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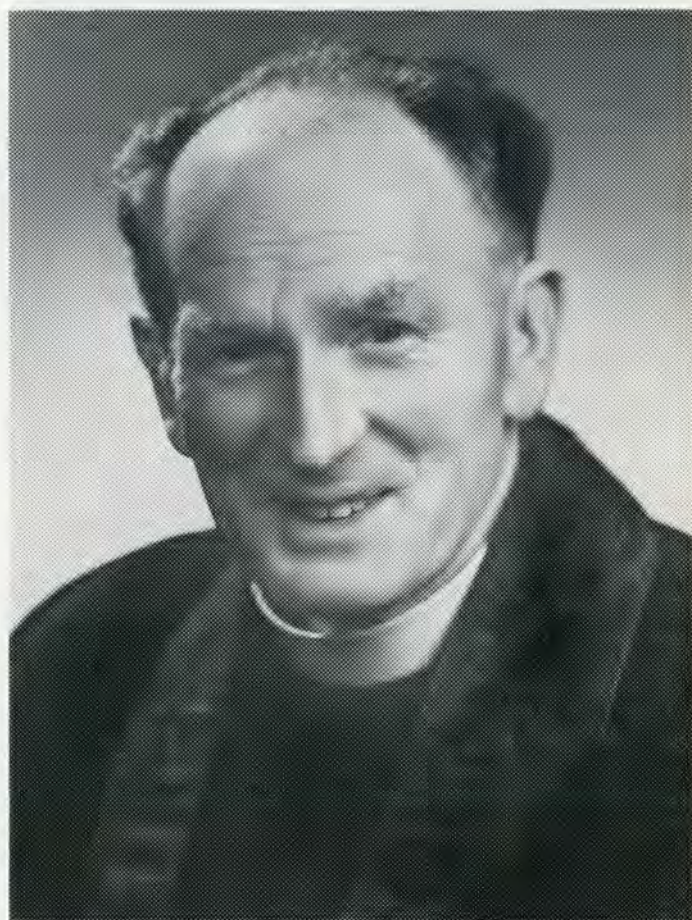
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Organised Methodism in Australasia as part of the Foreign Missions under the direction of the British Conference dates from the appointment of the Rev. Samuel Leigh to New South Wales in 1815.—(Mins. Brit. Conf. 1814.)

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

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

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

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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| 1971 | 4 | Allan, Robert A., 46 Mathias Street, Darfield | 145 |
| 1944 | 7 | Allen, Robert H., B.A., 125 High Street, Blenheim (Phone 3806) | 120 |
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| 1974 | 1 | Amituana'i, Siauala, B.D., 19 Schofield Road, Grey Lynn, Auckland | DD |
| 1973 | 2 | Anderson, Ian E. M., 26 Cavendish Street, Ashburton | 152 |
| 1956 | 2 | Andrews, Robert S., 22 Mersey Street, Island Bay, Wellington, 2 (Phone 837-409) | 94 |
| 1963 | 6 | Ansell, David H., 37 Banks Street, Te Awamutu | 60 |
| 1963 | WA | Armstrong, David, C/o Mrs F. Gatman, P.O. Silverdale, Auckland | 28 |
| 1949 | 2 | Baker, Edward, Methodist Parsonage, Otorohanga | 61 |
| 1953 | 1 | Baker, Frederick J. K., 5 Hexham Street, Warkworth | 37 |
| 1963 | 5 | Ball, Niven G., 45 Waimate Road, Otara, Papatoetoe | 30 |
| 1957 | 6 | Bell, G. Basil W., 19 King Street, Whakatane | 58 |
| 1944 | 4 | Bell, R. Graham, M.A., B.D., Theol. M. (Melb.) 54 Clevedon Road, P.O. Box 243 Papakura, Auckland | 31 |
| 1967 | 2 | Bennett, Enid J., M.A., B.D., 135 Ruahine Street, Palmerston North | 89 |
| 1956 | 3 | Bennett, George L., 23 Landscape Road, Pukekohe | 32 |
| 1955 | 6 | Bennett, Trevor L., 30 Church Street, Te Aroha | 42 |
| 1951 | 5 | Besant, H. David, B.A., B.D., 24 Mouatt Street, Waitara | 67 |
| 1954 | 4 | Billinghurst, Noel D., 63 Tukapa Street, Westown, New Plymouth | 66 |
| 1971 | 2 | Blundell, Warren H., 67 Palmerston Street, Riverton | 168 |

| Ent. | Years | Name and Address | Circuit |
|------|-------|---|---------|
| 1966 | 2 | Bowden, A. Roy, B.A., Dip. Soc. Wk., 65 Marne Street, Palmerston North | 85 |
| 1959 | 7 | Bowen, Lewis A., 21 Horoeke Street Stokes Valley Lower Hutt | 102 |
| 1955 | 2 | Boyd, Edward P., 17 Lewis Street, Invercargill | PC |
| 1960 | 2 | Brazendale, Graham, 19 Graham Avenue, Te Atatu, Auckland, 8 | 22 |
| 1969 | 3 | Brookes, Norman E., B.A., 82 Murray Place, Christchurch, 1 | 138 |
| 1943 | 6 | Brown, Clifford G., 23 Cuba Street, Marton | 88 |
| 1941 | 4 | Brown, Harold K., 320 Hardy Street, Nelson (Phone 84-672) | 115 |
| 1949 | 7 | Burt, Douglas H., P.O. Box 88, Waiuku | 34 |
| 1974 | 1 | Burton, Restell A., 60 Mulford Street, Green Island, Dunedin | 155 |
| 1944 | 6 | Bycroft, Leslie F., 151 Kennedy Street, Napier | 77 |
| 1955 | 6 | Cable, Wilfred J., 4 Claude Street, Hamilton | 47 |
| 1951 | 9 | Carter, George G., M.A., Dip. Ed., P.O. Box 5023W, Auckland (Phone Office: 71-843; Home: 655-453), 115 Queenstown Road, Auckland, 6 | OD |
| 1944 | 6 | Chambers, Wesley A., M.A., 20 Yaldhurst Road Christchurch, 4 (Phone 45-519) | 137 |
| 1969 | 3 | Chapman, Wallace C., 4 Myers Road, Manurewa, Auckland | 31 |
| 1965 | 2 | Chessum, William A., Mus.B., P.O. Box 58, Pukekohe | 32 |
| 1960 | 7 | Christian, Owen L., 304 Stanmore Road, Christchurch, 1 | 128 |
| 1950 | 2 | Clark, Colin D., M.A., 31 Court Road, Tawa, Wellington | 101 |
| 1965 | 5 | Clarke, Edwin B., M.A., B.D. (Hons.), P.O. Box 41, Kaeo, Northland (Telephone: 4, Kaeo) | 4 |
| 1965 | 4 | Clarke, Ian L., A.C.A., 55 Tipahi Street, Nelson | 116 |
| 1942 | 3 | Clement, R. Frederick, M.A., P.O. Box 51-102, Pakuranga, Auckland, 6, 'Phone 568-470 | 17 |
| 1947 | WA | Clements, Leslie C., 17e Chem des Prejins, Grand Saconnex 1218, Geneva, Switzerland | 92 |
| 1951 | 7 | Clucas, Ivan J., P.O. Box 2019, Tauranga South | 55 |
| 1939 | 6 | Cochrane, Herbert A., 53 Fuller Street, Kaiapoi | 143 |
| 1965 | 2 | Collingwood, Ronald C., 33 Johnson Street, Milton | 164 |
| 1960 | 1 | Conway, James H., 42 Ngatai Street, Manaia | 71 |
| 1969 | 3 | Corlett, Ashley I., L.Th., 28 Turaki Street, Taumarunui | 63 |
| 1949 | 4 | Cornwell, Gordon A. R., 5 Paice Avenue, Mt Eden, Auckland | 15 |
| 1968 | 6 | Couch, Moke A. G., 5 Mission Street, New Plymouth | [5] |
| 1953 | 7 | Craig, Hughan M., 9 Paynters Avenue, New Plymouth | 66 |
| 1943 | 1 | Cramond, George W., 67 Shearman Street, Waimate | 150 |
| 1957 | 1 | Cropp, James F., 119 Burnett Street, Ashburton | 152 |
| 1962 | WA | Currie, John B., B.A., Tamatea, Napier | 77 |
| 1973 | 2 | Currie, Laurence H., P.O. Box 10, Paparoa | 11 |
| 1968 | 1 | Curtis, Darrell R., B.A., 9 Mace Street, Reefton | 122 |
| 1941 | 8 | Darvill, Harold A., 519A Mt Albert Road, Auckland, 4 | [2] |

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|------|-------|--|---------|
| 1940 | 2 | Dawson, John B., B.A., 28 Marion Ave., Mt. Roskill, Auckland 4. | 15 |
| 1943 | 3 | Dawson, W. Selwyn, M.A., 130 Grafton Road, Auckland, 3 (Phones: Office: 372-869, Home: 372-323) | 13 |
| 1974 | 1 | de Zoete, Jan D., 49 Murphys Road, Blenheim | 120 |
| 1969 | WA | de Zoete, Pieter K. F., C/o 135 Queen Street, Northcote, Auckland, 9. | 24 |
| 1972 | WA | Dickie, Arthur W., 173 River Road, Kawerau | 58 |
| 1959 | 4 | Dine, Mervyn L.; 19 Hillside Crescent, Mt Eden, Auckland, 3. | 14 |
| 1940 | WA | Dixon, Haddon C., O.B.E., M.A., B.D., 47 Keble Road, Lower Hutt, (Phone 675-065) | 102 |
| 1969 | 1 | Eagle, Brian R. J., 237 Salisbury Street, Christchurch, 1 | 126 |
| 1954 | 5 | Eastwood, Eric R., 2 Hohaia Crescent, Matamata | 50 |
| 1948 | 4 | Eisner, Wilf G., B.A. Tokanui P. B., Te Awamutu | HC |
| 1943 | 24 | Falkingham, Wilfred E., Central Mission, P.O. Box 1449, Christchurch, 1 (Phone: 66-745) | 126 |
| 1964 | 3 | Felderhof, Ludwig, 244 Rodney Street, Wellsford | 12 |
| 1970 | WA | Ferguson, Ronald W., 21 Pah Road, Onerahi, Whangarei | 8 |
| 1948 | 6 | Ford, Wilfred F., B.A., 7 Cleveland Street, Brooklyn, Wellington (Phones: Home: 897-689, Office: 557-699, 75 Taranaki Street | 92 |
| 1957 | 4 | Fowler, Irwin J., The Parsonage, Ngatea | 39 |
| 1952 | 5 | George, R. Leslie, 73 Molesworth Street, Taita, Lower Hutt | 103 |
| 1964 | 1 | Gerritsen, Hendrik, B.A., Selwyn Street, Leeston | 142 |
| 1952 | 8 | Gibson, Loyal J., 8 Tabak Street, Palmerston North (Phone: 87-436) | 85 |
| 1951 | 1 | Gilbert, Geoffrey T., 83 Brougham Street, New Plymouth | 66 |
| 1958 | 2 | Gilbert, Wilfred S., 22 Hakanoa Street, Huntly | 49 |
| 1940 | 6 | Gilmore, Leslie R. M., B.A., 406 Thames Street, (P.O. Box 235), Morrinsville | 43 |
| 1950 | 3 | Gordon, D. Bruce, M.A., P.O. Box 5104, Wellesley Street, Auckland, 1 (Phone: 83-387) | 14 |
| 1959 | 1 | Goudge, Stanley R., B.A., 29 Farley Street, Kaikorai, Dunedin | 159 |
| 1970 | 2 | Graham, Duncan R., 214 High Street, Dannevirke | 82 |
| 1956 | 3 | Grant, Ian D., 97 Birkenhead Avenue, Birkenhead, Auckland, 10 | 25 |
| 1973 | 2 | Grant, Stuart C., B.A., LL.B., L.Th. (Hons), 49 Bryndwr Road, Christchurch, 5 | 138 |
| 1959 | 11 | Greening, G. Kingsley, 23 Aynsley Terrace, Opawa, Christchurch, 2 | 133 |
| 1940 | WA | Greenslade, Lawrence, 30 Richardson Road, Mt. Albert, Auckland, 3 | 19 |
| 1972 | 1 | Greenwood, Russell J., B.A., 52 Queens Drive, Musselburgh, Dunedin | 162 |
| 1969 | 7 | Griffith, Keith C., 11 Hobart Street, Miramar, Wellington, 3. | 96 |
| 1974 | 2 | Griffiths, William D., 80 Fairburn Road, Otahuhu, Auckland, 6 | 29 |
| 1943 | 2 | Grounds, Edmund D., 135 Queen Street, Northcote, Auckland, 9 (Phone: 489-332) | 27 |
| 1960 | 6 | Grundy, Albert A., M.A., 32 Hammersley Avenue, Christchurch, 1 | 128 |

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|------|-------|--|---------|
| 1954 | 6 | Grundy, John, M.A., 16 Duncan Street, Tawa, Wellington (Phone: Home TWA-3095) Office: 75. Taranaki Street, Wellington, 1. (Phone: 557-699) | ED |
| 1960 | WA | Gust, Warwick, B.A., B.D., (Melb.), 31 Blagdon Avenue, South Shields, County Durham, NE 340SG, England | 24 |
| 1957 | 5 | Guthardt, Phyllis M., M.A., Ph.D., (Cantab.), C/o University of Waikato, Hamilton | UC |
| 1947 | WA | Hall, Allen H., M.A., Dip. Tchg.; M.A., Ph.D. (Qld.), 16 Sir Fred Schonell Drive, St Lucia, Brisbane, Queensland, Australia 4067 | 13 |
| 1952 | 2 | Hall, John R., 24 Tauranga Road, Waihi | 41 |
| 1954 | 3 | Hammond, George M., 17 Nottingham Avenue, Halswell, Christchurch, 3. | 136 |
| 1958 | 14 | Hamlin, R. John, C. F., 5 Mitre Grove, Trentham | CF |
| 1952 | 2 | Handyside, Allan J., 4 Oroua Street, Te Puke | 57 |
| 1960 | 4 | Hanson, E. Francis I., B.A., B.D., 79 Pretoria Street, Lower Hutt | 102 |
| 1969 | 4 | Harkness, Barry G., B.A., B.D., 28 Patrick Street, Christchurch, 1 | 138 |
| 1938 | 4 | Harkness, Howard E., M.A., B.D., (Melb.), 5 Miriona Grove, Paekakariki, Wellington | 100 |
| 1962 | 4 | Hawkey, Graham E., 179 Regan Street, Stratford | 68 |
| 1968 | 1 | Hay, J. Cedric, 19 Rothesay Bay Road, Rothesay Bay, Auckland, 10 | 24 |
| 1965 | 3 | Hayhurst, John G., 3 Goldsbrough Avenue, Raumati Beach | 114 |
| 1966 | 1 | Hendry, Richard J., 30 Kelso Street, Tokoroa | 52 |
| 1954 | 5 | Heppelthwaite, Ernest, 356 Wairakei Road, Christchurch, 5 | 138 |
| 1965 | 7 | Herbert, C. Brice, 202 Cambridge Avenue, Ashhurst | 86 |
| 1965 | 6 | Hey, Roger J. E., 81 Gloucester Street, Greenmeadows, Napier | 77 |
| 1948 | 7 | Hilder, Basil J., 817 W. St Aubyn Street, Hastings | 78 |
| 1962 | 4 | Hight, Arnold C., 88 Linwood Avenue, Christchurch, 1 | 128 |
| 1974 | 1 | Hopkins, George C., 18 Tennyson Street, Opunake | 72 |
| 1962 | 2 | Hornblow, Edgar R., LL.B., 801E Queen Street, Hastings | 78 |
| 1960 | 4 | Hornblow, Maxwell A., 4 Titoki Street, Stoke, Nelson | 115 |
| 1960 | 2 | Horrill, C. Seton, 336 Selwyn Street, Christchurch, 2 | 135 |
| 1967 | 3 | Hosking, Bruce L., B.A., B.Com., S.T.M., (Union N.Y.), A.C.A., 13 York Street, Masterton | 109 |
| 1959 | 2 | Hosking, John S., M.A., Dip. Mus., 106 Rata Street, Lower Hutt (Phone: 670-652), Office. 75 Taranaki Street, Wellington, 1 (Phone 557-699) | ED |
| 1961 | 6 | James, Russell E., 5A William Street, Gore | 166 |
| 1967 | 1 | Jamieson, Colin G., Dip. R.E. (Melb.), 87 Forfar Street, Mosgiel, Dunedin | 160 |
| 1940 | 8 | Jones, Allan O., 175 Wicksteed Street, Wanganui | 74 |
| 1962 | 2 | Jones, Barry E., B.A., 11 Kakariki Avenue, Mt Eden, Auckland, 3 (P.O. Box 5023W), (Phone: Office 71-843. Home 688-207) | DD |
| 1949 | 7 | Keightley, Clifford J., 2 West End Road, Herne Bay, Auckland, 2 | 16 |

