of the Shalom programmes is that Synods and Departments will appreciate the value of trained visiting consultants for helping local leaders to diagnose and plan. Among the Shalom teams are a number of such valuable potential consultants.

- (ii) For developing more significant adult education in our churches, emphasis in training events this year has been placed on three aspects:

- * The strategic importance of existing decision making and planning committees in every local church as key adult education programmes. Helping them to plan effectively, to reflect on their programmes, and to examine the quality of relationships in their meetings is a fundamental education focus.

- * Attention to the recognised needs of people when groups are being planned.

- * An attempt to help Christians in the process of making moral judgements in particular situations, and to help them to apply their moral judgements by planning shared action to bring about social change. Therefore for 1973, with special focus on young adults, the Department is encouraging the staging of Ethics Workshops planned around controversial issues which are being discussed widely (e.g. apartheid, or violence/non violence in relation to the 1973 Springbok Tour). We emphasise to the church the educational opportunities which current debate in church and society offers us. It is this conviction which motivated staff members to take a major role in the compilation and publishing of the information kitset "The Churches Oppose Apartheid".

- (iii) The Methodist Women's Fellowship has expressed an interest in helping groups to better understand the implications of shared leadership. Jean Angus has provided programmes for district rallies at Matamata, Gore, Hastings, and a number of local groups.

- (iv) **Community '73.** The Department is representing the Methodist Church in the planning for Community '73, the national workshop — discussion programme to be held over a period of five weeks in July 1973, and sponsored and supported by a wide range of national and local organisations.

Community '73 will cater mainly for residential communities, but also will allow for participation by such other kinds of community or factory and school groups. The primary objective is to facilitate interaction by people of a wide range of age, background and experience. Secondary objectives are to enable people to experience community, to understand it, to strengthen it and to share in its development and control.

- (d) **Continuing Ministerial Training:**

Staff again were responsible for planning and leading the Annual School of Theology for the ministers of the Hawkes Bay-Manawatu, Taranaki-Wanganui and Wellington Districts. The theme of this programme was: "The ministers' role in planning for mission in the local church." A few ministers from other denominations and other Districts also attended.

Keith Rowe and John Grundy were members of the special committee appointed to report to Conference on Continued Ministerial Training. It is clear that the Department will have a key role alongside the Theological College, in this whole field. The responsibility for policy of course belongs to the Committee on Ministry. Particular plans are being made for 1973 centred on training and resources for ministers' support groups.

3. A SHIFT IN DIRECTOR POLICY

From the beginning of 1973, Keith Rowe will be based in Auckland. The main reasons for this are:

- * The Department wishes to provide a better consultant service to the northern Districts where New Zealand population is concentrated.
- * It is seen as providing a Methodist member for ecumenical Christian education teams based on Auckland and Hamilton. Firm decisions have not yet been made about the structure of a Christian Education Department for a united Church. But all proposals which have been considered so far agree on the establishment in about five centres of regional teams of staff people, and first steps in achieving this should not wait until after Union.
- * The Department wishes to develop effective co-ordination of services with the new Development Division and aspects of ministerial training.

It is still intended that Keith Rowe will continue with national oversight of Methodist youth ministry, but the new policy element is that he will concentrate his district work in the three northern Districts.

To clarify the reasons for the transfer, we have set out a job description for the Associate Director stationed in Auckland.

(a) The National Methodist youth resource person, and CYMM executive officer.

(b) The Methodist Christian education field adviser to the three northern districts.

—It is not proposed that there be any alteration in the Synod's basic responsibility for oversight of Christian education in their Districts.

—The Auckland based Associate Director will continue to be responsible to the Board through the Director.

—At the Director's discretion, other Methodist staff members will still function in the three northern Districts, and the Auckland based Associate Director will spend a limited portion of time each year in selected Districts elsewhere in the country.

—A major aspect of the regional role will be to share in developing ecumenical Christian education teams centred on Auckland and Hamilton.

(c) Connexional aspects of the appointment.

—To help develop a personal and direct liaison between the Development and Educational Divisions from the beginning of the new Division structure within a Council of Mission.

—To be involved in Christian education aspects of Theological College training, as requested and available.

—To participate actively in the Continuing Ministerial Training Committee.

(d) The Auckland based staff person will continue as a member of the Board of Christian Education, and particular attention will need to be given to maintaining the close staff relationship in the Department.

4. C.Y.M.M.

(a) The CYMM National Council has now combined with the CYM Presbyterian National Executive in a Joint National Youth executive. Provision is made for the participation of other negotiating churches but they have not yet appointed representatives. The Methodist and Presbyterian Departments of Christian Education are currently exploring possibilities of greater sharing in the area of youth resources and common action.

(b) **Projects:** The project "Bread for the Bishop" was most successful, a total of \$2,541 being raised for the support of Bishop Leslie Boseto. The thanks of the CYMM are due to the CYMM Executive at Pitt Street, Auckland who organised the project. The current project has been "Pitch-In", a voluntary community service project. We believe that "Pitch-In" is a good concept, providing a framework within which a group may move from talk to action. The response to it has not been as positive as we had hoped and it appears that young people respond more actively to a project involving the raising of money, with its more tangible goals. A small group of CYMMers are travelling to Queensland to attend the Australian National Youth Convention.

(c) **CYMM age limits.** In 1969 the Department produced "proposals for a more adequate ministry with youth". The first of the guidelines was that "membership of the CYMM be changed from ages 13-30 to approximately 13-18 with flexibility on the basis of similar maturity and interests". We see no need to alter this guideline. Some leaders of youth have expressed a desire for a return to the wider age grouping. A local church must make its own decisions based on its numbers, leadership needs, and programme. The important thing is that each age grouping be taken seriously and be free to develop activities which met its particular needs. These were the focal emphases in 1969 and they are still valid. It is not important that local churches follow a universal pattern in organising for youth ministry. The essential point is that youth are taken seriously in planning for youth ministry. We have no concrete proposals for changes in the law as the 1969 report suggested might be done after three years.

5. ORDER OF ST. STEPHEN

Jillian Pearce was accepted into the Order in February. As she was the 100th accepted member, the Christchurch members of the Order provided a function for her after the service of reception held in her home church of Aldred, St. Albans.

Margaret Wharfe of Pukekohe was accepted into the Order at her home church, after serving her year at Gaulim Teachers' College in Papua-New Guinea.

During 1972 there have been three candidates for service, one had to withdraw due to illness, and one due to a change of plans. Justine Guest, a qualified nurse from Shirley, Christchurch, is presently serving in Gemo Hospital at Port Moresby. At the time of compiling this report, two further applicants are under consideration.

6. NEW DISTRICT STRUCTURES

Directors have visited the Synods during 1972, to interpret the new structures agreed on at the 1971 Conference, and in particular to support the new Synod Education Conveners as they assume their new responsibilities. All conveners have been appointed, and the Department is very pleased with the quality of the selected team. In August over a two day period Synod Education Conveners conferred with the staff and the Board. Another conveners' conference is planned for March 1973 — this time in co-operation with Presbyterian conveners and staff.

7. SECULAR EDUCATION

It is becoming increasingly clear that the church ought to be concerned about the quality of secular education and that this is a dimension of the church's educational responsibility in which the Christian Education Department can and should operate. In terms of this conviction, Department staff have, over the last year, shared in the planning and running of a seminar on the Secondary School Curriculum, in the preparation of submissions to the Education Department on the Secondary School Curriculum, and in the running of a workshop on Values Clarification for a group of staff and students in the Wellington Teachers' College. In addition John Grundy attended the Education Priorities Conference organised by the Education Department.

8. PUBLICATIONS

(a) The "Christian Education Handbook" continues to be the primary means of communication between the local church and the Department. The September issue was a special one. "We plan Together" was designed to follow up the Shalom programmes with printed material, but it should have long term value as a resource for all local church planners. It experiments with new styles of presentation and heralds a new-look Handbook for 1973, to be published jointly with the Presbyterian Christian Education Committee. Special thanks to Les George for his supervision of the layout for the September issue.

(b) "The Churches Oppose Apartheid" was published by the Department for the N.C.C. Christian Education Commission as an information kitset. It has three major sections: What is Apartheid? Christians, Racism and Apartheid, and the 1973 Springbok Tour. It is hoped that local churches will make use of this kitset, and make it widely known.

(c) A Film Slide production is under preparation at the request of the President-elect, Rev. Selwyn Dawson. It is intended to illustrate some ministries for change in local churches through the country, partly to encourage the fainthearted, but also to stimulate us all to explore some initiatives we might take in our local communities. The production will be available for use during 1973, and follow up written material to assist discussion and planning is being prepared. A Board sub-committee under Rev. Ian Robertson is responsible, and special appreciation is due to Drs David and Nerida Ellerton for the technical oversight of the project.

(d) The Director edited the "Church in Action" kitset for the Finance and Stewardship Committee, and later this year will co-operate with the Rev. Rua Rakena in the production of a kitset for the new Maori Division. On behalf of the Overseas Missions Department, Jean Angus will assist a Presbyterian editor in the publication of a new combined mission magazine for children.

9. CO-OPERATION WITH OTHER CHURCHES

The Methodist Church has committed itself to the ecumenical priority. Therefore Christian education, local district and national, should seek to reflect and promote that commitment. This section lists a few of the national initiatives which the Board has taken on the Church's behalf.

(a.) **Negotiating Churches' Board of Christian Education:** A major assignment this year was the preparation of seven explanatory leaflets to facilitate understanding for voting on the Plan for Union. Over 100,000 copies of each of these were sold, and a total of 119,000 were distributed by our office to Methodist congregations.

Discussion continues on possible structures for a Christian Education Department in a united Church.

(b) **Joint Meetings with the Presbyterian Assembly Christian Education Committee:** So far two joint meetings have been held, and it is clear that there are many possibilities for joint planning and action. Already, agreement has been reached for a shared staff/conveners' conference for March 1973, joint publication of "The Christian Education Handbook" and a "Conveners' Roundup" for 1973, and a sharing with the Overseas Missions' Departments in the publication of a joint mission paper for children. Consideration is now being given to the selection, goals and supervision of several pilot projects, for innovations in Christian education programmes.

(c) **The Churches' Education Commission:** The 1971 Conference gave approval in principle to the merging of the N.Z. Council for Christian Education and the N.C.C. Christian Education Commission. In July a joint meeting was held between the two bodies to consider a constitution agreed on by a negotiating committee which had representatives from each organisation. While regretting some changes which were made at that joint meeting, and particularly the enlargement of the Commission through the inclusion of five representatives of District Committees as constituent bodies, it is our recommendation that the Methodist Church should approve the formation of the Churches' Education Commission, and should appoint three Methodist representatives to the Commission. If the majority of constituent Churches and the national Council of Churches approve, the Commission will meet for its first meeting in February, 1973.

The objects of the proposed Commission are:

(i) To stimulate, focus, co-ordinate and give effect to the concern of the churches and related organisations for Christian and general education in New Zealand.

(ii) To keep New Zealand education under review, to press for due emphasis on all the dimensions in a complete education of the person, and to show concern for the quality, scope and appropriateness of educational opportunities for all groups within the community.

(iii) To study and make representations about, the effect of present or proposed legislation concerning education; and, in particular, its impact upon opportunities for Christian education.

(iv) To encourage people to be involved as informed Christians in education as professionals, as parents or as other citizens.

(v) To co-operate with all educational and religious authorities and organisations where appropriate.

(vi) To encourage the optimum use of facilities for worship and religious education by primary schools, secondary schools and other educational institutions and agencies, and to explore new opportunities.

(vii) To advise churches, organisations, teachers and educational authorities concerning bibliographies, syllabuses, teaching, worship and devotional aids, and other resources; to evaluate these, and to publish such as desired.

(viii) To co-ordinate and set standards for the work of any professional or voluntary personnel acting on behalf of the Commission within the state education system.

(ix) To co-ordinate or undertake on behalf of the churches and the National Council of Churches appropriate Christian education within the community for all age groups.

(x) To co-ordinate and support the leadership training resources of churches and organisations and to promote further training where necessary.

(xi) To encourage study of social issues and the educational aspects of social action, namely, planning for and reflection upon such action.

(xii) To serve as the educational advisory body to the National Council of Churches and to Christian community organisations.

(xiii) To continue the work of the N.Z. Council for Christian Education, the N.Z. Bible-in-Schools' League and the National Council of Churches' Christian Education Commission.

For the Christian Education Board,
JOHN A. PENMAN, Chairman.
JOHN GRUNDY, Director.

RESOLUTIONS

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

2. That Conference welcomes the information about the Community '73 programme arranged for July 1973, and invites all Quarterly Meetings and Union Parish Sessions to work for whole hearted involvement by our people in local planning and discussions.

3. That Conference affirms the suggested Synod priorities for training in children's ministry and urges that each Synod give serious consideration to initiating one at least of the priorities.

4(a). That Conference approves the Constitution of the Churches' Education Commission, and agrees to participate in the new body from February 1973.

(b). That the Methodist representatives on the Churches' Education Commission be: Rev. John Grundy, and two to be appointed by the Board of Christian Education.

5. That the Education Division be asked to give guidance to the Church in the search for alternative forms of Christian Education which take seriously the family as the primary nurturing group.

6. That Conference congratulates the Palmerston North CYMM group for their community work which led to their being awarded a 1972 Governor General's Youth Award.

7. That the thanks of the Conference be forwarded to Drs David and Nerida Ellerton for the creative production of "The Buried Talent" and that the programme be commended to circuits.

8. That Conference expresses to Mrs Rose Symons, Anne and Fred, our profound sorrow at the passing of Rev. Clifford T. Symons for nine years the Senior Director of our Youth Department. We remember with gratitude the outstanding contribution he made to the development of what is now our Department of Christian Education and we offer the support of the friendship and prayers of a wide circle of New Zealand friends.

9. That the Board of the Education Division for 1973 be as printed on page 5 herein.

QUESTION 38.—(a) What were the Resolutions of Conference in regard to Public Questions?

METHODIST PUBLIC QUESTIONS COMMITTEE

REPORT TO CONFERENCE, 1972

1. RURAL MEDICINE:

Res. 10, p.154, 1971 Minutes.

1. Mileage Allowance for Rural Doctors:

We believe that consequent to the 1969 Report of a Working Party on Rural Medical Services a realistic mileage allowance has been paid to Rural Doctors. At the moment it is the normal rate plus 25%.

2. Locum Tenens:

The need for locum tenens was recognised in the 1969 Report and since then a subsidy has been available for the employment of locum tenens. This has enabled many rural doctors to have more adequate holidays and to attend post-graduate courses. The suggestion contained in the resolution, that local Medical Officers of Health be used as locum tenens is clearly impractical, for not only is there at present a shortage of Medical Officers of Health, but, even if all areas were fully staffed, only 18 Medical Officers of Health would be available and then only for limited periods.

The Committee would reiterate the point it made in its previous report — "Group Practice is the future cornerstone of rural practices, providing as it does, the answer to professional isolation . . . and enabling a full 24-hour cover to be given as well as cover during illness, annual vacation and for post-graduate study."

3. Use of Lay Administrators in Hospitals:

This seems to be a hardy perennial and no doubt someone will present the case for Lay Administrators to the newly appointed Commission on Hospital Services as it travels around New Zealand. While acknowledging that some doctors do not always have the technical skills required by an administrator the Committee would point out that the principal function of a Medical Superintendent is to organise a Medical team, a task which requires professional expertise. Furthermore, there is the question of acceptance of a lay administrator by Medical Staff. This we feel would only happen in exceptional circumstances as the majority of medical staffs would prefer to be led by a doctor. We would also make the point that there are some doctors who wish to make a career of Hospital Administration.

DRUG USE AND ABUSE

Introduction

Everyone is a drug user. New Zealand has been described as a "drug dependent society". The majority of our population seems to turn to amphetamines, to control diet with dexedrine, to moderate anxiety with tranquilisers, to lift depression with amitriptyline, to socialise with alcohol and, finally, to turn off at night with barbiturates. . . ."

This is not surprising when we recognise how broad is the category which encompasses so many substances. In essence no drug is necessarily sinister or dangerous. Indeed, the benefit derived from the correct drug used in the correct way is immeasurable. One most unfortunate aspect of all the publicity about drug misuse is that some people feel a real sense of guilt about taking the drugs properly prescribed for them by their doctor. It cannot be stressed too much that this sort of guilt is quite unnecessary, provided they follow his instructions carefully and seek his advice before making any alterations.

Some Concepts and What we mean by them

Drug: Any chemical substance which alters the functioning of the body.

Drug use: The proper use of a drug as intended by the doctor or chemist.

Drug misuse: Self-medication or the wrong application of a drug; using the wrong drug or medicine, or even, sometimes failure to read and follow instructions.

Drug abuse: This occurs where self-medication or self-administration of a drug (usually in excessive quantities) leads to

social, psychological or psychic dependence and abnormal behaviour, either separately or collectively.

Drug dependence: A state of psychic or physical dependence — or both — arising in a person following administration of that drug on a periodic or continuous basis. The characteristics of such state will vary with the agent involved and these characteristics must always be made clear by designating the particular type of drug dependence in each particular case.

The church has certain responsibilities in this area of drug use or abuse.

1. The first of these is:

To set the drug scene in New Zealand in its proper perspective

While the Committee shares the concern of those who are disturbed by the serious rise in the number of persons charged with drug offences — from 28 in 1966 to 540 in 1971 — it would urge that these figures be set in their proper perspective. This can only be done when the number of users and the effects of the drug are taken into consideration. For example, in 1970 (the last year for which figures are available), while 252 persons were charged with drug offences, there were at least 35,000 people suffering from alcoholism, 850 deaths from lung cancer (of which smoking is the principal cause), and an estimated 2,019,160 prescriptions were written for tranquilisers, barbituates and anti-depressants which cost \$5,701,924. We would, therefore, contend that the order of public concern with drug users should run:

1. Alcohol.
2. Tobacco.
3. Amphetamines, barbituates, tranquilisers etc., on prescription.
4. Minor analgesics, i.e. aspirin.
5. Cannabis and amphetamines not on prescription.
6. Heroin and L.S.D.

To concentrate narrowly on drugs such as L.S.D., heroin and marijuana, as the news media tend to do, is to concentrate on but a small part of a far greater problem. We would fully agree with the comment of the Australian Senate Committee: "A popular image of the drug abuser promulgated by sensational news reporting is one of a long-haired person adopting an exaggerated style of dress, careless in his habits and probably a university student . . . this image is entirely erroneous. Drug abuse is practised by the middle-aged more than the young and among the young it is more prevalent outside universities than within them."

Why, then, focus on the young drug abuser?

We would suggest that one answer could be that the adult population have taken drug use by young people as an area of activity which can act as a focus for the differences between the generations — which are particularly acute in a time of rapid change — so that drug use among the young now justifies the older generation in their general attitudes towards the activities of the young. It is further symptomatic of an underlying hostility and aggressiveness towards the young and their way of life.

2. The second responsibility of the church is:

To come to an understanding of the causes of drug abuse.

Drug abuse must be recognised as a complex phenomenon. The major factors to be considered are almost impossible to separate. These include the characteristics of the society in which drug abuse occurs, the individuals who abuse drugs and the drug being abused.

(a) Characteristics of the society in which drug use occurs.

Much has been made recently of the fact that New Zealand is a "drug dependent" society. We would acknowledge that we are being continually exposed to drug taking and that drugs are readily available. Furthermore, the older generation has too often done little to encourage a cautious approach to self-medication to relieve any minor pain or discomfort. So it is not surprising that in almost every home there are drugs ranging from the mild aspirin to stimulants and sedatives. Too often children are given minor analgesics for any pain and have become only too accustomed to seeing their parents take a pill to make them sleep and another to stimulate them or to take alcohol or tobacco to create a feeling of well-being. It is little wonder, therefore, that in the future they will often succumb to pressure to experiment with drugs.

However, the Committee feels we must go even deeper than acknowledging the fact that we are a drug-dependent society. Where once it was common to associate drug abuse with crime, poverty and deprivation, today we should be associating it with affluence, over-indulgence, permissiveness, broken homes, lack of parental supervision, insecurity, failure to utilise opportunities for creative activity and boredom.

There is, we believe, a relationship between drug abuse and the concern of the young for the future. Many young people appear to have lost faith not only in God but in the power and capacity of human reason. Their very real fear is that reason cannot cope with the problems of nuclear warfare, pollution, the population explosion, poverty and racial hostility. Their doubt of man's capacity to survive seems to have encouraged an emphasis on feeling and emotion and on life and pleasure in the here and now.

Another factor which must be taken into consideration is the general affluence of our society. This affluence has, paradoxically, become a source of boredom from which drugs permit an escape.

There is also a rejection by many of the young drug abusers of the life style characteristic of the affluent society with its emphasis on striving for material gain and competitive success and its obvious willingness to place material gain above the needs of the individual.

Finally, it must be realised that there is among many of the young an estrangement from the institution processes and dominant values of our society, in a sense of powerlessness to affect the future of the society or of themselves within it, and a lack of belief that they can find a full and meaningful life within society as it is now understood.

Until we start to deal with these concerns and start to change the society in which we live at depth, there will be a continuing growing problem of drug abuse.

(b) Individuals who abuse drugs.

It is very difficult to generalise about drug abusers. There is no clearly identifiable human category which can be labelled "the typical drug abuser". People with different personality characteristics, coming from diverse social and educational backgrounds, influenced by various environmental factors, start on drugs for different reasons and with different results.

In a report such as this, all we can do is to suggest cautiously a number of factors which singly or combined, are thought to lead people into drugs. It must be noted that in any one person they may overlap, and he or she may be quite unaware of them.

(i) Personality of the user.

It has been long established that the personality factor of the potential drug user is most important. In 1964 a research worker in Britain found, in an experiment in which 150 young

men of above average health and fitness were given two injections of morphine, that only three would willingly allow the injection to be repeated, and none would have sought it out. Dr Chein and his colleagues concluded: "Opiates are not inherently attractive, euphonic or stimulant. The danger of addiction to opiates resides in the person and not in the drug." A similar comment would apply to almost all of the drugs currently used in New Zealand.

From what research has been done, it is likely that certain traits of personality can be responsible for a potentiality to abuse drugs which may lead to dependence, namely low tolerance for anxiety, distress, discomfort, and pain, or frustration of the person's needs.

We are not saying that individuals with personality inadequacies will necessarily become drug abusers, but they do constitute a greater risk if throughout life they encounter situations conducive to drug abuse.

(ii) **Proselytism plus ignorance.**

Many drug abusers persuade other people to experiment with drugs. This can be dangerous since people can be "turned on" who have no real psychological need of any drug and who are too immature or inexperienced to deal with it.

(iii) **Desire for Acceptance.**

Most human beings want to be accepted by the community in which they live; they need a sense of "belonging". People therefore tend to conform to the culture patterns and approved standards of the community. This is especially true of young persons, whose sub-culture has its own conventions. As it becomes fashionable within the sub-culture to experiment with pressure to use them, if for no other reason that it ensures their the use of certain drugs, many young people succumb to the acceptance as members of the "in" group.

(iv) **Rebellion against authority.**

Drug taking, simply because it is frowned upon by "the establishment", is seen by some as a suitably defiant way of showing that one is a rebel. As John Laurie most aptly comments "a flirtation with drugs is a marvellous way of promoting alarm among the grownups". But surely it is more than that. For some, though not all, drug taking has become a symbol of their rejection of society.

(v) **Escape from problems.**

In many people who experiment with drugs, a crucial factor is the desire to escape from personal problems. Other factors such as those already mentioned, may be genuinely present, or may be offered as rationalisations, but the ultimate explanation lies in his own psychological difficulties. Indeed, one definition of a drug dependent person is "a person with certain personality characteristics who happens to have selected this way of coping with his problems for a variety of reasons of which he is usually unaware".

(vi) **Boredom.**

This is a very real problem for some people especially if they are required to do tedious, repetitive jobs which do not sufficiently occupy their minds. Housewives, for example, can very easily drift into this sort of situation. Unfortunately, many in this sort of situation turn to drugs to try and overcome the depression caused by tedium or to relieve the minor aches and pains which are magnified when they have too much time on their hands.

(c) **The Drugs Abused** — see attached charts.

To sum up, we would use these words of a W.H.O. official:

"When you speak of drug abuse you must keep in mind that there are always three things involved — one, the host or the man who uses the drug; two, the environment in which he lives; and three, the pharmacodynamic action of the drug involved. There is a complex interaction between the drug, the host and his environment. Some drugs produce effects which are more attractive to one user, whereas another drug might be more attractive to another user. But always these three factors are involved.

3. **The third responsibility of the church is:**

To make clear its attitude to drug abuse and to the drug abuser:
From what we have already said it is clear that drug abuse is mainly a problem within the individual and that therefore the emphasis should be placed on the treatment of an illness rather than on punishment for a crime. Drug abuse is an illness of the whole person — a physical psychological and spiritual illness. To say this does not deny the existence of complex ethical issues in the problem. It merely refocuses them, putting the emphasis on the individual and his responsibility for obtaining help and treatment. The drug abuser is a human being with a drug problem. His condition involves an incredibly complex mixture of sickness and sin, compulsion and accountability. If the church adopts a moralising stance and emphasises his sin, the drug abuser will be driven away from help and pushed deeper into the dark morass of his alienation.

Believing as it does in the unique worth of every individual in the power of Christ to recreate new life and in the church as the community of acceptance and forgiveness the church has a special responsibility to meet the needs of the drug abuser. It cannot be stressed too much that the crucial issue is recognising the value of the individual human being and of treating people as persons.

In this regard it is important that the church should not overlook the question of justice towards drug abusers (particularly user of cannabis) and towards young drug users as a section of the whole drug using population.

In all of this, one's attitude is important. Many young drug users resent the attitude of members of an older generation in which alcohol is socially acceptable, many of whom seek euphoric effects from alcohol but condemn the young for seeking a euphoria from marijuana or L.S.D.

If by an attitude of understanding and compassion, the church can establish a relationship of love and trust with drug abusers then it will be able to do two important things; first it will be in a position to challenge them to find themselves, by facing their problems and giving themselves to the task of making society what it ought to be; second it will be able to present its claim that Christ, working through human relationships can give people the strength and security with which they can accept the challenge.

CONCLUSION

What can the church do about drug abuse in our society?

- (1) We can keep all church members well informed on the issue, helping them find a healthy personal attitude towards all forms of artificial stimulation and a loving and informed attitude towards those who become dependent upon drugs. The drug field is rife with prejudice, bias, unfounded opinion, myth, and all manner of clutter to deceive the unwary. The facts are readily available if one is prepared to seek them.

- (2) We can act in love towards those who have a drug problem. The church must move from sharing in society's outraged sense of horror and anger directed at the drug user to a stance marked by consistent and patient attempts to stand beside the needy and help them to achieve a new life. As in so many areas, we must move from talk to action. Congregations in areas where drug abuse is a known problem need to ask themselves if this is an issue they should act upon and whether they have or could develop the resources to meet this human problem.
- (3) We must develop the skills needed to help the drug abuser, but good intentions are not sufficient. A great deal of expertise has been amassed in North America and Europe and if we want to act in service we had better learn from those places. The skills needed for individual and group counselling of drug abusers can be learnt.
- (4) We must give a high priority to our congregation becoming a redemptive community in which people's lives may be nourished and their self worth enhanced. Such a community is an environment in which drug abusers and others in need may find wholeness of life. The power of a loving community to mould and enrich human lives is the power which the church offers to those in need.
- (5) We must support the creation of just and workable legislation regarding the use of drugs which takes into account the nature of the drugs involved and the welfare of the user.

III. Legalisation of Marijuana:

1970 Minutes, p.156, Res. 6 — Report on the necessity of maintaining the present prohibition of the traffic in and use of non-habit forming drugs e.g. Marijuana.

1. Introduction.

In any discussion of the question of the legalisation of Marijuana it is important that the proper perspective be established. Among the factors to be taken into account are:—

(a) Drug abuse in New Zealand is mainly a problem within the individual so it follows that the emphasis should be placed on the treatment of an illness rather than punishment for crime.

(b) Alcohol and tobacco are the most widely abused drugs in New Zealand and the incidence of drug abuse is greater in the over 35 age group than in the much more criticised younger generation.

(c) The extent of the abuse of drugs by those under 25 has been exaggerated by the press, radio and T.V. While the number of persons involved in drug offences has risen dramatically in recent years, the total number is still very small when compared with other offenders. This however, is not the impression that is gained from the news media who persistently "highlight" cases involving drugs.

(d) While the average New Zealander tends to think of drug abuse largely in terms of those drugs which produce a strong physical dependence such as opiate narcotics, there is ample evidence available that alcohol, tobacco, barbituates, sedatives and the minor analgesics are those which are creating harm to the greatest number of people.

With the younger generation, Cannabis derivatives, L.S.D., amphetamines and opiate narcotics are the drugs most likely to be abused. Most of the young people involved in the taking of those drugs see it either as an opportunity for experimentation or a form of protest against established society, but there are always those who are psychologically "at risk" and feel the need for a prop in times of anxiety or stress.

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* (This means an increasing amount of the drug is necessary for the same effect).

Drug	Pharmacologic classification	Medical use	Risk of Dependence			Possible effects when abused	How Taken
			Physical	Psychological	Tolerance*		
Alcohol	depressant	none	moderate	high	yes	Drowsiness, Staggering, slurred speech, damage to liver and brain.	swallowed
Barbiturates e.g. Amytal, Nembutal, soneryl, Chloral, Tuinal hydrate, Phenobarb, Seconal.	depressant	for insomnia, tension and epileptic seizures	high	high	yes	Drowsiness, Staggering, slurred speech.	swallowed or by injection
Volatile Solvents (also paint thinner, lighter fluid, petrol).	depressant	none	none	high	possibly	Drowsiness, Staggering, slurred speech, stupor.	inhaled and sniffing
Minor analgesics e.g. Aspirin, Phenacetin, and Paracetamol, etc.	depressant	to relieve pain	none	high	no	Gastric ulceration, haemorrhage, kidney disease.	swallowed
Morphine (an opium derivative)	depressant	to relieve pain	high	high	yes	Drowsiness or stupor, euphoria, hallucinations.	injected
Heroin (a morphine derivative)	depressant	to relieve pain	high	high	yes	same as morphine.	injected or sniffed
Pethidine (synthetic morphine-like drug)	depressant	to relieve pain	high	high	yes	same as morphine except that at higher dosage.	injected or swallowed
Codeine (an opium derivative) Preparations containing specified minimal amounts are classified as "Exempt" narcotics.	depressant	to relieve pain and coughing	high	high	yes	Drowsiness, pinpoint pupils.	swallowed (usually as cough syrup)
Methadone (synthetic morphine-like drug).	depressant	to relieve pain withdrawal from heroin	high	high	yes	same as morphine.	swallowed or injected

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Opium	depressant	for diarrhoea	high	high	yes	same as morphine.	inhaled or swallowed
Tranquilizers e.g. Librium, Valium, Serepax, Largactil, Senequan, Stelazine.	depressant	for tension anxiety	moderate	moderate	possibly	Drowsiness, blurred vision, slurred speech, allergic reaction.	swallowed
Canabis hashish ,marijuana, T.H.C.,	Hallucinogen	none	none	moderate	no	drowsiness or excitability, dilated pupils, talkativeness, laughter, hallucinations.	inhaled or swallowed
L.S.D. (also mescaline, peyote, psilocybin, D.M.T.)	Hallucinogen	(medical research only)	none	low	yes	excitation, hallucinations, rambling speech.	swallowed or injection
Amphetamines Benzadrine, Dexedrine, Methedrine.	stimulant	for mild depression, anti-appetite, narcolepsy	none	high	yes	excitation, dilated pupils, talkativeness, convulsions, hallucinations, irritability.	swallowed or injected
Anti-depressants e.g. Tofrinal, Aventyl, Allegron, Concordin, Laroxyl, Tryptanol, Ritalin.	stimulants	for anxiety or over-sedation	none	low	possibly	nausea, hypertension, insomnia.	swallowed or injected
Cocaine	stimulants	local anaesthetic	none	high	no	extreme excitation, tremors, hallucinations.	sniffed or injected
Tobacco	stimulant	none	none	high	yes	lung cancer, chronic bronchitis, heart disease.	inhaled
Caffeine	stimulant	for over-sedation and migraine	none	high	yes	restlessness, insomnia, upset stomach.	swallowed

(e) At all times the proper perspective between drug abuse and drug use must be maintained. The advancement of scientific knowledge is continually adding to the range of drugs available and quite clearly the abuse of drugs is small when compared with the immense benefits their availability has bestowed on mankind.

2. Marijuana and its Effects.

Cannabis Savita or Indian Hemp is a plant commonly found in most parts of the world. From the flowering tops of the female plant a dried resinous material is obtained which is called Hashish, while Marijuana consists of the leaves, flowers and stems of the male and female plant. Both contain tetrahydro cannabinals as the active ingredients, but Hashish is much stronger because it contains more of these substances.

Commercially, the fibre of Cannabis has long been used in the production of rope, cord and textiles. The seeds were used as bird food. The earliest detailed description of Cannabis goes back to around 2737 B.C., and for long centuries it has been used for medical and religious purposes and as a euphoriant. Today, Cannabis has no known acceptable medical use.

Marijuana is usually smoked in cigarettes and sometimes eaten in "cookies or candies" or drunk in tea. Mostly it is smoked in groups rather than alone.

The effects are felt within about fifteen minutes and may last from two to twelve hours. Marijuana enters the bloodstream through the lungs and influences the brain and nervous system. The Australian Senate Select Committee Report (1971) reports the subjective effects as:—

"* alteration of perception of time and space;

* feeling of well being;

* relaxation;

* euphoria;

* lessening of inhibitions;

* fragmentation of thought;

* impaired immediate memory;

* an altered sense of identity;

* exaggerated laughter; and

* increased suggestibility.

Nausea, dizziness and hunger are less common effects."

But it must be remembered that the effects of marijuana, as with any drug, vary tremendously depending on variations in set and setting.

It should also be noted that effects of marijuana depend on the purity of the substance taken, its tetrahydro-cannabinol (T.H.C.) strength, the amount and frequency of the dose.

3. The Case for the Legalisation of Marijuana.

The arguments usually presented are:—

(a) That it is not justifiable for the law to restrict a man's freedom in what is presumed to be his own interest.

Adults ought to be free to make their own decisions in accordance with their own moral judgements as to what substances they consume. There is already a multiplicity of restrictions on individual liberty which in any complex modern society are incontestably necessary for the common good. The very number and variety of these unavoidable limitations points up the importance of preserving freedom of choice in what ought to be matters of purely individual concern.

(b) Marijuana is not a narcotic and when taken in moderation is not a harmful drug.

From a pharmaceutical viewpoint, Marijuana is clearly not a narcotic but an hallucinogen, a drug causing changes in perception. Some authorities go further and describe it as a mild intoxicant. However, in New Zealand it is still classified legally as a narcotic, under the First Schedule to the Narcotics Act 1965.

Among the few papers on Cannabis which meet modern standards of scientific investigation, are the Indian Hemp Drugs Commission (1894), the La Guardia Report (1944) and the Wootton Report (1968) all of which conclude that the long term consumption of Marijuana in moderate doses has no harmful effects.

(c) The present law is impossible to enforce.

Evidence of this is the growing increase in the use of Marijuana by all age groups of the population and particularly by the young.

It must be acknowledged that laws which seek to control the personal consumption of the individual are notoriously hard to enforce. There can come a point at which public pressures become so powerful that it is idle to keep up attempts to resist them. However, the classic example of this context—the American prohibition of the consumption of alcohol — involved significantly far more public disturbance than the continuation of a ban in the use of a drug which, in New Zealand is not and never has been in general use.

(d) The illicit status of the drug encourages its use.

This can be described as the forbidden fruit appeal. If the drug was legally available this fact alone would reduce the number who would take it.

4. The case against Legalisation.

The arguments usually presented are:—

(a) The harmful nature of the drug.

While Marijuana may be harmless to the majority of users, there is a vulnerable minority who suffer severe personal and social effects from its use alone. Kaplan states, "In some persons small doses have caused psychotic-paranoic reactions and unconventional behaviour. Certainly Marijuana is dangerous."

Its chronic use can lead to toxic psychosis and lethargic non-productive behaviour.

(b) It leads to harder drugs.

Many claim that the continued use of Marijuana leads the user to progress to other and more dangerous drugs. Because the same Act (the First Schedule to the Narcotics Act 1965) covers both Marijuana and Heroin, people who find Marijuana harmless may assume Heroin is too, and try it. Such progression undoubtedly occurs, and it must be admitted that a person who does not experiment with one of the milder drugs is unlikely to use the stronger drugs. And while it has been stated that only a small proportion of Marijuana users progress to Heroin, it must be recognised that a considerable number of persons who smoke Marijuana have basic personality disorders which would make them likely to abuse any drug.

(c) It leads to crime.

This has been a strong and popular argument in the past, and as recently as 1967 a Judge in the Supreme Court of Massachusetts stated:—

"In my opinion a proper inference may be drawn from the evidence that there is a relationship between Marijuana and the incidence of crime and anti-social behaviour."

However, those detailed studies of the relationship between Marijuana and serious crime that have been done suggest that there is very little relationship between the two. For example, the Wootton Report states: "In the United Kingdom the taking of Cannabis has not so far been regarded even by the severest critics as a direct cause of serious crime . . . the evidence of a link with violent crime is far stronger with alcohol than with the smoking of Cannabis."

(d) The practical difficulties involved in legalisation.

If Marijuana were to be legalised, both safeguards against adulteration and acceptable standards of inspection would have to be agreed. Sources of supply would have to be considered. Would we, for example, be able to import from countries where the supply was still illegal; this could well prove a particularly difficult problem. Furthermore prior to legalisation, methods of distribution would have to be decided, permitted levels of intoxication would have to be legally (and clearly) defined and methods of detection would have to be discovered. Other questions, such as permissible age for use, taxation, and advertising highlight the many practical difficulties that would have to be overcome.

(e) Only a minority of the general population have any wish to legalise Marijuana.

While it is impossible to assess accurately the number of people who use Marijuana, from what information is available it is obvious that they are a minority group — hence the argument that the majority of the general public do not wish to legalise Marijuana. It would be perhaps more accurate to say that the majority of people have little knowledge about Marijuana.

5. Summary.

These then are the arguments commonly used for and against the legalisation of Marijuana. The Australian Senate Committee sums the arguments up well when it states:—

" . . . The delights of its use appear to be over-rated by those who use it and its dangers similarly exaggerated by those who seek to maintain its prohibition."

6. Marijuana and Legislation.

We feel that it would be unwise for Marijuana to be legalised at this time, knowing as little as we do about the drug and possible long term effects. While scientific research has not established the true nature of the drug, while no irrefutable scientific evidence yet exists to put beyond reasonable doubt whether its long term use is dangerous to man, and while no simple test exists to detect its use, we feel that the present restrictions on the use of the drug should continue.

The Committee is of opinion that while alcohol abuse is already a major social problem in New Zealand, it would be irresponsible to allow another intoxicant with different effects on to the market at a stage when so little is known of its mental and physical effects on the human body. As the Le Dain Report point out — "Scientific expertise in the area of Cannabis is limited by the simple fact that there is little clearly established scientific information available and pre-conceived notions often dominate the interpretation of ambiguous data."

However, the Committee is of the strong opinion that there should be some changes in the law relating to Marijuana.

These are:—

(i) That Marijuana be removed from its listing as a Narcotic on the First Schedule to the Narcotics Act, 1965, and listed under a separate schedule.

The Committee is in full agreement with the recommendation of the Wootton Report (No. 4, p.88) — "The association in legislation of Cannabis with Heroin and other opiates is inappropriate, and new legislation to deal specially and separately with Cannabis and its synthetic derivatives should be introduced as soon as possible."

To continue to list Marijuana with Heroin and other opiates is to continue the misleading and untrue impression that these drugs are of equal danger. We believe that the deterrent and educational functions of the law lose their force when they fail to discriminate between a powerful drug like Heroin and a far less potent Marijuana.

(ii) That the maximum penalty for the illegal possession and use of Marijuana be a fine of \$100 and that where first offenders are concerned consideration be given to their being discharged under Section 42 of the Criminal Justice Act. That the maximum penalty for trafficking in Marijuana be substantially reduced from its present fourteen years.

We believe that penalties imposed for all drug offences should bear some relationship to the harmful character of individual drugs, and that therefore there should be a clear differentiation in the penalties imposed for using a drug such as Marijuana and say Heroin. We further believe that the first offender should be given every encouragement to avoid repetition of the offence and the consideration should be given to their discharge under Section 42 of the Criminal Justice Act. This would lessen the consequences that a conviction for drug offences may have on a career.

It also logically follows that there should also be some substantial reduction in the penalty for trafficking in Marijuana where this is the only drug involved in the offence.

As the law is interpreted at present trafficking occurs when one person hands another a Marijuana "reefer".

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4. ABORTION LAW REFORM:

Introduction:

The 1971 Conference adopted the Public Questions Committee report on "Abortion Law Reform" which stated that "at present the only change that the Committee favours in the New Zealand Law on Abortion is that necessary to afford legal protection to medical practitioners acting in good faith to preserve the well being of their patients." (Minutes pp. 145-8). The Crimes Act, 1961, was quoted as permitting abortion "by means employed in good faith for the preservation of the life of the mother". That report commented, "Where doctors interpret saving the life of the mother in a wider context that includes preserving her mental wellbeing, they do so without the protection of the Act." In preparing the report the Public Questions Committee was acknowledging the need for definite legal protection for doctors performing abortions in a variety of situations in which the physical life of the mother was not threatened, but in which they judged there was sufficient grounds for giving priority to the mother's rights ahead of the rights of a non-viable foetus.

One criticism of the report was that in using the term "well being" and resting the decision on the doctor's conscience, the central issue was avoided. The Public Questions Committee acknowledged that this is a valid criticism. But further reflection has not altered the Committee's mind that there is finally no other place to rest the issue. Ultimately this question must be decided between a woman and her doctor; the role of the law is to provide a framework of minimum safeguards for the rights of doctor, mother and child. It cannot make moral decisions for them. This is not a situation in which criteria can be laid down binding on all people in all circumstances, but rather one in which in specific instances conflicting rights must be judged one against another and the final decision made in the light of informed compassion.

As a result of this further discussion on Abortion Law Reform the Public Questions Committee presents a further report to supplement the 1971 Report, and which in some respects reveals a change of emphasis.

Abortion—A Complex Personal and Social Issue:

The question of abortion is not one that is amenable to a simple answer. It raises moral issues because it is concerned with the future of potential human life. As a doctor is normally required to perform the operation, medical ethics are involved. It is a legal problem because questions are raised concerning the rights of society—and the

individual—to control unborn life with a human potential. Sociological issues are raised by considering the role of women. It is a population control problem because, legally or illegally, abortion is widely used as a means of birth control, and the demographer needs to explore whether this is a legitimate and practicable method of population limitation. Hence there is need to avoid the use of language in the discussion of abortion that over-simplifies the complexity of the situation; such as speaking of abortion as murder, or as a woman's absolute right.

Christian concern with the sanctity of human life affirms that each individual person is of infinite value in God's sight. Hence, a discussion of abortion from a Christian standpoint must seek to preserve these fundamental values.

Human Reproduction is a Continuous Process:

In one sense new life has no specific point of beginning. It is created by the union of two parent cells, each of which can trace its origin to the union of two other parent cells. This union not only initiates a new life, but through a chain of genetic inheritance passes on in potential to this new life all the characteristics that he will later develop. "His subsequent development may be described as a process of becoming what he already is" (Paul Ramsey). By the eighth week the fetus has all the internal organs of the future adult, and even though very small (less than an inch long) possesses recognisable human physical characteristics. Through the remaining period of gestation the foetus grows and matures. At about the 28th week, sometimes earlier, the foetus is capable of living outside the uterus, i.e., it is "viable". After the birth the baby is dependent on others for survival.

Human life implies the capacity to live independently, to reason, to will and to relate to others. This is not achieved in its fullness until maturity, but normally birth (and at least in theory, viability) represents a crisis point in this long process of development for now the baby begins to develop independence as a unique person. Hence even at birth human life is present more in potential than in actuality. In all this process it is an arbitrary assumption to isolate any particular point as the time when human life begins.

The Sanctity of Human Life and Abortion Decisions:

Abortion is the deliberate destruction of a potential and developing human life. Respect for the sanctity of human life implies a bias in favour of even partially developed human life, and therefore that abortion should never be lightly condoned. The foetus is not just a piece of tissue, or a mere bundle of cells. On the other hand, the destruction of a foetus should not be equated with infanticide, especially in the earlier stages of development when the human characteristics are more potential than achieved. A foetus is not an "unborn child"; it is partially developed being gradually achieving the potential given at conception. This is recognised in law where the foetus does not have the same status as a child, and abortion is regarded differently from murder.

There are many circumstances that may prompt consideration of an abortion. The fact of pregnancy, and later the care of the child, can mean a drastic change in the pattern of life of the mother, and possibly of other members of the family. Genetic information, or the illness of the mother during the pregnancy, may mean the high risk of the birth of a seriously handicapped child; traumatic circumstances surrounding the conception, such as rape or incest; unsatisfactory environmental factors such as an already over-large family, inadequate housing, desertion, etc.; the health of the mother, physical or mental;

these are some of the factors which in a specific situation may raise the question as to whether this potential human life should be allowed to develop. Respect for the sanctity of human life involves concern for all of the partners involved in each particular situation: the parents, their growing family, or a deformed child with a bleak future personally, which imposes considerable stress on those responsible for him. Many case records have been published which supply evidence that respect for human life, considered in this broader perspective, provides a strong indication for abortion in many specific instances.

Life Decisions Not Made by Inflexible Laws:

Those absolutely opposed to abortion in principle require that, save in a few exceptions, sanctity for human life implies giving primacy to the development of the foetus above all other values. It is often associated with a strict obedience to what is regarded as a moral law which permits of no exceptions. Abortion is often defined as the taking of an innocent human life, and therefore is a breach of the commandment, "You shall not commit murder". People with this point of view often contend also that if the moral law is breached in one instance a precedent has been set which will lead to a lowering of moral standards generally, and opposition to change in the abortion law is seen as one way of maintaining these values.

The Methodist Conference has affirmed (1965 Minutes, pp. 122-3) that in making decisions on matters of public and private morality the Christian should base his judgements on "The primacy of love" and "the Importance of persons". The motive is 'caring concern' for persons whose freedom of choice must be respected". The above section "The Sanctity of Human Life in Abortion Decisions" applies these principles to making abortion decisions.

Historically, Christian people have given high priority to the saving of physical life, but in many instances other values have taken precedence. Justice, the exercise of a free conscience, the development of a mature community with the right of self-determination are some of the qualities for which the sacrifice of human life has been commended. In an abortion decision values other than the right of the foetus, and the actual persons affected by his birth, must also be considered in making the decision.

The use of the commandment against murder as the prime criterion in abortion decisions involves the arbitrary assessment of the foetus as a helpless human life which began at conception, and which has exactly the same rights as actual human beings. If human reproduction is assessed as a continuous process this assumption does not stand.

There is no evidence that permissive abortion laws have undermined the stability of societies in which they operate. Many advocates of liberalised abortion laws are motivated by humanitarian concerns and a desire to see every child born a wanted child with a reasonable opportunity to develop to the full his human, and divine, potential.

At the other end of the spectrum of abortion opinion there are some who claim that every woman has the right to control her own procreative destiny and that abortion on demand is an absolute right in today's society. In any abortion decision a woman's rights certainly need to be protected, and her considered judgement is an important factor in any abortion decision. But sometimes her demand for abortion is forced on her because she is not aware that there are other options available, or because of the pressure of parents, husband, friend or society, or because of her initial apprehension at the prospect of motherhood. Counselling—and counselling other than from the doctor who might be required to perform the operation—should be

available to women requesting abortions, and adequate aid offered if, on further consideration, the request for abortion is withdrawn.

The demand for abortion as woman's **absolute** right ignores both the rights of others and the complementary responsibilities that are a part of life in society and it is unreasonable to acknowledge demands in this area of life that go beyond the normal limitations of our relationships in human society.

Abortion Laws:

Legislation on abortion varies widely from country to country, from restrictive legal codes which permit abortions in a few urgent instances (e.g. New Zealand) through moderate systems which allow a greater number of abortions in clearly defined situations (e.g. Great Britain since 1967), to permissive laws where there are minimal legal restraints on abortion (e.g. Japan). It is difficult to attribute specific effects to the operation of the abortion laws in various countries. "In all countries, industrialization, high literacy, the growth of cities, the extension to women of civil rights, education and economic independence, as well as an increase in the number of women working outside the home, have contributed more to declining birth rates than the legalization of abortion." (Daniel Callahan). It is necessary to consider other variables within the social milieu itself in trying to isolate the effect of abortion laws within the country. Nevertheless some generalizations have been sufficiently documented to state.

Restrictive abortion laws encourage the unskilled back street-abortionist, and create a serious health problem. No reliable statistics, by the very nature of the case, can be presented for illegal abortions under such laws, but even minimum estimates indicate that such abortions are widely sought. A recent New Zealand survey indicated the probability of 6,500 illegal abortions a year over the last two years. In operation they are often discriminatory, for the wealthy woman can more readily obtain a safe abortion or can travel to a country where abortions are more readily available, while the poor person can do no more than go to an unskilled practitioner, or in desperation try a hazardous self-induced abortion. When a law is widely disregarded the law itself is brought into disrepute. When abortion laws are frequently circumvented it cannot be claimed that they indicate society's respect for nascent human life.

Moderate abortion laws make legal abortions possible on a number of specific grounds for those women who are willing to permit their cases to be investigated in order to ensure that they do in fact qualify. Although this type of law meets some of the objections levelled against restrictive abortion laws, for those who are refused the situation is no better, and illegal abortions are still a problem.

The Form of a Suggested Law on Abortion:

1. All abortions are to be performed by trained medical personnel, and are to be recorded for statistical purposes.

2. The decision concerning an abortion is to be arrived at in a manner similar to any other medical procedure, and is to depend on the request of the patient and the professional judgement of her doctor.

3. Normally the abortion is to be performed before about 12 weeks, and before the time when more complex medical procedures are involved.

4. Prior to the abortion, counselling by a trained person other than the doctor who is to perform the abortion is to be offered. Alternatives other than abortion are to be explored through offering financial assistance, suitable accommodation, other forms of help such as marriage counselling, to ensure that the request for an abortion

represents the free choice of the patient and is not being made under pressure from others, or in ignorance of the viable alternatives open to her.

5. A "conscience" clause for doctors and nurses is to ensure that no pressure is exerted on any of them to assist in an abortion operation against their ethical principles.

6. Contraceptive counselling, and contraceptives on the Social Security free list of medicines, are to be available to all, and certainly to women after an abortion.

(For the above specifications for an ideal abortion law see "Abortion: Law, Choice, and Morality"—Danial Callahan, Macmillan, 1970, pp. 488-9).

Some Practical Considerations:

1. More is required than simply changing the laws on abortion. Provision would need to be made to meet an increase of legal abortions after the legislation came into effect. The size of this increase would depend in part on the estimate of the number of illegal abortions performed before the change in the law which would be performed legally in hospitals. Abortions performed in the first trimester (twelve weeks) involve only a short hospital stay, and would make less demand on bed occupancy than if the patient carried the baby until birth. But clearly this would require re-organisation of the use of hospital beds and some redeployment of staff to ensure that an increase in legal abortions did not monopolise facilities required for other urgent gynaecological work.

2. It is important that a change of law should be accompanied by greater stress on the provision of contraceptive information and supplies. It cannot be stressed too strongly that a community which acknowledges that abortion exists, but also wishes to minimise the need for it, must accept that responsibility for providing birth control information and suitable contraceptives to all who need them, married or unmarried, rich or poor. The wide dissemination of this information is best achieved by setting up birth control clinics in all hospitals, and including contraceptives on the Social Security list of free medicine. A realistic beginning has already been made in this direction at the National Women's Hospital in Auckland which provides a New Zealand precedent for this suggestion.

It is stressed that contraception for the unmarried is not an encouragement for immoral behaviour; rather, properly offered, it may even be an important chance to encourage the single people involved to think about the nature of their commitment to each other, and to consider for the first time the rightness of their action. Whatever judgement is passed on the apparent increase in extra-marital sexual relationships in recent years, it is a fact of our times to be reckoned with. Any moral standard that has to be enforced by the threat of an unwanted pregnancy, or worse, of an unwanted child is grossly inadequate. There is no inconsistency in the Church insisting "that the key aspect of sex is **relationship** and therefore the central moral criterion should be one of **responsibility**." (1970 Minutes, p. 141), and supporting Government action that will ensure that those who accept a different point of view on human sexuality do not risk the birth of unwanted children as the result of their action.

3. A change in the law would necessitate the establishment of centres offering a Pregnancy Advisory Service. Such centres would offer a complete counselling service for all women distressed as a result of a pregnancy. It would not just supply information concerning the availability of an abortion, but provide a full discussion of

all the alternatives open to the enquirer. This would enable the counsellor to discern the woman's real needs and wishes in the situation confronting her. It would also be able to co-ordinate practical services, and offer realistic alternatives to abortion.

The Current Situation:

It is clear that although the above "Practical Considerations" are discussed in relation to a proposed change in the abortion law, the latter two have relevance to the current situation in society independent of the suggested change. The provision of both contraceptive information and supplies, and a Pregnancy Advisory Service within the context of our national health services to replace the important but limited work of voluntary organisations on a limited budget are urgently needed reforms.

It is important for the community to acknowledge the need for factual and informed discussion in schools of the whole area of sexual relationships. The church and education authorities, and parents can hardly complain of the effort of the "Little Red School Book" to do this job for them when they manifest such reluctance to do it themselves. Efforts to inform and to air sexual attitudes may create embarrassment in many, but this is a necessary preliminary to altering our attitudes in this often hypocritical area of life.

The church has a real responsibility to lead the way in such an attitude change. It is unrealistic to expect an instant improvement in our sexual mores from the provision of more adequate information, but as a result of this educational task people will be able to make a free choice for themselves in the light of knowledge rather than ignorance.

Summary:

A respect for the sanctity of human life inclines a Christian to a bias against the routine and unthinking destruction of nascent human life in abortion. As a personal moral decision a Christian will not lightly decide in favour of an abortion, but some circumstances may make this a responsible decision requiring neither condemnation by others nor self-condemnation. On a personal level by precept and example the Christian will endeavour to encourage a responsible attitude towards sex.

Society's concern for unborn life is best expressed through laws which leave the decision to the patient and her doctor, and through government action which makes adequate contraceptive and other facilities freely available to all who need them. This action achieves its aim by eliminating abuses common under restrictive abortion laws and limiting the need for abortions, but makes provision for abortions as acceptable emergency measures to be arranged through consultation between patient and doctor, as in any other medical procedure.

5. POLLUTION (Res. 7 p. 154 1971 Minutes):

A. HARD AND SOFT DETERGENTS

Preamble:

Defining Terms: The word "detergent" properly refers to any cleaning agent (even water) and hence includes both soap and synthetic detergents. But in common usage "detergent" has come to mean synthetic detergents only and this is how we will use the word in this report.

Synthetic detergents (discovered in 1831) are made by a reaction between fat or petroleum products and a strong acid. The mixture is subsequently neutralised with alkali.

Detergents and the Problem of Pollution:

Problems arise when domestic and industrial waste conveyed by water passes into some collecting area in the process of waste disposal.

Some pollutants will be broken down or decomposed by natural, physical, biological or chemical processes in water. These are broken down by bacteria into chemically stable materials such as bicarbonates, nitrates, sulphates, and phosphates, etc. Detergents which can be broken down by bacteria to form simple substances which do not accumulate to become a nuisance are known as **BIODEGRADABLE**.

Most of the earlier types of detergents were based on alkyl-benzenesulphonate (ABS) whose long branch-chained molecules are **not readily broken down**—such detergents are described as “hard”. These can cause objectionable foaming in receiving waters, regardless of treatment, and can interfere with the treatment processes in sewage plants. They can also find their way into artesian water supplies by normal ground soakage from septic tank disposal.

Efforts to overcome these problems resulted in the formulation of a “soft” detergent (LAS, linear alkylate sulphonate) with a less complex, straight chain molecule like soap, **more readily broken down** by bacteria.

Since 1965 detergents based on LAS have replaced the hard ABS type in Britain and the United States. In 1969 Australian manufacturers agreed to replace hard household detergents with the soft variety by the end of 1971.

Although the full benefits of the changeover are partly dependent on adequate sewage treatment methods, the substitution of soft for most hard detergents, in the USA has greatly reduced the foam problems there.

As far as New Zealand is concerned the general consensus of opinion among those authorities concerned with the question of pollution is that the **problem of “hard” detergents as a pollution factor is not of particular moment in New Zealand as the great bulk of detergents used in this country are “soft” detergents.**

In fact, the total share of local washing products used in New Zealand is approximately 90% soap or soap powders and the proportion of all synthetic detergents used in this country is consequently so much lower than in U.S.A. and Australia. This means that the “hardness” or “softness” of detergent use in this country is not a present problem.

Footnote:

One authority claims that the terms “hard” and “soft” are ill-defined scientifically. There has been some attempt to relate the “hard” detergents to particular chemical structures (such as we have done above) but in general the boundary between these and “soft” detergents is a little hazy. Having said this the same authority would agree that in general the great bulk of detergents used in New Zealand is “soft”.

Sources of Information:

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Consumers' Institute of New Zealand (Journals)

D.S.I.R., Chemistry Division, Petone, New Zealand

Correspondence with Drainage Board Personnel

Pollution Advisory Council (MOW), Wellington, New Zealand.

B. NOISE

Noise is usually taken to mean simply “unwanted sound”, but something is gained from the definition used by the British Committee on the Problem of Noise in its 1963 report: “Noise is sound which is

undesired by the recipient". This description clearly takes into account the familiar fact that one person can be disturbed by sounds which are perfectly agreeable to another.

The Nature and Measurement of Noise:

Noise has three measurable components :its intensity or volume level; how long it lasts and whether it is continuous or in some way intermittent; and whether it is generally low-pitched or high-pitched (its frequency).

Its intensity is usually measured in terms of decibels (dB) on a scale that ranges from 0 to about 150 and spans all noises from those that can only just be heard to those which are painfully loud. The decibel scale is not a linear scale, because to cover so enormous a range as that available to human hearing by additive units would involve a scale stretching from 0 to more than one million million. Instead, the interval between any two figures on the decibel scale is not constant but increases as the sound becomes louder; in fact, it happens that an increase of 3 decibels corresponds roughly to doubling the strength of the sound.

Both the duration of a noise, and whether it continues interminably or is subject to periods of quietness are important factors in determining its effects. So, too, is the frequency range of a noise, because the human ear can tolerate low-pitched sounds at greater intensity than those at a frequency range from 2000 to 4000 Hertz which is approximately equivalent to the sounds contained in the top octave range (from C to C) of the slightly enlarged modern piano keyboard.

Noise intensity is usually measured by means of a small, battery-powered instrument known as a sound-level meter which gives readings in terms of three decibel scales so weighted as to accord with particular frequency variations. The "A-weighted" scale (units are denoted as "dBA") is most commonly used.

Noise as a Nuisance.

Noise is often a nuisance. It can prevent our hearing someone on the telephone or even in the same room; it can interfere with our enjoyment or with our study; and it can disturb our sleep. Yet, we may just as easily be the noisemaker as the person who is disturbed, and the Christian way of good neighbourliness is a hopeful and practical guide to all social behaviour, whether we live in a farm-house miles from anywhere, a thin-partitioned room in a hostel, an apartment in a large building, or a suburban house 10 yards from the street and 12 feet from the next-door neighbour.

It is widely known that the degree of annoyance caused by noise often varies according to the individual hearing it. For instance, the noise of a "souped-up" motor vehicle which may be sweet contentment to its mechanic-owner, can easily, with increasing familiarity, become unwelcome in his neighbourhood particularly if its staccato reverberations shatter the evening stillness for what may seem to be unnecessarily extended periods.

The capacity to be upset by noise is common to all, however much it might superficially be thought that those who complain about noise are "neurotic cranks". Discussing this point, the Medical Sub-Committee of a New York Task Force on Noise Control which reported in 1970, said that people did not have to be mentally ill to be disturbed by noise. It was indeed, likely that thresholds of sensitivity annoyance correlated with the degree of awareness of the "confronted world".

In its 1963 report, the British Committee on the Problem of Noise gave the opinion that the number of people complaining about

a specific noise was not always a reliable guide either to the total number who were annoyed or to the degree of their annoyance. Many people who were annoyed did not complain for one reason or another, although they might be just as much disturbed as those who did.

In the absence of any available systematic data on nuisance noise in New Zealand, it could be expected that aircraft noise or the noise made by road traffic, railways, pneumatic drills, motor mowers, and electronically-amplified indoor bands would be represented amongst the most disturbing noise encountered by people in ordinary situations. As has already been seen, the extent of the nuisance would depend on such objective considerations as the intensity of the noise to the hearer, its duration, and its frequency range. Bearing in mind that the sound level of a "room in a quiet London dwelling at midnight" was given in the British Committee report as 32 dBA, and that the level of a "vacuum cleaner in a private residence at 10 feet" was 69 dBA, while a "heavy diesel-propelled vehicle about 25 feet away" gives a reading of 92 dBA, it is possible to gain a very rough impression of this noise intensity scale.

The International Organisation for Standardisation (ISO) has recommended a maximum permissible figure of 85 dBA for adoption by all countries, and states that acoustic experts consider that by 90 dBA the noise level becomes potentially dangerous to health while at 100 dBA noise becomes a positive threat to a person's hearing. ISO adds that a riveting gun may attain 130 dBA and a jet plane even 150 dBA.

Noise and Sleep

Writing in "Noise and Man" (Murray, 1968), William Burns says that there is a limit to the intensity of noise and to such characteristics as frequency and intermittency that are compatible with adequate sleep. "Noise may make falling asleep impossible or may awaken the sleeper who may then find difficulty in falling asleep again. If, as is likely, there is resentment against the cause of the noise, the frame of mind suitable for sleep is even less likely to be achieved."

Recent research on sleep has revealed that it has several different phases, each of which is clearly distinguished from the others by variations in brain activity, heart-beat rates and other physiological effects. On falling asleep we sink from drowsiness to light sleep, to progressively deeper sleep, such cyclic sequences making up a typical night's slumber. The effect of noise as low in intensity as 50 dBA merely to lift the sleeper from a deeper phase of sleep to a shallower one is reckoned to be deleterious to a person's well-being. Very recent research in this field has found that people experimentally exposed, during a night's sleep, to many instances of sub-arousal noise pollution could not recall the noise they were subjected to, although most of them spontaneously expressed feelings of extreme fatigue.

Noise as a Hazard

The facility with which the brain can express unwanted sound spares human beings from a significant amount of distraction. So long as this suppressed noise is below the level at which damage can be done to the ear, all is well. But persons who become so accustomed to an environment of hazardously high noise level that they cease to notice it will not be aware when the point has been reached beyond which serious, irremedial damage occurs.

Exposure to a very loud noise for even a comparatively short time results in temporary deafness brought about by temporary

fatigue of the nerve fibres which carry impulses to the brain. If, however, the ear is subjected to high noise intensity continually over a period of months or years, sound nerve cells cease to function altogether and a deafness to the particular notes monitored by those cells occurs. This type of deafness is known as a perceptive deafness because the blockage to the sound comes before it is appreciated rather than during the earlier stage where the sound is merely being conducted. While a conductive hearing loss can be relieved by hearing aids, once perceptive hearing is lost it is not able to be recovered.

New Zealand industry is becoming increasingly aware of the need to avoid noise hazards, largely as a result of the work of the Department of Health in its hearing conservation programme. Noise level surveys are available to industry on request and a training programme in audiometry is provided to industrial nurses at the Department's National Audiology Centre in Auckland. In addition, the Department carries out periodic checks of all Government Departments, the Post Office, and Railways to measure noise levels and provide ear plugs or ear muffs where these are required. Repeated audiometric examinations of all persons exposed to hazard are carried out at regular intervals. It is worthy of note that, in the process of conducting noise level surveys, the Department defines its hazard region as beginning at an intensity level of 91 dBA, although ISO recommends the adoption of a maximum permissible figure of 85 dBA.

From 1971, the responsibility for safeguarding the hearing of factory workers was placed clearly on their employers who, in terms of the Factories Act, must take "all practicable steps" to prevent the exposure of workers to any noise likely to impair their hearing. Where it is not practicable to reduce noise level sufficiently, employers must provide ear plugs or muffs of a type approved by the Department. And, though it is clearly a "locking the stable door" effort, it is good that a recent amendment to the Worker's Compensation Act provides that industrial deafness arising from two years employment shall be grounds for payment of compensation.

The Hard of Hearing

It is a curious fact that, in our community, hearing is not taken seriously enough. While a white walking stick arouses immediate sympathy, a hearing-aid often provokes a slight impatience. Quite plainly, deafness often leads to extreme loneliness, with all its insidious effects on the well-being of the person, and the Christian ought to be fully aware of the particular needs for sympathetic communication that a hearing limitation imposes.

Board of Health Committee on Noise

Charged with the task "to consider the adequacy of existing measures to control noise and to make such recommendations as it considers appropriate, bearing in mind present legislation and future needs", a Board of Health Committee is at present meeting to receive submissions on the topic. The Committee expects to report to the Minister of Health in April 1973.

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C. PESTICIDES

Some modern pesticides have caused concern over recent years because of their far reaching effect on the environment, particularly on animal life other than that which they were intended to control. The insecticides involved fall into two main groups:

Organochlorines

This group includes D.D.T. (chemically, dichloro diphenyl trichloroethane), dieldrine and lindane. Most of these compounds — but particularly D.D.T. — are very stable and may persist in the ground for many years after the soil has been treated. D.D.T. is the most studied of this group, and numerous cases are quoted where it has had very adverse effects on wildlife as a result of a steadily increasing concentration of the chemical building up in animals which have devoured other animals affected by it to a lesser extent.

As D.D.T. is fat soluble, traces of it in the food intake will be stored in body fat. There is evidence to suggest that the mean concentration in human body fat in the U.S.A. in 1968 was of the order of 7-12 parts per million.

There is no evidence that D.D.T. would be harmful to human beings even in the higher concentrations which could possibly occur with its continued unrestricted use as a pesticide. However, because of the overall effects on the environment it is prudent to keep the use of D.D.T. and other organochlorines to a minimum.

Organophosphates

This group includes malathion and parathion and many others. These compounds are not long-lived and do not build up in tissue. However, some of the groups are extremely poisonous and require particularly careful application.

Control in New Zealand

Because of the potential hazard to humans of pesticides, their use is controlled in New Zealand by the Agricultural Chemicals Board, an independent authority set up under the Agricultural Chemicals Act 1959. All pesticides intended for plant use must be registered with the authority, and only when the Board is satisfied that the product can be safely used if the label directions are followed is the product allowed to be sold without any restriction on quantity. To determine permissible residues on plants for new chemicals, careful tests are carried out to determine an "acceptable daily intake" and this is divided by a factor (usually 100) to ensure complete safety to human beings. This is then considered by the Department of Health and when accepted is declared in the Food and Drug Regulations. The Board also requires local trials to show that a product gives satisfactory control of the relevant pests and that the residue tolerance will not be exceeded. The use of D.D.T. on New

Zealand farms has been banned since 1970 and although its use in fruitgrowing and horticulture continues, support for its use is waning and the policy of the Board is to phase out all organochlorines completely.

The use of pesticides is necessary if pests are to be controlled and the present levels of food production are to be maintained or increased. One alternative to pesticides is biological control of pests but this has been practicable in only a few cases, e.g. control of the white butterfly. Another alternative is the growing of pest-resistant varieties of plants but this again is of limited application. Controls on the use of pesticides in New Zealand ensure that they introduce only minor hazards to the environment if used in accordance with directions. Research is currently being carried out to find safe and more effective ways in which to increase the biological control of pests and to develop more pest-resistant plant varieties. The fostering of this research would seem to be one way of helping to achieve a satisfactory environment and ensuring the production of high quality food.

6. CARE OF THE ELDERLY AGED (Res. 8 p.154, 1971 Minutes).

After a full discussion, which involved both Health Dept. Officials and members of N.Z.M.S.S.A., the Committee was of the mind that the logical Committee to undertake this study on a national level was the N.Z.M.S.S.A. and accordingly referred it to them. We understand that the N.Z.M.S.S.A. has for some time been making representations to the Health Department on this matter.

7. MULTI-RACIAL SOCIETY IN NEW ZEALAND.

With the establishment of the Maori Board in 1973 the Committee is of the opinion that this would be the more logical group to consider questions of this nature. However, should any specific matter of the Public Questions be referred to it by the Board, the Committee would be prepared to deal with it.

8. QUESTIONNAIRE FOR GENERAL ELECTION.

In keeping with previous practice in Election years, the Committee prepared questionnaires for use by congregations in initiating discussion on matters of Christian Political concern among its own members, and in meetings with Candidates for Parliament.

9. INTER-CHURCH COUNCIL ON PUBLIC AFFAIRS.

The Committee has continued to be represented on this Committee. Its Chairman is the Rev. H. S. Scott, M.A., and Rev. G. R. H. Peterson continues his sterling work as Secretary.

Among the matters it considered were:—

Relationship of the N.Z.I.C.C.P.A. and N.C.C.: Some time was spent discussing the areas of concern of the two councils. It was felt that the N.Z.I.C.C.P.A. had a more restricted order of reference, as it was founded "to serve as body through which the churches can consult together for the purpose of initiating common action in matters of social and moral importance," whereas the N.C.C. has a more general order of reference "to facilitate common action by the churches within the Dominion of New Zealand on all matters where there is agreement or the possibility of agreement."

It was also pointed out that the constitution of the N.Z.I.C.C.P.A. required that there be unanimity on the part of the representatives of the constituent churches before public action can be taken.

Rates on Church Property: This matter is being kept under review.

Census Paper: Has considered the last Census Paper and made a report to the constituent churches.

Exemption for Gifts to Charities: The Council is supporting a national committee which has been founded to urge the Government to raise the taxation exemption for charitable gifts.

Protest and Violence: This is the Council's special study for 1972. So far papers have been presented by Rev. C. D. Clark, Rt. Rev. G. N. McKenzie, Mr D. Cuthbert (President of the N.Z. University Students' Assn), and the Roman Catholic Church. A statement on the 1973 Springbok Tour was also prepared.

Moral Standards: Dr J. L. Robson, a former Secretary for Justice presented a paper on this theme. Further consideration will be given to this subject.

C. D. CLARK, Chairman.

J. C. F. MABON, Convener.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted except for the sections "Drug Use and Abuse" and "Abortion".

2. That the report "Drug Use and Abuse" be received only and forwarded to Synods for study and report in 1973.

3. That Conference recommends that the maximum penalty for trafficking in Marijuana only, be reduced from fourteen years to seven years.

4. That the Public Questions Committee be asked to investigate the ecological and social effects of power development in N.Z.

5. That the report on Abortion be received only and circulated for study as a contribution to the ongoing study of the subject.

5. That Conference request the Public Questions Committee to examine the present situation, and the issues involved, in the clash between individual conscience and the regulations under the 1961 National Military Service Act, and report to Synods and Conference next year.

6. That the Contingent Fund grant to the Committee for 1973 be \$75.

7. That the Methodist Representatives on the N.Z. Inter-Church Council on Public Affairs be the Revs. C. D. Clark and E. F. I. Hanson and Mr I. Crabtree.

8. That the Committee for 1973 be as printed on page 8 herein.

QUESTION 38.—(b) What is the Report of the Conference on International Affairs?

INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

ANNUAL REPORT, 1972

1. RACISM.

(a) Apartheid and Sport.

Apartheid is both a politico-social theory and a legislatively structured reality. It is entrenchment in law of racial segregation, making segregation a definitive social and political base upon which South African society is built.

The policy of "separate development" expresses a conviction of white racial supremacy which must be maintained at all costs. Its outworkings in practice means separation but not development for the African people.

The Christian Gospel and Apartheid:

In May 1969 the World Council of Churches held a consultation on Racism which was remarkable in that it went beyond issuing statements condemning Racism and recommended positive practical aid to the victims of Racism who are resisting oppression. However, the W.C.C. did state clearly the mind of the Christian Church when proposing the programme to combat Racism. It affirmed:—

“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 good will.”

The South African Council of Churches in 1969 issued “A Message to the People of South Africa.” The statement was highly critical of the policy of “separate development” and sought to expose the evils of the system by comparing it with the claims of the Christian Gospel.

The message proclaimed that:

“The Gospel of Jesus Christ declares that God is reconciling us to himself and to each other; and therefore such barriers as race and nationality have no rightful place in the inclusive brotherhood of Christian disciples.

The Gospel of Jesus Christ declares that God is the master of this world, and that to him alone we owe our primary commitment.

The Gospel of Jesus Christ offers hope and security for the whole life of man, not just man's spiritual and ecclesiastic relationships, but for human existence in its entirety. Consequently, we are called to witness to the meaning of the Gospel in the particular circumstances of time and place in which we find ourselves.

In South Africa, at this time, we find ourselves in a situation where a policy of racial separation is being deliberately effected with increasing rigidity. The doctrine of a racial separation is being seen by many not merely as a temporary political policy but as a necessary and permanent expression of the will of God, and as the genuine form of Christian obedience for this country. It is holding out to men a security built not on Christ but on the theory of separation and the preservation of racial identity; it is presenting the separate development of our race groups as the way for people of South Africa to save themselves. And this claim is being made to us in the name of Christianity.

We believe that this doctrine of separation is a false faith, a novel Gospel. It is inevitably in conflict with the Gospel of Jesus Christ, which offers salvation, both individual and social, through faith in Christ alone. It is keeping people away from the real knowledge of Christ; therefore it is the church's duty to enable our people to distinguish between the demands of the South African state and the demands of Christian discipleship.

The Christian Gospel requires us to assert the truth proclaimed by the first Christians, who discovered that God was creating a new community in which differences of race, language, nation, culture and tradition no longer had power to separate man from man.

The most important features of man are not the details of his racial group, but the nature which he has in common with all man and also gifts and abilities which are given to him as a unique individual by the grace of God; to insist that racial characteristics are more important than these is to reject what is most significant about our own humanity as well as the humanity of others.”

Opposition to Apartheid

The conflict over race is world-wide. In New Zealand we know we are not isolated from its effect. We must confess with shame that in our own country there are radically discriminatory situations which we must work to overcome. We are not free from racial prejudice.

At the moment, however, the single issue which focuses the racism debate is the proposed tour of a racially segregated South African Rugby team to this country in 1973. It is a matter which challenges our country, divides it, and threatens violence.

Throughout the controversy the N.Z. Rugby Football Union has insisted that the invitation to the Springboks does not infer that the Union or any of its members either support or are opposed to the political decisions of the South African Government. Rather it continues to maintain that the tour is simply a sporting event between the two countries concerned. It is critical of those individuals and groups who are seeking to stop the tour and asserts that their interference is introducing politics into sport.

In early March of 1972, the Prime Minister, Mr Marshall, issued a statement which said the Government was opposed to Apartheid, but that it did not wish to ostracise the people of South Africa or any section of them. By indicating its preference for South African sporting teams to be selected on merit, without discrimination, the Government acknowledged that Apartheid principles were operating within South African sport. However, Mr Marshall declined to advocate the cancellation of the tour or to disassociate the Government from any of the official functions relating to the team's visit next year.

Confident that it had the overwhelming support of the New Zealand public, the Government advocated a policy of building bridges between New Zealand and South Africa. Its reasoning being that the effect of such a moderate and conciliatory stance would have more chance of getting South Africa to modify its racial policies than the use of trade and sporting boycotts.

Paradoxically, the groups who have consistently opposed the tour have evoked similar principles to those of the Rugby Union and the Government, but for radically different reasons.

Politics in Sport

Opponents of the tour have persistently pointed out that it has been the South African Government who has introduced politics into sport. Sport in that country is strictly divided on racial lines. The mere act of playing a game of tennis could incur a prison sentence. What applies to tennis applies in fact to all other sports. There are people who have been arrested for playing football and charged in the courts — white South Africans who were prepared to defy the law and play with black South Africans. They were charged with the "crime" of having played in an area set aside for Africans.

The United Nations General Assembly through a special set of resolutions passed in November 1971 drew the attention of member nations to the practice of Apartheid within South African sport.

"Recalling that the member states pledged themselves under Article 1 of the charter of the United Nations, to promote and encourage respect for human rights and for fundamental freedoms for all without distinction as to race, sex, language or religion;

Recalling further, its requests to all states and international and national sports organisations to suspend exchanges of sporting events with South African teams selected under Apartheid policies, the General Assembly:

1. Declares its unqualified support of the Olympic principle of non-discrimination on the grounds of race, religion or political affiliation.
2. Affirms that merit should be the sole criterion for participation in sports activities.
3. Solemnly calls upon all national and international sports organisations to uphold the Olympic principle of non-discrimination and to discourage and deny support to sporting events organised in violation of this principle.
4. Condemns the actions of the Government in South Africa in enforcing racial discrimination and segregation in sports."

Bridge Building

The "Bridge building" proposal of the New Zealand Government must be seen in its proper perspective. Those against the tour believe in the principle that it is better to build bridges than walls between nations. But what they are hoping to achieve by applying a boycott on sporting contacts with South Africa is the establishment of bridges of understanding, support and encouragement for the oppressed Black African majority in Southern Africa.

To date all the "bridges" have been built between New Zealand and the white South African minority. There is little evidence to indicate that these longstanding contacts have in any way contributed to the easing of the repressive racial laws in South Africa.

In practice, the opposite is true. Where boycotts and ostracism have been applied against white South African sportsmen there has developed within South Africa the wish to modify or change the policies of segregation in sport. Sport occupies a very special place within South African society. It is one of the very few countries that has a Minister of Sports. Leading sporting figures within the country, including golfer Gary Player and Aaron Bacher, Captain of the Springboks cricket team, are calling for a relaxation of social practices as they apply to sports and for a new look at the future of sports in South Africa.

This has prompted one newspaper to comment: "The international sports community is proving more effective than the international political community in letting the Republic of South Africa know that its policy of racial separation is repugnant and rejected by the outside world. . . . It would be ironic if a tennis racket and a rugby ball achieve more change from within than the moral assaults upon the Pretoria Government."

Anti-Apartheid Action

Growing opposition to the proposed Springbok tour is coming from a wide cross-section of New Zealand society. Representatives from the Federation of Labour, New Zealand University Students' Association, the Roman Catholic Justice and Peace Commission, the Anglican General Synod, six District Methodist Synods, C.A.R.E. and H.A.R.T. have all declared themselves against the tour.

Common to all of these organisations is the concern that the effect of the tour would be:

- That the white minority rulers of South Africa would have their privileged position reinforced and their policy of Apartheid supported by implication.
 - That the black and coloured majority in South Africa would be no further advanced in their claim for basic human rights.
 - That New Zealand would be further identified as a friend of Apartheid in the eyes of the majority of the world.
- Opponents of the tour share also a common conviction that the effect of cancelling the proposed tour would be:

- That the South African Government would see the need to change its sporting policy.
 - That New Zealand would re-affirm its stand as a member of the multi-racial commonwealth.
 - That the black and coloured majority in South Africa would see support in actions as well as words.
- Auckland Synod, received and adopted the report.
 Waikato-Bay of Plenty Synod, received and adopted the report.
 Taranaki-Wanganui Synod, received and adopted the report.
 Wellington Synod, received and adopted the report.
 Otago-Southland Synod, received and adopted the report.

(b) Anti-Apartheid Kitset.

Resolution 3 (c) page 171, 1971 Minutes of Conference.

"That in order to enable Methodist people to give practical expression to their opposition of Apartheid, the International Affairs Committee be responsible for preparing and distributing an "Anti-Apartheid Kitset" directing attention to New Zealand groups and publications committed to opposing Apartheid."

The Committee has not implemented this resolution as it became apparent early in the year that there was a need for such a publication within all New Zealand Churches.

A Wellington, ad-hoc Clergy group against Apartheid, asked the National Council of Churches to consider publishing a kitset on Apartheid for use within the churches. The Christian Education Commission, of the National Council of Churches, approved of the scheme and the Methodist Department of Christian Education accepted responsibility for publishing the material.

The Department in late July, produced an information kitset entitled "**The Churches Oppose Apartheid**". The material is available from the Epworth Bookrooms and sells for \$1.50 cents.

Within the kitset there are three basic sections each containing a wide range of resource materials.

Section one has a wide range of resource materials.

Section two has material on "Christians, Racism and Apartheid."

Section three has material on "The Churches and the 1973 Tour."

There is additional material on how to use the kitset and summary information to facilitate addresses and to identify issues and questions for discussion.

The International Affairs Committee wholeheartedly endorses the kitset and recommends that it be widely used as a resource for the study of Apartheid, and in particular, as an aid in examining the moral issues involved in the proposed Springbok tour to New Zealand in 1973.

(c) Rhodesia.

The Government of the Rhodesian Front declared unilateral independence on the 11th November, 1965. Mr Harold Wilson, the British Prime Minister, in imposing certain economic sanctions, defined the declaration as an "act of rebellion". The economic sanctions, he stated, would be effective in forcing renunciation "in weeks rather than months."

Nearly seven years later the Rhodesian Front continues to defy the British Government and repeated United Nations appeals. Repressive racial legislation, and in particular, the Emergency Powers (Maintenance of law and order) Regulation of 1966 with the powers of arrest and detention without trial, has crushed the African struggle for independence under majority rule. An unknown number of African Leaders are now detained.

There is no longer any doubt as to the particular ideology motivating the Rhodesian Front party. Recent indications are that the Government is intensifying its alignment with South African Apartheid principles. Laws prohibiting social inter-action between White and Black Rhodesians — i.e. segregated swimming and busing facilities, are soon to be enacted by the Government. Further, increasing numbers of Rhodesian Africans are being forcibly removed from their tribal lands to provide white farmers with additional land.

Time has shown that the economic ties between Britain and Rhodesia were too strong and were largely responsible for the half-hearted measures taken and the relative ineffectiveness. The prosperity of many British companies has been found to be dependent on exploited African labour in the mines and industries of Rhodesia and South Africa who were drawn together through the application of economic sanctions. The very standard of living in Britain was found to be embarrassingly dependent on lucrative trade and commerce with South Africa and Rhodesia.

The London Directors of two hundred more British companies with Rhodesian subsidiaries have little real will to interfere with the efforts of their Rhodesian friends to retain positions of power and wealth and the continuation of profits.

The London politician, measured by the standard of affluence of his society, has little will to take action that will mean economic sacrifice. In a community motivated by materialistic standards of affluence, the brotherhood of man must inevitably suffer.

2. INDO-CHINA.

The continuation of the conflict in Indo-China in general and in Vietnam in particular points up the futility of war as a means of resolving differences or of changing unsatisfactory situations. In spite of the cries for peace on all sides, the violence and destruction continue to decimate both the resources and the people of Indo-China. We believe, that regardless of its origins, this continuing violence and destruction is to be condemned without qualification. It represents a failure to take human needs seriously. Worse it runs counter to all that we stand for as signatories to the United Nations Declaration on Human Rights. If there is to be any possibility of rebuilding a viable society and a worthy life for the people of Vietnam, the horror and waste of this war must cease.

As New Zealanders, we have ourselves been involved in this war, for whatever reasons — and we need to recognise the differences of view which have prevailed amongst us. On the one hand, because N.Z. has withdrawn from active participation in the war, we cannot wash our hands of responsibility. On the other, this is not an appropriate time for us to seek to disentangle the complexity of the issues. With every day the war continues to be fought, reconstruction grows more difficult, ideological barriers harden and the interplay of conflicting interests become more complex. The task of the Christian at this point is not to aggravate divisions by vivid prophetic proclamations. Nor is it to invite recrimination in respect to what is past, rather it is to demonstrate the power of Christ's love to heal and to re-create. Specifically, we must seek to foster a climate of opinion in which mistakes can be acknowledged and new directions sought.

In practical terms, a reconciliation between the contending parties will not be possible until there is a cessation of hostilities. We believe that this can be best effected by a withdrawal of the contending forces behind the existing boundaries and of all foreign forces from Indo-China. Such a mutual withdrawal would not be understood to

represent a judgement on the rights or wrongs of anyone's position but simply as a preliminary to serious negotiations without pre-conditions. A corollary to military disengagement should be agreement to a massive international effort directed towards reconstruction of the lives and resources of all the people involved. It is evident that such an effort is best directed from within the resources of the several United Nations non-political agencies.

These are the urgent tasks towards which we believe the Church should now address its efforts both within and beyond New Zealand.

Auckland Synod, received and adopted the report.

Waikato-Bay of Plenty Synod, received and adopted the report.

Additional Resolution: "Synod requests the International Affairs Committee to consider asking the Government to urge the United Nations organisation to act in the Vietnam conflict by undertaking to conduct elections for a new Government upon the cessation of hostilities and the withdrawal by North Vietnam and the United States of all armed forces from South Vietnam.

Taranaki-Wanganui Synod, received and adopted the report.

Wellington Synod, received and adopted the report.

Otago-Southland Synod, received and adopted the report.

3. Religious Persecution.

Resolution 8. page 171, 1972 Minutes of Conference.

"That the International Affairs Committee study and report to Synods and Conference 1972 on the evidence of persecution of Christians and those of other faiths in Russia and other communist countries."

The committee has encountered substantial difficulty in seeking to obtain reliable information as to the treatment of Christians and people of other faiths within the countries of the Communist world. Much of the information, which is publicly available, is suspect, either because of its source or because it is plainly conditioned by a propagandist slant. It is, frequently, an impossible task to isolate what is fact from what is propaganda or interpretation. This is especially so since the flow of information from the countries concerned is closely controlled by their governments. What information is available from other sources appears to come mainly from extremist sources and is, to that extent, also suspect.

On the other hand, it must be recognised that in all of the countries within the communist bloc, the official policy is one of more or less militant atheism so far as all the organs of state are concerned, coupled with a technical constitutional freedom of religion and belief. How this dual standard is interpreted varies from country to country. Thus, in Poland, where a substantial sector of the population remains Roman Catholic, the Vatican has been able to arrange a formal concordat with the authorities which appears to give some degree of official protection to its people. At the other extreme, little or nothing is known of the fate of Christians in China. Undoubtedly, there are restrictions and difficulties in every country. In Russia restrictions are placed upon their ability to conduct open evangelism, to build meeting facilities, schools and monasteries. There is no freedom to criticise the Government publicly or to travel abroad. For Jews, there is the real handicap that they are not permitted to teach or learn the Hebrew language. All these restrictions are crippling to the full life of the churches in the situation. For those individuals who feel called to stand and fight on these matters or any others, antagonism and, perhaps, persecution will be a harsh reality of life. Even in New Zealand it is not always possible to oppose authority on particular questions without a degree of harassment. In Russia, in particular, the Baptist Church (besides

the Orthodox Church, the major Christian body) has faced very serious opposition because of its stand on some matters. The Jews also, at this present time, are experiencing serious pressures on their life and identity for reasons, which, to some extent are obscure.

Some of the pro-Christian and pro-Jewish material which reaches us from behind the "Iron Curtain", must be treated circumspectly. When, for example, we learn of the treatment meted out to men like Pastor Wurmbrandt, we need to be aware that the Pastor is a man who was a communist before he was converted to the Christian faith. One would expect that, as in other like cases, the antagonism from his erstwhile comrades would be somewhat more vigorous and intense than might otherwise be the case. That is not, of course, to underestimate the perils and problems which such a person really faces. It is to say that we must not necessarily judge the total situation from the violent experience of one man or one group. There is no doubt whatever that Christian groups and communities as well as Jews and others face severe restrictions and varying degrees of hostility in the countries of the communist world. Precise information is hard to secure but, as a general impression, it must be said that the situation is certainly not so grave as it was during the height of the Stalinist period immediately after the Second World War.

There are many countries outside the Communist bloc where serious infringements of civil rights and basic human rights are common. In South Africa today there is active repression of Christians and others who make a stand against the system. The situation is, in fact, not dissimilar to that prevailing in Stalinist Russia at its worst period. But, in Latin America, in South East Asia and in many other places, there are constitutional (and unconstitutional) restraints placed on the freedom of citizens to be and say what they will. How is one to choose upon which ground to stand and fight amidst such complexity and variety?

The considered judgement of the World Council of Churches, with which this committee concurs, is that our first obligation is towards those situations which involve directly the consistency of the Christian Faith and which we have some real expectation of influencing a change. It seems unlikely to us that Communist leaders will be influenced in their treatment of minority groups in their own societies by those who appear to acquiesce in similar mistreatment, even of majorities, in professedly Christian countries. A strong and positive stand against such situations as prevail in Southern Africa may very well provide us with a helpful lever in seeking to ameliorate the lot of oppressed minorities elsewhere.

Recognising that there is a problem, even whilst yet unable to define its dimensions, how are we to influence it for good? The first need is for accurate and reliable information. The second is for some real knowledge of the church groups concerned in the situation. Both of these we lack. Our understanding is that it is now possible, in many situations, to generate a genuine dialogue with church groups in Eastern Europe. Such a dialogue, if it could be initiated, would prove fruitful in widening the ecumenical framework within which we are now constrained and in opening up genuine and reliable sources of information as to the position of Christians in the countries of the Communist world.

4. Overseas Aid.

Recognising the widening gap between the rich and poor nations as one of the most serious problems of our time, the Methodist Church has consistently urged greatly increased and improved development assistance, together with more enlightened trade policies.