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|------|-------|--|---------|
| 1957 | 6 | Kitchingman, Henry W., 83 Kolmar Road, Papatoetoe. | 30 |
| 1956 | 5 | Kitchingman, Owen A., B.A., 26 Charles Upham Avenue, Hillmorton, Christchurch | IC |
| 1961 | 5 | Langley, John E., 149 Kamo Road, Whangarei (Phone 72-624) | 8 |
| 1963 | 1 | Laws, Derek G., F.C.A., 120 Colombo Street, Christchurch, 2 | 134 |
| 1938 | 11 | Laws, William R., M.A., B.D. (Melb.), 17 Merivale Lane, Christchurch, 1 (Phone: 558-257, Home; 66-049, Office) | GS |
| 1953 | 4 | Le Couteur, E. Raymond, 173 Barrington Street, Christchurch, 2 | 127 |
| 1958 | 3 | Lewis, Evan R., M.Sc., B.A., 31 Whitby Street, Mornington, Dunedin | 158 |
| 1942 | 22 | Lewis, John J., M.A., B.D. (Melb.), Ph.D. (Lond.), 47 St John's Road, Meadowbank. Auckland, 5 (Phone: 548-207) | Th.C. |
| 1968 | 2 | Loader, William R. G., B.A., B.D., Dr theol. (Mainz), 14 St Vincent Avenue, Remuera, Auckland, 5 | 18 |
| 1939 | 5 | Lucas, Campbell P., L.Th., 33 Clothier Street, Putaruru | 51 |
| 1957 | 4 | Mabon, John C. F., 43 Miro Street, Rongotai, Wellington, 3 (Phone: 888-553) | PC |
| 1965 | WA | Mackie, Bruce E., C/o Methodist Central Mission, Lonsdale Street, Melbourne, Victoria, Australia | 126 |
| 1964 | WA | Major, Ronald G., B.A., M.Soc.Sc. C/o 89 Melrose Road, Hillsborough, Auckland. | 45 |
| 1968 | 3 | Malcouronne, Brian J., 302 West Coast Road, Glen Eden, Auckland | 21 |
| 1966 | 2 | Manihera, John I., 2 Geison Road, Feilding | 87 |
| 1961 | WA | Marshall, C. Russell, M.P., 283 St Hill Street, Wanganui | 74 |
| 1946 | WA | McDonald, D. I. Alister, 2 Karaka Street, Beachlands, Auckland | 17 |
| 1968 | 3 | McIver, Graeme M., B.A., 24 Tyne Street, Timaru | 149 |
| 1953 | 4 | McKay, Archibald W., 43 Cowper Street, Grey-mouth | 124 |
| 1968 | WA | Meredith, John D., 60 Martin Street, Invercargill | 167 |
| 1960 | 2 | McKenzie, Ian H., M.Sc., B.D., 1 Seabrook Avenue, New Lynn, Auckland, 7 | 19 |
| 1972 | 3 | MacLeod, D. Ian, 56 Foyle Street, Bluff | 170 |
| 1967 | 4 | Michie, Laurie A., 148 Browns Road, Manurewa | 31 |
| 1942 | 6 | Morrison, William J., M.A., 249 Cambridge Road (Box 11007) Hillcrest, Hamilton (Phone 64-244) | 47 |
| 1960 | 3 | Mullan, David S., M.A., Dip.Ed., P.O. Box 5076, Dunedin (Phone: 70-303, Office; 44-165, Home) | 155 |
| 1964 | 4 | Neal, Barry W., C.F., B.A., DipEd., C/o Private Bag, Burnham Military Camp | CF |
| 1953 | 4 | Newman, Alan, 48 Hillcrest Avenue, Rotorua | 53 |
| 1954 | WA | Newton, Alan H. V., 5006 McKinney Street. Houston, Texas, 77023, (U.S.A.) | 45 |
| 1959 | 2 | Noble, Dorothea M., B.A., 113 Oroua Street, Eastbourne, Wellington | 102 |
| 1968 | 1 | Norwell, Ian C., Kohukohu, Northland | 5 |

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|------|-------|---|---------|
| 1939 | 7 | Oldfield, Charles B., 235 Karori Road, Karori, Wellington, 5 | 93 |
| 1949 | 6 | Olds, J. Stanley, 11 Redwood Street, Upper Hutt | 104 |
| 1946 | 5 | Olds, Norman W., 62 Wiggins Street, Sumner, Christchurch, 8 | 130 |
| 1951 | 6 | Olds, O. McLennan, 463 Gladstone Road, Gisborne | 79 |
| 1964 | WA | Olsen, Brian L., 83 Manaia Street, Tokoroa | 52 |
| 1953 | 1 | Osborne, John H., M.A., 994 New North Road, Mt Albert, Auckland, 3 | 19 |
| 1947 | 6 | Parker, Francis H., 15 Penrhyn Road, Mt Eden, Auckland, 3 (Phone: 603-970) | HC |
| 1952 | 8 | Penman, John A., B.A., 38 McFarlane Street, Wellington, 1 (Phones 557-699, Office; 559-309, Home) | 92 |
| 1938 | 3 | Petch, Ashleigh K., B.A., 1 Tennyson Avenue, Takapuna, Auckland, 9 | 24 |
| 1968 | 4 | Phillipps, Donald J., B.A., B.D., 5 Albany Street, Dunedin | UC |
| 1966 | 6 | Pihama, Te Taotahi John, 12 John Street Tokoroa | [3] |
| 1962 | 1 | Pomeroy, Harold C., B.A., B.D., A.C.A., C.M.A., A.C.I.S., 12 Poronui Street, Mt Eden, Auckland, 3 | 17 |
| 1967 | 2 | Pratt, David C., 72 Poole Street, Greerton, Tauranga | 56 |
| 1966 | 1 | Prince, Donald F., Rolleston Prison, Box 45, Rolleston | PC |
| 1954 | 13 | Rakena, Ruawai D., B.A., 28 Mt Albert Road, Auckland, 3 (P.O. Box 5023W) (Phone: Office 71-843) | MD |
| 1949 | 4 | Ramage, Ian C. E., M.A., 173 St Johns Road, Meadowbank, Auckland, 5 | Th.C. |
| 1950 | WA | Ramsay, Phillip D., C/o Canberra Private Hotel, Edward and Ann Streets, Brisbane, Queensland, 4000, Australia | 150 |
| 1969 | 1 | Rigby, Russell G., B.A. (Hons.), 216 Earn Street, Invercargill | 167 |
| 1955 | 1 | Rigg, Frank S., P.O. Box 120, Silverdale | 36 |
| 1974 | 1 | Roberts, John H., B.A., 193 Victoria Road, Devonport, Auckland, 9 | 23 |
| 1962 | WA | Robertson, Ian H., 35 Imlay Crescent, Ngaio, Wellington, 4 | 97 |
| 1963 | 4 | Rowe, B. Keith, B.A., B.D., S.T.M. (Union N.Y.), 50 Meadowvale Avenue, Forrest Hill, Auckland, 10 (Phone 468-370) | ED |
| 1954 | 1 | Rushton, Percy P., B.A., B.D., 142 North Street Timaru (Phone: 88-401) | 148 |
| 1957 | 4 | Russell, Kenneth H., 100 Jed Street, Invercargill (Phone 3539) | 167 |
| 1962 | WA | Rutherford, Maynard G, C/o 53 Wi Pere Street, Gisborne | 79 |
| 1971 | 4 | Salmon, John B., M.A. (Hons.), L.Th., A.C.A., A.C.I.S., 890 George Street, Dunedin | 156 |
| 1959 | WA | Salter, Lawrence E., 6 Homedale Road, Wainuiomata, Wellington | 105 |
| 1956 | 6 | Scammell, Bruce, 100 West Street, Feilding | 87 |
| 1950 | 5 | Schroeder, Leonard P., B.A., B.D. (Melb.), 524 Church Street, Palmerston North | 85 |
| 1945 | 4 | Shapcott, Leonard, 162 King Street, Rangiora | 144 |
| 1952 | 3 | Shaw, Harry I., 5 Duke Street, Pahiatua | 84 |
| 1946 | 8 | Shepherd, Trevor, 20 Wellington Street, Hamilton | 47 |

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|------|-------|---|---------|
| 1961 | 5 | Sides, Brian W.; Te Reinga Street, Kaitaia | 1 |
| 1938 | 11 | Silvester, John, M.A., "Ranston House", 134A Grafton Road, Auckland, 3 (Phone: 42-501) | Th.C. |
| 1971 | 4 | Simpson, Ronald N., 55 Warspite Road, Porirua East, Wellington | 100 |
| 1964 | 1 | Slinn, Stuart G., The Manse, Eketahuna | 111 |
| 1970 | 5 | Smith, G. Clive, L.Th., 19 Wilson Avenue, St Clair, Dunedin | 160 |
| 1952 | 1 | Spindler, Sydney J., 8 Cambridge Street, Gonville, Wanganui | 74 |
| 1951 | 3 | Stead, Peter A., B.A., 24 Liverpool Street, Hamilton (Phones: Home 81-435, Office 83-951) | 45 |
| 1973 | 2 | Stringer, John A., Dip. Theol., 5 Naish Street, Balclutha | 165 |
| 1953 | 6 | Stubbs, David G., 28 Oxford Street, Richmond, Nelson | 117 |
| 1954 | 8 | Tahere, Te Awha W., P.O. Box 400, Hamilton | [3] |
| 1955 | 6 | Tauroa, Lane M., B.A., Waikeria Youth Centre, P.O. Box 400, Te Awamutu | PC |
| 1961 | WA | Taylor, A. Kerry, 47 Maughan Drive, Bucklands Beach, Auckland | 17 |
| 1966 | 5 | Taylor, Keith J., B.A., 15 Nelson Street, (P.O. Box 8014, Riccarton), Christchurch, 1 | 137 |
| 1957 | 8 | Taylor, Philip F., 77 Grey Street, Onehunga, Auckland, 6 | 28 |
| 1968 | 7 | Te Whare, Morehu, 296 Massey Road, Mangere East, Auckland | [2] |
| 1966 | 5 | Te Whare, Robert, Te Piringa Maori Centre, Haerehuka Street, Otorohanga | [4] |
| 1941 | 4 | Thomas, Gordon V., B.A., 92 Cambridge Street, Levin | 112 |
| 1955 | 6 | Thornicroft, Neville, 2 Melville Street, Waipawa, Hawkes Bay | 90 |
| 1935 | 3 | Thornley, Robert, M.A., Dip. Soc. Sc., 306 Rolleston Street, Thames | 38 |
| 1963 | 2 | Toomer, Kenneth L., L.Th., 1 Waterview Road, Mangere, Auckland | 28 |
| 1951 | 4 | Toothill, Harry W., 44 Ottawa Road, Ngaio, Wellington, 4 | 97 |
| 1954 | 1 | Trebilco, David L., 17 Pukehana Avenue, Epsom, Auckland, 3 | 17 |
| 1965 | 8 | Waaka, Napi, 173 Waihi Road, Hawera | [5] |
| 1962 | 5 | Waine, Frederick E., 43 Cleary Street, Lower Hutt | 101 |
| 1962 | 4 | Wakeling, W. J. Douglas, 164 High Street South, Carterton | 108 |
| 1961 | 2 | Wallace, William L., B.A., 12 Gilberthorpes Road, Christchurch, 4 | 140 |
| 1945 | 1 | Watson, Alexander C., 84 Hackthorne Road, Cashmere, Christchurch, 2 | 127 |
| 1939 | 4 | Watson, John K., M.C., B.A., 12 Nahum Street, Paeroa | 40 |
| 1965 | 5 | West, Norman J., 79 Arthur Street, Timaru | 147 |
| 1966 | 1 | West, Stanley J., 31 Beatty Street, Melville, Hamilton | 45 |
| 1959 | 4 | Widdup, Robert W., 18 Chapel Street, (Box 5172), Christchurch, 5 (Phone: 529-782) | 139 |
| 1943 | 8 | Williams, J. C. Aldwyn, 10 New Bond Street, Kingsland, Auckland, 3 | 13 |

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|------|-------|--|---------|
| 1942 | 4 | Willing, Leonard V., 104 Manawapou Road, Hawera (Phone: 6270) | 70 |
| 1950 | WA | Woodfield, Frank H., 233 Dowse Drive, Lower Hutt | 102 |
| 1950 | 2 | Woodfield, Owen T., B.A., 153 Kohimarama Road, Auckland, 5 | 18 |
| 1962 | 5 | Woodley, Alan K., B.A., 34 Edmonton Road, Henderson, Auckland, 8 (Phones: Home HSN 69-382, Office HSN 65-591). | 21 |
| 1941 | 3 | Woolford, J. Henry, M.A., P.O. Box 196, Dargaville | 9 |
| 1971 | 4 | Wright, Jack, Okato, Taranaki | 73 |

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| Ent. | Ret. | Name and Address | Circuit |
|------|------|---|---------|
| 1947 | 1960 | Attwood, A. Francis, 19 Toomey Street, Waihi | 31 |
| 1924 | 1956 | Bailey, John H., 6 Lyford Crescent, Takapuna, Auckland, 10 | 24 |
| 1941 | 1967 | Bell, Charles H., B.A., 196 Great North Road, Wanganui | 74 |
| 1949 | 1967 | Benny, T. Ralph, 123 Havelock Street, Ashburton | 152 |
| 1913 | 1950 | Bensley, Arthur A., Tyler House, 61 Allendale Road, Mt Albert, Auckland, 3 | 14 |
| 1923 | 1946 | Blakemore, Albert, Tyler House, 61 Allendale Road, Mt Albert, Auckland, 3 | 14 |
| 1917 | 1958 | Blight, William T., B.A., B.D. (Melb.), 76 Halton St., Papanui, Christchurch, 5 | 126 |
| 1924 | 1964 | Brown, Hubert G., 138 Jerrold Street, Spreydon, Christchurch, 2 | 135 |
| 1931 | 1966 | Carr, Thomas H., Clarks Beach Road, R.D., Patumahoe, South Auckland | 32 |
| 1931 | 1971 | Carr, W. E. Allon, 45 Fir Street, Waterview, Auckland 7 | 19 |
| 1933 | 1973 | Chrystall, Bernard M., B.A., 23 Waitemata Street, Takapuna, Auckland, 9 | 24 |
| 1958 | 1974 | Climo, Frederick J., Foxton Beach | 91 |
| 1918 | 1955 | Costain, Alfred M., Dip. Soc. Sc., 8 Sadlier Street, Stoke, Nelson | 115 |
| 1932 | 1968 | Day, Reginald, 121 Ferguson Drive, Thames | 38 |
| 1929 | 1967 | Dickens, Charles E., 41 Idris Road, Christchurch, 5 | 138 |
| 1944 | 1969 | Dorrian, A. Peter, 2 Attlee Place, Feilding | 87 |
| 1935 | 1974 | Duder, Clifford L., The Manse, Whakapara | 7 |
| 1924 | 1964 | Fiebig, Herbert L., B.A., 725 Gloucester Street, Christchurch, 6 | 126 |
| 1916 | 1957 | Fordyce, Robert E., S.B. St. J., 27A Lorna Street, New Plymouth | 66 |
| 1937 | 1974 | Francis, William R., B.A., B.D. (Lond.), 982 Whangaparaoa Road, No. 1 R.D. Silverdale, Auckland | 36 |
| 1934 | 1969 | Goodman, George H., 13 Middleton Road, Hannah Bay, Rotorua | 53 |
| 1931 | 1971 | Greenslade, William W. H., M.B.E., 18 Matai Road, Hataitai, Wellington, 3 | 95 |
| 1939 | 1968 | Grice, Reginald, 105 Queen Street, Cambridge | 44 |
| 1928 | 1969 | Grocott, John D., B.A., 3 Chislehurst Place, Christchurch, 5 | 137 |
| 1928 | 1968 | Hailwood, Charlie O., Flat 1, 144 Galloway Street, Hamilton | 45 |

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|------|------|---|---------|
| 1923 | 1963 | Hames, Eric W., M.A. (Fellow of Trinity College) 25 Lucerne Road, Remuera, Auckland, 5 | 18 |
| 1935 | 1960 | Hanna, L. Gordon, P.O. Box 47, Silverdale, Auckland | 36 |
| 1926 | 1966 | Harris, G. Raymond, 41 Humariri Street, Point Chevalier, Auckland, 2 | 13 |
| 1960 | 1963 | Henderson, W. John, 43 Abbotsford Road, Waipawa | 90 |
| 1932 | 1961 | Hickman, D. J. Donald, 37 Albert Street, Ashburton | 152 |
| 1936 | 1970 | Hopper, H. Ian K., B.A., 20 Woodham Road, Avonside, Christchurch, 6 | 126 |
| 1929 | 1968 | Horwood, Leonard C., 12 Weston Avenue, Mt Albert, Auckland, 3 | 19 |
| 1942 | 1966 | Ivory, Arthur H., LL.B., B.Com., 41 Paine Street, Judea, Tauranga | 55 |
| 1919 | 1954 | Jefferson, Alfred E., Flat 2, 8 Shadwell Place, St Heliers, Auckland, 5 | 18 |
| 1932 | 1969 | Jenkin, William C., 75 Grey Street, Woodville | 83 |
| 1934 | 1970 | Johnston, Andrew J., 20 Byron Street, Morning- ton, Dunedin | 158 |
| 1943 | 1973 | Jolly, Albert, 48 The Crescent, Waihi Beach South | 41 |
| 1916 | 1954 | Kendon, Charles H., 170 Lemon Street, New Plymouth | 66 |
| 1929 | 1969 | Kent, Arthur T., 13 Esk Street, Tauranga | 55 |
| 1927 | 1966 | Larsen, Norman P., Flat 2, 308 Market Street, South, Hastings | 78 |
| 1927 | 1968 | Laurenson, George I., C.B.E., 15 Ashton Road, Mt Eden, Auckland, 3 | 17 |
| 1930 | 1970 | Leadley, E. Clarence, 42 Tainui Street, Torbay, Auckland, 10 | 24 |
| 1935 | 1971 | Luxton, Clarence T. J., 1 Melandra Road, 1 R.D., Silverdale, Auckland | 36 |
| 1948 | 1971 | Marshall, Edward M., B.A., Dip. Ed., Ardern Avenue, R.D. 1 Silverdale, Auckland | 36 |
| 1934 | 1974 | Matthews, Howard C., B.A., 57 Wycliffe Street, Onekawa, Napier (Ashburton until 1/5/74) | 77 |
| 1930 | 1970 | McDowell, M. Alexander, D.D. (Mt. Union U.S.A.), 4 Huia Street, Waikanae | 114 |
| 1946 | 1971 | Moore, Harry, 195 Richardson Road, Mt Roskill, Auckland, 4 | 15 |
| 1931 | 1968 | Moore, William E., 56 Nottingham Street, Westmere, Auckland, 2 | 13 |
| 1937 | 1974 | Norwell, Leslie T., 36 Raleigh Street, Cambridge | 44 |
| 1931 | 1972 | Parker, Gordon, M.A., Ph.D. (Lond.), Flat 5, Allendale Flats, 58 Allendale Road, Mt Albert, Auckland, 3 | 14 |
| 1918 | 1950 | Parker, James W., 143 St Johns Road, Meadow- bank, Auckland, 5 | 14 |
| 1929 | 1965 | Parker, Walter, 261 Manukau Road, Epsom, Auckland, 3 | 13 |
| 1930 | 1971 | Parker, J. Wesley, E.D., M.A., B.D., 8 Ranui Road, Remuera, Auckland, 5 | 14 |
| 1933 | 1965 | Patchett, Ralph E., 118 Knowles St., Christchurch, 1 | 126 |
| 1931 | 1967 | Payne, Herbert W., 995 Beach Road, Torbay, Auckland, 10 | 24 |
| 1955 | 1974 | Peart, Cuthbert F., 79 Clarkin Road, Hamilton | 47 |
| 1927 | 1966 | Penn, Athol R., Flat 3, 774 Mt Eden Road, Auckland, 4 | 17 |

| Ent. | Ret. | Name and Address | Circuit |
|------|------|---|---------|
| 1960 | 1974 | Peterson, Frederick D., 270 Whangaparaoa Road, Silverdale, Auckland | 36 |
| 1925 | 1968 | Peterson, Gordon R. H., 1 Randwick Road, Northland, Wellington, 5 | 93 |
| 1927 | 1966 | Raynor, Ivo M., 9 Konini Street, Levin | 112 |
| 1960 | 1972 | Reid, Andrew G., C/o Algies Bay, Store, Warkworth | 37 |
| 1947 | 1969 | Risely, Benjamin H., Flat 4B, 416 Remuera Road, Auckland | 13 |
| 1960 | 1969 | Roke, Charles E., Kawhia, King Country | [4] |
| 1911 | 1949 | Rowe, William, 88 Neale Avenue, Stoke, Nelson | 115 |
| 1951 | 1966 | Ruck, Idris J., 48 Nixon Street, Hamilton | 47 |
| 1916 | 1955 | Sage, Ernest E., 1 Willis Street, Mt. Albert, Auckland, 3 | 19 |
| 1941 | 1970 | Sherson, Donald G., B.A., 54 Rangitira Road, Birkdale, Auckland, 10 | 25 |
| 1915 | 1958 | Slade, William G., M.A., D.D. (Toronto), 71 Mooray Avenue, Christchurch, 5 | 126 |
| 1911 | 1954 | Te Tuhi, Eruera, O.B.E., 6 Rimu Place, Dargaville | [1] |
| 1946 | 1971 | Thompson, George R., E. D., 1582 Great North Road, Waterview, Auckland, 7. | 19 |
| 1951 | 1971 | Thompson, J. Herbert, Flat D, 32 Brittan Street, Linwood, Christchurch, 1 | 128 |
| 1926 | 1959 | Voyce, A. Henry, 17 Prospect Terrace, Milford, Auckland, 9 | 24 |
| 1931 | 1971 | Williams, David O., M.A., Litt.D. (Fellow of Trinity College), 20 Weston Avenue, Mt Albert, Auckland, 3 | 19 |
| 1935 | 1974 | Wittheford, Arthur R., B.A., 113 Nayland Street, Sumner, Christchurch, 8 | 130 |

MINISTERIAL SUPPLIES

| | |
|---|-----|
| Bailey, Ivor, 54 Chester Street West, Christchurch, 1 | 126 |
| Crawford, Samuel J., 247 Bellevue Road, Otumoetai, Tauranga | 55 |
| Ogier, Ian W., B.A., P.O. Box 711, Whangarei | 8 |
| Vickery, John H., 176 West Tamaki Road, Glen Innes, Auckland, 6 | 18 |
| Wendelborn, Brian J., 203 Chelmsford Street, Invercargill | 167 |

RESIDING IN NEW ZEALAND

| | |
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| Chick, H.H., Hihi Street, Ohura, King Country | 65 |
| Sarchet, E., 17 Taua Road, Te Atatu, Auckland | 22 |
| (Ministers in full connexion with the British Methodist Conference). | |

HOME MISSIONARIES

| Ent. | Name and Address | Circuit |
|---|--|---------|
| 1924 | Alexander, R. T., 86A Neale Avenue, Stoke, Nelson | 115 |
| 1928 | Coombridge, Roy, No. 3 R.D., Otorohanga | 61 |
| 1952 | Johnson, Frank L. (Senior Home Missionary), Garfield Road, Helensville | 35 |
| 1961 | Tardif, A. E., Deborah Bay, Port Chalmers, Otago | 156 |
| 1939 | Wright, H. R., 7 Tor Street, Westown, New Plymouth | 66 |
| HOME MISSIONARY SUPPLIES | | |
| Fruin, J. H., C/o Post Office, Chertsey, South Canterbury | | 153 |

UNION CHURCH MINISTERS

- Mangonui County Union Parish:** Brian W. Sides, Te Reinga Street, Kaitaia. Ian Millar, 43 Dominion Road, Kaitaia.
- Kaikohe Union Parish:**
- South Bay of Islands Co-operating Parish:**
- Kaeo-Kerikeri Union Parish:** Edwin B. Clarke, P.O. Box 41, Kaeo, Northland.
- North Hokianga Community Church:** Ian C. Norwell, Kohukohu, Northland.
- South Hokianga Co-operating Parish:** Neville Drake, Kokohuia Road, Omapere.
- Hikurangi Union Parish:** Clifford L. Duder, The Manse, Whakapara, Northland.
- Whangarei Uniting Parish:** John E. Langley, 149 Kamo Road, Whangarei. Ian W. Ogier, P.O. Box 711, Whangarei.
- Ruawai Union Parish:** F. Bradley, 92 Freyberg Road, Ruawai, Northland.
- Lynfield Community Church:** Canon Manga Cameron, 37 The Avenue, Waikowhai, Auckland, 4.
- Avondale Union Parish:** John C. McKean, 2166 Great North Road, Auckland 7.
- Te Atatu Union Parish:** Graham Brazendale, 19 Graham Avenue, Te Atatu, Auckland, 8.
- Interim Parish of Glendene:** William A. French, 6 Rosewarne Crescent, Glendene, Auckland, 8.
- Birkdale-Beach Haven Union Parish:** Donald C. Mence, 293 Rangitira Road, Beach Haven, Auckland, 10.
- Tuakau Union Parish:** 13 Gibson Road, Tuakau.
- Thames Union Parish:** Robert Thornley, 306 Rolleston Street, Thames, Glyn Thomas, 608 Rolleston Street, Thames.
- Hauraki Plains Union Parish:** Irwin J. Fowler, The Parsonage, Ngatea.
- Cambridge Union Parish:** E. K. Orange, 22 Alpha Street, Cambridge.
- Raglan Union Parish:** C. Hay, The Manse, Raglan.
- Ngaruawahia Union Parish:** J. N. King, I. Galileo Street, Ngaruawahia.
- Matamata Union Parish:** Eric R. Eastwood, 2 Hohaia Crescent, Matamata.
- Taupo Union Parish:** Donald J. Knight, The Manse, Taupo.
- St James Union Parish Greerton:** David C. Pratt, 72 Poole Street, Greerton.
- Opotiki Union Parish:** Alan Jones, 70 Ford Street, Opotiki.
- Turangi Union Parish:**
- Manaia Union Parish:** James H. Conway, 42 Ngatai Street, Manaia.
- Inglewood Union Parish:** B. Ralph, 3 Totara Terrace, Inglewood.
- Mangapapa Union Parish:** Reginald J. Weeks, 314 Ormond Road, Gisborne.
- Presbyterian-Methodist Parish of Wairoa:** Murray F. Hall, 87 Lucknow Street, Wairoa.
- Woodville Union Parish:** Wallace McKenzie, 44 McLean Street, Woodville.
- Pahiatua Union Parish:** Harry I. Shaw, 5 Duke Street, Pahiatua.
- Foxton Union Parish:** S. R. Wishart, 8 Hulke Street, Foxton.
- Wellington South Union Parish:** Robert S. Andrews, 22 Mersey Street, Island Bay, Wellington, 2. Sister Patricia Russ, 11 Waripori Street, Wellington, 2.
- Evans Bay Union Parish:** William W. H. Greenslade, 18 Matai Road, Hataitai, Wellington, 3. C. T. Styles, 108 Freyberg Street, Lyall Bay, Wellington, 3.