To this end the International Affairs Committee has taken the

initiative in forming an inter-church group in Wellington to encourage Churches and wider groups throughout New Zealand to mobilise public opinion in an effort to increase official overseas aid.

With the Overseas Development Committee this ad-hoc inter-church group has initiated the setting up of local groups formed around key persons; these groups have received study material and action guides and have been taking initiative locally in publicising their concern and bringing to the attention of election candidates the need for increased overseas aid.

G. H. BRAITHWAITE, Chairman.
B. E. JONES, Convener.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted.

2. Springbok Tour.

Believing that apartheid is basically contrary to the principles of Christ's teaching and seriously injures the rights of the majority of South Africans and that its application to sport violates the Olympic principles of non-discrimination and merit being the basis of selection for participation in sport. Conference:—

- (1) Urges the Government to encourage the N.Z. Rugby Union to broaden its invitation to South Africa for a rugby team selected on merit irrespective of colour.
- (2) Declares its opposition to the proposed tour if the basis of selection remains as at present.
- (3) Recognises the place of non-violent protest against the proposed tour.
- (4) Seeks reconciliation with all the people of South Africa irrespective of race.

3. Conference urges all other N.Z. sporting bodies to discontinue sporting contacts with South Africa as a protest against apartheid and racist sport.

4. That the International Affairs Committee give consideration to:

- (a) Giving every support to the churches in South Africa to oppose apartheid.
- (b) Calling the people of New Zealand to intercession over Apartheid in South Africa.

5. That the International Affairs Committee explore what immediate practicable alternatives to Apartheid (the policy of Separate Development) are open to the South African Government.

6. That Conference commend the publication "The Churches Oppose Apartheid" to all congregations, encouraging them to initiate a concentrated study of the issues raised within the kitset.

7. That the International Affairs Committee consider urging the Government to accept the invitation to join the U.N. Committee on Apartheid and be given power to act.

8. Indo-China.

(a) Conference endorses the statements made by the President that "The war in Indo-China, carried out with our connivance and support has become an obscenity and a nightmare, an offence against everything we stand for." and that "Western arms and technology have magnified a local quarrel until in a country about the size of New Zealand, a million soldiers are dead, millions more civilians (are) killed or maimed,

eleven million more (are) driven from their homes as refugees, and the very land itself is pitted and scarred by three times as many bombs as fell in the whole of World War II."

Therefore, Conference calls on all Christians strenuously to oppose any future involvement of our country in any similar military adventure.

9. Increased Overseas Aid for Development.

That Conference requests the New Zealand Government to make a determined and consistent effort to attain the officially recognised targets for overseas development aid — 1% of the Gross National Product for all external aid, including 0.7% of Development aid which meets the criteria laid down by the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (O.E.C.D.).

10. Corso Appeal for Hurricane Bebe.

That Conference urges our people to support enthusiastically the CORSO/Red Cross Special National Appeal on Friday, November 17 1972, on behalf of those who suffered through Hurricane Bebe.

11. Ugandan Refugees.

That Conference urges the New Zealand Government to receive a **minimum** of 200 Ugandan Asian Refugees including those whose lack of skills or whose disabilities might result in their being unwelcome in other countries.

12. That the following be referred to the International Affairs Committee:—

Atmospheric Testing and Stockpiling of Nuclear Weapons

a. (1) Conference denounces all testing of nuclear weapons that discharges radiation into the atmosphere;

(2) denounces the stockpiling or use of Nuclear Weapons for any purpose;

(3) urges the Government to make greater efforts to free the Pacific from all Nuclear testing.

b. Conference commends the actions of those New Zealanders who protested non-violently against the recent French tests and urges support for protests against further tests in the Pacific.

13. That Conference refer the following to the International Affairs Committee for study and report:—

"That a form of Hippocratic Oath be introduced by which scientists, like doctors bind themselves to use their skills and discoveries exclusively for human welfare and never for the harm or destruction of human life. We recommend that a world organisation of such scientists be formed for research and mutual aid, we declare that the Methodist Church would encourage moral acts and financial support for scientists who suffer as a result of acts of conscience."

14. That Conference places on record its thanks to the Rev. Barry Jones for his Convenership of the Committee for the past three years, and to Professor D. W. McKenzie for his work on the Committee over a period.

15. That the Committee for 1973 be as printed on page 7.

QUESTION 38.—(c) No longer applies.

QUESTION 38.—(d) No longer applies.

QUESTION 39—What are the Resolutions of the Conference concerning Church and other Properties?

A.—GENERAL REPORT ON CHURCH PROPERTY

FOR YEAR ENDED JUNE 30th, 1972
RECEIPTS

	\$	\$
TRUST ACCOUNTS:		
Credit Balances as at June 30th, 1971:		
General Funds	225,623.60	
(a) Special Funds	567,756.75	
(b) " "	344,488.09	
(c) " "	69,513.56	
		1,207,382.00
Receipts for Year:		
Total Loans received	177,965.92	
Extraordinary Receipts—		
Bequests	53,726.87	
Sale of Land and Buildings	266,879.09	
Grants—non Circuit	48,907.00	
Transfer other Trusts	42,817.97	
Special Efforts	71,555.15	
Grants from Circuit Budget	202,350.28	
Rent, Interest, etc.	410,053.93	
All other Special Receipts	84,528.32	
		1,377,784.53
		2,485,166.53
Debit Balance General Fund as at June 30th 1972		57,158.62
GRAND TOTAL		\$2,632,325.15

PAYMENTS

	\$	\$
Debit Balance General Account as at June 30th 1971		40,114.42
Payments for Year:		
Loan Repayments	187,333.25	
Interest on Loans and Bank Overdraft	45,784.43	
Purchase of Land, Erection or Additions Buildings	371,407.68	
Transfer to other Trusts	45,186.12	
All other General Payments—Rates, Repairs, etc.	428,073.82	
All other Special Payments	150,168.10	
		1,227,953.40
TOTAL PAYMENTS		\$1,268,067.82
Credit Balances as at June 30th, 1972:		
General Fund	351,903.60	
(a) Special Funds	655,156.08	
(b)	280,417.14	
(c)	76,780.51	
		1,364,257.33
GRAND TOTAL		\$2,632,325.15

DEBT POSITION

A. Balance from Last Year:		
Church Building and Loan Fund	339,413.75	
Connexional Fire Insurance Fund	12,606.46	
Home Mission Investment Funds Board	220,922.68	
Commercial Interest Rate	598,198.49	
Private Interest Rate	117,943.20	
TOTAL		1,289,084.58
B. New Loans Received:		
Church Building and Loan Fund	63,352.12	
Home Mission Investment Funds Board	22,480.00	
Commercial Interest Rate	57,850.00	
Private Interest Rate	34,467.42	
		178,149.54
TOTAL A + B		\$1,467,234.12
C. Less Loan Repayments:		
Church Building and Loan Fund	60,964.31	
Connexional Fire Insurance Fund	933.14	
Home Mission Investment Funds Board	28,373.54	
Commercial Interest Rate	73,192.11	
Private Interest Rate	32,314.09	
TOTAL		\$195,777.19
D. Balance at present:		
Church Building and Loan Fund	342,401.56	
Connexional Fire Insurance Fund	11,673.32	
Home Mission Investment Funds Board	215,029.14	
Commercial Interest Rate	583,361.38	
Private Interest Rate	118,991.53	
TOTAL A + B - C		\$1,271,456.93

RESOLUTION

1. That the report be received and adopted.

DISTRICT PROPERTY ADVISORY COMMITTEES

District Chairman, District Property Secretary and:

NORTHLAND:

District Secretary, District Financial Secretary, and Rev. B. Sides and Mr L. Hames.

AUCKLAND:

District Secretary, Revs. R. F. Clement, P. P. Rushton; Messrs A. M. McKerras, F. M. Souster, L. O. O'Donnell, K. J. Rosser, D. Crooks.

WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY:

Revs. A. Newnan, L. R. M. Gilmore; Messrs W. B. Young, G. C. Decke, C. R. Shoosmith.

TARANAKI-WANGANUI:

Revs. W. R. Francis and A. O. Jones; W. Thrush and A. L. Fox.

HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU:

Rev. L. J. Gibson; Messrs C. B. Radcliffe, L. A. Davis.

WELLINGTON:

Rev. C. B. Oldfield, Messrs T. M. Pacey, L. E. M. Grace, E. C. Flyger.

NELSON:

Messrs P. R. Wardrop, D. H. Williams and P. Smart.

NORTH CANTERBURY:

Members of the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee.

SOUTH CANTERBURY:

Messrs R. E. Littler and A. J. Marrett.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND:

Rev. D. S. Mullan.

DISTRICT PROPERTY SECRETARIES

NORTHLAND:

Mr G. B. Keightley, Homestead Road, Keri Keri.

AUCKLAND:

Mr D. J. Crooks (Returns), 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:

WELLINGTON:

Mr G. F. Whitlock, 10 Pinney Avenue, Lower Hutt.

NELSON:

Mr A. C. Barrington, F.C.I.S., Riverside Community, R.D. 2, Upper Moutere.

NORTH CANTERBURY:

Mr H. Thomas, 258 Hills Road, Christchurch, 1.

SOUTH CANTERBURY:

Mr P. G. Woodnorth, P.O. Box 254, Timaru.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND:

Mr R. M. MacLeod, 154 Riselaw Road, Corstorphine. Dunedin.

B.—CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND COMMITTEE

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SALE OF PROPERTIES

The Committee has sanctioned the sale of properties as under. If not acted on by 31st January, 1974 the sanction expires. In some cases final sale price has not been determined (*).

NORTHLAND:

Paparoa: Section No. 1 of subdivision \$550. **Kohukohu (North Hokianga):** 3 roods 16.10 perches and Parsonage \$3,000. **Wayby (Port Albert):** 1 rood 34.2 perches and Church Hall \$550. **Kamo (Whangarei):** 34.4 perches and dwelling \$14,500.

AUCKLAND:

St. John's Ponsonby (Auckland West): Tole Street 14.08 perches and house \$2,750. **Auckland Central Mission — Rothesay Bay:** 35.9 perches and house \$8,500. **Mangere — Walmsley Road:** 1 rood 24.9

perches and Church \$17,500. **Makarau (Kaipara):** 2 acres 1 rood 21.6 perches \$700. **Wesley College, Paerata:** Waikowhai Park Estate — freeholding of sections approved according to schedules submitted.

WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY:

Taumaranui — East Road: 3 acres 2 roods 29 perches and house \$10,000. **Ohura:** 1 rood and Parsonage \$10,000. **Tauranga:** 39.6 perches and building \$40,000.

TARANAKI-WANGANUI:

Spotswood (New Plymouth): 2 roods 15.1 perches and house \$9,500. **Normanby (Hawera):** $\frac{1}{2}$ acre and Church \$600.

HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU:

Foxton Union Parish: 1 rood and Parsonage \$5,000. **Sanson:** $\frac{1}{2}$ acre \$580.

WELLINGTON:

Thorndon: 25.15 perches and Church \$122,500. **Carterton U.P.:** 3 roods 16.4 perches, Church, Sunday School Hall and Parsonage \$13,500. **Masterton Children's Home:** Seven sections \$1,750 each. **NaeNae (Lower Hutt):** 28.36 perches and Parsonage \$18,000; 23.29 perches and Church \$21,400. **Waiwhetu Road, Lower Hutt:** 1 rood 6.08 perches and Parsonage \$17,000. **Waitarere Beach:** 32 perches \$850. **Meadowvale (Levin):** Two sections each of 32.6 perches*. **Ngaio:** 25.6 perches and Parsonage \$16,500.

NELSON:

Spring Creek (Blenheim): Home Mission Dept. — 2 roods 34 perches \$1,400. **Hokitika:** Church Hall \$550.

NORTH CANTERBURY:

St. Phillips, Hills Road (Christchurch East): 1 rood 17.4 perches and Church Hall \$10,000. **Wesley, Fitzgerald Avenue (Christchurch East):** 24.3 perches and Parsonage \$15,500. **Woolston:** 1 rood 1.2 perches and Parsonage \$7,800. **Ellesmere (Springston):** 2 roods and Church \$100. **Broadfield (Springston):** 1 acre 32.5 perches \$1,800.

SOUTH CANTERBURY:

Timaru — Glenwood Old People's Home: 5 acre 2 roods .09 perches \$2,000.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND:

Roslyn (Dunedin): Land 35.2 perches \$5,000. **Bannockburn (Central Otago):** 1 rood and Church \$500. **Palmerston (Dunedin Central Mission):** 2 roods 15.1 perches and Parsonage \$6,500. **Wai-kouaiti:** $\frac{1}{4}$ acre \$50.

PURCHASES

The following purchases have been approved:

AUCKLAND:

Overseas Mission Dept. — Queenstown Road, Onehunga: Section 35.9 perches \$6,000. **Auckland Central Mission — McLean Street, Mt Albert:** 30.1 perches and dwelling \$19,000. **Pukekohe:** 32 perches and dwelling \$27,500. **Campbells Bay:** 1 rood 4.10 perches and dwelling \$17,000.

WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY:

Tamahere: 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ acres \$2,580.

WELLINGTON:

Department of Christian Education—281 The Parade, Wellington: 30.1 perches and dwelling \$18,500.

BUILDINGS

Purchases (P), Erections (E), Additions and Alterations (A), Final Costs Not Known (*).

AUCKLAND:

Auckland Central Mission — Mt Eden Road Medical Hospital (E) \$180,000. **Manly: Church extension (A)** \$2,220. **Warkworth (Mahurangi): Hall (A)***.

WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY:

Ngaruawahia: Parsonage (A) \$770. **Matamata: Church Centre (E)***. **Taumaranui: Parsonage (E)** \$18,000. **Rotorua Bainbridge Buildings Extensions (A)** \$7,187.

TARANAKI-WANGANUI:

Oāto (Opunake): Hall (E)*.

HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU:

St Paul's Palmerston North: Church interior and Sanctuary (A) \$20,000.

WELLINGTON:

Wesley, Masterton: Church Centre additions (A)*.

NELSON:

Tua Marina (Blenheim): Parsonage (A)*.

NORTH CANTERBURY:

Epworth Chambers, Christchurch: (A) \$1878. **St. David's Wairakei Road, Christchurch: (A)** \$424. **St. John's Fendalton: Hall (A)** \$4410. **Riccarton: Nelson Street Parsonage (A)** \$1630. **Sefton (Rangiora): Hall (A)***. **Woodend (Rangiora): Hall (A)***.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND:

Wakari (West Dunedin Special U.P.): Hall extensions (A)*. **Balclutha: Church Hall (A)***. **Invercargill — Central Church: Church interior and Sanctuary (A)** \$16,000.

LOANS

A. LOANS (INTEREST FREE)

At 31st May, 1972 there were 221 loans amounting to \$386,930 distributed amongst the 10 Synodal Districts as follows:—

Northland	9	Wellington	27
Auckland	58	Nelson	8
Waikato-Bay of Plenty	33	North Canterbury	36
Taranaki-Wanganui	4	South Canterbury	7
Hawkes Bay-Manawatu	20	Otago-Southland	19

A feature of the year has been the substantial number of loans repaid in advance, either from proceeds of sales of property or from funds raised by special efforts. As a result the number of loans at 221 is the lowest since 1964. The number of loans was at a high point in 1969 (261). Part of the reduction has been due to amalgamation of loans. The increased size of maximum loans has also confirmed the trend to fewer but larger average loans.

B. NEW LOANS

22 loans amounting to \$58,550 have been advanced during the year as follows:—

Northland: Kaikohe \$750 debt adjustment; Whangarei \$3,000 Kamo Road property.

Auckland: Devonport Central special loan \$4,000; Mangere (Bader Drive) New Centre (2nd loan) \$5,000; Mangere East Hall extensions \$700; Papakura new Church \$5,000; Pitt Street (Deaconess' Flat) \$3,000; Point Wells Sunday School extensions \$2,000.

Waikato-Bay of Plenty: Kawerau Church Centre \$2,600.

Hawkes Bay-Manawatu: St. Paul's Palmerston North Church alterations \$5,000; Havelock North \$1,800 debt reduction.

Wellington: Lower Hutt new hall \$5,000.

RESOLUTION

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

B.—CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND COMMITTEE

SPECIAL REPORT TO SYNODS AND CONFERENCE, 1972

The OBJECTIVES and FUNCTIONS of the Church Building and Loan Fund are set out in the 1969 Law Book, pages 126-128:

519 (1) There shall be a Church Building and Loan Fund which shall assist in the purchase of sites for, and in the erection of, Churches and other buildings for Church purposes, in the provision of parsonages and in the removal of debts on church property.

(2) The Fund shall be derived from the following sources:—

- (a) Annual contributions from Boards of Trustees.
- (b) Income investments.
- (c) Gifts, legacies and grants.
- (d) Other sources from time to time determined by the Conference.

(3) The Fund shall be administered by a Committee consisting of seven Ministers, including the General Secretary and nine laymen, including the General Treasurer, appointed annually by the Conference on the nomination of the Synod where the previous year's Committee is located. One layman shall retire each year.

(4) The Committee shall:—

- (a) Receive applications for and determine upon the amounts and conditions of loans and the manner and times of repayment.
- (b) Approve of plans and specifications of all proposed erections of, or enlargements and alterations both exterior and interior to Church buildings.
Plans for a new building or for alterations costing \$7000 or more must be prepared by a registered architect, but in the case of parsonage plans may be prepared by a member of the Master Builders' Association as approved by the District Property Committee.
- (c) Sanction purchases, sales or leases of seven years or more and of mortgages of Church Property.
- (d) Receive and consider the annual report of the General Secretary of Church Property.
- (e) See that titles to all Church property are in order and provide for the safe custody of documents.
- (f) Take steps to secure the Church against permanent debt.
- (g) Advise Trustees on property matters.
- (h) Deal with any matters which may be remitted thereto by the Conference.
- (i) Do such other work as may be necessary.

(5) The Committee shall submit to each Conference an annual report and financial statements duly audited. The report shall include a statement of loans granted during the year, and the state thereof, and cases in which the provisions relating to Church property have not been observed. The Committee shall submit to each Synod a report on loans current in the District.

(7) No application for a loan shall be considered until it has been approved by the Quarterly Meeting of the Circuit in which the Trust Board is. No loan shall be granted unless the property is held subject to the Model Deed or in a manner approved by the Conference and until the Trustees give such security and execute such agreement as shall be required by the Committee.

(8) No loan granted for the liquidation or reduction of debt on any Church property shall subject as hereinafter provided exceed the amount raised by the Trustees for that purpose.

(9) No loan towards the cost of purchase or erection of a Church Sunday School or other Church building or its site shall subject as hereinafter provided, exceed one half of the amount raised locally without borrowing.

(10) No loan towards the cost of erection or purchase of a Parsonage or its site shall, subject as hereinafter provided, exceed one half the cost thereof nor in any case more than the amount raised locally.

(11) In cases declared by a two-thirds vote of the Committee to be "special", the proportions named in three previous paragraphs may be exceeded to such extent as the Committee may determine and the time for repayment may be extended beyond ten years.

(13) All communications to the Committee from Circuits in charge of Probationers and from Home Mission Stations shall be sent through the Chairman of the District concerned.

(14) A Property Advisory Committee shall be appointed for each District. Its function shall be to act as a consultative adviser on policy matters to the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee and to Trusts and Circuits within the district as requested.

It shall consist of the District Chairman, District Secretary of Church Property and at least two other ministers, and two laymen to be nominated by the District Synod. The District Chairman shall be Convener.

(15) There shall be a special Fund administered by the Committee known as the Sites Fund from which grants may be made towards the cost of purchasing sites for Churches, Schools, Parsonages or Connexional institutions.

(19) The sources of this Fund shall be grants from the Home Mission Fund and Fire Insurance Fund, interest from investments and donations, gifts and legacies.

(20) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (7) and (18) the Committee may take grants from the Sites Fund and loans upon such terms as it thinks fit, with, or without security, in respect of Church property of any Union Parish, in respect of property of any joint venture by the Methodist Church and any one or more of the Churches engaged in Church Union discussions or in respect of any property used jointly by the Methodist Church and such other churches, such Union Parish joint venture and joint use having been first approved by the Conference or its Church Union Committee.

DISTRICT SYNODS

Minutes of Conference 1971, page 113 — SYNOD AGENDA.

The 1968 Conference resolved: The Agenda of the Synod should be revised to give it more authority over District domestic matters. Synods should give special consideration to:

- (a) Changes in Circuit boundaries;
- (b) Changes in Circuit staffing.
(In consultation with Home Mission Board).
- (c) Social Service work in that District or M.S.S.A. area (in consultation with N.Z.M.S.S.A.).
- (d) Property transactions;
- (e) Buildings — erections, alterations, additions.
(In consultation with Church Building and Loan Fund and/or Home Mission Board).
- (f) Union parishes and other forms of co-operation (in consultation with Home Mission Board and Church Union Committee).

NOTE: All the above matters would be reported to Conference through the Conference Standing Committee.

In property and building matters, and Circuit boundaries and staffing, the role of the Conference Standing Committee would be to formulate connexional policy, principles and standards and to be a consultative, advisory committee.

IMPRESSIONS OF GENERAL SECRETARY

While Overseas in 1971 the General Secretary visited Methodist Church Offices in Australia, Great Britain and the United States of America and made careful enquiries regarding the relationship of the Connexional Committee to District Synods. Without exception the final decisions on all matters affecting property transactions rested with the National Committee with provision for an appeal to the Conference. There appeared to be much less consultations with Districts than has been encouraged in New Zealand over recent years. The Chapel Affairs Department located at Manchester certainly had extensive facilities for consultation with District Chairmen and representatives of Circuits and Institutions; not withstanding the final decisions are made by the National Committee.

THE NEW ZEALAND SCENE

Based on his experience as General Property Secretary, the General Secretary submitted suggestions regarding our procedures for consideration of the Loan Fund Committee. The Committee has carefully examined the Secretary's proposals, adopted some and rejected others and now submits the following for the comments of Synods and the general approval of Conference for further study and report in 1973.

SALES

- (a) All applications for consent to sell property must have the approval of the local trust, the Circuit Quarterly Meeting and the District Synod.
- (b) The District Synod shall be responsible to see that adequate consideration has been given to the future needs of the Church in the area and that the negotiating churches have been consulted.
- (c) All sales of land and property must be approved by the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee.
- (d) The District Synod may give approval for sales of buildings for removal or the demolition of buildings.

- (e) In consultation with the local trust and Circuit Quarterly Meeting the District Synod shall make recommendations to the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee regarding allocation of proceeds of sale remaining after refunding of grants and repayment of loans etc. In general such recommendations may include:
- (i) Lodgement of proceeds of sale with Methodist General Purposes Trust Board to be made available if and when required for capital expenditure within the Circuit and/or District.
- (ii) A percentage of the proceeds of sale not exceeding 25% may be made available for general purposes of the Church other than buildings, e.g. special training and specialised ministries. See 1971 Minutes, page 178.
- (f) The Church Building and Loan Fund Committee shall be responsible to Conference for deciding on the allocation of proceeds of sale in consultation with the council of Mission.

PURCHASES

- (a) All applications to purchase land and/or buildings shall have the approval of the local trust, the Circuit Quarterly Meeting and the District Synod which shall be responsible to see that there have been due consultations with other churches working in the area and that every endeavour has been made to arrive at a type of building programme that is best suited to the concept of mission to be undertaken in that area and the financing of same.
- (b) The Church Building and Loan Fund Committee shall be responsible to Conference for the granting of permission to purchase land and/or buildings.
- (c) In consultation with the Trust and the Circuit Quarterly Meeting the District Synod may make recommendations to the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee in support of applications for grants and loan moneys.
- (d) The Church Building and Loan Fund Committee shall be responsible to Conference for the approval of the methods of financing and the making of loans and grants.

PLANS

- (a) All plans for the erection of new buildings shall receive the approval of the local trust and the Circuit Quarterly Meeting and the District Synod which shall be responsible to see that due regard has been paid to theological and utilitarian considerations in the size and design of the buildings which should be flexible, multi-purpose and such as to enable the Church to fulfil its mission in the community.
- (b) The Church Building and Loan Fund Committee shall be responsible to Conference for providing guidelines to Circuit and District bodies for the planning of buildings. (Minutes of Conference, 1971, page 178). Where new buildings are contemplated The Church Building and Loan Fund Committee shall be responsible to see that the Council of Mission has been kept informed.
- (c) The Church and Loan Fund Committee shall be responsible for the approval of all final plans and specifications.

FINANCE

- (a) In consultation with Circuit Quarterly Meetings the District Synod shall make recommendations to the Development Division and Church Building and Loan Fund Committee regarding grants

for church extension from the Development Fund and to the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee and the Development Division for grants from the Sites Fund.

- (b) The Church Building and Loan Fund shall be responsible to Conference for the approval of loans from connexional sources, e.g. Home Mission Investment Funds Board, the Connexional Fire Insurance Fund, General Purposes Trust Board.

"THE CHURCH IN THE MIDST"

For some years now the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee has had in mind the revision of the booklet, "The Church in the Midst." In the Committee's judgement the time is not now opportune for such a revision. With Church Union negotiations at the stage that they are and so much change in aspects of Church architecture the Committee recommends that the revision be not proceeded with and the Committee issue at least annually planning guide sheets which could deal with such subjects as:

- (i) Overall design.
- (ii) Arrangement of furniture in the sanctuary
- (iii) Seating.
- (iv) Multi-purpose use of buildings and flexibility.
- (v) Building materials etc.

APPOINTMENT OF TRUSTEES FOR A SPECIFIC TERM

(1971 Minutes of Conference, page 179).

It would appear unwise to make any alteration in the method of appointment of Trustees until the outcome of the vote on the Plan for Union is known. In the meanwhile Chairmen of Trusts should be encouraged to bring their lists of Trustees as up to date as possible.

UNION PARISHES

(1971 Minutes of Conference, page 180).

Until the outcome of the vote on the Plan for Union is known there would appear to be little value in producing a special statistical form for finance property and annual returns of Union Parishes.

District Property Secretaries have been asked to furnish reports on the state of Methodist properties in Union Parishes within their Districts.

CONSULTATIONS WITH DISTRICT SYNODS AND DISTRICT PROPERTY ADVISORY COMMITTEES

The Executive Officers have been grateful for opportunities afforded to them to address Synods and to meet with local Trusts and District Property Advisory Committees and increasingly believe that annual visits should be paid to all Districts.

With the likely visit of Revs. John L. Wade of Melbourne and Roy M. Glover of Sydney to New Zealand early in 1973, next year would appear to be a good year for consultations/seminars to be organised in all Districts to consider the procedures outlined in this Report and such basic issues as:—

- (a) The place of buildings in the mission of the church.
- (b) Contemporary trends in church architecture.
- (c) Changes in procedures in the light of the vote on the Plan for Union with special reference to the approving authority on behalf of the connexion.

ADMINISTRATION CHARGES/WORKING EXPENSES

The Report of the General Property Secretary and the Financial Statements will be presented to Conference.

As was mentioned in our last year's report, the Committee has found it necessary to review the administration charges/working expenses on all loans issued to Trusts. Since the institution of the Fund, the charges have never exceeded $\frac{1}{2}\%$. Rising costs make an increase inevitable. This year's statements show a deficit in the income and expenditure account of \$453.00. As administration costs are bound to increase in the current year. The Committee has come to the conclusion that it has no alternative but to increase the working expenses to 1% on all loans as from 1st June, 1973. Other alternatives have been investigated by the Committee (e.g. a special rate of interest on debt reduction loans) but the Committee decided that an overall increase was preferable to differential rates.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Special Report be received and adopted.
2. That early in 1973, consultations/seminars be arranged in all Districts to consider the procedures outlined in this Report in the light of the basic issues:—
 - (a) The place of buildings in the mission of the church.
 - (b) Contemporary trends in church architecture.
 - (c) Changes in procedures in the light of the vote on the Plan for Union with special reference to the approving authority on behalf of the connexion.
3. That the working expenses/administration charges on all loans from the Church Building and Loan Fund be increased to 1% as from 1st June, 1973.
4. That the President in consultation with the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee be authorised to approve of the incorporation of the Auckland Central Mission and, if requested by the Boards of Management of Christchurch and Dunedin, the constitutions to be printed in the Minutes of Conference.
5. That the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee for 1973 be as printed on page 5.

QUESTION 39.—(c) Custodian of Deeds?

CUSTODIAN OF DEEDS

ANNUAL REPORT 1972

1. TITLES

For the year ended 30th June, 1972 the following Certificates of Title have been received and acknowledged:—

NORTHLAND:

Kaeo Parsonage; Murdoch Street property, Whangarei.

AUCKLAND:

Wesley Church, Mt Albert Road; Marion Avenue Parsonage; Red Beach, Whangaparaoa.

WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY:

Chartwell, Hamilton; Tamahere Eventide Home; Turangi Parsonage.

TARANAKI-WANGANUI:

Hawera Parsonage.

HAWKES BAY-MANAWTU:

Feilding Church, Sunday School, Parsonage.

WELLINGTON:

Johnsonville; Waitangirua.

NORTH CANTERBURY:

Halswell Church Centre; Richmond Church; Dunsandel adjoining House property.

SOUTH CANTERBURY:

Allenton; Oamaru; St. David's, Marchwiell, Timaru.

OTAGO SOUTHLAND:

Mornington; Port Chalmers Church and Parsonage.

2. NEW TRUSTS

New Trusts have been registered as under and certificates issued:—

AUCKLAND: Overseas Missions Department Parsonage.

WELLINGTON: Department of Christian Education Parsonage; Featherston Union Parish.

3. TRUSTEES

Changes in the personnel of Trustees have been registered as under and certificates issued:

Districts	Trusts	Deletions	Registrations
Northland	8	12	11
Auckland	28	58	52
Waikato-Bay of Plenty	22	45	44
Taranaki-Wanganui	12	27	28
Hawkes Bay-Manawatu	6	25	2
Wellington	14	25	24
Nelson	5	15	4
North Canterbury	14	18	25
South Canterbury	7	22	1
Otago-Southland	12	20	8
	128	267	199

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, 1972.

The nett surplus from Property Income is well down on last year, due to the considerable sum required to be spent on maintenance due to City Council requisitions, the re-roofing of No. 3 Block, and deferred maintenance arising from rent increases. Maintenance costs in the coming year should be back to normal.

The whole of the Board's rentals (except for leases) have been reviewed. This will result in an Annual increase in rentals of approximately \$5,900.00.

The only appropriations during the year were grants to Trinity College amounting to \$25,500.00 of which \$12,500.00 was loans from previous years.

The area in which the Trust's property is situated, is still in a "state of flux", although, with the motorway slowly nearing completion, there are signs of awakening interest in the area. The Trust, meantime, continues to budget for the expenditure of a substantial sum on new buildings in the near future.

The members of the Board are:— Mr W. F. Christian (Chairman), the Reverends E. D. Grounds and E. W. Hames, Dr J. J. Lewis, and Messrs D. Brown, A. L. Caughey, M. N. Furness, T. L. Hames, G. C. Riddell, F. M. Souster and W. F. Winstone.

W. F. CHRISTIAN, Chairman.
L. M. IZZARD, Secretary.

RESOLUTION

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

QUESTION 40.—

2.—PRINCE ALBERT COLLEGE TRUST BOARD

(Reports biennially)

3.—THE JAMES AND MARTHA TROUNSON BENEVOLENT FUND TRUST BOARD

(Reports biennially)

RESOLUTION

1. That the Financial Statements be received and adopted.

4.—THE BOARD OF THE WELLINGTON METHODIST CHARITABLE AND EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENTS

Report for the year ended 30th June, 1972.

We have pleasure in presenting to the Conference our report on the Board's activities for the year ended 30th June, 1972.

Masterton Children's Home:

The Masterton Home Committee has reported direct to Conference and the Board endorses the Committee's report. It is noted with interest that considerable difficulty has been experienced in locating foster homes for children needing this type of care, and that admittance had to be declined in the case of twenty-nine children owing to lack of room. It appears that there will be a need for the Home to continue operating in its present form for several years yet.

In a time of escalating expenses the committee has been successful in containing its expenditure on a comparable figure with those of the previous year.

Rangiatea Maori College Trust:

The Board's interest in the work of the Rangiatea Maori College Trust is maintained, and it has been possible to increase our Annual Grant by \$250, and whilst we would like to make a larger increase we feel we cannot go much further in view of the cost of maintaining the Children's Home at Masterton, which remains our principal activity.

Properties:

1. **Kelburn:** Following a request from the Ministry of Works that we freehold the sections at present leased for proposed Halls of Residence for Victoria University the properties were valued, but in spite of an assurance from the Ministry that the Board would be compensated to the extent of full market value, it was not prepared to pay the amount recommended by our valuer, and the matter is at present being pursued.

2. **Foxton:** Advice has been received from the Manawatu County that it has made application under the Roads Vote for subsidy to finance an extension to Bowe Road, and that if the application is successful the work will be carried out during 1972-73.

Compensation received from Manawatu Catchment Board for land taken for river protection work has been placed in a Property Reserve Account as the bulk of the land concerned actually resulted from accretions to our title through change in the course of the Manawatu River.

3. **Masterton:** Permission has been obtained from the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee to dispose of some of the surplus land. Seven Sections have been sub-divided along the Herbert Street frontage and these are now available for sale.

4. **Plimmerton:** A cottage property at Plimmerton was left to the Board under the will of the late I. A. Kirkpatrick for the benefit of the Masterton Methodist Children's Home. This property has been incorporated in the books at Government valuation of \$3750 and net rentals of nearly \$300 have been paid to the Home Committee.

Financial:
There has been a small increase in net income as a result of revision of rates of interest on maturing mortgage advances. Rents will remain static until the end of 1974 when several of the leases are due for renewal.

On behalf of the Board,
W. F. FORD, Chairman
J. A. KELLOW, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Rev. W. F. Ford be re-appointed Chairman.

2. That the Board's representatives on the Board of Rangiatea Maori College Trust be Rev. W. F. Ford, Messrs J. F. Cody, G. C. Burton.

3. That the persons nominated in the Annual Report of the Masterton Methodist Children's Home be appointed as its Management Committee, for 1972/73.

4. That Messrs H. W. Kelly, L. E. M. Grace and J. W. Brown be appointed members of the Board.

QUESTION 40.—(5)

THE ELMSLEY TRUST BOARD

RESOLUTION

1. That the Financial Statements be received and adopted.

QUESTION 40.—(6) Grey Institute Trust.

GREY INSTITUTE TRUST

ANNUAL REPORT for the year ended 30th June, 1972.

The Trustees have continued to exercise their supervision over the property in New Plymouth with the result that the Church has profited during the year.

GRANTS

Following the resolution by Conference in 1971 as to the disbursement of surplus funds of this Trust the Trustees have been able to contribute substantially to the work particularly for the Maori people in the District.

Maintenance of Mission property, namely the Church building in St Aubyn Street, the old Mission House on that section and the old house maintained as a parsonage for the resident Maori Minister have been upgraded and repaired.

In addition to a regular annual grant of \$4500.00 to the Rangiatea Maori Girls' College Trust there has been a grant of \$15000.00 during the year to meet the accumulated costs of running that establishment.

FREEHOLDING OF LEASES

During the year several lessees have enquired about the possibility of freeholding the sections which they occupy. They have been advised that under the present legislation this is not possible.

The Trustees however were most interested in the Private Bill which was submitted to Parliament in August last year being the Methodist Charitable and Educational Trusts Amendment Bill which according to press reports proposed to allow the Board to sell residential land and leases to the lessees, the objectives being to invest the Trust funds in areas which could provide a better return than Real Estate.

FINANCES

The Financial Accounts disclose that the total income for the year was \$14,582.00. Expenses for administration and including the erection of a strong-room to preserve the Trust's records were \$4648.00, leaving a surplus of \$9934.00 available for Trust purposes.

Of this sum the Trustees had already distributed \$4500.00 to the Rangiatea Maori Girls' College and \$409.81 on maintenance of the Mission property. This leaves the sum of \$5024.41 to be allocated.

The decision as to the disposal of these surplus funds including last year's figures, in accordance with the ruling of Conference will be the subject of a joint recommendation from the Trustees and the Maori Division of the Church.

TRUST RESERVES

Of the land administered by the Trust the unleased areas will only become productive by the expenditure necessary to develop them to the stage where they are suitable for housing or commercial sections.

Towards this end the Trustees have decided to establish a Reserve, the main purpose being the development of the remaining sections so that they can be turned from a liability to an income producing asset. Towards this end we propose adding the sum of \$2127.25 to this reserve fund this year.

CONCLUSION

This Report and the Financial Accounts which accompany it are now submitted to Conference for approval.

W. R. FRANCIS, Chairman.

M. H. BURN, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report and Financial Statements be received and adopted.
2. That Conference adopt the joint recommendation of the Trustees and the Maori Division for grants from the surpluses of the two years ended 30/6/72:—

Maori Mission Board	7,000.00
General Reserve	2,127.25
Total surplus for last 2 years	<u>\$9,127.25</u>

QUESTION 40.—(7)

KAI IWI MISSION ESTATE

(Reports Biennially)

RESOLUTION

1. That the Financial Statements be received and adopted.

QUESTION 40.—(8)

**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**

ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1972

As this is the last report of the Methodist Home Mission and Church Extension Department, members of the Conference will forgive us if we speak with some pride of the history department which in one form or another has been associated with the development of Methodism since the establishment of the first Conference in Australasia in 1855. It has many achievements to its credit. There is hardly a circuit in the country that has not at some time or another been assisted by its Grants or its Agents—Home Missionaries. It has been intimately involved in the life of the people at every level of association.

Its roots lie in the establishment in 1855 of a Wesleyan Extension Fund “for the purposes of assisting poor circuits and meeting sundry contingent expenses” in each district of the Australasian Conference. So in New Zealand there was set up Church Extension Funds for Auckland and Wellington, the two Districts then in existence. The Maori work along with missionary work in Fiji and the Friendly Islands remained under the direction of the Missionary Committee.

In 1874 the first New Zealand Conference was established and in 1875 the Home and Maori Mission Fund came into being, the Maori work being separated from the Foreign Mission work. In 1878 the name of the Fund became “The Home Mission and Church Extension Fund” with the primary aim of giving support for the extension of the Church in both Maori and European fields, the Fund drawing its support from rents from Connexional Properties and the Annual Appeals throughout the Connexion.

Since then there have been many redrafts of the objectives of the Home Mission and Church Extension Departments but none have departed from the primary objectives of supporting and extending the work of the church with grants and with staff.

In two particulars the Department has been wonderfully supported — first through the large numbers of lay preachers it has employed as Home Missionaries throughout its history — men, self taught, and poorly paid, yet who with great loyalty, courage, and the spirit of sacrifice served the church. In many circuits, because of the

standards they and their families set before the people, these men are still remembered with admiration and affection. Secondly, the Department acknowledges the support it has received not only with donations and offerings from circuits — originally through the annual appeals, and now through connexional budget — but also from generous benefactors who have enabled the Department to build on the assets of the Mission Properties a substantial capital fund, which today is largely represented in the properties it owns — hostels, centres, and parsonages — and the Investments it has in loans and mortgages both within the connexion and in outside investments. This Methodist Home Mission and Church Extension Investment Funds Board will enable the Conference to hand over to the Development and Maori Divisions the means to carry on a more effective work within the Council of Mission and the Connexion.

While we look back over the last century with some nostalgia we are particularly glad to notice that the concerns of the Home and Church Extension Department are taken up in the new structure and particularly in the Development and Maori Divisions which will be able to develop these concerns at greater depth and we believe with greater efficiency. We are particularly pleased to notice that Evangelism and related matters are being brought within the direct influence of the Development Division. We can see also, nothing but good stemming from the establishment of a Maori Division with the responsibility of "developing Maori styles of Christian life, witness and service."

UNION PARISHES AND CO-OPERATIVE VENTURES

After last Conference there were 45 union parishes in existence, two in which we share with the Anglican Church, one in which we have united with a church of the Associated Churches of Christ, and 41 in which we have joined with Presbyterian Churches. Since then in accordance with the resolutions of last Conference the Tawa Union Parish, made up of Presbyterian, Methodist and Church of Christ congregations has been inaugurated, and a new Union Parish (Presbyterian-Methodist) known as Lincoln is about to be established joining part of the former Springston Circuit with the Lincoln Presbyterian Parish. This brings the total to 47.

The Board's Committee on Union Parishes and Co-operative Enterprises has been consulted on the agreements and the formation of Union Parishes at Taupo, Greerton, Opotiki and Thames, and has been notified of negotiations taking place in Kaikohe, Bay of Islands, Paekakariki-Plimmerton, and Bombay-Tuakau. Probably four of these may be ready for approval at this Conference. The proposed three Union Parishes, Waiono, Otatau, and Riverton, for which general approval was given by last Conference for their establishment by 1st July provided certain conditions had been met have not yet been set up for the J.C.C.U. National Committee on Church Extension was not able to approve the proposals made for the settlement of the ministry and the provision of funds, and has deferred the date of inauguration until 1st February 1972. It is hoped that by then the requirement of the Conference that one of the Union Parishes be staffed with a Methodist Minister can be met and that the financial requirements of each parish can be assured.

Last Conference, in good faith, gave approval to the formation of certain Union Parishes in the course of the year and this prior approval before all the details had been worked out including the agreements to unite has placed the Board and its committee in some difficulties. Because of this the Board is recommending that Conference refuse to approve the establishment of any Union Parish until the details and the agreement to unite have been worked out

and approved by the subordinate courts. Approving the establishment of a Union Parish before the agreement has been prepared is used by some groups to bring pressure upon the Board and its committee and can lead to hasty and ill-considered action and considerable embarrassment to the ministers. The Board urges Synods and Circuits to follow our normal Methodist procedures and prepare the ground so that Conference, and only Conference, makes the final decision.

Union Parishes and the Anglican Church

With the alteration of the Canon concerning admission to Holy Communion made by the last General Synod of the Church of the Province of New Zealand one of the barriers towards integrated parish work has been removed and already in parts of New Zealand, particularly in the Auckland province, several "Union Parishes" are being planned involving the Anglican people along with Presbyterian and Methodist. We welcome these discussions and hope that they will lead to other parishes being established similar to those in Lynfield and North Hokianga. To make this possible the Churches are re-examining the **Standard Rules, Procedures for Union Parishes** to see if they can be amended to be made suitable for a Wider Union Parish. For when the "model" constitution for the Union Parish was drawn up the Anglican Church was not able to participate in any agreement beyond that for the Joint Use of Buildings. In Auckland where there is a prospect for three Union Parishes which will include the Anglican Churches the Joint Regional Committee has set up a study committee to produce a model as a guide. The Committee is adapting the parish organisation as set out in the **Plan for Union** and will be submitting the results to the church courts.

Ministerial Staffing

The rapid formation of Union Parishes has reduced the demand in Methodist and Presbyterian Churches for ministers, and this coupled with rising costs which also have led circuits and parishes to reduce staffing has meant that both churches are rapidly approaching the position where they may be looking for positions for available men. The churches have argued that with decreasing opportunities in circuit and parish work there will be openings for ministers in specialist ministries, such as chaplaincies. But with the increasing costs of maintaining ministries and with the reluctance of committees to increase their budgets for the wider work of the church these forecasts are not being realised. In order to meet the demands for maintaining ministries and for creating new avenues of service the Church must be challenged to increase the level of giving of all its members, particularly of those who make up the 30% or so who do not participate in the pledge system. The Church cannot afford to be without its ministers, who still have a most significant part to play within the life of every congregation and community.

Concerning Ministers

(a) **Long Service Leave:** Some ministers who have completed 20 years of service and have still 15 years to serve have been taking their three months leave, and most circuits have been able to make suitable supply arrangements without having to call upon the Home Mission Fund for assistance. While the scheme envisaged the minister and his family getting away from the circuit and the parsonage for the three months so that the minister would be completely free of circuit business this has not been possible to arrange for those ministers who still have young people attending school or at home. In these cases ministers and families have continued to live in the

Parsonage while the minister has taken his three months off duty. This is not the ideal but sometimes it is the only arrangement that can be made.

(b) **Ministerial Exchanges:** This year we have had three enquiries from ministers of the United Methodist Church of America who desire to exchange for varying periods with New Zealand Methodist ministers. We have been able to supervise the arrangements for an exchange between the Rev. William Wilkoff and the Rev. Brice Herbert. Mr Wilkoff is now in Ashhurst-Bunnythorpe Circuit for the 12 months. We are arranging an exchange between the Rev. Trevor Bennett of Te Aroha, with the Rev. Donald Baldwin and the Langley Church, Washington State.

(c) **Enquiries from Ministers Overseas:** Throughout the year we have had several enquiries from ministers overseas chiefly from Great Britain who have asked about service in New Zealand indicating their interest in coming to New Zealand. Full information has been given. In August one of these men, the Rev. G. M. Hammond from Northern Ireland, arrives and takes up an appointment in the Spreydon Circuit, for last Conference received him into "full connexion". The Rev. Samuel Crawford, a former Chairman of the District in the Irish Conference, arrives in New Zealand at the end of the year for a year's supply ministry as a supernumerary. Dr Stanley Buck from the American United Church who retires this year is also coming to New Zealand at the end of the year and has been assured of a supply appointment. There is the possibility of at least two men coming to New Zealand for appointment at the 1973 Conference.

THE DEVELOPMENT FUND

While the Home Mission Board understands the reasons why the Conference had to reduce the request of the Church Council of \$20,000 for the Development Fund to \$2,000 for the year 1972/73 it hopes that the Conference will be able to accept this year's recommendation of \$20,000. It is becoming very clear that if the Methodist Church is to share with other Churches in the provision of sites and buildings for joint work then it will have to be prepared to start new causes with greater grants than it is able to provide at present. The pattern is in part being set by the Presbyterian Church which from its Ministry Funds not only purchases the site for new work, but also makes a gift of up to \$8,000 for every Church or Hall provided that this initial building costs not more than \$15,000. Except for the replacement of existing buildings all the new buildings required by the Church for worship and Christian Education will most likely be Joint Use Buildings, and therefore we must build up resources so that we can carry our proportionate share of the purchase of sites, and the making of grants for joint use buildings in new areas.

Since our last report the Development Fund has been called upon to provide a share of the finance required for the Joint Use Church in Flaxmere, Hastings; and the Methodist share of new sections in Tamatea, Napier. Grants for the Joint Use Church being built at Chartwell, and for the Upper Hutt Central Church approved some years ago, will be required this coming year. An application has also been received for a Grant for the new Rolleston Church in the Springston Circuit.

Finances

(a) **Investment Funds Board:** The Board received in the course of the year lagacies totalling \$18,044 which enabled it to transfer to the Legacy Disbursement Account \$6,516. From this Fund the

Board has paid off the Loan Commitments of the Murchison Circuit totalling \$4,463 on the Circuit Parsonage. At the end of June the Loans at Call totalled \$201,956, the Board having repaid \$7,158 and received new loans totalling \$10,674. During the year the Board advanced to various enterprises a total of \$16,750 in new Special Loans all at 3½% interest, which brings the total invested in this way at 30th June 1972 to \$281,436. There are no cases in which Trusts are seriously in arrears to the Board.

(b) **General Fund:** Even though the Board has received to date \$72,800 of the total allocation for 1971-72 of \$80,000 it has not been in arrears in its general account largely because all the approved grants were not required, and the Maori Mission was not able to fill all its vacant appointments for which provision had been made in the Budget. The Board has also received from the Grey Institute Trust \$5,000 of the surplus income from the accumulated surpluses as at 30th June 1970. This gift will be used to meet the anticipated needs of the 1972-73 Budget year, thus helping to meet the heavy reduction made to the Board's request by last year's Budget Committee.

EPWORTH BOOKROOM

The Epworth Bookroom has had a good year of business but whether the increased turnover is sufficient to meet the costs of maintaining the business will only be revealed when the annual accounts have been completed. The Bookroom paid the full annual rent to the Central Mission for the first time since the shop went into its new quarters in the Central Mission Buildings. If the accounts show a loss the Board will have to approach the Central Mission for assistance. The Board has not been able to re-open its discussions with the Anglican Church as to the possible formation of a United or Ecumenical Bookshop but it still hopes that this will come into being.

THE NEW STRUCTURE

Now that the Conference has agreed to establish a new Connexional Structure the Board hopes that the new Boards which will take over the functions of the Home Mission and Church Extension Departments will find as much satisfaction and joy in their service as its members have done over the years in their responsibility for the outreach of the Church in Church extension and Maori affairs.

The Board has complete confidence in the Rev. Ruawai D. Rakena as the Superintendent of the new Maori Division. It also looks forward to the leadership of the Rev. Barry E. Jones as Superintendent of the Development Division and trusts he will find considerable satisfaction in helping the Church to use its gifts and resources in outreach, evangelism and service.

E. D. GROUNDS, Acting Chairman.

D. G. SHERSON, Secretary.

B. M. CRYSTALL, General Superintendent.

R. D. RAKENA, Associate Superintendent.

ADDENDUM TO HOME MISSION BOARD REPORT

The Board's Report would not be complete without reference to the sterling work of both the General Superintendent and the Associate Superintendent of the Department.

The Board has appreciated the leadership and service of the Rev. Ruawai D. Rakena as Associate Superintendent, and expresses its complete confidence in him as he prepares himself to take over the leadership of the new Maori Division as its Superintendent.

The Board expresses a deep sense of gratitude for the work of the Rev. Bernard M. Chrystall as General Superintendent, and for the privilege of serving under his leadership. He has served the Church and the Kingdom well, and inspired others to serve with him. He gave thirteen years to the Department as Associate Superintendent, during which time he obtained a thorough and valuable knowledge of the Connexion. He returned to circuit work in 1959, but five years later the Conference recalled him, to succeed the Rev. G. I. Laurenson in the leadership of the Department. In this office he has guided the Connexion through a period of significant change with courage and with insight, and has been particularly wise in his oversight of negotiations for Union Parishes, of which there are now almost fifty. His combination of business efficiency and pastoral concern, the clarity of his mind and freshness of his approach have contributed to a notable term of leadership. The Church has come to trust him and to love him, and wishes him God's blessing as he relinquishes this particular responsibility.

This report would be incomplete without acknowledgment of the great service to the church of the late Mrs Chrystall, Mrs Rakena and their families, and the Board expresses deep gratitude for their loyal support over the years.

E. D. GROUNDS, Acting Chairman.

D. G. SHERSON, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report and Financial Statements be received and adopted.
2. That the Rev. Barry E. Jones, designated by last Conference as Executive Officer of the Development Division be now appointed Superintendent for an initial term of four years as from 1st February 1973.
3. That the Rev. Ruawai D. Rakena having been designated at the last Conference be now appointed as Superintendent of the at the last Conference be now appointed as Tumuaki of the Maori Division for an initial term of six years as from 1st February 1973.
4. That the legal successor(s) to the Methodist Home Mission and Church Extension Department be the Development and/or the Maori Division.
5. That the Board for 1973 be as printed on page —.

SECRETARIES

NORTHLAND—Rev. B. Sides.

AUCKLAND—Rev. D. H. Burt.

WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY—Rev. T. L. Bennett.

TARANAKI-WANGANUI—Rev. A. O. Jones.

HAWKES BAY-MANAWTU—Rev. M. G. Rutherford

WELLINGTON—

NELSON—

NORTH CANTERBURY—

SOUTH CANTERBURY—Rev. H. C. Matthews.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND— Mr Lewis H. Major.

HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCIES

1. The Methodist Social Services Association in its report last year (1971 Minutes, page 246) informed the Conference of the establishment of the Interchurch Advisory Council on Hospital Chaplaincy and of the discussions which this body was continuing with the Government on subsidising the cost of training and the maintenance of full time hospital chaplains. In May of this year the Interchurch Advisory Council informed the Churches of the favourable response it had received from the Government in the following terms:—

"The Council has received advice from the Government that its representations on behalf of the churches have been favourably considered and that subsidies to assist the churches in the establishment and maintenance of Hospital Chaplaincies are now available. In receiving this assistance the Council intends, as far as possible, to foster the development of Ecumenical Chaplaincies. It is realised that in the initial stages growth in this direction may take time."

"The appointment of Hospital Chaplains will still be the responsibility of the various churches and there is no intention on the part of the Council to interfere in this regard: in addition the establishment of Chaplaincies must be very much a matter of local concern."

"The intention of the Government in providing subsidy is to grant some relief to the Churches as well as enabling the appointment of additional chaplains for which additional subsidy will be available on a scale set by the Government — there will be assistance available for a further eight full time Chaplaincies from 1st April 1973. In view of the limited financial assistance available Churches making appointments must not assume that subsidy is automatically available. Churches requiring subsidy for additional Chaplains should make application to the Council by the end of October in each year in order that consideration may be given to subsidy from the 1st April of the following year."

"The Council expresses the hope and expectation that the various denominations will co-operate on the local level in the establishment of Ecumenical Chaplaincies."

2. The Subsidy from the Government:

As from the 1st April 1972 the subsidy payable for Hospital Chaplaincies will be on the following basis:—

- (a) For each full time chaplaincy the subsidy to be payable at the rate of up to 50% of \$5,700 — which is the present New Zealand average total cost of chaplaincy, but the total subsidy payable is not to exceed \$71,000 in 1972-73, \$101,000 in 1973-74, \$136,000 in 1974-75, and \$157,000 in 1975-76.
- (b) The number of chaplaincies on which subsidy is payable to be:—
1st April 1972 to 31st March 1973 = 40
1st April 1973 to 31st March 1974 = Up to 48
1st April 1974 to 31st March 1975 = Up to 55
1st April 1975 to 31st March 1976 = Up to 55.
- (c) Upper limit on subsidy and the number of chaplaincies to be reviewed every three years, the first such review to be in November 1974.

3. The Allocation of the Subsidy for 1972-73.

The Interchurch Advisory Council from the \$71,000 available for the current year will be retaining \$3,000 for training and is distributing the \$68,000 amongst the constituent churches as follows:—

Anglican Church	20 Chaplains	\$34,000
Presbyterian Church	11 Chaplains	
	3 shared Chaplains	\$28,000
Roman Catholic Church	5 Chaplains	\$8,500
Methodist Church	1 Chaplain	\$1,700.

Note: For the three hospital chaplaincies which we share with the Presbyterian Church, involving two Presbyterian Ministers and one Methodist Minister the Home Mission Grants are reduced proportionate to the subsidies — the total amount being \$1275. This when added to the \$1700 above means that the Methodist Church benefits by an amount of \$2975 from the subsidies.

4. Future Chaplaincies:

The Interchurch Advisory Council has advised the churches that a further eight chaplaincies would be open to subsidy for the year beginning 1st April 1973, and another seven from the 1st April 1974. If the churches wish to take advantage of the subsidies for these additional chaplaincies then they must recommend through the appropriate committees the appointment of ministers who meet the qualifications and standards referred to in the section of this report on "accreditation" referred to below.

The Council will be drawing up guide lines to assist the churches to decide upon the hospitals which should be served by full time chaplains with the assistance of the Government Subsidy. In approved hospitals the Council has accepted the principle that a chaplain is required for every complete 200 patients in general hospitals and one for every 400 patients in psychiatric hospitals.

It has been agreed that subsidisable chaplains from the Roman Catholic Church shall be determined after 1972-73 by reference to the religious professions as in the census statistical returns.

5. Ecumenical nature of Appointments:

In discussions with the representatives of the Government emphasis has been laid on the importance of the churches endeavouring to make full time hospital chaplains ecumenical with the stress on competence for hospital ministry and high professional standards. As set out in the first paragraph of this report the Council realises that growth towards ecumenically appointed and supported hospital chaplains will take time — yet having accepted support from the Government the Churches are pledged to work towards this goal.

In the many Conference Statements on Hospital Chaplaincies the Methodist Church has declared its preference for hospital chaplains to be appointed on the grounds of their training and competence rather than on the ability to maintain a Methodist presence and witness. Our church believes that it should be possible for the trained and accredited ministers of the non-Roman Churches represented on the Council to exercise a ministry to all patients whatever their denominational affiliation.

The Council has yet to set out firm and specific guide-lines as to how full time chaplains are to be appointed, except to suggest that churches desiring to appoint an ecumenical hospital chaplain should form a Hospital Chaplains' Committee representative of the churches to consider the matter, that this committee should seek the approval of the Interchurch Advisory Council for the appointments to be made in the hospital(s) in which it is interested, that it should

draw up a budget and secure guarantees from the participating churches that the stipend, allowances, and housing of the chaplain(s) can be financed, and that the Government subsidy will be available. Once the finance is secured or guaranteed, and the approval of the churches obtained the committee would take steps to fill the appointment(s) according to the procedures agreed upon, and invite applications from ministers who have the qualifications and who have been accredited.

6. Methodist Participation:

To date finance for "shared chaplaincies" has been secured from the Presbyterian Church through the P.S.S.A. and from the Methodist Church through the Home Mission Department in the proportions of three parts Presbyterian to one part Methodist. For the one full time hospital chaplain in a general hospital (in Auckland) the finance is found in equal shares by the District and the Home Mission Fund. (The Presbyterian Social Services Association regards this appointment as the Methodist contribution to the staffing of all the hospitals in Auckland with full time chaplains. In Auckland there is in operation a "shared chaplaincy agreement").

If all the Churches represented on the Interchurch Advisory Council on Hospital Chaplaincy (excepting the Roman Catholic Church) were agreed on the policy of ecumenically appointed chaplains and if the Methodist Conference decided that it must share proportionately in the cost of maintaining ecumenically appointed and accredited chaplains to selected hospitals (whatever their denominational affiliation) then in 1973 if the Churches appoint the additional eight for which subsidy has been improved increasing the total to 48 of which six will be Roman Catholic then the total cost of the Methodist Church less subsidy would be \$16,000. Using the figure of \$5,700 per chaplain the Methodist Church this year is finding the equivalent of about \$10,000. Thus the acceptance of the ecumenical principle for all non-Roman Catholic Chaplaincies would cost the Connexion and District Funds an increase of over \$6,500 above the present figure. With the present demands on the Connexional Budget the Methodist Church is not able to meet additional expenditure of this magnitude.

So for the present the Board suggests that in addition to continuing support for the present chaplains the Methodist Church begin to take up its share of the proportionate cost of ecumenically appointed chaplains who may take up their duties after 1st July 1973. It also suggests that the Methodist share for ecumenical chaplains appointed to psychiatric hospitals be found by the Home Mission Department, and that the Department share equally with the District in finding the finance required to support ecumenical or shared chaplains in selected general hospitals. It needs to be understood that the approval of the Synod and Conference is necessary for each appointment, and that the appointments so supported should be at hospitals approved by the Interchurch Advisory Council for subsidy payments.

The Home Mission Board is of the opinion that while it cannot now meet the full cost of ecumenical chaplains throughout the country the Methodist Church should work towards the goal of carrying its full proportionate share of maintaining ecumenical full time hospital chaplaincies approved by the Interchurch Advisory Council.

It also recommends that the Conference declares its willingness to share with the Presbyterian Church and other non-Anglican Churches on the Council in providing new full time chaplaincies where the Anglican Church is not ready to share in an ecumenical appointment.

7. Machinery of Accreditation:

The Interchurch Advisory Council has agreed upon the following principles but has yet to draw up specific suggestions as to their implementation, and also regarding ways in which a person may secure training. The principles are:—

- (a) That the basic qualification for accreditation as a full time chaplain be ordination, and good standing in the applicant's denomination.
- (b) That a further basic qualification be at least 3-5 years parish experience.
- (c) That the applicant attends to the satisfaction of the Council an approved course of training.
- (d) That one such approved course of training shall be in the first instance be that outlined in the Pilot Scheme for Chaplaincy Training, parts A and B.
- (e) That subject to satisfactory assessments, the candidate on completion of the Course be given provisional accreditation.
- (f) That the candidate be given full accreditation after the Council has received satisfactory reports of a year's work as a full time hospital chaplain.
- (g) That at the next meeting (scheduled for November 1972) consideration be given to the procedure for assessing the candidate in his provisional year.
- (h) That those who are at present full time chaplains be given accreditation in terms of their past service and that they be encouraged to take training courses as opportunity offers.
- (i) That in special cases the Council may use its discretion in granting accreditation.

8. Conclusion.

Much good work has been done by the Interchurch Advisory Council in its discussions with the Government and Departments and in what it has been able to achieve in a year. Conference should also express its appreciation to the Government, and in particular to the Health Department for its readiness to assist the Churches to provide a wider ministry within the hospitals of New Zealand.

Prepared by the Home Mission Board.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That Conference expresses its appreciation to the Government through the Health Department for the Provision it is making for the maintenance and extension of Hospital Chaplaincies in psychiatric and general hospitals.
3. That the Methodist representatives on the Interchurch Advisory Council on Hospital Chaplaincy be the Revs. W. F. Ford and Colin D. Clark.
4. That the Interchurch Advisory Council be recommended to select the Hospitals to which subsidisable chaplains may be appointed.
5. That the Council encourage the churches to set up Hospital Chaplaincy Committees which will assist them in the appointment of accredited chaplains for whom subsidies are available and seek to work towards the ecumenical principle for all appointments.
6. That from 1st July 1973, Conference approve of the Methodist Church accepting its share of the proportionate cost of subsidisable chaplains appointed on the ecumenical principle provided each appointment is approved by the Synod and the Conference. That the funds be found by the Development Division Fund in the case of chaplains appointed to psychiatric hospitals, and that for chaplains appointed to selected general hospitals the Methodist proportion be found by the Development Division and the District in equal shares.

7. That the Conference inform the Presbyterian and the other non-Anglican Churches represented on the Council that as from 1st July 1973, it is prepared to share in the cost of "shared chaplaincies" where the Anglican Church is not ready to implement the ecumenical principle.

8. That Conference asks the Interchurch Advisory Council to examine the principle of providing one Chaplain per 400 patients in Psychiatric hospitals as against one per 200 in general hospitals because of the greater needs of psychiatric patients.

QUESTION 41 (b)—Maori Mission?

METHODIST MAORI MISSION

STAFF:

Honorary Maori Home Missionaries: In response to recommendations from the Regional and Circuit Meetings, the Maori Policy Committee and the Board, the President, during the year, appointed Henare Te Huia Gray of Horotiu in the Waikato Circuit and in the Northland Circuit—Alan Pickering of Poutu, Tohu Cassidy of Omanaia, Mack Morunga of Whirinaki, and Winiata Morunga of Kamo as Honorary Home Missionaries. This has given great satisfaction to the people.

Deaconesses and Supplies: The Board continues to be concerned at the vacancies in its appointments. Probationer Deaconess Hana Hauraki took up her duties in the Northland Circuit based at Dargaville immediately after the close of the College year. After commencing her work in Opunake in February Probationer Deaconess Rhondra Mason resigned during May. Mrs E. Bettany, who was accepted as a "supply" deaconess and stationed at Hawera at the beginning of February has been very well received by the Taranaki people. The Home Mission Board was pleased to receive back into full work Sister Ruth Tattersall who although on leave of absence for a year wanted to resume her ministry. She has been stationed at Opunake.

At this Conference Sister Atawhai George (Bay of Islands) will be retiring from the full work. Sister Anne Wilson who spent most of her ministry in Taranaki and has been for the last few years the Matron of Seamer House Hostel will also be retiring at the end of this year. Appropriate references will be made to those women and their service for the Church at Conference.

To help fill the vacancies the Board has engaged Mrs Mary Robson as a part time supply in the Auckland Circuit and Mrs Mathena Dixon in a similar capacity in the Waikato Circuit.

In the Waikato Circuit the Rev. C. O. Hailwood has been assisting in pastoral visitation in Hamilton, and in the reproduction of regular newsletters for the circuit membership, and his work has been very much appreciated particularly by the Superintendent and the staff of the Mission.

SEMINARS

The Maori Policy Committee as part of its policy of developing lay leadership is arranging seminars for training and instruction. Two of these have been held, both at Camp Morley — one in April and the other in July — at which selected lay folk have studied matters relating to the Faith, to Worship, Christian Education, and the Maori response to the Gospel. Those who have attended have profited by their experience. It is hoped that these will be the nucleus of circuit seminars which will handle similar concerns for the training of those unable to travel to national meetings.

VISITS TO THE SOUTH ISLAND

The Rev. John Pihama visited the Blenheim-Nelson Area in November last year, and again in July of this year. Appreciative reports of his visits have been received from the Chairman of the Nelson District, and from the people themselves.

CONCERNS

The Maori Policy Committee has involved the Maori Mission Regional and Circuit Meetings in study and discussion on the Plan for Union, on the functions and objectives of the Maori Division, on Ministry with youth, on Budget Strategy and Policy in response to the report in last year's Minutes, and the development of Maori-Orientated resources for Mission and Work. In these ways it has endeavoured to draw into the life of the Mission the ideas and opinions of all its people so that more will be able to share in witnessing to the Gospel. The regular flow of material from the Associate Superintendent acting for the Maori Policy Committee has done much to bring vitality, meaning, and power at Regional and Circuit level.

Plan for Union: Staff members have done their best to explain the Plan for Union to the people, even though the sections relating to Maori participation in the United Church are somewhat vague, and have made careful preparations for the voting and the collection of voting papers during the voting period.

HOSTELS

Te Rahui Hostels, Hamilton: At the annual meeting of the Te Rahui Management Committee held in May the work of the two Hostels was reviewed and great satisfaction was expressed by the members of the Committee at the quality of service and leadership given by our Matrons. Mrs Nikora, with no previous training in this sort of work, is giving outstanding service as Matron of Te Rahui Wahine and makes a happy home for the 20 or so girls under her care. Sister Heeni Wharemaru, Matron of Te Rahui Tane with 40 apprentice trainees under her care continues to exercise a very good influence not only in the Hostel amongst the young men but also throughout the district. The financial affairs of Te Rahui Wahine are good, the Hostel showing a surplus in its accounts for the year. The Te Rahui Tane Accounts because of the Hostel Policy of keeping the fees within the range of the wages of the young men had a deficit for the year of \$1573.00. This is being refunded in accordance with Government policy by a Grant from the Department of Maori and Island Affairs.

Seamer House, Auckland: Our inability to keep this Hostel full to capacity continues to concern the Matron and the Board. In spite of the lack of boarders by the exercise of skilful management the Matron has kept the loss to a minimum — the deficit on the year being slightly less than \$500. The Board hopes to persuade the Maori and Island Affairs Department to extend its Grant Policy to cover Seamer House which it uses from time to time in the implementation of its pre-employment schemes. With the retirement of Sister Anne Wilson at the end of this year the Board will be looking for a new Matron. The Maori Policy Committee would prefer to appoint a Maori woman to this position, and hopes that qualified women will offer for the post.

The Board appreciates the ready manner in which the Methodist Women's Fellowship accepted Seamer House as the institution to benefit from its 1972 Special Objective. The money received will be used to reduce the debt on the Hostel Property.

J. R. McKenzie Trust Board: The consistent and ready support of the J. R. McKenzie Trust Board in distributing 30% of its profits

to benevolent causes has been of considerable assistance to our three Hostels. Last year each Hostel received a \$300 Grant from the Trust Board. This means that since 1959 with annual grants the J. R. McKenzie Trust Board has contributed \$4,400 to Te Rahuni Wahine, \$4,700 to Te Rahui Tane, and \$4,700 to Seamer House. These sums have enabled the Hostels to maintain low boarding fees for the benefit of those just starting work. We again express our thanks and appreciation.

HUI-A-TAU

The Annual Hui of the Mission was held over the Queen's Birthday weekend at Ngaruawahia, and was attended by a record number of people from the five circuits. The theme of the Hui turned around the phrase "Not only but also" — "Not only me and my family but also others and their families" which led to discussions on family life and personal relationships; "Not only the Methodist Church but also other denominations" which highlighted Church Union and Plan for Union issues; "Not only trained ministers, but also lay ministries" which led to a consideration of the Maori Division, its Board and lay leadership in the circuits; "Not only the Maori people but also other races" which focussed attention upon Race Relations; and finally "Not only European language and Customs but also Maori and Polynesian" which brought the people to face the questions related to Maori inheritance and Maori identity.

As part of the programme there was also a Choral and Cultural Festival in which groups from the Circuits participated in Hymn Singing and the presentation of cultural items. The group from Maniapoto (King Country) won the trophy for the Hymn Singing, while Taranaki Circuit won the trophy for the best presentation of the cultural section.

The Hui has become a very important gathering for the people of the Maori Circuits, and for this reason the people are delighted at the increasing interest shown by ministers and people of the wider church in its work. This year again the people were pleased to have living amongst them for the Hui the President of the M.W.F., Mrs Vera Dowie, and the Vice-President, Mr N. P. Alcorn.

MAORI SECTION OF THE N.C.C.

The Mission still takes its full part in the meetings of the Section, and this year its people in the King Country were hosts to the Annual Meeting which was held on the Te Tokanganui-a-noho Marae in Te Kuiti. Our Taranaki people were hosts to the Executive Meeting of the Section held in June in the Pariroa Pa.

PROPERTIES

During the year the Investment Funds Board has continued to care for the Parsonages, Deaconess Cottages and Centres of the Mission and has carried out repair and maintenance work on a number of them. Its greatest expense was for the complete renovation of the Hawera Maori Parsonage which involved the Board in an account of over \$3,000. It is pleased to note that increasingly the Maori Circuits are taking an interest in the properties of the Mission, and some have set up Property Committees to assist the Mission. Our greatest concern at the present time is that it has three of its Maori Parsonages rented to others, because it has not the full time workers to occupy them.

THE MAORI DIVISION

Because of years of discussion over Connexional Structure and the place of the Maori Mission within it the Maori Circuits which have been consulted at each stage are well prepared for the new policy by which the Maori Division will have its own leadership, and

a greater measure of autonomy. We can assure the Conference that the people are ready to work under the Maori Division Board and Superintendent.

The Maori Policy Committee during this year has given considerable attention to the ways in which the Division will work, to the functions of the Superintendent, to the support he will be given by some form of executive, and to the way the Board of the Division will be constituted and the nature of the representation of the circuits upon that Board. The final details including the membership of the Board will be presented to Conference by the Church Council.

It is our prayer that God will bless the development of the Maori Division working within the Council of Mission and the Conference for the benefit of the people of this land.

E. D. GROUNDS, Acting Chairman of the Board.

D. G. SHERSON, Secretary.

B. M. CHRYSTALL, General Superintendent.

R. D. RAKENA, Associate Superintendent.

RESOLUTION

1. That the report be received and adopted.

2. That the following matter be raised in the N.C.C. Maori Section by our representatives on the Executive: That proceedings involving Maori matters in the Courts or Public Service should be conducted in Maori where appropriate and that the same principle be applied to other minority ethnic groups.

QUESTION 41.—(c).

OVERSEAS MISSION DEPARTMENT

ANNUAL REPORT 1971-72 RESPONSIBLE INVOLVEMENT

Methodists in New Zealand have been involved with their Pacific neighbours for one hundred and fifty years. When Samuel Leigh came to New Zealand in 1822, Walter Lawry went to Tonga. Through our first fifty years, when we were a mission district, first of the British Conference and then of the New South Wales Conference, missionary staff often served in several fields — Tonga, Fiji, Samoa and New Zealand, as well as in "the Colonies" (i.e. Australia). Our greatest gift to the church in the Pacific was Dr George Brown who was to be the outstanding missionary and missionary statesman of the second half of the 19th century. In our second fifty years we played a full part in the church in the Pacific through the Australian Mission Board. We were directly represented at the commencement of work in New Britain (1875), Papua (1891), Solomon Islands (1902) and in new developments in older fields (Fiji Indian work 1902). Our outstanding missionary of the period, on whom the mantle of George Brown fell, was John W. Burton, who like Brown was author and statesman as well as practical missionary.

We celebrated our centennial by branching out with "our own mission field" — when we took over in 1922 the Solomon Islands District. That this led to a narrowing of vision cannot be denied, but the great depression of a few years later actually did us a service for it produced the man for the hour, A. H. Scriven, who laid the Solomons and the missionary task of the church on our conscience in a way very few could have done. The response was magnificent. A doctor was sent back, the war years weathered, and the Islands Church re-established with a liberality in people and materials which was outstanding. At the same time God called us through the opening of the New Guinea Highlands field in 1950, to new fields and new

challenges. By the end of the 1950s we were poised for new ideas and new visions. These have come through the ecumenical developments in the Pacific, which have produced the Pacific Conference of Churches and the United Church in Papua New Guinea and the Solomon Islands. They have come too from an influx of folk from our near north into this country. For the first time we have become uncomfortable with the label "european" and begun to see ourselves as a Pacific community on the edge of Asia. Through the National Council of Churches we have sent folk into the Asian scene and contributed to the cost. We have also begun to accept, with a new deliberateness, our calling to be neighbours to Tonga, Fiji and Samoa. We have still a great deal to learn about neighbourliness and Christian brotherhood. We are only just beginning to realise that we have much to learn as well as little to teach, much to receive as well as something to give, and that to earn the right to be called Pacific Islanders, we have to abandon something of our self-assertiveness and learn something of the communalism which is part of the strength of our brethren. As we do this we will be able to hear a little of what God has to say to us through our brethren, a teaching He cannot give through any other way. We will gain new insight into the Gospel and be called to new spheres of service.

During the year that has passed we have been involved in a number of ways.

TONGA

From our newly established Pacific Projects Fund we have been able to recruit and provide initial support for Mr R. J. Springett, Farms Advisor to Tupou College and to the Tongan Conference. His support will now be taken over by CORSO. We have also been able to send Tonga \$916 for scholarship purposes given by interested people. More than \$6000 has been given by the Women's Fellowship for Queen Salote College, and Miss Jennifer Harkness, R.N., R.M., has joined the staff of that institution.

SAMOA

Following the 1970 visit of Dr Lewis and the General Secretary to Samoa, we have become involved with the attempt being made to develop the church lands for the economic betterment of the people as a whole, and the church in particular. The gift of a sum of \$400 for capital purposes, and a scholarship to enable a man to be trained in agriculture at Navuso Agricultural School in Fiji are our first steps. We have continued to aid recruitment of staff in a small way and this year we were able to recruit two men teachers for Fale'ula High School. Other facets of our relationship will be covered by the Samoan Policy Committee's report.

FIJI

Our continuing contributions to this country have been a considerable number of staff and volunteer workers and our support of Fijian missionaries in the Solomons. Each of these has been a partnership which is growing in effectiveness each year. We expect to use some of our funds for a suitable Pacific project within the next year or two, to continue to help with staff recruitment and, we hope, to receive a Fijian church worker to serve with us before too long. Mr Gerald Bennett of Invercargill has gone this year to the Church Press in Suva to train local staff.

PACIFIC CONFERENCE OF CHURCHES

Our main financial support as in the past, has been to two agencies — the Christian Education Council (formerly PICEC) and the Christian Communication Commission (CHRISCOM) but we constantly seek ways in which we can aid the work as a whole.

PACIFIC THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

Dr George Knight, foundation principal, has retired, and been replaced by the Rev. Alan Quigley formerly of Lower Hutt. Dr Knight laid solid foundations and attracted financial and other support from a wide area. Mr Quigley is well equipped to continue the tradition of exact scholarship and exhilarating learning, and at the same time extend the college links in new directions.

THE UNITED CHURCH IN PAPUA NEW GUINEA AND THE SOLOMON ISLANDS

The so called developing countries find it very frustrating that they are being compelled to move in directions not of their own choosing. Worse, they are bound by conditions which are constantly being altered by the so called "western powers". In this the old colonialism matters much less than the new colonialism which is just as dictatorial and much less responsible. New colonialism often consists in telling emerging nations that they must become independent and then very quickly opting out of real responsible involvement.

The churches in the two countries of Papua New Guinea and the Solomon Islands are set in potential nations which are beginning to suffer from this kind of frustration. Therefore they share the prevailing irritation. But it is essential that we who are their partners in mission, should not emulate governments. We must continue to be responsibly involved, on their terms, not our own. The need for our involvement is greater than ever before yet the guide-lines must be set by our partners not by us.

During the last year, as the church moves into its fifth year, it finds itself involved in every facet of developing national life, from politics to economics, from education to welfare work, and as it takes its responsibility seriously it is increasingly aware of the inadequacy of its present resources. The giving of its people is rising. In 1971 regional contributions to the Assembly's budget rose by nearly 11%. But this scarcely keeps pace with rising costs. (An 8% rise in living costs is reported from Papua New Guinea for 1971). The church is receiving into its service a generous share of the young, competent and dedicated leadership, that is a notable feature of both countries. But they are all too few in the face of the size of the problems. Half a million children of school age not going to school at all; 80% of primary school leavers unable to go to secondary school; tension between tribal groups and the Australian administration simmering constantly at boiling point, over land, wages and other things; friction between ethnic language groups daily growing more abrasive as independence nears; in all these situations and in many others the church knows it has a service to render and the gospel of reconciliation to proclaim in word and deed. It therefore finds it terribly frustrating when it is held back by the inadequacy of its resources. It continues to draw on us both for personnel and finance and to expect us to redeem our promises of the past. Not only do they need our people for their skills, but also as witnesses to the oneness we have in Christ Jesus; not only do they need our money for day to day necessities but also to enable them to build for the future. Investment in land is probably impossible and indeed the church is having to withdraw from many of its landholdings in land hungry areas, but city buildings and other forms of investment are being used to provide for the future.

By the time the next Assembly meets the United Church will be almost five years old. Great changes have taken place in that time. The church is stronger, the ecumenical climate has warmed, and the United Church has established itself as a witness and servant in the countries where it is located. At that Assembly the Rev. Jack Sharp

will step down as Moderator and become Bishop of the Solomon Island Region. Bishop Leslie Boseto becomes the second Moderator of the Church. The Rev. W. G. Bache, who has been secretary for four and a half years, has resigned and a new appointment will be made in November. It is therefore an important moment for the church. It is a suitable time for a reappraisal of its life, work and witness. Recognising this, and to assist in it, the United Church has called a consultation with its overseas partner churches for 12th-15th November 1972 — just prior to the Assembly. This most important gathering will unquestionably be dominated by the local Bishops, only two of whom are expatriate and they are a Tongan and a Fijian. Among subjects for consideration will be new forms of partnership, deployment of resources and mission outreach at home and overseas. The New Zealand churches will have three representatives at this consultation. From this consultation and from the following Assembly we are likely to gain new understandings of our relationships, and find ourselves challenged to new forms of partnership and service. In the year ahead the New Zealand Church, through its Overseas Division, will be faced with an ever expanding concern in every part of the South Pacific and with a constant challenge to renew and deepen our commitment to our brethren. In particular we will be challenged to discover new ways in which we can listen to what God has to say to us through our brethren. We are also challenged to find new ways of co-operation and unity with our brethren of other churches in this country, for our Pacific brethren have shown us what unity can do to release God's spirit and deepen the witness of Christians and we must respond to this for it is part of God's word to us in this day and generation.

SPECIAL APPEAL

The response to this appeal, which was authorised by the 1970 Conference has been interesting. The Board did not seek a special appeal recognising that many circuits throughout the country were facing difficulties but Conference chose this way. Inevitably, the response has been patchy, some circuits responding magnificently, some making no response at all. The total at 30th June 1972 was \$18,107.68. The Board and the church overseas is grateful to all who responded to this appeal.

STAFF:

A new departure for us, was the appointment of the Rev. J. F. Cropp as full time chaplain to King George VI Secondary School in Honiara, British Solomons. Mr Cropp remains a minister of the United Church though his salary is paid by the B.S.I. Government. The appointment is for a term of two years. It follows a pattern which is being established in Papua New Guinea where the church is appointing chaplains to Government secondary and tertiary educational institutions. In that country however, the church must meet the costs.

During the year a number of workers have returned on retirement, and two have come to New Zealand on extended leave. Sisters Ailsa Thorburn and Pat Jacobson are both in New Zealand as candidates for the ministry of the New Zealand Church. Sister Lesley Bowen, after a year of special study, was ordained as a deaconess at the last Conference and returned to the United Church, Bougainville Region.

CONSULTATION WITH THE UNITED CHURCH

This very important consultation between the United Church in Papua New Guinea and the Solomon Islands and its partner churches

will take place in November and New Zealand has been allocated three delegates. They are the Rev's. A. Graham Horwell, Morehu Te Whare and George G. Carter. The delegates are also invited to be observers at the Assembly which follows and to represent the New Zealand Churches at the Centennial Celebrations of Christian witness in Papua New Guinea.

GENERAL SECRETARY

The term of the present General Secretary comes to an end on the 31st January 1974. It has not been possible to secure a replacement who would be available on that date, but the Board advises Conference that it intends to nominate the Rev. W. Geoffrey Tucker to Conference 1973 for appointment at Conference 1974 as Director of the Overseas Division. Mr Tucker has a good New Zealand circuit record and is in his second year of service with the United Church. As minister of the Honiara church and circuit he is doing an outstanding job. He indicated to the Board that he would be returning to the New Zealand Church in 1975 and with that understanding the Board will nominate Mr Tucker with full confidence.

W. E. DONNELLY, Chairman.

G. G. CARTER, General Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

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

2. That the Conference ask the Revs. G. G. Carter and M. Te Whare to convey the greetings of the Church to the United Church in Papua-New Guinea and the Solomon Islands, on the occasion of their Assembly.

3. That the Conference send greetings over the signature of the President to Bishop Leslie Boseto on his induction as Moderator of the United Church on the 26th November next.

4. That the Conference be associated with the greetings sent by the Overseas Missions Board to all New Zealand Methodists working overseas with the United Church and with other churches in developing countries.

5. The Conference expresses appreciation of the fine service given by retiring workers, including Mr and Mrs D. R. Buchan (six years), Miss Ailsa Thorburn (five years), Miss Patricia Jacobson (ten years), Miss Beryl Grice (15 years), Dr and Mrs R. W. Pattinson (nine years), Sister Norma Graves (18 years).

6. That Conference receives the information that it is the intention to nominate to Conference 1973, the Rev. W. Geoffrey Tucker, for appointment at Conference 1974 as Director of the Overseas Division.

7. That the following resolutions be referred to the Overseas Division for their consideration at the appropriate time:

"That if events in New Zealand indicate the need for a different timetable in appointing a director, such change should be made."

Referring to New Zealand ecumenical relationships:

"That any opportunities for furthering ecumenical cooperation should be taken". This could apply in future thinking on (a) executive appointments; and (b) initiating discussions aimed at the establishment of say a "Negotiating church's department or Board of Overseas Missions."

8. That the Treasurer's report and the accounts be adopted.

9. That the Overseas Division of the Methodist Church of New Zealand be the legal successor to the Methodist Foreign Missionary Society of New Zealand, and the Overseas Missions Department of the Methodist Church of New Zealand.

The Methodist Overseas Missions (New Zealand) Trust Association, and the Methodist Overseas Missions Investment Board shall bear the same relation to the Overseas Division Board as they have hitherto borne to the Overseas Mission Board.

10. Overseas Division Representatives: That the following be appointed:

NORTHLAND DISTRICT—Rev. B. Sides.
AUCKLAND DISTRICT—Rev. P. F. Taylor.
WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY—Rev. J. K. Watson.
TARANAKI-WANGNUI—Rev. H. M. Craig.
HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU—Rev. M. G. Rutherford.
WELLINGTON—Mr R. C. Fleury.
NELSON—Mr C. R. D. Palmer.
NORTH CANTERBURY—Mrs W. H. Price.
SOUTH CANTERBURY—Rev. C. L. Duder.
OTAGO—Sister S. Ungemuth.

11. That the Rev. G. G. Carter's term of office be as General Secretary of the Overseas Division extended by one year.

12. That the Government be commended on making a grant of \$100,000 through CORSO for the Fijian Relief Work.

13. That the Conference ask the Samoan Methodist Conference to appoint a Samoan minister to serve as a member of the New Zealand Conference, the appointed minister to have special responsibility for Samoan members of the Methodist Church of New Zealand.

14. That the Board for 1973 be as printed on page 8 herein.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Income and Expenditure Account reveals a deficit of \$5,479 from Head Office transactions. As shown in the Accounts, the inclusion thereafter of income on account of the previous year, and of figures in a statement of income and expenditure for the years 1970-71 submitted by the B.S.I. Region produced a final surplus of \$7,182.00. This was transferred to the Accumulated Fund which now has a credit balance of \$5,277.00. The Regions transactions for 1970-71 left in its hands a surplus of \$6,702.00 due to the Department, and this amount is included in the Sundry Debtors in the Balance Sheet.

Grants of \$5,010.00 for Earthquake Relief were made financially possible by the very generous response to the Special Appeal launched at the 1970 Conference. The Appeal for \$12,812.00 has produced \$18,148.00 with possibly little effect on the local Budget income. In addition donations of \$1,521.00 were received for Earthquake Relief and \$912 for assistance to the Tongan Church.

Attention is directed to the first expenditure from the Pacific Projects Fund. This was for an agricultural project of the Tongan Church; and also to the greatly diminished balance in the Scholarship Fund, this will need speedy and substantial building up if the Church is to continue to aid students from the Pacific Regions.

We are grateful for the continuing generous financial support of the Lepers' Trust Board and the Methodist Women's Fellowship. These gifts of \$33,000.00 and \$9,000.00 respectively ensure the Department's participation in the work of Overseas Missions at its present level.

G. S. GAPPER, Treasurer.

RESOLUTION

1. That the Treasurer's Report be received and adopted.

QUESTION 41.—(c) Overseas Missions Department?

**DISTRICT OVERSEAS MISSIONS
SECRETARIES**

NORTHLAND—Rev. B. Sides.

AUCKLAND—Rev. P. F. Taylor.

WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY—Rev. J. K. Watson.

TARANAKI-WANGANUI—Rev. H. M. Craig.

HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU—Rev. M. G. Rutherford.

WELLINGTON—Mr R. Fleury.

NELSON—Mr C. R. D. Palmer.

NORTH CANTERBURY—Mrs W. H. Price.

SOUTH CANTERBURY—Rev. C. L. Duder.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND—Sister Shirley Ungemuth.

QUESTION 41.—(d) Board of Evangelism?

BOARD OF EVANGELISM

The Shalom programme has been offered to the churches during this year. It is an event designed primarily for use with the Leaders and decision makers, but intended to form a guideline toward discovering new forms of life in the whole of the local church.

It is only a beginning, but we believe that where some real sense of being a community has been glimpsed, people will want to explore ways of meeting one another at greater depth. In such meeting there can come a new awareness of the Spirit of God at work. There is joy in discovering again the "Shalom of meaning and caring". Where there is joy it will spread.

Four training events were held, at Pukekohe, Feilding, Timaru and Auckland, in which 60 people participated. In teams of two they are available at the request of Circuits to lead a "Shalom" event. Not all have sent reports to the Board, but it is known that over 50 have been held.

Sufficient information has been received so far to indicate two things.

- (a) Many groups of leaders have found this initial event to be a way of working together which is a new experience and one which has been described as "very satisfying".
- (b) In the majority of churches, concern has been expressed about the need for "fellowship". Greater depth of relationship is longed for.

It is the conviction of this Board that the church needs more help throughout its life to develop these kinds of relationships. Insights are becoming available to us which open a way to the sense of renewal which we have long been waiting for. Beginnings have been made through the Shalom programme which we would like to see further cultivated.

We also see promising possibilities of "Shalom" helping to facilitate healthy ecumenical meeting in the local setting. Where union is being contemplated by two or more congregations it could be a very beneficial experience.

PROPOSED WORLD METHODIST THRUST

The World Methodist Conference at Denver 1971 made a decision to initiate a World Methodist Evangelistic Thrust in 1975. The appointed Steering Committee has now met (New York, April 1972) and has requested from constituent churches a reply to the following questions:

- (1) Will your church group officially participate in this evangelistic thrust?

- (2) What will be your national or denominational programme?
- (3) Will you participate in the international aspects of the programme?

(The following are extracts from the World Council report which set out the intention and nature of the proposals).

As a group of concerned Methodists, called together by the Chairman of the Committee on Evangelism of the World Methodist Council, meeting in Frankfurt, Germany, in December 1970, we believe that God through the Holy Spirit is calling His Church everywhere to a strengthened and sustained thrust in Mission and Evangelism.

We believe that the Lord's Commission to His Church to preach the Gospel and to make disciples is the supreme business of the Church.

We believe that the doubt and confusion that mark our age must be encountered by gathering such resources as we have and by plunging forward in faith in mission to the world.

We sincerely repent for the failure to love and for our lack of a concern for people, especially those who have never seen the glory of Jesus Christ.

Therefore, we dare to recommend to the World Methodist Council, meeting in Denver, Colorado, in August 1971, that it call upon all constituent Methodist churches to join in intensified mission to the world.

1. We call upon our people to co-operate in prayerful adequate preparation which will culminate before 1975 in an agreed intense period of world-wide witness and evangelism.

2. That the purpose of this mission shall be:

- (a) To affirm the relevance and adequacy of the Christian faith for this age.
- (b) To initiate a world-wide mission and evangelism offensive.
- (c) To lead persons into a personal experience of Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord.
- (d) The original wording of this subheading, "To encourage within Methodism a sense of unity and a global consciousness" was amended by vote of the Council on motion of Leonard Slutz to read: "To encourage within Methodism a sense of the unity of the entire Christian church and a global consciousness".
- (e) To stimulate new strategies and forms of ministry to persons and society.
- (f) To give mutual encouragement to the Body of Christ.

3. That the mission shall emphasise the reality of and necessity for the inward personal experience of God in Christ through the Holy Spirit and the necessity to fashion a just social order in which all people, especially those who hitherto have been deprived, may live a truly human existence.