Miramar Union Parish: S. J. Loughton, 80 Darlington Road, Miramar, Wellington, 3.
Ngaio Union Parish: Harry W. Toothill, 44 Ottawa Road, Ngaio, Wellington, 4.
Johnsonville Union Parish: Malcolm Highet, 55 Frankmoore Avenue, Johnsonville, Wellington, 4.
Newlands Union Parish: John C. Doig, St Oswalds Crescent, Newlands, Wellington.
Tawa Union Parish: Colin D. Clark, 31 Court Road, Tawa, Wellington. P. Morreau, 330 Main Road, Linden, Wellington. D. I. Hollier, 85 Redwood Avenue, Tawa, Wellington.
Taita Union Parish: R. Leslie George, 73 Molesworth Street, Taita, Lower Hutt.
Wainuiomata Union Parish: William R. Vinten, 115 Main Road, Wainuiomata.
Greytown St Andrew's Union Parish: K. G. Wall, The Manse, 61 Main Street, Greytown.
Featherston Union Parish: B. Doig, The Manse, Featherston.
Carterton Union Parish: W. J. Douglas Wakeling, 164 High Street South, Carterton.
Masterton St Luke's Union Parish: Bruce L. Hosking, 13 York Street, Masterton. Ross Durham, St Luke's Manse, Masterton.
St James Masterton Union Parish: A. I. Hewson, 112 High Street, Masterton.
Eketahuna Union Parish: Stuart G. Slinn, The Manse, Eketahuna.
Nelson St Luke's Union Parish: Ian L. Clarke, 55 Tipahi Street, Nelson.
Picton Union Parish: William Earle, Wairau Road, Picton.
Reefton District Union Parish: Darrell R. Curtis, 9 Mace Street, Reefton.
Buller Union Parish:
Greymouth District Union Parish: Archibald W. McKay, 43 Cowper Street, Greymouth. Neil G. Churcher, The Manse, Greymouth. Sue Jacobi, 121 Main South Road, Greymouth.
Hokitika Union Parish: Sister Norma Graves, 37 Hampden Street, Hokitika. Owen T. Jenkin, 118 Fitzherbert Street, Hokitika.
New Brighton Union Parish:
Sumner Redcliffs Union Parish: Norman W. Olds, 62 Wiggins Street, Sumner, Christchurch, 8. Ian R. Polson, 15 Wiggins Street, Sumner, Christchurch, 8.
South East Christchurch Union Parish: Cornelius Van der Kley, 64 St John's Street, Woolston, Christchurch, 6.
Lyttelton Union Parish: Dudley R. Ives, 27 Sumner Road, Lyttelton.
Halswell Union Parish: George M. Hammond, 17 Nottingham Avenue, Halswell, Christchurch.
Lincoln Union Parish: Rowlatt M. Rogers, 126 East Belt, Lincoln.
Oxford District Union Parish: Donald G. Clearwater, 3 Park Avenue, Oxford.
St David's Marchiel Union Parish: Graeme M. McIver, 24 Tyne Street, Timaru.
Oamaru Union Parish: Clifford M. Russ, 24 Eden Street, Oamaru.
West Harbour United Parish: Ian W. Fleming, 19 Ascog Street, Ravensbourne, Dunedin.
Port Chalmers United Parish: Ian W. McIntosh, 1 Currie Street, Port Chalmers.
West Dunedin Union Parish: Stanley R. Goudge, 29 Farley Street, Kaikorai, Dunedin. Ewing C. Stevens, 99 Centennial Avenue, Wakari, Dunedin. A. K. T. Bathgate, 31 Balmain Street, Half-Way Bush, Dunedin.

Corstorphine Union Parish: David J. Wilson, 149 Hillhead Road, Corstorphine, Dunedin.
 Grant Braes Union Parish: C. M. Angus, 145 Larnach Road, Waverley, Dunedin.
 Riverton Union Parish: Warren H. Blundell, 67 Palmerston Street, Riverton.
 Otautau Union Parish: Philip W. Brown, 68 Main Street, Otautau.
 Waiono Union Parish: The Manse, Nightcaps.
 Teviot Union Parish: 75 Scotland Street, Roxburgh.
 Alexandra-Clyde Union Parish: D. Povey, 13 Centennial Avenue, Alexandra. R. Coates, 21 Fox Street, Alexandra.

MAORI HOME MISSIONARIES

(a) Full Time:

| | Years | | |
|------|-------|---|-----|
| 1962 | 5 | Maaka, Herehere Maihi, Waima, Hokianga | [1] |
| 1960 | 5 | Makiha, Matu, Methodist Parsonage, 51 Hall Road, Manurewa, Auckland | [2] |
| 1967 | 1 | Toia, Hamiora, 36 Pirika Street, Dargaville | [1] |

(b) Honorary:

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|------|------|--|-----|
| 1972 | | Cassidy, Tohu, Omanaia, via Rawene, Hokianga | [1] |
| 1955 | | Couch, Wera, P.O. Box 20, Lyttelton | |
| 1972 | | Gray, Henare Te Huia, Te Kowhai Road, Horotiu | [3] |
| 1952 | | Hemara, Hohepa, Cartwright's Road, Onerahi, Northland | [1] |
| 1969 | | Heremaia, John Hoani, Pariroa Pa, Kakaramaea, Patea | [5] |
| 1938 | Ret. | Ihaka, Wiremu Paki, 15 Ropata Avenue, Tamaki, Auckland, 6 | [2] |
| 1942 | | Kawiti, Tawai Te Riri, Waiomio R.D., Kawakawa, Bay of Islands | [1] |
| 1946 | | Kukutai, Waaka, Tauranganui, via Tuakau, Waikato | [2] |
| 1964 | | Livingstone, Para Piripi, Matawaia, No. 12 R.D. Moerewa, Northland | [1] |
| 1932 | | Manihera Tuteao, 1 Butler Place, Fairfield, Hamilton | [3] |
| 1937 | | Moke Roi, Aotea Harbour, via Kawhia | [4] |
| 1972 | | Morunga, Mack, Whirinaki, Hokianga | [1] |
| 1972 | | Morunga, Winiata, 33 Clark's Road, Kamo | [1] |
| 1969 | | Pate, Henare, 10 Amisfield Road, Tokoroa | [3] |
| 1972 | | Pickering, Alan Skinner, Portland, Whangarei, Northland | [1] |
| 1952 | | Pihama, Ngerungeru Tame, C/o 36 Barrie Crescent, Hamilton | [3] |
| 1951 | | Rangitutia Pukerau, Aotearoa, R.D. 7, Te Awamutu | [3] |
| 1971 | | Rogers, Aperahama Tutanekai, 10 Tawa Street, Te Atatu, Auckland, 8 | [2] |
| 1969 | | Rogers, Mare, 27 Orr's Road, Kaikohe | [1] |
| 1970 | | Taha, George, Dawson's Road, Glen Massey, Ngaruawahia | [3] |
| 1962 | | Taka, Robert, 64 Fourth Avenue, Whangarei | [1] |
| 1970 | | Tautari, Rewi, Waiomio, via Kawakawa | [1] |
| 1968 | | Te Hiko, Wiremu Huirama, 31 Manaia Street, Tokoroa | [3] |
| 1946 | Ret. | Te Huia, Tumu, C/o P.O. Box 400, Hamilton | [3] |
| 1967 | | Te Uira, Philip, Taharoa, Te Kuiti | [4] |
| 1962 | | Tonga, Te Orahia, Box 110, Ngaruawahia | [3] |
| 1940 | Ret. | Tonga, Wiremu, 36 Morris Road, Hillcrest, Hamilton | [3] |

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| 1958 | | Waata, Himiona, No. 3 R.D., Hikurangi | [1] |
| 1952 | Ret. | Wilcox, Hone, Waiomio, via Kawakawa | [1] |
| 1948 | ..... | Winikerei, Nguru, Marakopa Valley, R.D. 4, Te Kuiti | [4] |

DEACONESSSES

| | | | |
|------|----------|--|-----|
| 1948 | ..... | Sister Grace Clement, 515 Remuera Road, Auckland, 5 | [2] |
| 1948 | ..... | Sister Rona Collins, Methodist Children's Home, 93 Harewood Road, Papanui, Christchurch, 5 | 139 |
| 1921 | ..... | Sister Eleanor Dobby, 409 Main North Road, Papanui, Christchurch, 5 | 139 |
| 1954 | ..... | Sister Norma Graves, Flat 4, 37 Hampden Street, Hokitika | 125 |
| 1972 | ..... | Sister Hana Hauraki, Seamer House, 515 Remuera Road, Auckland, 5. | [1] |
| 1962 | ..... | Sister Edna Jenkin, C/o Borneo Evangelical Mission, P.O. Box 46, Lawas, Sarawak, East Malaysia | 83 |
| 1963 | ..... | Sister Barbara Miller, Taheke P.O. Hokiang | [1] |
| 1969 | ..... | Sister Ruth Tattersall, P.O. Box 65, Opunake | [5] |
| 1957 | ..... | Sister Beverley Taylor, Flat 7, 8 Begbie Place, Sandringham, Auckland, 3 | 13 |
| 1964 | ..... | Sister Shirley Ungemuth, C/o Eventide Home, Company Bay, Private Bag, Dunedin | 155 |
| 1963 | WA | Sister Shirley Wiki, 27 Brunton Place, Auckland, 10 | 24 |
| 1960 | ..... | Sister Joan Wedding, 24 Waitarua Road, Remuera, Auckland, 5. | 18 |
| 1947 | ..... | Sister Betty Yearbury, P.O. Box 102, Te Kuiti | [4] |

RETIRED DEACONESSSES

| Ent. | Ret. | | |
|------|------|--|--|
| 1913 | 1937 | Sister May Barnett, "Fairhaven", 93 Harewood Road, Papanui, Christchurch, 5. | |
| 1968 | 1973 | Sister Atawhai George, C/o Post Office, Waihaha, Bay of Islands. | |
| 1929 | 1964 | Sister Airini Hobbs, 3 Laings Road, Bucklands Beach, Auckland. | |
| 1935 | 1971 | Sister Madeline Holland, Flat 6, 58 Allendale Road, Auckland, 3. | |
| 1945 | 1967 | Sister Jean A. Miller, 38 Haverstock Road, Sandringham, Auckland, 3. | |
| 1921 | 1968 | Sister Margaret W. Nicholls, Aroha House, 61 Allendale Road, Mt Albert, Auckland, 3. | |
| 1939 | 1973 | Sister Dorothy Pointon, 102 Sandspit Road, Howick, Auckland. | |
| 1964 | 1972 | Sister Constance Sage, 1 Willis Street, Auckland, 3. | |
| 1928 | 1966 | Sister Rita Snowden, F.I.A.L., Flat 1, 16 Bracken Avenue, Takapuna, Auckland, 9. | |
| 1936 | 1974 | Sister Heeni Wharemaru, M.B.E., 294 River Road, Hamilton. | |
| 1943 | 1973 | Sister Anne Wilson, Flat 6, 58 Allendale Road, Mt Albert, Auckland, 3. | |

DEACONESS SUPPLIES

Miss Beth. Sutton, Seamer House, 515 Remuera Road, Auckland, 5.
Mrs E. Bettany, 107 Waihi Road, Hawera.

MINISTERS SERVING WITH OTHER
CONFERENCES/CHURCHES

Andrews, Stanley G., M.A., P.O. Box 357, Suva, Fiji.
Glen, Frank G., C.F., R.A.A.F., Williamtown, N.S.W. 2314, Australia.
Campbell, M. Jackson, 68 Kiwi Crescent, Tawa, Wellington.

OVERSEAS DIVISION

NEW ZEALAND STAFF SERVING WITH THE UNITED CHURCH
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WHOLLY OR PARTLY SUPPORTED BY THE NEW ZEALAND
METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. Maxwell L. Bruce, Box 619, Arawa, Bougainville, P.N.G.
Rev. Alan J. Leadley, B.A., B.D., Malmaluan Training Centre, via
Rabaul, P.N.G.

Rev. Robert G. Stringer, Sasamungga Choiseul, B.S.I.P.
Rev. Brian H. Turner, M.A. (hons.), Rarongo, Theological College via
Rabaul, P.N.G.

Rev. Geoffrey Tucker, P.O. Box 18, Honiara, B.S.I.P.

Deaconesses

Sister Lucy Money, M.B.E., Sasamungga, via Gizo, B.S.I.P.
Sister Pamela Beaumont, Tonu Free Bag, P.O. Kieta, P.N.G.
Sister Lesley Bowen, Tonu Free Bag, P.O. Kieta, P.N.G.

Lay Women

Miss Janet Antil, Malmaluan Training Centre, via Rabaul, P.N.G.
Miss Diane R. Bellamy, Kimadan Health Centre, P.M.B. Kavieng,
P.N.G.

Miss Marilyn J. Harkness, Ranmelek, via Kavieng, P.N.G.

Miss Patricia A. Moodie, Tari, 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.

Miss Ailsa Thorburn, P.O. Box 35, Mendi, S.H.D., P.N.G.

Laymen

Mr Eion Field, Tonu Free Bag, P.O. Kieta, 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 B. Scown, M.B. Ch.B. Dip. Obstr., Helena Goldie Hospital,
Munda B.S.I.P.

Mr John Mallindine, Goldie College, Munda, B.S.I.P.

Mr and Mrs W. Simpson, Goldie College, Munda, B.S.I.P.

Mr Leicester Cheeseman, Kekesu Free Bag P.O. Buka, P.N.G.