4. That in this mission, every effort shall be made to work in concert and in co-operation with other communions and churches. The human need, however, is so urgent and the divine compulsion so great that Methodism must respond immediately.

5. That the mission be expressed through flexible forms as may suit each community or country, such as preaching, dialogue, local congregation activity, experimental ministries, mass media, lay service and witness.

6. That the constituent churches be asked to make resource persons available for service in various parts of the world.

7. That immediate consideration be given to the theological content of the message to be proclaimed so that the mission meets the intellectual challenge of our time.

8. That every effort be made, throughout this mission, to express this message in language that will be readily understood by those to whom we speak.

9. That the churches everywhere be urged to analyse and relate to their local community and nation with a view to developing those forms of service and social action which meet human need.

10. That in order to prepare for the evangelistic thrust the Methodist Churches everywhere be solemnly urged to make every effort to study and understand the phenomenal revival of religious interest and expression now occurring among the youth of the world, and that in order to claim this religious enthusiasm for Christ, our Churches open themselves to the astounding changes in the life styles that characterise so many of these youths, and seek the moral capacity to accept all people regardless of how they dress, how they speak or where they come from.

Bishop Ensley stressed the fact that the autonomy of member churches would be respected if the proposals were accepted and that no church should be coerced into any scheme contrary to the wishes of its members.

(At Denver also, a workshop on Evangelism met following the above decision having been made, and reported as follows).

In the light of action taken by the Council directing that a World Methodist Evangelistic Thrust be planned to culminate in 1975, the following recommendations are made.

- (1) That an active steering committee be appointed at an early date.
- (2) That the ecumenical dimensions of evangelism be stressed to and by the steering committee.
- (3) That the general emphasis and plans, as approved by the Council, be placed before the member churches for a one year period of study, if they signify their approval, after which they may make specific recommendations back to the steering committee with regard to their plans of action.
- (4) That the steering committee study and correlate these recommendations, and then devise plans of action for presentation to the Executive Committee for their consideration and approval.
- (5) That the steering committee have a secretary, who will be related to the Geneva office. If it is not possible for the Geneva Secretary, because of his work load, to give adequate leadership to the evangelistic mission, a second person shall be appointed to give full time leadership to the programme.

Summary of replies from Synods

The reaction of Synods was sought to the four questions:

- * "Effective evangelism will come only when a Christian community discovers what God intends it to be and do, and actively conforms to that vocation. The local church's true life is the church's true evangelism."

In the light of this statement does this World-wide Co-ordinated Thrust help or hinder this on going work?

- * To what extent should the fact that this is launched by the World Methodist body affect our decision?
- * How does the vote on Church Union affect the response to the proposal?
- * Bearing in mind that we need not necessarily take up all aspects of the programme.

What aspects of the proposals do you see to be beneficial in our N.Z. situation?

Of the seven replies received —

All, except two sub-districts, in effect said Yes, we should participate, but in every case the affirmative was qualified.

None urged that we should proceed on a purely Methodist basis. Each mentioned in some way the need for ecumenical co-operation. Some saw it as being associated with the inauguration of the United Church in 1975.

Several stated the need for planning of any kind to be related to helping the local church to be the key unit.

VIEWPOINT OF BOARD OF EVANGELISM

The report on Evangelism adopted by the Conference in 1968 provides a sound guide to the kind of decision we are to make in response to the request of the World Methodist Council.

- 1 "Evangelism needs more than just a better technique to make it more effective today, it needs a reform of the whole life of the Church. While evangelism communicates a faith and a hope the worldly aspect of what it offers is the life of the Church itself. Increasing numbers of Christians believe the visible life of the churches today is the biggest stumbling block in the path of evangelism. Many are impeded or completely prevented from evangelising just because of the too great imperfections of the Church which is necessarily offered at the same time as the Gospel. A reformed Church life must give a new impetus and certainty to individual witness." (1968 Report).

We are still convinced that the evangelistic effectiveness of the church is not brought about by devising or organising techniques or programmes as a means of "going out to get others". To organise our church into identifying with the World Thrust and thus be caught up in something of global dimensions, is similarly an inappropriate way of enriching the evangelistic quality of our people. To use this method in the hope that it will give the church confidence and strength, because it is mounted on a large front and with impressive resources, could well be to divert attention even further from matters of central importance.

The work of God may be better served by a clear, honest and responsible decision not to participate in this world scale programme.

2. "Evangelism brings increase to the realm of obedience to God. We believe the church will give evidence of its obedience to God, not by the increase of her numbers so much as the quality of her life. Increase in numbers may well follow but where this is the motive the church has misunderstood its mission."

Our focus of attention has become predominantly a concern about numbers. We assess the success or failure of almost all of our work according to the number of people involved. Because of this long held focus of attention on numbers, particularly in relation to evangelism, we suggest that involvement in this kind of organisation which the World Thrust envisages is only to reinforce an unhelpful understanding of why the church should evangelise.

3. "We have been led to put forward the group, rather than the individual as the fundamental unit of Christian life, since it is only in the group that the essential characteristics of the Church can be adequately experienced."

This conviction has been behind the planning of "Shalom" events. While it is realised that the programme offered is only an elementary step, we believe it points in the direction we should continue to move. Where we can rediscover the quality of life together, where trust, openness and depth of feeling are experienced, the "redemptive" nature of the church's life will become real.

Also referring to the section of the 1968 report quoted earlier, "The imperfections of the Church". Shalom events have made us even more conscious of the lack of there being a true community in many congregations. Too often it is only a collection of individuals.

4. Church Union Negotiations and Voting—in relation to this issue.

The members of the Methodist Church have voted clearly in favour of moving into union on the basis of the proposed plan. There would therefore seem to be little likelihood of support at this stage during negotiations, for a widely advertised programme which was distinctly Methodist.

On many other grounds also it is necessary that any programme of mission and outreach should be planned in as widely an ecumenical way as possible.

If therefore "an agreed intense period of world-wide witness and evangelism" is to be entered into, "between Lent and November 1975", the Board would see it as having to be prepared for, in co-operation with other churches, to be acceptable in the New Zealand setting.

It is, however, appropriate or helpful for any one denomination, having unilaterally decided that a programme shall be held, at a specific time, linked with a world-wide denominational thrust, and advertised as such—then to go to the other major denominations in N.Z. and say will you work with us in putting this plan into operation?

Planning together would seem to be needed at the far more basic level of aim, timing, etc.

The thought has been expressed, within Synods, that a planned event of this kind in 1975

—"could be a 'celebration of union',"

—"would be very valuable early in the life of a united church,"

—"initiative taken showing that the new church is outward looking,"

—"would provide an admirable climate for that great event."

While the prospect of such a programme may be exciting, we need to be realistic about how such a stage could be reached. The links between our denominations at national level do not yet provide a place where the planning for such a programme could readily be done—short of appointing something comparable to the J.C.C.U. Within an already established United Church there would be a structure within which to work, much more satisfactorily than prior to union.

POSSIBLE RESOLUTIONS

1. The Conference reaffirms the understanding of evangelism as expressed in the 1968 Report.

We believe Methodism can make its best contribution to the enrichment of the Church's mission in ways which concentrate attention in the ongoing life and quality of the local congregation.

The programmed approach to focusing attention on organised witness and outreach at a specific time several years in advance is seen as being unhelpful to the task of cultivating a new concept of the evangelistic aspect in the total ministry of the church.

We therefore resolve not to participate in the planned World Methodist Evangelistic Thrust.

OR

2. The Methodist Church of N.Z. agrees to participate in the World Evangelistic Thrust in the following way:

- (a) Further encouragement be given to Leaders in each local Church or Circuit to engage in a Shalom event.
- (b) Methodists be encouraged to explore the possibility of a Shalom event with the leaders of the other churches in their area or neighbourhood, as a step toward combined action.
- (c) Some further work to be done by the Development Division to give guidance where local churches wish to deepen and extend the experience commenced by the initial Shalom programme.

The Shalom programme is seen as offering a structured experience within which members of the local church may seem to regain a sense of mission. Any plans for action could grow from there.

The Development Division be requested to establish contact with the Steering Committee, with a view to receiving and having available for Circuits, any resource materials being prepared for international distribution.

OR

3. (a) The Methodist Church of N.Z. resolves to participate in all aspects of the World Methodist Evangelistic Thrust, including the international publicity and programme timing.
- (b) A committee of Conference be appointed to plan and prepare a nationwide programme in 1975.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. Conference reaffirms the understanding of evangelism as expressed in the 1968 report of the Board of Evangelism and gives thanks for the deepening fellowship and new life which is developing as a result of programmes stimulated by the insights of the report.
3. Conference calls for the development of the existing pattern by encouraging leaders in each local church or circuit to engage in a Shalom event or similar type of venture as part of the ongoing local church programme.
4. Conference stresses the need for Methodists to explore the possibility of a Shalom event with leaders of other churches in their area or neighbourhood as a step towards combined action.
5. That the Development Division give guidance where local churches wish to deepen and extend the experiences initiated by the Shalom or similar programme.
6. That the Development Division stimulate, encourage and give support to experimentation in varied forms of evangelism.
7. That the Development Division assist local churches by providing resource materials including insights that may come from the World Methodist Council and the W.C.C. consultation and studies on Salvation today.
8. That in the light of the patterns of evangelism emerging in our church and the growing urgent demand for further development at depth, and also in the light of the possible Union of five Churches in 1974 and the desire expressed through the J.C.C.U. for the United Church to go out in Mission to the Nation, the Methodist Church of New Zealand is not free to commit itself to the proposed World Methodist Council project but affirms its general support for the intentions embodied in that proposal.
9. That Conference requests the Development Division to consider inviting the Board of Evangelism to continue in existence in the meantime to help our people to see and experience the relationship between the Theology of the Gospel we proclaim and Christian group life dynamics and processes.

QUESTION 41 (e)—Ecumenical Matters?

ECUMENICAL COMMITTEE

ANNUAL REPORT 1972

During the year, in addition to its more routine responsibilities, the committee especially welcomes the opportunity to share in a small way with its Presbyterian counter-part, the preparation and featuring of articles on issues currently occupying the attention of the Ecumenical Movement. As it has been pointed out time and again in recent years, the challenges confronting mankind in general and the churches in particular are assuming such proportions that ade-

quate answers can only be given in terms of the churches' total resources and in their thinking and acting together. In this context, acceptance of the Plan for Union as a basis for the eventual union of five of our New Zealand churches, will in itself, constitute a significant part in the renewing and reconciling process of God in the world at the present time.

WORLD COUNCIL OF CHURCHES

Although enabling only 38 to actually observe the committee at work, nevertheless, the meeting of its Executive Committee in Auckland in February, did serve as the means for allowing many more up and down the country to see, hear and meet in person some of the key personnel of the WCC. It was a historic occasion which provided both visitors and hosts with much encouragement and further insight into the life and work of the movement. The success of the visit owed much to the planning and organisation carried out by the Auckland Council of Churches.

The Council's Commission on the Churches' Participation in Development reaffirms its objectives on the basis of social justice, self-reliance and economic growth and maintains the need for more active involvement on the part of all within society in order to hasten their achievement and gain the liberation from oppressive economic and political structures so many seek. Despite the fact that there is reckoned to be more illiterates, under-nourished, unemployed, oppressed and exploited people today than ten years ago, a major problem is still one of convincing the churches that this is in fact the trend and Development should therefore be given top priority.

The visits of Dr. C. Spivey and Dr. B. Sjollema of the Council's Programme to Combat Racism served to draw further attention to this important concern of the WCC. Because of its more subtle forms of expression not all have as yet grasped the full significance of the Programme to Combat Racism. Both visitors were able to shed considerable light in the topic.

"Salvation Today" is to be the theme of a Consultation sponsored by the Council's Division on World Mission and Evangelism. It will be held in Bangkok toward the end of December and the beginning of January and our New Zealand representative will be the Rev. Don Duncan.

At a meeting of its Central Committee in August the Rev. Dr. Philip Potter was elected as the new General Secretary of the World Council of Churches.

EAST ASIAN CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE

Structural changes have been the main concern of the EACC throughout this year, as well as planning for next year's meeting of the Assembly. It now operates under the three main divisions of Justice and Service, Message and Communication and Life and Action. Each has a full-time staff leading its affairs and it is planned to have them related to specific regions. The EACC has initiated study on the question of Development which it sees as a liberating process which enables persons and communities to realise their full human potential as purposed by God. Several constitutional changes are proposed for adoption at its Fifth Assembly meeting to be held in Singapore from the 6th-13th June 1973.

PACIFIC COUNCIL OF CHURCHES

As yet our links as a committee to the Council remain unofficial. For obvious reasons, however, we continue to keep the Council within the orbit of our concern and interest. Largely as a result of Roman Catholic initiative a Conference on Development was held in Fiji during the month of August at which the National Council of Churches in New Zealand was represented by Sir Guy Powles. Helping to keep

the focus of attention on the Pacific region is a study prepared and released during the year by the Youth Committee of the NCC entitled SOUTH PACIFIC YOUTH. The Annual Meeting of the Cook Islands Christian Church was attended by the President of the NCC, the Rev. Angus McLeod.

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF CHURCHES IN NEW ZEALAND

Finance: Although still not good, the deficit of \$1,650 for the year was not as bad as originally feared it might be. Some relief came as a result of the encouraging increased response to the Christmas Appeal. It is fully realised that member churches are also experiencing financial difficulties and consequently, have been unable to meet their full contribution in some instances. With demands continuing to grow, however, the problems arising have not been easy for the NCC Executive to resolve. On present budget forecasts it is likely that the deficit in 1973 will be in the vicinity of \$8,570. In the circumstances, the NCC is very grateful to those who are giving additional and personal financial support as "Friends of the NCC".

Staff: The Revs. David Taylor and Ron O'Grady remain fully occupied in leading the affairs of the Council from Christchurch. They are kept on the move by demands both up and down the country and overseas. The work of the Council is assisted by its officers, the President, the Rev. A. McLeod; Vice-President, Mrs S. Mangin; Chairman, the Rev. L. Jones, and Treasurer, Mr J. McAlister, also a full-time office staff comprising Mrs B. E. Smith, Mrs M. Sorongan and Mrs Bell. The six year term of Mr Frank Heard concluded in February and to succeed him in the Directorship of Christian World Service will be Miss Pamela Gruber, who takes up her appointment from the 1st October 1972. Through the generous response of many church members and trusts it has been possible to extend the excellent service offered by Mr A. Gnanasunderam through the Commission on Church and Society for a further two years.

Roman Catholic Relations: Issues affecting relationships continue to be studied and discussed by the Joint Working Committee which released two further reports for the information and study of its respective members. The Sixth report was circulated to all ministers early in the year. Its main area of study was "Tertiary Education". The Seventh report featured the "Eucharist". The Committee meets again in December. A study on Development prepared by the Australian Council of Churches and the Justice and Peace Commission of the Roman Catholic Church in Australia has provided an excellent basis for joint discussions.

Chaplaincies: Ecumenical chaplaincies now extend into industry, the penal institutions, universities and hospitals. This development is of some significance and raises important questions for the training and exercising of ministry in our day.

Worship: For financial reasons it was decided not to proceed with the holding of a national Conference on worship during the year. In its place, it is hoped to hold local Conferences toward the end of October and November which will be run with the assistance of members of the Taizé Community. To invite discussion of the topic the NCC issued a study booklet drawing attention to some of the questions involved.

Christian World Service: The Christmas Bowl Appeal is the major source of funds from which CWS is able throughout the year to support various aid programmes and contribute to the relief and rehabilitation of those who are afflicted by some sudden disaster or crisis situation. \$65,000 was channelled to help the Bangladesh crisis in the first half of the year. This year's Christmas Bowl Appeal

realised a total of \$236,076 compared with \$164,000 in the previous year. Our Methodist proportion was \$32,496 from 203 congregations compared with \$27,579 from 191 congregations in 1971.

Church and Society Commission: Aspects of Race Relations have continued to feature among the Commission's concerns. Its statement on "Why Your Child Should Learn Maori" was printed and the demand for copies so great as to require a further printing. Although the broader aspects relating to Maori land are being considered by the Waikato-Maniapoto committee of the NCC Maori Section, the Commission continues to draw attention to the importance for the churches of being able to give a documented account of their stewardship of those portions of land which were gifted or purchased for some Maori objective. Racism remains a central issue for the Commission. In September the Secretary, Mr A. Gnanasunderam will be a member of an exchange team which will visit the United States under the aegis of the WCC Programme to Combat Racism.

The observance of ANZAC day and law and order in a changing society were issues which the Commission was able to initiate wider discussions on by means of a Consultation in the first instance, and secondly, a Seminar organised by the Victoria University Extension Department.

The two subjects of National Goals and Social and Ethical issues in Modern Business Practices await the forming of suitable project-research groups in Wellington and Christchurch.

The Women's and Youth Committees, together with the Maori Section continue to meet regularly and maintain their respective contributions to the ongoing life and work of the NCC in New Zealand. Through its own regular magazine CHURCH & COMMUNITY the Council keeps member churches informed of ecumenical events occurring around the world and within New Zealand.

MINISTERS SERVING WITH OTHER ORGANISATIONS

University Chaplain Donald Phillips reports: When the NCC first sponsored ecumenical chaplaincies within the Universities in New Zealand it was fairly generally understood that their chief role was to be found in relation to student welfare services, with personal counselling high on the list of priorities. This situation is changing considerably, and in my own chaplaincy at Otago University I am trying to give expression to Christian concern for a different sort of need. It has been said of University chaplains that after over half a century of experience they are still an experimental ministry, and this is certainly true of the present time. Among University students today there is a significant section who are seeking to expand their horizons, and they are moving into an area which could be termed "the spiritual dimension". Within this group might be included such disparate individuals as those who will march for Jesus and who practise highly refined techniques of private meditation, with all shades of opinion in between.

The Chaplain's role is experimental in that the tried and tested forms of the Church are not appropriate to all and every situation on the campus. We believe that the Universities are places where the rich humanity of the Gospel is needed as never before and that the Church, through the chaplains, is in a position both to share its experience, and to receive new insights.

Industrial Chaplain Owen Kitchingman reports: At the commencement of this year we held a full week's training course for clergy, and this has done a great deal to raise more interest in the aims and objects of Inter-Church Trade and Industry Mission (ITIM). We held this course at the Christchurch Technical Institute from which we received enthusiastic help, and where facilities were all that could be

desired. A follow-up for the participants is in mind, especially in view of the strong desire expressed by this group for opportunity to study some issues at greater depth. At this stage in Christchurch it would appear that industrial mission is a predominantly clergy movement. This is a matter of concern to some of us who feel strongly the need for the movement to widen its scope to actively involve a growing number of lay people. This is further evident, I think, in the great difficulty we have in lifting people's vision beyond industrial chaplaincy to envisage a people's movement which seeks to come to grips with broader social concerns in a rapidly increasing industrialised society.

One recent happening I would cite as seeming to point to a significant need which industrial mission could help to meet. From conversations with workers in factories I had discovered among them those who feel keenly their lack of education, and through this their lack of opportunity to better themselves. Some have since declared their willingness to set aside a Saturday morning to develop their ability in basic subjects such as English and Mathematics. We are hopeful that groups of about 15 - 20 people will begin such a course under the leadership of experienced W.E.A. tutors. A great deal is being said about the importance of raising the standard of education generally in the trade unions. As our interest as Christians is very much in people developing themselves I foresee here an important role for the industrial mission.

NEW STRUCTURE

The Ecumenical Committee as such will cease to exist as from the 1st February 1973. This marks a further stage in the structural changes which led to the relocating of the Committee from Wellington to Auckland in 1967. The new structure will result in the present responsibilities of the Committee being shared between the Divisions as follows: The World Council of Churches, the East Asian Christian Conference and the fostering of relationships with the Pacific Council of Churches will be assumed by the Overseas Division; the World Methodist Council and all National Council of Churches' affairs will be effected by the Administration Division; although still to be decided it is probable that the Christian Audio-Visual Society and Ministers Serving with other Organisations will be the concerns of the Education and Development Divisions respectively.

The Committee welcomes this overall move and sees this distribution of its responsibilities as more than just meeting the demands of a new structure. It is further evidence to the fact that thinking, planning, being and acting ecumenically at all levels and in all areas of our church life is inevitable if our witness and service is to make any impact whatsoever on modern society.

L. GREENSLADE, Chairman.

R. RAKENA, Convener.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted.
2. That Conference commends members and Circuits who responded so generously to the last Christmas Appeal, and warmly commends the 1972 Appeal as being worthy of widespread support.
3. That for 1973 our representatives on the following NCC Committees be:

Council: Revs. W. R. Laws, A. A. Grundy, M. A. G. Couch, G. D. Brough; Mrs E. R. Le Couteur and Mrs W. A. Dowie.

Women's Committee: Mesdames W. R. Laws, A. G. Worboys, M. R. Tunnicliffe and R. Swindells as corresponding member.

Maori Section: Revs. L. M. Tauroa, Te A. Tahere, R. D. Rakena, Te N. T. Waaka and M. A. G. Couch. (Lay alternates when available).

4. That our representatives on the Christian Audio-Visual Society for 1973 be the Rev. B. K. Rowe and one other.

5. That our representatives to the EACC Fifth Assembly to be held at Singapore from the 6th-13th June 1973 be the Rev. W. S. Dawson and Mr P. Glensor.

6. That Conference approve the following proposed Constitution for the EACC to be adopted at its Fifth Assembly:

Purpose:

Believing that the purpose of God for the Church in Asia is life together in a common obedience to him for the doing of his will in the world, the **Christian Conference of Asia** (formerly the East Asia Christian Conference) exists as an organ of continuing co-operation among the Churches and national Christian bodies in Asia within the framework of the wider ecumenical movement.

Functions:

- (a) The development of effective Christian response to the challenges of the changing societies of Asia;
- (b) The exploration of opportunities and the promotion of joint action for the fulfilment of the mission of God in Asia and throughout the world.
- (c) The encouragement of Asian contribution to Christian thought, worship and action throughout the world.
- (d) The development of mutual awareness, fellowship and sharing among the Churches in the region, and of relationships with other regional Conferences and the World Council of Churches.
- (e) The promotion of common study and action in such fields as evangelism, service, social and human development and inter-national relations.
- (f) The stimulation of initiatives and experiments in dynamic Christian living and action.

Membership:

- (a) Churches joining the CCA must be Churches which confess the Lord Jesus Christ as God and Saviour according to the Scriptures and therefore seek to fulfil their common calling to the one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. National Councils or similar bodies joining the CCA must be Councils or bodies which approve this basis.
- (b) The area of operation is that extending from Pakistan to Korea and Japan and to New Zealand.
- (c) The Assembly will receive and decide on applications for membership. The General Committee may recommend to the Assembly that invitations to join the CCA be issued to churches, national councils or similar bodies who are not already members.

Assembly:

- (a) The CCA will normally meet in Assembly once in four years. The General Committee of the CCA, appointed at one Assembly shall convene the next Assembly.
- (b) The Assembly will be composed of:
 - i. Delegates appointed officially by each constituent member according to the number and categories decided by the General Committee so that the body of voting delegates represents clergy, laity, men, women and age groups from both established bodies and renewal movements of various Confessions;
 - ii. Consultants, including some from the World Council of Churches and other related bodies;
 - iii. Fraternal delegates, observers and accredited visitors.
- (c) The quorum for an Assembly shall be half of the constituent member bodies, provided half of the countries in the CCA area are represented.

Officers, General and Executive Committees:

- (a) The officers of the CCA shall comprise four Presidents, a Treasurer, General Secretary, and Associate General Secretary or Secretaries. These shall be voting members both of the General Committee and Executive Committee. They shall hold office until the end of the subsequent Assembly.

In the election of the four Presidents, the variety of geographical and cultural regions in the CCA constituency shall be taken into account by the Assembly, as far as possible.

One of the four Presidents shall be appointed by the Assembly as the one to chair the meetings of the Assembly and the General and Executive Committees. He may request the other Presidents to share his duties when necessary. One of the other Presidents shall be designated by the Assembly to become the chairman of meetings, for the rest of the term, in the event of a vacancy occurring in that position. The General Committee shall then elect a further chairman, and also similarly designate one to become the chairman of meetings in the event of a further vacancy occurring. The officers may act, on the authorisation of the General or Executive Committees, to prepare the business for those committee meetings, and to deal with personnel and emergency matters.

Official representation of the CCA, whether in person or in public statements shall be the responsibility of the Presidium and the General Secretary.

- (b) The Assembly shall elect a General Committee composed of the elected Officers, and one representative from each country represented in the CCA. In the election of the General Committee and of the Officers, care will be taken to maintain a balanced representation between Confessions, ages, sexes. The General Committee shall have the powers of the Assembly between Assembly meetings, except those powers reserved to the Assembly by this Constitution. The Executive Committee shall have the powers of the General Committee except those reserved to it by the Constitution.

- (c) When the General Committee is elected, three to five of its members shall be designated by the Assembly as members of the Executive Committee. In appointing the Executive Committee, the same balance of representation as for the General Committee shall be kept in mind. Any member of the General Committee shall be entitled to attend any meeting of the Executive Committee. If and when some very important decisions have to be taken, the whole General Committee shall be convened. All papers connected with the meetings of the Executive Committee shall be sent to all members of the General Committee. The Executive Committee will normally meet at least once a year, and the General Committee will meet at least once between Assemblies. The quorum for the General and the Executive Committees shall be a simple majority of its members.

- (d) The General Secretary and Associate General Secretary or Secretariat, shall be elected by the Assembly on the nomination of the General Committee. All the other full time Secretaries shall be appointed by the General Committee on the recommendation of the Executive Committee.

The General Committee may replace a full time staff member on his resignation, any new appointment operating until the next Assembly.

Staff members may be in attendance at the General Committee and the Executive Committee at the invitation of the General Secretariat.

- (e) The General Committee and Officers, excluding the General Secretariat, shall be elected by the Assembly on the nomination of the Steering Committee of that Assembly, made with due consideration of the desires of the delegates involved. If the Steering Committee should nominate a person who is not a member of the Assembly, such name shall be cleared by consultation with those present from that country as members.

- (f) The General Committee and the Executive Committee will be responsible for ensuring the implementation of Assembly decisions by the Programme Committee and the staff, and for general oversight of the work. In particular, the General Committee shall

- i. ensure that the purpose of the CCA is being fulfilled;
- ii. co-ordinate the various programmes to prevent over-lapping of activities;
- iii. arrange for specific programmes to be undertaken by one or more of the Programme Committees, separately or jointly;
- iv. report on its work to the member bodies of the CCA and interested agencies from time to time.

The Executive Committee shall act for the General Committee in carrying out the above functions between meetings of the General Committee. It shall also give guidance to the staff in the fulfilment of any duties not covered by the guidance or direction of the Programme Committees.

- (g) A member of the General Committee or of the Executive Committee, if unable to attend meetings of these committees may send a proxy from his country who will be a voting member of the meeting concerned providing he is accepted.
- (h) Any vacancy among the officers, the member of the General Committee or Executive Committee will be filled by the General Committee if necessary by postal vote.
- (i) If any member of the Executive Committee is absent from two consecutive meetings without adequate reason being submitted he shall be deemed no longer available and his position shall be declared vacant.
- (j) If any member of the General Committee should leave his country permanently, or for more than a year, he shall send his resignation to the General Secretary of the CCA.

Finance:

- (a) Administrative Budget: There shall be a budget providing for the expenses of the staff (salary, housing, travel, office, etc.)
- (b) Programme Budget: There shall be a budget to cover the cost of meetings of the Executive Committee, the General Committee and the Assembly; and cost of international and ecumenical tasks undertaken to fulfil functions of the CCA. Funds for this budget shall be provided by contributions from Churches and Councils in the CCA together with contributions from other Churches, from Missionary Societies, from the co-operative agencies and from other sources.

- (c) Project Budget: Earmarked contributions can be received for special items in the programme of the CCA from interested donors.
- (d) Special Funds: The CCA may establish and control funds for special purposes

Amendments: This constitution can be amended only by two-thirds majority of those present and voting at the Assembly of the CCA, the amendments having been previously circulated among the members' churches and councils. . . .

7. That Conference send its congratulations and good wishes to the Rev. Dr Philip Potter on his appointment as General Secretary of the World Council of Churches.

8. That the Chairman, the Rev. L. Greenslade, and members of the Ecumenical Committee be thanked for their services, and Ministers and Circuits urged to give their continuing support to the concerns of the Committee as they are assumed in 1973 by the newly constituted Divisions of the Church.

9. That Conference record its appreciation of the convenership of the Rev. Rua D. Rakana since 1967, whereby the wider concerns of the Ecumenical Movement have been kept before all members and the Connexion as a whole.

10. That Conference expresses to Mr Frank Heard its thanks and appreciation for the outstanding service and direction of Christian World Service and assures Miss Pamela Gruber of support as she takes up her appointment.

11. That Conference, acknowledging the many agencies and appeals through which support may be channelled to overseas aid and development, encourages its people to make their personal offering through any or all of these funds, a total of not less than 1% of their personal income.

12. That Conference warmly congratulates the N.C.C. Church and Society Commission for its important contribution to the Ministry of the Church in Society, and commends to Circuits the need for continuing financial support.

13. That the principle of adding 1% to our Budget for the W.C.C. Overseas Development Fund be regarded as an ongoing commitment and hence added to the 1973-74 and subsequent Budgets.

QUESTION 41 (f)—Church Union?

CHURCH UNION COMMITTEE

REPORT TO CONFERENCE

VOTING ON THE PLAN FOR UNION

The voting by the Methodist Church in Synods, Quarterly Meetings, and by the members has occupied a considerable amount of the time and thought of the Church Union Committee during the present year. It appears to the Committee that the procedures adopted and carried through have worked in practice. Members and officials of the Church have been given adequate opportunity to express their mind on this important matter. The thanks of the Committee are expressed to Circuit and District Returning Officers and to all who assisted with the voting arrangements.

The voting figures are contained in an appendix to this Report.

It is clear that the Leaders and Members of the Methodist Church have indicated to the Conference their overwhelming desire to unite on the basis of the Plan for Union, and in this respect, the Conference has a clear mandate from the officials and members to proceed.

In considering the appropriate decision, Conference needs to take into account the fact that at this point it is called to declare its own

conviction and that of the Methodist Church, irrespective of decisions either actually taken, or anticipated by any of the other negotiating Churches. The responsibility is to state the desire of the Methodist Church unaffected by considerations of procedure or the possibility of rejection by other Churches.

LEGAL PROCEDURES NECESSARY TO UNITE

The following material has been supplied by the Legal Adviser and outlines the procedures which are necessary.

"From time to time the Study Committee of the Joint Commission on Legal and Property matters has given consideration to legal steps which each church would have to take to bring the act of Union to a legal finality.

The Conference of the Methodist Church has power to legislate for the Methodist Church. It can, in pursuance of Section 370 subsection 11 Law Book page 60 adopt "any legislation required in the interests of the Church, provided that no change shall be made affecting constitutional questions or the rights and privileges of the Ministry or Laity, unless such changes shall have been previously submitted to the District Synod and confirmed by a resolution passed by a majority of not less than 55 per cent of the votes of the members present and voting at the next succeeding Conference."

Even though Conference is the supreme legislative and administrative body of the Church, it has no power

- (a) to revoke, alter or change any of the doctrines of the Church as contained in the Standard Sermons of John Wesley and his Notes on the New Testament nor to establish any new doctrine contrary thereto;
- (b) to revoke "The General Rules of the Societies";
- (c) to make such changes in the discipline as to do away with the itineracy of the Ministry;
- (d) to do away with the right of trial and appeal of Members and Ministers of the Church.

It is not thought that in entering into the Union, there would be any difficulties in regard to limitations (a), (b) and (d) above.

However it is now clear that in the Constitution of the United Church there is no provision of the annual appointments of Ministers. The Methodist Church, through its system of annual appointments has, as required by Church Law, maintained "the itinerancy of the Ministry".

It will be necessary therefore to promote a Private Act of Parliament to obtain Statutory authority in New Zealand for the removal of limitation (c).

In view of the fact that for one matter it is necessary to seek authority, at the same time statutory authority could be sought in regard to any other matters where there could be any doubt as to the powers of Conference.

With regard to property matters there is no likelihood that any serious problems could arise as Conference has powers to amend the Model Deed.

The various incorporated Boards handling funds and trust on behalf of the Church have in their constitutions definite links with the Conference. There may be one or two with no such link, but the trust involved is for the benefit of the Methodist Church or its departments or funds in some way.

Where there is any doubt, such cases will all be taken care of in the Act constituting the Union of the Churches.

Each Church has its own existing legislation which will require alteration.

In view of the diversity of the purposes involved and in view of the existing legislation, it will be necessary for Parliament to enact statutes amending the present legislation relating to each Church and enabling the United Church to hold and administer property previously held and administered by each of the negotiating churches. Each Church will have to provide its own amending legislation.

Parliament, in anticipation of Union will be asked to pass an Act that will acknowledge the United Church and will authorise the use of or benefit of property funds and trusts of the negotiating Churches for the purposes of the United Church. This Act will be stated to come into effect on the appointed day."

The Voting of the other Negotiating Churches

In none of the other Churches has such a clear majority in favour of union been obtained and this had led to speculation as to the possible outcome of the negotiations. The Church Union Committee, after careful consideration, recommends to Conference the following approach to the matter.

The Methodist Church has two concerns:—

1. To continue to work for the wider union of the Church.
2. To take no step which would sever relationships with any of its negotiating partners.

To this end it declares its intention:—

- (a) Not to consider any sectional union prior to the decision of the Anglican General Synod in April, 1974;
- (b) to take any action then towards union only on the basis of the Plan for Union;
- (c) to continue to work through the J.C.C.U.;
- (d) to take no action that would prejudice later union with other negotiating churches.

New Model Constitution for a Union Parish

Following the General Synod of 1972, the Anglican Church has been able to proceed to enter Union Parishes in a manner which was hitherto not possible. So far, it has been necessary to approve special Constitutions for these Parishes. The National Committee on Church Extension through the Auckland Joint Regional Committee, has prepared a Memorandum on a new Model Constitution for Union Parishes which would enable Churches of any denomination to form Union Parishes. The proposed new model Constitution sets out—

1. The Parish and its Councils (based largely on the Plan for Union).
2. The Parish and its relation to the Superior Courts of the participating Churches.
3. The Ministry.
4. Property.

In addition, the Churches are asked to give close consideration to Worship, the Sacraments, the Ministry, Membership and Confirmation. The Church Union Committee receives this progress report with gratitude and expresses the hope that as soon as possible, such a Constitution may be formally approved by the negotiating Churches.

The Joint Commission on Church Union

The Eighth Report summarises the work of the Commission during the past year and there is no need to give further elaboration of the work of the Commission in this Committee's Report.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted.
2. That the Conference receives, with gratification, the report of the Church Union Committee that all Synods, a majority of Quarterly Meetings, and 86% of the Church members voting had voted in favour of uniting with the Anglican Church, the Associated Churches of Christ, the Congregational Churches and the Presbyterian Church on the basis of the 1971 Plan for Union.
3. That Conference in the light of the voting of Members, Quarterly Meetings and Synods declares its readiness to unite on the basis of the Plan for Union with the Church of the Province of New Zealand (Anglican), the Presbyterian Church of New Zealand, the Associated Churches of Christ in New Zealand, and the Congregational Union of New Zealand.
(Voting: For 296; Against 7; Invalid 1).
4. That the Conference hereby accepts the 1971 Plan for Union as an equitable adjustment of the differences in the constitutional laws and usages of the negotiating Churches and resolves to take all necessary steps for the consummation of the Union at the earliest possible date should all the other negotiating churches declare their agreement.
5. That should all the other negotiating churches declare their agreement on the basis of the 1971 Plan for Union, the President is hereby authorised, in conjunction with the Committee of Privileges, the Church Union Committee and the special committee set up in 1971 under the convenership of the Legal Adviser to take all necessary action including the promotion of any legislation to enable the Methodist Church to enter into union with the other negotiating Churches.
6. That Conference welcomes the information concerning the proposals for a new Constitution for Union Parishes. It affirms its agreement with the intentions of the proposed new Constitution and authorises the Church Union Committee in consultation with the President and the Legal Adviser to approve such a constitution for immediate use by any Methodist Church negotiating to form Union Parishes.
7. That the Eighth Report of the J.C.C.U. be received.
8. That a grant of \$1030 be made towards the secretarial and administrative expenses of the J.C.C.U.
9. That the Methodist representatives on the J.C.C.U. be—the Revs. A. K. Petch, C. D. Clark, W. F. Ford, W. R. Laws, J. Grundy, R. D. Rakena, W. J. Morrison, Mr J. H. Peak. Proxy: The Rev. R. G. Bell.
10. That the Convener for 1973 be Rev. W. J. Morrison.
11. That Conference express appreciation to the Rev. B. M. Chrystall for the time and painstaking care given over recent years to the processing of agreements for the establishing of new Union Parishes, and that the Church Union Committee, in consultation with the new Department of Development continue to be responsible for the processing of future agreements.
12. That the Executive Committee for 1973 be as printed on page 6 herein.

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND

RESULTS OF MEMBERS VOTING ON PLAN FOR UNION

NORTHLAND

Circuit	MEMBERS		Q.M.	
	Yes	No	Yes	No
Mangonui	55	15	9	5
Kaikohe-Bay of Is.	55	3	15	—
Whangaroa	62	13	15	4
Hokianga	47	7	16	5
Whangarei	127	29	11	3
Dargaville	89	45	13	3
Paparoa	30	17	7	5
Port Albert	83	7	12	2
Northland Maori	357	67	—	—
Unions				
North Hokianga	34	3	6	—
Hikurangi	18	14	4	—
Ruawai	36	16	3	1
	<u>993</u>	<u>236</u>	<u>111</u>	<u>28</u>
Synod	25	3		
Invalid: North Hokianga 1, Dargaville 3, Northland Maori 1.				

AUCKLAND

Circuit	MEMBERS		Q.M.	
	Yes	No	Yes	No
Auckland Central	277	53	36	4
Auckland Central Mission	107	27	24	4
Auckland South	211	54	25	6
Auckland West	31	7	13	1
Auckland East	384	44	44	2
Orakei	319	46	39	2
Mt. Albert	229	16	30	2
Henderson	235	43	29	4
Devonport	81	33	15	6
Takapuna	415	50	38	2
Birkenhead	200	12	28	—
Northcote	90	9	18	1
Onehunga	239	26	32	4
Otahuhu	105	31	14	3
Papatoetoe	212	35	28	—
Papakura	215	55	31	9
Pukekohe	138	29	22	3
Bombay-Tuakau	43	6	17	—
Waiuku	53	6	6	2
Kaipara	42	11	19	4
Whangaparaoa	52	10	18	1
Mahurangi	83	9	20	—
Auckland Maori	492	139	—	—

Unions							
Avondale	.....	.....	.....	56	15	6	2
Lynfield (Reciprocal)	.....	.....	.....	15	—	1	—
Iona (Reciprocal)	.....	.....	.....	2	2	—	—
Awhitu (Reciprocal)	.....	.....	.....	8	—	—	—
				<hr/> 4334	<hr/> 768	<hr/> 553	<hr/> 62
Synod	.....	.....	.....	84	4		

Invalid: Auck. Central Mission 1, Auck. South 1, Auck. East 3,
Orakei 1, Devonport 3, Papakura 1, Waiuku 2,
Auckland Maori 12.

WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY

Circuit	MEMBERS		Q.M.	
	Yes	No	Yes	No
Thames	78	17	16	—
Paeroa	55	7	10	1
Waihi	45	5	14	1
Te Aroha	102	17	15	3
Morrinsville	180	34	19	3
Hamilton	365	46	32	—
Hamilton East	247	82	27	6
Huntly	67	8	19	1
Matamata	100	14	16	2
Putaruru	46	3	12	1
Tokoroa	55	9	10	1
Rotorua	154	16	24	—
Taupo	33	1	6	—
Tauranga	252	28	29	4
Te Puke	44	6	9	1
Whakatane-Kawerau	50	5	11	1
Opotiki	30	9	11	1
Te Awamutu	123	12	19	1
Otorohanga	43	8	12	1
Te Kuiti	34	14	6	3
Taumarunui	41	1	11	1
Ohura	28	2	8	—
Waikato Maori	252	49	—	—
King Country Maori	254	30	—	—
Kawhia	3	2	—	—
Coromandel	10	2	4	2
Unions				
Hauraki Plains	39	2	7	—
Cambridge	106	11	11	—
Raglan	37	7	5	—
Ngaruawahia	33	3	6	1
Turangi	7	2	2	1
	<hr/> 2913	<hr/> 452	<hr/> 371	<hr/> 36
Synod	50	1		

Invalid: Thames 1, Waihi 1, Morrinsville 2, Cambridge 2, Hamilton 1,
Hamilton East 4, Putaruru 1, Rotorua 1, Te Puke 2, Te Awamutu
1, Otorohanga 2, Waikato Maori 23, King Country Maori 17.

TARANAKI-WANGANUI

Circuit	MEMBERS		Q.M.	
	Yes	No	Yes	No
New Plymouth	369	70	34	3
Waitara	81	12	11	4
Stratford	87	27	11	—
Eltham-Kaponga	74	8	17	2
Hawera	77	12	14	2
Opunake	83	47	15	6
Wanganui Central	173	42	12	6
Wanganui North	85	8	14	2
Wanganui West	55	4	13	—
Taihape	24	1	14	—
Patea	9	7	—	—
Waiouru	5	—	—	—
Taranaki Maori	226	32	—	—
Unions				
Manaia	26	5	5	5
Inglewood	22	25	3	4
	<hr/> 1396	<hr/> 300	<hr/> 163	<hr/> 29
Synod	26	8		

Invalid: New Plymouth 1, Hawera 1, Wanganui Central 2, Taranaki Maori 7.

HAWKES BAY-MANAWATŪ

Circuit	MEMBERS		Q.M.	
	Yes	No	Yes	No
Napier	294	23	39	—
Hastings	299	29	35	—
Gisborne	112	13	13	2
Dannevirke-Norsewood	96	7	16	1
Woodville	52	9	10	3
Palmerston North	403	41	41	1
Ashhurst-Bunnythorpe	41	16	12	4
Feilding-Oroua	165	26	29	1
Marton	68	13	9	2
Sanson-Rongotea	96	3	13	1
Waipawa-Waipukurau	48	2	15	—
Unions				
Mangapapa	24	3	4	—
Wairoa	40	8	3	1
Pahiatua	64	7	14	—
Foxton	59	5	3	1
Shannon (Reciprocal)	22	13	2	1
	<hr/> 1883	<hr/> 218	<hr/> 258	<hr/> 18
Synod	31	2		

Invalid: Palmerston North 8, Feilding-Oroua 2.

WELLINGTON

Circuit	MEMBERS		Q.M.	
	Yes	No	Yes	No
Wellington Central	254	31	19	—
Wellington South	73	4	10	—
Wellington East	196	6	40	—

Wellington West				112	12	17	5
Porirua				235	29	26	2
Lower Hutt-Petone				436	47	39	—
Upper Hutt				125	13	20	2
Masterton				102	7	15	—
Levin				162	16	23	—
Otaki				48	1	11	—
Paraparaumu				87	13	17	4
Unions							
Ngaio				75	24	6	3
Johnsonville				67	9	7	—
Newlands				26	2	2	—
Taita				17	—	3	—
Wainuiomata				34	6	7	1
Greytown				25	6	4	1
Featherston				18	—	4	—
Carterton				55	4	5	2
St. James, Masterton				55	5	11	1
Eketahuna				43	2	4	—
Titahi Bay (Reciprocal)				9	3	—	—
Naenae				21	—	—	—
				2275	240	290	21

Synod 40 2
Invalid: Wellington Central 3, Ngaio 1, Newlands 1, Porirua 1,
Upper Hutt 3, Otaki 2, Paraparaumu 1.

NELSON

Circuit	MEMBERS		Q.M.	
	Yes	No	Yes	No
Blenheim	187	98	21	19
Nelson	253	34	23	4
Waimea	111	6	25	1
Motueka	72	5	18	—
Murchison	28	—	10	—
Unions				
St. Luke's, Nelson	44	3	6	1
Greymouth	61	19	5	1
Picton	20	13	3	1
Westland-Buller	26	8	8	1
Reefton	28	3	5	—
Hokitika	32	1	3	1
Upper Moutere (Reciprocal)	3	—	—	—
Kaikoura	3	—	—	—
Takaka	3	—	—	—
	871	190	127	29

Synod 21 1
Invalid: Blenheim 1, Nelson 1, Waimea 2, Reefton 1.

NORTH CANTERBURY

Circuit	MEMBERS		Q.M.	
	Yes	No	Yes	No
Durham Street	361	35	28	1
Central Mission	41	15	12	3
Christchurch East	438	75	50	5
Opawa	34	80	9	12
Sydenham	129	6	29	1

Spreydon					185	19	32	2
Riccarton					218	28	40	1
St. Albans					477	57	47	9
Papanui					167	35	14	3
Springston					160	9	15	3
Leeston					184	15	19	3
Kaiapoi					149	30	18	3
Rangiora					136	62	23	5
Greendale					87	4	15	—

Unions

Sumner-Redcliffs					65	7	10	—
Oxford					62	21	10	4
Lyttelton					10	6	2	2
South East Christchurch					45	6	6	—
Waikari (Reciprocal)					17	1	—	—

2965	511	379	57
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Synod	45	2
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Invalid: Durham Street 4, Christchurch East 3, Sumner-Redcliffs 1, Spreydon 1, Riccarton 1, St. Albans 1, Papanui 1, Leeston 2, Kaiapoi 2, Oxford 2.

SOUTH CANTERBURY

		MEMBERS		Q.M.	
Circuit		Yes	No	Yes	No
Bank Street		126	5	18	1
Woodlands Street		180	12	19	—
Waimate		75	—	17	—
Geraldine)		53	2		
)				15	—
Temuka)		53	10		
Willowby		55	8	19	1
Ashburton		182	28	36	1
Unions					
St. David's, Marchwiell		53	4	8	1
Oamaru		106	18	10	3
		883	87	142	7

Synod	26	—
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Invalid: Oamaru 2.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND

		MEMBERS		Q.M.	
Circuit		Yes	No	Yes	No
Central Mission		143	21	19	2
North Dunedin		68	6	14	1
Mornington		72	11	10	1
Dunedin South		116	38	25	12
St. Kilda		53	15	8	10
Milton Lawrence		41	6	11	2
Balclutha		90	5	12	—
Gore		64	17	16	3
Invercargill		279	82	36	3
Western Southland		63	7	20	1
Bluff		37	—	11	—
Unions					
West Harbour		33	—	6	—

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Roll of members, September 11, 1972

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EIGHTH REPORT TO THE NEGOTIATING CHURCHES

The Joint Commission on Church Union in New Zealand submits this, its Eighth Report, to the negotiating churches, dated September 11, 1972.

The report comprises the following sections:

I—INTRODUCTION

- A. The Commission.
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- C. The Committees.

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- C. The Processes of Decision.

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- C. Christian Education.
- D. Superannuation Funds.

V—THE WORKING OF THE COMMISSION

- A. Finance.
- B. The next meeting.

I—INTRODUCTION

A. The Commission

The Commission met at Wesley Church Hall, Wellington, on February 22-23, 1972. The Chairman, the Right Reverend A. H. Johnston presided, 33 members and proxies and the Convener of the Study Committee on Maori Participation being present. Opening worship each day was conducted by the Reverend D. E. Hollier. On the 23rd, the Commission adjourned to Wesley Church for the celebration of Holy Communion, the Right Reverend H. W. Baines presiding, with other Anglican representatives and other members of the Commission assisting.

The Commission agreed to meet in July 1972. However, the Executive considered that more benefit would be obtained by holding a meeting in November. Arrangements have been made for a meeting on November 21-22.

B. The Executive

The Executive met on September 20-21, 1971, November 25-26, March 16, 1972, June 1-2 and July 12. It reported fully to the February meeting of the Commission.

C. The Committees

The Study Committees have comprised the following:

1. The Faith of the Church (the Rev. J. J. Lewis, Convener).
2. The Sacraments (the Rt. Rev. H. W. Baines, Convener).
3. The Ministry (the Rev. Professor F. W. R. Nichol, Convener).
4. Legal and Property Matters (Professor G. P. Barton, Convener).
5. Worship (the Ven. A. R. Anderson, Convener).

6. 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).
10. The Life and Mission of the Church (the Rt. Rev. E. A. Gowing, Convener).
11. Maori Participation (the Rev. Canon R. H. Rangihū, Convener).
12. Overseas Mission (the Rev. D. C. Evans, Convener).
13. Social Services (the Rev. G. F. McKenzie, Convener).

Other committees have included the following:

Christian Education (the Rev. W. J. Schrader, Convener).

Superannuation Funds (Mr L. A. Atkinson, Convener).

In addition, the following report to the Churches through the Commission:

The Joint Board of Theological Studies (the Rev. G. D. Munro, Chairman; the Rev. R. Byers, Secretary).

The Joint National Committee on Church Extension (the Rev. C. D. Clark, Convener).

II—THE PLAN FOR UNION

A. The Publication Of The Plan

Arrangements were made for the publication of The Plan For Union on September 20 in the Cathedral Hall, Wellington. Representatives of the church papers, the press and the radio and television services were present. The Chairman presented the Plan to the representatives of the five negotiating churches, the Reverend I. W. Ogier, the Right Reverend H. W. Baines, the Reverend J. B. Chambers, the Reverend W. F. Ford and the Right Reverend G. D. Falloon who responded for the five representatives. The Chairman's remarks and the response were printed in "Background". The Executive prepared an explanatory statement drawing attention to some features of the 1971 Plan and this also was printed in "Background".

Arrangements were made for supplies to be available through church bookshops and booksellers. Three printings were made, totalling 35,382 copies; of these, about 500 remain on hand.

B. The Study Of The Plan

Arrangements were made for the publishing of a number of leaflets to assist the study of the Plan. The thanks of the Commission has been expressed to those who prepared them and to the printers. The committee of each Church arranged for samples to be issued to all ministers and for the orders to be despatched.

The leaflets were as follows:

- I. "Together—in one Church," a leaflet for wide circulation,

outlining and commending the provisions of the Plan. Three printings were made and just over 180,000 copies were sent out.

II. "Three Studies for 1972," a leaflet for use in study groups, showing the significance of the concern for the union of the five churches. Three printings were made, and nearly 19,000 copies were sent out.

III. Seven "explanatory leaflets" were prepared by the Departments of Christian Education. These were designed to ask questions which people would raise about the Plan and to set out clearly the proposals of the Plan about these matters. The titles and the numbers sent out were as follows:

1. One—that the world might believe	..	..	..	..	88,000
2. What will worship be like?	..	..	..	..	100,000
3. The faith of the united church	..	..	..	..	80,000
4. The Bishop and the Diocese	..	..	..	..	78,000
5. The ministry of the church	61,000
6. Parishes and congregations	65,000
7. Why Union?	41,000
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IV. Ministers were advised that additional copies of the October issue of "Background" could be obtained on request. Some 14,000 copies were distributed altogether.

C. The Processes Of Decision

In the Seventh Report of the Commission it was stated that with the presentation of the Plan to the Churches, "each church would take the appropriate subsequent steps according to the pattern of its own procedure. The Commission sees certain stages in this process:

(i) That the Plan would be accepted as the basis upon which the decision whether or not to unite would be made.

(ii) That each Church would make its decision whether or not to unite according to its own constitutional procedures."

This complex process is now in operation. Each of the churches has accepted the Plan as the basis upon which the decision is to be made and is now engaged in its own processes of decision. The initial steps were taken in October and November 1971 by the Assemblies and Conferences of four of the churches and in April 1972 by the Anglican Church at its General Synod. Each of the five churches has submitted the proposal to unite to the membership of the church for an expression of advice and approval by means of a referendum. The periods of voting have varied but the last period closes on September 13 and it is expected that the voting figures will be made known soon after that date. These figures and the replies from Presbyteries, Synods, quarterly meetings and congregational meetings will be considered by the appropriate Assemblies, Conferences and Synods of the five churches as each church makes its decision on the proposal to unite. In the case of the Associated Churches of Christ, the Congregational Union, the Methodist and the Presbyterian Churches, it is possible that the decision could be made at the Conferences and Assemblies in 1972. In the case of the Anglican Church, the proposal to unite will be considered by the Diocesan Synods in 1973 and it is possible that the decision could be made by the General Synod in April 1974.

At the February meeting, the Commission gave some attention

to this complex and lengthy process. It also was advised of the following resolution of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church:

"Conscious that in 1967 the Associated Churches of Christ in N.Z., the Church of the Province of N.Z. (Anglican), the Congregational Union of N.Z., the Methodist Church of N.Z. and the Presbyterian Church of N.Z. covenanted together thus:

"In our faith in Jesus Christ as our one Lord and Saviour, and in our concern to serve His mission to the world, we now commit ourselves in a common obedience to Him and offer to Him our utmost endeavours that by the Holy Spirit we may be brought into one church according to His will, to the glory of God the Father.

"This General Assembly invite our partner churches to pray together with us that the Holy Spirit may lead our councils and our people at this time."

The Commission endorsed the Assembly's call and approved the preparation of suitable prayers.

As the Executive considered these matters at subsequent meetings, the members became keenly aware that the responsibility for this "common obedience to Him" rests upon us all not only during the period of voting but also during the period of deliberation, that each church may be ready to be shown what is God's will for His people and may be ready to make a creative response to His leading.

III—THE FOUNDATIONS OF AGREEMENT

A. The Study Committees

The list of study committees in Section I.A. includes all those that have served during the preparation and revision of the Plan. However, the publication of the Plan has meant that for most of them, there has been no need to meet during the past year. Others have continued their work as indicated in the following sections:

(1) The Sacraments

The study committee had prepared drafts of two statements, one on the ministry to the sick and the other on marriage, to serve the same purpose as that on confession published in the Sixth Report, p 6. These had been referred to church union committees for comment, and the comments received are now being considered.

(2) General Administration and Finance

The study committee had been requested by the Executive to make a preliminary survey to show:

1. The probable total cost of operation under the administrative structure as proposed.
2. The probable cost of operation of the dioceses as referred to in the Plan, Paras 236-247.

It presented its preliminary survey to the February meeting. After discussion, it was agreed that the following statement be adopted:

Administrative and Diocesan Costs in United Church

Financial considerations are not among the main motivating

factors behind the Plan for Union, but the question has been raised whether the proposed structure will cost more or less than the total administrative costs of the five Churches.

From figures supplied and ignoring inflation the Joint Commission is confident that:

1. It can be reasonably assumed that one national office will cost less than the total of the present four.
2. One national Assembly will cost less than five.
3. The cost to parishes of, say 17 dioceses, will be greater than that of the existing seven Anglican dioceses, 10 Methodist Synodal Districts, 23 Presbyterian Presbyteries, but the increase will not be substantial.
4. On balance, the overall national and diocesan costs will be on a par with the total that the parishes in the negotiating churches pay now, but after 5-10 years, when staff adjustments have been completed, they could be less, if inflation is not taken into account.

The study committee has continued its study of the administrative structure of the united church and on stipends, furnishing a report to be considered at the next meeting of the Commission.

(3) Women's Organisations

The study committee has met twice and continued its general survey of recent developments in women's organisations.

(4) Maori Participation

The study committee met on February 12 at Tokanga-nui-a Noho meeting house at Te Kuiti. The Convener reported to the Commission:

1. That each church had given approval to the diagram "D" proposing the structural form of Maori participation in the united church. The Methodists, however, had added: "providing it is interpreted and applied in terms of the statements included in the Plan under Maori participation."
2. That further submissions had been received from the Presbyterian Maori Synod regarding the number of bishops (Para. 242), and consideration was continuing.
3. That steps were being taken to interpret the Plan in preparation for the referendums.

It was agreed that the Report be received and the Chairman expressed the appreciation of the members at the progress made.

B. Interim Arrangements Concerning the Security of the Ministry within the United Church

Since some questions had arisen in 1970 regarding the security of the ordained ministry in the event of union, the Executive had arranged for a statement to be prepared and submitted to the Commission at its meeting in July 1970. The draft was referred to church union committees for comment. At its meeting in February 1972, the Commission considered the comments received, revised the statement and adopted it in the following form:

"This statement arises from the need to allay any fears that may be in the minds of those in the ministry of the negotiating

churches and in other avenues of full-time employment in the churches concerning their security of tenure, stipend, employment and superannuation at the time of union.

In each of the negotiating churches these securities are achieved in various ways, according to the tradition and usage of each church. These must be seen to be carried forward into the united church, even though they may well change in form, but not in substance, subsequent to union. For change and re-deployment will be necessary if the united church is to use to the best advantage its resources of manpower and money.

Consideration will be given to the united church's obligation to laymen in the full-time service of the negotiating churches.

The following are given as guidelines to thought and action regarding the security of the ordained ministry

1. The spiritual call which has caused men to enter various spheres of service and ministry in the several negotiating churches will be acknowledged by the united church. In the rite of unification every minister taking part becomes a bishop or presbyter or deacon within the united church.

2. At the time of union every minister will be confirmed in his existing appointment, or other provision made; his stipend and pension rights will be safeguarded; where necessary, provision will be made from central funds. In any subsequent re-development of manpower regard will be paid to the level of income previously enjoyed, and exceptional cases requiring special consideration will be referred to the bishop and diocese concerned.

3. The National Assembly through its appropriate committee will of necessity, treat as a matter of urgency the formulation of new criteria concerning conditions of employment, stipend, tenure, superannuation, etc. These shall be applied in such a way as to ensure that they are continuous with the conditions that now obtain and that there is no intervening period of insecurity.

4. The resolution included in the 1971 Report of the Commission, page 4:

'In regard to conscientious objection to the Act of Unification, the Commission declares that if a minister of one of the negotiating churches finds himself unable conscientiously to continue his ministry in the Church of Christ in New Zealand, his (personal) welfare and care shall be the responsibility of that church on its inauguration'."

C. Seminars For Ministers

At its meeting on September 21, 1971, the Executive considered the desirability of drawing together the ministers of the five churches for study and fellowship. It was decided to investigate the possibility of holding seminars on "Ministry in the Plan for Union", and enquiry confirmed a widespread approval of such a project. The October issue of "Background" contained a detailed proposal, summarised as:

"The J.C.C.U. proposes to invite all ministers of the negotiating churches to meet together in groups to consider the role of the

Ministry of the Church of Christ in New Zealand as envisaged in the Plan."

Arrangements were made for 18 centres; all the ministers of the five churches were invited; thirty were chosen to act as leaders, two for each seminar; a group in Dunedin prepared valuable material for the guidance of leaders and members; the first was held in Wellington on February 28-29 and the last at Napier on May 29-30.

The numbers attending varied from about 120 in Auckland Central to nine in Greymouth. The proportion of those invited who attended varied also: in one case, of 140 possible, some went to a neighbouring seminar and 85 attended; in another case, with over 80 attending, this represented almost all those invited. Programmes varied slightly in the different centres, but there was a broad pattern which included attention to the contemporary setting of life, the conception of ministry in the Plan for Union, questions of freedom and allegiance, team ministries and inter-racial relationships.

The reports on the Seminars show that this has been a very worthwhile activity with beneficial results to many personally and also collectively. The Executive received a number of suggestions that a similar programme should be arranged for 1973. A group in Auckland has been asked to prepare the background material, and it is expected that the seminars will follow the same regional pattern.

At the February meeting of the Commission, two members raised the possibility of some interchange of ministries. The matter was referred to the Executive for enquiry and report. A letter setting out some of the points involved was circulated to a number of small groups for comment. Their replies have been received and it is anticipated that these will form the basis of a report to be considered at the next meeting of the Commission. This subject could open up the possibility of closer relationships in ministry, and some steps in this direction have been taken in a number of places. Also, there could be imaginative moves which would deepen the relationships between the five negotiating churches. The Executive hopes that in due course the Commission will be able to forward to the churches some specific recommendations.

Another result of the seminars for ministers was the suggestion that something similar could be done to foster closer relationships between neighbouring congregations. This suggestion is being explored and will be considered at the November meeting of 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, 1972

Significant Increases In Co-operative Ventures Since 1970

The J.C.C.U. "Sixth Report to the Negotiating Churches," 1970, pp. 29-36, lists, and comments on, the places in New Zealand where the negotiating churches were working together through one of a number of co-operative schemes.

The list below names the places where co-operative ventures have been inaugurated since 1970, and which were in operation at July, 1972.

	<i>Place</i>	<i>Denominations Involved</i>	<i>Type of Agreement</i>	<i>Minister</i>	<i>Date Comm.</i>
1.	North Hokianga	Ang. Meth.	U.P.* Ang.		1972
2.	Mangonui	Pres. Meth.	Joint		1971
3.	Whangarei	Pres. Meth. Ch/Xst.	Uniting		1971
4.	Blockhouse Bay	Pres. Meth.	Recip. Pres.		
5.	Avondale	Pres. Meth.	U.P. Pres.		1972
6.	Lynfield	Ang. Meth.	U.P.* Ang.		1971
7.	Cambridge	Pres. Meth.	U.P. Pres. Meth.		1972
8.	Ngaruawahia	Pres. Meth.	U.P. Pres.		1972
9.	Inglewood	Pres. Meth.	U.P. Pres.		1972
10.	Manaia	Pres. Meth.	U.P. Meth.		1972
11.	Wairoa	Pres. Meth.	U.P. 2 Pres.		1972
12.	Flaxmere (Hastings)	Ang. Pres. Meth.	Joint		1972
13.	Masterton (St James)	Pres. Meth.	U.P. Meth.		1971
14.	Carterton	Pres. Meth.	U.P. Meth.		1971
15.	Greytown	Pres. Meth.	U.P. Meth.		1971
16.	Featherston	Pres. Meth.	U.P. Pres.		1971
17.	Otaki	Ang. Meth.	Recip. Ang.		1971
18.	Tawa	Pres. Meth. Ch/Xst.	U.P. Pres. Meth. Ch/Xst.		1972
19.	Brooklyn	Ang. Pres. Meth.	Joint		1972
20.	Ngaio	Pres. Meth.	U.P. Meth.		1971
21.	Picton	Pres. Meth.	U.P. Pres.		1971
22.	Greymouth	Pres. Meth.	U.P. 2 Pres. Meth.		1971
23.	Oxford District	Pres. Meth.	U.P. Pres.		1972
24.	Sumner-Redcliffs	Pres. Meth.	U.P. Pres. Meth.		1972
25.	South East Christchurch	Pres. Meth. Ch/Xst.	U.P. Pres.		1972
26.	Lyttelton	Pres. Meth.	U.P. Pres.		1972
27.	West Harbour, Dunedin	Pres. Meth. Cong.	U.P. Pres.		1971
28.	Alexandra-Clyde	Pres. Meth.	U.P. 2 Pres.		1971

Note:

1. Some places should be deleted from the 1970 Survey as they are listed above under a different type of agreement, or have become part of a wider agreement. **Otaika** and **Tikipunga** Union Parishes are part of the **Whangarei Uniting Church**. **Water-view** Reciprocal Agreement is included in **Avondale** Union Parish.

Tawa Reciprocal Agreement has been replaced by the **Tawa** Union Parish, which includes the **Linden Presbyterian** Parish and the **Tawa Methodist** Circuit.

Picton and **Greymouth** Reciprocal Agreements have been replaced by the **Picton** and **Greymouth** Union Parishes.

Lynfield, previously a Joint Use of Buildings scheme, is now a Union Parish (Special Category).

2. **U.P.** = **Union Parish**, under the "Standard Rules, Procedures and Constitution for Union Parishes" (J.C.C.U. Fourth Report, pp. 40-44).

U.P.* = **Union Parish, Special Category**, i.e., not under the above agreement.

Joint = **Joint Use of Buildings**, 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 denomination 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.

Uniting = **Uniting Church**. Two levels of administration: the local congregation has a large measure of independence; long-term planning and co-ordination directed by a representative Church Council.

3. Under the heading "Minister," the denomination of the present minister(s) serving in the Union Parish is listed. In the case of Reciprocal Membership schemes the denomination is that of the host church.

Summary

1. The 1970 survey listed 66 places where co-operative ventures were in operation. (Buller Union Parish included the previous Westport Union Parish, but both were listed separately giving the incorrect total of 67.)

2. The 1972 total is 87, an increase of 21. (In 1970 the increase over the previous two years was 19.)

3. The involvement of the negotiating churches in joint ventures is as follows:

	TOTAL	Union Parish	Joint Use	Reciprocal	Other Types
Anglican	25	2	19	3	1
Presbyterian	79	43	17	13	6
Methodist	83	45	18	14	6
Congregational	9	6	1	2	—
Church of Christ	7	3	1	1	2
TOTALS	203	(46)	(22)	(15)	(6)

4. There are more than 200 Congregational units involved in joint ventures.

5. The number of Union Parishes has nearly doubled in the last two years, from 25 to 46.

Comment .

It is significant that a number of churches who were involved in co-operative ventures have now entered wider unions. The reciprocal membership arrangements in Greymouth and Picton have been replaced by Union Parishes; the Redwood Presbyterian-Church of Christ Union Parish is now part of the Tawa Union Parish with the Linden Presbyterian Parish and the Tawa Methodist Church, which forms a large Union Parish with a team of three ministers; the Union Parishes of Otaika and Tikipunga now form part of the Whangarei Uniting Church, etc.

The Lynfield Community Church, formed in 1970, is a new development in joint ventures. It has been reported as "demonstrating what may be achieved when in faith the negotiating churches explore together on the local scene the limits of the 1967 Act of Commitment 'to seek ways of common action'." A similar kind of agreement is reported from North Hokianga between the Anglicans and Methodists of the area. The greater liberty for the admission of non-Anglicans to Holy Communion in Anglican Churches, and for Anglicans to attend Holy Communion in other churches, as approved by the General Synod in April, 1972, will encourage the formation of other joint parishes involving Anglican congregations, and thus open the way to a greater increase in co-operative ventures, with the consequent enrichment and increased effectiveness of the church life for all the people involved in them.

The Whangarei Uniting Church is another new type of development since 1970. This joint venture involves all the Presbyterian, Methodist and Church of Christ congregations in the city, organised into four pastoral charges with six ministers.

Three charges follow the Presbyterian order and the fourth is under a Methodist system. There are two levels of administration—the local parish unit has a large measure of independence in running its regular activities, as it would have if it were an ordinary congregation of that denomination, but the co-ordination of the work throughout the city and long-term planning, is under a representative Church Council.

The formation of a Union Parish usually involves a greater amount of disruption to established patterns of church life than other forms of co-operative venture, for it requires the complete merging of the identities of the uniting congregations to permit the establishment of a new integrated congregation. It is noteworthy that the majority of recent co-operative ventures over the last two years have been of this type.

The Presbyterian and Methodist churches are partners in almost every Union Parish. The 43 Union Parishes in which the Presbyterian Church participates represents one-tenth (9.8 percent) of the 440 Presbyterian parishes throughout New Zealand. It is difficult to make an exact comparison with the Methodist Church for many Methodist circuits include a number of "parish units" with a multiple ministry. If the 120 Methodist circuits were organised on a basis similar to Presbyterian parishes there would be approximately 210 "parish units", and the 45 Union Parishes which include Methodists would represent more than one-fifth (21.4 percent) of that total.

This is a significant commitment in Union ventures and it has considerable effect on the life of each church at the national level, e.g., the allocation of the national budget is made a difficult and complex task, which becomes greater with the increased proportion of the church's "parish units" involved in Union Parishes. It also demonstrates that the smaller denomination has more to lose when it commits manpower and resources in a co-operative venture such as a Union Parish, for it is contributing a greater share of its separate identity. The continued involvement of the churches in Union Parishes can only be justified as an interim measure in anticipation of the formation of the Church of Christ in New Zealand in a comparatively short period of time. This trend in Church life emphasises the urgency of completing the Church Union negotiations as soon as possible.

The minutes of most of the Joint Regional Committees throughout the country indicate that active negotiations are continuing in many areas. It is clear that regardless of the results of the Church Union Referendum a number of joint ventures will be inaugurated in the near future as agreements are in the late stage of preparation or on the point of being put into operation. In other areas congregations are waiting for the results of the Referendum before making a final decision concerning future co-operative action.

It is clear that regardless of the results of the Referendum on the Plan for Union, and the decisions of Assembly, Conferences and Synod concerning it, the Joint Regional Committees will have a significant and continuing role. The district courts of the churches involved in these schemes will need a meeting place such as the Joint Regional Committee to provide for the supervisions of the existing co-operative ventures, and to facilitate the formation of new agreements where local congregations favour a joint enterprise as a responsible stewardship of the churches' resources in the area.

Above all, this review of co-operative ventures reveals that concern for Church Union is much more than a top-level activity of preparing a Plan for Union, but arises from the conviction of the individual church member that the one church of Jesus Christ should as far as possible be seen to be one, and that this unity should be expressed in joint action at the congregational level. The depth of their conviction and the seriousness of their intention is seen in their willingness to commit their local church resources in a co-operative activity. The tradition they have enjoyed over the years is given to a wider constituency, and in turn they gain a broader perspective of the gospel through sharing it in the tradition of others. Much of this activity has arisen from the Act of Commitment made at the national level to seek "ways of common action" as well as a "basis of union", and in anticipation of the formation on a national scale of the Church of Christ in New Zealand.

Consultation Before The Sale Of Property

During the year one of the negotiating churches expressed concern at the possibility that individual churches inadvertently and without consultation might sell property having good potential for the purposes of the proposed Church of Christ in New Zealand in the long term. This arose out of an actual situation, which was later satisfactorily concluded, but it pointed to a possible weakness in present procedures which had not been anticipated.

The Joint National Committee resolved "that the provision for consultation among the negotiating churches before sites are purchased or subsequent development takes place (J.C.C.U. Second Report to the Negotiating Churches, 1966, p. 35) be extended to cover the sale of property". Both Joint Regional Committees and Church Union Committees have been advised of the necessity of consultation between the negotiating churches before any property is sold.

Joint Approach To Church Extension Is Essential

Occasionally it is reported that a church of the negotiating churches has acted unilaterally in purchasing a site for a new church, erected a building, or undertaken major renovations of an existing property. Not only is such action contrary to the Act of Commitment entered into by the negotiating churches, but it can cause embarrassment for the other negotiating churches at the local level, and can result in the mission of the church being hindered in the area. Joint Regional Committees have an important consultative role in this situation, and there is much evidence of benefit to the churches from such consultation before plans for long-term action are finalised.

Another difficulty in the churches' planning is evident in some new areas. It arises when a large business concern plans the total development of a substantial site. This not only includes the siting of houses and shops, and the provision of roads and utilities, but extends also to the siting of churches. In such a case the church is offered a specific site, usually at substantial cost, a long time before people are ready to move into the area, and must agree to take what is offered under the terms provided. There is no opportunity to negotiate the location, the size or the price of the section. The acceptance of such an offer may well be beyond the means of any one church, and underlined the importance of a joint approach.

Sociological Research

The Joint National Committee has continued to investigate the possibility of initiating some form of sociological research which would be supported by the negotiating churches, but without a definite proposal emerging. The short-term project involving a research student did not eventuate. Replies from the negotiating churches have encouraged the committee to continue its efforts to formulate a practical long-term research project which could be submitted to the negotiating churches for their approval and action. It is apparent that overseas there is a tendency for the churches to employ outside agencies in this type of research, and it is along this line that the committee is pursuing its investigations.

Visitation Of Union Parishes

In response to an enquiry for a questionnaire suitable for use in Union Parishes on the occasion of a Presbytery or Synod visitation to the parish, the Joint National Committee considered a number of questionnaires that are in use in such visitations. None of these questionnaires exactly matched the situation in a Union Parish, but it was considered that the Presbyterian "Presbyterial Visitation" questionnaire was the most suitable for the purpose. As the changes necessary to adapt it for use in Union Parishes were minimal, and it would be a large undertaking to prepare a revised form, it was resolved to make use of the Presbyterian "Presbyterial Visitation" questionnaire with an additional sheet

stating the procedure to be adopted with the questionnaire in a Union Parish, and giving a few samples of the verbal changes necessary.

The role of the Joint Regional Committee as the Committee of Oversight for Union Parishes is to consider how the inter-church co-operation is working out in parish life. Matters of life and work are the responsibility of the district courts of the negotiating churches. For this reason the responsibility for arranging the visitation rests with the district court of the minister of the parish, but it is highly desirable that the district court(s) of the other denomination(s) involved, and the Joint Regional Committee, be represented in the visitation team.

Joint Use Of Buildings

The J.C.C.U. Legal and Property Committee has been consulted concerning the re-wording of Clauses 7-11, Property and Finance, in the "Standard Agreement for Co-operative Ventures Based on the Joint Use of Buildings". A report has been prepared and is to be submitted to the Joint National Committee on Church Extension in the near future.

Personnel

Mr H. J. Voice resigned from the Joint National Committee during the year. He had been a representative of the Associated Churches of Christ since the Committee was inaugurated in 1967. The Committee places on record its appreciation of the contribution which Mr H. J. Voice has made to its work. The Rev. E. R. Vickery has been appointed to take his place.

The Rev. C. W. Venimore (Anglican) and the Rev. M. D. Thawley (Presbyterian) have recently been appointed to the Committee by their respective churches.

COLIN D. CLARK, Convener.

- B. The joint board of theological studies—annual report to the J.C.C.U. and the negotiating churches, 1972

Co-operation in theological education is now well established among the negotiating churches. Candidates for the ministry, for other church vocations, ministers, and others interested have taken the diploma examinations provided by the Joint Board of Theological Studies.

The Diploma, Licentiate in Theology (L.Th.):

Eight candidates completed the requirements with the 1971 examinations and were granted the Diploma L.Th., one with Honours (Second Class). At the meeting of the Board in February, 1972, it was decided to amend the regulations so that the total number of papers to be passed for this diploma was reduced from seventeen to fifteen. This meant that a further nine candidates had completed the requirements and gained the Diploma, one of these with Honours (Second Class). In 1970, there were seven graduates and in 1971, seventeen graduates. In each of these years, two have gained Honours (Second Class).

The following table shows the increasing use which is being made of the L.Th. diploma course.

	Number of Candidates	Number of Papers Taken	% of Passes
1969	68	288	79
1970	89	393	76.4
1971	111	496	75.6

Most candidates are studying in one of the colleges of the negotiating churches, but between 20 percent and 25 percent of candidates are extra-mural students. The board has amended its regulations so that in each paper, 25 percent of the marks may be allowed for work done at college during the year. Extra-mural students may make arrangements with the college of their denomination to take advantage of this provision.

The Diploma, Scholar in Theology (S.Th.):

This advanced diploma course normally includes examinations and the presentation of a thesis. At present, ten candidates are enrolled for the S.Th.

Pastoral Training:

The Board has set up a sub-committee to consider methods of developing and testing training in the pastoral field. The sub-committee, convened by Professor I. Dixon of Dunedin, consists of those teaching in this field in the Colleges. The Joint Board was asked to appoint a representative to the Committee on Standards of Training for Hospital Chaplaincy of the Inter Church Advisory Council. Canon E. A. Johnston of Christchurch was appointed.

Combined Teaching:

In Dunedin, the staff and students of the Churches of Christ and Presbyterian Colleges have been sharing classes for a number of years. In Auckland, Trinity College and St. John's College began combined teaching this year.

Personnel:

Staff members of the Colleges are responsible for tuition in the diploma courses. Staff members and others qualified are appointed examiners and assessors. The Registrar of Examinations is the Rev. W. J. W. Rosevear who is assisted by Mrs N. Minton as secretary.

G. D. MUNRO, Chairman.

C. The Negotiating Churches' Board of Christian Education—Annual Report, 1972

Three major concerns of this Board in the current year have been:

(a) Preparation of seven information leaflets on the Plan for Union for the J.C.C.U. dealing with the Ministry of the Church, Parishes and Congregations, the Bishop and the Diocese, the Faith of the United Church, its Mission, its Worship and "Why Union". Over 500,000 were printed and we hope helped ministers and congregations to explore more adequately the Plan.

(b) Department Structures in a united Church:

We have had four "models" prepared by members and still are engaged in thinking our way through this. Questions still unresolved include the advantages and otherwise of a centralised system over against a basically local pattern. We are agreed on the need for a unity for mission. We are still exploring the best way to achieve this and it is the intention that any proposals be for interim structures for say the first five years.

(c) "Moment":

The magazine of the Joint Youth Publications Board is in financial stress; but obviously has a reading public and meets a need. Final decision on its future will be made at the next meeting of the Board later in August.

W. J. SCHRADER, Convener.

D. Superannuation Funds

The Committee on Superannuation Funds reported to the February meeting of the Commission that it anticipated being able to report to the next meeting.

V—THE WORKING OF THE COMMISSION

A. Finance

1. The Treasurer, Mr D. A. Larsen, presented to the Commission at the meeting in February a Statement of Receipts and Payments for the year ended December 31, 1971, duly signed by the Auditor appointed by the Commission, Mr P. H. Johnsen.

The summarised statement is as follows:

General Account		\$	\$
Balance at January 1, 1971	.. .. .		62.76

RECEIPTS

Contributions from Churches:

Anglican	.. .. .	3,369.00	
Churches of Christ	.. .. .	98.00	
Congregational	.. .. .	16.00	
Methodist	.. .. .	901.00	
Presbyterian	.. .. .	2,616.00	
		<hr/>	7,000.00
Interest on Bank Account		24.85
Transfer from Publications Account		568.67
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			7,656.28

PAYMENTS

Stipend and House Allowance	4,625.01	
Office Rent	600.00	
Secretarial Assistance	471.60	
Travelling Expenses	.. .. .	361.68	
Superannuation Fund Contribution	.. .. .	427.68	
Postages, Telephone, Stationery and Office expenses	.. .. .	952.58	
" Background "	.. .. .	142.65	
Study Committee Expenses	.. .. .	75.08	
		<hr/>	7,656.28
Balance December 31, 1971	.. .. .		Nil

Publications Account

	\$	\$
Balance, Presbyterian Church of New Zealand, Amalgamated Investment Fund, January 1, 1971		1,612.12

RECEIPTS

Sales—6th Report	.. .. .	209.46	
" Building Together "	.. .. .	3.04	
Study Guides	.. .. .	0.85	
Plan For Union	.. .. .	3,678.99	
Interest	.. .. .	100.80	
		<hr/>	3,993.14
			<hr/>
			5,605.26

West Dunedin	84	11	6	—
Corstorphine-Concord	21	1	7	—
Grants-Braes	20	2	4	—
Teviot	27	2	9	—
Alexandra-Clyde	19	1	3	—
Reciprocal				
Queenstown	5	—	—	—
Port Chalmers	18	—	—	—
Cromwell	7	—	—	—
Tuatapere-Orepuki	2	—	—	—
Mossburn	1	1	—	—
Forest Hills	2	—	—	—
Winton	2	—	—	—
Mt. Ida	2	2	—	—
	<hr/> 1269	<hr/> 228	<hr/> 217	<hr/> 35

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Invalid: Central Mission 1, North Dunedin 1, St. Kilda 1, Gore 1,
Western Southland 1.

SUMMARY

District	Yes	No	Invalid
Northland	993	236	5
Auckland	4334	768	24
Waikato-Bay of Plenty	2913	452	58
Taranaki-Wanganui	1396	300	11
Hawkes Bay-Manawatu	1883	218	10
Wellington	2275	240	12
Nelson	871	190	5
North Canterbury	2965	511	18
South Canterbury	883	87	2
Otago-Southland	1269	228	5
	<hr/> 19,782	<hr/> 3,230	<hr/> 150

QUESTION 41.—(g)

SAMOAN POLICY COMMITTEE

Conference was delighted to have present at its sessions President Amani, President of the Methodist Church of Samoa.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That Conference acknowledges the greetings of the Samoan Conference conveyed by President Amani and asks him to convey the greetings of the New Zealand Church to his people.

2. That the Samoan Policy Committee for 1973 be as printed on page 8 herein.

QUESTION 42.—What is the Report of the New Zealand Methodist Social Services Association?

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

REPORT TO CONFERENCE, 1972.

The Annual Meeting of the N.Z. Methodist Social Services Association was held in Auckland in conjunction with the N.Z.-Australian M.S.S.A. Conference on the 19th-23rd April, 1972.

Tribute to the Late Rev. A. Everil Orr:

A fitting tribute to the late Rev. A. E. Orr was placed on record. He had been the Convener and Official Representative of the Association for 14 years, and it is largely due to his leadership that the Association has won status in the life of the Church, and become a body which not only co-ordinates the Social Services of our Church, but holds the promise of initiating and developing new concepts in caring in the years ahead.

Memorial:

As a fitting memorial to the late Rev. A. E. Orr the Social Workers' Training Fund has now been designated "The Everil Orr Training Fund." Approval was given by the Convener of the Finance and Stewardship Committee for a limited appeal to be made for contributions to the Fund from various Connexional Boards and interested individuals and that publicity be given through the "N.Z. Methodist".

Fire Insurance Grant:

The Grant was divided as follows: \$500 to the Everil Orr Training Fund; \$3,500 divided equally among Kamo Home, Whangarei; Tyler House, Auckland; Tamahere, Hamilton; the Wellington Social Services Trust Board; Christchurch Central Mission; Dunedin Central Mission, and the Manawatu Social Service Centre.

The grant of \$2000 for Child Care work was divided equally between the three Children's Homes.

Publicity:

Publicity material for insertion in the "N.Z. Methodist" will be provided through the year by an Auckland Sub-Committee.

The Association is seeking to present its report to the 1973 Conference in part through an Audio-Visual presentation.

Hospital Chaplaincy:

The Association was advised that the Government had approved a proposal to subsidise Hospital Chaplaincies, as from 1st April 1972 on the following basis:

For each full time chaplaincy, the subsidy to be payable at the rate of up to 50% of \$5,700 which is the present N.Z. average total cost of a chaplaincy, but the total subsidy payable is not to exceed \$71,000 in 1972/73, \$101,000 in 1973/74, \$136,000 in 1974/75, and \$157,000 in 1975/76.

Hospital Costs of Aged Care:

Submissions have been presented to the Minister of Health, urging:

1. That favourable consideration be given to an increase in the bed subsidy paid to Geriatric Hospitals.
2. That residents in Religious and Welfare Homes for the Aging be eligible for the same level of Special Assistance Fund grants as those residing in Private Rest Homes.
3. That a subsidy payment be made for all residents over 80 years of age.

Proposals to provide an alternative and more enlightened type of care than is possible in existing residential Homes for the Aging have also been discussed with the Minister of Health. In particular, the merits of independent living within the security of a Community of aged people were presented.

Study Committee Report:

In regard to this Report, that was received by Conference 1971, it was decided that the time was not opportune to make a definitive statement regarding Social Service work at this time. Many new

trends are being spelt out, some of which came through in the Australian-New Zealand Conference that followed this meeting. The Report has therefore been received by the Association and it will be further examined in the light of the findings of the Conference. A Study paper is to be presented to the next Annual Meeting of the N.Z.M.S.S.A.

N.Z.M.S.S.A. Standing Committee:

A Standing Committee is to be established for the consideration of important matters arising between Annual Meetings. This Committee will be located in Wellington.

Thanks:

N.Z.M.S.S.A. again expresses thanks to Charitable Trusts and other organisations for the support of our Social Service work. Particular mention is made of the J. R. McKenzie Trust, the Nelson Trust, Whangarei, and Savings Banks in each of the N.Z.M.S.S.A. Areas. The Board's sincere thanks also goes to Mr W. J. Court for his generous gift of shares to the Kamo Home.

New Zealand-Australian M.S.S.A. Conference:

Approximately sixty representative people attended the Conference held in Auckland on 20th-23rd April, 1972, in conjunction with the N.Z.M.S.S.A. Annual Meeting. There were fifteen Australian delegates. Simultaneous Seminars were conducted on "Child Care"; "Aged Care"; "Central Missions and Inner City Missions". Three Keynote Addresses were delivered on "Communicating the Gospel in Word and Deed in a Mass Society" (Mr G. E. Hill), "The Church and Social Welfare" (Rev. A. W. Preston), and, "Involving the Congregation in Mission" (Rev. K. D. Seaman). A number of Fraternal visitors attended in addition to registered members from the Social Services of the Anglican, Presbyterian, Catholic and Baptist Churches.

A Mission thrust to a wider audience was undertaken through a "Ministers' and Laymen's Breakfast"; a "Women's Luncheon"; a "Youth Happening"; and a Sunday night "Celebration" in the Auckland Town Hall. The Rev. A. Walker was the Missioner for these programmes all of which attracted inspiring attendances. The Church's prophetic witness was given a Sunday afternoon Platform with particular focus on the proposed Springbok Rugby Tour. The Panelists were the Revs. A. K. Petch, and A. Walker, Mr T. Newham with the Rev. K. D. Seaman as Compere. There were questions from the audience.

The next New Zealand-Australian Conference is to be held in Australia at a suitable time to be negotiated.

R. F. CLEMENT, President.

W. E. FALKINGHAM, Official Representative.

RESOLUTIONS

Recommendations:

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
- 2(a) That the Social Workers' Training Fund be designated "The Everil Orr Social Workers' Training Fund".
- (b) That the Boards of Central Mission, Home Missions, Children's Homes and other Connexional Boards, as well as interested individuals, be approached for contributions to the Training Fund.
- (c) That national publicity regarding the Fund be given through the "N.Z. Methodist".
- (d) That the Convener of the N.Z.M.S.S.A. be responsible for organising this appeal and co-ordinating the same.

3. That discussions be held between all Child Care Agencies and existing Social Service Agencies with a view to co-ordinating the Social Service work in each area, the Convener of each Area Committee to take the initiative in calling a meeting of the Boards concerned.

4. That an approach be made to the Committee of Ministry to consider the place of Diploma of Social Science in Ministerial Training.

5. That the Rev. W. E. Falkingham be re-appointed as Official Representative and Convener of the N.Z.M.S.S.A.

6. That the Rev. J. A. Penman be re-appointed as Immigration Officer.

QUESTION 42.—(b) City Missions?

METHODIST CENTRAL MISSION AUCKLAND

**ANNUAL REPORT FOR YEAR ENDING 30th JUNE, 1972.
STAFF**

"How could we trace the rise and growth of the Auckland Central Mission except through the person of the man who has blazed the trail in all weathers, who has kept the faith in an age when many people have let go, and who has inspired a like faith in his people?"

So wrote the Rev. Wesley Parker in his book "In the Midst of the City", written last year to commemorate the 120th Anniversary of the establishment of the Mission which had its roots in the Alexandra Street Primitive Methodist Church opened in 1851.

The new Superintendent is well aware of the contribution which the late Rev. Everil Orr, M.B.E., made to the Auckland Central Mission and Social Service witness throughout New Zealand. The Mission is tremendously grateful to the Rev. Mervyn L. Dine for the strong and creative leadership he gave as Acting Superintendent during the interim period following the death of Mr Orr and the induction of the new Superintendent.

The Auckland Central Mission was privileged to have the Rev. Erwin Vogt, the ex-Superintendent of the Adelaide Central Mission, associated with it for the first three months of the year. His main task was organising the Australia/New Zealand M.S.S.A. Conference, but his wise counsel regarding the future of the Auckland Mission was greatly appreciated.

AUSTRALIA/NEW ZEALAND M.S.S.A. CONFERENCE

It was our great privilege in Auckland to be host for this Conference, the first of its kind to be held in New Zealand. It proved abundantly worthwhile, and we trust that some time in the future New Zealand may be host again to our Australian brethren.

MISSION CENTRE

Arrangements are in hand to repay \$490,000 of the debenture issue in November this year. The Trustees are at present examining proposals for a Social Service Centre to be built behind the present office block and Church. The strategic nature of our site in the heart of Auckland Civic Centre has become even more evident in recent months with the establishment of the Department of Social Welfare in a nearby building, and we feel a Social Service Centre could serve the very people who pass through its doors each day.

ELDERLY PEOPLE'S FELLOWSHIP

This organisation, with a membership of approximately 300 people, continues to serve the needs of some elderly folk, many of whom live alone in the city. We trust that we will be able to develop our service to these people.

RELATIONSHIP OF MANAGEMENT BOARD, TRUST AND QUARTERLY MEETING

This has been fully discussed this year, and as a result, certain recommendations will be brought forward which will have the effect of reducing the size of the Management Board and combining the functions of this Board with the Trust. A number of sub-committees have been appointed which will deal in detail with various aspects of the Mission's work, and report to the full Management Board.

SOCIAL WORK

In the past few months, the Methodist Children's Home Board and the Management Board of the Central Mission have moved towards much closer co-operation in the future. A combined committee of both Boards known as the Social Welfare and Family Care Committee has been formed to organise and co-ordinate all social work and counselling. We are working towards a rationalisation of staff, administration and office accommodation, but initially it is hoped that two social workers will be appointed to work on behalf of this Social Welfare and Family Care Committee and co-ordinate the social welfare work of both bodies.

INSTITUTIONS

The Everil Orr Memorial Homes: The complex of Homes at Mt. Albert consisting of Astley, Tyler, and Leigh Haven Cottages, has been renamed the Everil Orr Memorial Homes. At present extensions to Tyler House, which will provide for 50 extra beds, are proceeding. With rising prices, the total cost is now estimated to be approximately \$640,000. When completed, there will be 181 residents accommodated at this settlement, as well as 26 staff. 117 will be in residential care, 20 frail ambulant, 12 in the Hospital Block, and 32 in the Leigh Haven Cottages.

It is hoped that the new wing will be completed towards the end of the year. The new dining room, lounge and kitchen block has been completed, and the residents have moved in here in order that alterations may be made to existing facilities.