A CHRONOLOGICAL LIST

OF THE

MINISTERS and PROBATIONERS

IN CONNEXION WITH THE

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND

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| <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. (Sup.)</p> <p>1916—Fordyce, Robert E. (Sup.) „ Kendon, Charles H. (Sup.) „ Sage, Ernest E. (Sup.)</p> <p>1917—Blight, William T. (Sup.)</p> <p>1918—Costain, Alfred M. (Sup.) „ Parker, James W. (Sup.)</p> <p>1919—Jefferson, Alfred E. (Sup.)</p> <p>1923—Blakemore, Albert (Sup.) „ Hames, Eric W. (Sup.)</p> <p>1924—Bailey, John H. (Sup.) „ Brown, Hubert G. (Sup.) „ Fiebig, Herbert L. (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. (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 (Sup.) „ Parker, J. Wesley (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 (Sup.) „ Payne, Herbert W. (Sup.) „ Williams, David O. (Sup.)</p> <p>1932—Day, Reginald (Sup.) „ Hickman, D. J. Donald (Sup.) „ Jenkin, William C. (Sup.)</p> <p>1933—Chrystall, Bernard M. (Sup.) „ Patchett, Ralph E. (Sup.)</p> <p>1934—Goodman, George H. (Sup.) „ Johnston, Andrew J. (Sup.) „ Matthews, Howard C. (Sup.)</p> <p>1935—Burton, Ormond E. (Sup.) „ Duder, Clifford L. (Sup.) „ Hanna, L. Gordon (Sup.) „ Luxton, Clarence T. J. (Sup.) „ Thornley, Robert „ Witheford, Arthur R. (Sup.)</p> <p>1936—Hopper, Ian H. K. (Sup.)</p> <p>1937—Francis, William R. (Sup.) „ Norwell, Leslie T. (Sup.)</p> <p>1938—Harkness, Howard E. „ Laws, William R. „ Petch, Ashleigh K. „ Silvester, John</p> <p>1939—Cochrane, Herbert A. „ Grice, Reginald (Sup.) „ Lucas, Campbell P. „ Oldfield, Charles B. „ Watson, John K.</p> |
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CHRONOLOGICAL LIST—Continued

- 1940—Dawson, John B
 „ Dixon, Haddon C., O.B.E.
 „ Gilmore, Leslie R. M.
 „ Greenslade, Lawrence
 „ Jones, Alan O.
- 1941—Bell, Charles H. (Sup.)
 „ Brown, Harold K.
 „ Darvill, Harold A.
 „ Thomas, Gordon V.
 „ Woolford, J. Henry
- 1942—Clement, R. Frederick
 „ Ivory, Arthur H.
 „ Lewis, John J.
 „ Morrison, William J.
 „ Willing, Leonard V.
- 1943—Brown, Clifford G.
 „ Cramond, George W.
 „ Dawson, W. Selwyn
 „ Falkingham, Wilfred E.
 „ Grounds, Edmund D.
 „ Jolly, Albert (Sup.)
 „ Williams, J. C. Aldwyn
- 1944—Allen, Robert H.
 „ Bell, R. Graham
 „ Bycroft, Leslie F.
 „ Chambers, Wesley A.
 „ Dorrian, A Peter (Sup.)
 „ Sherson, Donald G. (Sup.)
- 1945—Shapcott, Leonard
- 1946—McDonald, D. I. Alister
 „ Moore, Harry (Sup.)
 „ Olds, Norman W.
 „ Shepherd, Trevor
 „ Thompson, George R. (Sup.)
- 1947—Attwood, A. Francis (Sup.)
 „ Clements, Leslie C.
 „ Hall, Allen H.
 „ Parker, Francis H.
 „ Riseley, Benjamin H. (Sup.)
- 1948—Eisner, Wilf G.
 „ Hilder, Basil J.
 „ Marshall, Edward M (Sup.)
- 1949—Baker, Edward
 „ Benny, T. Ralph (Sup.)
 „ Burt, Douglas H.
 „ Cornwell, Gordon A. R.
 „ Ford, Wilfred F.
- „ Keightley, Clifford J.
 „ Olds, J. Stanley
 „ Ramage, Ian C. E.
- 1950—Clark, Colin D.
 „ Gordon, D. Bruce
 „ Ramsay, Phillip D
 „ Schroeder, Leonard P.
 „ Woodfield, Frank H.
 „ Woodfield, Owen T.
- 1951—Besant, H. David
 „ Carter, George G.
 „ Clucas, Ivan J.
 „ Gilbert, Geoffrey T.
 „ Ruck, Idris J. (Sup.)
 „ Stead, Peter A.
 „ Toothill, Harry W.
 „ Olds, O. McLennan
- 1952—George, R. Leslie
 „ Gibson, Loyal J.
 „ Hall, John R.
 „ Handyside, Allan J.
 „ Penman, John A.
 „ Shaw, Harry I.
 „ Spindler, Sydney J.
 „ Thompson, John H. (Sup.)
 „ Baker, Frederick J. K.
- 1953—LeCouteur, E. Raymond
 „ Craig, Hughan M.
 „ McKay, Archibald W.
 „ Newman, Alan
 „ Osborne, John H.
 „ Stubbs, David G.
- 1954—Billinghurst, Noel D.
 „ Eastwood, Eric R.
 „ Grundy, John
 „ Hammond, George M.
 „ Heppelthwaite, Ernest
 „ Newton, Alan H. V.
 „ Rakena, Ruawai D.
 „ Rushton, Percy P.
 „ Tahere, Te Awha W.
 „ Trebilco, David L.
 „ Watson, Alexander C.
- 1955—Abbott, William K.
 „ Bennett, Trevor L.
 „ Boyd, Edward P.
 „ Cable, Wilfred J.
 „ Peart, Cuthbert F. (Sup.)
 „ Rigg, Frank S.
 „ Tauroa, Lane M.
 „ Thornicroft, Neville

CHRONOLOGICAL LIST—Continued

- 1956—Andrews, Robert S.
 „ Bennett, George L.
 „ Grant, Ian D.
 „ Kitchingham, Owen A.
 „ Scammell, Bruce
- 1957—Bell, G. Basil W.
 „ Cropp, James F.
 „ Fowler, Irwin J.
 „ Guthardt, Phyllis M.
 „ Kitchingman, Henry W.
 „ Mabon, John C. F.
 „ Reid, Andrew G. (Sup.)
 „ Russell, Kenneth H.
 „ Taylor, Philip F.
- 1958—Climo, Frederick J. (Sup.)
 „ Gilbert, Wilfred S.
 „ Hamlin, R. John
 „ Lewis, Evan R.
- 1959—Bowen, Lewis A.
 „ Dine, Mervyn L.
 „ Goudge, Stanley R.
 „ Greening, G. Kingsley
 „ Griffith, Keith C.
 „ Hosking, John S.
 „ Noble, Dorothea
 „ Salter, Lawrence E.
 „ Widdup, Robert W.
- 1960—Brazendale, Graham
 „ Christian, Owen L.
 „ Conway, James H.
 „ Grundy, Albert A.
 „ Gust, Warwick
 „ Hanson, E. Francis I.
 „ Henderson, W. John (Sup.)
 „ Hornblow, Maxwell A.
 „ Horrill, C. Seton
 „ McKenzie, Ian H.
 „ Mullan, David S.
 „ Peterson, Frederick D. (Sup.)
 „ Roke, Charles E. (Sup.)
- 1961—James, Russell E.
 „ Langley, John E.
 „ Marshall, C. Russell
 „ Sides, Brian W.
 „ Taylor, A. Kerry
 „ Wallace, William L.
- 1962—Currie, John B.
 „ Hawkey, Graham E.
 „ Hight, Arnold C.
- „ Hornblow, Edgar R.
 „ Jones, Barry E.
 „ Pomeroy, Harold C.
 „ Robertson, Ian H.
 „ Rutherford, Maynard G.
 „ Waine, Frederick E.
 „ Wakeling, W. J. Douglas
 „ Woodley, Alan K.
- 1963—Ansell, David H.
 „ Armstrong, David
 „ Ball, Niven G.
 „ Clarke, Ian L.
 „ Laws, Derek G.
 „ Rowe, B. Keith
 „ Toomer, Kenneth L.
- 1964—Felderhof, Ludwig
 „ Gerritsen, Hendrik
 „ Major, Ronald G.
 „ Neal, Barry W.
 „ Olsen, Brian L.
 „ Slinn, Stuart G.
- 1965—Chessum, William A.
 „ Clarke, Edwin B.
 „ Collingwood, Ronald C.
 „ Hayhurst, John G.
 „ Herbert, C. Brice
 „ Mackie, Bruce E.
 „ Waaka, Napi
 „ West, Norman J.
- 1966—Alexander, Roy M.
 „ Bowden, A. Roy
 „ Ferguson, Ronald W.
 „ Hendry, Richard J.
 „ Manihera, John I.
 „ Pihama, Te Taotahi John
 „ Prince, Donald F.
 „ Taylor, Keith J.
 „ Te Whare, Robert
 „ West, Stanley J.
- 1967—Bennett, Enid J.
 „ Jamieson, Colin G.
 „ Michie, Laurie A.
 „ Pratt, David C.
- 1968—Allan, Robert A.
 „ Couch, Moke A. G.
 „ Curtis, Darrell R.
 „ Hay, J. Cedric
 „ Hey, Roger J. E.
 „ Hosking, Bruce L.

CHRONOLOGICAL LIST—Continued

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| <p> „ Leadley, Alan J. „ Loader, William R. G. „ McIver, Graeme M. „ Malcouronne, Brian J. „ Meredith, John D. „ Norwell, Ian C. „ Phillips, Donald J. „ Te Whare, Morehu </p> <p> 1969—Alley, David R. „ Brookes, Norman E. „ Chapman, Wallace C. „ Corlett, Ashley I. „ de Zoete, Pieter K. F. „ Eagle, Brian R. J. „ Ferguson, Ronald W. „ Harkness, Barry G. „ Rigby, Russell G. „ Stringer, Robert G. „ Turner, Brian H. </p> | <p> 1970—Graham, Duncan R. „ Griffiths, William D. „ Smith, G. Clive </p> <p> 1971—Blundell, Warren H. „ Salmon, John B. „ Simpson, Ronald N. „ Wright, Jack </p> <p> 1972—Dickie, Arthur W. „ Greenwood, Russell J. „ MacLeod, D. Ian </p> <p> 1973—Anderson, Ian E. M. „ Currie, Laurence H. „ Grant, Stuart C. „ Stringer, John A. </p> <p> 1974—Burton, Restall A. „ de Zoete, Jan D. „ Hopkins, George C. „ Roberts, John H. </p> |
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The Sessions of the Conference were opened on Saturday, 3rd November, 1973, in the Durham Street Church Christchurch, by the retiring President, Rev. W. Selwyn Dawson, after which the Rev. William R. Laws, was inducted to the Presidency. Mr Eric G. Heggie, was inducted as Vice-President.

Lectionary 1974-1975

(FOR THE OPTIONAL USE OF PREACHERS)

1974

APRIL

MORNING

EVENING

| | | | |
|------------------|----|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Palm Sunday | 7 | Jeremiah 29: 1-14 Matthew 24: 1-14 | Zech. 9: 9-17 Matthew 21: 1-11 |
| Easter Day | 14 | Psalm 16 (No. 20) John 20: 1-10 | Isaiah 60: 15-22 Mark 15: 42-16: 8 |
| 1st after Easter | 21 | Joel 3: 14-21 Acts 3: 13-36 | Isaiah 2: 1-4 Mark 16: 9-20 |
| 2nd after Easter | 28 | Exodus 2: 1-22 Acts 10: 34-48 | Job 29: 1-16 John 9: 1-25 |

MAY

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| 3rd after Easter (Bible Sunday in N.Z.) | 5 | Psalm 119: 1-16 Romans 15: 1-13 | Deut. 6: 1-7 Acts 8: 26-40 |
| 4th after Easter (Home & Family Day) | 12 | Psalm 103 (No. 51) 1 Corinthians 13 | Psalm 145: 1-13 2 Cor. 5: 1-10 |
| 5th after Easter (Rogation) | 19 | Exodus 15: 1-19 1 Corinthians 15: 1-11 | Hosea 11: 1-11 Luke 10: 1-24 |

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

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| Sunday after Ascension | 26 | Psalm 67 (No. 9) Acts 1: 9-26 | Amos 3 Luke 4: 31-44 |
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JUNE

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| Pentecost | 2 | Jer. 31: 31-34 Acts 2: 1-8, 12-21 | Psalm 29 John 14: 15-27 |
| Trinity or next after Pentecost | 9 | Isaiah 6: 1-8 Matthew 28: 16-20 | Psalm 97 (No. 50) Revelation 4 |
| 2nd after Pentecost | 16 | Isaiah 5: 11-24 Matthew 7: 1-14 | Exodus 34: 1-10 Acts 9: 1-22 |
| 3rd after Pentecost | 23 | Isaiah 12 Matthew 7: 15-29 | Exodus 34: 29-35 Galatians 1: 11-24 |
| 4th after Pentecost | 30 | Isaiah 29: 15-24 Matthew 9: 1-17 | Judges 16: 15-30 Acts 14: 8-18 |

JULY

MORNING

EVENING

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| 5th after Pentecost | 7 | Jeremiah 12: 1-6 Matthew 9: 18-38 | Ruth 1: 1-22 Acts 16: 16-40 |
| 6th after Pentecost | 14 | Jer. 28: 1-10 Matthew 10: 1-15 | 1 Sam. 8: 1-22 Acts 17: 16-34 |

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| 7th after Pentecost | 21 | Ezekiel 3: 4-15 Matthew 10: 24-42 | 1 Sam. 9: 1-20a Acts 18: 24-19: 6 |
| 8th after Pentecost AUGUST | 28 | Ezekiel 3: 16-21 Matthew 11: 1-19 | 1 Samuel 12 Acts 19: 23-41 |
| 9th after Pentecost | 4 | Ezekiel 18: 1-4, 19-23 Matthew 12: 1-16 | 1 Samuel 16: 1-13 Matthew 19: 13-30 |
| 10th after Pentecost (L.P. Sunday) | 11 | Ezekiel 34: 1-11 Matthew 12: 22-37 | 1 Sam. 18: 1-16 Acts 20: 17-38 |
| 11th after Pentecost | 18 | Isaiah 42: 1-9 Matthew 12: 38-50 | 2 Sam. 1: 1-16 1 Cor. 1: 1-17 |
| 12th after Pentecost | 25 | Isaiah 42: 10-17 Matthew 14: 1-21 | 2 Sam. 1: 17-27 1 Cor. 3 |

SEPTEMBER

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| 13th after Pentecost | 1 | Isaiah 44: 6-20 Matthew 14: 22-36 | 2 Sam. 12: 1-7a 1 Cor. 12: 1-11 |
| 14th after Pentecost | 8 | Isaiah 45: 1-13 Matthew 15: 1-20 | 2 Sam. 18: 1-17 1 Cor. 12: 12-13: 1 |
| 15th after Pentecost | 15 | Isaiah 51: 7-16 Matthew 16: 21-28 | 2 Sam. 18: 19-33 1 Cor. 15: 35-58 |
| 16th after Pentecost (Christian Citizenship) | 22 | Psalms 62 (No. 36) Romans 14: 13-21 | Exodus 18: 13-26 Acts 10: 9-15, 34-35 |
| 17th after Pentecost | 29 | Isaiah 57: 15-21 Matthew 17: 1-13 | 1 Kings 3: 5-15 2 Cor. 5: 20-6: 10 |

OCTOBER

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| 18th after Pentecost (World Communion Day) | 6 | Ezekiel 37: 15-23 John 17: 14-26 | 2 Chron. 30: 1-9 Ephesians 2: 11-22 |
| 19th after Pentecost | 13 | Isaiah 65: 17-25 Matthew 17: 14-23 | 1 Kings 8: 54-62 2 Cor. 11: 16-31 |
| 20th after Pentecost | 20 | Zechariah 8: 1-8 Matthew 18: 15-35 | 1 Kings 10: 1-13 2 Cor. 12: 1-10 |
| 21st after Pentecost (Industrial Sunday) | 27 | Exodus 35: 30-36: 7 2 Thess. 3: 6-13, 16 | Nehemiah 4 Romans 13 |

***N.B.: The Social Principles should be read on this Day. See Minutes 1967, page 113.

NOVEMBER

MORNING

EVENING

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| 22nd after Pentecost | 3 | Zechariah 13 Matthew 20: 17-28 | 1 Kings 12: 1-15 Galatians 5: 16-6: 5 |
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| 23rd after Pentecost (Remembrance Sunday) | 10 | Eccles. 44: 1-15 (No. 73) Matthew 5: 1-16 | Joshua 4: 1-9 Rev. 14: 13-15: 4 |
| 24th after Pentecost | 17 | Malachi 3: 13-4: 3 Matthew 21: 18-32 | 1 Kings 17: 1-16 Romans 8: 1-17 |
| Next before Advent | 24 | Haggai 2: 1-9 Matthew 24: 32-51 | Eccles. 12: 1-8 2 Corinthians 4 |

DECEMBER

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| 1st in Advent | 1 | Isaiah 40: 1-5 Matthew 25: 1-13 | Malachi 3: 1-7a Luke 1: 5-23 |
| 2nd in Advent | 8 | Deut. 30: 8-16 Luke 4: 16-30 | Isaiah 11: 1-10 Romans 15: 1-13 |
| 3rd in Advent | 15 | Isaiah 26: 1-9 1 Thess. 13: 5-11 | Micah 4: 1-7 1 Cor. 4: 1-7 |
| 4th in Advent | 22 | Isaiah 35 (No. 69) Revelation 1: 1-8 | Micah 5: 2-4 Titus 2: 11-3: 7 |
| Sunday after Christmas | 29 | Isaiah 41: 1-7, 17-20 John 1: 1-14 | Isaiah 43: 1-13 Phil. 2: 1-11 |

1975

JANUARY

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| 2nd after Christmas | 5 | Zech: 2: 10-13 Hebrews 1: 1-12 | Joshua 1: 1-9 Luke 2: 21-32 |
| 1st after Epiphany | 12 | Jer. 31: 1-17 Matthew 2: 13-23 | Genesis 12: 1-9 John 4: 5-26 |
| 2nd after Epiphany | 19 | Jer. 7: 21-28 Hebrews 10: 1-8 | Genesis 18: 23-33 John 6. 41-59, 66-69 |
| Septuagesima or before Easter | 9th 26 | Genesis 1: 1-5, 26-31 Colossians 1: 9-20 | Job 38: 1-11 Rev. 21: 1-7 |

FEBRUARY

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| Sexagesima or 8th before Easter | 2 | Genesis 3: 1-24 Matthew 5: 33-48 | Deut. 30: 8-20 John 15: 1-15 |
| Quinquagesima or 7th before Easter (Covenant Sunday) | 9 | Genesis 17: 1-9 Hebrews 8: 1-13 | Deut. 26: 16-19 Mark 14: 17-26 |
| 1st in Lent | 16 | Amos 5: 18-24 Luke 4: 1-13 | Job 2 Matthew 26: 1-16 |
| 2nd in Lent | 30 | Isaiah 28: 1-13 Romans 5: 12-21 | Job 38: 1-21 Matthew 26: 17-35 |

| MARCH | | MORNING | EVENING |
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| 3rd in Lent | 2 | Ezekiel 2: 1-10 Romans 6: 15-23 | Job 38: 22-41 Matthew 26: 36-56 |
| 4th in Lent | 9 | Jeremiah 17: 5-14 Romans 7: 7-8: 2 | Job 40: 1-14 Matthew 26: 57-75 |
| 5th in Lent (Passion Sunday) | 16 | Isaiah 63: 1-9 1 Peter 2: 18-25 | Isaiah 50: 4-10 Matthew 27: 11-31 |
| Palm Sunday | 23 | Isaiah 52: 13-53: 12 Luke 19: 29-42 | Psalms 118 (No. 56) Matthew 27: 32-54 |
| Easter Day | 30 | Isaiah 25 & 26 (No. 68) Luke 23: 50-24: 12 | Exodus 15: 1-5, 10-13, 17-18 Luke 24: 13-35 |

ALTERNATIVE AND ADDITIONAL PASSAGES FOR SPECIAL DAYS

HOLY WEEK:

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| Monday: | Job 19: 1-9, 21-29 | Mark 14: 1-16 |
| Tuesday: | Zechariah 13: 1-9 | Mark 14: 32-52 |
| Wednesday: | 1 Sam. 4: 1-11 | Mark 14: 53-72 |
| Thursday: | Lev. 16: 3-10, 20-22 | John 13: 1-20 |
| Good Friday: | Isaiah 52: 13-53: 12 Psalms 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; Psalm 133; Isaiah 55: 6-13; Ezekiel 37: 15-28; Matthew 16: 13-19; Matthew 18: 10-21; John 17: 20-26; 1 Cor. 3; Ephes. 1: 3-23; Ephes. 2: 11-22; Ephes. 4: 1-16; 1 Peter 2: 1-10.

Youth Day: Deut. 8: 7-18; 1 Samuel 3: 1-10; 1 Samuel 16: 1-13; Proverbs 3: 1-7, 11-17; Matthew 19: 13-30; Mark 9: 33-50; Mark 10: 35-45; Luke 2: 41-52; Luke 18: 18-30.

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; Matthew 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; Matthew 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 13 to 20 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?

Russell J. Greenwood.

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

Russell J. Greenwood

Gordon Parker

(N.B.: The name of Gordon Parker was inadvertently omitted from the 1971 Minutes).

QUESTION 3—What Preachers remain on Probation?

Ian E. M. Anderson

Laurence H. Currie

Stuart C. Grant, B.A., LL.B., L.Th.

D. Ian MacLeod

John A. Stringer, Dip. Theol.

Who have travelled one year.

QUESTION 4—What Preachers are now received on Probation?

Restell Albert Burton

Jan D. de Zoete

John H. Roberts, B.A.

QUESTION 5—What students are to continue to have Theological Training?

Anthony N. Bell

Patricia M. Jacobson

G. Douglas Pratt, B.A.

Gavin B. Sharp

Paul F. Sinclair

John A. Thomson (With permission to study in England).

Who are continued for a third year.

Dougall Bruce

Michael W. Greer

Graeme R. White

Who are continued for a second year

Peter E. Glensor (from the President's List of Reserve)

Also: T. Auva'a (on behalf of the Samoan Conference).

V. Eteuati (on behalf of the Samoan Conference).

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

Keith W. Duley

I. Marie Greenwood

M. Joan McIntosh (Training deferred until 1975)

QUESTION 7.—No longer applies.

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

Hana Hauraki

(b) What Students are continued on Deaconess Probation?

None

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

Diana A. Tana

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

None

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?

George E. Brown

Robert Purcell Keall

Wallace Stanley Neal

John W. Reddihough

Herbert Prowse

D. Ian Robertson

Paahi Moke

Sister Ruth Fawcett

GEORGE E. BROWN

George E. Brown offered as a candidate for the Ministry in 1914 from his home church of Cargill Road in the St. Kilda Circuit. He was the son of much respected parents to whose Christian home influence he never ceased to pay grateful tribute. They were humble folk of strong integrity and robust Christian faith. These marks were on young George Brown as he launched into his life ministry and they were the characteristics for which he will always be remembered by those who knew him.

He was a student at Dunholme Theological College, Auckland, under Principal C. H. Garland and was one of the group of students drawn into active service in the first World War. He served for 2½ years in New Zealand and overseas and was with the Army of Occupation in Germany after the conclusion of hostilities.

He served a brief period as "supply" at Manaia circuit before entering Army training and on his return his circuits were Reefton, Thorndon, Dominion Road, Auckland, Greymouth, Cargill Road, Dunedin, Hamilton East, Whangarei and Mt. Albert, Auckland. He was ordained in 1920 and he served for forty years, retiring in 1955.

In the formative restoration period of the Young Men's Bible Class Movement after the War, George Brown gave most significant leadership of the Wellington District as well as being Dominion President in 1923. He had a natural and much appreciated gift of friendship and he maintained an interest in youth work and young men turned to him with trust and confidence. He was an active member of the Wesley Hockey Club in Wellington at the heyday of that Club's greatness, being goalkeeper for the senior "A" team.

In 1924 George Brown married Miss Beulah Hodge of Northland Church, Wellington, and she was a strong and devoted helpmeet throughout his ministry. They have one son and one daughter.

It is not given to every minister to be invited and appointed to the Circuit of his boyhood, but this tribute came to him, and he ministered with much acceptance during the depression years in South Dunedin.

His long service of ten years in Whangarei was marked by the establishment of the Northland sub-District Executive which led to the later formation of the Northland Synodal District. He took his

share of connexional duties, having been Secretary for Nelson and Otago-Southland Districts, and for six years was general Statistical Secretary of Conference.

Conference entrusted him with some important charges, and he never let down the Church. He had ability with his hands, was a good exponent of the Scriptures, a leader of young men, patient with the elderly—a good Methodist Minister. He belongs to us all. His “sunset” years were spent with his wife and close to his daughter at Rototuna in a rural setting of peacefulness where a soldier of the Lord found rest.

ROBERT PURCELL KEALL

The Rev. R. Purcell Keall died peacefully in the Hutt Hospital on 16th December at the age of 97. The “father” of our Church’s ministry, his life spanned the century from the 1870’s.

A son of the Rev. William Keall, Purcell was converted in 1887 at a mission in the Durham Street Church conducted by the Rev. J. J. Lewis.

Appointed a Home Missionary in 1895, he became the first representative of any denomination to serve in the Waimarino District.

Following two years training at Prince Albert College, he spent four years probation in four appointments (Inglewood, Motueka, Westport and Waihi), before being ordained in 1903. In the same year he was married to Miss Lina Drummond of Motueka, whose mother was the first white woman in the Nelson-Motueka area. He and his wife spent a further 12 Circuits (Oxford-Sheffield, Paparoa, Opunake, Whangarei, Sanson-Rongotea, Woodville, Otaki, Carterton, Greytown, Wellington, Central-Brooklyn, Temuka and Eketahuna) before his retirement in 1940. Supply ministries were later carried out in both the Lower Hutt and Upper Hutt Circuits from 1942 to 1949.

How much Methodism of an earlier day owed to the men of his calibre and stamina! As second man in the Waitara Circuit he travelled over 2,000 miles on horse-back in the first six months of his ministry there; when in Westport he rode his bicycle through to Synod in Nelson; in Okahune he drew up the plans and specifications for the first church building in that town; work in the Paparoa area meant anything up to eight hours on horse-back before taking the evening service.

Of recent years Mr Keall had been handicapped by blindness, but he retained the gift of a remarkable memory and a keen interest in theology and in the life of the church and the world.

Mr Keall’s family played a very important part in his life and ministry. Mr and Mrs Keall had the joy of celebrating their diamond wedding anniversary before Mrs Keall’s death at the age of 90. They leave four sons and three daughters by the marriage, their daughter Kathleen spending more than half her lifetime caring for her mother and father, particularly in the years of his blindness.

Purcell Keall proved to be a most devoted and loyal minister through difficult years and in difficult situations. His love for his church remained undimmed to the very end. He was unfailingly generous and kind in his attitude to others, and his faith in God and God’s goodness was strong throughout his long life.

WALLACE STANLEY NEAL

Wallace Stanley Neal passed away quietly on 12th November, 1972 in his 85th year.

He was born at Napier in 1888 and at the age of 20 was received as a lay preacher in the Taranaki Street Circuit, Wellington. Four years later he entered Dunholme College in Auckland for training for the Methodist ministry.

In College he was a quiet, retiring young man, of spiritual depth and firm loyalty. The same qualities marked his Circuit ministry. Altogether he served in thirteen Circuits, spending most of his time in country circuits from Northern Wairoa to Dunedin.

His voice was seldom heard in the counsels of the church, but in every circuit he gave himself with untiring zeal in the interests of the Church and the Kingdom of God. He was a faithful preacher and an assiduous pastor and his transparent sincerity evoked a responsive affection and appreciation in every place where he laboured. His unremitting care for the elderly and infirm was a feature of his ministry that was much appreciated.

Throughout his ministry he was loyally supported by his wife Gladys, who brought her own gifts into the Sunday School and Bible Class. In 1953 Mr Neal superannuated and came to live in Christchurch, where he continued to exercise a quiet ministry until failing health prevented his getting about. A brotherly man himself, he appreciated the brotherhood of the Ministry, and loved to keep in touch with what was happening in the life of the church.

Wallace's latter years were spent in Wesley Hospital. Mrs Neal pre-deceased her husband in January 1972. Three children were born into their home. Allan (who died in May, 1971), Dorothy, who is married to the Rev. R. S. Andrews, and Ralph of Christchurch. To those who survive him, the gratitude of the Church is expressed. They too can look back with thanksgiving for a life that was faithfully and usefully lived; and to the faith that sustained him in the years of his ministry. Of his devotion to God there is no doubt. All he had he gave to his Lord, and was

"Content to fill a little space, If God be glorified."

"Well done, good and faithful servant, enter into the joy of your Lord."

JOHN W. REDDIHOUGH

John W. Reddihough, F.R.G.S. served only 10 years in our New Zealand Ministry before ill health demanded his retirement. This short term was served in three Circuits and all in the South Island.

He was trained and ordained an Anglican priest in England, but in search of better health he came to New Zealand and in 1957 was received into our Methodist Ministry. He gave unselfish service, battling all the time for better health. John never lost his "English ways". His reverential approach to worship and his quiet manner always brought a touch of the "old world" to us. This, sometimes, was a quiet rebuke to our brashness. He was a delightful companion. In his preaching he was always the quiet, thoughtful and well prepared minister. A born listener and a natural pastor, he was much loved by many.

A Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society, he maintained an active and inquiring mind to the end. His award was for painstaking work, and his ministry was marked by the same care and orderliness.

Since his retirement he suffered continuous pain, causing him to withdraw from many social contacts. He was, however, a man of tremendous personal resources and was able with God's grace to stand firm.

A measure of the quality and strength of his ministry was that he was well content "to fill the little space, if God be glorified". His widow and daughter are assured that we sympathise with them in their loss.

RUTH FAWCETT

Methodist deaconess, Sister Ruth Fawcett's death was announced to Conference delegates in the opening session of the 1973 Conference.

Her life had been intimately associated with the Church and delegates stood in silence as a mark of love and respect for her service.

Sister Ruth entered Deaconess House in 1909 and during the course of her ministry served as superintendent of the House on three occasions, as well as serving at Eastbelt, Durham Street, the Sydney Central Mission, Durham Street South, Dunedin Central Mission and then at the British and Foreign Bible Society.

Her special gifts as an organiser, a disciplined and effective Christian, a talent for church drama and personal qualities of graciousness and love all ensure her memory will be esteemed in the world of Methodism.

HERBERT PROWSE

Born in Ballarat, Australia, the son of a Salvation Army Officer, Herbert Prowse came to New Zealand about sixty years ago. After four years overseas with the army, he taught art at the King Edward Technical College, Dunedin. Later he went to Invercargill where he was the Borstal Social Worker and then transferred to Waikeria Borstal. The second world war saw him in Auckland as acting general secretary of the Y.M.C.A., and on the termination of hostilities he was appointed secretary of the Y.M.C.A., Wanganui.

Joining the Methodist Home Mission Department, he was appointed to the Marton Circuit where he was inducted on April 14th, 1948. He served his congregation faithfully for three years after which he was transferred to Halcombe where he remained for six years. Moving to Eketahuna, failing health caused his early retirement some eighteen months later.

In 1960 he moved to Marton to live in retirement. A keen correspondent and writer of verse Herbert Prowse kept in touch with a wide circle of friends throughout the years.