Wesley Hospital: In our Annual Report to Conference last year it was stated that the Trustees planned to proceed as soon as possible with a 25-bed Hospital without Government subsidy. This project is being deferred in the meantime, but the Health Department has accepted responsibility for a 30-bed wing for the Hospital. It is expected that the subsidy for this will be available in the 1974/75 financial year.

Winstone Lodge: We have been concerned for some time about the future of this institution, where every year there are a number of resignations from students who go flatting, and leave us with vacant beds. This means that the Mission has had to run an uneconomic unit which has had to be heavily subsidised. We have come to the reluctant conclusion that we can no longer continue with Winstone Lodge, and the Management Board has decided to close it as from the end of 1972. The Board is now looking into the possibilities for its future use.

Campbells Bay Health Camp: This is being widely used by a number of representative groups, but here again, because of the

necessity to employ a full time caretaker, our annual accounts show a considerable deficit, despite the generous grants received from the Auckland Savings Bank and the Mackenzie Trust, for which we are most grateful.

Waiheke Island Holiday Centre: A committee of the Trust is concerned with the administration of this centre and the Campbells Bay Health Camp, and is at present examining future long-term policy. Our young people have assisted the committee in renovations to the cottage.

JOINT PROJECTS

Whangarei — Kamo Home, Methodist/Presbyterian: This will be reported directly from Whangarei, but the Central Mission acknowledges with gratitude the tireless leadership exercised by Mr W. J. Court, and records with grateful thanks his munificent gift of shares in J. W. Court Ltd., Whangarei.

Pukekohe — Franklin Home, Methodist/Presbyterian: A Joint committee of the Auckland P.S.S.A. and the Auckland Methodist Central Mission is planning a Home at Pukekohe, to be known as the Franklin Eventide Home. The responsibility for the Management will be that of the Methodist Central Mission. Sketch plans are being prepared, and the contract estimate at present for the 30-bed Home is approximately \$240,000. It is expected that a Government subsidy will be available in the 1973/74 financial year, which means that work can begin in the early part of 1973. Approximately \$100,000 will need to be raised for this project, and at present a local committee is organising an appeal.

Tauranga — Melrose Home, Presbyterian/Methodist: This Home, which has recently been completed, is being administered for the Joint Board by the Auckland P.S.S.A.

Papatoetoe — Proposed Presbyterian/Methodist Home: Another Home administered for the Joint Committee by the P.S.S.A. is to be set up in the South Auckland area, but the P.S.S.A. has been notified that the original site is now required by the Ministry of Works.

James Liston Hostel: This Hostel for indigent men, being a project of the Anglican, Methodist, Presbyterian and Roman Catholic Churches, is well under way, and it is hoped it will be in use in September of this year. The Board is seeking to establish a roster of voluntary helpers who will assist in the running of the Hostel.

Inter-Church Counselling and Samaritan Lifeline Service: This service continues to meet a most pressing need in the community. The Annual Meeting reported through Lifeline in the past year 4,110 calls and 420 face-to-face interviews. The Council is at present examining the future role of the service.

LEGACIES

We are grateful for the following legacies received:—

Estate I. E. Johnson	8524.55
Estate J. Faulkner	1710.95
Estate V. Simms	2000.00
(additional, with more to come).	
Estate A. M. Hookings	2000.00
Estate E. Jackson	5689.50
Estate P. Swann	2500.00
Estate Rev. Dr Ranston	300.00
Estate E. J. Mather	100.00
Estate R. T. Garlick	2000.00

CONCLUSION

We in the Central Mission are mindful of our tremendous debt to the past, and look forward with confidence to the future, grateful for the guidance and help of so many who have served here for many years, and conscious always of our dependence upon the grace and wisdom of God to guide us in our work for Him in His world.

D. B. GORDON, Superintendent.
M. L. DINE, Associate Minister
I. R. SOUSTER, Trust Secretary.
E. A. ASTLEY, Trust Treasurer.
F. M. SOUSTER, Secretary Board of Management.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted.
2. That Sentence 5 (a) Paragraph 292 of the Law Book be altered to include the appointment of the Associate Minister also as a Con-nexional appointment.
3. That paragraph 293 (1) and (2) of the Law Book be referred to the N.Z.M.S.S.A. for consideration.
4. That the Board of Management for 1973 be the Superintendent of the Mission, Chairman, the Associate Minister, the Superintendent of the Development Division, the Chairman of the Auckland Methodist Children's Home Board, one ministerial representative of Synod, one lay representative of Synod, one representative of the Central Mission congregation, Messrs I. R. Souster, E. A. Astley, R. A. Barfoote, J. S. Caughey, W. F. Christian, T. K. Clark, C. W. Firth, N. W. Firth, H. T. Garlick, C. J. Grindrod, K. H. Lawry, K. J. Long, D. R. Norman, G. H. Peak, G. Pratt, F. M. Souster, G. Toothill, J. Trenwith, A. N. West, A. H. Winstone, W. Wood.

TAMAHERE EVENTIDE HOME, HAMILTON

REPORT TO CONFERENCE, 1972.

This Home has continued to operate in a most successful manner, fully staffed and fully occupied by 30 residents, eight of whom have had their ninetieth birthday. For the first time since the establishment of the Board ten years ago, three new Trustees, Messrs T. V. Bryant, W. J. Diprose and H. J. Johnson were appointed.

The Matron, Sister R. A. Hunt, resigned recently after two years service and has returned to Nelson. Two acting Matrons are adequately coping, pending the appointment of a new Matron.

Early in this year Government approval was given to a subsidy of up to \$216,000 to double the size of the Home. Ten tenders resulted in a keen price and work is at present in progress. The total cost is in the vicinity of \$240,000. Work should be completed by April, 1973.

D. H. PAYNE, Secretary.

RESOLUTION

That the Report be received and adopted.

KAMO HOME FOR THE AGED— WHANGAREI JOINT METHODIST- PRESBYTERIAN HOME

REPORT TO CONFERENCE, 1972

The Home was opened by the Prime Minister on December 4, 1971, and 30 residents went in on 6th December. Since then a licence has been obtained to place residents in three staff rooms enabling the Home to take in 33 residents.

The estimated cost of building and furnishing the Home will be in the vicinity of \$333,700. The Government subsidy was \$172,500, and the total of the promises and donations with interest on same amounted to \$132,000, leaving a deficiency of \$65,500 in 1972 for which loans have had to be raised, and for which \$4,484 in interest will have to be met next year.

The Board of Management is a joint Methodist and Presbyterian one, and is under the direct control of the Auckland Methodist Central Mission, whose help and guidance has been greatly appreciated.

At present there is an application in for an additional 10-bed Hospital.

W. J. COURT, Chairman.

RESOLUTION

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

WESLEY CHURCH (WELLINGTON CENTRAL) SOCIAL SERVICES TRUST BOARD INC.

REPORT TO CONFERENCE 1972

Aged Care:

In the settlement at Wesleyhaven additional staff accommodation has been provided at a cost of some \$15,000. This has released four further rooms in Stand Home annexe for new residents, providing now for 104 aged persons on the whole property.

The hospital project is now at the point where the architect is completing working drawings. Expenditure on the 20-bed hospital will exceed \$250,000 and considerable bridging finance is sought between government subsidy and actual cost.

Hostel Work:

Epworth House comprising two houses, Claremont and Brougham, has been full for the whole period—35 young women, and we are well served by a capable staff under the Warden, Mrs M. Moses.

Considerable renovations are required in Claremont to upgrade to City Council fire specifications. Some \$8,500 is necessary for this work and government subsidy is sought to assist.

Future Orientation—Ecumenical:

The Social Services Trust Board faces a changing pattern of work and responsibility. On the one hand the Board acts in a representative capacity for the whole district and indeed for the lower half of the North Island. Especially is this true in respect to Care of the Aged and hostel work. The proposed hospital will be the only geriatric hospital Methodism has in the North Island apart from Auckland.

On the other hand, Wesley Church, which is the base of the Social Service enterprise, has for the past three years been part of the developing Inner City Ministry, comprising Wesley, St. Peter's Anglican Church and Kent Terrace Presbyterian Church.

It seems wise at this stage to encourage close co-operation between the Social Services Trust Board and the I.C.M. This will mean that the social service work will reflect the commitment of the worshipping congregations in the inner city to plan and serve together.

With the appointment of a Director of the I.C.M. and a part-time pastoral worker there is a high degree of flexibility to respond to the needs of the city. It is now necessary to review these developments

and to find an appropriate structure to strengthen the ecumenical approach and at the same time maintain important links with the District.

J. A. PENMAN, Chairman.

E. C. FLYGER, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

2. **Trust Board:** That the Board for 1973 be Rev. J. A. Penman (Chairman), Mr E. C. Flyger (Secretary), Rev. W. F. Ford, Miss D. Anstiss, Mrs M. Suckling, Mrs M. Turkington, Messrs A. Alcorn, G. G. Armstrong, R. D. Evison, H. F. Gardiner, L. E. M. Grace, J. B. McKinney, C. F. Needham, A. L. Olsson, M. C. Pearce, A. D. Priestley, S. N. Roberts, L. Tupu, G. F. Whitlock.

MANAWATU SOCIAL SERVICE CENTRE

REPORT TO CONFERENCE 1972

The work of the Centre has continued in the following ways:

Counselling: There has been assistance given as follows:—

167 new clients seen for first interview, an increase on last year.

826 subsequent follow-up interviews, including home, hospital and police cell visits.

407 consultations with professional workers on clients' behalf, and in community work.

249 consultations with voluntary workers on clients' behalf, and in community work.

1649 total interviews.

This help is offered throughout the Manawatu area with clients coming from city and rural areas. Some have been self-referrals, others referred by family, friends, other social work agencies, denominational Ministers, solicitors and doctors. This involves a close working relationship with other Social Welfare agencies, both statutory and voluntary, throughout the city.

Preventive Work has continued in the visiting of a number of families in the district who want continuing contact and help from the Centre.

Education: An Education Programme within the Church and Community has continued, a number of Courses having been arranged covering many sectors of the community.

Child Care has continued, in close liaison with "Homeleigh", Masterton Children's Home. As well as the continuing and ever-important supportive work with solo parents and families at risk within the community, there has been:

3 children given temporary care while their mother was hospitalised.

2 children admitted to the Masterton Home.

1 eleven-year-old boy re-established with his own home after 3 years in a foster home.

A mother helped to re-establish her home and the care of her two children after foster home placements of 21 months.

Specific Projects have continued with "Highbury House", which has completed another year of service to the community and to the Centre; Christmas Hampers provided for a greatly increased number of families, over 1300 people being provided for; and the WEST STREET HOSTEL, accommodating 12 young men on probation from the Magistrate's Court, with an adjoining flat for the warden and his family.

Staff: With the resignation of Mr I. G. Baber in June 1971, Mr Mervyn Browne has been appointed as Hostel Warden and Community Worker. Miss Jennifer Whyte continues as Senior Social Worker. Mr C. B. Radcliffe continues to work with the Centre in a voluntary capacity, and Mrs Val. Osborne provides a typing service for the staff. The Rev. R. Bowden has completed one year of the Diploma of Social Science course at Victoria University, and will complete the course this year, returning to the Centre.

Redevelopment and Future Policy: The redevelopment of Methodist resources within the one Palmerston North Circuit has been a major change, giving new focus and impetus to the Church's task of Social Service work in the district.

The consultation on Social Service at Feilding in February highlighted many new areas of need and possibilities of developing new forms of work, staff-lay team work, with a structure appropriate for the future. A new structure is being evolved with:

- (a) A Management Committee of local people, and appointments from Synod, skilled to oversee the continuing work; and
- (b) Regular larger consultations of all concerned people within the district.

Community Work: With his appointment as Hostel Warden and Community Worker, Mr Browne has been able to establish and develop the Centre's involvement in the new area of community work. This has included developing community awareness of his role as Warden of the planned Probation Hostel, and a series of Consultations on Detained Youth with concerned people. Also meeting with Probation staff, Magistrate, Mayor, Town Planner and others, serving as Chairman of the Interim Executive of the new Community Service Council, and planning for Child Care facilities in Palmerston North.

Holiday Camp: This was a new development in Child Care, 28 children living together for 10 days at Rangiatea Hostel, New Plymouth, and co-operating with the Methodist Oakura Beach Mission programme.

District Development: The year has seen the development of local service enterprises in several areas, in particular Foxton and Marton. Staff have been able to help the Foxton Union Parish in their thinking and planning for facilities to meet their local community needs. A training session is also planned for those involved in Marton's combined Church/Community Shop and Welfare Service.

Finance: The Centre continues to be financed by "Highbury House", annual grants from Circuits in the District, the Connexional Budget, Masterton Children's Home (for Child Care work), generous donations from the McKenzie, Moore and Hopwood Trusts, together with concerned individuals and groups and grateful clients.

Loss: It is with sadness that we record the death of Mr Eric Fraser, and remember with gratitude his close working relationship with the Centre, and his contribution to the Centre's thinking and planning, particularly in the area of finance and staffing.

LEONARD P. SCHROEDER, Chairman.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the Management Committee for 1973 be Rev. L. J. Gibson (Chairman), Rev. A. R. Bowden (Director), a Social Worker (to be appointed), Rev. C. G. Brown, Mrs R. Gordon, Miss M. Bay, Messrs M. O. Boniface, M. W. Hancock, L. Davies, J. Andrew, C. B. Radcliffe, M. M. Browne (Hostel Warden).

CHRISTCHURCH METHODIST CENTRAL MISSION

ANNUAL REPORT YEAR ENDING 31/3/72

We briefly note some of the highlights and new developments in the work of the Mission.

Community for the Aging—Fairhaven: The concept of creative living in the senior years has been fostered at Fairhaven—our new Home for the Aging. The residents through their Committee are co-operating in planning and executing much of the day to day work of the Home. Recreational and social activities and services are also planned by the residents.

Day Care Centre: Fairhaven has been used as the venue for a limited Day Care programme for Senior Citizens in the community. This work is now being assessed with a view to its development in a more comprehensive way.

Flats for the Aged: The second stage of the development of Fairhaven as a Community for the Aging is now completed with the erection of eight single unit flats. The contract price was \$51,312.

We share the growing conviction that Residential Clubs offering independent living within the protection of Community should replace much of the traditional Homes for the Aged type of care. Recently a submission in these terms has been made to the Minister and Departmental Officers concerned. In particular a proposal to convert the upstairs floor of Wesley Lodge to accommodate eight single and one double unit as a pilot project was submitted. This proposal is at present being examined. The general submission was presented in the name of the N.Z.M.S.S.A. in a recent deputation to the Assistant Minister of Health.

Hospital Costs: Since our last report to Conference, Hospital costs particularly salaries, have soared and it is increasingly difficult to meet the expenditure incurred on the present basis of fees and bed subsidies. This matter was presented to the Minister by the July N.Z.M.S.S.A. deputation. There is no likelihood for an early increase in bed subsidies. It seems now that a case could be made for the introduction of Geriatric Bed subsidies as a special category. Early steps will now be taken through the N.Z.M.S.S.A. to survey Methodist Hospitals to secure data for submission to the Minister in these terms.

Life Line: For the first time since Life Line was established in 1964, calls for personal help have exceeded 4,000. This is an increase of 600 on the previous year.

A basic training course under the direction of Rev. Bruce Mackie, has been designed to provide 26 hours of training plus 3 - 4 hour sessions under supervision on the telephones. In addition there are three six-week courses of "in service" training each year, plus two three-weekly lecture series for all counsellors.

There are 65 Counsellors, 26 Trouble Team members and 10 Caring Division members currently serving Life Line.

The Statistical report for the year ending March 31st 1972, shows that Marriage and Family problems account for the greatest number of calls, viz., 1,195. Suicide calls numbered 86.

Youthline: The work of Youthline in Christchurch is consolidating and expanding. The first year of service has seen many of the practical problems resolved and the structure of the Service becoming clearer. The number of calls is steadily increasing and the nature of calls indicates young people are aware of the purpose for this service.

The responsibility for training has been accepted by Mr A. Hornblow, a Clinical Psychologist, and Student Counsellor at Canterbury University, with other community resources employed for case study and residential courses.

Areas of expansion currently under consideration include a "Youthline Family", co-operation with the periodic detention centre, the Canterbury Youth Council, and the Te Rou Aroha Communications Centre.

Ecumenical Ministries:

1. The combined Churches' Social Services have agreed in principle to establish a **Rehabilitation Service** for people dependent on Alcohol and Drugs.
2. **Dixon House**—A Home for the Aging is in the course of construction at Greymouth.
3. A **Presbyterian-Methodist Home and Hospital** for the Aging is to be built at Nelson.
4. A **Care and Call Service** is to be organised to provide friendship and help to groups of elderly and lonely people per medium of the telephone.

Rehua Maori Hostel: 65 Maori Trade Trainees are in residence. A new Lounge and Recreation Hall was erected by the Department of Maori Affairs and opened on February 2nd, 1972.

Plans have been made to organise four Maori Community Services in the Meeting House annually.

Durham Street—Central Mission: Negotiations between these two causes have resumed with a view to examining the desirability of forming one Circuit in the inner city.

Groups: Two new groups have been established this year. A Club providing social interaction for people in 25-35- age group, and the Worship Group which has introduced young people to new and meaningful ways of celebration.

Coffee Club each Sunday evening has concentrated on being a place for young people to meet.

Darby and Joan Club meets each month with an average attendance of 80 elderly people.

The need to introduce a creative programme in addition to the existing pattern is recognised and being explored.

Social Service Appeals in Church Union Causes: An arrangement has been made, whereby Social Service appeals in Church Union parishes, go out in the name of the P.S.S.A. and the Christchurch Central Mission. The Presbyterian Field Director calls on Methodist people, and funds contributed by them are forwarded to the Mission.

We believe the M.S.S.A. should lay down guidelines for the guidance of Social Service agencies and Church Union Parishes on this matter.

Thanks: We are most appreciative of the contribution made by all members of the staff and voluntary workers to the continued life and development of every area of Mission activity.

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. That the Board of Management for 1973 be: Revs. W. E. Falkingham, B. E. Mackie, W. T. Blight, W. R. Laws, H. C. Matthews, G. D. Brough, N. W. Olds, R. W. Widdup, N. Vander Kley, Mesdames

R. Anderson, W. T. Blight, R. T. Doig, M. Hooper, C. Jones, M. Leask, H. C. Matthews, H. G. Stewart, I. Tregear, Misses A. M. Edwards, M. Kirk, A. M. Page, Messrs R. Anderson, S. Batty, K. Brough, A. A. Dingwall, C. Jones, F. O. Green, E. Livingstone, M. E. Lloyd, R. Mitchell, I. R. Newport, J. G. Olds, S. Protheroe, F. R. Silby, H. G. Stewart, and Mission Trustees.

METHODIST CENTRAL MISSION DUNEDIN

REPORT TO CONFERENCE

1. STAFF:

Due to the sudden death last year of the Rev. A. E. Orr, it had been decided to release the Rev. D. B. Gordon to Auckland Central Mission one year earlier than anticipated. As a result of this move, Conference endorsed the recommendation of our Management Board and the Rev. D. S. Mullan took up his appointment as Superintendent at the beginning of February 1972.

The other members of the staff remain the same: Mr F. W. Wilson, Administrative Officer, is now in his ninth year of service; Sister Shirley is in her fifth year, the last three of which she has been resident at our Eventide Home and Hospital; while the Rev. S. J. West is in his fourth year.

2. INSTITUTIONS:

A. Eventide Home: We are now in the final stages of the carrying out of our Boiler House contract. The mechanical work is completed, but some remedial work remains to be done.

During the last two months we have been fortunate in obtaining the services of two English Registered Nurses who travelled to New Zealand under the Government Immigration Scheme. We are grateful for the time given by the former Superintendent in contacting these nurses while he was in the United Kingdom last year.

B. Wesley Manor: This home has experienced difficulties in obtaining reliable live-in staff.

At present we are in the process of signing contracts for the installation of a full sprinkler system which will cost approximately \$7,000 for which the Government has promised a 75% subsidy.

With the present high wages, etc., the Board, along with other organisations, is finding it most difficult to meet the costs involved in operating this home without increasing the fees to a level beyond the capacity of the guests to pay. The time is coming when it may be necessary for a combined approach to be made to Government for a bed subsidy along the lines of that paid to the Hospitals.

C. Day Nursery: The Dunedin Citizens' Day Nursery continues to fill a pressing need in the community. At present it is running to full capacity and has a waiting list of about 25 children.

D. Goodwill Store: This is one of our most successful operations, providing about 75% of the finance needed to meet the Methodist share of the budget for the Anglican Methodist Family Care Centre. We are grateful to the fine band of women who staff the store on a voluntary basis, and to the public who keep us well supplied with suitable clothing, etc.

E. Kawarau Falls Holiday Camp: The Camp continues to progress and each year we are able to improve the facilities available by the utilisation of the profits. Mrs J. Patey continues as resident caretaker, while Mr Patey does considerable work in the grounds.

3. ANGLICAN METHODIST FAMILY CARE CENTRE:

The work of the Family Care Centre continues to grow. It has now been in operation as a fully constituted Board for twelve months. During this time we have found that all types of problems have been dealt with, with the exception of residential aged care which is still administered separately by the two parent bodies.

We feel that the Centre has won the confidence of other statutory bodies, as well as a large portion of the general public, a fact borne out by the number of referrals dealt with.

We have seen a need in the city for some sort of Budget Advisory Service and are co-operating in a public meeting with other interested bodies. Our office may act as a liaison centre for the proposed scheme.

4. APPRECIATION:

The Board of Management of the Dunedin Central Mission places on record its sincere appreciation of the service given by the Rev. D. B. Gordon as Superintendent over a period of twelve years. During this period, and under his guidance many projects were initiated. Notable among these was the upgrading of the Eventide Home and the erection of the present Octagon Building which was opened in May 1970.

It was also due largely to his efforts that the Anglican Methodist Family Care Centre came into being, a work which has developed in the short space of twelve months into one of our most valuable fields of Social Service.

We wish the Rev. D. B. Gordon an enjoyable and profitable ministry as Superintendent of the Auckland Central Mission.

5. IN CONCLUSION:

We see the years that lie ahead as a challenge, especially in the field of aged care, but we are confident that with a loyal staff, and with God's help, we shall be equal to the task.

D. S. MULLAN, Superintendent.

S. J. WEST, Associate Minister.

F. W. WILSON, Administrative Officer.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

2. That the Board for 1973 be: The Revs. D. S. Mullan (Chairman) and S. J. West; Messrs R. T. Connor, W. L. Coppin, A. R. Crosbie, A. L. Fleury, G. A. Henderson, A. L. Hunter, D. I. Jensen, R. H. King, E. B. Macleod, R. N. McLeod, W. H. Masters, B. D. Norton, G. F. Pascoe, C. A. R. Pitts, E. J. Swift, H. C. Vince, I. C. Wesley, Mrs W. H. Masters, Mr F. W. Wilson (Secretary).

QUESTION 42.—(c) Children's Homes.

AUCKLAND METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOMES BOARD

REPORT TO CONFERENCE, 1972

"Wesleydale": During the past year 35 children were admitted into care and 27 discharged. Requests for assistance during the year numbered 183 and 64 families outside residential care have received counselling or assistance in various ways. Temporary admissions numbered 15.

Staffing: Due to ill health Mr and Mrs Bowden resigned from the positions of Superintendent and Matron of Wesleydale at the commencement of this year. We have been unsuccessful over the past six months in obtaining suitable long term replacements, with the result that Mr and Mrs Bowden are again assisting in these two positions. There have been many changes in household staff, our Assistant Matron for the past eighteen months, Miss V. Chadfield, has now returned to her home in Glasgow. Mr L. Parker is still doing a grand job as our Social Worker, and he has been responsible for the excellent liaison we now have with the Social Welfare Department.

Property:

"WESLEYDALE": We are now in the stages of preparing our case to the Ministry of Works regarding the future use of this property which will be taken for roading within the next ten years.

"MANUREWA FAMILY HOME": At present we are in the process of awaiting tenders for the alterations to be made to this home. We are planning to be able to make use of this new project in the New Year.

LEASEHOLD SECTIONS: Valuations carried out on properties have resulted so far in the freeholding of six sections to a total value of \$32,750. This money has been deposited with the Prince Albert College Trust on call, at good rates of interest.

FINANCE: Careful shepherding of resources has enabled us to keep our operating loss at approximately the 1971 level of \$20,000, which has been covered by legacies and grants for which we are very grateful. Improved income from the investment of the proceeds of sale of leasehold sections should materially help to offset rising expenses in the future.

Future Development: We see a continued greater emphasis on "Family Care" and a closer working arrangement with the Auckland Central Mission will enable us to work more effectively toward this. Because of this, much consideration is needed in planning future buildings and the best use of existing premises.

M. C. COPELAND, Chairman.
R. N. BOWDEN, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the Board be as printed on page 6.

MASTERTON METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME

REPORT OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1972.

Thirteen children were admitted during the past year; seven of these were applications by the Department of Social Welfare, a family of five came through one of our ministers, and a local 3-year-old was admitted to join his brother. There were 17 departures. Twenty-nine children were declined admittance due to lack of room.

Considerable difficulty has been experienced in locating foster homes for children who need this type of care.

The alterations to cubicles last year having proved so successful, arrangements are in train to convert the rest of the accommodation in a similar manner. Government subsidy will be available on this work.

The children in Homeleigh continue to be very well cared for by our Manager and Matron, Mr and Mrs Jolly. Miss Jillian Pearce of Christchurch completed a year's service under the order of St Stephen at the end of 1971 and her contribution was much appreciated.

We record appreciation on the following grants and legacies:—

Robert Gibson Trust \$1700, Methodist Fire Insurance Fund \$667, J. R. McKenzie Trust \$600, Masterton Trust Lands Trust \$150, Masterton Lions Club \$50, Wairarapa Bowling Centre \$300, Methodist Women's Fellowships (Deep Freeze) \$222, Estate I. A. Kirkpatrick (Plimmerton property) Estate E. M. Leadbetter \$319, Estate E. A. Churchill \$3200.

D. H. SPRINGER, Chairman.

J. F. CODY, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report and Financial Statements be received and adopted.
2. That the Management Committee for 1973 be as printed on page 6.
3. That Conference places on record its sincere appreciation of the devoted service for 11 years of Mr and Mrs A. Jolly as Manager and Matron.

SOUTH ISLAND METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME

REPORT TO CONFERENCE, 1972

The work of Child Care has continued to be exercised in all aspects. The following statistics give some idea of the involvement:

Number of Children in the Papanui Home at 31/7/72	41
Number of Children in Foster Homes	15
Number of Admissions during the year	115
Number of Demissions during the year	105
Number of Children in Barrington Street Unit Family Home	7

It is significant that admissions have been more than double those of last year (53), the main reason for this being the increase in Short-term Care, for the demissions have also doubled from last year (57).

Social Work: Sister Rona Collins has helped 26 families during the year, involving 74 children. In addition help has been given and counselling to some Old Boys and Old Girls of the Papanui Home. Assistance given has included housing and accommodation, employment, placement of children, Prison visiting, legal work, financial and medical assistance, and work in co-operation with the Psychiatric clinic.

Alterations and Renewals have been completed at the Papanui Home, the total cost of these being \$90,000, for which we received in return Government subsidy of \$29,700.

Because our capital resources have therefore been run to a very low point some urgent maintenance has had to be postponed.

The Board: During the year we have lost two members of the Board who have given long and valued service. Mr A. A. Harrow, Convener of the Buildings Committee for a number of years, has

moved to the North Island. Mrs B. I. Hodder, Secretary of the Women's House Committee for many years, has died. Their contributions will be greatly missed.

Financial Assistance has been given by several Trusts together with a great number of individuals, for which the Board expresses its gratitude. In particular we thank the McKenzie Trust, \$807, and the Robert Clark Trust, \$200, for their help, and those who have helped through legacies.

W. A. CHAMBERS, Chairman.

O. T. WOODFIELD, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

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

2. That the Board for 1973 be as printed on page 6.

QUESTION 43.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference in regard to:—

(a) The Connexional Office of the Methodist Church of New Zealand?

BOARD OF MANAGEMENT OF THE CONNEXIONAL OFFICE

REPORT TO CONFERENCE, 1972

FINANCIAL POSITION

The Board has been facing continuous difficulties in financing the work undertaken by the Connexional Office.

During the year the Board incurred a deficit on its Income and Expenditure Account of \$2277 and the accumulated deficit on the Appropriation Account is now \$2338. This position has arisen because of the substantial rise in costs during the last two years. The Board has in effect two sources of income only:—

- (i) The "Appropriations" made on some (but not all) of the Funds managed at the Connexional Office and
- (ii) A Grant from the Connexional Budget.

The major item of cost is, of course, salaries and wages and Superannuation provisions.

Since the flow of work into the Connexional Office is largely outside the control of the Board and shows no diminution — rather the reverse is the case — there is little or no scope for reduction in this element of cost.

The Board has perforce to seek Conference authority to increase the 1972/73 Appropriations which were fixed by the 1971 Conference (see Resolution 2 Minutes page 267) and a suitable recommendation is appended.

It is thus hoped to retrieve some part of the accumulated deficit during 1972/73.

Records of time maintained at the Connexional Office indicate that 55% or less of the time worked by the staff and the Executive Officers is specifically related to Fund Management whilst 45% or more relates to matter of a general Connexional and personal nature.

The Budget allocation received meets approximately 12½% of the cost incurred. It is clear that the Appropriations to the four major Funds—i.e. Supernumerary and Allied Funds; General Purposes Trust Board; Fire Insurance Fund and Loan Fund are bearing a disproportionate share of the costs if these were allocated on a

strict time basis. But the board believes that the Funds would not be administered at a lower cost by outside Organisations and is, therefore, of the opinion, that whilst the Appropriations are in one sense at too high a level (and recent increases give some cause for concern) there is at the present time no breach of trust responsibility by the other Boards and Committee responsible for payment of these Appropriations.

CAPITAL POSITION

Apart from difficulties related to normal Income and Expenditure the Board has entirely inadequate Capital resources at its disposal. It will be noted from the Financial Statements that the Grant from the Fire Insurance Fund has already been more than offset by the accumulated deficit.

The Board is the only major Department of the Church with virtually no reserve of capital or source of investment income to support its work. The Board needs added Capital for providing equipment, furnishings, working capital and the provision of a furnished Parsonage for the General Secretary. The present Capital Funds are patently too small.

CHILDREN'S FUND

It will be noted that the Stipends Committee is recommending to Conference that the Children's Fund be discontinued. At the present time the payment is being made on a annual basis and pending the decision of Conference the Board has had to request an allocation from the 1973/74 Budget.

REMOVAL EXPENSES

During the year ended 30th June, 1972, there were 37 removals of which three were removals to Union Parishes which in terms of agreement with the Presbyterian Church were not the responsibility of the Removal Expenses Fund, hence the Fund was responsible for 34 removals. There were nine inter-island changes, two South Island changes and 23 North Island changes.

There is a balance in the Removal Expenses Fund of \$2777 at 30th June, 1972. It is expected that the Fund will have an increased responsibility when the Parsonage furnishings ownership change takes place, although this is being offset to some extent by the increasing number of Union Parishes which are responsible for the cost of removals.

CONTINGENT FUND

Travelling costs and expenses for Members attending Conference Connexional Meetings and Synods (see Resolution 8 1971 Minutes page 284).

This Resolution came forward from the Finance and Stewardship Committee of Detail of the 1971 Conference and was adopted by Conference as follows:—

"That the Board of Management (Connexional Office) be requested to examine and report on the whole question of travelling costs and expenses for members attending Conference, Connexional meetings, and Synods, in order that it may make recommendations, revising paragraph 511, section 8, of the Law Book (p. 106) concerning and the most efficient and economical mode of travel for which the Connexion should accept responsibility. The examination to include the desirability of limiting the appointment of personnel to Connexional committees to members residing in or near the location of such Committees."

The General Treasurer prepared a Report which has been considered at some length by the Board.

- (A) It has been possible to make a preliminary examination only. To deal adequately with the requirements of the Resolution would be a very large exercise indeed involving an in depth examination of many aspects of the life and polity of the Methodist Church.

The Resolution highlights three factors —

- (i) Limitation of Representation on "local" basis in some cases.
- (ii) Connexional and Regional responsibilities.
- (iii) Mode of Travel — To this could be added other fundamental questions, e.g
- (iv) Control over the numbers of Committees and their location.
- (v) Frequency of meetings and size of the Committees.

- (B) The Conference — (Sub-section 8E p. 107 of the Law Book).

- (i) Travel costs for certain ex officio members are met whilst others (the majority) participate in the Equalisation Fund. The aggregate pay out from the Equalisation Fund has been static for many years now and this has in itself imposed a degree of control — forcing representatives (or Circuits) to shoulder a greater degree of responsibility or in some cases to absent themselves.
- (ii) **Mode of Travel:** Whilst an "economical mode" is specified (e.g. rail) it is increasingly hard to apply this rigidly, especially in the cases of the nominated ex-officio group. Work pressures on District Chairmen and the representatives, the scheduling of early Committee work — difficulties of inter-island travel and (in the case of many ordinands) University Examination requirements often mean that Air Travel is the only feasible method. Furthermore, car travel is probably more economical when, as is often the case numbers of men travel together.

Aspects of efficient use of time, health and efficiency factors are also important considerations.

- (iii) **Location of Conference:** Whilst not in terms of reference, the location of Conference has a marked effect on travel costs. This is particularly unfortunate in that one group may claim in full whilst another participates by sharing in a relatively "fixed pool". Does not the present system need review as to location and responsibility? Should Circuits be asked to accept full responsibility (including District Chairmen)?
- (iv) **Size of Conference:** This question has been deferred pending the Union Vote — there will not be a marked reduction in "Connexional" costs even with a reduced Conference — although the impact at Circuit level may be greater if minister and lay representatives alternate.
- (v) **Regional Responsibility:** It is debatable if much would be gained by transferring full responsibility for Conference travel to District and Circuit levels — the districts remote from Conference locations are the smaller ones and additional responsibility for these costs may raise new arguments over other matters such as the appropriate district allocation for Connexional budget purposes.

C. Connexional Committees.

These tend to be of three kinds (though the distinction is not always sharp).

- (i) **Committees for Specialised Tasks** — e.g. Candidate Selection, Committee on Ministry, Spiritual, Advance, Pastoral, President's Committee of Advice, Public Questions, etc.

(ii) **Committees of a Representative Character** — e.g. Church Council, the Budget Committee and other Conference Committees — Council of Christian Education.

(iii) **Boards to Supervise the work of Departments.**

In the case of (i) and (iii) — Specialised Committees and Departmental Boards — the principle of confining membership to those residing near the centre concerned is usually accepted and implemented. There will be occasional exceptions where the membership net needs to be cast wider — but such exceptions do not as a rule unduly inflate operating costs — other limitations generally prevent more than an infrequent attendance by “out of town” members.

However it is probably worthwhile to re-emphasise the principle of local membership, and for Committees to review the matter when making nominations to Conference. Possibly more attention could be placed on the justification for travel costs when Budget applications are made.

“Representative” Committees

If travelling costs are to be controlled or reduced some fundamental questions affecting Church Structure would need to be asked and faced, e.g.

(a) Does the Committee need to meet so frequently?

(b) Can its size be reduced without harm to its effectiveness?

Does the general principle of Ministerial and Lay Representatives need questioning sometimes?

(c) To what extent if at all is the participation in decision making over emphasised?

(d) Can more effective **communication** provide the links with the District and local Church?

(e) Is an irrational fear of “Connexional domination” influencing the size of Committees (and indeed the Conference) beyond what is necessary?

(f) Could not the Conference and the Church proceed further with the “highlighting” of certain work each year with other Committees to report biennially or triennially?

The general comments made regarding Conference travel apply to some extent to Committee travel — though it may be more worthwhile here to make regional representation the responsibility of Districts rather than perhaps foster the attitude that “this is a charge on the Contingent Fund” — local control may be improved — this is difficult from the Contingent Fund end.

D. Synods.

Travel costs for Synods fall under three main headings:—

(a) District Chairmen's Travel.

(b) March Synod (Ministerial).

(c) August Synod (Ministerial and Lay).

To date, the Connexional has accepted responsibility from the Contingent Fund but can exercise little or no control. It may therefore be worthwhile to consider making District Synod costs a local responsibility — though here again the Connexional Budget response may be affected. Ultimately, of course, the costs are met locally — but the initial connexional responsibility is not matched by any real connexional control.

E. Other matters.

It ought to be recognised that much travel on behalf of the Connexion (including District and Circuit levels) is never a charge on the Church finances.

Nevertheless there has been a tendency to proliferate Committees and the size of their membership and frequency of meetings — whilst in other areas an attack has been made on the size of Committees. Union Negotiations both at the Parish level and the J.C.C.U. level have inevitably made their impact on travel costs. This is happening at a time, when membership of the Church is visibly shrinking. Additionally the Church is called to enter into new bonds with Pacific Churches and other Inter Church structures — within and without New Zealand.

F. Summary.

The foregoing comments are necessarily superficial but the matters for consideration are seen to be as follows:—

(a) The time does not seem opportune for further extensive changes in structure but that Departments and Committees be asked to continually bear in mind the need for economy in travelling costs consistent with the size of Committee, frequency of meeting, and method of travel. It may be necessary for particular Committees to budget ahead to reduce the travelling costs. It is recognised that this may involve a reduction in size of some Committees.

(b) Some Committees, as distinct from Departments, may be able to be re-organised or become the responsibility of Standing Committees (for example the Structure Committee is recommending that the Board of Evangelism become part of the responsibility of the Development Division).

(c) **Size of Committees:** In view of the continuing escalation of all costs it will probably be necessary for the Church to exercise greater discrimination in the creation of large Committees or supervisory groups and this should reflect in lowering the Budget demands.

(d) **Boards and Committees** may need to give consideration to whether present budgetary control procedures are adequate.

(e) **Frequency of meetings and reports:** There may be possibilities of savings in these areas.

(f) **Mode of Travel:** We are loth to rigidly specify the mode of travel particularly to insist on cheaper forms of travel but on the other hand the Board is well aware of the need of all sections of the Church to be economy conscious.

The question that should also be asked is "Is this journey really necessary?"

(iv) Synod Costs.

The Board is of the opinion that there is room for a degree of budgeting and budgetary control to be exercised in District Synod costs.

General

The Board recognises that the support of the present structure is now placing a financial burden on the Church which it is finding increasingly difficult to sustain. It wishes to re-emphasise the need for attention to travel and other costs through the selection of personnel, size of Committees and stricter budgetary control.

CHANGEOVER OF PARSONAGE FURNITURE

As requested by the 1971 Conference, the Board of Management has consulted with Synods regarding the changeover of Parsonage furniture at 1st July, 1973.

Number of Parsonages Involved:

At June 30, 1971, the total number of Parsonages in the Connexion was 250.

The number in each District was:—

Northland	16	Nelson	18
Auckland	47	North Canterbury	32
Waikato-Bay of Plenty	36	South Canterbury	9
Taranaki-Wanganui	13	Otago-Southland	22
Hawke's Bay-Manawatu	22		
Wellington	35		

Not all of these Parsonages were occupied by ordained Ministers or Probationers of our Church.

Staffing:

At June 30, 1971 the number of Ministers in the **Active Work** was 213 and the number of Home Missionaries was four. Furnished Parsonages were provided.

The Methodist ministers not in Circuit appointments fell broadly into two groups:—

- (a) Where some assistance was given with furniture costs.
 - (i) Union Parishes—loans through Home Mission Department.
 - (ii) Military Chaplaincies—grants from Armed Services Chaplaincy Fund.
 - (iii) Overseas Missionaries.
 - (iv) Serving with other Organisations, e.g. Industrial Chaplaincy with Housing Allowance.
 - (v) Departmental Officers—furnished Parsonages were provided.
- (b) Where no monetary assistance was given.
 - (i) "Resting".
 - (ii) "Without Pastoral Charge".
 - (iii) Serving with other Organisations.

Future Policy

The changeover of Parsonage furniture involves:

(a) **An Increase in Stipend Rates:** The Standing Committee on Stipends is recommending to the 1972 Conference an increase of \$180 in stipend rates to enable ministers to provide their own furniture. This amount represents 10% of \$1,800, the estimated cost to a minister of furnishing a Parsonage de novo.

The Board of Management is aware of the feeling in some quarters that the stipend should immediately be increased to a rate equal to the stipend being paid to a Presbyterian minister. The Board appreciates the gradual approach of the Standing Committee on Stipends to the increases involved.

The Board wishes to point out that only in a most exceptional case would a minister receive furniture in excess of \$1,000 because in the majority of instances the gift of furniture will be second hand. Any suggestion that a grant of \$1,800 be made to ministers not provided with furnished Parsonages would be strongly resisted by the Board.

The Board of Management would emphasise that the stipend rate is the crucial issue. An **adequate** increase is essential if the scheme is to work to the satisfaction of minister and circuit.

(b) **Gift of Furniture in Parsonages at 1st July, 1973:** The Board has been in communication with each District Synod requesting a valuation of the furniture in each of the Parsonages with particular reference to ministers in inadequately furnished Parsonages. Inspections have been carried out in the Hawkes Bay-Manawatu, Northland and North Canterbury districts and arrangements have been made in some other districts. It is obvious that at District level there is a wide divergence of opinion as to —

- (i) The extent to which a detailed valuation of Parsonage furniture should be carried out; and
- (ii) The degree to which efforts should be made to see that equity is achieved in the gifts of furniture made at the changeover. Some seem to favour an effort to remove as many inequalities as possible. On the other hand, one Synod feels that all Circuits should be encouraged to bring their furniture up to standard and special consideration be given only to Circuits where Parsonages are most inadequately furnished and where the finances make it difficult to meet the Conference requirements.

The Board of Management is in full agreement with the Standing Committee on Stipends that the whole matter needs to be played in a low key and is of the opinion that every Circuit should be urged to bring its Parsonage furniture up to standard. At the same time the Board of Management is sensitive to the increased demands being made upon Circuits through increases in stipends and the demands of the Connexional Budget and feels that Circuits should be given time to meet Conference requirements regarding Parsonage furniture. The Board of Management is therefore recommending to Conference that the Parsonage furniture changeover be postponed until 1st July, 1974. A suitable recommendation is appended.

In the meanwhile the General Secretary has been asked to circularise all Circuits regarding Parsonage furniture requirements and to indicate the items for which Circuits will continue to be responsible after the furniture changeover.

Valuations of Parsonage furniture have been reported from only three Synods, but present indications are that \$500 would be the minimum acceptable valuation bearing in mind that the bulk of the furniture will be second hand.

Where assistance from Connexional funds is required, either by way of loans or grants, the Board of Management is of the opinion that this should be met through the funds of the Development Division. The Connexional Fire Insurance Fund Board is recommending to Conference that a grant of \$2,000 be made out of the divisible surplus to assist ministers in inadequately furnished Parsonages where the District Synod considers that a special grant is necessary from a Connexional Fund.

COUNCIL OF MISSION AND FIVE DIVISIONS

During the year the General Secretary, the General Treasurer and Mr D. A. White have attended meetings of the Structure Committee and other Committees to finalise the arrangements for the establishment of the Council of Mission with its five Divisions on 1st February, 1973. The Board has followed these discussions with interest and hopes that the new set-up will make for increased understanding among the various Departments of the Church and a more integrated approach to the mission of the Church in the community.

The Board of Management has consulted with the various Boards and Committees responsible for the oversight of the Funds located at the Connexional Office and recommendations have been made the Committee on Structure regarding the personnel and the size of the Boards/Committees that will be required in the future. The Board of Management itself has recommended that its Board be reduced in size from 21 to 14 members — six ministers and eight laymen. The Board realises the need for the contribution of younger minds and will persist in its endeavours to nominate a Board that is representative in character of the various age groups in the life of the Church.

LIST OF FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR SCHOLARSHIPS AND SIMILAR PURPOSES (1971 Minutes page 268, res. 5):

The General Secretary has made enquiries through the various Departments of the Church regarding moneys available for Scholarships. The New Zealand Methodist Church would appear to have very few funds of this nature. It is intended that a list be published in the 1972 Minutes setting out the forms of assistance available and the procedures to be followed in making application for assistance.

VISIT OF PRESIDENT-GENERAL OF THE METHODIST CHURCH OF AUSTRALASIA

The Board of Management was privileged to be associated with the visit to Christchurch of Rev. C. K. Daws, C.B.E., E.D. As Managing Secretary of the Methodist Church in Victoria, Authorised Representative and Custodian of Deeds, Mr Daws was able to speak most informatively regarding the structure of the Methodist Church in Victoria/Tasmania and Australasia as a whole. His lucid explanation of Connexional policies and funds was much appreciated by a representative group of all the Boards and Committees connected with the office.

RESOLUTIONS

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

2(a) That the appropriations for 1972/73 be increased to:

Supernumerary Fund	\$6,500
Fire Insurance Fund	\$7,000
Church Building and Loan Fund	\$4,800
General Purposes Trust	\$4,800
Transport Trust Board	\$750

(b) That the appropriations for 1973/74 be as above.

3. Parsonage Furnishings.

- (a) That Conference reaffirm that on 1st July 1973 all ministers be given the furniture in the parsonage which they officially occupy.
- (b) That in view of the decision of Conference 1971 relating to the changeover in parsonage furniture arrangements, all Circuits be requested to make a special endeavour during 1973 to bring the parsonage furniture up to the standard requirements of our Church and in so doing to consult the Minister and his wife.
- (c) That Synods report to the Board of Management of the Connexional Office on action taken by Circuits in fulfilment of the above request, the first report to be made by 1st July 1973, and the second prior to Conference 1973.
- (d) That in gifting to Ministers the parsonage furniture, each Circuit be asked to aim at transferring furniture to a value (second hand) approximately \$500 and that Synods be required to consult with the Board of Management regarding Circuits where the suggested value does not seem likely to be reached.

4. That the Board for 1973 be as printed on page 5.

QUESTION 43.—(b) The Supernumerary Fund and allied Funds?

SUPERNUMERARY AND ALLIED FUNDS

ANNUAL REPORT TO CONFERENCE, 1972

The audited financial statements will be presented to Conference with this report. The amounts reflect a full year's transactions — the 1971 accounts covered a seven month period following the change of balance date. The following movement of funds report is a consolidated statement for the Supernumerary and Allied Funds.

1971
(7 months)
\$

1972
(12 months)
\$ \$

MOVEMENT OF FUNDS

Sources of Funds:—

(a) Personal Subscriptions Budget and other subsidies and Investment Income, etc.		
18,752	Personal Contributions	45,066
22,438	Subsidies (less refunds to Budget and payments to National Provident Fund	48,704
11,738	Interest Earnings	18,836
1,236	Dividends	2,258
1,544	Donations and Grants received	635
14,391	Net Rental Income	42,120
192	Commissions	—
		157,619
(b) Other Sources		
44,304	Local Body stocks matured	2,076
12,751	Transfers from other Funds	—
128,915	Loans from other Funds	—
70,000	Loan received on Mortgage	30,000
—	Mortgage Advance repaid	1,602
—	Change in Working Capital	9,727
193	Other Sources	—
		43,405
		<u>\$201,024</u>

1971
(7 months)
\$

1972
(12 months)
\$ \$

DISPOSITION OF FUNDS

Costs:—

2,916	Administration Charges	4,709
10,000	Other Costs	1,053
3,946	Interest Paid (other than to Allied Funds)	12,687
		18,449
Fund Disbursements:—		
12,635	Quarterly Annuities	36,305
22,647	Annuities Compounded	16,480
5,040	Furniture Grants	7,069
285	Other Grants	200
11,524	Refunds of Contributions	26,926
		86,980
Other Dispositions of Funds:—		
200,407	Additional Costs Papatoetoe Property	594
—	Repayment of Mortgage	70,000
—	Loans Repaid	13,915
5,518	Share Investments	7,086
—	Company Debentures Purchased	4,000
22,537	Increase in Working Capital	—
		95,595
		<u>\$201,024</u>

Before taking account of annuities compounded but after transferring \$3,000 to provision for building maintenance \$48,093 was transferred to Accumulated Funds (\$25,168 for 1971). After deducting \$16,480 for annuities compounded (\$22,647 for 1971) the accumulated Funds and Reserves thus increased by \$34,858 during the year.

Apart from the notional increase when the book value of the Epworth Chambers property was increased in 1966, this is the first increase of substance for a decade. Last year's prediction that the Fund had passed its "low point" has been borne out by results and the Fund has been able to seek new investments as distinct from the rearrangement of a fairly static pool of investments.

ANNUITANTS

The position regarding annuitants is as follows:

	Supernumerary Ministers'	Retired	
	Ministers	Widows	Deaconesses
			Total
30 June 1972	60	42	1
30 June 1971	61	41	1
30 June 1970	54	44	1
			99

Annuities are currently at the rate of \$36,204 p.a.

Furniture Grants:

These were at a higher level than in the previous year and included three grants at double rates to widows of Ministers who died in the active work.

Refunds of Contributions:

Refunds of \$8,124 to Ministers resigning from the Supernumerary Fund and the Church were at a higher level than in any recent year.

Rate of Earnings:

The rate on average funds invested has improved from 6.6% last year to 7.6% for 1972—this is undoubtedly the highest earning rate of the fund, i.e.—

1972	7.6%
1971	6.6%
1970	5.9%
Average 1966 to 1969	6.4%
Average 1963 to 1965	6.0%
Average 1958 to 1962	5.7%
Average 1953 to 1957	5.0%

The increased rate of return results from the Board's planned expansion of property investment, the 1970 review of Epworth Chambers rents and the higher rates of return available from the investments. Repairs for Epworth Chambers were also lower than had been experienced in recent years.

Allied Funds—General:

These have continued to increase and have benefited from the higher earning rate of the Fund.

JOINT COMMISSION ON CHURCH UNION COMMITTEE ON SUPERANNUATION FUNDS

The Convener of the Joint Committee on Superannuation Funds, Mr L. Atkinson, has advised members of his intention to call a meeting after the results of the vote on the Plan for Union are known.

In the meantime the General Synod of the Anglican Church has decided to refer to Diocesan Synods a proposal for a National Superannuation Scheme for the Province of New Zealand, and it was felt that this was another reason for postponing more detailed consideration of a National Superannuation scheme for the United Church.

The preliminary examination, however, has revealed that there should be no insuperable difficulties in the establishment of a National Superannuation Fund if Union eventuates and in such a way that the rights of existing members of Funds are protected.

MINISTERS' HOME ACQUIREMENT FUND

The Board is examining ways and means of improving the provision for Retirement Housing for Ministers and Ministers' Widows and intends to report more fully to Synods and Conference 1973.

The Board is very much aware that since the establishment of the Ministers' Home Acquisition Fund the Minister's personal subscription has been static at \$8 p.a. and the Fire Insurance subsidy has not been increased since 1967.

In view of the constantly rising costs the Board feels that there should be an increase in subscriptions and it must be a significant one. The Board, therefore, recommends that the personal subscription shall be increased to \$24 p.a. (\$2 per month) from 1st February, 1973. The Connexional Fire Insurance Fund Board has been consulted and the recommendation is that the subsidy be increased from \$8 p.a. to \$16 p.a. All Synods have approved and a recommendation to this effect is appended.

ACTUARIAL REPORT 1973

The last Actuarial Report was in 1970 with benefits having been increased from 1st February, 1971. In view of continuing inflation the Board deems it advisable to have the next Valuation in 1973—i.e., after an interval of three years with detailed recommendations to be made to Synods and Conference 1973.

In the light of the Actuarial valuation the Board will be giving special consideration to ways and means of improving benefits for all involved and especially

- (a) The provision of additional capital sums for Retirement Housing and
- (b) The protection of widows of ministers dying in the active work.

Preliminary investigations are proceeding with a view to establishing the feasibility of arranging additional death benefits together with endowment provisions to assist with both of these objectives. A Group Life Insurance policy is one of the methods being investigated as a means to achieve this objective.

In reviewing benefits from the Fund the Board will have in mind recent changes in Social Welfare Legislation provisions and the resultant increase in regular income for most Social Welfare Beneficiaries.

This should make it possible for the Fund to give increased emphasis to the provision of capital sums for Retirement Housing and for benefits to Widows of Ministers dying in the active work.

RESOLUTION 9(a), 1970 MINUTES, PAGE 250 (see also 1971 Minutes, page 270)

"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 Pension 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 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.

The Board has now given careful consideration to the Resolution of the 1970 Conference.

Its judgment is that in view of:—

- (a) The increased costs for Circuits.
- (b) The fact that the personal and subsidy subscriptions were increased from a total of 10% to a total of 12½% in February 1971 and
- (c) This increased percentage now applies to higher rates of stipend: It would **not** be appropriate to make an additional levy on Circuits as envisaged in the Resolution.

As indicated earlier in this report it is proposed to give specific consideration to the matter of additional benefits for Housing and for the protection of Widows in conjunction with the 1973 Actuarial Review.

The Board would also like to draw attention to the fact that it has had to request substantially increased provision from the Connexional Budget for the Supernumerary Fund subsidies. The provisions made in recent Budgets for this purpose are as follows:—

1969-70					\$30,045
1970-71					\$29,273
1971-72					\$41,183
1972-73					\$50,933

In addition it is inevitable that the Fund will need to apply for a further increase in the 1973-74 Budget in view of the increased stipends now payable, thus the extra support from the Connexional Fund and hence from the Circuits exceeds \$20,000 p.a. compared with the position two years ago.

The Board is certainly fully aware of the necessity of increasing benefits for Home Acquisition Fund purposes but does not feel that a special levy on Circuits is practicable or desirable at the present time.

FORMS OF ORDAINED MINISTRY (Resolution 5, 1970 Minutes, page 314)

"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 (Initiator, General Treasurer)."

The Secretary has shared with the Board some of the impressions gained on his visit to Methodist Church Offices overseas.

The Home Mission Department of the British Conference, for example, has found it essential to insist that the appointment of Specialist Ministers, and Ministers in Sectors, should first have the approval of the Circuit Quarterly Meeting and District Synods and arrangements for finance need to be spelled out in detail before any appointment was made by the Conference. Not only were there problems of finance when a Minister undertakes a Specialised Ministry,

but his return to Circuit work can also pose financial problems in view of the higher rates of pay usually paid to Ministers serving with other Organizations and in Sectors.

The Secretary emphasized that Pastoral concerns could be of an even greater importance recognizing that Ministers working in such specialized ministries can find themselves somewhat isolated from their Ministerial Brethren.

There was an increasing emphasis on Team Ministries and whether these succeeded or not often depended on the inter-personal relationships of the men involved.

The Board is of the opinion that the newly constituted Committee on Ministry is the Body that should give further consideration to this whole subject. A recommendation to this effect is appended.

MINISTERS WITHOUT APPOINTMENT

The 1970 Conference approved a new set of Regulations for Ministers without appointment, and asked that the Supernumerary Fund Board arrange for any necessary amendments to the relevant section of paragraph 512 of the Law Book, page 107/117. A suitable Recommendation is appended.

W. E. CLOTHIER, Chairman.

W. R. LAWS, Secretary.

C. R. HASSELDINE, Treasurer.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the Financial Statements of the Supernumerary Fund, Benevolent Fund, Ministers' Home Acquirement Fund, Deaconess Retiring Fund, Home Missionaries' Retiring Fund and Lay Workers' Retiring Fund be received and adopted.
3. **Ministers' Home Acquirement Fund:**
 - (a) That the personal subscription be increased to \$24 p.a. as from February 1st, 1973.
 - (b) That the subsidy from the Connexional Fire Insurance Fund be increased from \$8 p.a. to \$16 p.a. from February 1st, 1973.
4. **Forms of Ordained Ministry:** That the Committee on Ministry in consultation with the Supernumerary Fund Board, the Standing Committee on Stipends, and the Development Division be asked to give consideration to the Report on Forms of Ordained Ministry made to the 1970 Conference, including reference to Procedures to be followed in the appointment, financing and pastoral oversight of Specialised Ministries.
5. **Ministers Without Appointment:** That the Law Book, Section 512, sub-sections 20 and 21, be repealed and be replaced by the following:—
 - (20) (a) A Minister who is left without appointment for health reasons, or for purposes of travel or study within New Zealand or overseas, unless otherwise decided by the Conference, shall be responsible for both the personal contributions and amounts equivalent to Circuit levies.
 - (b) A Minister who is permitted to serve with an outside organisation shall be responsible for the personal contribution and the outside organisation shall be responsible for amounts equivalent to Circuit levies, provided however, if no arrangement is made for such payment by the said organisation then the Minister shall be responsible for the circuit contribution.

- (c) A Minister who is permitted to engage in any trade, business or profession in which he has to contribute to a retiring fund shall not be a contributor to the fund whilst so engaged PROVIDED ALWAYS that in the event of there being no Retiring Fund to which he is compelled to contribute, special arrangements may be made with the Board whereby the Minister continues contributing to the Fund.
- (d) A Minister who is permitted to engage in any trade, business or profession part-time, shall be responsible for the personal contribution. The responsibility for the Circuit contribution shall be determined by the Supernumerary Fund Board.
- (e) A Woman Minister who is married and is in consequence thereof left without appointment, shall neither pay the personal contribution nor shall an amount equivalent to the Circuit Levy be paid on her behalf unless special arrangements are made with the Board.
- (20A) Where Ministers left without appointment are responsible for payment of personal levies and Circuit levy equivalents, such payments may be made by four equal quarterly instalments not later than the last day of the months of January, April, July and October in such connexional year or years. After the expiry of one year from the commencement of the period without appointment, any arrears shall bear interest at the rate from time to time fixed by the Conference.
- 21. Unless otherwise provided or agreed upon a Minister who has been left without appointment shall not be permitted to make any payments to the Fund during such period nor shall he or his widow be entitled to receive any allowance or benefit from the Fund in respect of such period.

6. That the proposal that "A Group of Life Insurance policy be set up to provide initially a cash sum of \$4000 available immediately on a Minister's death in active work, the entire cost to be borne by the Methodist Church of New Zealand, be referred to the Supernumerary Fund Board for report to Synods and Conference 1973.

7. That the Board for 1973 be as printed on page 9.

QUESTION 43 (c)—Methodist General Purposes Trust Board?

METHODIST GENERAL PURPOSES TRUST BOARD INC.

REPORT TO CONFERENCE 1972

The audited Financial Statements are presented to Conference with this report.

The Funds administered have again showed a marked increase—rising from \$618,250 at June 30th 1971 to \$770,531 at June 30th 1972.

Two main factors are influencing this substantial inflow of Funds.

- (a) An increase in voluntary deposits by Methodist Trusts desiring to use the facilities provided by the Board; and
- (b) Deposits held on behalf of Trusts following the sale of Church Properties.

Since 1967 the Funds under administration have increased by 100.9% whilst interest credited to Trusts has increased by 158%.

Interest Rate Payable: The general interest rate payable to Trusts in the last few years has been—

1967-68					4 %
1968-69					4½ %
1969-70					5 %
1970-71					5 %
1971-72					5½ %

The Board has entered into some special arrangements for Trusts requiring specific investments at special rates of interest where a long term deposit of a substantial amount is arranged.

The present rate of 5½% is the minimum rate payable even where deposits are at call.

The Board is desirous of increasing the interest rate once again at the earliest possible opportunity.

The Treasurer has been asked to prepare a report on this matter for consideration by the Board later in the current financial year.

WINSTONE MEMORIAL TRUST FUND

(a) **Change of Balance Date:** The balance date of this particular Trust Fund has been changed at January 31st to coincide with the Connexional Year. It has been found that this makes for easier administration. The last accounts prepared for this Fund were, therefore, for the 7-month period ended on January 31st 1972.

During that period grants were made as follows:—

- (i) To Ministers in the Active work for arrears of Stipend \$3163
- (ii) To Supernumeraries and Widows of Ministers and Home Missionaries \$2103

(b) **Winstone Fund Properties:** During the year the Board considered a detailed report on the condition of the properties which had been prepared by its Auckland Agents. This report emphasized inter alia that the properties were now nearing the end of their economic life and that the Board would soon be faced with very substantial costs of renovation and improvement.

For this and other reasons the Board decided that the proper course of action was to seek the approval of the Church Building and Loan Fund to dispose of the properties. This action was taken after full consultation between members of the Winstone family and the Executive Officers of the Board.

Since June 30th 1972 all four properties have been sold. The total price realized will be considerably above the present book value of the properties.

(c) **Re-investment of Proceeds:** It is the intention of the Board that the proceeds of sale of the Winstone Fund property shall be reinvested in other property so as to maintain and improve the earning rate of the Fund.

Certain specific proposals have recently been presented to the Board and are being examined. It is the Board's hope that the income arising in future years should be increased.

SALE OF THORNDON PROPERTY (Wellington)

During the year the Thorndon Trust, after extensive consultations with the Wellington Synod, the Church Property Commission, and the Church Building and Loan Fund, decided to sell its property in Molesworth Street. The property was eventually sold to the Presbyterian Church of New Zealand.

It should be pointed out, however, that it is the intention of the Church Property Trustees of the Presbyterian Church of New Zealand, to develop the property in conjunction with the Methodist Church of New Zealand.

A full scale feasibility study of a proposed joint development is now being undertaken.

The Thorndon Trustees have left a considerable part of the purchase money on first mortgage and have deposited the balance with the Methodist General Purposes Trust Board. This action of the Thorndon Trustees will be of considerable assistance should development proceed on the basis of the present planning.

Allocation of Income arising from sale of the Thorndon Property:

The sale of the Thorndon property was arranged at a substantial sum and consideration has naturally been given to the question of future use of the income arising from these proceeds. Consultations have been held between the Trustees, the Officials of the Wellington West Circuit, the Wellington Synod and the Executive Officers of the Church Building and Loan Fund and General Purposes Trust Board representing the Connexion.

It has been decided as a matter of principle that the income arising should be utilized in three ways:—

- (a) To assist the local Circuit in providing a specialized Ministry.
- (b) To assist projects which may be nominated by the Wellington District Synod.
- (c) To assist Connexional Funds or projects.

We report on this matter because it is considered that this arrangement for use of income arising from the sale of the property may well prove to be a model which could be adopted in the future in other instances.

W. E. CLOTHIER, Chairman.

W. R. LAWS, Secretary.

C. R. HASSELDINE, Treasurer.

RESOLUTION

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

2. F. W. Walters and Family Trust.

"Whereas in 1971 when the F. W. Walters and Family Trust completed the purchase of 60 additional adjoining acres with the assistance of a cash gift from Mr W. F. Walters and family it was agreed that subject to repayment of mortgage finance and other loan assistance, one-third of the net income from the Trust's farm should be paid to the W. F. Walters and Family Trust to be distributed according to the terms of that Trust Conference hereby confirms the said agreement and authorises the General Purposes Trust Board to pay the said one-third of the Trust's net income to W. F. Walters and Family Trust."

3. W. F. Walters and Family Trust.

(i) That clauses 1 and 3 (d) of the Declaration of Trust dated the 13th day of March 1964, under which the W. F. Walters and Family Trust was created, be amended as follows:—

- (a) As to clause 1, it be amended by adding at the end thereof the words "and for any other charitable purpose, whether it relates to the relief of the aged, impotent or poor, for the advancement of religious and for educational purposes."
- (b) As to clause 3 (d), it be amended by adding after the words of the Methodist Church of New Zealand, in line 6 thereof, the words "and for any other charitable purpose, whether it relates to the relief of the aged, impotent or poor, for the advancement of religious and for educational purposes" and that after the words "the said Donor" in the last line thereof there be added the words "during his lifetime and after his decease such of his daughters as shall survive him."

(ii) That an additional clause be added, as follows:—
“5A That no payment shall be made for any charitable purpose which would conflict with the spiritual purpose for which the Church was called into being, or which is likely to bring reproach upon the church.”

3. That a Deed of Variation including the foregoing amendments and additions in accordance with the provisions of clause 9 of the Declaration of Trust be executed 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?

METHODIST CONNEXIONAL FIRE INSURANCE FUND

REPORT TO SYNODS AND CONFERENCE 1972

The financial statements will be presented to Conference with this report.

Year's Result:

The profit for the year, as was expected, did not reach last year's record total, but recognizing that last year's profit included an exceptional element of over \$7,000, the profit for 1971-72 before charging the cost of free insurances, of over \$22,000 is regarded as most satisfactory. Costs of free insurance totalled \$5,402.

Distributable Surplus:

The usual transfer to capital of \$2,800 has been made. Whilst the Board considers that a larger transfer to capital would be justified in times of continuing inflationary pressures, it is also cognizant of the urgent needs for grants to assist the life and mission of the Church. It has, therefore, declared a divisible surplus of \$14,750 which, apart from last year's exceptional situation, would be a record for the Fund for any normal year. This surplus, together with free insurances provided, represents total benefits of over \$20,000 returned to the Church for the year.

Grants:

In framing its recommendations the Board took note of the 1971 Conference resolution (Minutes, p. 317) that it should give favourable consideration to making a generous grant from its profits for the 150th Anniversary Scholarship Fund. The Board is recommending that a grant of \$5,000 be made as a single outright donation. This represents 10% of the minimum target. The Board considers that a single substantial grant is preferable to a series of smaller donations over this and succeeding years. All the indications are that in future years traditional grants and other claims on the Fund will not diminish.

The Board was also faced with the fact that a Connexional Pool Fund needs to be created to assist in the transfer of Parsonage Furnishings. The matter will be dealt with more fully in the reports of other Committees (Board of Management and Stipends Committee) but the Board is recommending a grant of \$2000. If this amount is not fully expended, the Board recommends that the balance be transferred to the Supernumerary Fund Board for Home Acquisition Fund purposes.

Home Acquisition Fund:

The Board has received advice that the Supernumerary Fund Board will be recommending increased personal subscriptions from

1st February, 1973 and a request that it give an indication of its response to the suggestion of an increase in subsidy (Personal subscription presently \$8 p.a. and subsidy \$8 p.a.) The Fire Insurance Board believes that if in the judgment of the Supernumerary Fund Board, Synods and Conference the personal subscription should be increased, then the subsidy should also be increased (possibly though not necessarily on a \$1 for \$1 basis). In any event such an increase in subsidy will not be required until 1973 but in recommending a grant of \$2000 for 1972 the Fire Insurance Fund Board wishes to draw attention to the probability that this grant may need to be substantially increased in future years.

Other Grants:

The provision for the three Funds already mentioned will absorb a substantial part of the distributable surplus. The Sites Fund is also a regular commitment but the grant recommended has been reduced from \$1600 to \$500 despite the fact that the Sites Fund is not now receiving a grant from the Connexional Budget through the Home Mission Department. This reduction has been made because of the slowing up of applications made to the Sites Fund.

In framing its other recommendations the Board has attempted to meet the areas of most acute need. It considers the grant to Synods should be continued if at all possible. Unfortunately it has not been possible to recommend grants to all applicants. The Board considers significant grants are to be preferred to thinly spread grants to all applicants.

Insurances Generally:

A considerable number of Trusts undertook comprehensive reviews of their insurances during the year. The Board and its reinsurers can and do encourage Trusts to undertake regular reviews but the Board wishes to stress that the responsibility for ensuring that adequate cover is held rests with individual Trusts.

Decentralisation:

A further stage of the decentralisation was completed this year when the Napier, Palmerston North, New Plymouth and Wellington branches of the Reinsurers (Guardian Royal Exchange Group) assumed responsibility for reinsurances within their respective areas. It is expected that this process will be completed in 1973 when the Otago-Southland reinsurances are to be decentralised. The Board would like to acknowledge the help it has received from the Reinsurers in the transfer of responsibility to the various Branches. This has involved a not inconsiderable work load for the Connexional Office and the Reinsurers but the process is being completed smoothly and with benefit to local Trusts, the Connexion and the Reinsurers in the form of better service.

Employers Liability Insurance:

It is not possible at this stage to give any firm indications of the effect of the proposals of the Government to implement, in whole or in part, the report of the Woodhouse Commission.

Claims:

There have been no major fire insurance claims during the year although claims for glass breakage and to a lesser extent malicious damage continue to be frequent. It is pleasing to record that an increasing number of Trusts are arranging Extraneous Risks and Malicious Damage cover for Churches and Halls. There are still some

Trusts which do not arrange Houseowner and Householder Cover on Parsonages — which is, and should be, almost standard cover for Home owners.

Loans to Churches:

During the year three further loans were made to local Church Trusts at 3½% interest, as follows:

Papakura Church	.....	\$3000
Rangiora Hall	.....	\$3000 (since repaid in full)
Upper Riccarton Centre	.....	\$3000

All Trusts having received loans are up to date with instalments due.

At balance date over \$45000 of the accumulated funds were on loan at 3½% to Church Trusts and Departments.

The policy of making a substantial proportion of the Fund's capital available for low interest loans inevitably depresses the earning rate of the Fund — which was 5.6% for 1971/72 compared with 5.4% for 1970/71.

Since it would be possible for the Fund to invest at rates substantially higher than 3½%, and thus increase the divisible surplus, it should be noted that the direct benefits to Trusts concerned and p.a. in addition to the direct grants and free insurance provided by the Fund.

A. A. DINGWALL, Chairman.

W. R. LAWS, Secretary.

C. R. HASSELDINE, Treasurer.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted.

2. That grants for 1972 be as follows:—

(a) Home Acquirement Fund	.....	\$2000
(b) Sites Fund	.....	\$500
(c) 150th Anniversary Scholarship Fund:—		
General	\$4500
For Publication Costs	\$500
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		\$5000
(d) Connexional Parsonage Furnishings/Home Acquirement Fund	\$2000
(e) Grants to Synods (10 grants of \$200)	\$2000
(f) N.Z.M.S.S.A. (for Children's Homes)	.....	\$2000
(g) Transport Trust Board	.....	\$1000
(h) Board of Management Connexional Office (for repayment of balance of Mortgage)	\$250
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	Total	\$14750

3. That the Board for 1973 be as printed on page 7.

QUESTION 43.—(e) Contingent Fund?

See Question 43.—(a)

RESOLUTION

1. That the Financial Statements be received and adopted.

QUESTION 43—(f) Children's Fund?

See Question 43.—(a)

RESOLUTION

1. That the Financial Statements be received and adopted.

QUESTION 43.—(g) Removal Expenses Fund?

See Question 43.—(a)

RESOLUTION

1. That the Financial Statements be received and adopted.

QUESTION 43.—(h) Transport Trust Board?

METHODIST TRANSPORT TRUST BOARD INC.

REPORT TO CONFERENCE, 1972

Finance:

The audited Financial Statements will be presented to Conference with this report.

At 30th June, 1972, there were 58 loans outstanding. All these loans were granted to Ministers as there are now no loans outstanding for Circuit cars.

The excess of income over expenditure of \$307 (\$31 for 1970/71) reflects the increase in the interest rate charged of 5% from 1st January, 1972.

Advances:

The increase in advances from \$49,670 at 30th June, 1971 to \$54,568 at 30th June, 1972 was made possible only by an additional loan from the Home Missions Board and by a grant received during the year from the Fire Insurance Fund. In spite of this additional assistance, there continued to be a waiting list for loans which persisted throughout the whole year. The increased cost of cars combined with the continuing shortage of capital were the main reasons for this situation.

Capital of the Fund:

The capital has shown a modest increase to \$8,168 but this is still considered by the Board to be quite inadequate as the basis of a Fund to provide car loans for the Connexion and its Servants.

Whilst loans from other Trusts and Departments are greatly appreciated (indeed the Fund would be crippled without them), permanent capital is required for several reasons:—

- (a) To provide the **primary** source for advances.
- (b) To provide a source of funds not requiring "servicing" so as to keep borrowing costs at a minimum.
- (c) To permit the fund to earn sufficient income to meet equitable administration costs without unduly adding to interest rate charges.
- (d) To "support" other borrowings.
- (e) Ideally to permit more flexibility in the operations of the Fund. All these reasons would hold true — even if there were no inflationary trends in the economy — chronic inflation makes the need for additional capital all the more urgent.

Travelling Allowances and Depreciation:

Resolution of 1970 Conference No. 2 pp. 256/7 (see also 1971 Minutes pp. 276/7).

"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".

The Board was not able to report to the 1971 Conference.

Enquiries were made at both the Christchurch Diocesan and the Auckland Diocesan offices and revealed that the basis of the Anglican scheme is that travelling allowances payable to Anglican Clergy is paid in two parts:—

(a) A payment for running expenses and

(b) A payment for depreciation.

Each of these payments is based on mileage run or some notional mileage for a particular appointment.

The only essential difference between these schemes and that operated by the Methodist Church is that the depreciation element of the allowance is paid into a Central Fund.

It must be emphasised that these schemes do not provide greater travelling allowances, in fact a comparison of the scales obtained from the Anglican Church show that their rates are considerably lower than the State Services Rates adopted by the Methodist Conference.

It is true that some Dioceses do have separate rates for rural as distinct from urban parishes.

On the other hand this factor is allowed for to some extent in the Methodist Circuits where the additional mileage run would reflect in the additional aggregate allowances payable.

These schemes, whereby a part of the allowance is paid into a Central Fund are, therefore, essentially schemes providing for a form of forced saving with part of the allowance paid to a Central Fund and accumulated at interest.

It is understood that the Presbyterian scheme is a variant of the Anglican scheme with a compulsory saving element.

There are many factors to be taken into account before a scheme such as this could be implemented by the Methodist Church but the Board has resolved to give the matter further consideration and has appointed a Sub-Committee to explore the matter still further.

The Board wishes to emphasise at this point, however, that before any such scheme is introduced it would seek the mind of the Ministry by making a survey of Ministerial attitudes to such a scheme. Any such scheme would inevitably leave participating members with less "day-to-day" cash resources.

Present Scale of Travelling Allowances:

The scale at present in force is based on the State Service Scale which has now been in force for more than 12 months. The Board wishes to emphasise that there must be a high probability that this

scale will be due for revision in the not too distant future and Circuits have been asked by the General Treasurer to make provision for a possible increase when preparing their 1972/73 Budgets.

Should the State Service be revised it will be necessary for the Transport Trust Board not only to communicate these details to Ministers, Circuit Officials, Departmental Officers but in terms of the authority confirmed Resolution 5 of the 1971 Conference, revised minimum allowances will need to be determined.

Suspensory Loans:

For some time the Transport Trust Board has been conscious of the need for some measure of assistance to be given to the Ministry to assist them to build up their equity in their cars.

The Transport Trust Board itself has, in the past, been quite unable to assist in this process due to the very small amount of capital at its disposal and it has had to confine itself to the provision of loans at moderate rates of interest (in itself a form of assistance). However, the Board now feels that it can make a positive proposal which will provide some modest form of assistance in the problem of "Capital formation". The Board has resolved to seek the permission of Conference to introduce a scheme of suspensory loans for new Probationers. The Board regrets that its capital position does not permit it to make suspensory loans for all Ministers and the appropriate way seems to be to make a beginning by assisting new Probationers.

It is intended that the scheme be introduced with those coming on to Probation from 1973 being eligible to apply for a suspensory loan.

The initial amount of the suspensory loan will be \$100 but the Board hopes to increase this to \$200 as Funds permit.

It will be realised that such suspensory loans will need to have certain conditions built into them — e.g. that the loan account is maintained in a satisfactory condition and in all probability that the borrower serves the Methodist Church for a minimum period. Providing the appropriate conditions are met, the suspensory portion of the loan would be remitted at a suitable stage.

The Board is now seeking Conference approval for such a scheme.

Guidelines on Car Purchase:

Following 1971 Conference, at which undoubtedly one of the highlights was a brief exposition by Mr Hubert Hayman on factors to be taken into account in making a wise choice of a car, the Board received a number of requests for material to be prepared by Mr Hayman and distributed to the Ministry.

Mr Hayman, who is now a member of the Transport Trust Board, has prepared some guidelines and it is intended to distribute these to all Ministers and other full-time agents of the Church.

W. A. CHAMBERS, Chairman.

W. R. LAWS, Secretary.

C. R. HASSELDINE, Treasurer.

RESOLUTIONS

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

2. That from the 1st February, 1973 the Methodist Transport Trust Board be empowered to introduce a scheme of Suspensory loans, the suspensory portion of the loan to be initially \$100, with permission to increase this to \$200 as Funds permit, such suspensory loans to be made available at the Board's discretion to Probationers received on Probation on or after the 1972 Conference.

3. That the Board for 1973 be as printed on page 9.

QUESTION 44.—What is the Report of the Finance and Stewardship Committee?

FINANCE AND STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

ANNUAL REPORT, 1972

Future of the Committee: The Committee's report to Conference 1971 indicated that, along with other Departments of the Church, the place of the Committee in the proposed new Church structure, was under examination by the Structure Committee. The Structure Committee now proposes that the educational and fund-raising aspects of the Committee's work come under the Education Division, that the Director of Stewardship be an Associate Director of that Division, and that the other stewardship staff also come under the jurisdiction of the Education Division. The Structure Committee also proposes that the administration of the Connexional budget become the responsibility of the Administration Division.

Arrangements for 1972: With the foregoing in mind, and lacking a full-time Director of Stewardship, it was decided that the business of the Committee could best be organised by appointing two sub-committees, one to be responsible for the financial side of the Committee's work including oversight of all matters relating to the Connexional budget and the other to consider the educational aspects or stewardship. The organisation of stewardship missions to be in the hands of the acting director of stewardship and the secretary.

Director of Stewardship: In view of the above proposals and the difficulties involved with the present arrangements for the handling of the work of the Director of Stewardship, it is now imperative that an appointment be made to take effect as from the commencement of the new structure arrangements in February 1973. For some time now the Committee has been seeking a suitable layman for the position, without success, and it was felt that any further delay in making an appointment would be to the detriment of the work, and it was therefore decided to ask that a minister be appointed as Director of Stewardship and who will become an Associate Director of the Education Division.

Other factors influencing the Committee in making this decision were the uncertainty of the Committee's future in relation to the new Church structure, and of therefore being unable to offer a layman any real security of tenure in the position. In this respect the appointment of a minister provides more flexibility in that he can return to circuit work at the end of a specified period, or earlier if necessary. Also, it is felt by many that a ministerial appointment could be helpful in bringing new and changing theological emphases to this particular aspect of our Church life.

Furthermore, the Committee plans to offer circuits other services in addition to the recommended directed mission. A minister with particular experience and skills may be especially suited to guide this development. After consultation with District Chairmen and heads of Departments a minister has been selected for nomination to Conference and a recommendation seeking his appointment follows.

Field Staff: After ten years as a field director, Mr W. B. Wotherspoon has indicated his wish to retire from the work in December 1972. Bill is well-known and respected throughout the Connexion and has served the stewardship cause with enthusiasm and dedication, and during this time he has played a most significant part in the growth of this aspect of the life of the Methodist

Church. The Committee wishes to record its appreciation of the loyal support and assistance given by Mrs Wotherspoon behind the scenes and a suitable recommendation relating to both Mr and Mrs Wotherspoon is included at the conclusion of this report.

Mr Lindsay Parlane has been a field director since 1964 and he will continue in the work for 1973. In view of his excellent work we look forward to his being available for some time to come.

Stewardship Education: (a) "Church in Action" Kitset. A copy of the kitset was distributed to all ministers in 1971 and they were advised that further copies were available from the Committee and Epworth Bookrooms. The kitset contains excellent material and has received favourable comment from many quarters, but it is disappointing to find, following a survey carried out earlier this year, that the majority of Methodists have not even seen it! In three of the larger Synods only two or three churches have used it. While the cost of the production was not exorbitant — \$550 which was shared by Departments and Funds — it is still a substantial sum. The kitset tells the story of the Church's social services' outreach in New Zealand; involvement in Papua-New Guinea Highlands; Solomon Islands; and generally opens up the question of where, how, and why the Church's national budget is spent. The material is still very relevant for the 1972-73 budget year and will be recommended by the Committee as its main publicity resource. In order to stimulate interest in its use, District Chairmen were asked to set aside time at August Synods when demonstrations could be given on how the kitset could be used.

(b) Resolution (10) Minutes of Conference 1971: "That the Finance and Stewardship Committee and the Department of Christian Education consider ways of maintaining a call of Christian stewardship when the value of money is rapidly changing". During the year these issues have been the Committee's major concern and the draft report to Synods examined the "strengths and weaknesses" of the present Christian stewardship pattern, and under two headings, "long term proposals" and "immediate proposals", suggested ways in which action could be taken to strengthen the stewardship approach in terms of the Conference resolution. The supplementary report includes comments and suggestions received from Synods, and the guidelines set out in the report should assist the Church to face the continuing challenge of rising costs allied to increased incomes.

(c) Annual Reviews: Arising out of the sub-committee's study it was apparent that more guidance was needed to assist circuits and churches to maintain a continuing stewardship review, with particular reference to the "annual review", or perhaps better known as "Stewardship Sunday". The report also stresses the need for circuits to continue having Committee-directed stewardship programmes at regular intervals but strongly recommends the 'annual review' as a means of partially keeping pace with rising costs, increased incomes and changing membership. The Committee would emphasise, however, that annual reviews should be of a low-key nature in order to keep the 3-yearly review in perspective. A guide is being prepared to assist churches with their annual reviews and this will be available at a small charge from the Education Division and Epworth Bookrooms.

(d) Self-run Programmes: By this is meant a 3-year review directed by a person or committee of the local church or circuit. The Finance and Stewardship Committee is conscious of the need to make guidelines available to assist the Church in this area also, and it will be doing so, but would point out some of the significant findings

which have come through as a result of the studies carried out this year. The first requirement is a competent person to carry the programme through although a good committee can do well in some instances. The value of the training and experience gained in previous Committee-directed missions has frequently been commented upon, and while in the main self-run programmes are usually held to save the expense of a directed one, it is a fact that this 'cost-saving' can be an elusive factor, especially in the long term. Over the years the Committee has offered its help and guidance through the experience of its staff to assist circuits and churches with self-run programmes, but this assistance is rarely called upon.

Stewardship Missions: It was reported that during 1971 results of Stewardship missions had shown a steady upward trend, both in terms of personal commitment and the number of people involved in stewardship giving. This trend has carried over into 1972 and in many situations has accelerated quite dramatically. However, the Committee would point out that these increases do not, in every case, keep pace with rising costs and increased incomes though results so far this year reinforce the contention that Committee-directed programmes are more likely to assist circuit budgets keep pace with inflationary trends. Missions directed this year include 3 Anglican, 2 Presbyterian and 4 Union Parishes. The Committee's 1973 stewardship schedule is already heavily booked and it is hoped that a replacement field director for Mr Wotherspoon will be found at an early date.

Cost of Missions: The present Committee feels that the cost of financing the stewardship side of the Committee's work when it becomes part of the Education Division should still be on the 'user-pay' basis.

E. G. HEGGIE (Chairman).

E. C. FLYGER (Acting Director of Stewardship).

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report of the Finance and Stewardship Committee be received and adopted.

2. That the financial statements of the Finance and Stewardship Committee be received and adopted.

3. That the Rev. J. S. Hosking, M.A., Dip. Mus., be appointed Director of Stewardship as from 1st February, 1973, and that he become an Associate Director of the Education Division.

4. That the Rev. Hosking's appointment be for an initial period of 4 years.

5. That Conference records its sincere appreciation to Mr W. B. Wotherspoon as he retires after 10 years service as a Field Director. As one of the original staff, Mr Wotherspoon has played a most important part in developing the work of stewardship in the Methodist Church. Mr Wotherspoon's dedication to his chosen field of work has been an example to the whole Church. The invaluable support given him by Mrs Wotherspoon during these ten years cannot be overlooked and the Conference wishes them both a happy retirement.

B.—REPORT ON 1971/72 CONNEXIONAL BUDGET

Audited copies of financial statements are being presented to Conference with this Report.

The account was kept open until the first week in August to bring into account the final instalment of Union Parish payments as well as some late payments from Methodist Circuits.

Total giving for the 1971/72 Budget rose by just over \$5000 compared with 1970/71 but late contributions for earlier years were understandably at a reduced total.

Payments to Departments and Funds (Schedule I):

All Guaranteed Funds were paid 100% of their allocations.

Non-Guaranteed Funds have been paid 95% of their allocations as against 94.5% for 1971. Whilst it is regrettable that non-guaranteed funds could not be paid in full, it is encouraging that a slightly higher percentage payout could be achieved when the total Guaranteed Fund content of the Budget is tending to increase.

District and Union Parish Response (Schedules II & III):

Schedule II sets out the position for Districts so far as Methodist Circuits are concerned but also including contributions from new Union Parishes formed at 1st February, 1972 — these latter will be contributing on a combined Methodist/Presbyterian basis for 1972/73.

Schedule III reports the response from Union Parishes which were in existence for the full year 1971/72.

The overall position is as follows:—

	Circuits and Union Parishes		
	fully paid	not fully paid	
1971/72	113	52	
1970/71	108	53	
1969/70	120	41	
1968/69	125	33	
	Methodist Budget Allocations including District Expenses	Circuit and Union Parish Contributions	Percentage
1971/72	362,709	348,264	96.01%
1970/71	361,646	343,578	95.0%
1969/70	360,605	343,434	95.3%
1968/69	347,300	335,550	96.6%
	Payments to Funds		Percentage
	Guaranteed Paid 100%	Non-Guaranteed	Payout (Non- Guaranteed Funds)
1971/72	108,668	233,017	95%
1970/71	97,428	243,614	94.5%
1969/70	97,711	244,004	94.7%
1968/69	94,502	249,905	98.5%

It is clear that the majority of Circuits and Union Parishes have made valiant efforts to meet Budgetary responsibilities.

The further stipend increases and other cost increases to be faced in 1972/73 will mean that Churches will need to find increased income to cope with their financial responsibilities which include an increase

of 3% in the 1972/73 Connexional Budget. Two districts in particular — North Canterbury and Otago-Southland — face a serious problem in the need to “close the gap” as well as to meet increased responsibilities.

C. R. HASSELDINE, General Treasurer.

7th August, 1972.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the principle of adding 1% to our budget for the WCC Overseas Development Fund be regarded as an ongoing commitment and hence added to the 1973-74 and subsequent budgets.

CONNEXIONAL BUDGET 1973-74

The Finance and Stewardship Committee of Detail met in Wellington on 26th and 27th September, 1972. It received inter alia a series of Reports on the following matters:—

- (a) The Connexional Budget results for 1971-72.
 - (b) Statistical information on Circuit finances for 1970-71 and 1971-72.
 - (c) Stipend projections and estimates of cost of living movements.
- Applications for Connexional Budget support for 1973-74 totalled \$421,255.

Projections were made of the probable effect of increases in stipends and other circuit costs. The Committee also examined the evidence of increased giving in 1971-72 (6.2%), together with other evidence of movements of income in the Church and Community.

It came to the conclusion that it would be reasonable to anticipate an increase in aggregate giving in 1973-74 but that this needed to be related to the projections of increased Circuit costs. The Committee recommends a 4.9% increase in the Connexional Budget from \$367,000 for 1972-73 to \$385,000 for 1973-74.

Applications for Connexional Budget support were examined in detail.

Those reductions which are recommended fall into one or more of three categories—

- (i) Those where the Committee considers that other sources of income would be available to support the work.
- (ii) Those where “technical” adjustments were required in the basis of applications.
- (iii) Those where adjustments were made to keep the Budget within the quantum of \$385,000.

It should be emphasized that most of the recommendations fall within the categories (i) and (ii) above, and that the Budget now recommended is intended to provide adequate support for the work of the Church as programmed by the various Departments and Funds making these applications.

This can be done if the Conference accepts the total Budget and the allocations which must flow from that act are met in full by Circuits and Union Parishes.

(See Resolution 1).

Allocations to Districts

(See Resolution 2).

Special Appeals

The Committee examined Resolution 16, 1971 Conference Minutes Page 284—

“That Conference have the power to authorise not more than one special appeal in any one year, every Division having the right to make application to Conference which shall decide the priority of claims.”

The Committee suggested an amended Form of Resolution.
(See Resolution 3).

In making this recommendation to Conference the Committee considers that the Community at large must from time to time ask the Church to identify itself with other special appeals but that the recommendation adopted is intended to facilitate procedures regarding special appeals which would need the approval of Conference. Prior consideration by the Conference Committee of Detail is regarded as essential.

Overseas Aid

1% Overseas Aid has not been added to the Connexional Budget as the earlier Conference Resolution (Number 8, Page 310, 1970 Minutes) gave authority for inclusion for 1972-73 and the Conference itself needs to decide if this practice is to continue.

The Committee has asked that this matter be considered by the Ecumenical Committee of Detail at Conference.

Children's Homes

In examining the applications from the three Children's Homes the Committee noted that there did not seem to be any common policy regarding the treatment of legacy monies by the three Boards concerned.

The Committee considers that it would be appropriate if some defined percentage of legacy monies should be made available for normal operating expenses.

In addition it was felt that in view of the evident financial problems being faced by the three Boards that it would be advisable for the Methodist Social Services Association to sponsor some consultations with the Children's Homes.

(See Resolution 4).

Sales of Church Property

In the course of its deliberations, and in particular, in discussing the allocation for the Development Fund, some concern was expressed that whilst the Connexion helped many causes in their establishment, purchase of sites and development of their properties, the Connexion does not always benefit when redundant properties are sold.

It is understood that the Church Building and Loan Fund will also be reporting on this matter but the Committee has a specific recommendation, for promoting discussion on ways and means whereby funds realized from the sales of property can be used for Connexion as well as for District and Local Purposes.

(See Resolution 5).

Union Parishes

The Committee gave some consideration to problems arising in respect of Union Parishes and the consequential effect on allocations for other Circuits and Districts where there are a substantial number of Union Parishes.