In retirement his interest in the Church and Christian things was maintained. A keen student of the Bible, he had theological articles published overseas. During his retirement he wrote a thesis on theology and was awarded a Doctorate of Sacred Literature by the International Free Protestant Episcopal University of America and in 1968 became a Doctor of Divinity from the same University.

Herbert Prowse was a pastor to his people. A man of many gifts he sought the youth of the Church for Christ. An evangelical preacher he sought to win old and young for the Master.

Mrs Prowse pre-deceased him nine years ago. He is survived by their only child, Mrs Carey Gray, of Marton, and two grandsons.

D. IAN ROBERTSON

The late Mr D. I. Robertson entered Home Mission Service as a Home Mission Probationer in 1940 and was appointed to St. Clair in the Dunedin South Circuit. In 1941 he was transferred to Edendale in Southland where he served for three years. In 1944 he completed his Home Missionary's study Course and became a Home Missionary

in full status and was appointed to the Kaikohe Circuit. After three years of very helpful service there Mr Robertson, for family reasons, resigned from Home Mission work and entered business. After several years he moved to Auckland and began to associate himself actively with the life and work of the Auckland Central Mission. The Mission found his pastoral ministry to be so helpful that they requested the Home Mission Board to grant Mr Robertson status as a Home Missionary supply. This was done and his services in this field for more than two years is remembered by many people with deep gratitude.

After serving a term at Northcote in the Birkenhead Circuit, Mr Robertson and his wife and son moved in 1956 to Oneroa, Waiheke Island, where he actively co-operated with the work of the Presbyterian Parish. In 1958 the Home Mission Board received a special request that in recognition of his long and helpful earlier services, and the many requests he received for assistance with Ministerial duties, he should be granted the status of a Retired Home Missionary and be registered as an Officiating Minister under the Marriage Act. This was done and the Church has been faithfully served.

In 1962 Mr Robertson moved to Beachhaven, Birkenhead Circuit, and here until his death in March he maintained close and helpful contacts, especially for a period at Northcote assisting with pastoral work. Thrice married, Mr Robertson found a gracious partner and very loyal companion in each wife.

D. I. Robertson was a rugged, direct, forthright person, who was not always understood, but those closest to him knew the manly and very tender sympathy that underlay his personality. He never spared himself. He was a good preacher and a diligent pastor and friend. He made many good friends among the menfolk of each place where he lived and the large gathering at the Birkenhead Church was a fitting tribute to a good man. To Mrs Robertson, and to Mr Robertson's son and daughter, we extend our sincere sympathy in their loss.

PAAHI MOKE

One of our oldest and longest serving Home Missionaries, Paahi Moke, passed away 2nd March, 1973 at the Parsonage in Kawhia and was laid to rest in the family burial ground at Paringatai, adjacent to the site of the first Wesleyan Mission Station at Papakarewa.

A leading elder and member of Ngatihikairo tribe, Paahi Moke was a son of Moke Pumipi and Mamae Kaora, whose marriage had linked two prominent families in the district.

As a boy Paahi attended Wesley College, Three Kings and later went on to St Stephen's School at Parnell in Auckland. He was a ready student, a good reader and a fluent speaker in both English and Maori.

He married Kiti Te Uira of Taharoa and they have a family of two sons and a daughter. In early life Paahi took an alert interest in the lore and custom of his people, and as the years passed he became a recognised authority on such matters wherever he served. He was an enthusiastic and convinced supporter of the King Movement to the end of his life.

In 1930, at the call of the Church, he accepted appointment as a Home Missionary and commenced serving at Rahotu, Taranaki. Later he was appointed to New Plymouth for nine years. His subsequent appointments were to Tuakau, Ngaruawahia, again to New Plymouth, Te Kuiti where he retired in 1956 and took up residence in the Kawhia Parsonage.

In his retirement he gave continuing support to the Church in the district and to the tribal life of his people.

He was a keen bowler and gardener, and both he and Mrs Moke took loving care of the Memorial Church and surroundings until failing health limited their activities in this respect.

In his latter years increasing deafness and failing eyesight were a considerable handicap, but he battled on faithfully to the end. He has now entered into his reward as a good and faithful servant of his Lord.

No reira, haere e Paahi, e okioki i roto i te Ariki.

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

Herbert Bateup
Mervyn Ansley Bull
Benjamin Thomas Clothier
E. Hugh Densem
Charles F. Horn
Eva Kershaw

Kenneth J. Rosser
Ernest H. Smith
Forbes West
Rhys C. Williams
Whatarau Wharehoka

HERBERT BATEUP

Born in Richmond, Nelson, in 1889, the sixth child of a family of twelve, Herbert Bateup grew up in a Christian home which he left at the age of 15 to learn the blacksmithing trade. He came to know his Lord personally at the age of 19 or 20, and received great help from the Rev. Clarence Eaton who encouraged him in his desire to preach the Gospel. He became a Methodist Local Preacher and biked many miles up and down the hills around the Nelson district, preaching with great sincerity. Through the power of the Holy Spirit many were converted.

He married Miss Pearl Haycock, and three children were born before he left Richmond to work at Cresswell's blacksmith's shop in Spring Creek. Here again he was continually in demand as a preacher, travelling, usually on horseback to the various preaching places between Picton and Blenheim.

He eventually felt called to offer as a Home Missionary and was posted to the Rawene Circuit, in Hokianga. Here he gave of himself unstintedly in a very scattered and poorly roaded district, travelling mainly on horseback or by boat.

Sickness in the home eventually caused him to resign from the Home Mission work, but for 54 years he faithfully preached the Gospel.

Having been left a widower, he later married Miss Winifred Fell, from Hokianga and eventually, with their three children, went to Masterton. For ten and a half years they were Mum and Dad to the children of the Methodist Children's Home there. Mr Bateup's understanding and wise counsel, and his unflinching sense of humour endeared him to children and Committee alike. In all the work he was very ably supported by his wife who shared to the fullest in every part of the life of the Home.

At the age of 64 he felt the time had come to retire from active work, and Mr and Mrs Bateup went to live at Opononi. After a year's rest, he was asked to take charge of the Maori Apprentices' Hostel at Rotorua for the N.C.C. There Mr and Mrs Bateup cared for 30 boys for a year or so. Mr Bateup often said that the years spent among the two groups of young people, in Masterton and Rotorua, were the best of his whole life.

Always, his high standards and his love for people and for his Lord shone through, and we know that his life's influence will continue to be a guiding star for all the members of his large family and all with whom he came into contact.

In more recent years Mr and Mrs Bateup lived in retirement at Pukerua Bay and have taken an active interest in the life of the Church there.

"Love never faileth" was the constant theme of his living and speaking, and when his Home Call came on 25th July 1973, the many who gathered to pay their respects and give tribute to his life were the visible proof of the power of that love.

MERVYN ANSLEY BULL

On 7th February, 1973, Mervyn Ansley Bull passed away after a distinguished record in Education, the Military Services and the Church. A grandson of the Rev. Henry Bull, Mervyn was educated in Christchurch, being a Scholarship student at Boys' High School. At the University of Canterbury, he graduated with First Class Honours Masters Degree in Mathematics and later trained as a teacher.

He taught at Christchurch Boys' High School, West Christchurch, Thames High School, and from 1947-1965 was Rector of Timaru Boys' High School.

In education circles he was Dominion President and Life Member of the Post Primary Teachers' Association and member of 11 Consultative and Advisory Committees set up by the Ministry of Education. For eight years he was a member of the Senate of the University of New Zealand and some time Chief Examiner in Mathematics under the Education Department. In recent years, when a Post-Primary Inspector, he introduced the New Mathematics to many South Island Schools.

Mervyn Bull saw service in the Battle of Britain, in Egypt, Greece and the Battle of Crete. He was ranked Major in 1941 and Second-in-Command of the Fifth Field Artillery Regiment. He was Senior N.Z. Gunnery Officer at the Battle of Crete and on its capitulation was left behind to become a Prisoner of War in German hands from 1941 till April 1944. In captivity he organised teacher training and other educational activities, besides studying German and New Testament Greek. He was the first student to sit a New Zealand University examination in a Prisoner of War Camp and graduated Bachelor of Commerce before being released. The Efficiency Decoration and Bar were awarded him for his services.

In the Church he was a thoughtful and acceptable Lay Preacher. He held the highest executive office in the Local Church, was a representative at Synod and a member of the National Conference of the Methodist Church.

He is survived by his wife and son, Robert, who shares the wide and vigorous intellectual interests of his father.

BENJAMIN THOMAS CLOTHIER

Benjamin Thomas Clothier affectionately known as 'Uncle Ben' by countless Methodists and others throughout the country died at Wellington on 22 August, 1973. He was for nearly ten years Custodian of Wesley Church, Taranaki Street, Wellington, a place he loved and cared for with great devotion. The thousands who used the property every year including several Wellington Conferences, came to know him as a gentle man of great warmth and true devotion.

In Ben Clothier and his wife Else two great pioneering Canterbury families were linked—the Clothiers and the Lills. They are names honoured throughout Methodism and the families still are strong servants of the church. Ben was an outstanding sportsman—in his younger days at athletics, rugby and cricket. Latterly he was a champion bowler and it brought him great satisfaction and pleasure.

His son Quentin is now Custodian of Wesley Church, having taken over from his father.

Wesley Church was full for the funeral service which was conducted by the Rev. Wilf Ford and the Rev. Jack Penman who paid a warm tribute to his life. The Church surrounds in love his widow Else, daughter Maureen and son Quentin.

DR ERNEST HUGH DENSEM

The whole Church gives thanks for the life and influence of Dr Ernest Hugh Densem. He was a man whose deepest concern was for people, a man who found fulfilment in his work and profession, especially in the care of the handicapped.

Hugh Densem was a medical student in Dunedin at a time when the country was beginning to emerge from the depression. These were times when life was much less cluttered with things and possessions and Hugh with other youth leaders in the church was to discover the worth of friendship and to find enjoyment in simple and wholesome pursuits. The qualities which marked his life then, disciplined and refined as they were by the years, were present to the end.

He was a man who exercised a tremendous influence over young people in the Bible Class Movement of those days. His interest in children and young people so evident then continued throughout his life. During an unusually busy medical practise in Timaru he somehow found time to Superintend for a period the Sunday School at Banks Street Church, to lead a Bible Class, to conduct the choir and in particular to train to a remarkable degree of competence a children's choir. This consuming interest in and concern for young people was one of the deep motivating forces in his work achievement in his latter years in Mangere Psychopaedic Hospital. He always saw his profession as a vocation. It was a sense of call to overseas missionary service in the Solomon Islands which first led him to study medicine. Unfortunately the Methodist Church, which had encouraged him in his studies, was not in a sufficiently buoyant financial position after the depression to be able to extend its medical services in the Solomon Islands—work which had been pioneered by Dr Ted Sayers. So, after graduating in medicine and surgery at Otago University he served for two years at Greymouth Hospital and then entered general practice. For twenty years in Timaru he gave himself without stint to his profession, building up a vigorous practice and winning the trust and confidence of an unbelievably larger number of people, at the same time using his gifts and energies in service to Church and community.

It was a major illness which brought a radical change in the pattern of his life and which was responsible for his move north to Auckland. In 1936 he came to Kingseat Hospital as medical officer and then in 1967 he became Superintendent at Mangere, at that time a minor institution.

Bringing to his new responsibilities the same desire to be of service, the same dynamic enthusiasm, he led a team which built it into today's hospital and training school with 516 patients. It was there that his work with mentally retarded people soon attracted wide attention. He held the view that every handicapped child can be trained, and he worked to find employment even for those with

profound handicaps, to enable then to use their potential. Under his direction the hospital began a wide system of outpatient care and counselling for the whole family unit, as a means of keeping handicapped children in the community.

No man can give so generously of himself without the support and encouragement of his wife, and family, and in this Hugh Densem was most fortunate. It was within his home that all he believed in most truly nurtured and had room to grow and the fellowship of his loved ones, through good times and ill, was a constant joy and consolation.

The key to his life and personality is to be found in his deep faith in the goodness at the heart of things, in the God whose love and mercy are revealed in Jesus Christ. Into this faith he was born and in this faith he was nurtured. His father, who is still living, in his nineties, was a Methodist Home Missionary. But as Hugh grew up he made this faith his own. He combined evangelical experience and social concern and thus portrayed the qualities and emphases which have been part and parcel of the witness of the Methodist Church through the years.

He did not believe that faith made a man better than his fellows but that it ought to make a man more truly human. He never regarded faith as an insurance cover against misfortunes which come to all other men and women, but rather as an anchor which holds a man in the storms and tempests of life, as a generator supplying the power and resources to cope with life, and enabling a man to meet even the worst with courage and serenity, or like sails to a ship giving buoyancy and direction to life.

This faith he preached—and what an effective lay preacher he was.

This faith he sang. He was naturally well endowed with a beautiful baritone voice and music was with him both a joy and a passion.

Above all, this faith he lived and through all the tests of life and despite the human limitations and weaknesses to which we all are prone, it penetrated all he was and did.

To Lex, his wife, his sons and daughter and their families, we offer not only our deep sympathy but the assurance of our thoughts and friendship in the days ahead.

CHARLES FREDERICK HORN

On February 8, 1973, Methodists from far and near gathered in Te Aroha to pay their respects to the late Charles Frederick Horn who was in his 88th year. He was a man who was respected by one and all for his Christian faith and witness. The Hymn "To God be the glory great things he hath done", a favourite of Mr Horn's, was sung by a very large crowd of relatives and friends.

The Service was shared by the Revs. R. Eastwood, T. Shepherd and D. Baldwin. In paying tribute, Mr Shepherd portrayed the love C. F. Horn had for his Master through preaching, teaching and living. Mr Horn had a small Apiary and from his experience with bees he illustrated to young and old God's wonderful love through creation and how he did make all things well.

Children's stories were many and were related from the happy hive to the happy home where God's will reigned. As Church representative, he had attended Synods and Conferences for many years until his hearing forced him to decline nomination. Mr Horn's life was varied as it went from mining to dairy farming to preaching throughout the Thames Valley and latterly to the Te Aroha Methodist Church. His last service was conducted only a few months before his

death and he was active right to the last. A few weeks before he passed on, Church representatives from the Circuit presented him with an address of appreciation for his valued service to God and Church.

His contributions included local preaching 65 years, Trustee 62 years, Circuit Steward 28 years, Sunday School Superintendent and Bible Class Leader 21 years. A wonderful record from a wonderful man who has left behind him a life of inspiration and of service to God and his people. "Well done thou good and faithful servant."

KENNETH JOHN ROSSER

The death of Mr Ken Rosser in his 78th year brought to a close a life-long association with the Methodist Church in Pitt Street, Auckland and ended a long record of service in District and Connexional committees. Mr Rosser frequently attended the Methodist Conference, generally representing Trinity College Council on which he felt himself privileged to serve. He also served a long and valued membership of Prince Albert College Trust, and was a useful member of the Auckland District Property Committee and various committees of the Synod.