In addition there are other matters which prompted the Committee to recommend that an evaluation and review of the agreement entered into with the Presbyterian Church of New Zealand regarding Union Parish Budget Applications should now be undertaken.

(See Resolution 6).

Guaranteed Funds

At present the Guaranteed Funds of the Connexional Budget are as follows:—

Supernumerary Fund	Removal Expenses Fund
Home Missionaries Retiring Fund	Children's Fund
Deaconess Retiring Fund	Conference Contingent Fund
Lay Missionaries Retiring Fund	

A number of other Funds which have been grouped in a "Miscellaneous Funds" section of the Budget have been effectively regarded as Guaranteed Funds.

The Committee is making a recommendation that certain of these Funds be authorized by Conference as Guaranteed Funds.

The remaining Miscellaneous Funds will rank with other Non-Guaranteed Funds.

(See Resolution 7).

R. F. CLEMENT, President.

C. R. HASSELDINE, General Treasurer and Convener.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Budget Allocations for 1973-74 be as follows:—

Guaranteed Funds	Requested	Allocated
	\$	\$
Supernumerary Fund	58,640	58,100
Home Missionaries Retiring Fund	1,250	1,200
Deaconess Retiring Fund	5,334	5,000
Lay Missionaries Retiring Fund	1,920	1,920
Removal Expenses Fund	9,000	8,000
Children's Fund	7,000	3,000
Conference Contingent Fund	24,200	24,200
Non-Guaranteed Funds		
Department of Christian Education	26,557	26,000
Board of Management—Connexional Office	6,000	6,000
Children's Homes—		
Auckland	1,000	750
Masterton	4,250	3,000
South Island	6,000	5,000
Methodist Deaconess Board	200	—
Development Fund	20,000	6,309
Finance and Stewardship Committee	6,256	4,500
Development Division	31,756	31,756
Maori Division	48,390	41,390
New Zealand Methodist	12,000	12,000
N.Z.M.S.S.A.	5,000	2,000
Overseas Mission Department	127,000	127,000
Trinity Theological College	8,900	3,850
Overseas Aid (1%)		3,850
	<hr/> 410,653	<hr/> 374,825
Miscellaneous Funds		
National Council of Churches	2,178	2,178
World Council of Churches	1,018	1,018
N.Z. Council of Christian Education	1,557	1,130
N.C.C.—Prison Chaplaincies	60	60
Armed Forces Chaplaincies	150	150
University Chaplaincies—N.C.C.	2,787	2,787
Overseas Travel Fund	1,000	1,000
J.C.C.U.	1,150	1,150
East Asian Christian Conference	202	202
Visual Audio Aids Society	500	500
	<hr/> 10,602	<hr/> 10,175
Total Miscellaneous Funds		
Total Guaranteed and		
Non-Guaranteed Funds	410,653	374,825
1973-74 Connexional Budget	<hr/> \$421,255	<hr/> \$385,000

2. That the 1973-74 Connexional Budget District Allocations be as under:—

							\$
Northland	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9,098
Auckland	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	81,284
Waikato-Bay of Plenty	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	52,875
Taranaki-Wanganui	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	28,583
Hawkes Bay-Manawatu	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	40,620
Wellington	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	46,623
Nelson	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	19,810
North Canterbury	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	64,641
South Canterbury	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17,503
Otago-Southland	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	23,963
							<hr/>
							\$385,000

3. That no special appeal shall be authorized by the Conference before it has first been examined by the Conference Committee of Detail on Finance and Stewardship.

4. That the Methodist Social Service Association be asked to sponsor consultations with the Children's Homes regarding the whole matter of the viability of the work and such consultation to include discussion on the question of common policy regarding allocation of legacy monies for normal operating expenditure.

5. That consultation be held between the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee and the Development Division to discuss ways and means whereby Funds realized from the sale of Church properties can be used for Connexional as well as District and Local purposes.

6. That the Director of the Development Division and the General Treasurer confer with the General Treasurer and a Representative of the Ministry Committee of the Presbyterian Church early in 1973 to review the operation of the agreement on Union Parishes particularly as it affects Budget allocations.

7. That the Conference authorize the following Funds as Guaranteed Funds entitled to 100% distribution from the Connexional Budget.

National Council of Churches.

World Council of Churches.

University Chaplaincies.

Joint Commission on Church Union.

East Asian Christian Conference.

8. That the Report be received and adopted.

QUESTION 45.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Trinity Theological Council and Hostel?

TRINITY THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

The Council has met more frequently than usual in the past year because of important decisions in regard to the future of the College. All meetings have been well attended.

COMBINED TEACHING WITH ST JOHN'S

Following the authorisation of last Conference, combined teaching has continued at St John's College. The Council has followed closely the progress of the venture; it realises that the combined work is not without difficulties but we are satisfied that our policy is a right one and that it is working out very well under the existing circumstances.

ESTABLISHMENT OF A UNITED COLLEGE

Conference 1971 authorised the continuation of negotiations with the Board of Governors of St John's College with a view to establishing a united College under a Joint Executive in 1973 (p. 292 resolution 2). The negotiations have proceeded very satisfactorily. We give here-with an indication of the kind of structure toward which we are moving.

The Structure of the College: It is proposed that three members of the Trinity Methodist Theological College Council, together with the Principal, will become members of the joint Executive. This will mean that at least four Methodists and possibly five will be members of the Executive which will comprise twelve members. It is intended that the College will be known as "The United College of St John the Evangelist". Consideration is being given to the naming of the new teaching and administration block yet to be constructed, and it is likely that the name given will be "Wesley Block". This building will include an office and reception room for the Methodist Principal. Provision is also to be made for the retention in an identifiable way of several collections of books, including Wesleyana, from the Trinity College Library, in the main library wing.

The Teaching Staff: Present staff will be confirmed in their appointments and replacements will rest with the Executive who shall make nominations to the Methodist Conference and the St John's Board. It is understood that the stipends of the Methodist members of staff will be met as at present from the Probert Trust, and that of the Anglican members of staff from the St John's College Trust. A committee is working on scales of stipends for the combined staff, housing on or near the St John's site, and student allowances. A building committee has been appointed to plan the building of the Principal's house which will be within the St John's campus. It is intended that this house be proceeded with as soon as possible.

Academic Leadership: It is recognised that the Principal of Trinity College will continue to be responsible to the Methodist Conference for the training and discipline of Methodist students and likewise the Warden will be responsible to the St John's College Board. It is expected that the inner life of the College will be under the control of the joint staff which will meet regularly. The student body will also be represented and there will be an annual appointment of chairman.

Housing of Students: On the initiative of the Anglicans it has been resolved that provision for the accommodation of Trinity College students either on the St John's campus or in flats nearby be made as from the beginning of the 1973 academic year.

Those who have represented our Church at meetings during the negotiations have been deeply appreciative of the consideration and grace of the representatives of the Anglican Church. All our requests have been met and there has been a determination to overcome any obstacle.

FUTURE USE OF TRINITY BUILDINGS

It is the thinking both of the St John's College Board and the Trinity College Council that the buildings may eventually be used by the two Churches for practical training in the pastoral field with special reference to counselling; social services and psychotherapy, in-service training and lay training.

In the more immediate future the Council believes it desirable that the buildings be leased. The Anglicans are in agreement with this.

We have received a definite approach through the Department of Education to lease the Trinity College buildings in order to establish a second school of Physiotherapy. The proposal is for a term of six years in two terms of three years. We would retain any staff houses which we would need and also the chapel. The Council feels that this could be a worthy continuing use of the buildings in the educational field.

It is our wish to enter into the combined scheme with the Anglican Church with self respect and to make an adequate financial contribution. To do this we shall need all the resources provided by the lease of the buildings.

It has been made clear to government representatives that the final decision regarding the use of the Trinity buildings rests with the Conference. The matter was raised at Church Council and the College Council was encouraged to proceed with planning. It would be helpful to receive, as soon as possible, the expressed mind of the Synods.

Further information relating to the United College will no doubt be available for Conference. The Council feels that what is contained in this report follows naturally from the word already spoken by the Conference of last year and is the outworking of the resolution then carried.

STAFF

On 3rd May of this year, the Council with very deep regret accepted the resignation of Dr J. A. Ziesler who has accepted an invitation to work in the Theological Department of St Matthias College, Bristol. Council passed the following statement of appreciation:

Reverend Dr J. A. Ziesler

The Reverend Dr John A. Ziesler has accepted appointments in the Departments of Theology of the College of St Matthias and of the University of Bristol. This marks the conclusion of a distinguished period of service as New Testament tutor at Trinity College. The appointments indicate the wide recognition that Dr Ziesler has won overseas as well as in New Zealand for the outstanding competence and quality of his teaching and research.

Dr Ziesler trained at Richmond College, England, where he became Student Chairman and, in his final year, the top candidate in the B.D. examinations of the London University. For two years he was Assistant Tutor at Didsbury College, Bristol, gaining there his M.A. degree. After a term in the Circuit Ministry in Hastings, New Zealand, he was appointed Tutor in New Testament studies at Trinity College, Auckland, commencing in February, 1962. He quickly won the confidence and affection of staff and students alike and raised to a very high standard the work in the New Testament field. In 1968, Dr Ziesler was invited to lecture at Wesley House, Cambridge. During this two year period, he served as President's Supply for the Reverend Professor E. G. Rupp and also gained his doctorate of Philosophy degree from the University of London. His thesis, "The Meaning of Righteousness in Paul" has just been published in the New Testament Monograph series.

Dr Ziesler stands at the forefront of New Testament scholarship. As teacher and colleague he has been a wonderful gift to the Church. In rare qualities of spirit and personality he is widely respected. He is leaving at a time when his ecumenical contribution is being increasingly valued.

Mrs Ziesler has also won a special place in the life of the College. Greatly appreciated have been her friendship, hospitality and many acts of service.

The College Council wishes to place on record its deep gratitude for the service of Dr Ziesler and to express to Dr and Mrs Ziesler and family their continuing good wishes and prayers that they may be blessed as they transfer to England.

The fine work of all members of the staff has undoubtedly made a contribution to the plans as outlined above and the esteem in which the Principal and staff members are held by Anglicans as well as Methodists is very pleasing to the Council.

In furtherance of the already accepted policy of sending members of the staff overseas for study, it is the intention of the Council to plan that the Rev. J. Silvester proceed overseas for the third term of 1973 and the first term of 1974.

SUCCESSOR TO DR ZIESLER

After careful study of all the factors involved in the joint teaching programme, Council agreed upon the policy of seeking a part-time Associate Tutor in New Testament Studies.

After discussion with the Orakei Circuit and with the Rev. W. R. G. Loader who has accepted an invitation to that Circuit, and after receiving agreement from them and from the Church Council, we recommend to Conference the appointment of the Rev. William R. G. Loader as part-time Associate Tutor in New Testament Studies.

GRAFTON HALL OF RESIDENCE

The Hall is functioning very satisfactorily. There is a demand for its excellent accommodation, and it has been consistently full. It is rendering a very real service to the student world. (Ministers should make the Hall known to prospective university students, advising them to apply through the University Lodgings' Officer).

Should Conference give permission for the leasing of Trinity buildings, this will mean the closing of the hostel after 43 years of service to the University and the student community. We believe that through the Grafton Hall of Residence we are continuing this contribution.

L. GREENSLADE, Chairman.

P. P. RUSHTON, Secretary.

TRINITY THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

COLLEGE COUNCIL — SECOND SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT

Trinity College Lease

Agreement has been reached in negotiations between the Trinity College Council and the New Zealand Government for the leasing of the Trinity College Buildings at the following rates per annum:

Hostel, classrooms and games room	35,350	
Richmond House	2,450	
Leigh House		2,200
		<hr/> \$40,000

Other houses, the Chapel and the basement under the library have been excluded. The lease is for three years with right of renewal for a further three years.

We are very much indebted to our valuer, Mr R. S. Gardner of Stace Bennett Ltd and to our negotiator, Mr L. W. Peak. We now seek approval of Conference to lease the buildings under these terms.

With this income the Council intends to build three Staff houses and make a substantial contribution to Students' allowances in 1973, in addition to the cost of accommodation — a total of approximately \$16,500.

At the end of the six year period, it is intended, as a joint venture, to take up again the Trinity Buildings for an expansion in ministerial and lay training. This will mean that this income will cease, and some financial preparation must be made for the new venture.

In the meantime we need the Budget contribution to meet current costs in the present financial year. From July 1973, until such time as the lease terminates, we shall make no claim on the Connexional Budget. Probert Trust will continue to pay staff stipends.

Methodist Buildings at St. John's

In response to the guidance of the Conference legal adviser, the College Council seeks the authority of Conference to amend its constitution to enable its funds to be spent in erecting Staff houses on land belonging to another denomination. So as to avoid delay, we ask that this authority be given and that the President and the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee be authorised to approve of the amendments to the constitution.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted.
2. That Conference approve the establishment of a united College on the basis of the structure outlined in this report.
3. That Trinity College Council be given authority to make arrangements for the leasing of the Trinity College buildings to the Government through the Department of Education for the establishment of a second School of Physiotherapy for a period of three years with right of renewal for three years.
4. That Conference record in terms of the statement in the report its deep appreciation of the ministry of the Rev. Dr J. A. Ziesler and extend to him the greetings and best wishes of the whole Church as he takes up his appointments in the Departments of Theology of the College of St Matthias and of the University of Bristol.
5. That the Rev. William R. G. Loader, B.A., B.D., be appointed part-time Associate Tutor in New Testament Studies.
6. That the Rev. J. Silvester be granted Study Leave for the third term of 1973 and the first term of 1974.
7. That the members of the College Council be as printed on page 9.
8. That the Methodist members of the Joint Executive Committee of the United College of St. John the Evangelist be: the Principal, the Chairman, the Secretary and the Treasurer, with power to appoint the deputy in each case.
9. **Trinity College Council — P.M.C. Foundation.**

That authority be given to the College Council to enter into negotiations which would enable the present lease from the College Council to the P.M.C. Foundation to be surrendered and replaced by the lease to the University of Auckland, perpetually renewable at a peppercorn rental, provided the present intention to use the buildings as a Hall of Residence be maintained, the University in turn to grant a sub-lease to the Foundation on similar terms, and that the terms of the lease be subject to the approval of the President and Church Building and Loan Fund Committee.

B.—PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

An orientation week early in February opened the College year. The latter part of it was shared with St John's College in an industrial seminar led by the President of the Federation of Labour, Mr T. Skinner, and the Industrial Chaplain, Rev. R. Randerson. The total roll of the combined Colleges numbers about 60 students to which the Methodist Church contributes sixteen Theological and four private students. In addition, there have been two students taking the School for Christian Workers' course. Two of the students have continued to serve on Connexional committees, Mr Grant with the Faith and Order Committee and Mr Roberts on the Ecumenical Committee. Under the very capable and helpful leadership of the Senior Student, Mr Stuart Grant, the College quickly settled into a busy programme for the year.

Relations with St John's College:

Joint teaching has continued at St John's College for four mornings in the week, each day beginning with combined worship, and on Wednesday mornings with inter-Communion. For students of both Colleges, this has been a period of deep questioning and discovery. There have been inherent difficulties in bringing together two traditions of worship but the experience has proved valuable. We have been received by the Acting Warden, the Rev. W. J. W. Rosevear, and the Staff with the utmost courtesy. Trinity students benefit from the tuition in voice production as well as from the wider range of teaching. Continuous assessment of work has largely replaced the more formal examination but students are still prepared for the Joint Board diploma examinations at the end of the year in the Licentiate of Theology. A re-examination of the Syllabus is being undertaken by both Colleges.

Colloquium:

On Fridays, the Colleges have met separately, a feature at Trinity College being the two period Student-Staff Colloquium in which issues are examined across the disciplines and without predetermined answers. The venture has been fruitful and has contributed much to the discovery of community.

We have been glad to welcome the wives of students to College discussions and activities. Their own meetings have continued also in Richmond House.

Visitors:

Visitors to the Colleges have included Professors D. Ritschl, H. Wardlaw, Canon B. Moss of the Commission on Ministry, Rabbi B. Fox, with Canon Daniel Jenkins to meet students later in the year.

On the Friday sessions we have benefited from the visits of the Rev. W. R. Laws, Mr C. R. Hasseldine; of the Revs P. K. DeZoete and A. K. Petch speaking on Church Union, and of the Rev. W. A. Chessum on Church Music. Much appreciated was the session with the Rev. Irwin Vogt.

Relations with Circuits:

Students have shared in experimental services especially in the Mt. Roskill and Pitt Street Churches. There is a possibility that the College, in conjunction with the Central Circuit, will continue to use the Chapel for experiments in worship and evangelism. We have been grateful for the opportunities of Supply work that have arisen. It is hoped that an even closer association will be developed between the College training and the life and work of the Circuits.

Staff:

The Rev. R. D. Rakena has continued his classes in Maori language and culture with first year students.

The departure of Dr J. A. Ziesler in August brings to an end a very distinguished period of service in Trinity College. Dr Ziesler has been an outstanding teacher, colleague and friend. Staff and students of both Colleges wish him and Mrs Ziesler and family well as they leave for overseas. It is fitting that this final year should be marked by the publication of his well received book "The Meaning of Righteousness in Paul". We shall miss them greatly.

All the Staff members have been involved not only in teaching at St John's College but in extra-curricular activities as well. Dr Ziesler in the Joint Commission on Church Union, Mr Silvester in the Roman Catholic/N.C.C. Joint Working Committee, Mr Ramage in the Inter-church Counselling Centre, the Principal in the Waikato Anglican Clergy School and the Anglican Consultation on Ministry.

Special Activities:

The Annual College Retreat was held at Camp Morley under the leadership of Dr Ziesler. Dr Ziesler also conducted the Week-end Workshop on the theme "Who is Jesus?", about 50 students and visitors from the Churches participating.

We are much indebted to Professor D. Lancashire of the Auckland University of Asian Studies Department for his three lectures on Buddhism. The Winter Course was arranged by Mr Ramage and again about 50 people attended.

Hostel:

Mrs Radcliffe resigned as Housekeeper at the beginning of the second Term. We are grateful to her for her service to the College over nearly two years. Mrs J. Smith has proved a very acceptable replacement.

With most of the Theological students living out, there have been in the Hostel 51 University Students. It would be interesting to compile a list of all who have lived at Trinity. Many of them today occupy places of leadership. With the possibility of the closing of the Hostel, many expressions of appreciation for past service are being received.

The Future:

Trinity College will continue in a new context if the Conference approves the recommendations of the College Council. We seek for it still the prayers and practical support of the Methodist people. Across the years we have been greatly helped and encouraged by many gifts to the Library and through bequests. We propose to maintain a Methodist extension in the Library Block of the united College. If and when the Churches take up again the Trinity buildings for continuing ministerial and lay practical training, the present Library will still be required. It will no doubt develop with a rather different emphasis but still within the biblical and theological context. We also seek to provide opportunities for training in New Zealand and overseas through the Scholarship Foundation and the Travel Fund.

Deaconess Training will be offered in the combined College. Applications for the School for Christian Workers will continue to be welcomed. It is hoped that increased facilities for lay training may become available through the resources of both Colleges.

General:

I am grateful to my Colleagues for their co-operation and support and to the College Council for very generous assistance in time and understanding during the year.

J. J. LEWIS, Principal.

RESOLUTION

1. That the report be received and adopted.

GIFTS TO THE COLLEGE AND THE LIBRARY

The Trinity College Council gratefully acknowledges the following gifts:

From the Estate of the late Mrs Eva Allen \$2000.00 for investment, the income to give financial assistance "to such students or ministers as the said College (Trinity) may select" for travel grants for overseas study.

From an anonymous donor, \$250.00 for assistance to married students over a period of six years; also from another anonymous donor \$40.00 for student assistance.

From the Percy and Ella Frances Memorial Trust \$100.00 and from the Estate of the late Miss E. L. Hight \$200.00 for the Scholarship Foundation.

From the Walters Trust \$800.00 for married students.

The Council has received also some early Circuit plans from Mr C. Bickers.

QUESTION 45.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Trinity Theological College and Hostel?

C.—TREASURER'S REPORT TRINITY METHODIST COLLEGE

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE 1972

General Account Income and Expenditure or No. 1

We commenced the year overdrawn by \$857 and we have finished the year with funds in hand of \$338.17.

Building or No. 2 Account

We have funds in hand at the Bank of New Zealand of \$327.43.

The Staff House Account

We have accumulated funds of \$2,405.63 and these are held in Bank of New Zealand Savings Account. The reason this money has accumulated is due to stopping all except essential work on Staff houses until the matter is decided re move to United College of St. John's.

Organ Fund

Based in the income from South British shares, the Organ Fund has a balance of \$692.30. So far we have been able to meet rising costs and maintain the organ in good condition.

House and Service Account

We were forced during the year to use:

Deposit Money	\$1,685.83
Bequest Money	\$500.00

This money has been repaid from the General Income and Expenditure or No. 1 Account. Also whereas the House Account previously provided income towards maintenance and insurance we had to provide this from No. 1 Account. An extra \$847.01 above the budget for maintenance and find for fire insurance \$420.00. In all a total sum of \$3,452.00 had to be paid from the No. 1 Account.

Fortunately the Probert Trust increased their grant and we were able to meet this increased expenditure. We hope that we have sufficient money to see us through until the Hostel is closed.

Appreciation

Our thanks to the Connexional Budget and Trusts which have supported us throughout the year. Also my thanks to the Principal and his staff in a very difficult year, particularly Rev. J. Silvester who has administered the House Account.

RESOLUTIONS

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

2. That the Trinity College Council be authorised to complete negotiations with the New Zealand Government for the leasing of the Trinity College Hostel, class rooms, games room and Richmond and Leigh Houses on the terms indicated.

3. That authority be given to the College Council to amend its constitution to enable the erection of Staff Houses and land belonging to another denomination and that the President and the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee be authorised to approve of the amendments to the constitution.

4. That Conference express appreciation of the work of the Rev. L. Greenslade as Chairman of the College Council during the important period of negotiations towards a United College.

D.—THE UNITING OF THE COLLEGES AND THE FUTURE USE OF THE TRINITY BUILDINGS

The Lease: The College Council notes the unanimous Synod support for its proposal to lease the Trinity buildings for six years. Details are not yet clarified but will be presented to Conference.

A consultation on the future use of the buildings will be called before the end of this year, having in mind the opportunities they present for a widening of practical training in a strategically placed centre.

The Curriculum: The College curriculum is constantly under review and it is expected that, with the increase in staff and resources, further changes will become possible.

Reassessment and revision of the College course began in November 1970 in preliminary discussions between the Staff and the Council. Recent students were invited to comment on the training received but the project was dropped when it was learned that the President was conducting a separate investigation. In the meantime certain changes were being made and these have been reflected in the curriculum approved by Conference 1971.

In March of this year, Staff and Council members of both Colleges met Professor Dietrich Ritschl to discuss developments in ministerial training on the Continent and in the United States. In May the Principal shared in an Anglican consultation, representative of all Dioceses, on training for ministry in New Zealand. Special contributions were made by the Director of Christian Education, the Rev. John Mullane, and by Canon Basil Moss of the English Commission on Ministry.

The whole pattern of work and worship for a united College has been considered in two consultations of Staff and Students, the first under the leadership of Canon Moss. Investigations are being

continued by two working parties, one on worship and the other on curriculum. There is no desire with Anglicans or Methodists to blur distinctions or create a dull uniformity. The new Warden is being kept informed and we look forward to his contribution when he arrives next January. Dr Andersen, who is an Old Testament specialist, has had ecumenical experience in his work in Berkeley, California.

It is of interest that, in the discussions on the curriculum, Trinity students expressed concern at the possible erosion of content from the course. They have urged Methodist staff members to ensure that, in any changes made, opportunity be kept for the acquisition of basic biblical and theological as well as pastoral and educational skills.

A three year course is being discussed, the first year to provide tools, the second to incorporate themes, the third to be elective. Conference has already granted Trinity College authority to proceed on this basis. A fourth year is not precluded. Practical research is built into the proposed course and, as Trinity College reports have already indicated, the desire is to build courses around the needs of individual students and to respond to questions arising from living situations in Church and community. The world does not provide all the agenda, however, since God also has questions to ask of men.

College Diploma: Each student who has completed a satisfactory course in the College receives a certificate to this effect. The assessment is made on personal as well as academic development and is vocationally directed. It is quite independent of L.Th. and B.D. results. Incidentally group student assessment is being discussed in this connection. The granting of a Diploma of Ministry, as with the Government Diploma of Teaching, would have meaning only after a period of ministerial service.

The Diploma Licentiate in Theology provides a very useful external test for those who desire it. It offers opportunity for practical and theoretical pastoral and cultural studies as well as for study in the biblical and theological disciplines. Those who have worked with it have found it in no way inhibiting of creative research. In each year of operation, it has been modified and continues to have an experimental character. The Church still expects its ministers to be biblically literate and to be able to think theologically as well as to be technically competent. The L.Th. is directed towards this end. It does not represent the whole work of the College. Completion of the diploma is for Methodist students optional but opportunity needs to be given those students who wish it to gain necessary qualifications for overseas research, practical as well as academic. Ecumenically the L.Th. provides a standard that can be compared with that set by other colleges in Australia and the Pacific.

New Testament Appointment: While the Methodist contribution in the future may well be three members of Staff, the Council seeks now the appointment of the Rev. W. R. G. Loader as Associate Tutor in New Testament Studies. The appointment will help to maintain the expert contribution given by Dr Ziesler. It will also make possible in the larger College greater flexibility in the approach to students and the direction of studies.

Assistance in other fields of related studies is already being drawn in, in special short term courses and through visiting lecturers. In time new Chairs may well be established as a joint venture. We are seeking also a closer relationship with the University.

The appointment of Mr Loader adds no cost to the Connexional Budget and will be under annual review.

Name of New Centre: The Council has sympathy with the objection to the name "Wesley Block". This new building will be for teaching and administration and it is questioned whether it could appropriately be called a "Hall" or "House". The name follows the existing pattern, "Paterson Wing", "Selwyn Block". It may be possible to use the word "Wing" in each case. We welcome further suggestions.

The Trinity College Council and Staff are involved in a complicated exercise in the uniting of two Colleges with different traditions. They are well aware of the pressure of changing needs. They believe that much has been achieved but they need the support and informed interest of the Church for their work to be effective.

L. GREENSLADE, Chairman,
J. J. LEWIS, Principal.

RESOLUTION

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

QUESTION 46.—What are the resolutions of the Conference in regard to:—

- (a) The Order of Deaconesses?
- (b) The training of Deaconesses?

DEACONESS BOARD AND WARDEN'S REPORT, 1972

Trainees: At the end of 1971 three trainees left Trinity College. Sister Rhonnda Mason was appointed on probation to Taranaki Maori Circuit, and has since resigned. Sister Hana Hauraki was appointed on probation to Northland Maori Circuit, where she continues her good service. Sister Lesley Bowen was ordained and returned to serve with the United Church of Papua, New Guinea and the Solomon Islands. The candidate anticipated to begin studies in 1972 was unsuccessful, and we have no trainees at the moment. Two candidates are offering this year, so we hope to have at least one first-year trainee in 1973, perhaps two.

Finances: With no trainees' expenses for six months, the finances of the Board have been no problem this year. Our request to the Budget Committee is thus correspondingly lower.

Convocation was held this year at Rangiatea in New Plymouth. As well as the Warden, Mrs Beresford attended representing the Board. Mrs Cassidy was also there. Remits have been forwarded concerning the Diaconate as outlined in the Plan for Union, the nature of Deaconess service and the related matter of training, and also concerning Deaconesses owning their own furniture. The first two matters are the concern of a study committee led by the Rev. J. Silvester, and Circuits have also been asked to express opinion about service and training matters. Regarding furniture, the Convocation approved the principle of Deaconesses owning furniture, in a similar way to that set out for ministers, but felt that special consideration would need to be given to the position of probationers and those employed or living in institutions.

It was decided not to hold a full Convocation in 1973, when an international event, the Regional Consultation on Service, is to be held in Christchurch from 16th to 23rd January. Methodist Deaconesses and the Warden will meet for a day before the Consultation begins.

Deaconess Work and Training: Circuits are thanked for their response and attention to the Questionnaire circulated earlier this year by the Warden. The object was to understand better the wishes and thinking of the wider Church regarding Deaconess work and training, and also to determine the future prospects for employment of Deaconesses in Circuits. The results of the research and study of the committee referred to above may well influence the training of successful candidates from this Conference onwards.

Personal: It is with mixed regret and gratitude that we record this year the retirement of three of our senior Deaconesses from active service: Sister Anne Wilson, Matron of Seamer House for the past seven years; Sister Dorothy Pointon, for ten years associated with the Bible Society work; and Sister Atawhai George, well known and loved in the Northland Maori Circuit. Full tribute is paid to these three outstanding women elsewhere, but the Board wishes to record its thanks and gratitude for their years of faithful service.

C. J. KEIGHTLEY, Chairman.

J. H. OSBORNE, Warden.

W. A. CHESSUM, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report and financial statements be received and adopted.
2. That the Board for 1973 be as printed on page 6.

QUESTION 46.—(c) What is the Report of the Morley House Committee?

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE FOR “MORLEY HOUSE” (formerly Deaconess House)

CHRISTCHURCH, 1972.

Morley House in Latimer Square, Christchurch, has continued to fulfil its role as a girls' hostel during the year. Twenty first year and three second year students are in residence. They attend the Kindergarten and Teachers' Training Colleges, the Technical Institute and Canterbury University.

Three main areas of difficulty have emerged during the year:

1. Difficulty in keeping the hostel full. This is in part due to the Canterbury Education Board's changed policy which now allows first year students to go flatting.

2. Staffing difficulties. We are indebted to Mr R. Flesher and the Ladies House Committee for coping with this problem and especially to the ladies for helping out practically with their time on many occasions.

3. Financial. Empty beds, increased salaries and wages, maintenance on the property and an overall increase in costs has led to difficulties in running the hostel at a profit. Indications are that small hostels will not be economic propositions in the future.

As a result of these difficulties the Morley House Committee appreciated consultation with the Standing Commission on Church Property.

Despite the difficulties encountered during the year the Committee believes the Hostel has made a valuable contribution in the life of the Church in providing hostel accommodation in Christchurch for students.

W. A. CHAMBERS, Chairman.
K. J. TAYLOR, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report and Financial Statements be received and adopted.
2. That in view of the financial and other difficulties in continuing the Hostel, the Hostel be closed at the end of 1972.
3. That the Morley House Committee bear in mind its responsibilities to the Deaconess Board in particular the payments due to it.
4. That the Morley House Committee consider use of the property as a commercial investment for the next five years.
5. That the long term use of the property be considered along with the use of other properties in the inner city (e.g. Epworth Chambers, Central Mission site, Wesley Church Fitzgerald Avenue).
6. The Conference recommends that Connexional Fund(s) endeavour to acquire the property by 1st January 1974.
7. That in view of the rapidly changing conditions since decisions of Conference 1969 and 1970 the Church Building and Loan Fund in consultation with the Standing Commission on Church Property review the question of disposal of the Morley House property and the proceeds and report to Conference 1973.
8. That the retiring Morley House Committee be thanked for its valuable contribution to the life of the Church in providing hostel accommodation for students in Christchurch over the years.
9. That the Morley House Committee for 1973 be as printed on page 7 herein.

QUESTION 47—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Colleges, Schools and Hostel?

WESLEY TRAINING COLLEGE, PAERATA

REPORT OF THE BOARD 1972

In these days of inflation and increased costs all New Zealanders are familiar with the cries of administrators of the difficulty in matching expenditure with income but only those closely interested in or connected with education are aware of the exceedingly heavy increase in salaries which have had to be met to keep pace with State increases and in the provision of seemingly ever expanding educational aids and equipment.

The disappointing and somewhat disturbing Annual Accounts submitted with this Report showing an overall operating deficit despite the assistance received from various State grants will disclose to the examiner something of the problems now facing the Board in maintaining the established standards at Wesley College. Without the successful effort of Departmental Heads in confining all costs under their control to reasonable levels the overall operating deficit would have been much greater and the Board is grateful to all those who worked so conscientiously and well over the period under review.

In contrast to the rather sombre state of the finances it was most pleasing indeed to learn of the successes obtained in open competition

wherein for the first time in the College history a National Scholarship was attained in addition to five Bursaries being awarded. These achievements along with the well above average passes obtained in the University Entrance and School Certificate examinations completed a most successful year and the Board was pleased to congratulate the Principal and his staff on their contributions to the examination results and also to the wonderful spirit evident at the College, which leads to favourable comment whenever the College attends public functions.

In last year's Report reference was made to the intensive study being carried out on the operations at the Farm at Paerata and since then it has been decided to retain this property for further development as a separate revenue producing asset to assist in the support of the College. Anticipated increased revenue from this source is not expected to take effect until the 1973 year and it is intended that the whole position will be reviewed again in five years' time.

Our Act Amendment was passed in late November and immediate action was taken under the widened provisions for the sale or disposal of lands held by the Board under endowments by offering the existing lessees the opportunity to freehold their sections. The Waikowhai Park Freeholding Scheme is at present in progress and the response from the previous lessees has far exceeded the prior expectations of the Board. It has been decided to invest the proceeds deriving from this Freeholding Scheme in commercial or industrial properties or other authorised investments of advantage in terms of the recommendations made by the Standing Commission. Several propositions have been considered and the Property and Finance Committee are actively seeking attractive avenues of investment but no decisions have yet been taken.

A small area of land was developed at Waikowhai Park Estate to yield 11 sections which were all sold on a freehold basis in the current financial year. The proceeds of this subdivision known as Hames Terrace are to be applied toward the costs of a further subdivision, which could be the last, in the Waikowhai area. The remaining land is of somewhat difficult nature for development purposes and the Mt. Roskill Borough Council has expressed interest in maintaining this in its natural state as a passive Reserve and negotiations with the local body are in train at the moment.

Full investigations of the present and future requirements of the College and supporting facilities have been carried out by engineers and the detailed plans are at present being prepared for the water supply and sewage disposal scheme, expected to cost approximately \$40,000, which will provide the basic elements on which the College can be expanded in line with the recommendations as prepared by the Board's Architects. The immediate building programme has given priority to the College Chapel extensions, alterations and upgrading and we are indebted to the Rev. W. R. Laws for his assistance in the preparation of the preliminary plans. Estimates have been prepared and are being examined at the present time but it appears that a total sum of approximately \$30,000 will be involved, against which the Board holds in special funds donated for this purpose something over \$2,100, while the Wesley College Old Boys' Association are to donate a further \$650 being the amount subscribed by their members for the project.

In the current year the College has benefited from new scholarships deriving from Mr J. Stuart Caughey and the Snow Knott Memorial Scholarship administered by the Wesley College Old Boys' Association, as well as receiving an increased award from the Auckland Savings Bank. These new awards and the continuing awards

are most valuable assistance to pupils in obtaining their first class education provided at Wesley and for those people wishing to foster education the system of providing scholarships is warmly commended.

The Board is very much aware that because of changing circumstances—rising costs, greater emphasis on scientific and technological training and of the need of the Church to be involved in what may prove to be new ways—it is making a careful and intensive study of our aims and objectives. It hopes to be able to present a statement of its investigations along these lines to Conference.

Since the last Report Rev. R. D. Rakena, Mr C. Firth, M.Sc. and Mr J. W. Hull were appointed to vacancies on the Board, which is now at full complement and is proving very enthusiastic and hard working.

In February of this year Mr W. E. Donnelly was appointed Chairman of the Board and Mr H. M. Denton was appointed as Deputy Chairman. These appointments arose from the resignation of Mr J. Stuart Caughey who we are glad to report remains a Member of the Board.

It was resolved by the Board that the following tribute be placed before Synods and Conference at part of our Report:—

"The Board wishes to place on record its sense of gratitude to Mr J. Stuart Caughey for his notable term of service to the College both as a Member since 1934 and as Chairman of the Board for the past 20 years.

"Mr Caughey joined the Board at a time when the Trust was almost bankrupt and the School depressed. He has helped to guide the institution through a long period of growth to its present encouraging level. The endowments have been developed so as to make possible the erection of an Assembly Hall, Administration Block, new classrooms and laboratories, and an additional dormitory block. A large dining hall has been provided, an eight acre sports field laid down and a number of staff houses have been built. The School has grown in size and in efficiency and has earned a gratifying academic status.

"Through all these events Mr Caughey has guided the Board with wisdom, dignity and grace. He took office with diffidence but has grown in the job. Never obtruding himself, he has been unmistakably in control. His approach is essentially fair minded, human and Christian, and the staff as well as Board members know that he will always listen. We would like him to know that in the Board he is regarded with affection as well as with respect. We are glad that he remains a Member of the Board and hope that he will be available to advise for many years to come."

We also take this opportunity of placing on record our grateful thanks for the six years of service to the College given by Rev. Ian H. McKenzie, M.Sc.—not only as our hard-working Chaplain but also for his sterling performance as our Mathematics Teacher. We wish him well in his future Ministry.

W. E. DONNELLY, Chairman.

G. C. B. MINOGUE, General Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report and Financial Statements be received and adopted.
2. That Rev. W. A. Chessum, Mus.B., be appointed Teacher-Chaplain to Wesley College as from 1st February, 1973.
3. That the Board for 1973 be as printed on page 9 herein.

REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL 1972

STAFF:

In all areas, we have been fortunate to retain the services of a very capable and dedicated group of heads of Departments. The quality of these men and women is reflected by the stability of the staff within their areas of responsibility.

On the teaching side we lost the services of Mr Quentin Johnson, a young man who during his four years at College, gave very liberally of his time and interests, in order to encourage the boys.

On the health side of the School, Mrs Chester, a visitor from Canada, proved to be both competent and very sympathetic to the boys' welfare. We have been always fortunate to gain matrons who are very concerned for the health of the boys and, as the result of this concern and involvement, their terms at Wesley have not been for very lengthy periods. There is a real need to ensure that 230 boys—the family—do not overtax the matrons because of their desires to be mothered.

In the teaching area the long hours of teaching and supervision and the need for greater personal involvement with individual pupils, as is peculiar in the boarding school situation, calls for even greater dedication by staff. The quality of our teaching staff would compare more than favourably with most schools.

In all work fields, the increased rates of pay, overtime allowances and changed conditions of employment outside the College have caused a degree of unease within the College work force.

EXAMINATIONS:

Bursaries: The year would be voted as most successful. The College gained its first National University Scholarship—Richard Maurice gaining twelfth place in the national examinations. In addition, five other boys in the class of eleven gained Bursaries passes and one gained an economics pass in the Society of Accountants' examination.

University Entrance: 22 boys gained University Entrance, two by examination. All boys qualified for the Sixth Form Certificate.

School Certificate: Of 59 candidates 32 gained full passes to the sixth form, and of the remainder only nine failed to gain at least one subject pass.

CLUB WORK:

The range of subjects continues to cater for boys' interests, and to the list of photography, amateur radio, gymnastics, Polynesian culture, bridge and chess, Young Farmers' Club, Mechanics and driving skills, drama, field craft, German, hobbies' building, e.g. canoes, boats, we have now added cooking and leather craft.

ROLL

The roll stands at 231—including 44 Maori students of whom four are day boys; two students from Fiji; two from the Solomons; four from Tahiti and four from Tonga. This is a drop in roll as compared with the previous year, but even at this level, dining room and classroom accommodation is fully taxed.

There is no doubt that provision will need to be made for scholarships not only for Polynesian students, but also for deserving boys of all races.

The institution of further competitive scholarships would assist to raise the standard of pupil in the classes. With the rise in costs and necessary increase in fees the ability of the lower and middle income groups is severely taxed to meet fees, and the Polynesian roll would be that which would decrease first.

COURSES:

Liberal Studies classes, under the guidance of Messrs Ducker and Peddie have covered a very wide range of topics. Several outstanding speakers have contributed to discussions on controversial issues. Subjects and speakers have included:—

Aspects of Insurance—by Mr O'Loughlin.

The Problems of Adolescence—Mr Edwards, psychologist.

The Value of Travel—Slides.

The Year 2000—Rev. Tom Carr.

Responsibility in the Third World—a group of Corso speakers.

Society from the Point of View of the Protester—

Tim Shadbolt.

Representatives for the New Zealand Army.

Narcotics—Narcotics Education Service—Mr Jenkins.

Racism and N.Z.—Three representatives of the Nga Tama Toa Association.

Courses are divided into three broad areas. Boys in the Agricultural, General and Professional courses, all sit the School Certificate examination.

Emphasis on the mathematics/science subjects is strong and we are attempting to build more interest in the Arts.

Maori and French are the language options for boys whether taking the Professional or General courses.

With the continued expansion of subject work together with curricular changes, particularly at senior levels, attempts to enable Senior students greater free time for private study, as well as be assured that subject matter is adequately covered for examination, poses problems in administration.

Team teaching in the Science subjects is proving successful. In other subjects, there have been difficulties in organisation, even within a frame-work of block timetabling.

RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION, CHAPEL AND BIBLE CLASS

Religious instruction continues under Rev. McKenzie and in an effort to make services more acceptable to the questioning students, the nature of evening services continued to be varied, and outside speakers, films and records have been used regularly in services.

Voluntary Bible Classes continue with a good, though small core of very regular attenders. Because of the involvement of many staff in Bible Class and Sunday School activities outside of the College, Rev. McKenzie has had the extra burden of trying to provide regular teachers.

The policy of advertising for active Christians to become members of College staff, has resulted in the presence in the Pukekohe Methodist circuit of a Sunday School superintendent, two Sunday School teachers, two senior Bible Class Leaders, one popular choirmaster for Sunday School choirs, three lay preachers, and a much used Chaplain.

Other members of the staff are active in other Churches in other areas.

We have sustained the loss of Mr D. Sealby, who is undergoing missionary training in the Auckland area, and Mr and Mrs Mikan who are now undergoing training at a mission school in Tasmania.

SPORT:

The policy of every person playing unless medically excused results in very full participation.

In all areas of sport, both summer and winter, the reputation of the pupils for both their standard of sport and their sportsmanship is very high. Both staff and students contribute mightily towards the

reputation which the College now enjoys.

Some achievements in the sporting spheres include the selection of eleven of the College 1st XV in the Counties Secondary Schools' representative Rugby team which is to play in the inter-Union tournament.

In athletics our senior athletics team gained four firsts, three seconds and a third in a competition which includes fourteen other schools. Over the past four years our senior athletes' team has gained highest placings on three occasions, and over the last five years our senior relay team has gained three first and one second placings.

In swimming two new Manukau Secondary Schools' records were set by two brothers whilst competing in the Inter-Secondary competitions.

APPRECIATION:

The College staff would record their appreciation of work done by the Board in their determination to develop a first class College. We would particularly place on record the support, sympathetic understanding, sincerity and approachability of Mr Stuart Caughey in his capacity as Board Chairman over a long period of years.

Present staff members at the College have always been impressed by his directness; his concern for their home life and the part which they play in the life of the College, and in particular the humility of Mr and Mrs Caughey whilst providing leadership for the College.

E. TeR. TAUROA, Principal.

RESOLUTION

1. That the Report of the Principal be received and adopted.

QUESTION 47—What are the Resolutions respecting Colleges, Schools and Hostels—

B.—RANGIATEA MAORI COLLEGE TRUST

REPORT TO SYNODS, 1972

The Board takes pleasure in expressing its gratitude to and confidence in the Matron and her staff in the fine work done with the girls, many of whom have had only limited contact with city life previously.

After nine years of quiet, conscientious service at Rangiatea Miss Jones has resigned in order to visit her family in Canada. This reliable, devoted service was noted at a farewell morning tea in her honour in June. The Board was able to express its gratitude for loyalty and deep influence on the girls to Miss Jones and to wish her God-speed for her journey.

In an effort to keep the Hostel before the folk in Taranaki and to cement personal relationships between the girls and Methodist families, a Garden Party was held in the grounds one Saturday in March. The response was disappointing for the organisers, but those who did attend profited from their contact with the staff and girls.

We gratefully acknowledge the grant from the Grey Institute Trust of \$15,000 made available this year to repay the outstanding overdraft which had accumulated. This removed an embarrassing item from our accounts for which the whole Church shares the thankfulness of the Board.

Over the last two years the Board has given very careful attention through its executive committee, to the financial position of the Hostel and its possible future. For the current academic year the fees

were raised in keeping with similar institutions and a carefully prepared budget forecast was made on the basis of a sixty girl occupancy of the Hostel. The bed capacity of the Hostel is 68 girls. But this academic year of 1972 has not seen our expectations for residents realised. Instead of 60 girls the year commenced with 47 girls and currently stands at 41. The reduced income from fees has meant that even with careful planning and continuous scrutiny of expenditure, we finish the year with a nett loss of \$2,874.33. The Hostel receives annual grants from three supporting Boards amounting to \$7,850, and the year immediately following the generous additional grant from the Grey Institute Trust to eliminate the overdraft and interest payment embarrassment, we face a deficit in the accounts. After a careful analysis of the prospects facing us, we feel we must acquaint the Church with our position.

To enable us to meet our costs and keep up the maintenance on our fine set of buildings we require an annual MINIMUM roll of sixty girls. This does not appear to us impossible, but is not readily achieved. The development of District High Schools in many smaller centres has greatly affected the demand for Hostel accommodation. This is reflected in the reduced rolls of the boarding establishments attached to High Schools.

In the face of these facts our Board feels constrained to ask the Church two questions: 1. Does the Church or our society feel the need for such an institution as the Rangiatea Maori Girls' Hostel? 2. Is the Church warranted in subsidising further a Hostel like Rangiatea in the face of so many other demands?

N.B.: The Board would greatly value the comment of Synods and interested people on these two questions. These may be forwarded to the Secretary, P.O. Box 376, New Plymouth.

W. R. FRANCIS, Chairman.
M. H. BURN, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted.

The Financial Statement and nominations for the Board will be presented direct to Conference.

2. That the Board for 1973 be as printed on page 8.

QUESTION 48—What are the Resolutions of the Conference in regard to: (a) The Board of New Zealand Methodist?

THE BOARD OF THE NEW ZEALAND METHODIST

REPORT TO CONFERENCE 1972

The N.Z. Methodist is expected by Conference to be "the voice of the Church and Conference on matters of Christian faith and its application to daily life; it should be continually lifting up the issues and events of our times for appraisal in the light of the Gospel; it should be the instrument of education and information for all departments of Methodism." The Editor and Board continue to fulfil this function to the best of their ability.

Editorial:

In January Mr David Hines was appointed to assist the Editor and provide overdue relief to Mr Harris. He is enthusiastic and has settled well into the task of becoming familiar with the necessary

skills. We expect this assistance to enable the Editor to move about the Connexion more and have encouraged him to accept invitations to visit Districts.

It was with very much regret that the Board accepted Mr Harris's decision not to renew his contract which expires at the end of this year. Mutual trust and confidence has always marked the relationship between Mr Harris and the Board, which has a very high regard indeed for the quality of his work. His reasons for not renewing are entirely personal.

The position was advertised overseas and in New Zealand and the Rev. John Bluck will be nominated to Conference as the new Editor.

From time to time the Editor has to use his discretion in refusing advertising that is misleading or unchristian or in other ways a denial of what the paper stands for. He would also like to remind Districts, Boards and Departments that he welcomes news and reports from them.

Board:

During the year, with the consent of the Acting-President, Mr David Lange was appointed to the Board.

Circulation, Distribution:

Circulation has remained steady during the year, local fluctuations resulting in a slight overall increase.

The two non-Methodist members of the Board are consulting together and continuing to make approaches within their own denominations with a view to increasing readership. In a few cases parishes make bulk purchases and distribute the paper to their people.

The Board is considering ways of increasing circulation with special reference to Union Parishes and among the general public. We have two experimental honesty boxes in Auckland.

During the year a letter was sent to all Circuits asking for a check on local distribution. From replies received it is clear that there was room for improvement in some places, but the Board was encouraged by the initiative shown in others where imaginative efforts are made to widen the paper's influence. Bulk delivery from the printer fails on an odd occasion but is generally satisfactory.

Finance and Advertising:

Increased costs and the appointment of editorial assistance mean a substantial increase in expenditure, and the resignation of our advertising agent will inevitably mean a reduction in revenue unless a satisfactory successor can be found. In spite of this the Board has not yet asked for an increased Budget allocation.

Partners-in-Print maintains a steady level and the Board is grateful to all who assist in this way. Advertising rates have been increased for the first time and a new and attractive rates card has been issued.

Fiji Tour:

This venture was reported to have been most successful and the Board is very grateful to Mr W. Donnelly, whose Fijian experience proved invaluable as leader. Many more applications were received than could be accommodated and despite the fact that the project involved a lot of secretarial time the Board will consider initiating similar tours.

Combined Church Paper:

It was a great disappointment to the Board that other churches showed little enthusiasm for a combined paper along the lines of the N.Z. Methodist, but it will watch for opportunities to foster the concept.

Thanks:

The Board expresses its thanks to the many people throughout the country who assist the paper by circuit and local distribution, by contributing material and in other ways. It is especially grateful to the Rev. Les. Gilmore who has completed the indexing of the 1st volume of the paper. This is an onerous, time-consuming job, and the Board is hopeful that someone can be found to complete this work and keep it up-to-date.

H. A. DARVILL, Chairman.

R. J. F. REID, Acting Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

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

2. That Mr Ian Harris, M.A. be thanked most sincerely for his services to the Church over the five years of his editorship. In doing so, Conference places on record that Mr Harris has given very devoted service to the N.Z. Methodist. His own Christian conviction, his sound understanding of Christian theology, his technical skills, his apt and lucid style, his sensitivity to people and his courage in handling controversial subjects have all been offered generously to the church. True he has disappointed and even angered some people, but he has always endeavoured faithfully to carry out Conference's intention for the N.Z. Methodist. He has been scrupulously fair, he has generated debate, he has produced a paper which has few counterparts in the world church and which is spoken of in the highest terms in many countries outside our own. Conference records its highest appreciation to Mr Harris and wishes him well in the future.

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3. That the Rev. John Bluck, M.A., B.D., be appointed Editor of the New Zealand Methodist from 1st January, 1973, for a period of five years.

4. That the Board for 1973 be as printed on page 7.

QUESTION 48—What are the Resolutions of the Conference in regard to: (b) The Board of Publications?

THE BOARD OF PUBLICATIONS

ANNUAL REPORT 1972

The activities of the Board this year have been confined to the publication of the Prayer Manual and the sale of previously published material.

The Board made a grant of \$250 to the Wesley Historical Society towards the publication of the series for the 150th anniversary of

Methodism in New Zealand. We would like to commend these books to the church, and suggest them as suitable gifts and presents for individuals, as well as an undoubted asset in the recording of the history of our church.

Adequate stocks of "Layman's Handbook" and "Christian Behaviour Today" are on hand and these could be used more widely. Now that a wide range of challenging material is available through the Christian Life Curriculum there is less demand for a purely Methodist publishing programme. However, until Church Union is a reality, there will be a continuing need to promote our own mission and to educate our people, and the Board will continue to carry out the task given to it by the Conference.

G. I. LAURENSEN, Chairman.
J. H. OSBORNE, Executive Officer.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report and financial statements be received and adopted.
2. That the Board for 1973 be as printed on page 8.

QUESTION 48—What are the Resolutions of the Conference in regard to (c) Radio and Television?

A.—RADIO AND TELEVISION COMMITTEE

REPORT TO SYNODS 1972

Religious Broadcasting and the N.Z.B.C.

The N.Z.B.C. is setting up a religious broadcasting unit at the request of the churches to organise and be responsible for all religious broadcasting on the N.Z.B.C. (radio and television). It will be fully operative by the end of 1972.

The structure is a **Religious Broadcasting Unit**, with a Head of Religious Broadcasts. Under the Head will be an Executive Producer (radio) and an Executive Producer (television). These two will work through local stations and local producers as required.

There will be established a **Religious Programmes Advisory Committee** with about 20 members nominated by the churches to the N.Z.B.C. The number is to be fixed on a census basis and related to the 'mainstream' Churches. The Methodist Church will have one representative. The committee will meet twice a year to advise on matters of policy: to comment on any religious programmes where taste is involved, on trends, and on standards. It will also review and comment on programmes.

The Religious Programmes Advisory Committee will nominate a **Consultative Committee** of four to advise the officer in charge of the Religious Programmes Unit. It will meet up to four times a year.

The Consultative Committee would nominate one of its members to act as a **Consultant** on a day to day basis.

General

The present plan of denominational broadcasting, i.e. allocation of broadcasts on the basis of the number of adherents, will be continued on radio and television for church services and children's Sunday programmes. All television church services will be broadcast on network. Eight network services will replace the present six on each individual channel each year. The churches would be expected to accept the N.Z.B.C.'s opinion on the suitability of churches for television and radio services.

Churches Television Commission has agreed that it will be phased out of existence at the end of the year.

The Churches are being asked if they are willing to meet in a Conference to consider developments in Radio and Television. This is to consider a wide range of topics such as relations with the Broadcasting Authority, the N.Z.B.C., Private Stations, a Second TV Channel, training of men, production of programmes and whether or not an ecumenical organisation should be set up to enable the churches to work together in these areas. The Methodist R. & TV. Committee has agreed to support such a conference.

The role of the Methodist Committee is uncertain at present but it seems likely that it will be continued to liaise with radio and television organisations and with other churches, to assist in training, and to make critical comment on programmes from Methodist origins.

The Methodist R. & TV. Committee has supported the principle of N.Z.B.C. establishing its own Religious Broadcasting Unit. We are satisfied with the proposed changes and we believe they will contribute to the more effective presentation of the Christian gospel.

R. S. ANDREWS, Convener.

EXCERPTS FROM THE 1971 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CHURCHES TELEVISION COMMISSION

Administration:

The reshaping of the Commission operations was implemented from February 1st. The Constitution was amended to allow for activities under one director instead of co-directors, and under three Regional Officers instead of one Area Officer. The system has worked well although some difficulties were experienced in the Southern Region due to the relative distance of Dunedin from the officer's location.

Programme planning was further rationalised. The chief obstacle remained the inability to plan adequately to cover all the facets of Christianity as it is understood by ten different churches and do justice to all aspects of Christian life and witness. The fact is with a 15 to 20 minute slot once per week this cannot be achieved.

Programmes:

The decision to screen "series" of 5 to 6 in each, was on the whole a wise one and "Scrutiny" became an established feature. Musical programmes emerged as popular, notably "Songs of Praise" on the BBC model produced by the Rev. Dr. R. Falconer (Head of Scottish BBC Religious Department). Other programmes of merit were "I Believe in the Gospel of Life and Laughter" which featured Mr A. R. Reid: the two on the "Life and Times of Bishop Selwyn" and "Five Knots".

Outside broadcasts were mounted from 28 different parishes of six denominations.

Roman Catholic Church:

During 1971 an amalgamation of the Commission and the R.C. Broadcasting Committee was arranged becoming effective in October. Two representatives were appointed to the Commission and financial arrangements made which enabled quotas for all to be slightly lower than anticipated.

The Roman Catholic Church also provided the services of the Southern Regional Director.

N.Z.B.C.:

During the year the C.R.A.C. was negotiating with the N.Z.B.C. as to the terms for setting up of a "Unit" for religious programmes and by the end of the year agreement had been reached. The "Unit" will therefore come into being in mid 1972, and be fully operative by the end of that year. It will have responsibility for the programmes currently initiated by the Commission, and will have at its head the present N.Z.B.C. Controller of Programme Services.

This will entail an entire re-structure of the Commission, or an end to its activities. Though the responsibility is to pass to the "Unit" it has an inbuilt consultative obligation to the Churches acting either together or separately. Further, since the "Unit" will require the co-operation of the Churches, attention must be given in 1972 to what future plans the Commission has for its own role in Broadcasting.

General:

Whatever the future may hold for the Commission, in its eleven years of operations it has effectively forged a close co-operation between the Churches in their broadcasting responsibilities and kept well abreast of developments in the media. It has had its failures and successes in its programmes, but it commands a degree of broadcasting expertise which should not be lost to the Churches.

CHARLES HARRISON, Director.

April 27th, 1972.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted.
2. That a grant of \$150 be provided to the committee through the Contingent Fund.
3. That the Methodist representative on the Religious Broadcasting Advisory Committee be the Rev. J. A. Penman.
4. That the Board for 1973 be as printed on page 8.

RADIO & TELEVISION COMMITTEE

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT

Representatives of all the churches broadcasting on NZBC met for a consultation on September 13th-14th, 1972 in Wellington to consider developments in Radio and Television. Decisions were as follows:—

1. It was agreed that a committee be established to foster ecumenical co-operation in Broadcasting and that the Churches be asked to ratify this action.

In setting up the committee the Conference recognised that the Denominational Directors in Consultation are the people responsible for all technical and specialist functions on behalf of their Churches. The sole purpose of this committee shall be to establish a means of consultation between the Churches.

Specifically the committee shall be charged:

- (a) To consult with the Churches' Directors on any matter either they or the Committee may consider important, especially in assisting the Directors to liaise with all the Churches. It is recognised that one or more Directors may also be members of the Committee.

(b) To investigate any area in radio and television broadcasting where ecumenical co-operation and action may seem necessary.

(c) To facilitate arrangements for any future consultations such as this.

Members of the committee are F. C. Harrison (Anglican Director), B. Tottman (Roman Catholic), L. A. Weggary (Salvation Army Director), C. M. Russ (Church of Christ), M. J. Campbell (Presbyterian Director).

2. It was agreed that this Consultation of appointed representatives of the Churches request the Minister of Broadcasting and the Broadcasting Authority to discuss with representatives of the Conference the appointment of a Committee "To advise the Authority on matters relating to religion" in terms of Section 8 (2) of the "Broadcasting Authority Act 1968".

The Consultation is of the opinion that, at an early date, a statement on guiding principles for religious broadcasts should be produced for the guidance of all broadcasting stations.

3. This Conference endorses the findings and recommendations of Sections 1 and 3 of the 1970 Re-appraisal Conference relating the Aims of Religious Broadcasting to Programme Types and Organisations, and expresses the hope that practical effect be given to as many of the recommendations as possible.

The Methodist Committee has considered these decisions and in general supports them.

J. A. PENMAN, Chairman.
R. S. ANDREWS, Convener.

RESOLUTIONS

5. That the Report be received and adopted.

6. That Conference ratifies the decision to establish a committee to foster ecumenical co-operation in Broadcasting.

QUESTION 49—What is the Report of the Faith and Order Committee?

FAITH AND ORDER COMMITTEE

ANNUAL REPORT

Lay President of Conference:

Looked at first from a pragmatic viewpoint we see no reason why the Presidency should not be open to a Layman. The practical requirements are, first, that he be AVAILABLE—able to give full time to the job and be able to travel as required, sometimes at very short notice. Secondly, he must be able to fully REPRESENT THE CHURCH and should therefore have had experience on connexional Boards and understand the laws and practices of the church. Thirdly, he must be a PASTOR, and this may well be seen as his main function. The first two of these functions may very well be carried out better by a layman than a minister. The third could be difficult for a layman especially when the pastoral problems are centred within the ministerial calling. It is conceivable, however, that even here, some situations might be better handled by a layman. Certainly, there can be no objection in principle.

Looked at secondly from a legal viewpoint, while the present law does preclude a layman holding the office of President, there is no reason why on this point the law cannot be changed. The legal adviser states that in his opinion, Conference has full and ample power if it thinks fit and considers it in the interests of the Church, to make the Presidency open to any Church member.

Looked at thirdly from the Biblical and theological viewpoint it seems to us not only that we could, but should have, the Presidency open to any Church member. Our present practice does not reflect our theology. We understand the Church's ministry to belong to the whole Church and not exclusively to any one individual or special order of ministers within it. "Lay" and "Minister" within this fundamental ministry are not exclusive but complementary. The office and function of the Presidency should reflect this.

The question arises as to whether, if the Presidency becomes open to a Layman the Vice-Presidency should be open to a Minister. This is an important question especially because of the pastoral role. Often a large part of a President's duties is the handling of delicate pastoral situations, some of them dealing with relationships between minister and laymen, some of them with the ministerial calling itself, and at least some of these are best handled by one of that calling. If then, our traditional President - Vice-President structure is continued, the law should be altered so that each year there shall be a President and Vice-President, one of whom shall be a Minister and the other a Layman.

Another possibility is the appointment of two Presidents, one ministerial and one lay. An argument put forward for this is that our present term "Vice-President" is a misnomer as in fact he is a layman and as such, according to our law, cannot become President. But in the event of the Presidential Office becoming open to a Layman, then "Vice-President" does have a real meaning and is not at all a misnomer. Also the "Two Presidents" idea should be resisted if it is merely a means of facilitating the electing of a lay person.

Another possibility is the appointment of One President who could be either a Minister or a Layman. We recognise that one important practical question would be our practice of election without nomination. A Layman would need to be able to give the Church not only the year of office but would also need to be available to act as President when his successor in office was out of the country. If the Church felt the matter of the office of President being open to a Layman, was of such importance, consideration would need to be given to the possibility that the man most fitted for this office not being financially independent. The need to make within its regulations financial provision, for such an eventuality, would need to be given. It is clear that if a 'one President either minister or layman' structure was introduced further consideration would need to be given to practical questions.

It is the Committee's view that any decision to further examine this whole question could only be made after the members' vote on Church Union is known.

Questions to Ministers (1971 Minutes page 313 res. 9):

The committee agrees that these questions should be asked in the presence of those concerned, i.e. Ministers, Home Missionaries and Deaconesses. That these questions could be used to bring a minister, Home Missionary, Deaconess to discipline is clear, yet it would be unlikely that this would be the course chosen as other provisions seem more appropriate. The questions are more of a Pastoral nature rather than questions of discipline. The context of asking these questions at the August Ministerial Synod, the form of the questions and the normal reply, does not seem to provide the pastoral context that would enable concerns to be expressed and shared. It is our view that this is not a matter for the Faith and Order Committee as it is a pastoral matter. Therefore, if it warrants early attention it should be referred to the Committee on Ministry.

Again, the vote on the Plan for Church Union causes us to wonder whether anything is to be gained by dealing with it before the vote on the Plan for Union is known.

Service for the Induction of Ministers:

Several alternative services for this service are in use throughout the country. It is our view that this service should be revised. It is intended that provision be made in such service for the Induction of a District Chairman or a Departmental Officer.

Confirmation Service:

Work is proceeding on this service and it is hoped that we will be able to send this to Synods prior to the Conference and bring the service to Conference as a supplementary report.

Experimental Orders of Service:

In recent years the Committee has made available experimental orders of Holy Communion and Baptism. The committee is interested to learn whether there is any desire in the Church for these orders to be revised in the light of use. Upon revision they could become approved alternate orders to our standard orders.

The Service of Holy Communion:

Our Committee has been having enquiries regarding the place of the standard order for the Communion Service and the propriety of using alternative experimental orders some interesting samples of which have been submitted for the comment of the Committee.

We feel led to recommend that our people be encouraged to look on the most recently published order for Holy Communion 1971 (blue book) as the normal and usual form of service to be followed. It has been well received and many expressions of appreciation reach us. There is both danger and value in the use of set services. We all know the danger of over familiarity and the likelihood of mechanical repetition causing deadness on the part of both Minister and Congregation. On the other hand the order for Holy Communion safeguards and declares basic essential theological and Biblical Truth, and in this service many people find great help in the regular covering of familiar ground. The familiar structure and content can become increasingly precious and most people can testify to the fact that under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, familiar passages can from time to time spring to life with new and deeper meaning.

In our view the standard order should be the normal and usual order especially in ecumenical services and representative church gatherings where the Communion Service is an essential element and expression of the common faith.

For this reason we would recommend that alternative orders and experimental orders should not be used so frequently as to break the development of this recognition of the loved recognised standard form.

There is a place for alternative and experimental orders and our committee welcomes the submission of such material for our files to enable the committee to keep in touch with the trends and to make such material available to Ministers who applied for them.

ALAN K. WOODLEY, Convener.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT

Membership

Conference Minutes 1971, page 313, res. 10: "That the Faith and Order Committee, as a matter of urgency bring a report to Synods and Conference setting out guidelines for the introduction and phasing in of the new Electoral Rolls and Register of Baptised and Confirmed members."

The Committee feels that some of the present confusion is due to the titles given to the Register and Roll of Membership. We recommend that this confusion be resolved by the Connexional Office issuing title stickers "Register of Members" and "Electoral Roll".

In the material below we use these titles as defined by previous resolutions of Conference and here brought forward for clarification and the implementation of the Church.

1966 Statement adopted by the Conference. Minutes of Conference 1966, page 232:

1. The Committee endorses its previous statement in 1958 Minutes of Conference (p. 212) and acknowledges the **fundamental membership** conveyed at Baptism and the **developing responsible membership** involved in Confirmation. In addition it is necessary for the ordered life of the Church to maintain a roll of those members who remain in active association with the life and work of the congregation.

2. Since the acts of Baptism and Confirmation are irrevocable, the committee recommends that each church maintain one Register of Members to record all Baptisms and Confirmations. These should be on separate pages of the same opening and each entry in respect of either act could include details of the corresponding one where these were known.

3. The committee recommends that the present members Roll should then include the names of all Members received as adults in Holy Baptism or in Confirmation, and who remain in active association with the life and work of the congregation. This electoral roll should be revised in accordance with the present practice of the church, but those whose names are removed will forfeit only legal and voting rights.

4. In annual returns the figure for members will include only those on the electoral roll.

Register of Members

This Register of Members is the permanent record of persons received into the Membership of the Church by Baptism, and of acts of Confirmation. It is a permanent record relating to Membership in the Church. Transfers cannot be made to or from it. Baptisms are entered in the "Register of Members". Confirmations are entered into the "Register of Members". The names which are on existing Membership and Baptismal Rolls must not be transferred to the new "Register of Members".

Electoral Roll

The Electoral Roll is a Roll of members who remain in active association with the life and work of the congregation. (In the meantime the Church is using the old "Church Membership Roll" for this purpose).

Standards: In our report to the 1968 Conference we stated that "We feel that Leaders Meeting should apply the most generous interpretation of any standards when deciding when a member has disqualified himself from the right to vote in the Church Meeting. We do not feel that objective measures "by which a person would be classified" would be a desirable development, but rather that every situation should be treated in a personal and pastoral context with the intention of winning commitment rather than securing the entry 'ceased to attend' for the roll." We point out that the Law of the Church, para. 2 is still in force. "... No name shall be removed until the person concerned has been visited and exhorted by the Minister or other persons appointed by the Leaders' Meeting."

Ordination Service

Our President-Elect, Rev. W. S. Dawson, asked the committee to initiate some minor changes in this service. The committee asked the Rev. Dr P. Guthardt to carry out this task. This has been done and the committee through the President-Elect brings this amended service for use at this Conference. In the light of its use at this Conference the committee seeks the permission of the Conference for a revision of this service. It would be the intention of the committee to give consideration towards a more adequate way of incorporating the ordination of a Deaconess within this service.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Reports be received and adopted.
2. That the Faith and Order Committee be asked to revise the Service for the Induction of a Minister.
3. That the matter of Questions asked of Ministers, Home Missionaries and Deaconesses (Law Book, Section 335) be referred to the Committee on Ministry.
- 4 (a) That the recently published Order for Holy Communion be regarded by the Church as the normal standard for this Service.
(b) That alternative or experimental orders be regarded as for occasional use only.
5. That the Faith and Order Committee be asked to consider whether the time has come for printing the version of the Lord's Prayer (as it appears in the Order of Service for Holy Communion) for insertion in Church hymn books.
6. That the Connexional Office issue Title Stickers "Register of Members" and "Electoral Roll".
7. That the statement on membership be issued to all Ministers and Circuits, and be brought to the attention of Ministers at March Ministerial Synod.
8. That the committee be given permission to revise the Ordination Service.
9. That Conference asks the Faith and Order Committee to give consideration to replacing the words "visit the sick" with "heal the sick" in the revision of the Order of Service.
10. That the Faith and Order Committee revise its experimental Orders for Holy Communion and Baptism as alternative orders.
11. That the Faith and Order Committee explore the adaption and translation into the other languages, e.g. Maori and Samoan, of the Order of Holy Communion.
12. That this Conference, with gratification approves of the granting of the use of Methodist properties by the Roman Catholic Church, for worship purposes, provided always that where ever Church properties are now used in some way or another by or with the other negotiating Churches their consent shall be first obtained.
13. That Conference expresses to the Rev. L. Greenslade its gratitude for his effective and gracious leadership as Chairman of the Faith and Order Committee.
14. That the implications of the Church's involvement in The Armed Forces through its Chaplaincy Service be referred to the Faith and Order Committee for examination and report to Synods and Conference.
15. That the Faith and Order Committee examine the pastoral concern arising from the increasing requests for Believers Baptism from people previously baptised as infants.

16 (a). "That in view of confusing attitudes to infant baptism (as parents desire a recognition of the new infant without commitment that the Baptismal service involves), our Church, through the Faith and Order Committee, study afresh and re-evaluate the place and practice of Baptism, both infant and believers, to ascertain whether the traditional position is relevant to this decade."

(b). "That the Committee submit its findings to all levels of the Church for discussion prior to Conference adopting a report."

17. That the Faith and Order Committee prepare Maori, Samoan, Cook Island and Tongan translations of Responses, Greetings and Benedictions for use in Public Worship.

18. The Committee for 1973 be as printed on page 7 herein.

QUESTION 50.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting chaplaincy matters:—

(a) Naval, military and air force?

ARMED SERVICES CHAPLAINCY COMMITTEE

REPORT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1972.

The Committee has been meeting in the Chapel at Wesley Church during the past year coinciding with the Senior Chaplain's meetings with the Chaplains' Dominion Advisory Council.

Reports have been received from the Chaplains attached to the Territorial Units and the Regular Forces, also the role of the Y.M.C.A. has been discussed.

The Rev. W. R. Francis represented the Senior Chaplain on behalf of the other denominational groups at the dedication of the Queen's Colours presented to the 3 RNZIR at Wanganui.

The Rev. R. J. Hamlin continues to serve in the RNZAF. During 1971 he completed and passed a Command and Staff Course being the first chaplain to do so. In April 1972 he was promoted to Principal Defence Chaplain which makes him the chief religious adviser to the New Zealand Armed Forces. He is responsible for:

- (a) Advice on all religious and chaplaincy matters in the Armed Forces.
- (b) Recommendations on policy for the development of spiritual, moral and chaplaincy matters.
- (c) Implementation of religious services policy.
- (d) Recommendations regarding appointment, promotion, transfer and retirement of Chaplains.

The Rev. R. J. Hamlin was inducted as the Principal Defence Chaplain at a service held in the Wesley Methodist Church, Wellington, on Tuesday, 18th April, at 5.30 p.m. The service was conducted by the Rev. W. F. Ford, Chairman of District, assisted by the Rt. Rev. G. M. McKenzie, Senior Chaplain, Anglican, the Rev. R. F. Clement, Senior Chaplain, Methodist, and the sermon was preached by the Rev. F. T. A. Duffy, Senior Chaplain, Roman Catholic. The lessons were read by the Hon. A. M. McCready, Minister of Defence, and Rear Admiral L. G. Carr, Chief of Naval Staff.

Mr Hamlin will complete his period of service with the Armed Forces in January 1976 and will be available for appointment to a circuit in February of that year.

The Rev. Barry Neal has been stationed at the Papakura Military Camp during the past two years, and has found it an interesting period in serving people in a variety of diverse ways. This tends to centre round matters of personal welfare and counselling with individual soldiers and families.

Padres hours are schedules with a number of units in a series of four to six sessions. They relate to areas of topical interest in social issues and ethical concerns. Sessions have also been organised with the Fijian contingent of 50 trainees who spend at least one year in training in New Zealand.

A Church Programme is organised, a service each week, a discussion group and a youth group, although the numerical strength of these groups is very small.

Duties from Papakura Camp include visits to Ngaruawahia Military Camp, Sylvia Park (Mt Wellington Storage Depot), the Services Corrective Establishment (Ardmore) and Fort Cautley on the North Shore. This year one of the duties included travelling with two units from a camp on a Fijian Jungle Exercise which was interspersed with training phrases.

The Rev. H. S. Shaw has returned to Circuit work after 9½ years of chaplaincy service with the Regular Forces. During this time he served with N.Z. Forces in Singapore, Malaysia, Borneo, Thailand and Vietnam, and in three N.Z. Camps. In this report he expresses appreciation for the opportunity of serving in these areas and believes that there is still a meaningful role for chaplains serving in the Forces.

RESOLUTIONS

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

2. That the Chaplains for 1973 be: (a) Full-time: Revs. R. J. Hamlin, Principal Defence Chaplain R.N.Z.A.F., and B. W. Neal (Army); (b) Part-time: Revs. R. F. Clement (Snr. Chaplain), J. B. Currie, J. S. Hosking, D. S. Mullan, P. P. Rushton, K. J. Taylor, H. Waaka, M. L. Dine, J. Manihera and H. I. Shaw.

3. That the Committee for 1973 be as printed on page 5.

QUESTION 51.—What is the Report of:

(a) Wesley Historical Society (New Zealand)?

150th Anniversary "Histories"

Most of our efforts this year have been bent towards producing the 150th Anniversary "Histories". The book on the Maori Mission appeared early in September, and the second, on the European Circuits to 1913, is planned for mid-October. The titles are:

Vol. 27, Nos. 1 & 2 "Te Hahi Weteriana" — The Story of the Methodist Maori Mission, by G. I. Laurenson, C.B.E.

Vol. 27, Nos. 3 & 4 "Out of the Common Way" — The European Circuits until 1913, by E. W. Hames, M.A.

Mr Hames's second volume, on European Circuits after 1913 should appear mid-1973 and the Rev. G. G. Carter's volume on Overseas Missions about mid-October, 1973.

Thanks are expressed to the following for donations towards publishing costs: The Maori Purposes Fund Board, The Alfred and Marian and Isabel Reed Trust, the Board of Publications and the Home Mission Department. We are also grateful that the Connexional Fire Insurance Fund is recommending to Conference a gift of \$500 — also for publishing costs.

Annual Meeting and Conference Lecture

A brief Annual Meeting will be held in Whangarei on Saturday, 4th November, at 4 p.m., but there will be no tea. The usual Lecture associated with the Annual Meeting is being dropped this year in

view of the Conference Lecture to be given by Dr J. M. R. Owens of the Massey University History Department. He will speak on the early days of the Wesleyan Mission in New Zealand.

General

During the year the Secretary has handled a large volume of correspondence, some of the enquiries received, having involved considerable research. As far as the Society is concerned, the approach of possible Church Union makes our activities even more important. If we are to share our heritage with others, we must know all we can about it.

E. W. HAMES, President.

L. R. M. GILMORE, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

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

2. The Conference places on record its sincere appreciation of the work of the Rev. L. R. M. Gilmore in the propagation of the work of the Historical Society. He has given 25 years of unstinting service as Secretary to the Society and has constantly alerted the Church to our rich historical heritage.

QUESTION 51.—(b) Custodian of Early Records?

REPORT OF CUSTODIAN OF EARLY RECORDS

Historical Records

With the formation of increasing numbers of Union Parishes and the approval by Conference of a variety of agreements for co-operation, there is a great need for care to be taken of the records of our Methodist Churches. Completed Minute Books of Trusts, Quarterly Meetings and Circuit organisations should be lodged with the Connexional Office for safe custody.

During the year ended 30th June, 1972 church records of various kinds have been received from the following Circuits and receipts issued for affixing in Circuit Schedule Books.

Auckland: Mt Albert, Birkenhead.

Waikato-Bay of Plenty: Morrinsville, Opotiki, Coromandel H.M. Station, Cambridge Union Parish.

Taranaki-Wanganui: Manaia Union Parish, Wanganui West.

Wellington: Paraparaumu, Wellington Synod.

Nelson: Nelson, Motueka.

North Canterbury: St Albans, Christchurch, Papanui, Riccarton, Oxford Union Parish, Greendale, Rangiora, South Island Children's Home.

South Canterbury: Geraldine-Temuka.

Otago-Southland: Balclutha, South Dunedin, West Dunedin Special Union Parish.

Plans and Bulletins

Circuit Superintendents have responded well to the request for copies of preaching plans and local bulletins. These are being filed for reference to by writers of church histories. They contain much interesting information regarding the changing patterns of public worship and Christian Education within New Zealand Methodism and the ecumenical setting in which our mission to the community is being undertaken.

Housing of Records

Consideration needs to be given to the provision of additional space for the adequate housing of historical records. The Board of Management of the Connexional Office is aware of the need and has authorised various enquiries to be made.

W. R. LAWS, Custodian of Early Records.

RESOLUTION

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

QUESTION 51.—(c) Report of Committee on 150th Anniversary of Methodism in New Zealand.

The Scholarship Fund:

The Fund was opened with a generous donation of \$5000 from the Hamilton Methodist Trust, and by the end of August, contributions from Circuits and personal donations of \$8670 had brought the total, with campaign expenses deducted, to \$13,060. If Conference approves the recommended grant of \$4500 from the Connexional Fire Insurance Fund, and our assumption is right that some Circuits are still holding money, it appears that the total could reach \$20,000 by the close of Conference. Although this is much less than the Committee hoped for at this stage, we express warm appreciation to all who have contributed.

The Committee recommends that it now be discharged as such, and that future promotion of the Scholarship Fund should be left in the hands of the Scholarship Fund Board, in consultation with the Officers of Wesley Historical Society (N.Z.), the General Secretary and the General Treasurer.

Personnel of Board

We are glad to report that the President of Conference has nominated the Rev. B. M. Chrystall as Convener of the Scholarship Fund Board, which will administer the Fund according to the regulations adopted by the 1971 Conference (1971 Minutes, pp. 316f.).

Northland Pilgrimage

A bus tour round Northland visiting early Mission sites was arranged by the area sub-committee from 21st to 26th January and proved to be a great success. *Inter alia*, the "pilgrims" joined with others in a memorable service at Keri Keri on 22nd January to celebrate the landing of Samuel Leigh a century before. A tastefully printed booklet was prepared by the Tour Committee and is available for 50 cents per copy.

Post-Marks, Stamps, etc.

Over 3000 items of mail were despatched from the Keri Keri Post Office following 22nd January, a special post-mark having been provided to celebrate Leigh's landing. The Commemorative Stamp issued on 5th April was widely used in spite of its 10 cent face value and large numbers of first day covers were sent to many countries. As a further gesture of interest, the Post Office will use a specially designed post mark on all letters posted at Conference from the opening up to 5 p.m. on Monday, 6th November.

Local Celebrations

The Committee congratulates the Hokianga Historical Society on its successful project of moving the Mangungu Mission House from Onehunga to its original site, where it is now vested in the Historic Places Trust. We express the hope that, throughout the

coming year, District Synods will arrange pilgrimages, commemorative services, etc. to mark significant historical events which took place in their respective areas. We are glad to hear, for instance, that the Hamilton sub-committee is planning a weekend pilgrimage round early Mission sites in the Waikato-King Country districts for November this year.

GEO. I. LAURENSEN, Chairman.
L. R. M. GILMORE, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted.
2. That the Scholarship Fund Board consist of the Rev. B. M. Chrystall (Convener), plus two representatives from each of the Development, Maori and Overseas Divisions.
3. That future promotion of the Fund be in the hands of the Scholarship Fund Board, in consultation with the Officers of Wesley Historical Society (N.Z.), the General Secretary and the General Treasurer, and that the 150th Anniversary Committee, as such, be thanked for its services and now discharged.

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?

A.—LAW REVISION COMMITTEE

REPORT FOR SYNODS AND CONFERENCE, 1972 MEMBERSHIP OF CONFERENCE AND SYNODS — UNION PARISH

The Committee has been instructed to consider this matter and report and make recommendations thereon to Synods and Conference (see 1971 Minutes page 121 Resolution 19, also page 331).

Under the present Church Law, only Ministers who have been admitted into Full Connexion with the Methodist Church and laymen who are adult members of the Methodist Church can attend Conference and Synods.

Ministers of other denominations can be associated with the Conference and Synods but do not have any voting privileges.

A Union Parish can send a lay representative to Conference or Synod and if he is a Methodist, he has full rights. Now that there are so many Union Parishes, it seems right that provision should be made for full representation of both Ministers and laymen in Synods and Conference. It should be pointed out that if the amendments set out below are approved, then a Minister or a layman could attend and vote in the highest Courts of two or more denominations, provided of course, such other denominations have similar provisions. It is understood that if the Conference accepts the proposed amendments, the General Assembly will pass similar provisions.

The Committee therefore suggests the following amendments be made:—

(1) Section 360 be amended to read:

“The Conference shall consist of:—

- (a) The Ministers connected with the Conference who have been admitted into Full Connexion [except Ministers who come under the classification of section 104 (e)]. (N.B. new section passed

are appointed to any Union Parish constituted under a Constitution approved by Conference and framed upon the Model Constitution adopted by it. All such Ministers shall hereinafter be referred to as "ministerial representatives".

(2) Section 362 (b) be amended by adding at the end thereof the words "who, notwithstanding the provisions of section 361, shall be at the time of his election a member of the Union Parish electing him."

The Committee also suggests that the position should be clarified in regard to the right of Ministers and laymen from Union Parishes to attend Synods.

It is recommended that this be done by amending section 320 (as amended in 1969) as follows:—

After the words "Supernumerary Ministers", add the words "Ministers of other denominations appointed to any Union Parish constituted under the Constitution approved by the Conference and framed upon the Model Constitution adopted by it" and between the words "status" and "whose" in the second to last line thereof the word "and".

Section 325 would also require amendment.

It is suggested that this section be amended by adding after the words "of the Church" the words "and/or of a Union Parish constituted under a Constitution approved by the Conference and framed upon the Model Constitution adopted by it".

H. de R. FLESHER.
Convener.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

2. That the Law Revision Committee be asked to report on the position of Ministers in Full Connexion with other Methodist Conferences with a view to their becoming members in full standing of Synods and Conference while exercising exchange Ministries in New Zealand.

B.—LAW REVISION COMMITTEE

ANNUAL REPORT TO CONFERENCE

The Committee has considered various matters referred to it by Conference and now submits its report and recommendations thereon.

(1) LAY REPRESENTATIVES IN CONFERENCE

1971 Minutes page 331—see Law Book page 58 Section 361.

The Committee has been asked to consider and report to Conference on the following "That the Law regarding Lay Representatives to Conference be as follows—A Layman to be eligible for appointment shall be an adult member of the Church in good standing and must be at the time of his appointment a member in the Circuit or of the Committee appointing him.

The suggested amendment deletes the reference to "four years continuous membership" and the necessity for a representative to be a member of the quarterly meeting.

It also suggests that a layman should be a member "in good standing". The committee considers it unwise to use such a vague expression. Surely every church member is a person "in good standing".

There is no doubt that the present provision of four years continuous membership ensures that a representative would have some experience in Church work and procedure. Nevertheless, the committee sees no serious objection to this part of the suggested amendment.

However in regard to the proposal to delete the reference to membership of the Quarterly Meeting, the Committee is of the opinion that this present condition be retained. The Quarterly Meeting is an important local court at which all matters relating to the life and work of the church in the circuit are considered. It is submitted, for a representative from a circuit to have full knowledge of all matters relating to such life and work, he should be a member of the quarterly meeting.

The Committee therefore recommends that section 361 (Law Book page 58) be amended to read as follows:—

"A Layman to be eligible for appointment, shall be an adult member of the church and must be, at the time of his election, a member in the Circuit and of the Quarterly Meeting or of the committee electing him."

(2) CONSTITUTION OF THE DEACONESS ORDER

1971 Minutes page 294.

The Committee has given careful consideration to the new Constitution. It is regretted that the usual practice of submitting a draft constitution to this Committee before submission to Conference was not followed.

This Committee cannot recommend its inclusion in the Law Book as it is at present drafted. Some matters are referred to, over which Conference has no control. Other sections duplicate what is already in the Law Book in more appropriate places. Some wording is not suitable for a Law Book. This Committee considers that the Warden should be ex officio a member of the Board of Management.

The Committee therefore seeks the permission to give further consideration to the Constitution, and after conferring with the Board of Management, submit the Constitution to the 1973 Conference.

(3) 150th ANNIVERSARY OF METHODIST SCHOLARSHIP FUND Regulations

1971 Minutes page 316/317.

As instructed, these regulations have been studied by the Committee.

The Committee approves of the regulations, subject to the following amendment:

Rule 1 to read —

"There shall be established a Scholarship Fund to be known as the "150th Anniversary of Methodism Scholarship Fund" to provide scholarship for (now follow rule 1).

Rule 2 to read —

"The sources of the fund shall be grants from Church Trusts (now follow first sentence of Rule 2).

Rule 3 — in last line instead of "plus a convener" read "together with a convener".

Rule 5 and 6 — omit brackets.

Rule 10 — Word "education" should be "educational".

(4) SAMOAN POLICY COMMITTEE

1971 Minutes page 209 Resolution 2.

Conference has decided that there be three Samoan representatives of the Samoan Policy Committee in the membership of Conference and has referred the matter to this Committee for implementation.

At present there is no provision in the Law Book for the setting up of the Samoan Policy Committee. If the Committee is to send representatives to Conference, then it should be properly constituted.

Therefore it is recommended that there be an additional Standing Committee XVII as follows:—

Insert Law Book page 79.

XVII SAMOAN POLICY COMMITTEE

409A. There shall be appointed at each Conference a Samoan Policy Committee. The Committee shall consider the Church's policy and programme for work amongst Samoans.

409B. The Committee shall consist of:

(a) The President, the Vice-President, the President Elect, the General Superintendent of Home Mission, the Superintendent of the Maori Division, the General Secretary of Overseas Missions and one circuit minister from each of Auckland and Wellington Synod Districts nominated by the President and chosen for his association with and experience among Samoan Methodists.

(b) Six representatives from Auckland, four from Wellington and two from Waikato-Bay of Plenty; one from each other Synodal District where there are Samoans in membership, each such representative being nominated by the Synod concerned and chosen from the Samoan members.

The Committee recommends that representation in Conference be provided as follows:—

Law Book page 58 add Section 362.

(99) The Samoan Policy Committee shall be entitled to elect three of its members as representatives to the Conference.

(5) SUPERINTENDENT OF CENTRAL MISSIONS

1971 Minutes page 249 Resolution 9 Law Book page 45 Section 292 —

(5) (a).

The Committee has been requested to submit an interpretation of Section 292 subsection 5 (a) with regard to the appointment of a Central Mission Superintendent being regarded as a Connexional Appointment.

In Section 5 (a) of Section 292, it is provided that the Superintendent of a Central Mission is a Connexional appointment. There is however no description of what a "Connexional appointment" is. From the very nature of his work and office, it is proper that the Superintendent should be appointed for a specific term in the same way the General Secretary and the General Superintendent is appointed. Such offices are connexional appointments. Section X Law Book page 18 sets out the procedure for the appointment of such offices. Conference has decided that the office of a Central Mission Superintendent is a connexional appointment and therefore the provision of Section X must be followed. Where there is a Board of Management, the Board will make the nomination, though in accordance with sub-section (5) (a) of Section 292 the Quarterly Meeting, if there is one, must be first consulted.

(6) ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN OF DISTRICT

1971 Minutes page 320 — Law Book Section 155 page 22.

The Committee has been asked to report on the principles and procedures involved in the nomination and appointment of District Chairmen, with the request that it examines the relevance of section 155 Law Book page 22 to present day conditions.

Under the present law, a District Chairman is a Minister in Full Connexion who is appointed by Conference to exercise general pastoral oversight of a District and to carry out administrative duties as set out in section 157.

A Chairman of a District is not just a Chairman of a Synod. He represents the Conference in the District and is responsible to the Conference. Certain of his duties are set out in the Law Book, but over the years the Church's practice and procedures have imposed further duties on a Chairman, all of which show clearly his relationship to the Connexion and to the Conference

The Church still has its Synodal Districts and there must be Chairmen appointed by Conference.

The procedure for the election of a Chairman by Conference has become somewhat obscured by the addition of the two sentences at the beginning of the second paragraph of section 155. These two sentences should appear after the last two sentences.

A Chairman of a District is therefore elected at Conference by ballot and by an absolute majority. The law does not provide that there shall be a ballot without nomination as is provided in the case of a resident or a Synod Secretary.

Synods may, if they desire, make a nomination to Conference. Provision is made for representatives at Conference to submit another nomination if the nominee is later stationed in another District. As Ministers are appointed annually, a Chairman must also be elected or re-elected annually.

All appointments to official positions must be and are made by the Conference. When any appointment is being voted on, additional names can be considered even though a certain nomination has been made. This applies equally to the office of District Chairman.

It has been suggested that each Synod should elect the Chairman of its own District. Certainly a Chairman represents his District in Conference, but a Chairman must be appointed by Conference.

This is only right, particularly in regard to a Chairman of a District because such Chairman is the official representative of the Conference in the District. Conference appoints a Chairman to exercise general pastoral oversight of a District and to carry out, on behalf of the Conference and Connexion, various administrative duties.

Occasionally at Conference all ten Chairmen have been elected by one block vote, each Synod having submitted its nominee. No doubt this procedure saves the time of the Conference but it is not correct.

The procedure of Conference voting on the nominations of Synods but not being limited to such nominations when electing District Chirmen, has worked satisfactorily in the past and in the opinion of this Committee there is no need for any change.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received. Section 1 referred back to the Law Revision Committee, remainder of Report to be adopted.

2. That Conference places on record its appreciation of the lengthy and valuable service of the Rev. William T. Blight, B.A., B.D. As a member of the Law Revision Committee, Mr Blight's contribution has been outstanding for his knowledge of our Church structure and his churchmanship.

3. That the Committee for 1973 be as printed on page 7.

4. That Question 16 (a) Law Book p. 43 be amended to read: "Election of lay representative and substitute to the District Synod (October) and the Conference (June).

QUESTION 52.—(b) Who is appointed President's Legal Adviser?

Mr H. de R. Flesher, M.A., LL.B.

QUESTION 53.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference on matters previously remitted to Synods, Quarterly Meetings and Committees?

CONTINUING EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY

Report of a committee appointed to prepare guidelines for a Post-Ordination Training Strategy (p. 67 1971 Minutes of Conference).

The Church is a servant community. It is the servant of Jesus Christ, and in his name, of the world. The ministry then, of both clergy and laity is a form of servanthood and authentic objectives for the ordained minister's continuing education must take this fact fully into account. At the same time the ordained ministry is an occupation which like others requires certain specific skills and involves particular professional responsibilities, standards and dedication. While guarding against professionalism as an objective of continuing education we must at the same time assert that the ordained ministry is not for amateurs. On the contrary, it requires a high degree of professional competence.

A. The Importance of this Concern

The effective mission of the church is crucially and directly related to the competence, motivation and staying power of the ordained ministry. Ministers need assistance to develop the academic, professional and personal skills necessary for effective ministry in today's world, and of equal importance, to increase their own personal sense of job satisfaction. No one's initial training lasts for a lifetime. Education for professional ministry, which refines and expands one's skill and knowledge, is a career long exercise and is not limited to the initial theological college training. Only through a sustained and systematic programme of continuing education, which builds upon the preparatory training given in the theological college and is tailored to meet the needs of those for whom it is intended, can the skills needed for effective ministry in a changing world be acquired.

B. Some Assumptions regarding Continuing Education

1. Each minister is responsible for his own growth and professional development but needs help from the church through the provision of relevant courses, guidance and encouragement if he is to maintain a satisfactory level of continuing education. If it is to be effective, continuing education must be systematic and sustained.

2. There is no single pattern of continuing education into which every minister must be forced. A variety of educational opportunities need to be provided from which ministers may choose what is most helpful to their stage of ministry, interests and type of parish.

3. The church can and ought to have a firm expectation that its ministers will avail themselves of opportunities to increase their competence and should set these expectations out as a guide (e.g. in a 3 year period a minister should. . .)

4. There needs to be an acceptance by the church at large of the importance of continuing education for the ministry and support in the form of regular study time and financial assistance.

5. Continuing education is more than academic education. It should be situation centred and made available to the parish minister where he is and in content and manner is a type of on-the-job learning. It is practical as well as academic, involving the discovery and use of resources for learning while engaged in the business of ministry. It is education for ministry and goes on in the midst of engagement in that ministry.

6. When appropriate, laymen should be involved along with ministers in programmes of continuing education.

7. Many of the advantages of a continuing education programme are indirect and arise from the meeting of ministers in groups where they may provide support for each other in their search for a style of ministry which is true to the gospel, the needs of society and their own gifts.

8. The task is best tackled ecumenically.

C. Some Clues from elsewhere

There is a good deal of work being done in this area in North America and we may learn from that work. In particular we may learn from:

- * The use of cassette recorders in continuing education programmes. The Thesis Theological cassette programme in the U.S.A. for instance provides subscribers with a 60 minute cassette each month with addresses by leading theologians and thinkers. A written study guide enables these to be used effectively by a group of ministers.
- * Written study guides. Many seminaries in the U.S.A. are producing study guides on a variety of themes for groups of ministers wanting to explore a particular issue. Normally lasting for six study sessions they often focus on a particular book or books. The final session is often visited by an outside resource person who helps to tie the course up.
- * The "Mobile Seminary" concept whereby lecturers in the theological college spend a period of time with a group of parish ministers away from the college.
- * Residential Courses. Covering periods from a weekend to a month, these provide opportunity for a minister to focus on a particular issue or issues at depth.
- * Support for ministers at particular stages of their career. Research in the U.S.A. indicates that there are three particular crisis periods in a clergyman's career and it is at these points that his need for support is greatest.
 1. The first 3-5 years.
 2. After about 15 years.
 3. At about age 55.
- * The Methodist Young Pastors programme in the U.S.A. for ministers in their first three to five years out of seminary offers a model for meeting the first "crisis period" mentioned above. Groups of five to eight young pastors meet fortnightly or monthly with a "pastoral associate" who is a more experienced fellow pastor whom the group has helped to choose. The group is intended as a setting where the pastors can work on their personal and professional development. The pastoral associate functions as an enabler and he is given special training for his task. Occasional three or four day seminars held during the two years of the programme, focus on the felt needs of the young pastors and bring together a number of groups.
- * A system of career counselling has been developed. It is a costly programme in which a minister undergoes a three day confidential "check up" at the hands of a medical doctor, a clinical psychologist and a pastoral counsellor.

D. Areas of Continuing Education

Christian Ministry is exercised within a community of faith whose life is informed by certain memories and hopes, within which the lives of people are transformed, which celebrates its faith and accepts responsibility for the condition and quality of human life in the "worlds" in which its life is set.

The following table sets out a possible way of thinking about the dimensions of continuing education in New Zealand.

THE MINISTER

The Minister is a person needing personal support and insight into his own personal growth and hopes for his work. He needs opportunities to share his dreams and ideas with others. At crisis points in his career he needs particular assistance. This "pastoral" aspect of continued education cuts across all other aspects and the basic motivation behind the whole enterprise.

Possible Means

- * Supportive peer groups.
- * Recreation.
- * Orientation courses for missionaries and others returning to the parish.
- * Ecumenical Retreats.

THE MINISTER	AREAS OF STUDY	SPECIFIC AREAS	POSSIBLE MEANS OF CONTINUED EDUCATION
<p>1. The Minister's Work</p> <p>(a) Assists the Church to understand its faith and to gain a perspective on the world informed by Christianity.</p>	<p>* Interpretation of Bible.</p> <p>* History and thought of the church.</p> <p>* Traditional and contemporary ways of "doing" theology.</p> <p>* Ecumenical Understanding.</p>	<p>* Keeping up to date with advances in Biblical Studies.</p> <p>* Seeing Biblical themes in relation to contemporary issues.</p> <p>* Hermeneutics.</p> <p>* Contemporary Theology.</p> <p>* The nature of the church's mission.</p>	<p>* Residential Courses— week-end week</p> <p>* Use of cassettes } with ministers * Guided } meeting in Home Study } groups.</p> <p>* Doing L.Th, S.Th, B.D.</p> <p>* Courses in Technical Institutes.</p> <p>* Adequate book allowance.</p> <p>* Take the Theological College to the ministers.</p> <p>* Overseas study.</p> <p>* Visiting overseas scholars.</p>

(b) Understands the ways in which groups and people are transformed and is equipped to act as pastor.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Christian Education and teaching method. * Equipping and enabling the laity. * Administration and leadership in the church. * Pastoral counselling. * Group dynamics and processes. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * The minister & the church's Christian Education programme. * Leadership-in-congregation * Training for particular Leadership roles in the church (e.g. Chairman, Superintendents). * Handling conflict. * Personal growth. * Institutional change. * Counselling skills. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Group Life Laboratories. * Residential Courses. * Cassettes and Study Courses. * On-going work of C.E. Dept. * Overseas visitors.
(c) Accepts leadership in a Christian community acting out its responsibility to challenge and reform society.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Understanding contemporary issues facing society. * Christian Ethics. * Understanding Social change. * Inter-cultural understanding 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Theology and change. * Racism. * Sexuality. * Technology. * Violence. * Politics. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Residential Courses, Cassettes, etc. * Groups meeting to act and reflect together on a particular issue.
(d) Assists the community of faith to celebrate its faith and life.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Worship. * Preaching. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Planning worship for the whole people. * Spirituality. * Arts and media. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Workshops and Residential Courses. * Cassettes, Study Courses, etc. * Regular Worship Publication by C.E. Department—Faith and Order Committee. * Ecumenical Retreats.

E. Organisation of a Continuing Education Programme

1. The Committee of the Ministry as adopted by Conference 1971 is the Conference Committee responsible for "the general oversight of the training and continuing care of the ministry".

2. The Committee on Ministry will appoint a Convener and sub-committee, with power to add, to co-ordinate the programme of continuing education for ministry, in consultation with the Departments of the church concerned, to initiate courses and prepare an annual prospectus. The planning for continuing education is the responsibility of the whole committee on Ministry, the edge and focus being provided by this committee. A great deal will rest on the initiative of the convener.

3. The concerns of continuing education touch on the work of a number of the departments of the church but the training responsibility focuses primarily upon the Theological College and the Christian Education Department.

4. Each circuit has a responsibility to provide the necessary time and money to enable ministers to take advantage of continuing education opportunities. Though this may mean an additional financial burden upon some circuits the need is great and it is unfair for a minister to be expected to meet the full costs of his continuing education. Many circuits have already accepted this principle through the provision of book allowances and meeting the costs for approved courses. Four resolutions designed to give effect to this principle are included below.

5. The Committee on Ministry will need to give early attention to finding sources of money which may support and/or subsidise an expanded continuing education programme. Co-ordinated planning coupled with support from circuits for their own ministers will enable most of the suggestions made to be implemented but more sophisticated forms of continuing education will need increased funds.

6. Further work needs to be done on the nature of support groups for ministers and on meeting the needs of ministers at particular crisis points. The young pastor's programme outlined above offers a model which the committee on Ministry might explore further. The ecumenical dimensions of the task need to be explored more fully.

PROPOSALS FOR 1973

We suggest that in 1973 the Committee on Ministry might:

- * Have at least two written study guides produced and encourage groups of ministers to form a group around one of these.
- * Issue a guide "When Ministers Meet Together" for use in Ministers' fraternals, and informal groups.
- * Hold four residential courses each of four days duration bringing together resources of Trinity College and the C.E. Department. It is envisaged that these courses should be on different themes and that ministers would be free to choose which was the most relevant to their needs.
- * Explore the use of cassettes as a means of continuing education.
- * Define what the minimum expectations of the church are for ministers in the continuing education area (see B.3. above).

KEITH ROWE, Convener.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted and be referred to the committee on the Ministry for Action.

2. That Ministers be encouraged to attend continuing education courses, and circuits to grant ministers up to seven days leave per annum for this purpose. (It is not envisaged that a minister should be able to accumulate leave through forgoing it in some years).

3. That costs for this week be subsidised by the circuit up to \$25 per year.

4. That after each four years service a minister be permitted (with the agreement of the Chairman of the District and his circuit, or departmental board) to take up to one month off from his circuit or department to engage in an education venture approved by the committee on Ministry. (As with 2 above, this would not be able to be accumulated).

5. That Circuits be asked to give full consideration to the desirability of granting their ministers payment of a book allowance when reviewing their remuneration.

6. That the Committee on Ministry appoint a Convener and Sub-committee with responsibility for the continuing education programme of ministry.

7. That the Committee on Ministry set out guidelines each year for the church's continuing education programme, these to be implemented by the convener of the sub-committee.

8. That in view of the fact that Christian Ministry is exercised within a community of faith and also because of the necessity for the reason for this report to be widely understood, Conference, subsequent to its adoption of this report, refer the substance of the report to both Leaders and Quarterly Meetings for discussion.

(Suggestion — that the President may care to include this in a Pastoral letter).

9. That the Committee for 1973 be as printed on page 8 herein.

QUESTION 53—

STANDING COMMITTEE ON STIPENDS

Child Allowance

Conference 1971 agreed that the Committee should report further on the question of child allowance payments and other ways of assisting in the living costs of the ministry, following release of the Report of the Royal Commission on Social Security. The Commission recommended an increase in the child allowance payable under the Social Security Act, from \$1.50 to \$3.00, but with loss of the exemption for children for income tax purposes. This recommendation was accepted by Government and implemented in the 1972 Budget.

In the light of the change, a case can be made for the abolition of the children's allowance of \$20 per annum per child, payable by our Church to its ministers. If the allowance is to be abolished, it is thought that it should not occur before 1st July 1973, from which date there should be an increase of \$180 per annum in the stipend minimum for an ordained minister consequent upon ministers owning their own furniture. Also, there is Connexional Budget provision for payment of the children's allowance up until 30th June 1973.

Book Allowance

During the year the Committee sent a questionnaire to all ministers active in the Circuit work, seeking information about the amount spent annually on books, etc., for use in connection with their work as ministers, what amount it was considered should be spent to be satisfactorily equipped for the task and what annual contribution, if any, was made by the Circuit. The 120 replies received showed an average of \$56 under the first heading, \$71 under the second and 17 cases where allowances were paid by Circuits (average \$60) with five of these being the \$100 paid in Union parishes to cover other expenditure in addition to books.

After full discussion, the Committee resolved to include the results of questionnaire in this report, with the suggestion that Circuits take them into account when considering the granting of allowances to ministers. The Committee has since ascertained that the Committee On Continuing Education For The Ministry has recommended payment to all ministers in Circuits or Departments of a book allowance of \$25 per annum. This Committee will raise no objection if Conference agrees to this payment, but points out that its basic reason for not recommending the institution of a book allowance at this stage was its concern about the ability of all Circuits to meet this extra charge at a time when stipend increases of some magnitude (including \$180 p.a. for the minister owning his own furniture) are being faced.

Other points of interest from replies to the questionnaire included: availability of public and other library facilities, Inland Revenue tax rebate in respect of books, loss of 10% rebate from Epworth Bookrooms, concern about ability of Circuits to pay an allowance because of present financial difficulties, and a suggestion that an allowance, if paid, should be from a central fund.

Changeover of Parsonage Furniture

The Committee has conferred during the year with the Connexional Office on proposals for the changeover of parsonage furniture from 1st July 1973. In considering what would be an appropriate increase in the minimum stipend rates, the Committee finally concluded that it would be equitable to recommend an increase based upon the Public Service practice of charging 10% of cost of furniture and furnishings by way of additional rent when these were provided in rented housing. Updating figures supplied last year to Conference by the Welfare of the Church Committee, a stipend increase of \$180 per annum was arrived at. At the same time the Committee recognised that a case could be made for bridging the gap which has always existed between Methodist and Presbyterian stipend minima—in the past usually of the order of \$200 per annum, but at present (from 1/7/72) \$644, pending the increase of \$275 approximately in the Methodist minimum from 1/4/72. The Committee's view is that this gap must be bridged in stages.

Another matter taken up with the Connexional Office was the suggestion that the first year's increase in stipend should be paid by Circuits to the Connexional Office and not to the minister. The Committee expressed its doubts as to the justification for this, except possibly where furniture was completely new, as depreciation and wear and tear would occur during that year as in others. The Committee also expressed the view that the whole furniture changeover needed to be kept "low key", that is, too precise accounting for furniture values should be avoided; and grants should be paid only

in those cases where local committees of advice could clearly establish that there were definite inadequacies of furniture and the Circuit was incapable of meeting the deficiency—if it was to take place with a minimum of trouble.

Stipend Minima

The current minimum for the Methodist ordained minister is \$2740, but, in terms of a decision of last Conference, there is provision for an adjustment back to 1/4/72 once a decision is made about State Service salary increases. It seems likely that the new minimum will be between \$3014 and \$3050. The new Presbyterian minimum is \$3384 from 1/7/72 and the Anglican (Wellington Diocese) is \$3300, also from 1/7/72.

ADDENDUM

Synod reactions to the above report were considered by the Committee which accepted a Wellington suggestion for an addition to recommendation 1. The amended recommendation appears below. The Committee was not prepared to vary its recommendation relating to payment of a book allowance, having made it clear why it considered it inappropriate at present to make payment of this allowance mandatory.

The North Canterbury Synod raised the question of consultation with the Presbyterian Church "with a view to harmonising the conditions of ministerial employment". This matter is under consideration by the Joint Committee on Church Union. The Stipends Committee is, however, of the opinion that steps should be taken to achieve parity in stipend minima with the Presbyterian Church by 1st July 1974. This has become a matter of some urgency with the increasing number of Union Parishes and the decision of Conference last year that ministers are to own their own furniture from 1st July 1973. The Committee's view is that it should be given authority to adjust minimum stipend rates over and above the normal adjustments made in accordance with the approved formula, such adjustments to be spread as evenly as possible over the 12 months from July 1973 to July 1974. A recommendation additional to those already placed before Synods dealing with the subject appears below.

The Committee was informed in September that the Presbyterian minimum stipend, which had been fixed at \$3384 from 1st July, 1972, was to be increased to \$3600 from 1st October 1972. The minimum could be further increased from 1st April 1973 if the increase in hourly earnings in the labour force generally exceeds 4%. Otherwise there will be an adjustment from 1st October 1973. Whatever happens, it is apparent that if the Methodist minimum is to be brought up to the Presbyterian one, a fairly substantial increase will be required—perhaps from \$200 to \$250.

In amplification of what is stated above, the following information is given in respect of the minimum stipend for an ordained Methodist minister:

Current minimum from 1/4/72	= \$3,050
Likely minimum from say January 1973 based on possible State Service increases payable from October 1972	= \$3,203
New minimum if an increase of \$180 is granted from 1/7/73 on account of furniture ownership	= \$3,383
Possible further increase from October or September 1973 based on State Service increases which would be payable from 15/4/73—say 5%	= \$3,552

Using the figures set out in the above paragraph, and if additional increases were made in the Methodist minimum to achieve parity with the Presbyterian figure by 1st July 1974, the position could be (normal adjustments in terms of approved formula shown in brackets):

1/1/73	STIPEND	MINIMUM	METHODIST	PREBYTERIAN	\$3,203 (\$3,203)
1/7/73	STIPEND	MINIMUM	METHODIST	PREBYTERIAN	\$3,433 (\$3,383)
1/10/73	STIPEND	MINIMUM	METHODIST	PREBYTERIAN	\$3,602 (\$3,552)

To achieve parity finally by 1st July 1974 any increase normally due on formula from 1/4/74 might have to be further increased by \$50, with a final small adjustment of under \$20 from 1/7/74.

The Committee proposes to report to Conference 1973 on ways and means of assisting in the living costs of the ministry other than by stipend increases, in terms of the resolution of Conference 1969.

W. F. FORD, Chairman,

E. G. HEGGIE, Convener.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the allowance of \$20 per annum (38.46 cents per week) per child payable from the Children's Fund be abolished from 1st July 1973 on the understanding that the Committee will take active steps to narrow the gap between Methodist and other Church stipends.
3. That the minimum stipend for a minister, probationer or home missionary be increased by \$180 per annum from 1st July 1973 in consideration of the fact that these people will be responsible for providing their own furniture from that date.
4. That, because of the concern over the widening margin between Methodist and Presbyterian stipend minima and the establishment of an increasing number of Union Parishes, Conference approve of parity in the two being achieved by 1st July 1974 and that, to this end, the Standing Committee on Stipends be authorised to adjust rates over and above the rates which would normally be payable in terms of the approved formula, on the understanding that increases will be spread as evenly as possible over the years 1973 and 1974.
5. That the principle of Ministers owning their own homes be investigated by the Supernumerary Fund Board, the Connexional Office and the Stipends Committee, with report to Conference 1973.
6. That the Stipends Committee be authorised to approach its Presbyterian counterpart with a view to consultation on stipend matters.
7. That the Stipend Committee be requested to examine the parity principle by which ministers are paid approximately the same stipends regardless of their positions within the Church, and report on the proposition that stipends should be related to the positions held within the Connexion.

(Note: The question arose over the different rates of stipends paid by the Trinity College Board compared with the rates received by the staff paid by St. John's College).

8. That the Committee for 1973 be as printed in page 9.

QUESTION 54.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference on any other matter?

QUESTION 55.—What can be done to promote the work of God throughout the connexion?

QUESTION 56.—(a) When and where shall the next Conference be held?

Durham Street, Methodist Church, Christchurch, on Saturday, 3rd November 1973.

(b) When shall the next District Synods meet?

At least Quarterly, the August Meeting to be held between 10th and 21st August 1973.

AMENDMENTS TO LAW BOOK

Adopted by Conference 1972

Section IX—THE CIRCUIT QUARTERLY MEETING

General

Page 43: Section 283 (16) (a) is amended by inserting after the word "Synod" the following "October". (1972 Minutes page 308).
Finance and Stewardship Committee

Page 43: Section 284 subsection (b) is hereby amended by adding the following, after the words "in the Circuit" in the second to last line, the words "and one representative elected by the Women's Fellowships in the Circuit." (1972 Minutes page 126).

District Synods

Membership

Page 48: Section 320 is hereby amended by adding after the words "Supernumerary Ministers" the words "Ministers of other denominations appointed to any Union Parish constituted under the Constitution approved by the Conference and framed upon the Model Constitution adopted by it" and also adding between the words "status" and "whose" in the second to last line the word "and".

Section 325 is hereby amended by adding after the words "of the Church" the words "and/or of a Union Parish constituted under a Constitution approved by the Conference and framed upon the Model Constitution adopted by it." (1972 Minutes page 305).

The Conference

Membership

Page 58 Section 360 is hereby amended by repealing subsection (a) and substituting therefor the following:—

(a) The Ministers connected with the Conference who have been admitted into Full Connexion (except Ministers who come under the classification of Section 104 (e)) and the Ministers of other denominations who are appointed to any Union Parish constituted under a Constitution approved by Conference and framed upon the Model Constitution adopted by it. All such Ministers shall hereinafter be referred to as "Ministerial representatives".

Section 362 (b) is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the words "who notwithstanding the provisions of Section 361 shall be at the time of his election a member of the Union Parish electing him." (1972 Minutes page 304).

Page 58: Section 362 is further amended by adding:—

Subsection (gg): The Samoan Policy Committee shall be entitled to elect three of its members as representatives to the Conference. (1972 Minutes page 307).

Standing Committees of the Conference

Page 79: add Samoan Policy Committee.

Add 490A. There shall be appointed at each Conference a Samoan Policy Committee. The Committee shall consider the Church's policy and programme for work amongst Samoans.

490B. The Committee shall consist of:

(a) The President, the Vice-President, the President Elect, the General Superintendent of Home Mission, the Superintendent of the Maori Division, the General Secretary of Overseas Missions and one circuit minister from each of Auckland and Wellington Synod Districts nominated by the President and chosen for his association with and experience among Samoan Methodists.

(b) Six representatives from Auckland, four from Wellington and two from Waikato-Bay of Plenty; one from each other Synodal District where there are Samoans in membership, each such representative being nominated by the Synod concerned and chosen from the Samoan members.

The Supernumerary Fund

Page 111 Section 512 is hereby amended by repealing subsections 20 and 21 and substituting therefor the following:—

20. (a) A Minister who is left without appointment for health reasons, or for purposes of travel or study within New Zealand or overseas, unless otherwise decided by the Conference, shall be responsible for both the personal contributions and amounts equivalent to Circuit levies.

(b) A Minister who is permitted to serve with an outside organisation shall be responsible for the personal contribution and the outside organisation shall be responsible for amounts equivalent to Circuit levies, provided however, if no arrangement is made for such payment by the said organisation then the Minister shall be responsible for the circuit contributions.

(c) A Minister who is permitted to engage in any trade, business or profession in which he has to contribute to a Retiring Fund shall not be a contributor to the fund whilst so engaged PROVIDED ALWAYS that in the event of there being no Retiring Fund to which it is compelled to contribute, special arrangements may be made with the Board whereby the Minister continues contributing to the Fund.

(d) A Minister who is permitted to engage in any trade, business or profession part-time shall be responsible for the personal subscription. The responsibility for the Circuit contribution shall be determined by the Supernumerary Fund Board.

(e) A Woman Minister who is married and is in consequence thereof left without appointment, shall neither pay the personal contribution nor shall an amount equivalent to the Circuit Levy be paid on her behalf unless special arrangements are made with the Board.

20A. Where Ministers left without appointment are responsible for payment of personal levies and Circuit levy equivalents, such payments may be made by four equal quarterly instalments not later than the last day of the month of January, April, July and October in such connexional year or years. After the expiry of one year from the commencement of the period without appointment, any arrears shall bear interest at the rate from time to time fixed by the Conference.

21. Unless otherwise provided or agreed upon a Minister who has been left without appointment shall not be permitted to make any payments to the Fund during such period nor shall he or his widow be entitled to receive any allowance or benefit from the Fund in respect of such period.

(1972 Minutes pages 254 and 255).

SUPPLEMENT TO LAW BOOK

CORRECTIONS AND AMENDMENTS TO THE BOOK OF LAWS SINCE THE 23rd DAY OF APRIL, 1969

Correction—PRESIDENT OF THE METHODIST CHURCH

Law Book, page 24: Section 162 as amended by 1970 Conference (see 1970 Minutes, page 110) after the second sentence add the following—"he must be a Minister of not less than 15 years standing".

MEMBERS AND OTHER ROLLS

Page 2: Section 2 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:

2 An Electoral Roll shall be kept in connection with each Church and the name of every member of such Church continuing in active fellowship shall be entered therein.

Sections 3 and 4 are hereby amended, by deleting the word "Members", in the first line of each section, and substituting the word "Electoral". (1971 Minutes, page 318)

THE MINISTRY

Page 8: Section 53 is hereby amended by deleting at the end thereof the words "and work of the Ministry" and substituting therefore the words "of the Ministry of Word and Sacrament and Pastoral Care" (1969 Minutes, page 114) .

Pages 14-16: Section VII of Part II the Ministry is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:

SECTION VII

Miscellaneous provisions relating to Ministers

102. A Minister carrying on any trade, business or profession shall, on proof thereof, be required to relinquish it or retire from the Ministry except as hereinafter provided.

Ministers without appointment

103. A Minister desiring to maintain his ministerial connection with the Conference, whilst not receiving an appointment and without becoming a Supernumerary, shall make application so to do to the Conference through the District Synod.

104. A Minister who does not receive an appointment or who receives a part time appointment shall be classified in one of the following ways

- (a) Without appointment—for health reasons;
- (b) Without appointment—for purposes of travel or study within New Zealand or Overseas;
- (c) Without appointment—Woman Minister married;
- (d) With permission to serve with other organisations ;
- (e) With permission to engage in any trade, business or profession — full-time;
- (f) With permission to engage in any trade, business or profession — part-time with a pastoral charge.

105. An application by a Minister to be left without an appointment shall be made to the Conference through the District Synod. In his application, he must state his reasons for so doing and indicate his future plans. The application shall be considered by the General Purposes Committee which shall report thereon to the Conference which shall then grant or refuse the request.

106. In the case of a Minister seeking permission to enter any trade, business or profession—part time with pastoral charge, in addition the consent of the Circuit Quarterly Meeting must first be obtained; the application must be accompanied by a full statement of the financial and other arrangements with the Circuit. The Chairman of the District and the General Superintendent of the Home Mission Department shall report thereon to the General Purposes Committee.

107. In special circumstances, on the application of a Minister with the consent of the Quarterly Meeting of the Circuit in which

he is stationed, the President, on the recommendation of his Committee of Advice which for these purposes shall include the Chairman of the District in which the Minister is stationed may give permission for the Minister to engage in any trade, business or profession, part time with a pastoral charge for the balance of the Connexional year on which application is made.

108. A Minister who does not receive an appointment for health reasons or for the purpose of travel or study within New Zealand or Overseas shall not engage in any employment for which payment is to be received without the consent of the President and his Committee of Advice. Such consent may be given for the remainder of the connexional year in which the application is made. Should a renewal of the permission be sought, a new application must be made in writing through the Chairman of the District to the General Purposes Committee, which shall report thereon to the Conference.

109. An application by a Minister to be left "without appointment" part time or full time shall be referred to the Supernumerary Fund Board which shall recommend to Conference through the General Purposes Committee concerning the relationship of the Minister to Retiring Funds and the responsibility, if any, for payment of personal and Circuit Departmental contributions, unless otherwise approved the relationship to these Funds shall be as follows—

- (a) Without appointment for health reasons: The Minister shall be responsible for both the personal and Circuit contributions.
- (b) Without appointment for purposes of travel or study: The Minister shall be responsible for both the personal and Circuit contributions.
- (c) Without appointment—woman minister who is married: Neither the personal or circuit contribution shall be paid unless special arrangements are made through the Supernumerary Fund Board.
- (d) With permission to serve with an outside organisation: The Minister shall be responsible for the personal contribution and the outside organisation be required to meet the Circuit contribution.
- (e) With permission to engage in any trade, business or profession full time: Neither the personal nor the Circuit contribution shall be paid where the Minister is required to contribute to an outside Retiring Fund. If there is no such provision, each case shall be treated on its own merits.
- (f) With permission to engage in any trade, business or profession part time: The Minister shall be responsible for the personal contribution and in view of the fact that the Minister is still in Circuit work the Circuit contribution shall be a charge on the Connexional Budget.

In making its recommendations to the General Purposes Committee, the Supernumerary Fund Board shall bear in mind the principle of mutuality operating in the Retiring Funds.

110. A Minister who does not receive an appointment in pursuance of clause 104 (b), (c), (d) and (e) shall not be entitled to an allowance from the Children's Fund.

111. The name of each Minister left without an appointment shall be shown in the Minutes of Conference as attached to some circuit followed by the category in which he has been placed. See 104 (a), (b), (c), (d), (e) and (f).

111A. A Minister left without an appointment shall have the right to attend the District Synod.

111B. No woman Minister who comes under classification (c) of clause 104 hereof, shall be a member of the Conference unless elected as a lay representative of some Circuit or Department.

111C. No Minister who comes under classification (e) of clause 104 hereof, shall be a member of the Conference unless elected as a lay representative of some Circuit or Department.

111D. Permission to a Minister to be left without appointment shall be granted for one year only. A Minister desiring to be continued without appointment shall make a fresh application each year in full as provided in Section 105. A Minister who has received the permission of the Conference to engage full time in trade, business or profession for five years in succession shall be required to resign from the Ministry of Word and Sacrament. Should such a Minister give up his business and satisfy the District Ministerial Committee and the Conference that he has no disqualification of character nor any pecuniary embarrassment, his name may be restored to the Minutes.

111E. A Minister left without appointment shall continue to be under the discipline of the District Ministerial Committee and the Conference.

111F. The General Purposes Committee shall determine in each case what constitutes "engaging in any trade, business or profession".

111G. A Minister who has been left without an appointment shall not be permitted to serve with any other organisation which is of a type to discredit the Church. All decisions on this matter shall be made by the General Purposes Committee. From any such decision there is an appeal to the Conference.

111H. The provisions hereinbefore provided relating to Ministers carrying on or engaging in any trade, business or profession shall not apply to Supernumerary Ministers PROVIDED ALWAYS that such trade, business or profession is not one which would discredit the Church.

Ministers and Public or Civic Office

111I. (1) A Minister or Probationer in the Active work shall not consent to nomination for any Parliamentary, Civic, Public Office, or for any outside employment for which payment is to be received, or which will involve such a measure of service as to interfere with his ministerial duties except with the consent of: (a) his Quarterly Meeting, and (b) the President of Conference together with his Committee of Advice who shall be empowered to grant or to withhold permission until the ensuing Conference. For this purpose the Chairman of the District in which the applicant is stationed shall be a member of the President's Committee of Advice.

(2) In the event of either of these authorities or both of them withholding consent and the Minister or Probationer deciding to go forward with his nomination he shall be required to tender his resignation as a Minister of the Church.

(3) In all such cases it shall be the duty of the President's Committee of Advice to refer the matter to the Complaints and Appeals Committee, or such Committee as Conference may appoint, which shall make its recommendations to the Conference for final decision.

Women Ministers and Marriage

111J. (1) A Woman Minister intending to marry shall notify the Chairman of the District of her intention, stating whether she desires to continue in an appointment. At the end of the then current connexional year, unless otherwise determined by Conference she shall be left without an appointment.

(2) Where Conference is satisfied (inter alia) that marriage will not interfere with the appointment of a Woman Minister, it may, on the recommendation of the General Purposes Committee, continue her in the active work provided always that in the Committee and in the Conference at least two-thirds of those present vote for her continuance in the active work. Each such case shall be reviewed annually. (1971 Minutes, pages 320 to 323)

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).

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).

Page 24: (e) President of the Methodist Church—Section 162 is hereby amended by repealing the first sentence thereof and substituting therefor the following—

162. 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.)

He must be a Minister of not less than 15 years standing.
(Corrected 1971 Minutes, page 333)

Page 25: Section 171 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor—

171. 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 114.)

THE VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE METHODIST CHURCH

Page 30: Section 212 is hereby repealed. (1969 Minutes, page 121.)

CIRCUIT STEWARDS

Page 31: Section 218 is hereby amended by adding after (d) the following—

(d) 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—

(j) 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.)

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.)

Section IX—QUARTERLY MEETING

(b) Finance and Stewardship

Page 42: Section 283, Question (4) is hereby amended by adding the following—

Have transport allowances been paid, or have adequate arrangements been made for transport? (1969 Minutes, page 312.)

General

Page 43 Section 283 (16) (a) is amended by inserting after the word "Synod" the following "October". (1972 Minutes page 308).

Finance and Stewardship Committee

Page 43: Section 284 subsection (b) is hereby amended by adding the following, after the words "in the Circuit" in the second line, the words "and one representative elected by the Women's Fellowships in the Circuit." (1972 Minutes page 126).

Part V.—DISTRICT COURTS

District Synods

Membership

Page 48: Section 320 is hereby amended by adding after the words "Supernumerary Ministers" the words "Ministers of other denominations appointed to any Union Parish constituted under the Constitution approved by the Conference and framed upon the Model Constitution adopted by it" and also adding between the words "status" and "whose" in the second to last line the word "and".

Section 325 is hereby amended by adding after the words "of the Church" the words "and/or of a Union Parish constituted under a Constitution approved by the Conference and framed upon the Model Constitution adopted by it." (1972 Minutes page 305).

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 name 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).

- (j) Two Representatives of each District Education Council in the District.
- (k) One Representative of the District C.Y.M.M. Council or its equivalent.
- (l) The District Secretary of Church Property.
- (m) The District Secretary for Overseas Missions.
- (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 Committee 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 any 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 Probationers 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 Committes, 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?
- (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 Fund?
- (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

Membership

Page 58: Section 360 is hereby amended by repealing subsection (a) and substituting therefor the following:—

- (a) The Ministers connected with the Conference who have been

admitted into Full Connexion (except Ministers who come under the classification of Section 104 (e)) and the Ministers of other denominations who are appointed to any Union Parish constituted under a Constitution approved by Conference and framed upon the Model Constitution adopted by it. All such Ministers shall hereinafter be referred to as "Ministerial representatives".

Section 362 (b) is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the words "who notwithstanding the provisions of Section 361 shall be at the time of his election a member of the Union Parish electing him." (1972 Minutes page 304).

Page 58: Section 362 is further amended by adding:—

Subsection (gg): The Samoan Policy Committee shall be entitled to elect three of its members as representatives to the Conference. (1972 Minutes page 307).

(d) Conduct of Business

Page 62: Section 381 is hereby amended by repealing question

(7) (a), (b) and (c) thereof. (1969 Minutes, page)

Page 63: Section 381 is hereby amended by adding the following:

16 (c) What Ministers do the Conference now release to exercise their Ministry in other Churches within New Zealand, having the right to return to the Conference on completion of such service? (1971 Minutes, page 62)

THE CONFERENCE—CORRECTION OF TITLE

Page 74: F. Committee on Church Welfare.

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 sub-section (3) the word "lay" wherever it appears. (1969 Minutes, page 14.)

Standing Committees of the Conference

Page 79: add Samoan Policy Committee.

Add 490A. There shall be appointed at each Conference a Samoan Policy Committee. The Committee shall consider the Church's policy and programme for work amongst Samoans.

490B. The Committee shall consist of:

(a) The President, the Vice-President, the President Elect, the General Superintendent of Home Mission, the Superintendent of the Maori Division, the General Secretary of Overseas Missions and one circuit minister from each of Auckland and Wellington Synod Districts nominated by the President and chosen for his association with and experience among Samoan Methodists.

(b) Six representatives from Auckland, four from Wellington and two from Waikato-Bay of Plenty; one from each other Synodal District where there are Samoans in membership, each such representative being nominated by the Synod concerned and chosen from the Samoan members. (1972 Minutes page 307).

DEPARTMENT OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Page 87: Section 504 (3) is hereby amended by deleting the second and third sentences and by substituting therefor the following:

- (a) The Council shall be appointed annually by the Conference and shall meet when summoned by the President on the recommendation of the Board of Christian Education. It shall consider such matters concerning Christian Education as shall be remitted to it by the Conference and/or the Board.

Section 504 is further amended by adding the following subsection:

- (4a) It shall be the duty of the Board—
(a) To formulate the policy of the Church with respect to Christian Education for consideration of the Conference and report thereon to the Conference.
(b) To review the work of the Christian Education Department and make recommendations annually thereon to the Conference.
(c) To consider the recommendations of Synods as to all matters relating to Christian Education and report thereon to Conference.
(d) To present to Conference an annual report and financial statement and estimates of income and expenditure for the following year. (1971 Minutes, page 318)

ORDER OF DEACONESSSES

Page 101: Section 507 is hereby amended by adding the following subsection:

- (20a) Each Candidate, prior to the consideration of her candidature by the Deaconess Board, shall be interviewed by the Warden who shall report thereon to the Board.

(1971 Minutes, page 318)

VII. CHILDREN'S FUND

Page 103: Section 508 subsection 7 is hereby repealed.

(1970 Minutes, page 240)

IX. CONFERENCE REPRESENTATIVES' EQUALISATION FUND

Page 105: Section 510 subsection (1) to (8) are hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

- 510 (1) There shall be a Conference Representatives' Equalisation Fund established to assist in the payment of travelling expenses of the non-official Ministerial and Lay Members of the Conference.

- (2) The Fund shall be raised by such grants as shall from time to time be authorised by the Conference and shall be distributed amongst those entitled thereto as shall from time to time be decided by the Conference.
(3) No member of the Conference shall participate whose travelling expenses do not exceed such sums as may be fixed by the Conference from time to time.
(4) If required members participating shall submit statements

of travelling expenses through the Ministerial Representative of their District.

- (5) The expenses to be taken into account shall be on a mileage basis.
 - (6) Two representatives shall be appointed to receive, audit and settle all accounts, who shall, in conjunction with the Treasurer of the Contingent Fund, have power to determine the amount to be paid to each participant in the Fund.
 - (7) The expenses of Lay Representatives of Connexional Departments which make payments to Connexional Funds shall be met in the same manner as those of representatives from Circuits. The Committees of other Connexional Funds shall be authorised to make their own arrangements for the payment of expenses of the Treasurers or their substitutes.
- (1971 Minutes, page 267)

CONTINGENT FUND

Page 106: Section 511, subsection 8 is hereby amended by reading the first sentence of (a) and substituting therefor, the following:

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 111: Section 512 is hereby amended by repealing subsections 20 and 21 and substituting therefor the following:—

20. (a) A Minister who is left without appointment for health reasons, or for purposes of travel or study within New Zealand or overseas, unless otherwise decided by the Conference, shall be responsible for both the personal contributions and amounts equivalent to Circuit levies.

(b) A Minister who is permitted to serve with an outside organisation shall be responsible for the personal contribution and the outside organisation shall be responsible for amounts equivalent to Circuit levies, provided however, if no arrangement is made for such payment by the said organisation then the Minister shall be responsible for the circuit contributions.

(c) A Minister who is permitted to engage in any trade, business or profession in which he has to contribute to a Retiring Fund shall not be a contributor to the fund whilst so engaged PROVIDED ALWAYS that in the event of there being no Retiring Fund to which it is compelled to contribute, special arrangements may be made with the Board whereby the Minister continues contributing to the fund.

(d) A Minister who is permitted to engage in any trade, business or profession part-time shall be responsible for the personal subscription. The responsibility for the Circuit contribution shall be determined by the Supernumerary Fund Board.

(e) A Woman Minister who is married and is in consequence thereof left without appointment, shall neither pay the personal contribution nor shall an amount equivalent to the Circuit Levy be paid on her behalf unless special arrangements are made with the Board.

20A. Where ministers left without appointment are responsible for payment of personal levies and Circuit levy equivalents, such payments may be made by four equal quarterly instalments not later than the last day of the months of January, April, July and October in such connexional year or years. After the expiry of one year from

the commencement of the period without appointment, any arrears shall bear interest at the rate from time to time fixed by the Conference.

21. Unless otherwise provided or agreed upon a Minister who has been left without appointment shall not be permitted to make any payments to the fund during such period nor shall he or his widow be entitled to receive any allowance or benefit from the fund in respect of such period. (1972 Minutes pages 254 and 255).

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 sections:

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 the 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 thinks 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)

THE METHODIST BOARD OF PUBLICATIONS

Section 520 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

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.
 - (b) Co-ordinate, in consultation with other Boards and Committees, the publication of material to prevent duplication of effort.
 - (c) 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 be appointed annually by the Conference on the nomination of the Board.
- (5) The Board shall consist of: The General Superintendent of Home Missions, the General Secretary of Overseas Mission, the Principal of Trinity Theological College or his deputy, the Executive Officer of the Board, 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", the Director of Christian Education, and the Convener of the Board of Evangelism.
- (6) There shall be an Executive Officer who may be either a Minister or a layman and who shall be appointed by the Conference on the nomination of the Board.
- (7) 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.

- (8) Such other Officers as from time to time may be required shall be appointed by the Conference on the nomination of the Board.
- (9) The Board shall annually submit a report and financial statement through the Synods to the Conference.
(1971 Minutes, page 319)

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 be repealed. (1969 Minutes, page 121)

Pages 131-132: Section XXI—Methodist Men's Fellowship and Section 522, sub-sections 1 to 16 are hereby repealed.
(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)

SECTION II

XXIII. THE BOARD OF NEW ZEALAND METHODIST

Page 134: Sections 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 word 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 revelant 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 arises 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 the glory in the
Church through Jesus Christ for ever and ever. —Amen.*

(1969 Minutes, page 116)

APPENDIX



NEW ZEALAND METHODIST LAY PREACHERS' ASSOCIATION
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1972

1971		1972	1971		1972
\$		\$	\$		\$
47.50	Interest—Government Stock	47.50	91.65	Printing of "Preacher"	141.02
45.00	National Bank	45.00	—	Postages	20.00
90.00	General Purposes Account	99.00	34.12	Stationery	9.88
182.50		191.50	15.25	Book Awards	—
84.25	Subscriptions from Branches	25.25	7.60	Sundry	11.15
			22.86	Travelling Expenses	—
			171.48		182.05
			95.27	Excess Income over Expenditure	34.70
\$266.75		\$216.75	\$266.75		\$216.75

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1972

1971		1972	1971		1972
\$		\$	\$		\$
2,300.00	Liabilities:	2,300.00	1,800.00	N.Z. Methodist Church General Purposes A/c.	1,800.00
	Benevolent Fund		1,000.00	N.Z. Government Stock 4½% 15/10/71-73	1,000.00
	General Fund	1,821.69		Assets:	
	Add Excess Income over Expenditure	34.70	321.69	National Bank of N.Z. Ltd.—General Account	356.39
1,821.69		1,856.39	1,000.00	Savings Account	1,000.00
\$4,121.69		\$4,156.39	\$4,121.69		\$4,156.39

E. C. D. WATSON, F.C.A., Treasurer.

METHODIST WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st AUGUST, 1972

LIABILITIES				ASSETS			
			\$				\$
Missions, General Account	—	—	—	Credit Balances at Bank	—	—	29,750.52
Stamps, etc. Fund	—	—	—	Loan at Call—Home Mission Department	—	—	4,456.00
Overseas Travel Fund	—	—	—	Deposits—General Purposes Trust Board	—	—	6,496.76
"Kurahuna":				Drainage Board Debentures	—	—	8,000.00
Capital Account	—	—	71,398.39	Kurahuna Investments Account	—	—	56,300.00
Scholarship	—	—	1,855.63	Property:			
				Smethurst House	—	—	8,000.00
"Smethurst" Estate:							
Revenue Account	—	—	1,661.72				
Investment Account	—	—	8,000.00				
Property Account	—	—	8,000.00				
			17,661.72				
			\$113,003.28				\$113,003.28

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, 1972.

W. T. WALTON, A.C.A., A.R.A.N.Z., A.C.I.S.

METHODIST WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP
STATEMENT OF INCOME & EXPENDITURE FOR TWELVE MONTHS ENDED AUGUST 31st, 1972

INCOME				EXPENDITURE			
		\$	\$			\$	\$
Balance in Banks and Loan at Call 31/8/71	—		43,410.55	1971 Resolutions:			
Contributions from Districts as Summary:				Home Mission Department	—	8,200.00	
Membership Fees	—	780.67		Overseas Mission Department	—	8,200.00	
Missions General	—	26,366.97		Special Objective (Queen Salote College)	—	6,000.00	
Kurahuna Scholarship	—	1,882.18		Special Earthquake Appeal	—	1,000.00	
Stamps, etc. Fund	—	4,310.15					23,400.00
Other Objects	—	344.66		Stamp Fund Allocation	—	4,220.00	
			33,684.63	Overseas Grants	—	2,505.00	
Interest:				Other Objects—as specified (\$5 for W.F.M.W. transferred to Missions General Account)	—	339.66	
Missions General Account	—	374.34					7,064.66
Kurahuna Emergency Account	—	61.40		Subscriptions: N.C.W.	—	12.00	
Kurahuna Bequest Account	—	55.00		W.F.M.W.	—	85.00	
Kurahuna Scholarship Account	—	1,501.95					97.00
Kurahuna Revenue Account	—	140.00					130.00
			2,132.69	Treasurer's Honorarium	—		
370 Kurahuna Scholarship Return	—	313.50		Printing and Stationery	—	221.80	
Kurahuna Scholarship Donations	—	13.00		Travelling Expenses	—	234.88	
Kurahuna Maint. Account—Rents and Interest	—	772.56		General Expenses	—	159.18	
Kurahuna Sale of Property	—	44,085.52					615.86
Refund Travelling Expenses	—	98.95		Kurahuna Maintenance Account	—		591.06
Refund E. McNeil—S.I. Box Org.	—	79.60		Kurahuna Expenses—Brochures, Final Power Account, Comm. Closing Expenses	—		142.39
Sale of Literature and Badges	—	15.60		Cheque Book (Capital Account)	—		2.00
Smethurst Estate: Rents, Interest etc.	—	1,119.34		Kurahuna Scholarship Grants	—		2,050.00
Smethurst Estate: Refund Toll Charges	—	15.14		Kurahuna Investments	—		56,300.00
Legacy—A. Lord	—	200.00		Smethurst Distributions	—		1,341.59
							91,734.56
				Credit Balance 31/8/72:			
				Missions General Account	—	16,604.39	
				Stamps, etc.	—	5,144.02	
				Overseas Travel Account	—	339.13	
				Kurahuna Capital Account	—	8,601.63	
				Kurahuna Scholarship Account	—	1,855.63	
				Smethurst Accounts	—	1,661.72	
							34,206.52
			\$125,941.08				\$125,941.08

METHODIST WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

SUMMARY OF CONTRIBUTIONS FROM DISTRICTS FOR TWELVE MONTHS ENDED 31st AUGUST, 1972

District	Totals	Membership Fees	Missions General A/c.	Kurahuna Schol.	Stamps, etc.	Other Objects	
Northland	1,078.81	35.00	870.21	73.10	100.50		
Waitemata	1,458.55	40.60	1,179.70	22.77	215.48		
Auckland	4,410.62	100.50	3,298.48	216.58	795.06		
South Auckland	1,045.72	26.70	603.04	105.00	202.13	United Church Schol. Fund	108.85
Waikato	2,341.42	47.67	1,876.52	120.71	286.52	Fraternal Workers	10.00
Thames Valley	817.79	17.70	616.54	72.40	111.15		
Bay of Plenty	963.53	15.90	790.38	52.13	83.12	Earthquake Fund	22.00
Taranaki	2,535.74	41.10	2,062.31	152.30	280.03		
Wanganui	678.30	13.10	491.51	67.65	81.04	Earthquake Fund	25.00
Manawatu	3,038.08	44.70	2,603.80	130.81	258.77		
Hawkes Bay	1,423.70	24.90	1,175.66	53.41	169.73		
Wairarapa	288.55	5.60	238.55	10.00	34.40		
Wellington	2,849.64	64.90	2,291.70	176.84	316.20		
Nelson-Marlborough	1,751.04	33.20	1,410.60	121.40	185.84		
West Coast	194.75	7.00	138.41	2.00	47.34		
North Canterbury	4,033.20	142.70	3,169.11	224.43	444.75	Missions Special Appeal	38.61
						Munda-Overseas Parcels	13.60
South Canterbury	1,781.33	41.80	1,415.49	74.38	213.06	Fraternal Workers	8.00
						Mrs. Dixon-Hamilton	15.00
						Hutjema	13.60
Otago	1,282.20	49.80	908.16	39.26	264.98	Missions Special Appeal	20.00
Southland	1,639.29	27.80	1,226.80	167.01	217.68		
Other Sources	72.37				2.37	Sally Street Cot Fund	40.00
						Earthquake Fund—M. Lock	25.00
						World Fed. Methodist Women	5.00
1972 Totals	33,684.63	780.67	26,366.97	1,882.18	4,310.15		344.66
1971 Totals	34,911.39	859.42	25,686.15	2,212.60	4,174.37		1,978.85

METHODIST WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP
KURAHUNA SCHOLARSHIP ACCOUNT AS AT 31st AUGUST, 1972

INCOME				EXPENDITURE			
			\$				\$
Receipts from Districts	—	—	1,882.18	Grants	—	—	2,050.00
Interest—Investments Account	—	—	1,501.95	Credit Balance 31/8/72	—	—	1,855.63
Kurahuna Bequest Account	—	—	55.00				
Loan at Call Home Mission Department	—	—	140.00				
Donations	—	—	13.00				
Return from Rangiatea Maori College Trust	—	—	313.50				
			<u>\$3,905.63</u>				<u>\$3,905.63</u>

KURAHUNA CAPITAL ACCOUNT AS AT 31st AUGUST, 1972

			\$				\$
Cheque Book	—	—	2.00	Transferred from Maintenance, etc. Account	—	—	4,022.13
			71,398.39	Emergency Account	—	—	4,133.34
				Capital and Depreciation Account	—	—	5,496.76
				Bequest Account	—	—	1,000.00
				Revenue Account	—	—	12,662.64
				Accumulated Funds (Sale of Kurahuna)	—	—	44,085.52
			<u>\$71,400.39</u>				<u>\$71,400.39</u>

DISTRIBUTION OF KURAHUNA CAPITAL ACCOUNT

			\$
Investments, per Peak, Longland & Co.	—	—	56,300.00
Deposit—General Purposes Trust Board	—	—	6,496.76
Loan at Call—Home Mission Department	—	—	4,000.00
Balance at Bank	—	—	4,601.63
			<u>\$71,398.39</u>

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND — DEPARTMENT OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1972

EXPENDITURE					INCOME				
1971				1972	1971				1972
\$				\$	\$				\$
215	Depreciation	—	—	182		Grants:			
1,873	General Expenses (including postage)	—	—	1,160	18,955	Connexional Budget	—	—	17,525
1,082	Leadership Training Expenses	—	—	276	1,000	Bookroom	—	—	1,000
420	National C.Y.M.M. Council	—	—	261	873	Leadership Training	—	—	1,718
558	Parsonage Property Expenses—Tawa	—	—	575	6	Donations	—	—	28
	Island Bay	—	—	503	47	Interest	—	—	14
1,959	Printing and Stationery (including C.E.H.)	—	—	852	249	Sales—C.E.H.	—	—	253
962	Rent	—	—	1,008	851	Resource Materials	—	—	1,317
200	Resource Materials and Subscriptions	—	—	1,338	737	Miscellaneous	—	—	728
6,919	Directors Salaries, Superannuation and Allowances	—	—	9,426					
3,923	Office Salaries	—	—	4,314					
24	Special Activities Expenses	—	—	557					
1,590	Travelling Expenses—New Zealand	—	—	1,505					
2,434	Overseas	—	—	535					
559	Excess Income over Expenditure	—	—	91					
\$22,718				\$22,583	\$22,718				\$22,583

OFFICE BUILDING ACCOUNT — INCOME & EXPENDITURE

261	Cleaning	—	—	282	2,800	Rent Received	—	—	2,800
834	Depreciation	—	—	840	33	Interest	—	—	62
373	Electricity	—	—	382					
—	General Expenses	—	—	2					
96	Insurance	—	—	106					
278	Interest	—	—	275					
613	Telephone Rentals	—	—	836					
378	Excess of Income over Expenditure	—	—	139					
\$2,833				\$2,862	\$2,833				\$2,862

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND — DEPARTMENT OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1972

LIABILITIES				ASSETS			
1971			1972	1971			1972
\$			\$	\$			\$
209	Sundry Creditors	—	698	32	Cash on Hand	—	57
1,413	Parsonage Loans—Tawa	—	1,252	(1,000)	Trading Bank—National	—	588
—	Island Bay	—	14,968	5,518	Sundry Debtors and Prepayments	—	4,246
4,853	Special Reserves:			970	Stocks on Hand—Stationery	—	1,038
—	Special Purposes	—	468		Reserve Funds:		
234	Parsonage	—	5,000	234	Furniture, W.D.S.B.	—	—
553	Furniture Fund	—	571	4,852	Special Purposes W.D.S.B.	—	468
	Youth Conference	—	6,039	553	Youth Conference, National	—	571
	Other Reserves:			850	Office Furniture and Equipment Less Depreciation	—	725
735	C.Y.M.M. Projects	—	344		Parsonage Furniture Less Depreciation:		
2,212	Leadership Training	—	2,211	960	Tawa	—	768
143	Camping Commission	—	143	—	Island Bay	—	1,403
			2,698		Parsonage Properties:		
13,158	Accumulated Fund:			10,541	Tawa	—	10,540
	Balance 1/7/71	—	13,158	—	Island Bay	—	18,500
	Excess Income over Expenditure	—	91				
			13,249				
\$23,510			\$38,904	\$23,510			\$38,904

BUILDING ACCOUNT — BALANCE SHEET

—	Sundry Creditors	—	141	27,784	Building and Fittings	—	28,045
2,494	Depreciation Provision	—	3,334	5,481	National Bank of N.Z. (No. 2 Account)	—	1,228
	Loans:			969	Sundry Debtors	—	387
2,450	Building and Loan Fund	—	2,250	—	Loan to Dept. C.E.—Parsonage	—	5,000
3,600	Home Mission Department	—	3,446				
4,000	Fire Insurance Fund	—	4,000				
			9,696				
14,625	Building Reserves	—	14,075				
	Accumulated Funds:						
7,065	Balance 1/7/71	—	7,065				
	Grant from C.B. & L. Fund	—	210				
	Excess Income over Expenditure	—	139				
			7,414				
\$34,234			\$34,660	\$34,234			\$34,660

J. A. PENMAN, Chairman.
 JOHN GRUNDY, Director.
 M. L. CLARK, Treasurer.

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND — EPWORTH BOOKROOM (WELLINGTON)
STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1972
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1972

1971				1972				1971				1972
\$				\$				\$				\$
598	Sundry Creditors	—	—	2,253				38	Cash on Hand	—	—	36
5,062	Building Fund Reserve	—	—	5,000					National Bank of N.Z.:	—	—	
1,082	Equalisation Reserve	—	—	—				2,500	Reserve Portion	—	—	
	Accumulated Fund:							3,983	Trading Portion	—	—	5,953
	At 1/7/71	—	—	24,973								5,953
	Net Profit for Year	—	—	851				3,644	Methodist Connexional Office Deposit	—	—	1,159
									Sundry Debtors	—	—	5,159
				25,824				2,794	Less Sales in Advance	—	—	2,467
	Department of C.E. Grant	—	—	1,000								2,692
24,973				24,824					Stock on Hand:			
									Trade	—	—	13,316
								14,850	Stationery	—	—	350
								3,500	Share in Office Building	—	—	13,666
								—	Loan to Dept. of C.E. Parsonage	—	—	3,300
								406	Equipment (Cost Less Depreciation)	—	—	5,000
												271
\$31,715				\$32,077				\$31,715				\$32,077

TRADING ACCOUNT

11,325	Stock, 1971	—	—	14,500				Sales	—	—	36,563	
39,864	Purchases	—	—	28,024				Sales at Cost (on A/c. Dept. C.E.)	—	—	1,369	
14,347	Gross Profit	—	—	11,932							37,932	
								Sales in Advance, 1971	—	—	4,516	
											42,448	
								Less Sales in Advance, 1972	—	—	2,467	
											39,981	
								50,036	Stock, 1972	—	—	13,316
								14,500	Joint Board Equalisation	—	—	1,159
								1,000				
\$65,536				\$54,456				\$65,536				\$54,456

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND — EPWORTH BOOKROOM (WELLINGTON)
PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

203	Depreciation	—	—	—	—	—	135	14,347	Gross Profit	—	—	—	—	—	—	11,932
954	General Expenses	—	—	—	—	—	945	311	Interest	—	—	—	—	—	—	354
632	Postages	—	—	—	—	—	620									
312	Printing and Stationery	—	—	—	—	—	603									
1,283	Rent	—	—	—	—	—	1,283									
7,351	Salaries including Superannuation	—	—	—	—	—	7,849									
3,923	Net Profit	—	—	—	—	—	851									
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\$14,658							\$12,286	<hr/>								\$12,286

METHODIST CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st MAY, 1972

1971 \$		1972 \$	1971 \$		1972 \$
240	Current Liabilities:	355	420,453	Loans Current	411,353
	Sundry Creditors		(24,157)	Less Working Expenses relating to future periods	24,423
10,716	Other Accounts Deposited with Fund:	13,712		Principal Portion of Loans outstanding	386,930
22,982	Sites Fund Account		396,296	Current Assets:	
	Development Fund Account (for Church Extension)	22,650	10	Cash in Hand	
		36,362	1,873	Cash at Bank—Current Account	9,730
	Accumulated Funds:		8	Cash at Bank Term Deposit	10,000
378,638	(i) Capital Account at 31/5/71	393,902	1,037	Debtors	
15,264	Add Legacies and Donations received	11,331		Interest Accrued	994
		405,233		Prepayment Special Projects Account	250
					20,974
600	(ii) Administration Funds Capital	600	1,500	Loan Development Fund:	
2,457	General Funds Balance 31/5/71	2,053		Manawatu Social Service Centre	
		2,653	6,434	Deposits:	
3,057		453	12,835	General Purposes Trust (Sites)	6,724
(404)	Less Deficit for Year		8,000	General Purposes Trust (General)	14,522
		2,220		N.Z. Insurance Co. Ltd.	8,000
2,653					29,246
396,555	Total Accumulated Funds at 31/5/72	407,433	2,500	Other Assets: Shares Bequeathed to Fund	
				(a) Preference Shares (Unlisted Companies)	2,500
				(b) Ordinary Shares (Listed Companies)	4,500
					7,000
\$430,493		\$444,150	\$430,493		\$444,150

We have examined the books of account and records of the Methodist Church Building and Loan Fund for the year ended 31st May, 1972.

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, Special Projects 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, 1972, and of its income and expenditure for the year ended on that date.

Christchurch,
14th July, 1972.

McCULLOCH, BUTLER AND SPENCE,
Chartered Accountants.

W. A. CHAMBERS, Chairman.
C. R. HASSELDINE, Treasurer.
W. R. LAWS, Secretary.

METHODIST CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND
SPECIAL PROJECTS FUND ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 31st MAY, 1972

1971	1972	1971	1972
\$	\$	\$	\$
Grants Made: Manawatu Social Service Centre —	3,000	Transferred from Development Fund Account (½ Share of 1971-72 Budget) — — —	2,750
		Balance (being grant prepaid in anticipation of balance of 1971-72 Budget allocation) —	250
	<u>\$3,000</u>		<u>\$3,000</u>

ADMINISTRATION ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31st MAY, 1972

1971	1972	1971	1972
\$	\$	\$	\$
3,500 Administrative Charges — — —	3,600	2,506 Working Expenses — — —	2,576
Other Expenses:		1,403 Interest Receivable — — —	1,212
108 Advertising — — —	117	115 Commission Receivable — — —	120
193 Audit and General — — —	195	160 Dividends — — —	336
97 Postages — — —	135		
295 Stationery and Telephone — — —	418	4,184	4,244
395 Travelling — — —	232	404 Deficit for Year — — —	453
1,088	1097		
<u>\$4,588</u>	<u>\$4,697</u>	<u>\$4,588</u>	<u>\$4,697</u>

METHODIST CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND
LOANS ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 31st MAY, 1972

1971		1972		1971		1972	
\$		\$		\$		\$	
383,698	Loans at 31st May, 1971	396,296		52,502	Loans Repaid	67,916	
65,200	New Loans Advanced	58,550		100	Sundry Adjustments for Earlier Year		
				396,296	Loans at 31st May, 1972	386,930	
<u>\$448,898</u>		<u>\$454,846</u>		<u>\$448,898</u>		<u>\$454,846</u>	

SITES FUND ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 31st MAY, 1972

1971		1972		1971		1972	
\$		\$		\$		\$	
1,100	Grants Made			9,127	Balance 31st May, 1971	10,716	
10,716	Balance of Fund 31st May, 1972	13,712			Contributions Received:		
				800	Home Mission Department		
				1,600	Fire Insurance Fund	1,600	
							1,600
				289	Interest	302	
					Grants Refunded	1,094	
<u>\$11,816</u>		<u>\$13,712</u>		<u>\$11,816</u>		<u>\$13,712</u>	

DEVELOPMENT FUND ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 31st MAY, 1972

1971		1972		1971		1972	
\$		\$		\$		\$	
	Grants Made:			18,730	Balance 31st May, 1971	22,982	
	Mangere	8,000		3,652	Balance from Previous Year's Budget		
	Sunnybrook Road	2,522			(1970-71)	3,900	
	Twizel	400			Less Shares Paid to other Funds:		
					Depart. Christian Education	1,170	
8,400	Total Grants	10,922			Transport Trust Board	390	
22,982	Balance of Fund 31st May, 1972	22,650				1,560	
				15,000	Received from Current Year's Budget	2,340	
					(1971-72)	11,000	
				(6,000)	Less Shares Transferred:		
					Other Funds		
					Special Projects Fund	2,750	
				9,000			8,250
<u>\$31,382</u>		<u>\$33,572</u>		<u>\$31,382</u>		<u>\$33,572</u>	

THE PROBERT TRUST BOARD OF THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1972

LIABILITIES					ASSETS				
				\$				\$	\$
Capital Account:					Freehold Properties:				
Balance as at 30/6/71	---	---	---	---	Land (at Government Valuation 1/1/70)	---	339,800.00		
Income Account:					Buildings (at Government Valuation 1/1/70)	---	49,200.00		
Balance as at 30/6/72	---	---	---	---				389,000.00	
Building Renewal Fund	---	---	---	---	Building Renewal Fund Investments:				
				110,000.00	Registered Stock:				
					Auckland City Council, 5½% 1/10/75	---	4,000.00		
					Auckland Harbour Board, 5.7% 10/10/75	---	4,000.00		
					Auckland Hospital Board, 5½% 5/8/73	---	6,000.00		
					Auckland Hospital Board 5½% 1/4/76	---	20,000.00		
					Auckland Hospital Board, 5½% 1/10/75	---	15,000.00		
					Auckland Regional Authority Drainage Division, 5.7% 1/1/76	---	6,000.00		
					Mortgages:				
					Birchall, T. R. and M. J., 8% 16/7/74	---	6,000.00		
					Bullin, J. L. and P. J., 8½% 5/11/74	---	8,500.00		
					Goodwin, D. M. and O. F., 8% 29/3/74	---	6,500.00		
					Henry Cannell Ltd., 7½% 18/3/72	---	5,000.00		
					Murphy, H. L. and B. J., 8% 3/5/74	---	7,000.00		
					B. G. Pirrit Ltd., 7½% 26/7/72	---	5,000.00		
					Robb, D. E. and M. J., Pems Autos Limited, 8½% 31/5/74	---	13,000.00		
					Wong, S. Y. and L. M. Y., 8½% 28/2/75	---	4,000.00		
								110,000.00	
					Mortgages:				
					Ashby, P. and K. A., 8% 6/3/75	---	6,000.00		
					Bryers, H. A., 8% 3/12/74	---	7,000.00		
					Casey, G. J. M. and B., 8% 11/2/75	---	10,000.00		
					Scott, J. E. and H. A., 8% 5/5/75	---	12,750.00		
					Smith, I. F., 8½% 21/2/75	---	12,000.00		
					Starkey, H., 7½% 21/12/73	---	5,250.00		
					Walker, R. K. and M. P., 8½% 28/2/75	---	7,600.00		
								60,600.00	

	Post Office Savings Bank	---	---	---	64.76
	Bank of New Zealand:				
	Current Account	---	---	---	14,302.79
	Cash in Hand	---	---	---	247.32
\$574,214.87					<u>\$574,214.87</u>

We have examined the Books and Accounts of the Probert Trust Board for the year ended 30th June, 1972, and report that all our requirements as Auditors have been complied with. We report that the foregoing Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a correct view of the Board's position on the 30th June, 1972, as shown by the Records of the Trust and according to the best of our information.

A. R. MARTIN,
R. EVANS,

Auditors.

4th August, 1972.

F. M. IZZARD, Secretary.

THE PROBERT TRUST BOARD OF THE METHODIST CHURCH OF N.Z.
PROPERTY INCOME ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1972

EXPENDITURE				INCOME			
1971			1972	1971			1972
\$			\$	\$			\$
	Repairs, Maintenance and Renovations:			26,226.53	Rent		27,150.13
	No. 1 Block	2,138.28		25.38	Rent (Refund received from Bankrupt tenants 1969)		40.97
	No. 2 Block	1,836.84					
	No. 3 Block	5,145.83					
	Cottages, etc.	1,052.45					
3,861.40			10,173.40				
531.58	Insurance Premiums	839.77					
	Rates	305.85					
	Sundries:						
	Land Tax	661.04					
	Valuation Fees and Costs	288.75					
	Commission	1,513.81					
	Fares and Stamps	63.04					
	Architects Fees	300.00					
1,549.44			2,826.64				
20,309.49	Surplus from Rent		13,045.44				
\$26,251.91			\$27,191.10	\$26,251.91			\$27,191.10

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1972

1971			1972				
\$		\$	\$				
	Sundries:			20,309.49	Surplus from Rent		13,045.44
	Audit Fee	63.00			Interest:		
	Commission	616.01			Bank of N.Z.	297.31	
	Secretary's Salary	750.00			Debentures and Registered Stock	3,037.50	
	Photocopying	23.71			P.O. Savings Bank	1.86	
	Stationery	39.30		10,701.95	Mortgages	8,983.59	
	Sundries	11.50		36.87	Commission (N.Z. Insurance Co.)		74.03
1,196.61			1,503.52				
29,851.70	Surplus for the Year		23,936.21	\$31,048.31			\$25,439.73
\$31,048.31			\$25,439.73	29,851.70	Surplus for the Year		23,936.21
					Balance, 30th June (1971)		7,582.26
11,000.00	Appropriated to Building Renewal Fund			\$29,851.70			\$31,518.47
11,269.44	Paid to Theological College	25,500.00					
7,582.26	Balance, 30th June	6,018.47					
\$29,851.70		\$31,518.47		7,582.26	Balance, 30th June		6,018.47

Examined and found correct.

A. R. MARTIN,
 R. EVANS,
 Auditors.

F. M. IZZARD, Secretary.

PRINCE ALBERT COLLEGE TRUST
PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30th, 1972

1971		1972
\$		\$
	Income Received:	
13,261	Rental—Shops	13,524
7,396	Private Hotel	8,147
5,941	Car Parks	6,573
28,162	Commercial Building	30,414
11,684	Interest—Mortgages	10,189
	Other	5,716
	Sales of Plant—Profit	1
1,904	Disbursements Collected	—
<u>68,348</u>		<u>74,564</u>
	Expenses:	
400	Administration Expenses	400
—	Depositors Register Accounting	127
6,858	Depreciation—Buildings	6,858
18	Equipment	—
1,861	Insurance	148
6,585	Interest—Mortgages	5,765
5,808	Depositors	7,860
724	Land Tax	724
—	Legal Expenses	126
22	Printing and Stationery	52
517	Property Maintenance—Shops	1,770
406	Car Parks	140
77	Building	—
558	Rates—Car Park	437
300	Rent Collection and Supervision—Shops and Hotel	300
1,616	Commercial Bldg.	1,829
297	Car Park	329
1,215	Share—Commercial Building Expense	163
34	Sundry Expenses	142
13	Telephone Tolls and Postages	30
74	Travelling Expenses	274
<u>27,383</u>		<u>27,474</u>
40,965	Trading Surplus for 1971-72	47,090
	Less Grants Made:	
400	Trinity College	400
500	Advanced Theological Study	400
131	Theological College Assistance	—
<u>1,031</u>	Total Grants	<u>800</u>
<u>\$39,934</u>	Net Surplus for 1971-72	<u>\$46,290</u>

PRINCE ALBERT COLLEGE TRUST BOARD
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET AS AT JUNE 30th, 1972

1970-71												1972
	Current Assets:											
204	Funds at Bank of New Zealand											15,859
674	Debtors—Recoverable Expenses											1,270
3,218	Interest Accrued											4,054
962	Rent Accrued											278
890	Prepayments—Insurance											—
<u>5,948</u>												<u>21,461</u>
	Current Liabilities:											
2,978	Rent Paid in Advance											5,581
<u>1,673</u>	Interest Accrued											<u>4,074</u>
<u>4,651</u>												<u>9,655</u>
1,299	Nett Working Funds											11,806
	Invested Funds:											
124,000	N.Z. Insurance Company Trust Fund No. 1											94,000
—	Merbank Corporation—Short Term Deposits											36,500
66,055	First Mortgage Advances											206,000
31,540	National Mutual Endowment Insurance:											
8,022	Mortgage Redemption Sinking Fund No. 1											35,524
	Mortgage Redemption Sinking Fund No. 2											<u>9,246</u>
<u>229,617</u>												<u>381,270</u>
	Fixed Assets:											
								Cost	Depreciation			
49	Equipment							119	119			
207,102	Buildings							232,971	32,727			200,244
232,000	Land 1958 Valuation							232,000				232,000
10,857	Car Parks							10,857				10,857
14,780	Building Project Development							21,223				21,223
								<u>497,170</u>	<u>32,846</u>			<u>464,324</u>
	Less Disposals							119	119			
<u>464,788</u>								<u>497,051</u>	<u>32,727</u>			<u>464,324</u>
<u>695,702</u>												<u>857,400</u>

Less Fixed Liabilities:									
Mortgage to National Mutual Life Assn., secured over I.B.M. Building and Land on which it stands:									
60,000	No. 1, 6½%, \$120,000 Less Repaid \$60,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	60,000
27,200	No. 2, 7%, \$36,000 Less Repaid \$10,400	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	25,600
104,335	Funds Held on Deposit	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	221,147
—	Prince Albert College Old Students' Fund	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	196
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191,535									306,943
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504,167									550,457
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Accumulated Funds:									
464,233	Balance at June 30th, 1971	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	504,167
39,934	Plus Surplus after making grants for 1971-72	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	46,290
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\$504,167									\$550,457

Note 1. Valuation of Properties. The current Government valuation of the property including buildings is \$686,000. A valuation of the property completed by a registered valuer in May 1971 sets the value of the property, land and the I.B.M. Building only at \$945,000.

Note 2. Reversionary bonus in respect of the Sinking Funds credited to September 30th, 1971, amount to approximately \$11,642. This amount has not been brought into the accounts here presented.

Note 3. There are no contingent liabilities at June 30th, 1972.

Note 4. All mortgage advances are fully secured by first mortgage charge over property having a certified value at least 40% in excess of the mortgage charge.

THE JAMES AND MARTHA TROUNSON BENEVOLENT TRUST FUND BOARD
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT, FROM 1st JULY, 1971 TO 30th JUNE, 1972

EXPENDITURE							INCOME						
						\$						\$	
Grants	—	—	—	—	—	1,212.00	Interest	Auckland Hospital Board	—	—	—	49.95	
Expenses	—	—	—	—	—	67.00	Interest	J. W. Veale & Anor	—	—	—	880.00	
Excess of Income over Expenditure	—	—	—	—	—	323.29	Interest	Government Stock	—	—	—	581.00	
							Interest	Bank of New Zealand	—	—	—	25.26	
							Interest	A.S.B. Investment Account	—	—	—	45.00	
							Interest	A.S.B. General Account	—	—	—	21.08	
						<u>\$1,602.29</u>						<u>\$1,602.29</u>	

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1972

LIABILITIES							ASSETS						
\$							\$						
Trust Fund Account	—	—	—	—	—	23,620.00	Auckland Hospital Brd. Works Loan, 5½% 1975	—	—	—	—	1,000.00	
Income Account	—	—	—	—	—	3,015.15	J. W. Veale & Anor, 8% 1974	—	—	—	—	11,000.00	
							N.Z. Govt. Inscribed Stock 1974-76	—	—	—	—	11,620.00	
							Cash Balances:						
							Auckland Savings Bank	—	—	—	780.98		
							Auckland Savings Bank Investment	—	—	—	1,000.00		
							Bank of New Zealand	—	—	—	1,234.17		
											3,015.15		
						\$26,635.15						\$26,635.15	

Audited and found correct.

J. C. WIGGLESWORTH, B.Com., A.C.A., A.C.L.S.
Auckland, 12th July, 1972.

L. W. PEAK, Chairman.
E. E. SAGE, Secretary.

THE BOARD OF THE WELLINGTON METHODIST CHARITABLE AND EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENTS

REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1972

1971		1972	1971		1972
\$		\$	\$		\$
25	To Audit Fee	25	3,150	By Interest	3,450
72	" General Expenses	48	4,911	" Rents	4,911
55	" Land Tax	55			
	" Legal Expenses	90			
300	" Secretarial Fee	300	8,061		8,361
7,609	" Carried Down	7,843	7,609	" Brought Down	7,843
8,061		8,361			
2,750	" Rangiatea Maori College Trust	2,750			
4,859	" Masterton Children's Home	5,093			
\$7,609		\$7,843	\$7,609		\$7,843

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1972

1971		1972	1971		1972
\$		\$	\$		\$
141,401	Current Liabilities:	141,401		Current Assets:	
	Capital Account		8,229	Properties:	
68,006	Masterton Children's Home:	66,712	48,325	Foxton	8,229
190	Capital Account	7,436		Masterton	48,814
	Add Bequests	74,148	60,860	Plimmerton	3,750
68,196				Wellington	60,860
1,484	Less Transfer to Current Account		27,217	N.Z. Government Stock	121,653
66,712	Balance in Capital Account	74,148	63,877	Loans on Mortgage	27,217
	Balance in Current Account	436	1,000	Deposit—Transport Trust Board	60,700
2,750	Rangiatea Maori College Trust	74,584	4,448	Post Office and National Savings A/cs.	1,000
146	Rent Paid in Advance	2,750	2,321	A. & N.Z. Bank Ltd.	4,603
7,330	Property Reserve Account	71	400	Shares North Wairarapa Perm. Build. Soc.	9,872
		7,330	1,662	Rent and Interest Accrued	400
\$218,339		\$226,136	\$218,339		691
					\$226,136

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, 1972, and that I have received all the information and explanations I have required. I certify that, in my opinion, the above Balance Sheet and the attached Revenue Account are properly drawn up so as to exhibit respectively a true and fair view of the position of the Board's affairs at 30th June, 1972, and of the transactions of the Board for the year ended on that date according to the best of my information and the explanations given to me and as shown by the said books.

Wellington, 17th July, 1972.

T. M. STEPHENS, F.C.A., Auditor.

GREY INSTITUTE TRUST

STATEMENT OF INCOME & EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1972

1971 \$								1972 \$
	Income from:							
14,432.93	Land Rents	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....		13,406.60
17.45	Noting Fees	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....		8.00
120.00	Mission House Rents	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....		144.00
569.13	Interest	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....		997.65
13.00	Grazing Fees	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....		26.00
<u>15,152.51</u>								<u>14,582.25</u>
	Expenses for:							
25.00	Audit Fee	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	45.00	
81.29	City Rates	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	99.50	
50.60	Commission — Travelling	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.40	
36.49	Insurances	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17.29	
1,496.16	Land Tax	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,572.79	
1,545.22	Legal	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25.00	
700.00	Secretary's Salary	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	700.00	
223.16	Stationery	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	126.31	
—	Strongroom for Trust Records	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,050.00	
75.36	Sundry Expenses	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6.74	
<u>4,233.28</u>								<u>4,648.03</u>
10,919.23	Excess Income available for Appropriation	.....						9,934.22
	Less Grants:							
6,500.00	Rangiatea Methodist Maori Girls' College	.....					4,500.00	
316.39	Repairs to Mission Property	.....	.....				409.31	
<u>6,816.39</u>								<u>4,909.31</u>
<u>\$4,102.84</u>	Net Income Transferred to Accumulated Funds							<u>\$5,024.41</u>

GREY INSTITUTE TRUST
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1972

RECEIPTS						PAYMENTS					
1971					1972	1971					1972
\$					\$	\$					\$
13,250	Rents	—	—	—	12,458.26	51	Travelling Expenses	—	—	—	5.40
17	Noting Fees	—	—	—	8.00	46	Insurance	—	—	—	24.79
121	Rates Refunded	—	—	—	138.13	39	Rates Water	—	—	—	65.80
9	Insurances Refunded	—	—	—	7.50	163	General	—	—	—	171.83
120	Rent from Mission House	—	—	—	144.00	25	Audit Fees	—	—	—	45.00
569	Interest	—	—	—	997.65	223	Stamps and Stationery	—	—	—	126.31
13	Grazing	—	—	—	26.00	500	Deposit on Section	—	—	—	—
500	Deposit on Section Refunded	—	—	—	—	1,545	Legal Expenses	—	—	—	25.00
14,599	TOTAL RECEIPTS	—	—	—	13,779.54	304	Repairs to Buildings	—	—	—	398.00
1,958	Opening Bank Balance 1/7/71	—	—	—	4,877.60	12	Repairs to Equipment	—	—	—	11.81
						1,496	Land Tax	—	—	—	1,572.79
						69	Presentation	—	—	—	—
						700	Secretary's Honorarium	—	—	—	700.00
						6,500	Grant "Rangiatea"	—	—	—	4,500.00
						6	Bank Charges and Exchange	—	—	—	6.74
						—	N.Z. Insurance Company Fixed Deposit (due 7/4/75)	7%	—	—	4,000.00
						—	Strongroom	—	—	—	2,050.00
						11,679	TOTAL PAYMENTS	—	—	—	13,703.47
						4,878	Closing Balance 30/6/72 Bank of N.S.W.	—	—	—	4,953.67
\$16,557					\$18,657.14	\$16,557					\$18,657.14

GREY INSTITUTE TRUST
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1972

1971		\$	1972		\$	1971		\$	1972		\$
	Sundry Creditor:					\$27,061			\$12,085.05		
15,000	Contingent Grant	—	—		—	\$		\$			
	Accumulated Funds:					4,878	Cash at Bank of N.S.W.	—	—	—	4,953.67
22,958	Balance 1/7/71	—	—	12,060.64		16,000	Investments Accounts T.S.B.	—	—	—	1,000.00
4,103	Add Net Income	—	—	5,024.41		1,183	Debtors for Rents	—	—	—	2,131.38
						5,000	Loan H.M. Board	—	—	—	—
27,061				17,085.05		—	Deposit N.Z. Insurance Co. Ltd.	—	—	—	4,000.00
15,000	Less Contingent Grant	—	—	—							
—	Less Grant to H.M. Board for	—	—	5,000.00							
	previous years Surplus	—	—								
12,061				12,085.05		\$27,061			\$12,085.05		

W. R. FRANCIS, Chairman.
M. H. BURN, A.C.A., Secretary.

We hereby certify that we have examined the Income and Expenditure Account and the Balance Sheet of the Grey Institute Trust for the year ended 30th June, 1972. All receipts as shown by the Secretary's Books have been banked and vouchers produced for all payments. We have also checked the various lessees accounts and found same in order.

New Plymouth, 4th August, 1972.

DINGLE, CHADWICK & CARTER,

Chartered Accountants, Auditors.

KAI IWI MISSION FARM
STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1972

EXPENDITURE		INCOME	
1971	1972	\$	\$
\$	\$	2,090	2,090.00
6 General Expenses	11.55	21 Rent	25.11
135 Interest (State Advances Mortgage)	124.10	Interest—Bank of New South Wales	
500 Depreciation (Transferred to Reserve A/c.)	500.00		
1,470 Net Rents (Transferred to Appropriation A/c.)	1,479.46		
	<u>\$2,115.11</u>		<u>\$2,115.11</u>

APPROPRIATION ACCOUNT

\$	\$	1,470	1,479.46
900 Grant—Rangiatea	600.00	30 Balance Transferred to Capital Account	
600 Grant—Maori Boys' Hostel Fund (Transferred to Reserve	600.00		
— Balance transferred to Capital Account	279.46		
<u>\$1,500</u>	<u>\$1,479.46</u>	<u>\$1,500</u>	<u>\$1,479.46</u>

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1972

LIABILITIES		ASSETS	
1971	1972	1971	1972
\$	\$	\$	\$
3,076 Mortgage, State Advances Corp.	2,805.51	67,600 Farm Property (at Govt. Valuation 1/10/70)	67,600.00
Reserves:		522 Sundry Debtors	522.50
Depreciation Account:		422 Bank of New South Wales Current Account	431.33
Balance 1/7/71	6,309.90	Depreciation Reserve Investments:	
Add Depreciation for Year	500.00	210 P.O.S.B.	1,062.71
Add Interest for Year	352.81	6,100 Local Body Investment (at cost)	6,100.00
	<u>7,162.71</u>		<u>7,162.71</u>
6,310 Maori Boys' Hostel:		Maori Boys' Hostel Reserve Investments:	
Balance 1/7/71	4,017.65	4,018 Home Mission Investment Funds Board	4,754.77
Transfd. from Appropriation A/c.	600.00		
Add Interest for Year	137.12		
	<u>4,754.77</u>		
4,017 Capital Account:			
Balance 1/7/71	65,468.86		
Transferred from Appropriation A/c.	279.46		
	<u>65,748.32</u>		
65,469			
<u>\$78,872</u>	<u>\$80,471.31</u>	<u>\$78,872</u>	<u>\$80,471.31</u>

A. O. JONES, Chairman.
E. L. F. BUXTON, Secretary

Audited and found correct.

ESTATE OF ROBERT GIBSON METHODIST TRUST BOARD
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1972

ASSETS:

Cash:

Income Account					8,480.49	
Less Capital Account					<u>2,596.10</u>	5,884.39

Fixed Deposit:

Public Trustee, 5% 31/10/73						2,100.00
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Livestock:

22 Yearling Steers at \$70.80					1,557.60	
23 2-Year Steers at \$91.00					<u>2,093.00</u>	
					3,650.60	1,825.30

Plant and Implements:

Upper Riverlea Farm:

GVB Milking Plant and Sundries (as at 30/6/71)					1,729.38	
Less Depreciation					<u>172.93</u>	1,556.45

Lower Riverlea Farm:

LKJ Milking Plant and Sundries (as at 30/6/71)					1,132.73	
Less Depreciation					<u>113.27</u>	1,019.46

Whiteley Farm:

Milking Machine Spray Outfit and Sundry Items (as at 30/6/71)					2,811.98	
Less Depreciation					<u>281.19</u>	2,530.79

Wai-iti Lease Farm:

Milking Machines and Manure Tank (as at 30/6/71)					2,244.39	
Less Depreciation					<u>224.43</u>	2,019.96
						7,126.66

Shares and Stock Units:

18 Producers' Meat Ltd. Ord. 1.00 F.P.					18.00	
631 Taranaki Dairy Co. Ord. 2.00 F.P.					1,262.00	
262 Farmers' Co-op. Ord. 1.00 F.P.					262.00	
5 Newton King Ord. 1.00 F.P.					5.00	
415 Clifton Dairy Co. Ord. 2.00 Paid to					<u>830.00</u>	2,377.00

Land and Buildings:

Riverlea—Upper and Lower Farms C.T. 46/67 and 37/250 G.V. 71					124,900.00	
Whiteley Pukearuhe C.T. 138/247 and Others Purchase Price					90,000.00	
Wai-iti Pukearuhe Lessee Interest C.T. 98/168 129/213					<u>Not Assessed</u>	214,900.00
						TOTAL \$234,213.35

LIABILITIES:

Bank Overdraft:

National Bank of New Zealand						5,653.05
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Mortgage:

J. B. Wilkinson, 6% 17/4/83						30,000.00
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Leaving Net Capital Worth:

Net Capital 30th June, 1971					166,250.47	
Plus Increase in Assets					<u>31,283.67</u>	
					197,534.14	
Plus Reductions in Liabilities					<u>1,026.16</u>	198,560.30
						TOTAL \$234,213.35

ESTATE OF ROBERT GIBSON METHODIST TRUST BOARD
RESIDUARY ACCUMULATION ACCOUNT
CAPITAL ACCOUNT — 30th JUNE, 1971 to 30th JUNE, 1972

					\$	\$	\$
Balance Overdraft							8,801.47
Receipts:							
Income Account Balance 30/6/71 Transferred							8,801.47
Depreciation:							
Upper Riverlea Farm					172.93		
Lower Riverlea Farm					113.27		
Whiteley Farm					281.19		
Wai-iti Lease Farm					224.43		
							791.82
Loan:							
B. J. Steffert—On Stock						499.00	
						TOTAL	1,290.82
Payments:							
Fixed Deposit:							
Public Trustee, 5% 31/10/73							2,100.00
Shares and Stock Units:							
Clifton Dairy Ordinary							76.00
Property Expenses:							
Lower Riverlea							
Implement Shed							684.76
Overdraft:							
National Bank Repayment							1,026.16
						TOTAL	\$3,886.92
Balance						OVERDRAFT	\$2,596.10

ESTATE OF ROBERT GIBSON METHODIST TRUST BOARD
RESIDUARY ACCUMULATION ACCOUNT
INCOME ACCOUNT — 30th JUNE 1971 to 30th JUNE, 1972

						\$	\$	\$
Balance								9,195.17
Receipts:								
Farm Balances Transferred:								
Upper Riverlea Farm						6,666.85		
Lower Riverlea Farm						5,928.88		
Wai-iti Lease Farm						665.73		
Whiteley No. 2						1,024.84		
						<u>14,286.30</u>		
Less Whiteley Farm						1,306.63		
								12,979.67
Livestock Adjustment Account:								
Balance Transferred								592.20
							TOTAL	22,767.04
Payments:								
Capital Account:								
Balance 30/6/71 Transferred								8,801.47
Other Expenses:								
Meeting Expenses						10.10		
Photostating Minutes						240.57		
Mileage Meals							250.67	
Re Bursaries and Grants								
Advertising and Printing						6.90		
Sundry						17.00		
Postages						7.96		
							31.86	
								282.53
Distribution:								
Bursaries and Grants:								
Wesley Training College								
S. Wetere						150.00		
M. S. Bennett						150.00		
P. R. Habershon						120.00		
B. E. Habershon						120.00		
							540.00	
Under Section B:								
Miss B. J. Chandler							60.00	
Under Section D:								
Miss R. J. Blomfield						120.00		
P. D. Whitwell						120.00		
Miss S. E. Lightfoot						150.00		
M. M. Rich						150.00		
Miss R. E. Scholfield						120.00		
Miss S. D. May						150.00		
R. L. Alley						50.00		
P. A. Alley						100.00		
I. J. Clarke						100.00		
Miss M. R. Wastney						150.00		
N. R. McLean						150.00		
M. A. Kearsley						50.00		
							1,410.00	
Other Grants:								
Auckland Methodist Children's Home						500.00		
Manaia Trust						400.00		
Masterton Children's Home						1,700.00		
Hawera Methodist Boys' Brigade						50.00		
Oakura Beach Mission						67.55		
							2,717.55	
								4,727.55
Charge for Administration								475.00
							TOTAL	\$14,286.55
Balance								\$8,480.49

BOARD OF EVANGELISM
STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE TO 30th JUNE, 1972

Balance at B.N.Z.	—	—	—	—	—	—	\$	Cheque Book	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.00
Connexional Budget	—	—	—	—	—	—	235.38	Travelling to Board Meetings	—	—	—	—	—	—	122.50
Interest	—	—	—	—	—	—	200.00	Sub. to C.O.F.A.E.	—	—	—	—	—	—	5.00
Loan from L. Gibson	—	—	—	—	—	—	3.94	Stationery and Printing—Office Expenses	—	—	—	—	—	—	57.50
Transfer from Home Mission and Church Extn. Funds Board	—	—	—	—	—	—	100.00	Repayment of Loan	—	—	—	—	—	—	100.00
Home Mission Fund	—	—	—	—	—	—	200.00	Shalom Programme (Full Expenses)	—	—	—	—	—	—	521.07
Interest	—	—	—	—	—	—	100.00	Balance at B.N.Z.	—	—	—	—	—	—	35.10
							2.85								
							<u>\$842.17</u>								<u>\$842.17</u>

Audited and found correct.
L. J. GIBSON, Secretary/Treasurer.

STATEMENT OF FUNDS ON DEPOSIT WITH INVESTMENTS FUND
BOARD ON BEHALF OF BOARD OF EVANGELISM

General Account 1st August, 1971	—	—	—	—	—	—	\$	594.25
September 1971—Interest	—	—	—	—	—	—	20.79	
							<u>615.04</u>	
May 1972—Amount withdrawn for use in 'Shalom' programme	—	—	—	—	—	—	200.00	
							<u>415.04</u>	
August 1972—Interest	—	—	—	—	—	—	19.22	
							<u>434.26</u>	

NEW ZEALAND METHODIST SOCIAL SERVICES ASSOCIATION
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30th, 1972

To Balance 1st July, 1971	—	—	—	\$	\$	6,120.83	By General Purposes Trust Board:				
Levies:							Trounson Estate Bequest	—	—	4,000.00	
1971/72, 2 at \$60.00	—	—	—	120.00			Res. Annual Meeting 1971	—	—	1,000.00	
1972/73, 4 at \$100.00	—	—	—	400.00			Tamahere Home—Grant	—	—	500.00	
						520.00					5,500.00
Bank Interest	—	—	—			112.12	N.Z. P.O.—Tolls and Immigration Expenses	—	—		10.14
Grant, Methodist Connexional Fire Insurance Fund	—	—	—			6,000.00	Advertising—Butterworths	—	—		330.00
Tamahere Home, donation W. E. A. Orr Memorial Fund	—	—	—			500.00	Travelling Expenses Annual Meeting:				
							Representatives	—	—	300.00	
							Miss Page, Typist	—	—	34.10	
							G. E. Hill	—	—	68.20	
							Rev. W. Falkingham (attending Rev. Orr funeral)	—	—	66.20	
											468.50
							Floral Tribute to Rev. A. E. Orr	—	—		5.20
							Auckland Central Mission—donation towards expenses incurred N.Z.-Australian Conference	—	—		200.00
							Distribution of Grant from Connexional Fire Insurance Fund:				
							Rev. A. E. Orr Memorial Fund	—	—	500.00	
							South Island Children's Home	—	—	666.67	
							Masterton Children's Home	—	—	666.66	
							Auckland Children's Home	—	—	666.67	
							Christchurch Central Mission	—	—	500.00	
							Dunedin Central Mission	—	—	500.00	
							Auckland Central Mission	—	—	500.00	
							Wesley (Wellington Central) Social Services Trust Board	—	—	500.00	
							Tamahere Home	—	—	500.00	
							Kamo Home	—	—	500.00	
							Manawatu Social Services Association	—	—	500.00	
											6,000.00
							Cheque Book	—	—		1.00
							Credit Balance at 30th June, 1972	—	—		738.11
						\$13,252.95					\$13,252.95

I have checked this statement with the bank statement and cash records, and in my opinion it shows the true position for the period ended 30th June, 1972.

L. E. M. GRACE, M.Com., A.C.A.

E. C. FLYGER, Hon. Treasurer.

AUCKLAND METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME AND ORPHANAGE
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT — WESLEYDALE, FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1972

1971		1972		1971		1972
\$		\$		\$		\$
431	Pocket Money	156		4,351	Maintenance Received	5,496
131	Children's Travelling Expenses	85		3,207	Social Security Benefits	2,435
53	Medical and Dental Expenses	166		2,442	Capitation	2,929
545	Clothing	485		20,247	Deficit	16,423
65	School Expenses	74				
686	Cleaning and Laundry	577				
350	Grounds	127				
260	Insurance	629				
204	Land Tax	204				
1,655	Power	1,690				
4,383	Provisions	3,006				
2,041	Repairs	1,256				
54	Replacements	103				
827	Rates	787				
12,842	Wages	12,548				
758	Vehicle Expenses	683				
4,962	Depreciation	4,706				
<u>\$30,247</u>		<u>\$27,284</u>		<u>\$30,247</u>		<u>\$27,284</u>

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT — FOSTER HOMES, FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1972

4,686	Maintenance Paid to Foster Parents	5,154	1,116	Maintenance Received	1,863
321	Pocket Money	126	1,752	Social Security Benefits	1,643
19	Travelling Expenses	24	1,401	Capitation	1,040
99	Medical and Dental Expenses	15	1,758	Deficit	1,321
673	Clothing	545			
227	School Expenses	4			
<u>\$6,026</u>		<u>\$5,867</u>	<u>\$6,026</u>		<u>\$5,867</u>

AUCKLAND METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME AND ORPHANAGE ADMINISTRATION ACCOUNT

20,247	Deficit Wesleydale	—	—	—	—	16,423	3,870	Interest	—	—	—	—	—	—	4,629
1,758	Foster Homes	—	—	—	—	1,321	434	Dividends	—	—	—	—	—	—	113
24	Legal Expenses	—	—	—	—	35	5,887	Rents	—	—	—	—	—	—	5,989
389	Accountancy Fees	—	—	—	—	500	285	Donations—General	—	—	—	—	—	—	668
110	Audit	—	—	—	—	80	764	Connexional Budget	—	—	—	—	—	—	556
627	General Expenses	—	—	—	—	598	2,805	Auckland Orphanages United Council	—	—	—	—	—	—	3,089
2,942	Wages Administration	—	—	—	—	4,840	1,000	J. R. McKenzie Trust	—	—	—	—	—	—	1,200
1,004	Travelling Expenses Administration	—	—	—	—	1,161	200	Auckland Savings Bank	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
508	Stationery and Postages	—	—	—	—	488	1,000	Sutherland Self Help Trust	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
378	Telephones	—	—	—	—	685	100	Ladies Committee	—	—	—	—	—	—	100
118	Depreciation Manurewa Property	—	—	—	—	237	400	Robert Gibson Trust	—	—	—	—	—	—	500
							100	Walters Farm Trust	—	—	—	—	—	—	100
							—	M.S.S.A.	—	—	—	—	—	—	667
								Deficit for Year	—	—	—	—	—	—	8,758
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\$28,105						\$26,368	\$28,105								\$26,368

AUCKLAND METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME AND ORPHANAGE
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1972

1971				1972			
\$				\$			
266,097	Capital	—	—	262,808	—	—	—
198	Add	Profit on Sale of Govnt. Stock	—	—	—	—	—
7,846		Profit on Sale of Sections	13,670	—	—	—	—
		Legacies—Est. J. Falkner	462	—	—	—	—
		Est. T. Sutton	16,671	30,803	—	—	—
			—	293,611	—	—	—
11,260	Less	Deficit for Year	—	8,758	—	—	—
73		Loss on A.E.P.B. Stock	—	—	—	—	—
262,808			—	284,854	—	—	—
	Endowment Legacies:						
2,000	Eliza Gilmore Trust	—	2,000				
400	John Rendall Trust	—	400				
4,000	M. Caughey—Preston Trust	—	4,000				
16,153	F. E. Finlay Holiday Fund	—	17,145				
22,553			—	23,545			
	Current Liabilities:						
2,411	Sundry Creditors	—	1,199				
1,129	Ground Rents in Advance	—	1,090				
—	Bank of New Zealand	—	1,187	3,476			
			—				
\$288,901			\$311,875				

1971				1972			
\$				\$			
76,470	Fixed Assets (See Depreciation Schedule):	—	—	71,295	—	—	—
136,490	Land	—	—	133,570	—	—	—
10,458	Buildings	—	—	9,140	—	—	—
2,907	Plant and Furnishings	—	—	5,240	—	—	—
	Vehicles	—	—	—	—	—	—
226,304			—	219,245	—	—	—
16,800	Investments:						
2,706	Government and Local Body Stock	—	12,800				
20,400	Shares Astley Holdings Ltd.	—	2,706				
	Deposit Prince Albert College Trust	—	56,325				
39,906			—	71,831	—	—	—
	Specific Investments —						
	F. E. Finlay Holiday Fund:						
1,000	Bank of New Zealand	—	2,289				
13,000	Local Body Stock	—	—				
1,568	Deposit Prince Albert College Fund	—	13,000				
585	Auckland Savings Bank	—	1,613				
16,153	Sundry Debtors	—	244				
			—	17,145	—	—	—
	Current Assets:						
—	Cash on Hand	—	2				
4,852	Bank of New Zealand	—	—				
1,586	Sundry Debtors and Payments in	—	—				
100	Advance	—	3,552				
	Stock	—	100				
6,538			—	3,654	—	—	—
\$288,901			\$311,875				

M. C. COPELAND, Chairman.
R. N. BOWDEN, Secretary.

MASTERTON METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1972

1971 \$				1972 \$	1971 \$				1972 \$
	Current Liabilities:					Current Assets:			
1,355	Sundry Creditors	—	—	914		Bank of New Zealand:			
104	Specified Funds			—	815	Current Account	—	—	1,260
	Capital being excess of Assets over				1,227	Depreciation Fund Account	—	—	2,337
	Liabilities:				2,935	Wellington Board	—	—	436
	Balance at 30/6/71	—	—	71,564	4,977	Sundry Debtors	—	—	601
	Legacies—Est. E. A. Churchill	—	—	3,200		Total Current Assets	—	—	4,634
	Est. I. A. Kirkpatrick	—	—	3,917	66,712	Investments:			
	Est. E. M. Leadbetter	—	—	319		Held by Wellington Board	—	—	74,148
	Deep Freeze Fund	—	—	222		Fixed Assets:			
				79,222		Land and Buildings (vested in Wel-			
	Less Excess of Expenditure over					lington Board \$48,814)			
	Income	—	—	35		Furniture and Plant at 30/6/71	—	—	1,334
71,564	Balance of Capital 30/6/72	—	—	79,187		Additions	—	—	+221
						Depreciation	—	—	-236
						Total Fixed Assets	—	—	1,319
\$73,023				\$80,101					\$80,101

I have examined the books and vouchers of the Masterton Methodist Children's Home for the year ended 30th June, 1972, 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, 1972, and the result of its transactions for the year ended at that date.

21st August, 1972.

R. C. BEBARFALD, A.C.A., Auditor.

J. F. CODY, F.C.A., Secretary-Treasurer.

MASTERTON METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1972

1971		1972	1971		1972
\$		\$	\$		\$
7,870	Salaries and Superannuation	9,343	3,860	Methodist Church Budget	1,820
6,325	House Stores and Expenses	5,754		Methodist Fire Insurance Fund	667
1,932	Repairs and Maintenance	2,122	342	Donations	683
1,635	Drapery and Clothing	1,274	4,693	Maintenance	5,396
83	Advertising	45	1,434	Social Security Benefits	1,542
30	Auditor's Honorarium	40	2,431	Government Capitation	2,609
71	Fares of Children	85	1,400	Robert Gibson Trust	1,700
31	General Expenses	43	500	J. R. McKenzie Trust Grant	600
1,468	Heating and Lighting	1,425	150	Masterton Trust Lands Trust	150
96	Insurance	248	185	Police Charity	4
11	Interest	1	1,164	Income from Estates	900
651	Motor Car Allowance	800	2,916	Interest	3,494
589	Manager's Disbursements	521	4,859	Wellington Methodist Endowments Board	
557	Maintenance (Boarded Out)	146		Share of Income	5,093
62	Optical, Dental and Medical Fees	2	30	Farm Proceeds	32
131	Postages and Telephones	205			
546	Rates	231	23,964		24,690
288	Recreational Expenses	412	855	Excess of Expenditure over Income	35
128	Stationery and School Requisites	173			
60	Subscription—N.Z.M.S.S.A.	60	\$24,819		\$24,725
25	Travelling Expenses	59			
	Gross Loss Livestock				
2,000	Social Workers—Central Districts M.S.S.A.	1,500			
230	Depreciation—Plant and Furniture	236			
\$24,819		\$24,725			

SOUTH ISLAND METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME

BALANCE SHEET AT 31st MARCH, 1972

1971 \$		\$	\$	1972 \$	1971 \$		\$	\$	1972 \$
	Current Liabilities:					Current Assets:			
267	Bank Overdraft — —	—			—	Bank of New Zealand — —	1,140		
1,626	Sundry Creditors — —	1,612			90	Cash in Hand — —	80		
—	Loan General Purposes Trust	2,046		3,658	341	P.O. Savings Bank — —	351		
					923	Sundry Debtor — —	323		1,894
	Capital and Reserves:					Fixed Assets:			
20,125	Capital Account — —	20,125				Land—Harewood Rd. — —	15,569		
	Accumulated Funds:					Barrington St. — —	4,375		
105,636	Balance at 31/3/71 — —	115,684			19,944	Harewood Rd. Home — —	78,934	19,944	
15,601	Add Capital Expenditure met by Grant from Investment Board — — —	868				Less Depreciation — —	1,578		
		116,552			78,934	Harewood Dwelling — —	975		77,356
(5,012)	Less Deficit for Year — —	3,821				Less Depreciation — —	24		
115,685			112,731		975	Harewood Furnishings — —	4,634	951	
	Reserves:					Plus Additions — —	1,608		
775	Renovation Reserve — —	775		133,631			6,242		
					4,634	Less Depreciation — —	624		5,618
						Barrington Street Home — —	27,977		
						Less Depreciation — —	559		
					27,977	Barrington St. Furnishings — —	3,785	27,418	
						Less Depreciation — —	378		
					3,785	Tools — — —	589		3,407
						Less Depreciation — —	117		
					589	Bedford Van — —	286		472
						Less Depreciation — —	57		
					286			229	
						Total Fixed Assets — —			135,395
\$138,478			\$137,289		\$138,478				\$137,289

We have examined the books of accounts and records of the South Island Methodist Children's Home for the year ended 31st March, 1972. 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 Home as at 31st March, 1972, and of its income and expenditure for the year ended on that date.

Christchurch, 27th July, 1972.

McCULLOCH, BUTLER & SPENCE, Chartered Accountants.

W. A. CHAMBERS, Chairman.
O. T. WOODFIELD, Secretary.
C. R. HASSELDINE, Treasurer.

SOUTH ISLAND METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH, 1972

1971 \$				1972 \$		1971 \$				1972 \$
—	Interest Payable	—	40	6	46	17,024	Maintenance Fees	—	—	19,779
800	Administration Charges	—	500	100	600	2,815	Connexional Budget	—	—	1,863
184	Advertising	—	39	—	39		Combined Orphanage Appeal:			
1,884	Board Payments Foster Parents	2,256	—	2,256		834	McKenzie Trust Grant	—	—	807
372	Cleaning	—	303	—	303	3,666	General	—	—	4,193
725	Clothing and Drapery	—	506	66	572		Grant Robert Clark Trust	—	—	5,000
143	Grounds Expenses	—	182	—	182	1,350	Donations (Cash)	—	—	200
6,106	House Supplies	—	4,281	1,195	5,476	539	Donations in Kind	—	—	419
528	Insurance	—	146	43	189	39	Interest Receivable	—	—	613
3,680	Light, Heat and Power	—	2,705	514	3,219	593	Rental Income	—	—	24
107	Medical Expenses	—	62	33	95	13	Miscellaneous	—	—	764
723	Miscellaneous Expenses	—	1,051	36	1,087					
5	Music Lessons	—	—	39	39					28,662
483	Pocket Money	—	444	33	477	12,012	Operating Deficit	—	—	13,321
672	Rates	—	628	45	673					
753	Repairs and Mainten. (General)	—	1,406	94	1,500	38,885				41,983
16,388	Salaries and Wages	—	18,084	1,763	19,847					
114	School Requisites	—	111	39	150	7,000	Grant from Orphanage Investment Board	—	—	9,500
624	Stationery and General	—	582	—	582	5,012	Net Deficit Transferred to Capital Account	—	—	3,821
230	Telephone and Tolls	—	162	96	258					
761	Vehicle Costs and Travelling	—	769	—	769					
243	Repairs (Bungalow)	—	—	—	—					
—	Utensils Replacements	—	287	—	287					
			34,544	4,102	38,646					
3,360	Depreciation	—	2,400	937	3,337					
38,885					41,983					
12,012	Operating Deficit Brought Down	—	—	—	13,321					
\$12,012					\$13,321	\$12,012				\$13,321

SOUTH ISLAND METHODIST ORPHANAGE INVESTMENT BOARD
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH, 1972

1971 \$		1972 \$	1971 \$		1972 \$
78	Expenses and Commissions	59		Interest Receivable:	
130	Interest Payable	946	91	Bank Interest	77
7,000	Grants to Children's Home	9,500	5,504	Mortgages, Debentures, Local Body and Government Stock Interest	5,373
200	Share of Administration Charges	200			5,450
		10,705		Grant for Alterations to Home:	
			1,000	Sutherland Self Help Trust	
			813	Deficit for Year	5,255
<u>\$7,408</u>		<u>\$10,705</u>	<u>\$7,408</u>		<u>\$10,705</u>

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st MARCH, 1972

1971 \$		1972 \$	1971 \$		1972 \$
10,130	Current Liabilities:		1,898	Current Assets:	
	Loan General Purposes Trust Board	14,576	122	Bank of New Zealand	3,091
99,186	Capital Account:		1,258	Post Office Savings Bank	126
12,490	Balance 31st March, 1971	95,802	3,278	Accrued Interest	1,012
	Add Legacies Received	2,502			4,229
	Government Subsidies Received	9,544		Investments:	
111,676		107,848	55,483	Government and Local Body Stock	54,113
813	Less Deficit for Year	5,255	1,000	Preference Shares (Legacy)	1,000
110,863		102,593	3,700	Debentures	3,700
15,061	Less Sundry Items transferred to Home Account	867	5,477	Loans to Methodist Trusts	5,442
			25,600	First Mortgages	13,600
95,802	Capital Account Balance 31/3/72	101,726	91,260		77,855
\$105,932		\$116,302	11,394	Progress Payments—Harewood Rd. Home:	
Note: Balance of Contract Sums due for Alterations at Harewood:				Stage II Alterations Progress Payments to 31st March, 1972	34,218
	Stage I	\$131			
	Stage II	\$1,831			
	Total	\$1,962			
			<u>\$105,932</u>		<u>\$116,302</u>

We have examined the books of account and records of the South Island Methodist Orphanage Investment Board for the year ended 31st March, 1972. 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 Board as at 31st March, 1972, and of its income and expenditure for the year ended on that date.

Christchurch, 27th July, 1972.

McCULLOCH, BUTLER & SPENCE, Chartered Accountants.

W. A. CHAMBERS, Chairman.

O. T. WOODFIELD, Secretary.

C. R. HASSELDINE, Treasurer.

Loans:			
3,000	General Purposes Trust	—	3,000
2,000	Fire Insurance Fund	—	250
			<u>3,250</u>
Reserves:			
1,000	Salaries Fluctuation Reserve	—	1,000
36	House Maintenance Reserve	—	36
			<u>1,036</u>
Capital Account:			
4,370	Balance 30th June, 1971	—	5,309
1,000	Add Grant from Fire Insurance Fund	—	1,750
			<u>7,059</u>
5,370			7,059
(61)	Less Deficit for Year	—	2,277
			<u>4,872</u>
5,309	Balance 30th June, 1972	—	4,872
5,625			<u>\$17,931</u>

Fixed Assets:			
5,243	House Property, 17 Merivale Lane		5,243
2,130	House Furniture	1,917	
—	Additions	117	
		2,034	
(213)	Less Depreciation	203	
1,917			1,831
3,258	Office Furnishings	2,933	
(325)	Less Depreciation	293	
2,933			2,640
1,181	Office Equipment	1,535	
524	Additions	215	
1,705		1,750	
(170)	Less Depreciation	175	
1,535			1,575
11,628	Total Fixed Assets		11,289
\$15,625			\$17,937

18th July, 1972.

A. A. DINGWALL, Chairman.
W. R. LAWS, General Secretary.
C. R. HASSELDINE, General Treasurer.

Note: Sundry Debtors includes one unpaid Appropriation (South Island Orphanage — \$800).

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND SUPERNUMERARY FUND
APPROPRIATION ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31st JANUARY, 1972

Transferred to Provision for Building Maintenance	—	—	\$ 3,000	Balance from Revenue Account	—	—	—	—	\$ 51,093
Transferred to Accumulative Funds	—	—	48,093						
			<u>\$51,093</u>						<u>\$51,093</u>

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st JANUARY, 1972

1971 \$		1972 \$	1971 \$		1972 \$
	Current Liabilities:			Current Assets:	
2,982	Sundry Creditors	4,498	30	Cash in Hand	—
2,548	Rates Accrued	2,714	9,176	Bank of N.Z. (Current Account)	15,793
1,482	Subscriptions Prepaid	88	35,000	Bank of N.Z. (Term Deposit)	20,000
			1,878	Subscriptions Due: Personal	2,326
7,012		7,300	716	Subsidy	1,228
	Deposits by Allied Funds:		3,716	Interest Accrued	3,540
2,801	Benevolent Fund	2,826	4,439	Sundry Debtors	2,700
77,465	Home Acquisition Fund	82,872	71	Prepayment	—
8,429	Home Missionaries Retiring Fund	9,998			
69,897	Deaconess Retiring Fund	72,944	55,026		45,587
7,381	Deferred Stipend Fund	13,491	29,307	Investments:	
9,022	Lay Workers Retiring Fund	10,196	246,002	Local Body Stocks	27,231
174,995		192,327	46,446	Debentures of Public Companies	4,000
	Term Loans:			First Mortgages	244,400
—	Century Property Mortgage—H. A. F.			Company Shares and Convertible	
	Musson and Others	30,000		Notes (Note 1)	53,532
	Other Loans:		321,755		329,163
38,040	General Purposes Trust Board No. 1		200,407	Properties: (Note 2)	
	Account	36,650		Papatoetoe Property at Cost	
81,837	General Purposes Trust Board No. 3		70,000	1970	201,001
	Account	80,000		Less Unpaid Purchase Money	
20,459	Connexional Fire Insurance Fund	15,000			
20,183	Home Mission Department	20,000	130,407	Century Property at Cost 1968	201,001
5,046	Overseas Missions Department	—	87,310	Epworth Chambers at Valuation 1966,	87,310
165,565		151,650	211,687	plus additions at cost	211,687
			429,404		499,998

Accumulated Funds and Reserves:			
445,092	Balance 31st January, 1971	448,613	
1,000	Add Donations and Grants Received	245	
446,092		448,858	
22,647	Less Annuities Compounded	16,480	
423,445		432,378	
25,168	Add Transfer from Appropriation A/c	48,093	
448,613	Accumulated Funds 31/1/72	480,471	
10,000	Investment Fluctuation Reserve	10,000	
—	Provision for Building Maintenance	3,000	
		493,471	
<u>\$806,185</u>		<u>\$874,748</u>	<u>\$874,748</u>

Notes:

Note (1) Valuation of Shares and Convertible Notes based on last sales price in January, 1972 — \$55,993.

(2) Government Valuation of Properties:

	Unimproved Value	Value of Improvements	Capital Value
Epworth Chambers	103,800	131,200	235,000
Century Property	13,600	60,200	73,800
Papatoetoe Property	70,000	91,000	161,000
			<u>\$469,800</u>

We have examined the books of account and records of the Methodist Church Supernumerary Fund for the year ended 31st January, 1972. In our opinion, according to the information and explanations given to us, and as shown by the said books of account, the Revenue Account, Appropriation 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 31st January, 1972, and of its income and expenditure for the year ended on that date.

Christchurch, 20th April, 1972.

McCULLOCH, BUTLER & SPENCE, Chartered Accountants.

W. E. CLOTHIER, Chairman.
W. R. LAWS, Secretary.
C. R. HASSELDINE, Treasurer.

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND SUPERNUMERARY FUND
REVENUE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31st JANUARY, 1972

1971 (7 months)		1972	1971 (7 months)		1972
\$		\$	\$		\$
	Charges:			Fund Contributions:	
2,297	Administration Charges — — — —	3,584	11,869	Personal Contributions — — — —	27,749
466	Stationery, General Expenses and — — — —			Subsidies:	
	Audit Fee — — — —	768	16,611	Connexional Budget — — — —	34,992
400	Actuarial Costs — — — —	20	1,166	Payable by Contributors — — — —	2,455
		4,372	—	Received from General Purposes Trust Board — — — —	3,607
	Interest Payable (Other than Property				41,054
	Loan Interest):			Transfer from Other Retiring Funds — — — —	459
5,608	To Allied Funds — — — —	13,310	—		69,262
285	Interest on Loans from Departments Funds — — — —	2,126	192	Commissions — — — —	
		15,436		Investment Income:	
	Fund Disbursements:		354	Bank Interest — — — —	803
12,462	Annuities — — — —	35,821	1,029	Local Body Stock and De-	
5,040	Furniture Grants — — — —	7,069		benture Interest — — — —	1,787
1,421	Refunds of Contributions — — — —	8,124	9,984	Mortgage Interest — — — —	16,335
		51,014		Less Allowances Re Earth-	
		70,822		quake and War Damage Insurance — — — —	89
			1,237	Dividends — — — —	16,246
					2,258
					21,094
				Property Income:	
			15,860	Epworth Chambers Rents — — — —	28,910
			(10,901)	Less Expenses — — — —	14,569
			4,959		14,341
			5,075	Century Property Rents — — — —	8,700
			—	Less Expenses — — — —	39
			(1,390)	Mortgage Interest — — — —	2,250
					2,289
			3,685		6,411
			4,500	Papatoetoe Property Rents — — — —	19,917
			(143)	Less Insurance and General Expenses — — — —	799
			(2,296)	Interest on Loans from General Pur-	
				poses Trust — — — —	8,311
					9,110
			2,061		10,807
25,168	Transferred to Appropriation Account — — — —	51,093			31,559
<u>\$53,147</u>		<u>\$121,915</u>	<u>\$53,147</u>		<u>\$121,915</u>

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND SUPERNUMERARY FUND BENEVOLENT FUND
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31st JANUARY, 1972

1971 (7 months)		1972		1971 (7 months)		1972	
\$		\$		\$		\$	
285	Grants	200.00		100	Interest Receivable	207.00	
—	Balance to Accumulated Revenue	7.00		100	General Donations	—	
				85	Excess of Expenditure over Income	—	
<u>\$285</u>		<u>\$207.00</u>		<u>\$285</u>		<u>\$207.00</u>	

ACCUMULATED REVENUE ACCOUNT

84	Excess of Grants over Income	—		85	Balance 31st January, 1971	0.54	
1	Balance 31st January, 1972	7.54		—	Transfer from Income and Expenditure Account	7.00	
<u>\$85</u>		<u>\$7.54</u>		<u>\$85</u>		<u>\$7.54</u>	

BALANCE SHEET AT 31st JANUARY, 1972

2,800	Capital at 31st January, 1972	2,800.00		2,800	Deposit with Supernumerary Fund Board	2,825.52	
—	Add Legacy for Capital	17.98					
		<u>2,817.98</u>					
—	Accumulated Revenue	7.54					
<u>\$2,800</u>		<u>\$2,825.52</u>		<u>\$2,800</u>		<u>\$2,825.52</u>	

We have examined the books of account and records of the Methodist Church Supernumerary Fund Benevolent Fund for the year ended 31st January, 1972. 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, Accumulated Revenue Account and Balance Sheet are properly drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the state of the Fund as at 31st January, 1972, and of its income and expenditure for the year ended on that date.

Christchurch, 10th March, 1972.

McCULLOCH, BUTLER & SPENCE, Chartered Accountants.

W. E. CLOTHIER, Chairman.
W. R. LAWS, Secretary.
C. R. HASSELDINE, Treasurer.

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND HOME MISSIONARIES RETIRING FUND
ACCUMULATED REVENUE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31st JANUARY, 1972

1971 (7 months)		1972		1971 (7 months)		1972	
\$		\$		\$		\$	
253	Transfer to Accumulated Funds	—	—	253	Balance 31st January, 1971	—	4
4	Balance 31st January, 1972	—	—	4	Transferred from Income and Expenditure A/c.	—	32
<u>\$257</u>		<u>\$36</u>		<u>\$257</u>		<u>\$36</u>	

BALANCE SHEET AT 31st JANUARY, 1972

1971 \$		1972 \$		1971 \$		1972 \$	
7,145	Contributors Accounts	—	—	62	Sundry Debtor	—	262
300	Bonus Allocation Account	—	300	8,429	Deposit with Supernumerary Fund	—	9,998
	Less Grants Paid	—	300				
	Accumulated Funds:						
1,289	Capital 31st January, 1971	—	1,042				
253	Add Transferred from Revenue A/c.	—	—				
—	Donation for Capital	—	18				
<u>1,542</u>		<u>1,060</u>					
500	Less Appropriated from Bonus Allocations	—	—				
<u>1,042</u>		<u>36</u>					
4	Accumulated Revenue Account	—					
<u>1,046</u>		<u>1,096</u>					
<u>\$8,491</u>		<u>\$10,260</u>		<u>\$8,491</u>		<u>\$10,260</u>	

We have examined the books of account and records of the Methodist Church Home Missionaries Retiring Fund for the year ended 31st January, 1972. In our opinion, according to the information and explanations given to us, and as shown by the 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 31st January, 1972, and of its income and expenditure for the year ended on that date.

Christchurch, 10th March, 1972.

McCULLOCH, BUTLER & SPENCE, Chartered Accountants.

W. E. CLOTHIER, Chairman.

W. R. LAWS, Secretary.

C. R. HASSELDINE, Treasurer.

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND HOME MISSIONARIES RETIRING FUND
CONTRIBUTORS ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31st JANUARY, 1972

1971 (7 months)		1972	1971 (7 months)		1972
\$		\$	\$		\$
71	Funds Withdrawn	129	6,010	Balance 31st January, 1971	7,145
7,145	Balance 31st January, 1972	9,164	200	Bonus Allocation	—
				Contributions:	
			318	Personal	595
			462	Subsidy from Connexional Budget	992
					1,587
			226	Interest Allowed	561
<u>\$7,216</u>		<u>\$9,293</u>	<u>\$7,216</u>		<u>\$9,293</u>

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31st JANUARY, 1972

413	\$		\$	\$		\$
	226	Interest Allowed to Contributors	561	270	Interest Earned	653
	25	Administration Charges	55	—	General Donations	10
	15	Stationery and General expenses	15			
	4	Excess of Income over Expenditure	32			
	<u>\$270</u>		<u>\$663</u>	<u>\$270</u>		<u>\$663</u>

**METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND HOME ACQUIREMENT FUND
ACCUMULATED REVENUE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31st JANUARY, 1972**

1971 (7 months)		1972		1971 (7 months)		1972	
\$ 431	Balance 31st January, 1972	—	—	\$ 307	Balance 31st January, 1972	—	—
				124	Transferred from Income and Expenditure Account		
\$431		\$1,381		\$431		\$1,381	

BALANCE SHEET AT 31st JANUARY, 1972

	\$		\$		\$		\$
1,041	Fire Insurance Fund Subsidy Balance	—	—	1,129	77,465	Supernumerary Fund Deposit	—
75,993	Contributors Accounts	—	—	80,317			82,871
431	Accumulated Revenue	—	—	1,381			
—	Donation for Capital	—	—	44			
\$77,465		\$82,871		\$77,465		\$82,871	

We have examined the books of account and records of the Methodist Church Home Acquirement Fund for the year ended 31st January, 1972. In our opinion, according to the information and explanations given to us, and as shown by the said books of account, the Contributions 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 31st January, 1972, and of its income and expenditure for the year ended on that date.

Christchurch, 10th March, 1972.

McCULLOCH, BUTLER & SPENCER, Chartered Accountants.

W. E. CLOTHIER, Chairman.

W. R. LAWS, Secretary.

C. R. HASSELDINE, Treasurer.

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND HOME ACQUIREMENT FUND
CONTRIBUTORS ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31st JANUARY, 1972

1971 (7 months)		1972		1971 \$ (7 months)		1972 \$
\$		\$		\$		\$
6,133	Funds Withdrawn	5,226				
112	Subsidies Forfeited	382		77,555	Balance 31st January, 1971	75,993
75,993	Balance 31st January, 1972	80,317			Contributors:	
				1,148	Personal	3,379
				1,122	Subsidies	1,912
				2,413	Interest on Accounts	4,641
						5,291
<u>\$82,238</u>		<u>\$85,925</u>		<u>\$82,238</u>		<u>\$85,925</u>

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31st JANUARY, 1972

415	\$		\$	\$		\$
	2,373	Interest Allowed to Contributors	-4,641	2,718	Interest Earned	5,764
	292	Administration Charges	450	112	Subsidies Forfeited	382
	40	Stationery and General Expenses	105			
	125	Excess of Income over Expenditure transferred to Accumulated Revenue	950			
	<u>\$2,830</u>		<u>\$6,146</u>	<u>\$2,830</u>		<u>\$6,146</u>

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND DEACONESS RETIRING FUND
ACCUMULATED REVENUE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31st JANUARY, 1972

1971 (7 months)		1972		1971 (7 months)		1972	
\$		\$		\$		\$	
3,600	Transferred to Bonus Allocation Accounts	—	—	3,866	Balance 31st January, 1971	—	—
651	Balance 31st January, 1972	—	—	385	Transferred from Income and Expenditure A/c.	—	—
\$4,251		\$890		\$4,251		\$890	

BALANCE SHEET AT 31st JANUARY, 1972

\$		\$		\$		\$	
668	Creditors	—	—	69,897	Deposit Supernumerary Fund	—	—
56,560	Contributors Accounts	—	—				
108	Bonus Allocation—Balances No. 1 Account	—	—				
900	Bonus Allocation—Balances No. 2 Account	—	—				
	Accumulated Funds:						
11,010	Capital	—	—				
—	Add Donation for Capital	—	—				
651	Accumulated Revenue	—	—				
\$69,897		\$72,944		\$69,897		\$72,944	

We have examined the books of account and records of the Methodist Church Deaconess Retiring Fund for the year ended 31st January, 1972. 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 31st January, 1972, and of its income and expenditure for the year ended on that date.

Christchurch, 10th March, 1972.

McCULLOCH, BUTLER & SPENCE, Chartered Accountants.

W. E. CLOTHIER, Chairman.

W. R. LAWS, Secretary.

C. R. HASSELDINE, Treasurer.

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND DEACONESS RETIRING FUND
CONTRIBUTORS ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31st JANUARY, 1972

1971 (7 months)		1972		1971 (7 months)		1972	
\$		\$		\$		\$	
3,000	Contributions and Interest Withdrawn	---	---	51,957	Balance 31st January, 1971	---	56,560
56,560	Balance 31st January, 1972	---	---		Contributions:		
				1,136	Personal	---	1,705
				1,986	Budget Subsidy	---	3,056
				3,122			4,761
				2,593	Special Bonus Allocation	---	---
				1,888	Interest Allowed	---	4,209
\$59,560		\$65,530		\$59,560		\$65,530	

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31st JANUARY, 1972

\$		\$		\$		\$	
1,888	Interest Allowed	---	---	2,361	Interest Earned	---	5,246
292	Administration Charges	---	---	444	Income Mabel Morley Trust	---	271
67	Stationery and General Expenses	---	---				
173	Annuity Paid	---	---				
2,420		5,278					
385	Balance to Accumulated Revenue Account	239					
\$2,805		\$5,517		\$2,805		\$5,517	

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND LAY WORKERS RETIRING FUND
ACCUMULATED REVENUE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31st JANUARY, 1972

Debit Balance 31st January, 1971	—	—	—	—	\$ 1	Transferred from Income and Expenditure Account	—	—	\$ 51
Balance Carried Forward	—	—	—	—	50				
					<u>\$51</u>				<u>\$51</u>

BALANCE SHEET AT 31st JANUARY, 1972

1971 (7 months)		1972	1971 (7 months)		1972
\$ —	Sundry Creditors	\$ 416	18	Sundry Debtor	—
8,642	Contributors Accounts	9,320	9,022	Deposit with Supernumerary Fund	—
	Accumulated Funds:				10,196
400	Capital Account 31st January, 1971	400			
—	Add Donations Received During Year	10			
		410			
(2)	Accumulated Revenue	50			
398		460			
<u>\$9,040</u>		<u>\$10,196</u>			<u>\$10,196</u>

We have examined the books of account and records of the Methodist Church Lay Workers Retiring Fund for the year ended 31st January, 1972. 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 31st January, 1972, and of its income and expenditure for the year ended on that date.

Christchurch, 10th March, 1972.

McCULLOCH, BUTLER & SPENCE, Chartered Accountants

W. E. CLOTHIER, Chairman Supernumerary Fund Board.
W. R. LAWS, General Secretary.
C. R. HASSELDINE, Treasurer.

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND LAY WORKERS RETIRING FUND
CONTRIBUTORS ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31st JANUARY, 1972

1971 7 months)		1972		1971 7 months)		1972	
\$		\$		\$		\$	
222	Funds Withdrawn	5,144			Balance 31st January, 1971	8,642	
—	Subsidies Forfeited	1			Contributions	3,511	
8,642	Balance 31st January, 1972	9,320			Budget Subsidies (Overseas Mission Staff)	1,690	
				8,597			5,201
				267	Interest Allowed to Contributors		622
\$8,864		\$14,465		\$8,864		\$14,465	

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31st JANUARY, 1972

	1971		1972		1971		1972
	\$		\$		\$		\$
267	Interest Allowed to Contributors	623		285	Interest Receivable	743	
10	Administration Charges	55		—	Subsidies Forfeited	1	
10	Stationery and General Expenses	15					
		693					
—	Balance to Accumulated Revenue Account	51		2	Excess of Expenditure over Income	—	
\$287		\$744		\$287		\$744	

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND DEFERRED STIPEND FUND
ACCUMULATED REVENUE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31st JANUARY, 1972

1971 (7 months)		1972		1971 (7 months)		1972	
\$		\$		\$		\$	
7	Balance 31st January, 1972	42		—	Balance 31st January, 1971	7	
—		—		7	Transfer from Income and Expenditure Account	35	
\$7		\$42		\$7		\$42	

BALANCE SHEET AT 31st JANUARY, 1972

1971		1972		1971		1972	
\$		\$		\$		\$	
7,374	Contributors Deposits	13,449		7,381	Deposit with Supernumerary Fund	13,491	
7	Accumulated Revenue	42		—		—	
\$7,381		\$13,491		\$7,381		\$13,491	

We have examined the books of account and records of the Methodist Church Deferred Stipend Fund for the year ended 31st January, 1972. 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 31st January, 1972, and of its income and expenditure for the year.

Christchurch, 10th March, 1972.

McCULLOCH, BUTLER & SPENCE, Chartered Accountant.

W. E. CLOTHIER, Chairman Supernumerary Fund Board.

W. R. LAWS, General Secretary.

C. R. HASSELDINE, General Treasurer.

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND DEFERRED STIPEND FUND
CONTRIBUTORS ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31st JANUARY, 1972

1971 (7 months)		1972	(7 months) 1971		1972
\$ 406	Funds Withdrawn	\$ 2,145	\$	Balance 31st January, 1971	\$ 7,374
7,374	Balance 31st January, 1972	13,449		Contributions	7,668
			7,528		15,042
			252	Interest Allowed	552
\$7,780		\$15,594	\$7,780		\$15,594

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31st JANUARY, 1972

\$ 252	Interest Allowed to Depositors	\$ 552	\$ 259	Interest Earned	\$ 697
—	Administration Charges	90			
—	Stationery and General Expenses	20			
7	Balance to Accumulated Revenue	35			
\$259		\$697	\$259		\$697

METHODIST GENERAL PURPOSES TRUST BOARD (INC.)
BALANCE SHEET AT 30th JUNE, 1972

1971 \$		1972 \$	1971 \$		1972 \$
	Current Liabilities:			Current Assets:	
232	Sundry Creditors — — — — —	21	10	Cash in Hand — — — — —	—
348	Provision for Grants to Supernumerary and Allied Funds — — — — —	300	1,458	Bank of N.Z. (Current Account) — — —	5,254
			25,000	Bank of N.Z. Term Deposit — — — — —	90,000
		321	13,000	N.Z. Insurance Co. Ltd. Group Fund — —	13,000
	Short Term Deposits:		18,806	Loan South Island Children's Home — —	16,851
6,724	Church Sites Fund — — — — —	7,094	2,321	Sundry Debtors — — — — —	4,478
4,289	Church Building and Loan Fund — — —	5,547	4,517	Interest Accrued — — — — —	6,133
		12,641	1,855	Agents Balance Winstone Fund — — —	—
	Loans—Walters Farm Trust:		—	Loan Contingent Fund — — — — —	2,255
12,000	Parkes and Others (1st Mortgage) — — —	12,000			137,971
3,000	Tamahere Eventide Home Loan — — — —	3,000		Investments and Loans:	
—	Home Mission Department — — — — —	4,841	19,841	First Mortgages — — — — —	119,577
				Loan Supernumerary Fund (Papatoetoe Property) — — — — —	80,000
	Other Liabilities:			Loan Supernumerary Fund (General) — —	36,650
362,168	Sundry Church and Other Deposits — — —	490,256	513,756	Sundry Loans Church Trusts — — — — —	39,972
8,800	Depositors Holding Specific Invest- ments — — — — —	23,500		Local Body Stock — — — — —	207,109
				Public Company Debentures — — — — —	30,500
	Trusts Administered by General Purposes Trust Board:			Debentures Dunedin Central Mission —	18,000
111,725	Winstone Memorial Trust Fund — — — —	113,649		Share and Convertible Notes (Public Companies) — — — — —	11,310
95,557	Sundry Other Trusts — — — — —	96,553	210,202	Building Society Shares Held in Trust —	4,000
				Other Shares Held in Trust — — — — —	4,500
	Reserves:				551,618
2,437	Investment Fluctuation Reserve — — — —	2,500		Winstone Fund Property — — — — —	53,000
	Accumulated Funds:			Less Depreciation — — — — —	14,008
10,622	Capital at 30th June, 1971 — — — — —	10,970			38,992
	Add Balance from				
348	Appropriation Account — — — — —	300	11,270	Loans to Transport Trust Board:	
				Winstone Fund — — — — —	14,000
				General — — — — —	6,000
				Ex Methven Deposit — — — — —	1,800
					21,800
				19,973 Walters Trust Additional Land at Cost	20,150
					20,150
\$618,250		\$770,531	\$618,250		\$770,531

W. E. CLOTHIER, Chairman.
W. R. LAWS, Secretary.
C. R. HASSELDINE, Treasurer.

METHODIST GENERAL PURPOSES TRUST BOARD (INC.)
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1972

1971 \$		1972 \$	1971 \$		1972 \$
23,536	Interest Allowed to Trusts and Depositors	29,513		Interest Earned:	
3,500	Administration Charges	3,600	10,081	Local Body Stock and Co. Debentures	11,459
463	Stationery and General Expenses	530	6,955	Mortgages	8,747
			8,224	Loans	10,365
			1,356	Bank Interest	1,912
			753	Other Interest	741
696	Excess of Income over Expenditure	33,643			33,224
		663	349	Commissions	525
			477	Dividends and Interest on Convertible Notes	557
\$28,195		\$34,306	\$28,195		\$34,306

APPROPRIATION ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1972

1971 \$		1972 \$	1971 \$		1972 \$
—	Transferred to Investment Fluctuation Reserve	63	—	Balance 30th June, 1971	—
348	Provision for Grant to Supernumerary and Allied Funds	300	696	Net Income for Year	663
348	Balance Transferred to Capital Account	300			
\$696		\$663	\$696		\$663

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND CONNEXIONAL FIRE INSURANCE FUND
PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31st MAY, 1972

1971		1972	1971		1972
\$		\$	\$		\$
5,400	Administration Charges	5,400	25,045	Net Commissions Earned Before Charging Cost of Reinsurance Borne by Fund	19,022
949	Stationery and General Expenses	795		Interest Earnings:	
150	Unpaid Premiums Written Off	14		Bank	700
		6,209	839	Loans to Churches at 3½%	1,069
28,151	Profit for Year Before Cost of Reinsurance Borne by Fund	22,898	4,457	Local Body Stock	3,724
			2,493	Mortgages	3,576
			817	Other Loans	1,016
			9,605		10,085
\$34,650		\$29,107	\$34,650		\$29,107

PROFIT AND LOSS APPROPRIATION ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31st MAY, 1972

1971		1972	1971		1972
\$		\$	\$		\$
4,000	Transfer to Capital	2,800	408	Balance 31st May, 1971	759
	Cost of Reinsurance Borne by Fund:		28,151	Profit for Year	22,898
	—Public Liability		400	Profit on Maturity of Investment	—
333	Camps and Retreats	333			
5,893	Churches, Halls, Preaching Places and Parsonages	3,940			
303	Money Insurance	303			
921	Employers Liability (Ministers)	826			
		5,402			
11,450		8,202			
16,750	Provision for Grants	14,750			
759	Balance Carried Forward	705			
\$28,959		\$23,657	\$28,959		\$23,657

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND CONNEXIONAL FIRE INSURANCE FUND
BALANCE SHEET AT 31st MAY, 1972

1971 \$		1972 \$	1971 \$		1972 \$
	Current Liabilities:			Current Assets:	
9	Claims Payable — — — — —	3	20	Cash in Hand — — — — —	—
6,522	Sums Due to Reinsurers — — — — —	4,222	4,868	Cash at Bank of N.Z. — — — — —	—
324	Sundry Creditors — — — — —	282	10,000	Bank of N.Z. (Term Deposit) — — — — —	10,000
—	Bank Overdraft — — — — —	3,219	15,896	Premiums from Trusts Due to Fund — — — — —	29,794
			2,159	Accrued Interest — — — — —	2,446
			—	Insurances Prepaid — — — — —	290
16,750	Provision for Grants — — — — —	7,726			
		14,750			
	Reserves:				
600	Doubtful Debts Reserve — — — — —	600	32,943	Total Current Assets — — — — —	42,530
3,118	Natural Calamities Fund — — — — —	3,118			
8,109	Investment Contingency Reserve — — — — —	8,109		Investments:	
		11,827	37,529	Mortgages — — — — —	42,969
			43,513	Loans to Church Trusts and Boards — — — — —	45,383
			15,000	Loan to Supernumerary Fund — — — — —	10,000
			75,258	Local Body Stock — — — — —	64,978
164,052	Accumulated Funds:		171,300		163,330
4,000	Balance 31st May, 1971 — — — — —	168,052			
	Add Transfer from Appropriation				
	Account — — — — —	2,800			
168,052		170,852			
759	Profit and Loss Appropriation Account	705			
168,811		171,557			
\$204,243		\$205,860	\$204,243		\$205,860

A. A. DINGWALL, Chairman.

W. R. LAWS, General Secretary.

C. R. HASSELDINE, General Treasurer.

5th July, 1972.

METHODIST CONFERENCE CONTINGENT FUND
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1972

1971		1972		1971		1972
\$		\$		\$		\$
	Conference Travel:			17,940	Connexional Budget Payments	18,000.00
1,315	Equalisation Fund	1,231.50		108	Conference Collections and Sale of Agendas	262.64
1,296	Official Representatives, Ordinands, etc	1,085.93		15	Synod Collections	29.60
				133	Refunds and Donations	—
				1,106	Sales of Printed Matter	696.65
2,611		2,317.43		19	Interest Received	4.50
	Conference Printing and General Expenses:			19,321	Total Income	18,993.39
2,043	Conference Agendas	2,347.15		1,556	Excess of Expenditure over Income	1,530.07
2,619	Conference Minutes	3,152.57				
	Station Lists	96.75				
106	Balance Sheets, Mission Dept.	251.51				
114	Estimates, Mission Dept.	—				
56	Ordinands Bibles	46.23				
394	Secretarial, Platform and Other Expenses	416.82				
5,332		6,311.03				
	Connexional Printing:					
702	Synod Agendas	289.14				
113	J.C.U. Printing	113.85				
220	Membership Cards and Guide to Members	121.75				
153	Baptism and Confirmation Cards	—				
15	Sundry Printing and Binding Costs	—				
259	Removal Books	—				
j 798	Baptismal, Confirmation Registers	—				
2,270		524.74				
	Connexional Payments:					
918	President's Travel and Expenses	1,049.58				
10	President's Gown and Photo	130.00				
130	President's Allowance	130.00				
384	Vice-Presidents Expenses	538.45				
35	General	—				
132	Candidates Selection Committee	188.15				
417	Travel—Samoan Consultation	294.20				
150	Vietnam Travel	—				
2,176		2,282.28				
551	Church Council Expenses	692.52				
3,466	District Expenses	3,411.10				
1,181	Synod Expenses	1,737.33				
40	Cost of Ministerial Supply (shared with Home Mission Department)	522.09				

Connexional and J.C.C.U. Committee				
Expenses:				
1,272	District Payments	—	—	1,410.30
1,145	Paid Direct by Fund	—	—	701.49
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2,417				2,111.79
153	General Expenses, Stationery, Tolls and Postages	—	—	31.48
—	Interest Paid	—	—	66.67
Grants:				
40	First Year Probationers Study and Book Grants	—	—	40.00
420	Sundry Committee Grants	—	—	205.00
220	World Methodist Council	—	—	270.00
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680				515.00
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\$20,877				\$20,523.46
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				\$20,523.46

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13th September, 1972.

C. R. HASSELDINE, General Treasurer,

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND CHILDREN'S FUND
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1972

1971 \$		1972 \$		1971 \$		1972 \$
	Allowances to Ministers and Widows Half Year Payment December, 1971	4,152		9,500	Grant from Connexional Budget	9,000
	Accrued Payments Due Half Year to 30th June, 1972 (Note 1)	3,840		500	Less Refunded to Budget Account	—
				9,000		9,000
9,062		7,992		102	Excess of Expenditure over Income	—
40	Postages and General Expenses	35				
9,102		8,027				
—	Excess of Income over Expenditure (Note 2)	973				
\$9,102		\$9,000		\$9,102		\$9,000

BALANCE SHEET AT 30th JUNE, 1972

1971 \$		1972 \$		1971 \$		1972 \$
	Current Liabilities:			534	Current Assets:	
488	Sundry Creditor	—			Deposit with Board of Management Connexional Office	4,859
	Accrued Allowances Payable to June 1972	3,840				
	Accumulated Funds:					
148	Balance 30th June, 1971	46				
(102)	Add Excess of Income over Expenditure	973				
46		1,019				
\$534		\$4,859		\$534		\$4,859

- (Notes) (1) During 1971-72 the change-over to annual payment was implemented in December 1971 a half year's payment was made. Allowances for the half year to June, 1972, have been accrued in these accounts.
 (2) No refund has been made to the Connexional Budget Account in view of the reduction in the allocation for 1972-73 to \$4,000 —the balance carried forward will be substantially reduced in 1972-73 when a full year's allowance will be payable (in December, 1972).

C. R. HASSELDINE, Treasurer.

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND REMOVAL EXPENSES FUND
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1972

1971		1972	1971		1972
\$		\$	\$		\$
11,592	Removal Costs	6,741	10,500	Budget Allocation	9,000
52	Stationery and General Expenses	35	(500)	Less Refunded to Budget	—
11,644		6,776	10,000		9,000
—	Excess of Income over Expenditure	2,224	25	Interest Receivable	—
			1,619	Excess of Expenditure over Income	—
\$11,644		\$9,000	\$11,644		\$9,000

BALANCE SHEET AT 30th JUNE, 1972

1971		1972	1971		1972
\$		\$	\$		\$
2,172	Accumulated Funds:		5	Current Assets:	5
(Deficit 1,619)	Balance 30th June, 1971	553	548	P.O. Savings Bank	—
	Add Excess of Income over Expenditure	2,224		Balance Held by Board of Management Connexional Office	2,772
		2,777			
\$553		\$2,777	\$553		\$2,777

Note (1) At the present time no refund has been made to the Connexional Budget Account for 1971-72—the planned change-over of ownership of Parsonage Furnishings with an inevitable increase in Removal costs necessitates a rather higher carry forward than has been the practice in the past few years.

(2) Number of Removals paid for by Fund—

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		Total Costs	Average
North Island changes	24	\$2,600	\$113.00
South Island changes	2	\$81	\$40.50
Inter Island changes	9	\$4,060	\$451.00
	34	\$6,741	

Removals to Union
Parishes not paid for
by Fund

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METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND TRANSPORT TRUST BOARD (INCORPORATED)
LOAN ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1972

1971					1972					1971					1972
\$					\$					\$					\$
46,162	Loans at 30th June, 1971	---	---	---	49,670					23,780	Loan Repayments	---	---	---	24,990
25,109	New Loans Advanced	---	---	---	27,343					49,670	Balance at 30th June, 1972	---	---	---	54,568
2,179	Interest Charged	---	---	---	2,545										
<u>\$73,450</u>					<u>\$79,558</u>					<u>\$73,450</u>					<u>\$79,558</u>

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1972

1971					1972					1971					1972
\$					\$					\$					\$
500	Administration Charges	---	---	---	500					2,179	Interest Receivable	---	---	---	2,545
1,563	Interest Payable	---	---	---	1,649										
85	Stationery and General Expenses	---	---	---	89										
<u>2,148</u>					<u>2,238</u>										
31	Excess of Income over Expenditure	---	---	---	307										
<u>\$2,179</u>					<u>\$2,545</u>					<u>\$2,179</u>					<u>\$2,545</u>

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND TRANSPORT TRUST BOARD (INCORPORATED)
BALANCE SHEET AT 30th JUNE, 1972

1971 \$		\$	1972 \$	1971 \$		1972 \$
4,443	Current Liabilities:			—	Current Assets:	
56	Bank of N.Z. Overdraft — — —	4,559		—	Sundry Debtor — — — — —	10
	Sundry Creditors — — —	151		49,670	Other Assets:	
4,499			4,710		Secured Advances — — — — —	54,568
	Loans:					
20,000	General Purposes Trust — — —	20,000				
1,800	General Purposes Trust (Methven) — — —	1,800				
1,000	Wellington Methodist Charitable and Educational Endowments Trust — — —	1,000				
2,000	Wesley Social Services Trust — — —	2,000				
2,000	Home Mission Department — — —	5,000				
2,000	Hamilton Methodist Trust — — —	2,000				
10,000	Connexional Fire Insurance Fund — — —	10,000				
38,800			41,800			
	Accumulated Funds:					
4,340	Balance 30th June, 1971 — — —	6,371				
500	Add Grant from Fire Insurance Fund — — —	1,000				
1,500	Share of Development Fund (1970-71) — — —	390				
31	Net Income for Year — — —	307				
	Balance 30th June, 1972 — — —	8,068				
\$49,670		\$54,578		\$49,670		\$54,578

We have examined the books of account and records of the Methodist Church Transport Trust Board Incorporated for the year ended 30th June, 1972. In our opinion, according to the information and explanations given to us, and as shown by the said books of account, the Loans 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, 1972, and of its Income and Expenditure for the year ended on that date.

W. A. CHAMBERS, Chairman.
W. R. LAWS, General Secretary.
C. R. HASSELDINE, General Treasurer.

Christchurch, 3rd August, 1972.

McCULLOCH, BUTLER & SPENCE, Chartered Accountants.

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND FINANCE AND STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1972

RECEIPTS				PAYMENTS			
1971		\$	1972	1971		\$	1972
\$			\$	\$			\$
	Balances in Hand—1st July, 1971:			10,974	Salaries	10,450.60	
988	Advance Payments for Stewardship			337	Superannuation	433.15	
	Missions	1,160.00				10,883.75	
	Loans:					23.80	
1,000	Wesley Social Services Trust	1,000.00			Less Refund from Dept. of C.E.		10,859.95
	Wellington District Synod	500.00		1,154	Travelling Expenses	1,654.05	
					Less Refund—		
		2,660.00			(President's Travel)	92.76	
1,244	Dr. Debit Balance F. & S. Account	2,656.00		45	(Donation, Morrinsville)	20.00	
			3.50			112.76	
	Circuit Payments for Stewardship Missions:						1,541.29
8,835	Completed	11,467.00			Contingent Fund—refund of Church		
1,160	Not Yet Completed	1,251.00			Council Expenses		364.40
					"Church in Action" Kitset	555.00	
		12,718.00			Less Contributions from Depart-		
	Less Refund (Eltham-Kaponga				ments, etc.	435.55	
	overpaid)	133.00					119.45
18	Bank Interest		12,585.00	87	Printing, Stationery, etc.		79.05
800	Connexional Budget		28.93	188	Postages, Tolls, Bank Charges		142.15
	1970-71	145.00		321	Dept. of C.E.—Rent to 30/6/72		321.00
	1971-72	1,600.00			Repayment of Loans:		
			1,745.00	1,000	Wesley Social Services Trust	1,000.00	
1,000	Grant—Connexional Fire Insurance				Wellington District Synod	500.00	
	Fund Board		1,000.00				1,500.00
	Church Council (monies collected)		365.59	22	Interest on Loan (W.S.S. Trust)		45.00
				26	Insurances		57.80
					Balances in Hand:		
				1,160	Advance Payments	1,251.00	
				2,656	Debit Balance	553.07	
				3.50	Cash at Bank 30/6/72		697.93
			\$15,728.02				\$15,728.02

Audited and found correct.
F. H. TURLEY, A.C.A., Auditor
Wellington, 23rd August, 1972.

E. G. HEGGIE, Chairman.
E. C. FLYGER, Treasurer.

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND FINANCE AND STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE
STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1972

INCOME				EXPENDITURE			
1971		\$	1972	1971		\$	1972
\$			\$	\$			\$
18	Bank Interest		28.93	10,974	Salaries	10,450.60	
	Circuit Payments for Stewardship			337	Superannuation	433.15	
	Missions:						
924	Uncompleted Work and Advance Payments	1,160.00			Less Refund—Dept. of C.E.	10,883.75	
11,046	Receipts from Circuits 1971-72	12,718.00				23.80	
		13,878.00		1,154	Travelling Expenses	1,654.05	10,859.95
1,160	Less Uncompleted Work	1,251.00			Less Refund (President's Travel)	92.76	
		12,627.00		45	(Donation, Morrinsville)	20.00	
	Less Refund (Eltham-Kaponga)	133.00				112.76	
800	Connexional Budget 1970-71	145.00	12,494.00	87	Printing and Stationery		1,541.29
	1971-72	1,600.00		188	Postages, Tolls, etc.		79.05
			1,745.00		"Church in Action" Kitset	555.00	142.15
1,000	Grant—Connexional Fire Insurance Fund Board		1,000.00		Less Contributions from Departments, etc.	435.55	
							119.45
				321	Office Rent		321.00
					Repayment of Loans		1,500.00
				22	Interest on Loan		45.00
				26	Insurances		57.80
				Dr.			
				1,425	Excess Income over Expenditure		602.24
			\$15,267.93				\$15,267.93

Audited and found correct.
F. H. TURLEY, A.C.A., Auditor.

Wellington, 23rd August, 1972.

E. G. HEGGIE, Chairman.
E. C. FLYGER, Treasurer.

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND CONNEXIONAL BUDGET ACCOUNT INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT YEAR TO 30th JUNE, 1972

1971 \$		1972 \$	1971 \$		1972 \$
341,042	Payments to Departments and Funds (See Schedule I)	343,845	330,438	Contributions Received: Methodist Circuits (See District Schedule II)	334,091
5,912	Expenses Collected Through Connexional Budget and Refunded to Districts	6,467		Union Parishes (See Schedule III) (General)	9,984
109	Stationery, Postages, Tolls and General Expenses	127		Union Parishes Retiring Fund Contributions	2,917
		350,439			
	Excess of Income over Expenditure (added to balance carried forward to 1972-73)	172	11,271		12,901
			341,609		346,992
				Refunds from Departments and Funds: Supernumerary Fund	180
				Deaconesses Retiring Fund	1,158
				Lay Workers Retiring Fund	822
			2,052		2,160
			1,868	Contributions for Earlier Years Received in 1971-72	1,272
			188	Bank Interest Received	187
			1,245	Excess of Expenditure over Income	—
\$347,063		\$350,611	\$347,063		\$350,611

BALANCE SHEET AT 30th JUNE, 1972

1971 \$		1972 \$	1971 \$		1972 \$
	Current Liabilities:			Current Assets:	
1,549	Payments in Advance 1972-73	16	6,078	Bank of New Zealand	5,583
9,192	Final Payments Due to Districts, Non- Guaranteed Funds and Departments	12,797	4,913	Payments Received Subsequent to 30th June, 1972, relating to and brought into account for 1971-72	7,652
		12,813			13,235
	Accumulated Funds:				
	Brought Forward from 1970-71	250			
	Add Balance from Income and Expen- diture Account	172			
250		422			
\$10,991		\$13,235	\$10,991		\$13,235

4th August, 1972.

C. R. HASSELDINE, General Treasurer.

AUDITOR'S REPORT

I report that I have examined the books and accounts of the Methodist Church of New Zealand Connexional Budget Account for the year ended 30th June, 1972 and have received all the information I require. In my opinion the Income and Expenditure Account and the Balance Sheet as set out show the true and correct position of the account as at 30th June, 1972.

W. E. CLOTHIER, Auditor, A.C.I.S., B.Com., A.C.A.

**METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND
CONNEXIONAL BUDGET 1971/72**

PAYMENTS TO DEPARTMENTS AND FUNDS

				SCHEDULE I	
				Allocation Payment	
				\$	\$
DEPARTMENTS AND FUNDS					
Supernumerary Fund			32,183		
Plus Special Provision			9,000		
				41,183	41,183.00
				refunded	180.00
Home Missionaries Retiring Fund			777	777	777.00
Deaconess Retiring Fund			5,158	5,158	5,158.00
				refunded	1,158.00
Lay Workers Retiring Fund			3,222	3,222	3,222.00
				refunded	822.00
Children's Fund			9,000	9,000	9,000.00
Removal Expenses Fund			9,000	9,000	9,000.00
Contingent Fund			18,000	18,000	18,000.00
Connexional Office			3,000	2,850	2,850.00
N.Z. Methodist			12,000	12,000	12,000.00
Overseas Mission Department				105,100	99,845.00
Home Mission Department—General			75,005		
Chaplaincies			4,995		
				80,000	76,000.00
Department of Christian Education			19,500	18,525	18,525.00
Development			15,000	14,250	14,250.00
Finance and Stewardship Committee			1,800	1,710	1,710.00
Children's Homes: Auckland			500	475	475.00
Masterton			2,000	1,900	1,900.00
South Island			2,000	1,900	1,900.00
Central Missions: Auckland			1,125	1,069	1,069.00
Christchurch			1,250	1,188	1,188.00
Dunedin			1,125	1,069	1,069.00
Wellington			1,500	1,425	1,425.00
Trinity College			12,374	11,756	11,756.00
Deaconess Board			1,300	1,235	1,235.00
National Council of Churches			1,980	1,980	1,980.00
National Council of Churches (T.V.)			1,230	1,230	1,230.00
World Council of Churches			814	814	814.00
N.C.C. — Prison Chaplaincy			60	60	60.00
N.Z. Council of Christian Education			1,130	1,130	1,130.00
Armed Forces Chaplaincy			100	100	100.00
Visual-Audio Aids Society			500	500	500.00
University Chaplaincy — N.C.C.			1,936	1,936	1,936.00
Spiritual Advance Committee			200	200	200.00
Overseas Travel Fund			1,000	950	950.00
Joint Commission on Church Union			926	956.50	956.50
East Asian Council of Churches			202	202	202.00
Radio and Television Committee (Methodist)			250	250	250.00
				<u>\$356,242</u>	<u>\$341,685.50</u>

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND
CONNEXIONAL BUDGET 1971/72
FINAL REPORT (METHODIST CIRCUITS)

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						SCHEDULE II	
District	District Allocation (including local expenses) Note (1)	Less Allocated to Union Parishes (other than Parishes from 1/2/72)	Allocated to Methodist Circuits & New Union Parishes	Payments to date (Methodist Circuits & New Union (3) Parishes)	%	Methodist Fully Paid	Circuits Not Fully Paid (3)
Northland	8,562	608	7,954	8,106	101.9	8	1
Auckland	76,992	—	76,992	75,445	98.01	21	2
Waikato-Bay of Plenty	48,744	912	47,832	47,469	99.3	17	8
Taranaki-Wanganui	26,012	926	25,086	24,718	98.6	6	4
Hawkes Bay-Manawatu	37,214	2,042	35,172	34,250	97.4	9	4
Wellington	43,387	4,379	39,008	38,392	98.5	9	2
Nelson	17,555	3,259	14,296	14,098	98.6	4	1
North Canterbury	60,359	—	60,359	54,952	91.1	12	6
South Canterbury	17,580	540	17,040	16,332	95.9	5	2
Otago-Southland	24,752	1,731	23,021	20,319	88.3	7	4
	<u>361,157</u>	<u>14,397</u>	<u>346,760</u>	<u>284,091</u>	<u>96.4</u>	<u>98</u>	<u>34</u>

Note (1) **District Allocation**—Certain Credits have been allowed to District for Retiring Fund contributions content of Budget being collected direct from Union Parishes separately from Budget contributions.

- (2) At the close of the 1971 Budget 96 Circuits (of 132) were fully paid and the Budget was paid 95.4% so the position compares favourably with 1970-71. Many Circuits were short paid by fairly small amounts.
- (3) Includes data re **new** Union Parishes from 1/2/72 (remitting to Methodist Church Office until June 1972).
- (4) All guaranteed Funds have been paid in full—Non-Guaranteed Funds have now been paid a further final 4% of the allocation—making a total of 95% for the year (as against 94.5% for 1970-71).
- (5) A separate report for Union Parishes appears in Schedule III.

UNION PARISHES

SCHEDULE III

BUDGET CONTRIBUTIONS

METHODIST/PRESBYTERIAN BUDGETS 1971/72

Union Parish						Combined Allocation	Actual Payment
						\$	\$
Ruawai	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	535	535.92
Whakapara Hikurangi	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	354	354.00
Hauraki Plains	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	931	935.00
Raglan	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	732	732.00
Turangi	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	300	188.90
Mangapapa	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	590	590.00
Inglewood	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,204	1,200.00
Manaia	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,202	946.50
Patea	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	698	156.00
Foxton	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,603	1,782.35
Pahiatua	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,145	1,145.00
Shannon	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	793	550.00
Carterton	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,050	1,705.00
Eketahuna	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	500	133.40
Featherston	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	516	554.14
Greytown	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	734	671.00
St James—Masterton	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,550	1,487.42
Taita	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	313	419.70
Wainuiomata	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	791	9.15
Johnsonville	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,050	2,033.00
Newlands	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,130	1,160.00
St Luke's—Nelson	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	600	315.00
Picton	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	610	1,083.43
Buller	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	875	895.00
Reefton	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	600	230.00
Greymouth	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,233	2,289.51
Hokitika	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,975	1,050.00
St. Davids—Timaru	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,240	827.50
Corstorphine	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,240	1,240.00
Grants Braes	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,105	397.75
West Dunedin	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6,091	1,300.00
Alexandra	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4,429	4,443.94
Teviot	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,297	1,162.00
						<u>\$43,016</u>	<u>\$32,552.61</u>

Overall Percentage	75.60%
Union Parishes fully paid	15
Union Parishes not fully paid	18

Methodist Church Share 30.7% \$9,984.44.

(In addition Union Parishes have provided separate contributions to the Retiring Funds of both Methodist and Presbyterian Churches)

THE METHODIST DEACONESS BOARD AUCKLAND

WARDENS AND TRAINEES ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR 1st JULY, 1971-

30th JUNE, 1972

	\$			\$
Warden's Honorarium	100.00	Credit Balance b/f. 1/7/71		71.32
Warden's Expenses	10.00	Bal. Conn. Budget 1970-71		46.00
Trainees' Allowances	78.00	Connexional Budget 1971-72		
Trainees' Examination Fees	22.00	(allocation \$1,300)		1,183.00
Stationery Postage & General	20.45	M.W.F. Grant to Trainees'		
Convocation Expenses	40.00	Allowances		58.50
		Bank Interest		5.56
	270.45			
Credit Balance c/f. 30/6/72	1,093.93			1,364.38
	\$1,364.38			\$1,364.38

SPECIAL FUNDS

TRAINEES' EMERGENCY FUND

	\$			\$
Grants to Trainees	52.00	Balance 1/7/71		1,117.94
Balance 30/6/72	1,132.81	Transferred from Sister Joy		
		Whitin Travel Fund		35.20
		Interest		31.67
	\$1,184.81			\$1,184.81

MAORI LIBRARY FUND

Balance 30/6/72	105.28	Balance 1/7/71		102.31
		Interest		2.97
	\$105.28			\$105.28

LENA BUTTON FUND

Balance 30/6/72	62.58	Balance 1/7/71		53.68
		Interest		8.90
	\$62.58			\$62.58

ESTATE LILY WHITE

Balance 30/6/72	240.71	Balance 1/7/71		233.92
		Interest		6.79
	\$240.71			\$240.71

SISTER JOY WHITIN TRAVEL FUND

Transferred to Trainees' Emer- gency Fund	\$35.20	Balance 1/7/71		\$35.20
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**TRINITY COLLEGE COUNCIL
STUDENTS' LIBRARY FUND, 1972**

Statement of Receipts and Payments July 1st, 1971 — June 30th, 1972

	\$		\$
Balance at 30/6/71	1,544.36	Purchases Epworth Bookroom	422.55
Debenture Interest	162.14	Prudentia	2.00
Bank Interest	44.48	Pareora History	0.80
Budget Grant	400.00	"Counselling Centre"	3.60
Trinity College Old Boys	50.00	I.C.I. Shares (25)	41.25
Donation	60.00	Church and Community	2.00
Refund Organ Fund	19.00	Credit Balance	2,126.07
Gorman Fund Transfer	318.29		
	<u>\$2,598.27</u>		<u>\$2,598.27</u>

CAPITAL ACCOUNT

	\$		\$
Capital Library Fund:		Prince Albert College Trust	1,600.00
1,600.00		Auckland Regional Authority	
Gorman	400.00	(including Gorman share)	800.00
I.C.I.	25.00	Carter Holt Holdings 110	55.00
	<u>2,025.00</u>	Imperial Chemicals 125	125.00
T. R. Griffin Mem. Fund	400.00		
Benney Memorial Fund	155.00		
	<u>\$2,580.00</u>		<u>\$2,580.00</u>

PRIZE FUND

	\$		\$
Balance 30/6/71	318.43	Prizes Epworth Bookroom	90.71
Debenture Interest	107.58	Balance 30/6/72	344.57
Bank Interest	9.27		
	<u>\$435.28</u>		<u>\$435.28</u>

CAPITAL ACCOUNT

	\$		\$
Capital Prize Fund	1,700.00	Auckland Harbour Board	200.00
		Methodist Central Mission	500.00
		Prince Albert Trust	1,000.00
	<u>\$1,700.00</u>		<u>\$1,700.00</u>

TRINITY COLLEGE BURSARIES ACCOUNT

	\$		\$
Balance at 30/6/71	1,332.68	Grants	1,800.00
Walters Fund	800.00	Cheque Book	0.50
Bank Interest	48.41	Balance 30/6/72	380.59
	<u>\$2,181.09</u>		<u>\$2,181.09</u>

C. H. VIRTUE EDUCATIONAL FUND

	\$		\$
Balance 30/6/71	2,301.03		
Public Trust	1,024.35		
P.A.C. Interest	700.89	Balance 30/6/72	4,111.12
Bank Interest	84.85		
	<u>\$4,111.12</u>		<u>\$4,111.12</u>

CAPITAL ACCOUNT

	\$		\$
Capital Virtue Educational Fund	\$10,000.00	Prince Albert Trust	\$10,000.00

HARRISON FUND

	\$		\$
Balance 30/6/71	927.42		
P.A.C. Interest	392.49		
Bank Interest	29.63	Balance 30/6/72	1,349.54
	<u>\$1,349.54</u>		<u>\$1,349.54</u>
Capital Harrison Fund	\$5,600.00	Prince Albert College Trust	\$5,600.00

TRINITY COLLEGE TRAVEL FUND

Interest from Allen Fund	\$37.97	Balance	\$37.97
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CAPITAL ACCOUNT

Chaplain Captain Alexander Allen Travelling Scholar- ship Fund	\$2,000.00	Prince Albert College Trust	\$2,000.00
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Note: The above fund is established "for the purpose of giving financial assistance to such students or ministers as the said College (Trinity) may select. . . ." It is intended to keep in the Auckland Savings Bank Account also any funds specifically designated for staff or for student travel.

TRINITY COLLEGE THEOLOGICAL TRAINING SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION

Percy and Ella Frances Rushton Memorial Trust	100.00
Estate Elsie Louisa Hight Deceased	\$ 200.00
	<u>\$300.00</u>

NOTE: LIBRARY FUNDS

We have purchased books	\$ 422.55	
to value of	140.61	A/c. Received 30/6/72)
	<u>\$563.16</u>	

From now on, purchasing will be reduced to save overlapping with St. John's Library purchasing. It is proposed (a) to retain a portion of income for maintaining special collections and for restocking Trinity Library when in use again; (b) to pool the remainder with St. John's funds.

THE BOARD OF THE WESLEY TRAINING COLLEGE
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st JANUARY, 1972

1971 \$		\$	1972 \$	1971 \$		\$	1972 \$
	Capital Account:				Land, Buildings and Improvements:		
641,586	Balance at 1/1/71	641,263.14		518,952	Paerata	524,050.00	
923	Grafton Lease Conversions	923.20		17,600	Maurice Harding Park	17,400.00	
378	Bad Debts Recovered	213.46		35,810	Grafton	35,810.00	
3,405	Excess Income over Expenditure	—		10,680	Carlton Gore	10,490.00	
				42,304	Waikowhai	42,174.00	
646,292		642,399.80		20	Work in Progress	19,657.24	
3,529	Less Bad Debts Written Off	—			Hobson County	20.00	
1,500	Increase Reserve for Bad Debts	—		625,366			649,601.24
—	Excess Expenditure over Income	16,426.81			Plant and Equipment:		
641,263			625,972.99	750	Farm Machinery	950.00	
	Scholarship Funds:			3,820	Motor Vehicles	5,350.00	
4,000	Marianne Caughey Smith-Preston	4,000.00		32,600	Furniture and Equipment	30,450.00	
—	J. Stuart Caughey	3,000.00					36,750.00
2,000	George Winstone	2,000.00		37,170	Stocks on Hand:		
2,000	Stephen James Ambury	2,000.00		14,822	Livestock	14,584.00	
1,593	Kingswood	1,279.51		4,287	Produce and Sundries	6,429.08	
769	War Memorial (Maori)	769.00		19,109			21,013.08
500	Henry Wills Memorial	500.00			General Investments:		
		13,548.51		672	Share: Auckland Co-op. Milk		
	Special Funds:				Producers' Ltd.	672.00	
—	Chapel Extension	205.00		22,430	Bank of New Zealand	—	
300	Blacklock Library Bequest	300.00		2,214	Savings Bank Accounts	2,532.26	
11,162		506.00	14,054.51	—	Debentures — Auckland Electric		
					Power Board	700.00	
				25,216			3,904.26

Sundry Creditors:

Loans on Mortgage:	
Marianne Caughey Smith-Preston Memorial Rest Homes Trust Board	
51,000	47,000.00
10,000	9,000.00
17,902	28,397.91
820	942.68
79,722	85,340.59
—	20,806.70
79,722	106,147.29
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\$732,147	\$746,174.79

Scholarship and Special Funds**Investments:**

4,769	N.Z. Government Stock (Maturity Value \$4,800)	—	—	4,769.00
2,000	Loan on Mortgage	—	—	2,000.00
1,000	Auckland Methodist Central Mission Debentures	—	—	1,000.00
2,250	Frank M. Winstone (Merchants) Ltd. (3,750 Ordinary Shares of \$1 each fully paid)	—	—	2,250.00
—	Astley Holdings Ltd. (3,000 Ordinary Shares of \$1 each fully paid)	—	—	3,000.00
1,143	Savings Bank Accounts	—	—	1,035.51
11,162				14,054.51
	Sundry Debtors and Prepayments	—	25,351.70	
	Less Reserve for Bad Debts	—	4,500.00	
14,024				20,851.70
\$732,147				\$746,174.21

\$746,174.79

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 January, 1972, and of its income and expenditure for the thirteen months ended on that date.

Auckland, 11th May, 1972.

HUTCHISON, HULL & CO., Chartered Accountants.

THE BOARD OF THE WESLEY TRAINING COLLEGE
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE 13 MONTHS ENDED 31st JANUARY, 1972

1971 \$		\$	1972 \$	1971 \$		\$	\$	1972 \$
	College Working Account:				Farm Working Account:			
122,906	Salaries and Wages	173,392.49		25,137	Dairy Receipts	32,451.56		
33,441	Provisions	35,903.20		5,634	Profit on Cattle	6,240.26		
13,563	Repairs and Maintenance	9,055.41			Produce—Hay	2,151.41		
5,540	Fuel and Light	5,711.82		287	Sale of Timber	—		
3,515	Depreciation	3,666.96						
9,466	Other Expenses	8,217.56		31,058				40,843.23
				9,167	Less Wages	12,483.25		
188,431		235,947.44		2,987	Manure	4,135.86		
157,688	Less Fees Charged	194,175.50		1,482	Repairs and Development	6,338.48		
		41,771.94		1,334	Depreciation	981.21		
	Plus Fees Concession to Staff	2,550.00		845	Mortgage Interest	915.00		
				6,789	Other Expenses	5,030.25		
30,743			44,321.94					29,884.05
10,729	College Beneficiary Work		16,761.33	22,604				
11,214	Depreciation Buildings and Improvements			8,454				10,959.18
6,562	Administration and General Expenses Interest:	12,197.26	9,897.21	4,722	Maurice Harding Park:			
	Paid	2,808.06		23,333	Scoria and Metal			
1,602	Less Received	392.31	2,415.75	28,055	Royalties	3,531.91		
3,405	Excess Income over Expenditure			22	Rents	25,236.00		
	Note: Government Grants have been received and applied during the year against College payments as follows:			273				28,767.91
2,860	Capital Items of equipment and Library Books	2,396		562	Less Rates	99.45		
10,548	Revenue Items	12,983		857	Repairs and Maintenance	229.82		
13,408		15,379		27,198	Other Expenses	—		
								329.27
				28,419				28,438.64
				1,784	Waikowhai Park:			
				282	Rents			28,716.76
				2,066	Less Rates	1,780.50		
				26,353	Other Expenses	203.37		
								1,983.87
								26,732.89

					City Property Rents:		
				1,773	Grafton	—	1,894.61
				477	Carlton Gore	—	1,141.36
				<u>2,250</u>			<u>3,035.97</u>
				—	Excess of Expenditure		
					over Income		<u>16,426.81</u>
<u>\$64,255</u>		<u>\$85,593.49</u>		<u>\$64,255</u>			<u>\$85,593.49</u>

MORLEY HOUSE COMMITTEE
HOSTEL REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1972

EXPENDITURE						INCOME					
1971					1972	1971					1972
\$					\$	\$					\$
3,088	House Supplies	—	—	—	3,459.25	10,383	Hostel Receipts	—	—	—	11,885.48
1,288	Heat and Light	—	—	—	898.19	131	Interest	—	—	—	117.29
4,272	Salaries and Wages	—	—	—	5,346.02	—	Rent	—	—	—	134.00
120	Telephone	—	—	—	159.28	191	Excess Expenditure over Income	—	—	—	273.29
389	Repairs	—	—	—	1,099.22						
910	Rates	—	—	—	954.81						
72	Advertising	—	—	—	27.50						
107	Insurance	—	—	—	126.49						
229	Sundry Expenses	—	—	—	117.86						
30	Printing and Stationery	—	—	—	21.44						
200	Depreciation	—	—	—	200.00						
\$10,705					\$12,410.06	\$10,705					\$12,410.06

FURNITURE RENEWALS ACCOUNT

446	1971				1972	693	Balance at 1/7/71	—	—	—	705.82
	\$				\$	10	Interest	—	—	—	10.00
	30	Cash Payments	—	—	21.00	32	Donations from Fellowships	—	—	—	16.00
	705	Balance 30/6/72	—	—	710.82						
	\$735				\$731.82	\$735					\$731.82

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1972

LIABILITIES				ASSETS			
		\$	\$			\$	\$
Bank of New Zealand	—	—	105.58	Freehold Property	—	46,000.00	
Furniture Renewals Account	—	—	710.82	Furniture and Plant	—	3,396.32	
Property Reconstruction Account	—	—	3,606.65			\$49,396.32	
Accumulated Funds:				Less Depreciation	—	8,366.67	41,029.65
Balance at 1/7/71	—	40,466.18		Bank of N.Z. Investment Account	—		2,400.00
Less Excess Expenditure	—	273.29	40,192.89	Canterbury Savings Bank	—		1,186.29
			\$44,615.94				\$44,615.94

Audited and found correct.

J. O. YOUNG, A.C.A.

8th August, 1972.

W. A. CHAMBERS, Chairman.

R. de R. FLESHER, Treasurer.

RANGIATEA MAORI COLLEGE TRUST BOARD
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR
ENDED 31st MAY, 1972

1971 (11 months)				1972
\$		\$	\$	\$
Income from:				
14,164	Fees			18,082.39
132	Staff Board			156.00
1,000	Lease N.P. High School Board			1,000.00
6,500	Grants-Grey Institute		4,500.00	
600	Kai Iwi Farm		600.00	
2,400	Wgtn. Methodist C.E. and E.		2,750.00	
9,500				7,850.00
199	Interest			0.36
3	Rent			510.95
39	Sundry Receipts			20.76
	Profit on Livestock			335.45
25,037	TOTAL INCOME			27,955.91
EXPENSES FOR:				
Administration:				
267	Audit Fee	280.75		
11	Bank Charges and Exchange	6.53		
187	Printing and Stationery	169.05		
750	Secretary's Salary	750.00		
61	Telephone Rental and Tolls	99.51		
9	Newspapers	10.95		
1,285			1,316.79	
Grounds:				
303	Maintenance	390.98		
1,933	Wages	2,139.99		
	Less Insurance Refund	105.00		
1,933		2,034.99		
2,236			2,425.97	
Hostel Working Expenses:				
9	Advertising	0.76		
260	Car Depreciation and Travelling	260.00		
267	Cleaning	421.60		
50	General Expenses	27.06		
558	Electricity	929.12		
618	Heating and Fuel	834.60		
393	Insurances	469.89		
452	Rates	496.00		
132	Rates (Water)	164.40		
25	Staff Transport			
2	Repairs to Furniture	118.95		
231	Buildings	1,639.38		
618	House Equipment	454.50		
38	Laundry Equipment			
105	Linen	346.37		
156	Crockery	46.11		
8,148	Wages	9,757.66		
12,062			15,966.40	
Provisions:				
683	Bread	805.52		
2,744	Meat, Fish, Eggs	2,839.22		
628	Milk	562.29		
2,819	Groceries	2,952.22		
1,007	Fruit and Vegetables	1,588.61		
36	Medicines and Medical Supplies	71.32		
7,917			8,819.18	
Financial Charges:				
775	Interest Paid		572.90	
Depreciation:				
1,233	Buildings	1,233.00		
551	Furniture and Fittings	496.00		
1,784			1,729.00	
26,059	TOTAL EXPENDITURE			30,830.24
\$1,022	NET LOSS transferred to Accumulated Funds Account			\$2,874.33

RANGIATEA MAORI COLLEGE TRUST BOARD
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st MAY, 1972

1971 \$		1972 \$	1971 \$		1972 \$
Current Liabilities:			Current Assets:		
14,240	Bank of N.S.W. (Secured) —	3,681.12	348	Canteen Stock on Hand —	5 0.56
—	Imprest Bank Account —	96.69	70	Matrons Imprest Account —	—
1,156	Sundry Creditors —	1,701.48	24	Cash on Hand —	29.07
348	Students' Funds held by Board —	341.09	3,286	Fees Due —	5,392.24
888	Fees Paid in Advance —	294.26	610	Students' Accounts due to Board —	1,754.53
300	Grant in Advance —	300.00	210	Livestock on Hand —	230.00
			1,500	Grant Due from Grey Trust —	1,500.00
16,932		6,414.64	6,048		9,486.40
Accumulated Funds:			Fixed Assets:		
110,821	Balance 1/7/71 —	109,799.41	8,592	Land —	8,592.23
—	Special Grant from Grey Institute Trust —	15,000.00	17,194	Furniture and Equip. —	17,193.71
110,821		124,799.41	12,234	Depreciation —	12,730.11
1,022	Loss transferred from I. & E. Account —	2,874.33	4,960		4,463.60
109,799		121,925.08	123,363	Hostel Buildings —	123,363.53
1,148	Funds for Special Purposes:		15,306	Depreciation —	16,538.53
(57)	Balance 1/7/71 —	927.29	108,058		106,825.00
	Profit from Canteen —	132.00	121,610		119,880.83
1,091		1,059.29			
164	Less Expended During the Year	31.78			
927		1,027.51			
\$127,658		\$129,367.23	\$127,658		\$129,367.23

We have examined the books, accounts and vouchers of the Rangiatea Maori College Trust Board for the year ended 31st May, 1972, 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.
July, 1972.

DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

Estimates For 1973

(1st February 1973 to 31st January 1974)

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS

1. Probable Credit balance from H.M. Department	\$2,700
2. Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust	1,200
3. Hospital Chaplaincy Subsidy for Auckland	1,700
4. Sundry Income (Share with Maori Division)	310
5. Properties and Investments (Share with Maori Division) ...	3,600
6. Connexional Budget	
1972-73	12,300
1973-74	15,878
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	28,178
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	\$37,688

ESTIMATED PAYMENTS

1. Circuit Grants:—Appt.

NORTHLAND DISTRICT:—

Kaikohe-Bay of Islands—M	500
Whangaroa—M	400
Hokianga—M	750
Ruawai Union Parish—M	150
Hikurangi Union Parish—M	100
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	\$1,900

AUCKLAND DISTRICT:—

Auckland West—M	400
Birkdale—Beachhaven Union P.—M	600
Onehunga—2M	500
Papatoetoe—2M	300
Tuakau Union Parish—M	350
Kaipara—M	500
Whangaparaoa—M	200
Waiuku—M	500
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	\$3,350

WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY DISTRICT:

Raglan Union Parish	Board
Otorohanga—M	500
Waihi—M	350
Huntly—M	200
Putaruru—M	200
Tokoroa—M	700
Te Puke—M	500
Taumarunui—M	300
Ngaruawahia Union Parish—M	375
Turangi Union Parish—2M	1,390
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	\$4,515

TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT:

No applications.

HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU DISTRICT:

Waipawa-Waipukurau—M	500
Mangapapa Union Parish—M	200
Wairoa Union Parish—2M	Board
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	700

WELLINGTON DISTRICT:

Porirua (New Circuit)—2M	750
Newlands Union Parish—M	208
Taita Union Parish—M	500
Wainuiomata Union Parish—2M	350
Featherston Union Parish—M	200 E.
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	\$2,008

NELSON DISTRICT:

Murchison—M	1,500
Reefton—M	313
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	1,813

NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT:

Lytelton Union Parish—M	450
Hornby—M	800
Spreydon—2M	800
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	\$2,000

SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT:

Waimate—M	700
Geraldine-Temuka—H.M.	250
Twizel Chaplaincy—M	400
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	\$1,350

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND DISTRICT:

Western Southland—	
3 Union Parishes (Est.	1,000
Bluff—P	1,000
West Dunedin Union Parish—3M	200
Milton-Lawrence—M	700
	<u>\$2,900</u>

Grand Totals for Circuit Grants \$20,536

Chaplaincies in Hospitals:

Auckland Public Hospital (Share)	3,250
Oakley Psychiatric	950
Porirua Psychiatric	750
Tokanui Psychiatric	750
Additional (new appointments ½ yr.)	700
	<u>\$6,350</u>

General Grants:

N.Z.M.S.S.A.	100
Sundry	500
General Travel	600
Supplies: Long Service Leave	300
Ministerial	600
President	600
	<u>\$2,700</u>

Administration etc.:

Share of Office Expenses with Maori Division	3,300
Superintendent: Stipend	3,394
General Allowance	200
Parsonage Allowance ..	30
Travelling	500
Rent	600
	<u>4,724</u>
	<u>\$36,460</u>

SUMMARY OF ESTIMATES FOR 1973

RECEIPTS

Probable Credit Balance b/fwd.	\$2,700
Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust	1,200
Hospital Chaplaincy Subsidy	1,700
Sundry Income (Share)	310
Properties and Investments	3,600
Connexional Budget	28,178
	<u>\$37,688</u>

PAYMENTS

Circuit Grants	\$20,536
Chaplaincies	6,350
General Grants	2,700
Office Expenses	3,300
Superintendent	4,724
Probable Surplus	378
	<u>\$37,688</u>

MAORI DIVISION

Estimates For 1973

(1st February 1973 to 31st January 1974)

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS

1. Estimated Credit Balance from H.M. Department b/fwd.	7,500
2. Grey Institute Trust Grant from 1970 c/fwd.	5,000
Grey Institute Trust Grants 1971-1972	7,000
3..Methodist Women's Fellowship....Grant	7,400
Special	800
Smethurst Int.	260
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	8,460
4. Maori Circuits	5,500
5. Properties and Investments — Share	7,930
6. Sundry Income — Share	690
7. Connexional Budget Part 1972-73	27,700
Part 1973-74	20,695
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	48,395
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	\$90,475

ESTIMATED PAYMENTS

NORTHLAND CIRCUIT:—

Superintendent Minister—No appointment.	
Supernumerary Minister—Honorarium	104
Travelling	250
Home Missionary—Stipend	2,988
Travelling	450
Special Travelling	100
Parsonage Allowance	30
General Circuit Expenses	200
Deaconess—Stipend	2,831
Travelling	350
Rent	156
Deaconess—Stipend	2,335
Provision for Car	350
Rent	156
Deaconess—No appointment.	
Investment Funds Board—Kamo Parsonage	300
for Rents—Waima Parsonage	400
Taheke Cottage	150
Dargaville Cottage	150

11,300

AUCKLAND CIRCUIT:—

Superintendent Minister—Stipend	3,394
Travelling	550
Parsonage Allowance	30
Minister—Stipend	3,394
Travelling	450
Parsonage Allowance	30
Home Missionary—Stipend	2,988
Travelling	450
Parsonage Allowance	30
General Circuit Expenses	200
Deaconess—Stipend	2,831
Provision for Car	350
Rent	156
Deaconess Supply—Stipend	2,496
Provision for Car	350
Rent	156
Deaconess Supply—Part Time—	
Honorarium	750
Travelling	300
Investment Funds Board Rents—	
Auckland Parsonage	600
Manurewa Parsonage	700
Mangere Parsonage	700
Tuakau Parsonage	300

21,205

WAIKATO MAORI CIRCUIT:

Superintendent Minister—Stipend	3,394
Travelling	550
Parsonage Allowance	30
Minister—Stipend	3,394
Travelling	450
Parsonage Allowance	30
Home Missionary Supply—Travelling	150
Provision for Car	350
Possible Deaconess Supply—Stipend ...	2,496
Provision for Car	350
Rent	156
Deaconess—No appointment.	
General Circuit Expenses	200
Investment Funds Board—Rents—	156
Ngaruawahia	300
Hamilton	700
Tokoroa	600
Hamilton Cottage	150

13,300

KING COUNTRY MAORI CIRCUIT:

Superintendent Minister—No appointment.	
Minister—Stipend	3,394
Travelling	450
Parsonage Allowance	30
Home Missionary (Retired)—Honorarium	104
General Circuit Expenses	150
Deaconess—Stipend	2,831
Provision for Car	350
Rent	156
Investment Funds Board—Rents—	
Otorohanga	156
Te Kuiti	500
Kawhia	400
Deaconess Accommodation	75

8,446

TARANAKI-WANGANUI CIRCUIT:

Superintendent Minister—Stipend	3,394
Travelling	550
Parsonage Allowance	30
Minister—Stipend	3,394
Travelling	450
Parsonage Allowance	30
General Circuit Expenses:	150
Deaconess—Stipend	2,496
Provision for Car	350
Rent	156

Deaconess Supply—Stipend	2,335
Travelling	350
Rent	156
Investment Funds Board Rents—	
Hawera Parsonage	500
Opunake Cottage	150
Hawera Cottage	150
Grey Institute Trust Rent—	
Mission Hill Parsonage ..	350

14,865

General Expenditure:—

South Island Deaconess Supply—	
Honorarium	104
Travelling	52
South Island—General Travel	200
Deaconess Car Depreciation	300
Supplementary adjustments to Ministers' Travelling	1,800
Maori Section N.C.C.	80
Hostel Subsidies	400
Contingencies	500

3,436

Administration and Office:

Maori Board—Travel and Hospitality	200
Connexional Travel—	
Council of Mission etc.	400
Office Expenses—Share with Development Division	3,300

3,900

Tumuaki—Stipend	3,394
General Allowance	200
Travel	500
Parsonage Allowance	30
Rent	600

4,724

Total Estimated Expenditure \$81,176**MAORI DIVISION: SUMMARY OF ESTIMATES 1973**

Estimated Balance b/fwd. from	
H.M. Department — 1/2/73	7,500
Grey Institute Grant 1970	5,000
Grey Institute Trust Grants	
1971 and 1972	7,000
Methodist Women's Fellowship	8,460
Maori Circuits	5,500
Properties and Investments—Share	7,930
Sundry Income—Share	690
Connexional Budget—part 1972-73	
and part 1973-74	48,395

\$90,475

PAYMENTS

Circuits: Northland	11,300
Auckland	21,205
Waikato	13,300
King Country	8,446
Taranaki	14,865
General Expenditure	3,436
Office Expenses	3,900
Tumuaki—Stipend and Allowances	4,724
Probable Balance at 31/7/74	9,299

(See note below).

\$90,475

Note on the probable credit balance at 31/7/74: \$9,299.

This is largely due to receiving Grants from the Grey Institute Trust covering three years in the one year — the first \$5,000 will be spent this year — and the other grants totalling \$7,000 will be carried forward into the second half of the 1973-74 Budget year.

RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30.6.71

1970-71		RECEIPTS	
6,724	Investments:		
	Interest on Investments	6,677.65	
	Transferred to Sundry A/cs.	6,677.65	
26,970	Investments Realised		17,000.00
	Capital Receipts:		
27,962	Legacies Received	8,431.04	
5,592	Transferred to Capital	1,686.25	
19,574	Transferred to Building & Equipment Fund	5,901.69	
2,796	Transferred to Pacific Projects Account	843.10	
		8,431.04	
	Mortgage Repayments	481.82	
			8,912.86
27	S.S.I. Staff Retiring Fund Interest		30.60
	Lepers' Trust Board Grants:		
	Capital	12,000.00	
28,500	General	15,000.00	
5,000	Leper Vessel	5,000.00	
			32,000.00
	The United Church:		
	Recoveries	6,062.75	
7,707	Refund Account Previous Year's Expenditure	1,550.00	
			7,612.75
	General:		
	Circuit & Sundry Income:		
2,383	General	1,489.86	
3,065	Special Appeal	15,042.20	
			16,532.06
	Connexional Budget:		
	Balance 1970-71	15,225.00	
87,631	1971-72	91,000.00	
			106,225.00
8,750	Methodist Women's Fellowship		9,800.00

1970-71		PAYMENTS	
	B.N.Z., Auckland:		
	Account overdrawn 30/6/71	1,511.86	
	Less B.N.Z.:		
	Sydney Account 30/6/71	51.32	
			1,460.54
	Investments:		
13,692	Cash Invested. General	7,214.46	
	General Secretary's Residence		
600	Sinking Fund	600.00	
250	Car Replacement Fund	400.00	
	Mrs. A. Woodnutt Trust	2,000.00	
			10,214.46
	Capital Payments		
11,306	Building & Equipment Fund	11,525.03	
	Pacific Projects Account	1,908.80	
10,276	Lepers' Trust Board A/c	12,000.00	
	Queenstown Road Property	6,069.60	
2,088	Motor Car	3,535.25	
	Less Sale	3,007.65	
			527.60
			32,031.03
	Lepers' Trust Board Grants:		
21,643	General for Medical Expenses	15,000.00	
7,092	Leper Vessel Maintenance	8,291.00	
			23,291.00
	The United Church:		
54,778	General	52,765.73	
63,305	Staff	86,289.23	
			139,054.96
	Less Lepers' Trust Bd. Grant for Medical Expenses	15,000.00	
			124,054.96
	General:		
	General Administration:		
2,375	General Secretary's Stipend and Allowance	2,737.91	
516	General Secretary's Travel and Car Expenses	493.85	
500	General Secretary's Home Maintenance	224.00	

1970-71

RECEIPTS

5,916	Medical Income	4,997.33	
1,533	Interest General Account ..	1,919.57	
			139,473.96
687	Scholarship Fund	554.16	
513	Sickness & Accident Fund	863.43	
2,216	Subscriptions, Open Door & Lotu		2,205.09
18	Fraternal Workers Fund		15.00
57	Vanes Bequest		82.50
827	Tonga Appeal		83.84
	Simeon Jina Tools Account		1,997.10
	Earthquake Relief		1,521.37
	Mrs. A. Woodnutt Trust		2,000.00
	Loan at Call		2,000.00
	Home Mission Fund		
	Temporary Advance		4,000.00
	Refunds, Overseas Churches		1,205.00
259	Sundry Receipts & Refunds		1,050.15
9,083	Sundry Gifts and Grants Transfer		14,331.41

\$236,939.22

1970-71

PAYMENTS

2,430	Office Salaries	3,844.00	
1,279	Office Rent and Rates	1,277.13	
547	Printing and Stationery	592.30	
696	General Office Expenses	291.64	
437	Telephones	352.13	
			9,812.96
	Publicity & Deputation:		
	Material and Travel	1,070.25	
2,948	Open Door and Lotu	3,474.98	
			4,545.23
	Sundry Administration:		
190	Audit Fee	165.00	
422	Insurances	79.31	
	Legal Expenses	102.96	
43	Advertising, N.Z. Methodist	133.00	
464	Office Equipment	313.22	
	Expenses, Special Appeal	140.40	
			933.89

Miscellaneous:

629	Sickness and Accident Fund	131.80	
1,976	Scholarship Fund	2,919.24	
83	Vanes Bequest	80.27	
	Simeon Jina Tools A/c.	147.10	
285	On Account of Overseas Churches		624.68
	Tonga Appeal		913.22
722	Expenses Overseas Travel		965.64
	President's Overseas Travel		228.45
207	Sundry Travel Expenses		429.66
634	Sundry Payments & Refunds		881.90
	Earthquake Relief Expenses		816.80
	Earthquake Relief Grants		5,010.00
	P.I.C.E.C.		300.00
98	C.W.M.S.		98.00
	Overseas Voluntary Services Grant		50.00
9,069	Sundry Gifts and Grants Transferred		14,316.66
	Balance, B.N.Z., Auckland	3,652.05	
	Less B.N.Z., Sydney Account Overdrawn	970.32	
			2,681.73

\$236,939.22

METHODIST OVERSEAS MISSIONS DEPARTMENT
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1972

1970-71		EXPENDITURE	
		The United Church	
		General	53,182.94
		Staff	85,807.02
113,033			138,989.96
5,402	Less Recoveries		6,062.75
107,631			132,927.21
21,643	Lepers' Trust Board		
		Home Base Expenditure:	
		General Expenditure:	
2,375	General Secretary's Stipend & Allowance	2,737.91	
516	General Secretary's Travel & Car Expenses	493.85	
499	General Secretary's Residence	245.82	
2,430	Office Salaries	3,844.00	
1,276	Office Rent & Rates	1,275.86	
517	Printing & Stationery	592.30	
696	General Office Expenses	384.73	
437	Telephones	480.11	
8,746			10,054.58
		Publicity & Deputation:	
559	Material & Travel	890.12	
732	Subsidy, Open Door & Lotu	1,269.89	
1,291			2,160.01
		Miscellaneous:	
190	Audit Fee	165.00	
422	Insurances	79.31	
	Legal Costs	102.96	
43	Advertising, N.Z. Methodist	133.00	
207	Sundry Travel Expenses	230.91	
1,084	Overseas Travel	965.64	
239	Trust Association Audit		

1970-71		INCOME	
1,533	Interest Working Capital		1,919.57
5,916	Income Medical Fund		4,997.33
		Donations Outside Budget:	
2,383	General	1,489.86	
3,065	Special Appeal	15,042.20	
			16,532.06
95,550	Connexional Budget		99,845.00
		Methodist Women's Fellowship:	
8,200	For Sisters' Salaries	9,200.00	
550	Freight	600.00	
			9,800.00
		Lepers' Trust Board Grant for Medical Expenses	
10,296			15,000.00
	Debit Balance Carried down		5,479.05

142,493

\$153,573.01

1970-71

EXPENDITURE

	Overseas Travel, The President	228.45
	Office Equipment	51.55
	Expenses, Special Appeal	140.40
82	General Expenses	296.34
	Queenstown Road Property Expenses	79.65
250	Motor Car Depreciation	400.00
	Office Equipment Depreciation	100.00
	Grant Earthquake Relief	5,010.00
	Grant P.I.C.E.C.	300.00
98	Grant C.W.M.S.	98.00
	Overseas Voluntary Services	50.00
		<u>8,431.21</u>
482	All Saints College	
85	Sundry Rents	<u>\$153,573.01</u>
3,182	Brought Down	5,479.05
B.S.I. Expenditure 1969-71:		
	General	6,804.26
	Staff	708.64
		<u>7,512.90</u>
	Balance transferred to Accumulated Fund	<u>7,182.38</u>
142,493		<u>\$20,174.33</u>

1970-71

INCOME

Balance Budget Allocation 1970-71	3,675.00
B.S.I. Recoveries 1969-71	14,949.33
United Church, Refund on Account of previous Year's Expenditure	1,550.00
	<u>\$20,174.33</u>

METHODIST OVERSEAS MISSIONS DEPARTMENT
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1972

1971		LIABILITIES		1971		ASSETS	
28,793		Working Capital Account:				Investments:	
		Balance 30/6/71	28,792.93			N.Z. Govt. Inscribed Stock	3,480.00
		Added during year from Legacies	4,897.15			Local Body Stock	50,000.00
						Mortgages	7,520.20
70,259		Medical Fund	33,690.08			Shares & Stock	19,788.80
1,061		Medical Orderly	70,258.69			Savings Bank & Nat. Savings	2,475.21
			1,060.97			Prince Albert College Trust	2,000.00
		Lepers' Trust Board General Grant	6,000.00			Share in Central Mission Building	19,907.09
12,000		Lepers' Trust Board Capital Grant:					<u>105,171.30</u>
		Balance 30/6/71	12,000.00				
		Added during Year	12,000.00				
		Expended during Year	24,000.00				
			12,000.00				
			12,000.00				
		Leper Vessel Maintenance:					
5,000		Balance 30/6/71	5,000.00				
		Expended during Year	5,000.00				
		Sickness & Accident Fund:					
3,776		Balance 30/6/71	3,775.80				
		Added during Year	863.43				
			4,639.23				
		Expended during Year	131.80				
			4,507.43				
		South Sea Islands Worker:					
249		Retiring Fund:					
		Balance 30/6/71	248.60				
		Added during Year	75.60				
			324.20				
		Building & Equipment Fund:					
27,630		Balance 30/6/71	27,629.87				
		Added during Year	5,901.69				
			33,531.56				
		Expended during Year	11,525.03				
			22,006.53				
		Pacific Projects Fund:					
2,796		Balance 30/6/71	2,796.19				
		Added during Year	843.10				
			3,639.29				
		Expended during Year	1,908.80				
829		Tonga Appeal	1,730.49				

1971	LIABILITIES		1971	ASSETS
	Scholarship Fund:			
3,172	Balance 30/6/71	3,172.00		
	Added during Year	554.16		
		3,726.16		
	Expended during Year	3,239.31		
		486.85		
200	Fraternal Workers' Fund	214.85		
62	M.W.F. Translation	61.72		
1,385	Vanes Bequest	1,441.58		
	Cliff & Noreen Keightley Educational			
388	Educational Trust	387.60		
500	E. M. Rushworth Trust	500.00		
	Rev. A. Woodnutt Trust	2,000.00		
103	Solomon Island History Reserve A/c. ...	98.52		
1,600	Loan at Call	3,600.00		
5,539	Sundry Creditors	8,509.17		
	Bank of N.Z. A/c. Sydney Overdrawn	970.32		
	General Secretary's Residence Sinking			
	Fund:			
1,872	Balance 30/6/71	1,871.58		
	Appropriation from Accumulated Fund &			
	Interest	656.16		
		2,527.74		
	Motor Car Replacement Fund:			
780	Balance 30/6/71	780.24		
	Appropriation from Accumulated Fund &			
	Interest	423.40		
		1,203.64		
	Balance Accumulated Fund Contra	5,276.89		
1,511	Bank of N.Z., Auckland			
		\$178,857.27		
169,505			169,505	\$178,857.27

G. S. GAPPER, A.C.A., Treasurer.

We report that we have examined the books, accounts and vouchers of the Overseas Missions Department of the Methodist Church of New Zealand. In our opinion, the above Balance Sheet and Income and Expenditure Account are drawn up so as to exhibit a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the Department as at 30th June, 1972 except that evidence of payments through the Sydney bank account has not been sighted.

26 October, 1972.

COOK BARNETT & COMPANY, CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS, Auditors.

METHODIST HOME MISSION DEPARTMENT GENERAL FUND

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st JULY, 1972

RECEIPTS

BALANCES AT 31st JULY, 1971

Picture Department	584.42
Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust	972.37
Home Missionaries Training Conference	216.26
Legacy Disbursement A/c. (Cash)	7,809.01
Legacy Disbursement A/c. (Savings Bank)	4,000.00
B.N.Z. General Fund	7,526.17
	<u>21,108.23</u>

LEGACIES received during the year	6,636.43
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SUNDRY INCOME:

Maori Circuits	4,077.23
Walters Trust	100.00
M. Gilmore Estate	306.93
General	650.46
	<u>5,134.62</u>

METHODIST WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP:

Annual Grant	7,400.00
Special	800.00
Smethurst Interest	260.00
	<u>8,460.00</u>

EDITH WINSTONE BLACKWELL TRUST:	805.45
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CONNEXIONAL BUDGET 1971-72	76,000.00
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INVESTMENT FUNDS BOARD Interest etc.	12,402.76
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OTHER RECEIPTS:

Interest	143.04
Hospital Chaplaincy Grant	425.00
Duplicating	38.27
	<u>606.31</u>
	<u>\$131,153.80</u>

Note: Part of the earnings of the Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust as shown above is held to be spent in the following year viz. 1972-73.

PAYMENTS

MAORI MISSION:

Stipends	40,144.48
Travelling	7,372.77
Deaconess Cars	2,550.00
Maori Parsonage Rents ..	5,856.00
Deaconess Cottage Rents ..	900.00
Mission Hill Rents	350.04
Circuit Expenses	950.04
South Island Travel	200.00
Maori Section N.C.C.	80.00
Contingencies	350.00
	<u>58,753.33</u>

LEGACY DISBURSEMENT GRANTS:

Ngaruawahia Parsonage ..	421.00
Russell Parsonage Loan ..	19.92
Manly Trust	200.00
Murchison Parsonage	2,000.00
Murchison Parsonage Loan ..	2,432.55
Epworth Bookroom	1,000.00
Wesley Historical Society ..	250.00
	<u>6,323.47</u>

EDITH WINSTONE BLACKWELL TRUST GRANTS:

Kaikohe-Bay of Islands ..	150.00
Turangi Union	260.00
Murchison	300.00
Waimate	250.00
	<u>960.00</u>

CIRCUIT GRANTS:

Northland:	
Dargaville	125.00
Ruawai Union	75.00
Whangaroa	500.00

North Hokianga	550.00
Hokianga	250.00
Hikurangi Union	320.00
Kaikohe-Bay of Islands ..	150.00
	<u>1,970.00</u>

Auckland:

Bombay-Tuakau	375.00
Whangaparaoa	275.00
Papatoetoe	300.00
Onehunga	450.00
Kaipara	437.50
Birkenhead	300.00
Henderson	600.00
Auckland West	400.00
	<u>3,137.50</u>

Waikato-Bay of Plenty:

Turangi Union	660.00
Waihi	400.00
Te Kuiti	200.00
Thames	50.00
Taumarunui	300.00
Taupo	500.00
Ngaruawahia	566.50
Opotiki	150.00
Putaruru	350.00
Tokoroa	650.00
Huntly	200.00
Te Puke	600.00
Whakatane-Kawerau	200.00
	<u>4,826.50</u>

Taranaki-Wanganui:

Taihape	325.00
Waitara	150.00
	<u>475.00</u>

Hawkes Bay-Manawatu:

Waipawa-Waipukurau	675.00	
Wairoa	450.00	
Mangapapa Union	125.00	
		1,250.00

Wellington:

Paraparaumu	200.00	
Wainuiomata Union	262.50	
Featherston Union	75.00	
Taita Union	450.00	
Newlands Union	260.00	
Porirua	850.00	
		2,097.50

Nelson:

Reefton Union	250.00	
Murchison	800.00	
		1,050.00

North Canterbury:

Woolston-Lyttelton	150.00	
		150.00

South Canterbury:

Waimate	224.50	
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Otago-Southland:

Bluff	350.00	
West Dunedin	150.00	
Western Southland	850.00	
		1,350.00

Total Grants to Circuits:

General	16,531.00	
E.W.B.	960.00	
		17,491.00

CHAPLAINCY GRANTS:

Auckland Hospital	1,749.96	
Oakley Psychiatric Hospital	1,088.75	
Porirua Psychiatric Hospital	843.75	
Tokanui Psychiatric Hospital	833.75	
Twizel Industrial	125.00	
		4,641.21

SUNDRY GRANTS:

Seamer House	400.00	
Board of Evangelism	100.00	
Department of Christian Education	100.00	
M.S.S.A.	100.00	
Fees — Social Service ..	60.00	
		760.00

SUPPLIES:

For President	557.64	
For Ministers	521.79	
		1,079.43

OFFICE & GENERAL EXPENSES:

Office Salaries	2,157.04	
Staff Superannuation	95.37	
Postage and Sundry	626.60	
Printing and Stationery	535.32	
Telephones	579.86	
Light, Power and Cleaning	188.50	
Rent and Rates	1,518.13	
Parking and Rent	70.00	
		5,770.82

MISCELLANEOUS:

Bulk Air and Rail Travel	698.97	
Deputation and Publicity	79.00	
Insurances	58.46	
Audit Fee	95.00	
Sundry Travel	126.34	
J.C.C.U. Travel	40.68	
Maori Policy Committee Expenses	151.87	
Overseas Visitors Expenses: Rev. C. K. Daws	54.20	
Dr. C. Devanese	290.67	
Sundry Expenses	68.92	
		1,664.11

SUPERINTENDENTS:

Stipends (2)	5,234.87	
General Allowance	200.00	
Parsonage Allowance	45.00	
Travelling	1,000.00	
I.F.B. Parsonage Rents	1,200.00	
		7,679.87
Temporary Advance: Investment Funds Board		3,500.00

BALANCE AT 31st JULY, 1972:

Picture Department	584.42	
Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust	817.82	
Home Missionaries Training Conference	216.26	
Legacy Disbursement A/c. (Cash)	8,001.67	
Legacy Disbursement A/c. (Savings Bank)	4,120.30	
Term Deposit with B.N.Z.	10,000.00	
Less General A/c B.N.Z. Overdrawn	249.91	
		23,490.56
		\$131,153.80

I have audited the Books and Accounts of the Home and Maori Mission Department for the year ended 31 July, 1972 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.

RYDER, COPELAND, WATSON & CO., AUDITORS.

**THE METHODIST HOME MISSION & CHURCH EXTENSION
INVESTMENT FUNDS BOARD
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY, 1972**

RECEIPTS		PAYMENTS	
Balance, Bank of New Zealand, 31/7/72:		Interest, Transferred to Home Mission Fund:	
Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust	2,178.75	Through Mornington	7.00
T. G. Brooke Memorial Fund	2,997.87	Through Invercargill	7.50
M.W.F. Emergency Fund	2,125.62	Direct	12,388.26
	7,302.24		12,402.76
Less Maintenance Accounts Overdrawn	1,238.51	Legacies for Disbursement	6,516.13
	6,063.73		
Cash on Account of Capital:		Capital Invested:	
Estate of M. E. M. Spiller	57.50	Special Loans	46,209.18
Estate of N. M. Buttle	2,201.76	Post Office Savings Bank	4.03
Estate of H. M. Noble	220.91	Mortgages	19,500.00
Estate of E. L. Hight	2,353.48	Sundry Loans and Advances	23,654.33
Estate of Ethel Jackson	5,689.50		89,367.54
Estate of Percy Swann	2,500.00		
Estate of J. M. Buttle	33.26	Properties:	
Estate of M. W. Buttle	33.36	Hamilton Maori Parsonage	115.65
	13,089.77	Hawera Maori Parsonage	2,154.78
Spring Creek Property Sale	1,394.20	Mangere Maori Parsonage	383.70
	14,483.97	New Plymouth Maori Parsonage Furniture	150.00
Less Proportion for Disbursement	6,516.13	Waima Maori Parsonage	200.00
	7,967.84		3,004.13
Legacies, Proportion for Disbursement	6,516.13	Repayment of Loans:	
New Loans at Call	25,748.05	Auckland Maori Girls' Hostel	520.00
Repayment of Special Loans	41,417.14	Hamilton Maori Boys' Hostel	659.39
Securities Realised		Hamilton Maori Boy Hostel (C.B. & L.)	200.00
Waitemata County Council Stock	2,000.00	Tokoroa Maori Parsonage (C.B. & L.)	300.00
Sundry Loans and Advances Repaid	23,417.33	Loans at Call	29,681.42
New Capital:			31,360.81
Hamilton Maori Boys' Hostel — Maori Affairs		Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust Grants	1,876.23
Department Subsidy	20,300.00	Refund, Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust	2,178.75
	20,300.00		
Property Sales:		Auckland Hospital Chaplain's Residence:	
Kaero	1,797.19	Repayment of Loans and Mortgage	2,600.00
Waimairi Sections	2,000.44	Interest	383.98
	3,797.63	Insurance	65.85
		Balance, Auckland Savings Bank	17.75
			3,067.58

RECEIPTS

Sinking Funds	4,215.96
The Rev. T. G. Brooke Memorial Fund	362.93
The Rev. Thomas Buddle Library Fund	11.00
The Rev. George & Mrs. Buttie Centennial Gift	54.50
Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust, Share of Net Rents	805.45
Net Interest & Rents	12,402.76
Maintenance Accounts, Net Receipts	914.64
Auckland Hospital Chaplain's Residence:	
Auckland Savings Bank	16.77
Donations	1,212.40
Refunds, Interest and Expenses	512.82
	<u>1,741.99</u>
	<u>157,737.28</u>

PAYMENTS

Balance, Bank of New Zealand, 31/7/72:	
Edith Winstone Blackwell Fund	771.63
T. G. Brooke Memorial Fund	3,360.80
M.W.F. Emergency Fund	2,125.62
Maintenance Accounts	<u>1,705.30</u>
	7,963.35
	<u>157,737.28</u>

**THE METHODIST HOME MISSION AND CHURCH EXTENSION
INVESTMENT FUNDS BOARD
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st JULY, 1972**

LIABILITIES		ASSETS	
CREDITORS:		Cash, Bank of New Zealand:	
Loans at Call	206,045.67	Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust	771.63
T. G. Brooke Memorial Fund 31/7/71	2,997.87	T. G. Brooke Memorial Fund	3,360.80
Added during the year	362.93	M.W.F. Emergency Fund	2,125.62
	3,360.80	Gabriel Lyons Legacy	1,562.35
	209,406.47	Maintenance Accounts	142.95
Loan, Church Building & Loan Fund			7,963.35
Hamilton Maori Boys' Hostel	2,200.00	INVESTMENTS:	
Loan, Church Building & Loan Fund		Memorial Gifts, Local Body Stock:	
Tokoroa Maori Parsonage	1,575.00	George Buttle Memorial Gift	1,000.00
SUNDRY FUNDS:		Thomas Buddle Library Fund	200.00
Thomas Buddle Memorial Library			1,200.00
Fund	211.00	General:	
George Buttle Centennial Gift Fund	1,054.50	Mortgages	29,000.00
	1,265.50	Government Stock	9,400.00
E. D. & M. E. Jones Trust	200.00	Local Body Stock	12,600.00
M.W.F. Emergency Fund	2,125.62	Sundry Shares	19,070.00
A. J. Seamer Legacy	600.00	Post Office Savings Bank	96.02
Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust	771.83	Space in Central Mission Buildings	24,725.46
Anonymous for Special Purposes	150.00	Investment in Gabriel Lyons Trust	1,139.83
M.W.F. for Maori Centre Renovations	1,178.58	Term Deposit, B.N.Z.	10,000.00
RESERVES:			106,031.31
Sinking Fund 31/7/71	44,640.19	Special Loans	296,935.52
Added during the year	4,215.96	Loans at Call	12,000.00
	48,856.15	PROPERTIES:	
Investment Reserve	800.00	Parsonages etc.	119,924.21
Hostel Painting Reserve	350.00	Maori Hostels & Centres:	
	50,006.15	Auckland Maori Girls' Hostel	66,144.11
MAORI CENTRES & HOSTELS:		Hamilton Maori Girls' Hostel	24,598.17
Mortgages:		Hamilton Maori Boys' Hostel	138,430.54
Auckland Maori Girls' Hostel	1,670.95	Dargaville Maori Centre	4,115.68
Less paid during the year	520.00	Hawera Maori Centre	4,790.03
	1,150.95	Kawakawa Maori Centre	8,744.45
Hamilton Maori Boys' Hostel	13,136.10	Otorohanga Maori Centre	7,772.34
Less paid during the year	659.39	Patea Maori Centre	1,245.63
	12,476.71	Te Kuiti Maori Centre	2,825.41
	13,627.66	Opunake Deaconess Centre	1,296.63
Capital Receipts:		Kawakawa Deaconess Cottage	68.03
Auckland Maori Girls' Hostel	45,210.20		260,031.02
Hamilton Maori Girls' Hostel	24,936.03	Mt. Wesley, Mangawhare	3,731.92
Hamilton Maori Boys' Hostel	123,591.00	Mt. Wesley, Parsonage site	3,134.15
	193,737.23	Kaero Property	4,768.46
Dargaville Maori Centre	4,195.73	Kaero Farm Development	240.30
Hawera Maori Centre	4,744.16	Opononi	461.82
Kawakawa Maori Centre	8,058.45	Waima	200.00
		Kawhia	200.00

ASSETS

Raglan	100.00	
Ratana Pa Cottage	1,607.01	14,443.66
Sundry Debtors		96.00
AUCKLAND HOSPITAL CHAPLAIN'S RESIDENCE ACCOUNT:		
On Account of the District Synod:		
Buildings & Furnishings	21,865.41	
Auckland Savings Bank Account	17.75	
		21,883.16

	\$840,508.23
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I have audited the Books and Accounts of the Methodist Home Mission and Church Extension Investment Funds Board for the year ended 31st July, 1972.

In my opinion the foregoing Balance Sheet shows the position of the Board's affairs according to the best of my information and the explanations given to me and as shown by the Books of the Board at 31st July 1972.

EDITH WINSTONE BLACKWELL TRUST
INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st JULY, 1972

EXPENDITURE		INCOME	
Repairs	194.68	Rents	6,743.00
Rates	613.24	Rates Refunded	424.77
Insurance	428.36		<u>7,167.77</u>
	1,236.28		
Depreciation Reserve	550.00		
Net Income Carried Down	5,381.49		
	<u>7,167.77</u>		
Transfer to Capital	1,076.29	Net Income brought down	5,381.49
Transfer to Maintenance Reserve	300.00		
Transfer to Home Mission Fund	2,002.60		
Transfer to Investment Funds Board	2,002.60		
	<u>\$5,381.49</u>		<u>\$5,381.49</u>

EDITH WINSTONE BLACKWELL TRUST
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st JULY, 1972

LIABILITIES		ASSETS	
Capital:		Buildings	27,961.01
Balance at 31/7/71	32,541.47	Investments:	
Added during the Year:		National Savings Investment	1,147.64
From Income	1,076.29	Post Office Savings Bank	60.99
From Interest	756.29	Auckland City Council Stock	4,000.00
	<u>1,832.58</u>	Auckland Harbour Bridge Authority Stock	5,000.00
	34,374.05	Auckland Regional Authority Stock	5,000.00
Depreciation Reserve:		Manukau County Council Stock	3,000.00
Balance at 31/7/71	18,777.91	Mortgages	<u>12,500.00</u>
Added during the Year:			30,708.63
From Income	550.00	Bank of New Zealand	3,056.70
From Interest	<u>1,126.43</u>		
	1,676.43		
	20,454.34		
Maintenance Reserve:			
Balance at 31/7/71	1,967.12		
Added during the Year:			
From Income	300.00		
From Interest	<u>122.33</u>		
	422.83		
	2,389.95		
Temporary Advance from Investment			
Funds Board	2,000.00		
Sundry Creditors	<u>2,508.00</u>		
	\$61,726.34		<u>\$61,726.34</u>

I have audited the Books and Accounts of the Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust for the year ended 31st July, 1972.
 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, 1972.

RYDER, COPELAND, WATSON & CO., Auditors.

EPWORTH BOOKROOM — AUCKLAND
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1972

1971 Current Liabilities:		1971 Current Assets:	
(9DR) Bank Overdraft	1,905.59	2,931 Sundry Debtors	2,897.56
3,740 Sundry Creditors	2,042.96	—75 Less Provision for Doubtful	
1,321 Bills Payable	2,058.35	Debts	75.00
			2,822.56
5,061 Total Current Liabilities	6,006.90	11,059 Stock on Hand	12,964.05
Term Liabilities:		190 Superannuation in Advance	190.00
5,800 Loans	5,800.00		
Total Term Liabilities	5,800.00	14,114 Total Current Assets	15,976.61
Capital:		Fixed Assets:	
3,479 Balance 1/7/71	2,878.12	Furniture & Fittings Book Value	2,126.00
—600 Less Net Loss	264.41	Additions	32.85
2,879	2,613.71		2,158.85
Home Mission Grants		Less Depreciation	
1,000 Balance 1/7/70	1,000.00	10% 2,126.00	
1,500 Grant 1971	1,500.00	10% (6 months) 32.85	214.85
Grant 1972	1,000.00		
	3,500.00	2,126 Total Fixed Assets	1,944.00
	6,113.71		
\$16,240	\$17,920.61	\$16,240	\$17,920.61

Accountant's Report:

We have examined the books and accounts of the Epworth Bookroom (Auckland) for the year ended 30th June, 1972 and in our 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 not directly verified the figures supplied by the Manager for Sundry Debtors and Value of Stock on Hand at Balance Date.

J. K. BALLARD, Sedon & Nathan — Chartered Accountants.

General Statistical
Returns
for the Year Ending
30th June, 1972

PART 1

CIRCUITS													CHURCH MEMBERSHIP												No. of Members on Roll at 30th June this year.	Net increase	Net decrease
													Members Received during the year						Members Removed during the year								
													By Confirmation		By T'fer from		By Transfer to										
													Under 20	20 and over	Other N.Z. Circuits	Other Countries	Other Denominations	By Death	Other N.Z. Ccls.	Other Countries	Other Denominations	Ceased to Attend					
NORTHLAND	34	32	23	15	11	1						36	12	1346	3	11	43	-	131	20	62	3	120	30	1299	5	52
AUCKLAND	66	25	56	47	51	27	2	1	1	4	107	31	6406	79	107	467	67	51	97394	25	31396	6234	224	396			
WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY	56	41	45	35	31	11	-	1	-	2	61	21	4140	61	65	257	16	28	45239	9	18	84	4172	101	69		
TARANAKI-WANGANUI	30	9	21	14	13	3	-	1	1	-	24	1	2124	26	26	93	-	7	35123	2	10	11	2095	34	63		
HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU	39	20	34	24	16	5	-	1	-	-	56	11	2955	48	17	153	7	24	49138	5	21	64	2927	48	76		
WELLINGTON	43	17	30	32	29	8	-	-	-	1	64	11	3888	52	39	204	40	27	58218	6	59142	3767	51	172			
NELSON	26	27	18	18	13	1	-	1	-	-	27	13	1544	18	18	72	5	16	25	74	1	12	21	1540	32	36	
NORTH CANTERBURY	54	10	53	31	25	13	-	-	1	2	65	20	4672	97	47	262	15	28	78240	12	31	92	4668	101	105		
SOUTH CANTERBURY	14	8	16	9	8	3	1	-	-	-	13	7	1173	20	16	37	-	7	21	37	2	13	28	1152	15	36	
OTAGO-SOUTHLAND	43	8	26	21	17	1	-	-	1	-	22	3	2100	8	26	115	13	30	41129	6	23	112	1981	48	167		
	405	197		246	214	73	3	5	4	9	475	130	30348	412	372		163	349469		71	338980			659	1172		
			322												1703			1654						29835			

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National Summary

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PART 2

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

STIPENDS etc. State of Finances At 30 June

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The Methodist Church of New Zealand Northland District General Statistical Returns for the year ending 30th June, 1972

PART I

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	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP										No. of Members on Roll at 30th June last year	Net increase	Net decrease		
													Members Received during the year				Members Removed during the year										
													By Confirmation		By Transfer from		By Death		Other N.Z. Ccts.		Other Countries					Ceased to Attend	
													Under 20	20 and over	Other N.Z. Circuits	Other Countries	Other Denominations	Other N.Z. Ccts.	Other Countries	Other Denominations							
MANGONUI	3	1	2	1	1						1	103					1	1				104		2			
KAIKORE-BAY OF ISLANDS	3	3	3	2	1						5	94		11		15						90		4			
WHANGAROA	2	1	2	1	1						3	1	98	1	1		4			2		94		4			
NORTH HOKIANGA.	3	3	2	1	1						3		44		1		3					41		3			
HOKIANGA	4		4	1	1						6		76	5	3		1		1			81		5			
HITURANGI UNION PARISH.	1	8		1	1						1	1	42	1			1			4		38		4			
WHANGAREI	4	3		2	2	1					8	2	401	1	2	8	128	7	18	3	114	16	382		19		
DARGAVILLE	2	4	4	2	1						5	2	221			9		5	5	3	6	211		10			
RUAMAI UNION PARISH	3	2	2	1	1						1	2	82		2	1			5			80		2			
PAPAROA.	2	4	1	1							3		67				3	3	3			64		3			
PORT ALBERT	7	3	3	2	1						3	1	118		2	9		2	6	2	2	117		1			
TOTALS:	34	32	23	15	11	1					36	12	1346	3	11	43	131	20	62	3	120	30	1299	5	52		
DIFFERENCES:	-2	-3	=	-1	-1	+1	-1				+3	+1		=	-1	-2	-1	+69	-2	-11	+4	+117	-47	-60	+2		

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PART 2

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

STIPENDS etc. State of Finances At 30 June

CIRCUITS	Baptisms			Children				Youth			Adults		Pastoral Care		STIPENDS etc.				Circuit	
	Infants	Believers	Nursery, 0-4 yrs	Primary Kindergarten	Primary, Sids, 1 & 2	Junior, Sids, 3 & 4	Intermed. FMS, 1 & 2	Forms 3 & 4	Forms 5 & 6	Young Adults	(a) Permanent	(b) Terminal Gps.	No. of Families	No. of People	Annual Stipend	Bonus and/or Allowance	Travelling or Car Allowance	Ownership of Car	Credit Balance	Debit Balance
MANGONUI	9		8	10	25	22	12	7	3			15	187	629	2545	134	907	M		20
KAIKOE-BAV OF ISLANDS				10	9	8	7	6	3				167	462	2587	30	929	M	523	
WHANGARUA	2		17	8	12	10	13	10	6	2		12	114	476	2575	30	787	M		109
NORTH HOKIANGA	1			2	1	5	2					4	63	224	1144		270	C		107
HOKIANGA	4	1	8	20	15	21					23		103	340	2684		800	M		102
HUKURANGI UNION PARISH	4	1	2	5	6	9	2	2	1		8	2	65	200	3180	100	741	M	958	
WHANGARUA	23	2	76	54	48	34	28	22	15	12	24	50	510	1205	2684	10	437	M		979
"															2684	10	496	M		
DARGAVILLE	15		33	20	24	34	28	10	7		10	20	270	810	1447		721	M	108	
"															1141		200	M		
"															1152		292	M		
RUAWAI UNION PARISH	7		2	3	9	10	7	1			4		94	255	3144	100	712	M	421	
PAPAROA	2		12	17	15	17	8						84	258	1478		421	M	592	
PORT ALBERT	7		17	24	21	22	8	2	2	1		30	205	706	2588	30	554	M		253
TOTALS:	74	4	175	173	185	192	115	60	37	15	69	133	1862	5565	31033	444	8267	13M	2602	1574
DIFFERENCES:	-14	=	+9	-6	-12	-24	+8	-7	-5	-10	-23	+20	-90	-266	+2160	+184	+766	+2M	+1480	-298

PART 1

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	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP												No. of Members on Roll at 30th June this year	Net increase	Net decrease
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AUCKLAND CENTRAL	4		4	7	5	4			1		10	4	438	18	10	27	4		10	21	5	4	9	448	10			
AUCKLAND CENTRAL MISSION	2		1	2	2	3				1	7		266		6	19	4		8	19	2	1	27	258		28		
AUCKLAND SOUTH	2		2	2	2						6	1	449	5	2	15	1		12	13			10	437		12		
AUCKLAND WEST	2		1	1	1						3	1	72				10	1	2				6	75	3			
AUCKLAND EAST	4		4	4	8	2				2	8	2	599	8	19	48	12	5	12	25	3	5	20	626	27			
ORAKEI	4		3	3	4	3					7		528	2	4	26			13	35			13	499		29		
MT. ALBERT	2		2	2	3	6					6	5	422	8	1	14	6	6	4	106	4		8	335		87		
AVONDALE UNION PARISH	2	2	2													89								89	89			
HENDERSON	5	4	5	3	2		1				6		383	14		10		5		7	1	1	68	335		48		
DEVONPORT	1		1	1	1						4	2	151	2	20	8	4	11	5	2	2	5	16	166	15			
TAKAPUNA	4		4	3	4	3				1	8	7	688		1	58	7	4	6	25		2	7	718	30			
BIRKENHEAD	3	1	3	2	1	1		1			5	3	316	2	2	30	3		3	8	3	1	17	321	5			
NORTHCOTE	2		1	1	1						1	1	145	2		7			2	8	1		35	108		37		
ONEHUNGA	4		5	2	2						3		276	3	5	11	4	9	2	9		3	0	285	9			

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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	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP													No. of Members on Roll at 30th June this year.	Net increase	Net decrease
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OTAHUHU	2		1	1	1						1		151	3	11	7	3		1	8		2	28	136		15			
PAPATOETOE	5		3	2	2	1					10		444	5		16	3	2	4	38		2	114	312		132			
PAPAKURA	3	1	2	3	4						5	1	365	3	16	32	2	4	3	21	2	1	9	386	21				
PUKEKOHE	5	2	4	2	2	1					4		262		1	21		2	3	26		3		254		8			
HOMBAY-TUAKAU	2	3		2	1						4	1	62		6				1	5				62					
WAIUKU	1	7	1	1	1						1		101			4	2	2	2	4		1		102	1				
KAIPARA	3	2	3	1			1				3	1	76		3	3	2		1	3	2			78	2				
WHANGAPAROA	2		2	1	2	3					1	1	100			13			7					106	6				
MAHURANGI	2	3	2	1	2						4	1	112	4		9			3	4				118	6				
TOTAL 1972	66	25	56	47	51	27	2	1	1	4	107	31	6234	79	107	467	67	51	97	394	25	31	396	6234	224	396			
TOTAL 1971	69	18	59	47	48	24	1	1	2	4	107	28	5406	75	58	348	38	34	116	358	11	35	130	5406	62	179			
INCREASE		7			3	3	1				3			4	49	19	29	17		36			266		162	217			
DECREASE	3		3						1				172						19		6	4		172					

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PART 2

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

STIPENDS etc. State of Finances At 30 June

CIRCUITS	Baptisms			Children				Youth			Adults		Pastoral Care.						Circuit	
	Infants	Believers	Nursery, 0-4 yrs	Kindergarten Children	Primary, Stds. 1 & 2	Junior, Stds. 3 & 4	Intermed. FMS, 1 & 2	Forms 3 & 4	Forms 5 & 6	Young Adults	(a) Permanent	(b) Terminal Gps.	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	48		20	23	20	28	27	21	23	32	15	23	585	1620	2700 2714	150	300	M	401	
															2700 2714		300	M		
AUCKLAND CENTRAL MISSION	14		42	33	5	12	10	3	4	20	20		250	508	2918 2740	200	500	M		562
AUCKLAND SOUTH	21		25	55	54	42	35	8	17	42	112	48	417	1486	2512 2385		300	M		130
AUCKLAND WEST	10		27	11	5	7	1	5	2	5			121	340	2610		360	M		42
AUCKLAND EAST	55	1	57	63	46	67	49	35	14	20	49	50	727	2034	2770 2740		524 415	M	1115	
															2740		628	M		
ORAKEI	21	2	29	33	27	39	26	28	13	11	17	35	566	1436	2588 2588		479 479	M N		486
															2588		479	M		
MT ALBERT	30		24	46	30	28	36	27	20	12	18	30	525	1500	2740 2740	100	495 748	M M		1275
AVONDALE UNION PARISH	3												38	110				M		
HENDERSON	51	5	17	127	138	119	78	48	19	40	45		927	3390	2580 2580		503 503	M M		402
															2580		503	M		
DEVONPORT	11	6	51	15	27	29	26	25	6	25	53		345	890	2588	64	456	M	216	
TAKAPUNA	40	1	60	62	56	73	51	26	47	28	36		775	2107	2492 2492	120	480 393	M N		470
															2218	46		M		
BIRKENHEAD	10		153	44	64	53	37	17	14	19	20		607	1848	3175 2740		564 411	M	103	
NORTHCOTE	5		12	20	11	20	9	8	3			5	137	395	2608		380	M	618	
ONEHUNGA	48		61	71	86	58	53	19	15	41	32	12	662	2174	2657 2657		480 480	M	233	

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CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

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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	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP										No. of Members on Roll at 30th June this year.	Net increase	Net decrease
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THAMES	2	4	1	1	1	2	-	-	-	-	2	3	155	-	6	3	-	1	2	5	-	-	11	147	-	8
HAURAKI PLAINS UNION	3	2	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	41	-	-	3	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	41	-	-
PAEROA	1	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	70	1	-	2	-	-	2	1	-	-	-	70	-	-
WAIHI	1	2	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	60	-	2	5	2	-	-	3	-	-	-	66	6	-
TE AROHA	2	-	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	174	3	7	3	-	-	2	7	-	1	-	177	3	-
MORRINSVILLE	3	5	3	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	258	8	14	8	-	5	3	16	1	2	2	269	11	-
CAMBRIDGE UNION	3	1	2	1	1	1	-	-	-	1	5	-	174	-	4	10	1	-	3	7	-	-	-	179	5	-
HAMILTON	5	2	5	3	5	1	-	-	-	-	5	4	620	8	11	45	-	2	7	30	-	1	17	631	11	-
RAGLAN UNION	1	1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	47	3	-	4	-	-	1	3	-	-	-	50	3	-
HAMILTON EAST	4	2	6	3	3	2	-	-	-	-	6	4	488	-	2	50	2	5	4	29	3	5	8	498	10	-
NGARUAWAHIA UNION	3	2	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	43	-	-	2	-	-	-	4	-	-	2	39	-	4
HUNTLY	1	5	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	110	16	4	2	-	-	-	13	-	-	-	119	9	-
MATAMATA	2	2	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	189	2	-	5	-	4	4	12	-	-	-	184	-	5
PUTARURU	1	1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	81	6	5	3	-	-	1	8	-	-	1	85	4	-

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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	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP												No. of Members on Roll at 30th June this year.	Net increase	Net decrease
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														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					
TOKOROA	1	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	123	-	-	6	1	2	-	8	-	-	-	124	1	-		
ROTORUA	3	-	1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	4	4	241	-	2	30	-	4	2	19	-	5	1	250	9	-		
TAUPO	1	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	45	-	-	9	3	-	-	1	-	-	4	52	7	-		
TAURANGA	4	2	-	3	2	3	-	-	-	-	5	3	495	5	-	52	1	-	9	14	4	-	22	504	9	-		
TE PUKE	1	1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	91	-	-	2	-	-	-	11	-	-	1	81	-	10		
WHAKATANE - KAWERAU	2	-	1	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	99	7	2	2	-	2	2	6	-	-	1	103	4	-		
OPOTIKI	2	-	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	72	-	-	2	-	-	1	4	-	-	2	67	-	5		
TE AWAMUTU	2	1	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	3	1	216	-	-	6	4	1	2	18	1	2	10	194	-	22		
OTOROHANGA	1	3	1	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	3	-	93	-	-	1	-	-	-	6	-	-	2	86	-	7		
TE KUITI	1	-	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	57	-	1	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	51	-	6		
TAUMARUNUI	1	2	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	42	1	4	2	2	1	-	2	-	-	-	50	8	-		
TURANGI UNION	1	1	1	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		No Figures Returned										9				
OHURA	3	1	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	44	1	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	2	-	45	1	-		
COROMANDEL	1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	10	-	2		
TOTALS	56	41	45	35	31	11	-	1	-	2	61	21	4140	61	65	257	16	28	45	239	9	18	84	4172	101	69		

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CIRCUITS	Baptisms			Children				Youth			Adults		Pastoral Care							Circuit	
	Infants	Believers	Nursery, 0-4 yrs	Primary Kindergarten	Primary, Sds. 1 & 2	Junior, Sds. 3 & 4	Intermed. FMS. 1 & 2	Forms 3 & 4	Forms 5 & 6	Young Adults	(a) Permanent	(b) Terminal Gps.	No. of Families	No. of People	Annual Stipend	Bonus and/or Allowance	Travelling or Car Allowance	Ownership of Car	Credit Balance	Debit Balance	
THAMES	6	-	14	14	6	10	3	8	4	-	-	25	257	710	2589	-	376	M	-	78	
HAURAKI PLAINS UNION	4	-	5	4	7	9	8	7	5	4	6	-	90	289	3180	100	550	M	-	80	
PAEROA	11	3	22	10	8	14	12	10	6	-	18	-	106	292	2614	-	315	M	-	262	
WAIHI	3	-	12	7	4	5	3	8	9	-	40	-	103	298	2401	-	351	M	168	-	
TE AROHA	8	1	12	15	19	12	13	5	8	4	-	7	176	535	2589	-	516	M	452	-	
MORRINSVILLE	14	2	10	50	30	30	28	13	10	2	10	-	495	1296	2589	-	637	M	862	-	
															1191	-	356	M			
CAMBRIDGE UNION	15	-	4	26	24	23	22	14	6	-	-	42	156	458	3384	100	530	M	3	-	
															3191	200	530	M			
HAMILTON	29	-	107	86	66	73	55	31	26	78	-	22	767	2160	2643	213	-	C	-	923	
															2601	155	431	M			
															2144	155	289	M			
RAGLAN UNION	1	-	8	10	7	11	9	7	3	-	-	-	80	350	2984	100	484	M	1297	-	
HAMILTON EAST	35	-	65	85	78	79	74	58	36	24	32	12	644	1872	2638	-	588	M	369	-	
															2589	-	549	M			
															2589	-	519	M			
NGARUAWAHIA UNION	1	-	10	17	20	17	8	-	-	-	-	-	113	452	3180	100	558	M	-	-	
HUNTLY	19	2	4	5	8	7	5	5	3	-	-	15	264	881	2618	-	520	M	-	330	
MATAMATA	21	-	18	22	26	19	17	22	12	10	25	-	298	952	2580	-	643	M	1681	-	

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CIRCUITS	Baptisms			Children				Youth			Adults		Pastoral Care						Circuit	
	Infants	Believers	Nursery, 0-4 yrs	Kindergarten Children	Primary, Sids. 1 & 2	Junior, Sids. 3 & 4	Intermed. FMS. 1 & 2	Forms 3 & 4	Forms 5 & 6	Young Adults	(a) Permanent	(b) Terminal Gps.	No. of Families	No. of People	Annual Stipend	Bonus and/or Allowance	Travelling or Car Allowance	Ownership of Car	Credit Balance	Debit Balance
PUTARURU	11	-	12	16	20	19	16	6	7	-	-	20	175	652	2600	-	456	M	-	41
TOKOROA	2	-	8	10	22	28	16	2	4	2	-	-	240	950	2477	-	612	M	-	2086
ROTORUA	16	-	27	30	34	28	28	11	23	6	-	-	387	996	2575	80	444	M	-	177
TAUPO	3	-	-	6	7	5	10	7	5	-	-	-	102	413	1045	-	228	M	472	-
															486					
TAURANGA	8	-	54	49	62	57	39	17	26	27	56	-	530	1580	2638	-	674	M	620	-
															2242	-	432	M		
															200	-	182	M		
TE PUKE	9	-	10	13	12	10	13	3	2	-	-	-	110	392	1662	-	425	M	75	-
WHAKATANE-KAWERAU	6	-	30	15	19	36	21	14	10	-	-	-	215	627	2589	-	546	M	-	230
OPOTIKI	8	-	-	8	9	8	6	1	-	-	15	-	120	410	1327	-	317	M	-	73
TE AWAMUTU	15	1	58	12	30	14	23	14	10	6	-	20	260	800	2588	100	571	M	1128	-
OTOROHANGA	1	-	25	10	13	12	7	2	-	-	-	-	90	300	-	217	-	-	223	-
TE KUITI	-	-	3	3	3	3	5	-	-	-	10	-	10	140	-	-	-	-	-	722
TAUMARUNUI	4	-	8	9	4	5	4	4	2	-	-	-	142	481	2588	-	400	M	-	444
TIRANGI UNION	13	-	-	10	7	8	5	10	-	-	10	-	235	920	3190	100	558	M	441	-
															3180	100	558	M		
OHURA	2	1	4	4	10	8	-	12	-	-	-	-	100	312	320	-	200	M	-	39
COROMANDEL	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	143	-
TOTALS	265	10	530	546	555	550	450	291	217	163	222	163	6265	19518	82001	1720	15345		7934	3485

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NEW PLYMOUTH	5	1	5	3	3	2	-	1	1	-	7	-	646	-	-	34	-	-	13	37	1	4	-	625	-	21		
WAITARA	3	2	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	126	4	4	4	-	-	-	7	-	1	1	129	3	-		
STRATFORD	3	1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	170	-	-	4	-	-	2	6	-	1	1	164	-	6		
ELTHAM-KAPONGA	2	1	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	127	7	-	9	-	-	-	10	-	-	-	133	6	-		
HAWERA	2	2	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	152	-	18	4	-	1	4	10	-	-	-	161	9	-		
MANAIA (UNION)	2	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	49	-	1	4	-	-	-	4	-	2	-	48	-	1		
OPUNAKE	6	-	4	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	198	5	3	5	-	1	6	16	-	-	-	190	-	8		
WANGANUI CENTRAL	1	-	1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	4	1	298	7	-	20	-	4	5	9	-	-	5	310	12	-		
WANGANUI NORTH	2	-	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	113	-	-	-	-	-	2	5	-	-	2	104	-	9		
WANGANUI WEST	2	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	99	-	-	3	-	1	1	10	-	1	2	89	-	10		
TAIHAPE	1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	42	2	-	-	-	-	1	7	1	1	-	34	-	8		
INGLEWOOD (UNION)	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	88	1	-	4	-	-	1	2	-	-	-	90	2	-		
PATEA (RECIPROCAL)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	16	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18	2	-		
TOTALS:	30	9	21	14	13	3	-	1	1	-	24	1	2124	26	26	93	-	7	35	123	2	10	11	2095	34	63		

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NEW PLYMOUTH	58	-	61	94	68	52	54	35	28	5	16	28	1034	2547	2762	-	422	M	76	-
															2588	-	459	M		
															2588	-	480	C		
WAITARA	20	-	12	10	14	11	13	2	6	-	6	-	278	820	2609	-	360	M	-	60
STRATFORD	11	-	14	20	13	14	8	8	5	5	20	15	290	900	2750	-	450	M	-	1094
ELTHAM-KAPONGA	12	1	22	15	17	16	12	4	3	1	-	9	159	495	2594	-	470	M	365	-
HAWERA	10	3	28	31	16	10	17	12	6	6	-	-	286	623	2594	-	347	M	3	-
MANAIA (UNION)	6	-	2	5	6	6	10	4	1	2	-	-	70	200	3180	100	600	M	101	-
OPUNAKE	27	-	20	38	32	37	42	16	11	4	1	-	312	1106	2575	-	712	M	2274	-
															2234	-	661	M	-	-
WANGANUI CENTRAL	14	-	40	30	28	17	20	28	20	6	-	20	365	985	2588	258	365	M	422	-
WANGANUI NORTH	3	-	3	21	14	19	8	17	3	2	2	1	180	522	2595	-	294	M	-	395
WANGANUI WEST	4	-	11	17	19	8	10	4	5	-	-	-	221	678	2594	-	350	M	419	-
TAIHAPE	5	2	4	5	4	2	-	2	2	1	-	8	52	160	1442	-	177	M	350	-
INGLEWOOD (UNION)	4	-											112	600	-		-		662	-
PATEA	-	-	3	1	2	2	1	-	-	-	-	-								
TOTALS:	174	6	220	287	233	194	195	132	90	32	45	81	3359	9636	35695	358	6147	-	6672	1549

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NAPIER	5	-	5	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	7	2	389	9	7	32	5	3	8	30	1	5	2	399	10	-		
HASTINGS	3	-	4	2	2	1	-	-	-	-	7	-	423	15	4	9	-	3	7	7	-	11	1	428	5	-		
GISBORNE	1	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	165	3	-	7	-	17	4	16	-	-	23	149	-	6		
DANNEVIRKE - HORSEWOOD	2	1	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	148	-	-	7	-	-	3	5	-	-	-	147	-	11		
WOODVILLE	1	-	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	82	-	-	-	-	-	1	5	-	-	-	76	-	6		
PALMERSTON NORTH	5	3	4	3	3	1	-	-	-	-	20	3	694	3	2	45	2	1	16	34	-	2	16	679	-	15		
ASHBURST - BUNNYTHORPE	3	-	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	116	-	-	4	-	-	2	-	-	2	-	116	-	-		
FEILDING - OROUA	4	2	2	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	2	1	377	-	-	12	-	-	4	11	-	-	3	371	-	6		
MARTON	1	-	1	1	1	-	-	1	-	-	3	-	95	3	2	1	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	99	4	-		
SANSON - RONGOTEA	3	1	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	147	3	-	1	-	-	-	5	4	-	1	141	-	6		
WAIKAWA - WAIKURAU	2	2	2	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	2	-	66	-	-	4	-	-	-	11	-	1	-	58	-	8		
MANGAPAPA UNION	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	26	-	-		
WAIROA UNION	3	7	2	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	49	-	2	1	-	-	-	5	-	-	1	46	-	3		

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CIRCUITS	Baptisms			Children				Youth			Adults		Pastoral Care							Circuit	
	Infants	Believers	Nursery, 0-4 yrs	Kindergarten Children	Primary, Stds. 1 & 2	Junior, Stds. 3 & 4	Intermed. FMS. 1 & 2	Forms 3 & 4	Forms 5 & 6	Young Adults	(a) Permanent	(b) Terminal Gps.	No. of Families	No. of People	Annual Stipend	Bonus and/or Allowance	Travelling or Car Allowance	Ownership of Car	Credit Balance	Debit Balance	
HAPIER	31	1	84	57	58	57	40	19	17	6	—	14	542	1629	2369	80	540	M	2217		
HASTINGS	28	1	59	53	50	48	29	33	26	7	12	—	558	1646	2589	40	445	M	1266		
GISBORNE	8	3	12	18	21	17	14	10	10	—	30	—	340	1100	2608	—	380	C	442		
DANNEVIKKE — HORSEWOOD	7	1	24	16	13	8	10	11	7	1	—	—	193	624	2570	—	410	M	154		
WOODVILLE	6	—	5	8	4	8	6	—	—	—	—	8	78	245	1340	—	237	M	8		
PALMERSTON NORTH	44	—	105	66	48	57	42	36	34	47	25	—	739	2220	2708	200	380	M	1758		
ASHMURST — BUNNITZORPE	—	—	5	11	13	17	9	1	3	—	25	—	150	380	2491	—	700	M	200		
PEILDING — OROKA	13	—	61	46	31	26	15	25	17	—	8	55	522	1722	2639	200	900	M		496	
MARTON	6	—	10	8	10	20	10	3	7	2	—	20	120	380	2657	—	429	M	44		
SANSON — RONGOTEA	7	—	22	18	19	13	11	5	5	—	—	25	118	365	2608	—	810	M	231		
WAIKAPA — WAIKURAU	28	—	29	3	4	7	5	5	4	8	—	—	150	500	2587	—	558	M	2		
HANGARAPA UNION															3071	100	380	M	40		
WAIROA UNION	10	—	2	1	2	3	3	2	1	—	6	—	70	200	3280	100	708	M	4		
PARIATUA UNION	16	—	71	22	22	17	10	3	3	3	15	—	283	825	3002	100	601	M	134		
PORTON UNION	13	—	34	25	15	14	11	6	6	15	90	—	360	750	3069	—	620	M	387		
TOTALS	217	6	523	352	310	312	215	159	140	89	211	122	4223	12586	54708	1141	11870	20M. 10	6887	496	

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														By Confirmation		By Transfer from				By Transfer to								
														Under 20	20 and over	Other N.Z. Circuits	Other Countries	Other Denominations	By Death	Other N.Z. Ccls.	Other Countries	Other Denominations	Ceased to Attend					
WELLINGTON CENTRAL	1		1	2	5						7		363	4	1	34	28	2	8	17	4	5	9	389	26			
WELLINGTON WEST	2		2	2	2	1					4	1	234	3	2	9			2	29			11	206		28		
WELLINGTON EAST	4		3	2	2						2		240	2	11	2	1		3	13		2	4	234		6		
WELLINGTON SOUTH	2		2	3	1							1	109	2		12		2	2	14			13	96		13		
LOWER HUTT-PETONE	5	3	5	4	4	3					15	3	721	8	5	21	1	4	13	23	2	34	7	681		40		
UPPER HUTT	1	2	2	2	2						4	1	252	3	3	10		1	2	6				261	9			
PORIRUA	5	1	2	3	3	1				1	7		464	14	3	32	2	6	7	28		9	15	462		2		
PARAPARAUMU	3	1	1	1	1	1					2		127	1	1	10	4		1	6		1	5	130	3			
OTAKI	2		1	1		1					3		72						2	7		1		62		10		
LEVIN	2		1	1	1	1						2	320			19			5	12		1	44	277		43		
MASTERTON-WESLEY	2		1	1	1						4		206			8	3	11	4	22		2	1	199		7		
MASTERTON-ST. JAMES	1	2	1	1	1						2	1	101	3	3	3			2	2			2	104	3			

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CARTERTON UNION	1		1	1	1								84	3	1	2				2			12	76		8
KETAHUNA UNION	2	4		1							1		50			2			1					51	1	
FEATHERSTON UNION	1	2											20			1				3				18		3
GREYTOWN UNION	1		2	1	1						3		37		3							2	1	37		
JOHNSONVILLE UNION	1		1	2	1						4		88			6	1	1	5					91	3	
NEWLANDS UNION	1			1	1								31	2		12			10		1			34	3	
NGAIO UNION	2	1	1	1	1						1		144	6	3	8			3	12		14	132		12	
TAITA UNION	2			1	1								19	1							1	1		18		1
WAINUIOMATA UNION	2	1	3	2	1						5	2	206		3	13			3	7		3	209	3		
	43	17	30	32	29	8				1	64	11	3888	52	39	204	40	27	58	218	6	59	142	3767	51	172

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CIRCUITS	Baptisms			Children				Youth			Adults		Pastoral Care						Circuit	
	Infants	Believers	Nursery, 0-4 yrs	Primary Kindergarten	Primary, Sids. 1 & 2	Junior, Sids. 3 & 4	Intermed. FMS. 1 & 2	Forms 3 & 4	Forms 5 & 6	Young Adults	(a) Permanent	(b) Terminal Gps.	No. of Families	No. of People	Annual Stipend	Bonus and/or Allowance	Travelling or Car Allowance	Ownership of Car	Credit Balance	Debit Balance
WELLINGTON CENTRAL	25	1	32	23	20	18	17	10	7	10	2	27	498	854	3200	80	600	M	1453	
															3200	80	456	M		
WELLINGTON WEST	5		17	51	12	21	10	4					192	514	2669	60	384	M	612	
															3589	60	400	M		
" EAST	11		35	22	22	28	20	12	8	2			230	600	2648		405	M	26	
															2589		350	M		
" SOUTH	4	1	11	8	16	17	11	9	6	4	40	9	117	350	2647	100	356	M	184	
LOWER HUTT PETONE	56		126	103	79	81	68	49	38	37			1022	3370	2607	180	669	M		43
															2607	90	445	M		
															2607	90	607	M		
															2607	90	669	M		
UPPER HUTT	24		26	35	93	69	41	26	28	16	65	32	448	1530	2588		860	M		101
PORIRUA	28		37	80	57	80	78	42	41	24	44	26	744	2864	2588	60	508	M	1254	
															2588	60	587	M		
															2588	60	496	M		
PARAPARAUMU	9				17	12	9	7					217	639	2589		653	M	684	
OTAKI	2		4	6	5	7	10	3	2		5		60	160	-				*	
LEVIN	15		20	58	28	36	22	19	1			6	428	1500	2492	70	633	M	1191	

*Anglican funds

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CIRCUITS	Baptisms			Children				Youth			Adults		Pastoral Care							Circuit	
	Infants	Believers	Nursery, 0-4 yrs	Kindergarten Children	Primary, Sds. 1 & 2	Junior, Sds. 3 & 4	Intermed. FMS. 1 & 2	Forms 3 & 4	Forms 5 & 6	Young Adults	(a) Permanent	(b) Terminal Gps.	No. of Families	No. of People	Annual Stipend	Bonus and/or Allowance	Travelling or Car Allowance	Ownership of Car	Credit Balance	Debit Balance	
MASTERTON	10		12	13	19	8	19	13	20	8	20	15	338	920	2589	134	550	M			
MASTERTON-ST JAMES	15		15	12	15	16	10	8	2				200	550	3180		400	M			
CARTERTON UNION	8		5	10	6	10	10	3	6	3	9		110	300	3180	100	654	M			
EKETAHUNA UNION	2		1	2	3	5	2	5					120	500	3049	100	562	M	289		
FEATHERSTON UNION	7			8	5	4	4					12	38	166	3180	109	653	M		201	
GREYTOWN UNION	4		11	8	13	14	15	14	7		8		75	278	3000	100	480	M		150	
JOHNSONVILLE UNION	8		11	20	19	21	19	15	5	2		15	135	365	3091	100	518	M		400	
															3191	100	459	M			
NEWLANDS UNION	8		3	8	3	6	3	3	2				35	100	3180	100	479	M	400		
NGAIO UNION	7	1	58	44	20	41	28	24	20	17	1		380	1232	3384	100	384	M	2305		
TAITA UNION	7			12	12	8	8	18	8		6		42	136	3180	100	626	M	297		
TOTAL	253	3	424	503	464	502	404	284	201	123	200	142	5429	16908	80607	2123	1843	M	8675	895	

* Pres. funds.

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														Members Received during the year									Members Removed during the year					
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														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	No. of Members on Roll at 30th June this year.				
NELSON	2	1	2	2	3	1	-	1	-	-	4	7	398	-	1	20	3	2	6	10	-	4	-	404	6	-		
WAIKOA	3	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	183	2	-	8	-	3	2	14	-	-	7	173	-	10		
MOTURKA	3	1	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	106	-	-	15	-	-	2	12	-	3	-	104	-	2		
MURCHISON	1	3	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	44	-	-	-	-	7	1	5	1	3	1	40	-	4		
ELENHEIM	5	7	4	3	2	-	-	-	-	-	8	4	436	9	12	13	2	1	7	10	-	1	3	452	16	-		
ST LUKE'S UNION, NELSON	1	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	39	-	-	2	-	-	2	-	-	2	-	37	-	2		
PICTON UNION	1	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	45	-	-	5	-	3	7	-	-	-	-	40	-	5		
BREFTON DISTRICT UNION	3	3	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	28	5	-		
BULLER UNION	5	1	1	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	5	1	62	-	2	2	-	2	1	-	-	-	-	67	5	-		
GREYMOUTH DISTRICT UNION	1	8	2	3	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	151	2	1	-	-	1	2	6	-	1	6	140	-	11		
HOKITIKA UNION	1	3	3	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	57	5	2	2	-	2	7	-	-	2	55	-	2			
TOTALS	26	27	18	18	13	1	-	1	-	-	27	13	1544	18	18	72	5	16	25	74	1	12	21	1540	32	36		

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CIRCUITS	Baptisms			Children				Youth			Adults		Pastoral Care							Circuit	
	Infants	Believers	Nursery, 0-4 yrs	Primary Kindergarten	Primary, Sids. 1 & 2	Junior, Sids. 3 & 4	Intermed. FMS. 1 & 2	Forms 3 & 4	Forms 5 & 6	Young Adults	(a) Permanent	(b) Terminal Gps.	No. of Families	No. of People	Annual Stipend	Bonus and/or Allowance	Travelling or Car Allowance	Ownership of Car	Credit Balance	Debit Balance	
NELSON	23	-	96	46	51	48	43	22	26	-	25	8	650	1866	2582	50	509	M	15	-	
															2582	50	459	M			
WAIMBEA	14	-	9	21	24	23	20	24	10	-	-	10	310	1078	2582	-	517	M	-	337	
MOTUEKA	8	-	12	18	19	13	5	3	3	-	25	6	200	600	2581	-	500	M	598	-	
MURCHISON	9	-	-	8	11	12	1	4	2	-	-	8	124	443	2589	-	599	M	-	454	
BLLENHEIM	55	2	23	34	30	56	41	33	18	8	108	15	547	1598	2638	50	492	Q	1	-	
															2436	-	236	Q			
ST LUKE'S UNION NELSON	1	-	4	3	6	6	7	3	2	2	-	-	76	186	3000	100	400	M	118	-	
PICTON UNION	9	-	6	10	18	23	15	15	8	3	-	-	230	650	3164	100	306	M	734	-	
REEFTON DISTRICT UNION	12	-	1	7	11	6	5	2	-	-	-	1	150	600	3164	100	660	M	229	-	
HULLER UNION	2	-	10	26	39	21	18	14	4	-	20	-	602	2047	3149	-	830	M	107	-	
GREYMOUTH DISTRICT UNION	7	-	14	8	9	9	6	3	3	1	-	3	959	3253	3180	100	558	M	18	-	
HOKITIKA UNION	-	2	25	45	56	40	42	14	21	6	38	22	420	1260	3045	100	558	M	-	241	
															3045	100	595	M			
TOTALS	140	4	200	226	274	257	203	137	97	20	216	73	4268	13581	38732	750	7219		1820	1032	

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Durham Street	3	-	4	3	2	7	-	-	-	-	4	3	706	9	8	22	2	-	19	40	3	-	23	662	-	44		
Ch. Ch Central Mission	1	-	1	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	76	-	-	9	2	-	3	-	-	4	-	80	4	-		
Cambridge Terrace																												
Christchurch East	7	3	9	5	4	2	-	-	-	1	4	5	744	2	6	57	5	6	12	41	2	3	26	736	-	8		
Summer-Redcliffe Union Parish	2	-	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	106	4	-	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	3	103	-	3		
Sth. East Ch.Ch. Union P.	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	58	-	-	1	-	-	1	2	-	-	-	56	-	2		
Lyttelton Union Parish	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	21	-	3	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	21	-	-		
Opawa	1	-	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	115	6	4	7	1	5	-	2	-	2	-	134	19	-		
Sydenham	2	-	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	6	4	183	10	2	9	-	-	1	16	-	1	12	174	-	9		
Spreydon	3	-	3	2	2	1	-	-	-	-	2	1	307	8	-	25	-	2	2	18	-	6	7	309	2	-		
Riccarton	4	1	4	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	302	1	-	29	1	2	5	14	-	-	-	316	14	-		
St. Albans	4	1	6	4	4	2	-	-	-	-	11	3	756	13	-	33	2	5	11	29	1	14	10	744	-	12		
Papanui	2	-	1	2	1	-	-	-	1	1	4	2	300	9	16	15	-	-	7	4	-	-	7	322	22	-		
Springston	5	1	5	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	136	-	3	7	-	2	2	4	2	-	-	140	4	-		

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Leeston	4	-	4	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	190	7	-	-	-	5	4	2	-	-	-	196	6	-				
Kaiapoi	3	-	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	181	13	4	2	-	-	3	7	-	-	1	189	8	-				
Rangiora	5	-	4	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	4	-	295	8	-	33	-	-	6	34	3	1	3	289	-	6				
Greendale	4	2	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	95	7	1	13	2	1	-	1	1	-	-	117	22	-				
Oxford Dist. Union Parish	2	-	3	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	101	-	-	-	-	-	-	21	-	-	-	80	-	21				
	54	10	53	31	25	13	-	-	1	2	65	20	1672	97	47	262	15	28	78	240	12	31	92	1668	101	105				

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	Infants	Believers	Nursery, 0-4 yrs	Primary Kindergarten	Primary, Sids, 1 & 2	Junior, Sids, 3 & 4	Intermed. FMS, 1 & 2	Forms 3 & 4	Forms 5 & 6	Young Adults	(a) Permanent	(b) Terminal Gps.	No. of Families	No. of People	Annual Stipend	Bonus and/or Allowance	Travelling or Car Allowance	Ownership of Car	Credit Balance	Debit Balance
Durham Street	29	-	68	29	52	56	35	32	15	20	14	62	555	1432	2658	120	520	M	1861	-
															2588	100	380	M		
															2588	90	607	M		
Ch. Ch. Central Mission & Cambridge Terrace,	6	-	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	90	158	2839	-	Conf. Rates	M	160	-
															2740	-	"	M		
Christchurch East	52	3	178	90	113	112	88	79	45	24	184	148	1467	4258	2588	-	368	M	1373	
															2588	-	318	M	(1158)	Special Purposes
															2588	-	318	M		
															2588	-	318	M		
Susner-Redcliffe Union P.	3	-	13	12	13	9	5	8	7	2	12	23	198	595	2757	40	341	M	118	
Sth. East Ch. Ch Union P.	2	-	15	32	21	32	32	18	6	6	2	-	326	672	2835	-	Ably Rates	M	60	
Lyttelton Union P.	4	-	-	10	11	10	2	12	-	-	-	3	261	743	1510	-	280	M	-	372
Opawa	17	4	40	19	22	24	26	12	24	49	55	10	285	907	2608	-	563	C	234	73
Sydenham	7	1	18	20	15	20	12	10	20	7	60	30	250	570	2589	-	390	M	108	
Spreydon	23	1	69	41	43	47	32	13	9	90	23	-	710	2008	2588	-	333	M	-	-
															611	-	193	M		
															811	-	146	M		
Riccarton	18	3	47	47	59	49	51	44	22	14	198	73	626	1844	2588	-	370	M	2897	-
															2588	-	370	M		

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St. Albans	18	3	62	112	89	84	97	66	35	15	200	40	1046	2632	2604	60	382	M	350	-
															2588	60	428	M		
															2588	60	354	M		
															2591	60	377	M		
Papamui	19	2	70	49	38	50	39	25	20	25	-	10	420	1209	2649	-	400	M	279	-
Springston	9	-	28	39	68	54	44	3	-	-	5	-	276	945	2589	30	1026	M	255	-
Leeton	14	-	46	13	13	12	8	8	3	2	12	-	141	415	2582	-	628	M	4	-
Kaiapoi	13	-	50	28	28	22	28	15	9	9	12	-	309	916	2588	-	350	M	671	-
Rangiora	24	-	68	18	24	43	35	6	9	15	-	-	335	956	2590	-	516	M	501	-
Greendale	6	-	All Education being done jointly with all Denominations.												2588	-		M		
* Oxford Dist. Union P.	4	-	-	14	21	15	7	8	-	-	-	14	87	324	2835	-	800	M	6	-
* NOTE:- Asterick indicates Methodist & Presbyterian numbers.																				
	268	17	782	603	630	639	541	359	224	238	777	413	7382	20584	74042	620	11076		8877	445

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Bank Street	1		1	1	1						2	1	99	5		5			3		1		105	6			
Woodland Street	1	2	3	1	1						1		229	8	6	5		8	7		5	5	223		6		
Waimate	2	1	2	1	1							1	116		3	3		2			4	116					
Geraldine Temuka	2		2	1		1	1				2		130		3	2		1	2		2	12	118		12		
Ashburton	4	2	2	2	2	2					5	2	308		1	8		5	7	18	2	2	3	290		18	
Willowby	2	3	3	1	1						3	1	75			2			1				76	1			
St. David's Union	1		1	1	1								55	3	1	7			4			3	59	4			
Oamaru	1		2	1	1							2	161	4	2	5		2	3	2		3	1	165	4		
Totals	14	8	16	9	8	3	1				13	7	1173	20	16	37		7	21	37	2	13	28	1152	15	36	

* (Retired Congregational Minister)

PART 2

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

STIPENDS etc. State of Finances At 30 June

CIRCUITS	Baptisms			Children				Youth			Adults		Pastoral Care						Circuit	
	Infants	Believers	Nursery, 0-4 yrs	Kindergarten Children	Primary, Sids. 1 & 2	Junior, Sids. 3 & 4	Intermed. FMS. 1 & 2	Forms 3 & 4	Forms 5 & 6	Young Adults	(a) Permanent	(b) Terminal Gps.	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	5		6	7	12	11	11	4	13	4	14	12	181	413	2602	104	395	■	70	
Woodlands Street	10		38	24	33	23	27	8	11	8	54	17	316	822	2611		600	■	77	
Waimate	3	2	13	6	7	4	5	6	3	1		30	267	600	2740		486	■	803	1527 loan
Geraldine Temuka	3		11	15	17	3	6	4	1		49		119	353	2239	30	504	■	46	
Ashburton	18		54	29	31	27	19	30	3	5	90	20	450	900	2840	20	408	■	447	
															2375	20	660	■		
Willowby	3		13	16	16	23	14	12	6	4	9		96	308	2740	30	600	■	315	
St. David's Union	2		6	14	16	13	11	10	13			9	125	375	3180	100	479	■	117	
Oamaru Union	7	1	9	12	11	21	16	12	12	5	8	16	250	710	2614	72	550	■	2289	
															*476					
Totals	51	3	150	123	143	125	109	86	62	27	224	104	1804	4983	21417	376	4682		4164	1527

PART 1

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	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP													No. of Members on Roll at 30th June this year.	Net increase	Net decrease
														Members Received during the year						Members Removed during the year									
														By Confirmation		By T'fer from				By Transfer to									
														Under 20	20 and over	Other N.Z. Circuits	Other Countries	Other Denominations	By Death	Other N.Z. Ccls.	Other Countries	Other Denominations	Ceased to Attend						
CENTRAL MISSION	2	1	2	2	2	-	-	-	1	-	5	-	249	-	-	16	-	1	7	20	-	-	4	235	-	14			
NORTH DUNEDIN	2	-	2	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	147	-	-	3	-	-	6	40	-	3	3	98	-	49			
MORNINGTON	1	-	1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	112	-	-	2	4	-	1	9	-	-	8	100	-	12			
DUNEDIN SOUTH	4	-	3	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	235	-	2	5	-	4	5	3	-	2	17	219	-	16			
DUNEDIN ST KILDA	4	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	113	-	-	1	4	2	2	3	4	-	-	111	-	2			
MILTON/LAWRENCE	2	-	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	64	-	-	5	-	-	-	4	-	-	4	61	-	3			
BALCLUTHA	1	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	124	-	-	1	1	1	2	7	-	-	3	115	-	9			
GORE	3	-	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	117	-	-	7	-	4	3	2	-	1	14	108	-	9			
INVERCARGILL	6	-	6	4	3	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	532	8	21	17	2	13	12	18	-	5	45	513	-	19			
WESTERN SOUTHLAND	5	-	4	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	123	-	-	9	2	-	1	8	2	11	-	112	-	11			
BLUFF	2	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	62	-	-	2	-	-	1	4	-	1	2	56	-	6			
CARRIED FORWARD	32	1	24	17	15	1	-	-	1	-	19	2	1878	.8	23	68	13	25	40	118	6	23	100	1728	-	150			

PART I

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	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP												No. of Members on Roll at 30th June this year.	Net increase	Net decrease
														Members Received during the year						Members Removed during the year								
														By Confirmation		By T'fer from				By Transfer to								
														Under 20	20 and over	Other N.Z. Circuits	Other Countries	Other Denominations	By Death	Other N.Z. Ccls.	Other Countries	Other Denominations	Ceased to Attend					
WEST HARBOUR UNITED	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	39	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	39				
WEST DUNEDIN UNION	1	7	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	104	-	-	2	-	5	1	2	-	-	1	107	3	-		
CORSTORPHINE CONCORD UNION	2	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	32	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	8	20	-	12			
GRANTS BRAES UNION	1	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	27	-	1	2	-	-	2	-	-	-	28	1	-			
TEVIOT UNION	3	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	37	-	1	-	-	-	3	-	-	3	32	-	5			
ALEXANDRA/CLYDE UNION	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	32	-	1	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	27	5	-			
1972 TOTALS	43	8	26	21	17	1	-	-	1	-	22	3	2100	8	26	115	13	30	41	129	6	23	112	1981	48	167		
1971 TOTALS	43	11	28	22	18	1	1	1	1	-	24	7	2240	14	18	100	4	12	48	115	5	26	95	2100	20	160		

Methodist Church of New Zealand

Otago - Southland District

General Statistical Returns for the year ending 30th June, 1972

PART 2

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

STIPENDS etc. State of Finances At 30 June

CIRCUITS	Baptisms			Children				Youth			Adults		Pastoral Care						Circuit	
	Infants	Believers	Nursery, 0-4 yrs	Primary Kindergarten Children	Primary, Stds. 1 & 2	Junior, Stds. 3 & 4	Intermed. FMS. 1 & 2	Forms 3 & 4	Forms 5 & 6	Young Adults	(a) Permanent	(b) Terminal Gps.	No. of Families	No. of People	Annual Stipend	Bonus and/or Allowance	Travelling or Car Allowance	Ownership of Car	Credit Balance	Debit Balance
CENTRAL MISSION	6	-	16	2	6	9	3	5	3	9	12	-	229	488	2306 2588 2076	140 100	748 588	M M M	147	
NORTH DUNEDIN	7	-	3	5	9	6	2	-	-	-	-	-	118	260	2242	30	360	M	645	
MORNINGTON	6	-	8	10	13	12	11	7	7	4	6	-	110	280	2514	-	347	M	-	205
DUNEDIN SOUTH	8	-	25	26	22	23	11	32	28	14	-	29	335	1109	2333 2222	-	422 444	M	544	-
DUNEDIN ST KILDA	4	-	18	11	12	14	10	7	5	45	4	-	252	571	2659	-	539	M	203	-
MILTON-LAWRENCE	13	-	15	13	11	8	2	6	2	-	-	-	98	314	-	-	-	M	78	-
BALCLUTHA	10	-	30	17	6	6	4	2	1	-	-	15	164	482	2524	104	496	M	51	-
GOBE	5	-	42	32	20	13	25	14	2	6	10	-	190	509	2588	30	364	M	427	-
INVERCARGILL	18	3	29	73	50	69	45	40	30	21	14	-	758	2135	2654 2654 2460	24 24	479 544	M M	-	37
WESTERN SOUTHLAND	7	-	7	11	30	25	25	-	5	-	-	15	198	549	2288	15	950	M	-	205
BLUFF	10	-	12	20	9	4	9	4	4	6	-	-	165	509	2436	30	368	M	477	-
CARRIED FORWARD	94	3	205	220	188	189	147	117	87	105	46	59	2617	7206	37205	521	7028		2572	447

PART 2

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

STIPENDS etc. State of Finances At 30 June

CIRCUITS	Baptisms			Children				Youth			Adults		Pastoral Care						Circuit	
	Infants	Bell-towers	Nursery, 0-4 yrs	Kindergarten Children	Primary, Sids. 1 & 2	Junior, Sids. 3 & 4	Intermed. FMS. 1 & 2	Forms 3 & 4	Forms 5 & 6	Young Adults	(a) Permanent	(b) Terminal Gps.	No. of Families	No. of People	Annual Stipend	Bonus and/or Allowance	Travelling or Car Allowance	Ownership of Car	Credit Balance	Debit Balance
WEST HARBOUR UNITED	1	-	4	-	3	1	4	3	3	1	-	-	102	315						
WEST DUNEDIN UNION	9	-	27	8	12	22	15	9	12	20	-	-	186	654				M	-	2963
CORSTORPHINE CONCORD																				
GRANGE BRAES UNION	1	-	7	4	7	11	5	10	2	3	-	-	37	132						
TRINITY UNION	3	-	23	31	45	53	29	16	12	-	-	20	55	192	3054	100	795	M	200	-
ALEXANDRA/CLYDE	1	1	1	2	7	6	4	-	-	-	-	-	37	130					689	-
1972 TOTALS	109	4	267	265	262	282	204	155	116	129	46	79	3034	8629	40259	621	7823		3461	3410
1971 TOTALS	106	2	338	272	240	231	235	188	142	55	133	27	3215	8920	42776	584	7479		3184	3104

METHODIST BOARD OF PUBLICATIONS
INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1972

1971 \$		1972 \$	1971 \$		1972 \$
1,327	Stock Booklets—1st July, 1971 —	925.79	732	Sale of Booklets —	304.35
862	Printing Booklets—Prayer Manuals	438.42	25	Interest, National Bank of N.Z. Ltd.	12.46
		438.42	109	Investment Funds Board	110.80
2,189		1,364.21			123.26
926	Less Stock of Booklets, 30/6/72 —	863.15	552	Excess Expenditure over Income for Year — — — —	441.98
1,264	Cost of Sales — — —	501.06			
15	Advertising — — —	18.50			
73	Petty Cash, Postages and Stationery	29.53			
50	Travelling Expenses and Allowances	50.00			
10	Board Room Rent — — —	10.00			
6	Insurance — — —	10.50			
—	Donation to Wesley Historical Society (New Zealand) — — —	250.00			
\$1,418		\$869.59	\$1,418		\$869.59

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1972

1971 \$		1972 \$	1971 \$		1972 \$
5,549	Accumulated Funds:		510	Cash at National Bank of N.Z. Ltd.	303.89
552	Balance at 30th June, 1971 —	4,997.20		Loans at 3 Months' Call:	
	Less: Loss for Year — — —	441.98	2,600	Investment Funds Board	2,600.00
4,997	Balance at 30th June, 1972 —	4,555.22		Less Withdrawn — — —	250.00
					2,350.00
			574	Interest Added to Date — — —	684.85
					3,034.85
			268	Sundry Debtors — — —	234.34
			926	Stock of Booklets, as per list — — —	863.15
			65	Typewriter at Cost — — —	65.00
			54	Filing Cabinet — — —	53.99
\$4,997		\$4,555.22	\$4,997		\$4,555.22

Audited and found correct.

R. H. HAMES, B.Com., A.C.A., Hon. Auditor.

J. C. WIGGLESWORTH, B.Com., A.C.A., A.C.I.S., Hon. Treasurer.

Auckland, 3rd September, 1972.

THE NEW ZEALAND METHODIST
REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1972

Editor's Salary	—	—	—	—	—	5,209.09	Advertising Receipts	—	—	—	—	—	11,875.81
Editor's Travelling Expenses	—	—	—	—	—	68.58	Partners in Print and Donations	—	—	—	—	—	4,167.68
Payments to Contributors	—	—	—	—	—	186.99	Connexional Budget	—	—	—	—	—	12,000.00
Wages Office Assistant	—	—	—	—	—	1,667.68	Subscriptions and Sale of Paper	—	—	—	—	—	202.64
Wages Editorial Assistant	—	—	—	—	—	1,270.68	Interest	—	—	—	—	—	56.17
Accountancy Fees	—	—	—	—	—	400.00	Excess of Expenditure over Income	—	—	—	—	—	695.28
Rent	—	—	—	—	—	754.71							
General Expenses (Stationery, Postages, Telephones, etc.)	—	—	—	—	—	1,371.13							
Printing Costs	—	—	—	—	—	14,697.18							
Photographs	—	—	—	—	—	29.31							
Distribution Costs	—	—	—	—	—	1,958.55							
Advertising Salesman's Commission and Expenses	—	—	—	—	—	1,328.36							
Depreciation	—	—	—	—	—	55.32							
						<u>\$28,997.58</u>							<u>\$28,997.58</u>

THE NEW ZEALAND METHODIST
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1972

Bank of New Zealand	—	—	—	—	\$	281.18	Sundry Debtors	—	—	—	—	—	6,461.70
Sundry Creditors	—	—	—	—		2,223.56	Office Furniture and Equipment at Cost	—	—	—	961.85		
Accumulated Funds:							Less Depreciation to Date	—	—	—	337.09		
Balance 1/7/71	—	—	—	—	5,277.00							624.76	
Less Excess of Expenditure over Income	—	—	—	—	695.28								
						<u>4,581.72</u>							
						<u>\$7,086.46</u>							<u>\$7,086.46</u>

R. J. REID, Accountant.

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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, 1972, and I am of the opinion that the statement correctly shows the movement in that Fund for the year ended 30th June, 1972.

T. J. MARTIN, A.C.A., Auditor.
E. C. D. WATSON, J. B. McKINNEY, Hon. Treasurers.

WESLEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY (NEW ZEALAND)
STATEMENT OF RECEIPT & PAYMENTS FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1972

RECEIPTS				PAYMENTS			
1971		\$	1972	1971		\$	1972
\$			\$	\$			\$
1,244.96	General Funds (Auckland Savings Bank 1/7/71)		1,368.12		Sundry Purchases:		
265.93	Subscriptions:				Maori Response	397.77	
	Arrears	27.25			Envelopes re 150th Anniversary	557.70	
	Current	191.31			Sundry	5.00	
	In Advance	255.81	474.37	152.14			942.47
46.62	Sales of Literature	234.69		5.60	Subscriptions to Societies		19.12
	Sales of Envelopes and F.D.C.	809.34			Donation to 150th Anniversary		
5.00	Sales of Sundries	5.69		73.54	Scholarship Fund		15.00
			1,049.72		Postages, Stationery and General Expenses		142.21
	Prepayment for 4 Histories		1,280.00	2.00	Donation Hokianga Mission House		
	Donations Received		17.36		General Funds:		
	Subsidies to 4 Histories		640.80	1,368.12	Auckland Savings Bank Account		3,768.59
38.89	Bank Interest		42.02				
	Sundry Receipts:						
	Donation to 150th Anniversary		15.00				
	Scholarship Fund						
<u>\$1,601.40</u>			<u>\$4,887.39</u>	<u>\$1,601.40</u>			<u>\$4,887.39</u>

I have examined the books and records of the Wesley Historical Society (New Zealand) and in my opinion the above Statement correctly sets out the transactions of the Society for the year ended 30th June, 1972.

Auckland, 8th September, 1972.

K. H. LAWRY, Hon. Treasurer.

J. C. WIGGLESWORTH, B.Com., A.C.A., A.C.I.S., Hon. Auditor.

14th August, 1972.

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