Mr Rosser was also active in inter-church affairs and was a respected member of the community of Auckland. He gained his secondary education at Auckland Technical College and received a certificate stating that he was "the best engineering student to pass through the school" in that year. He accepted the call to service in World War I, serving with the Field Artillery in France.

In 1921 he married Dora Ashworth and this has been described as "the best day's work he ever did"! A few years ago they celebrated their golden wedding, and have left an example of marriage and family life that is an inspiration to many people. The children of the family are all active in the Church. Joyce undertook missionary service in New Guinea and married Mr Gordon Dey when both were serving there; Eleanor is a leader in the Massey Church, and Mervyn Rosser is organist and choir-master at Mt. Albert.

For Ken Rosser, Pitt Street Church was his life! He was a third-generation member of Pitt Street and was baptised there as an infant. Within the Church he grew in Christian discipleship through Sunday School and youth activity, in particular through W.Y.M.I. He became a Sunday School teacher and was superintendent for eleven years.

His Sundays were wholly given to church service, in youth leadership and inservice through the choir. He and his wife each served for more than fifty years in Pitt Street Choir, and were honoured with "Life membership". Together with choral music, his major interest was organ music and the present musical capacity of the Pitt Street organ is directly due to his enthusiasm. (For many years he has maintained a pipe organ in the basement of two successive homes and while he acknowledged his limitations as an organist, there is no doubt about the passion which he felt for an organ and its inspiration.)

While there are no great achievements that would write his name on a civic or national Roll of Honour, yet he has given a shining example of devoted churchmanship and of disciplined Christian living. He was a man by whom the call of duty was always heeded, whatever the cost in his own self-sacrifice. His many friends give thanks for every remembrance of him!

ERNEST H. SMITH

Ern. Smith was every inch a man, whatever standard of assessment we could use to define the quality of his life, we could find him to be better than our standards would demand. Many and varied were the qualities of life of our late friend and I am sure many would share the view that the outstanding quality was his capacity to win respect from his fellows. This undoubtedly grew from the fact that Ern. Smith demonstrated, in a thousand ways, respect for others. It was not just among old friends that he came to be known as 'Uncle Ern', but many a new boy in his first camp, either at Amberley or Wainui, discovered the significance of this man and joined the band of those who affectionately use the more personal address of 'Uncle Ern'.

His was a long life, and we meet today to give thanks for one who used all of it for a constructive purpose and to influence us into a living faith in Christ.

While he remained a bachelor throughout his long life, this in no way diminished the time and thought he gave to his committed tasks, nor did that necessary care which every person must have for themselves, particularly when they live alone, ever stand in the way of the service he rendered to others.

Early in life he made the choices affecting the course of his life and the influences stemming from them, and throughout his life he stayed with those choices and used them to express the faith born in his own heart.

Ern Smith devoted himself to the service of youth and gave outstanding service in the youth work of the Methodist Church and the Y.M.C.A. as a youth leader within both groups. His length of continuous service in certain roles was a challenge to anyone tempted into thinking they might be doing too much. He was Camp Secretary to Methodist B.C.Y.M. Camps in this District for about forty years. To work with him in this role was to know the answers as to why his Bible Class work in the local church was a profound influence for good and this was extended into the life of the District and N.Z. Bible Class work. He was a Vice-President of the N.Z. Methodist Y.M.B.C. Movement, an active local union leader, Camp secretary and local church Bible Class leader. He was also a choir member, probably the longest continuing member retiring only when health dictated the need, a Trustee, and above all a friend to anyone who was able and willing to share his love for Christ.

He saw the Y.M.C.A. and its work as an extension of the Church working among youth in the community and he brought to this the same dedication as his other youth work, and so these two areas of service became his life.

Ern Smith gave service also as a Board member, a leader of boys in the Boys' Gordon Hall, a leader in Camps, particularly Wainui, and a voluntary worker, using his administrative gifts for little or no reward because he believed so deeply in what was being done.

In addition, he served as a Lay Preacher. His literary gifts were considerable and added to the effectiveness of the roles he played.

Optimist Club members will remember him especially for his editing of the "Ragman" and many ex-Easter Campers cherish the copies of "Canvastown News". Perhaps this, more than any other, revealed the true nature of the man, his humanity and understanding, and his deep spiritual faith and concern for others. He understood the boy whose relationship with his girl-friend was not going too well, but he also knew that Christ could help that boy to get life straight again.

Having put all his resources into what he committed himself to, Ern knew how and when to withdraw and leave the rest to the presence of the Holy Spirit.

FORBES WEST

Forbes West, an honoured trustee of the Morrinsville Methodist Church, died on August 29, 1973, aged 95 years.

Born in 1878, and educated in Adelaide, Forbes came to New Zealand in 1893 when the West family decided to emigrate and take up land in Taranaki. In 1903, he took his young wife (nee Helen Pearce) to the Waikato and farmed land at Easport Road, near Te Aroha. There he became Sunday School Superintendent, trustee and lay preacher at the local Methodist Church, serving also for a time at Springdale. Tragedy struck in 1914 with the death of his wife and two months later of his youngest son.

In 1920, he moved with his two sons on to a farm at Piako, near Morrinsville, and served the Methodist Church there at various times as Choir member, Sunday School Superintendent, Trustee and Circuit Steward. Several times, he represented the Circuit at Synod and Conference.

He was a Director of the Morrinsville Dairy Company for 25 years and also took a keen interest in School affairs and sporting activities.

He married again in 1935, but his second wife (nee Julia Mitchell) died in 1965. Having generously supported the Church's social service programme, it was fitting that he was able to spend his last years in the comfort of the Tamahere Home for the Aged.

He is survived by his two sons, Ronald (Morrinsville) and Douglas (Stratford), five grandchildren and seventeen great grandchildren.

RHYS CHAPMAN WILLIAMS

Rhys Williams died at his home in Kaitia on Thursday, September 6, 1973. His sudden passing leaves Northland District a treasure house of memories from his service to the church and wider community.

Increasing family, business and community obligations did not bring any lessening of time given to the affairs of his church for it seemed that Rhys just worked harder and moved faster. It was energy and enthusiasm thus spent that enabled him to get done all that he felt needed to be done.

His ability enabled him to serve his church as Lay Preacher; Circuit Steward; Youth Club and Bible Class leader; Synod and Conference representative. Service in these areas was always thoughtful and well prepared and was over a period of many years. Rhys was a strong advocate of Church Union and was a member of the first committee formed in the Mangonui County to discuss Church Union here. He was first Chairman of the Parish Council when Union was effected in 1971.

His Christian convictions led him to W.M.C.A. service in World War II and he served with the 35th Battalion through its Pacific campaigns.

Through the Bible Class movement from lad to leader

Through the structured church from worshipper to preacher and administrator

Rhys Williams gave all he was and had.

His aim was to be like Christ.

Now he is with Christ, which is far better.

To Grace, his widow, and to all his family, the whole Church extends its sympathy with the assurance of its continuing support, prayerfully and practically.

WHATERAU WHAREHOKA

Whaterau Wharehoka was born at Parihaka, Taranaki.

His family came under the strong influence of Te Whiti-o-rongo-mai, the Maori prophet of Parihaka, where morning and evening devotions were an important part of Pa life.

As a young boy, Whaterau had only two interests—religion and Maori culture, these interests were developed by him for the benefit of the Maori and Pakeha friends whom he loved.

In 1949, Whaterau was made an Hon. Home Missionary, a position which he carried with sincerity, loyalty and devotion until his death.

He was a God-fearing man and loved by both Maori and Pakeha in Taranaki.

EVA KERSHAW

Eva Kershaw was one of two children born to Te Hau and Meretakua Whareaitu of Hawera, Taranaki.

At the age of four days, she was adopted by a Chieftainess of the Ngati-Ruanui Tribe Tarahae Waionui.

Under the guidance of Tarahae and her husband, Taheha Para, Eva came in contact with the strict religious observances of the Marae she was brought up in, Pariroa, that is the bell rang at 6 a.m. and 7 p.m. daily for prayers, with Sundays being taboo for any form of manual work.

Eva also learnt the art of Maori chanting and dancing from Harihari, wife of one of Methodism's well-known Hon. Home Missionaries of the 1930's, Rangiira Tumahuki.

Eva was a practising Christian, sharing her many gifts and talents equally amongst Maori and Pakeha; she toiled diligently to the end in proclaiming Jesus Christ to her Maori people by personal example.

Haere to Puihi o Parininihi Ki Waitotara.

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

William Rowe
Eruera Te Tuhī
Arthur A. Bensley
William G. Slade
Robert E. Fordyce
Charles H. Kendon
Ernest E. Sage
William T. Blight
Alfred M. Costain
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
Ivo M. Raynor

John D. Grocott
Charlie O. Hailwood
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
W. John Henderson
Charles E. Roke
Bernard M. Chrystall
Albert Jolly
Andrew G. Reid

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

Frederick J. Climo
Clifford L. Duder
William Robert Francis
Howard C. Matthews
Leslie T. Norwell
Cuthbert F. Peart
Frederick D. Peterson
Arthur R. Witheford

FREDERICK J. CLIMO

Frederick J. Climo was born in 1910 at Rata in the Rangitikei District. In early manhood he entered into business in Waipukurau where he won the confidence of all he worked with in the Waipawa-Waipukurau Circuit, becoming a Lay Preacher, Bible Class Leader, Sunday School Teacher, and Circuit Steward. In 1947 he applied to enter the Home Mission Service and his wife, who has been a great help to him in every appointment, fully supported him in this step. Their united ministry has been one of complete and selfless devotion.

Mr Climo commenced as a Home Missionary Probationer at Whakatane in 1947, and his later appointments were Opotiki, Hauraki Plains and Te Puke. In 1958 he was one of a group of Senior Home Missionaries who were encouraged to seek entry into the Ordained Ministry.

He was received on to Probation in 1958 and appointed to Greytown-Featherston Circuit where he entered on a short period of special studies. In 1958 he was ordained and appointed to Paparoa Circuit, subsequently serving at Waihi (1966-1969) and Whangaparaoa (1970-1973).

In every side of his ministry he has shown transparent sincerity and utter loyalty to the work. He started in middle life and found the adjustment from an active business life as a bicycle mechanic and salesman, to the less tangible demands and satisfactions of the Ministry a considerable strain, but he gave everything he had to the task. His sheer goodness and deep spiritual earnestness have made him a trusted and welcomed pastor in the homes of his people, and his pulpit ministry has given evidence of much patient preparation. He would not claim to be an outstanding preacher, but he is listened to with respect, and many people, young and old, have borne witness to the blessing he has been to them as their minister.

Mr and Mrs Climo now retire with the confidence and affection of their fellow members in the Ministry, and the deep gratitude and esteem of the people among whom they have served with such dedication.

CLIFFORD L. DUDER

In the retirement of the Rev. Clifford L. Duder, the Church loses from the active ministry a very faithful minister of the gospel. Cliff Duder was born at Addington, Christchurch in 1908 of rural stock with a background in the Oxford district of North Canterbury. He matriculated from the Christchurch Boys High School.

He was converted at a Bible Class Camp through the preaching of the late Rev. R. B. Tinsley and was enlisted immediately by the minister of the Riccarton Circuit, the late Rev. A. H. Fowles, to teach a Sunday School primer class at Masham. At 16 years, Cliff Duder felt the call to preaching and was coached in sermon preparation by Rev. B. J. James who was a "real Father in God" to him.

Local Preacher examination preparations under the Rev. J. F. Jack and Mr R. E. Bibby, a Bible Class Leader at Clarence Road, followed. From the moment of his conversion, Cliff Duder has been deeply aware of spiritual realities and the all-pervading grace of God. These have made the call to preach a pressing need throughout.

Cliff Duder's working life began in the office of a Coal Merchant until his chosen profession of journalism could be realised. In journalism he began as most young men seemed to do, as a copy-holder. This was with the Christchurch "Press", but the depression forced Cliff on to the dole and then to a season on a threshing mill. Before long, however, he was back again in the newspaper world copy-holding for the Christchurch "Sun" from whence he graduated at cadet level, through reporting to sub-editing.

Security of employment gave Cliff opportunity to clarify his thinking in respect of his call to the ministry received earlier. In 1930 with all his Candidate tests fulfilled for the full-time ministry, he learnt regretfully that he was turned down on health grounds. In spite of this disappointment the Call remained with him and he served for a year at Wakefield, Nelson as Home Missionary "supply". He sat the entrance examinations again and passed and was received into ministerial training but on "medical probation".

Cliff Duder freely acknowledges that he was not a good scholar, but he managed to weather the strain of College training and probation in spite of indifferent health and while still under the cloud of "medical probation" he was ordained in February 1939. After two medical board reviews of his conditional probation status, a release was finally granted and with care he overcame his health problems and sustained a normal work-load in the many circuits to which he was appointed.

Cliff Duder served in Kaikohe-Kawakawa, Hauraki Plains, Otorohanga, Taumarunui, Roslyn, Roxburgh, Wellington East (Lyall Bay), Thames, Pahiatua and Oamaru.

As can be seen from the list of appointments, most have been to smaller semi-rural places' but all who shared under his ministry can attest to the sincerity of the preacher and pastor sensitively trying to express the gospel of love. Some circuits responded well to his preaching, although Cliff Duder would lay no claim to being a "popular preacher", but he worked hard at his desk, encouraging people to think and helping them to better understand the faith and its implications. In pastoral care of his people, his concern was as wide as all outdoors. People on the edge of the church were a constant reminder of the need for a practical, loving, caring ministry. In this reaching out to people he always tried to bring to flower a full response to the gospel in them.

His marriage in 1940 to Miss Margaret Hilder, who came from a deeply committed family in the Kaikohe Circuit, was a wonderful blessing. With her brother Basil and Sister Ruth Hilder, Mrs Duder has served her church with complete devotion, often beyond the call of duty and she has been a great support through her like sensitivity

to people's needs. Always at ease and with a friendly concern, Margaret has been a tremendous asset in the parsonage life. Her warm hospitality will be always remembered by the many who frequented their open house.

So ends the "active" ministry of a shy and humble man who counts it all joy to have been given a share in the work of Christ. He will lay down some things only to be found doing others that the cause of the Kingdom may be served.

WILLIAM ROBERT FRANCIS

William Robert Francis (Bill) was born in Christchurch in 1912 of strong Methodist parents and was nourished in that tradition. He commenced local preaching at the age of 16 and after being accepted as a candidate for the ministry, he was held over for one year on the President's list of reserve entering Trinity College for training in 1934.

He served his first two years of probation at the Bay of Islands Circuit, stationed at Russell and the final two years at the Dunedin Central Mission under the late Rev. L. B. Neale. 1941 was of special interest for Bill for in this year he was ordained, he married Margaret Burton of Auckland and he gained his B.A. degree.

His first ordained appointment was with the Oamaru Circuit. From there he went into the Army as a Chaplain, serving in the Middle East and in Italy till the end of the war in 1945. During that year and in 1946 he studied at the London University, obtaining his B.D. degree. On returning to New Zealand he was appointed to the Napier Circuit. In 1949 the Annual Conference was held at Napier, this being the first time a Conference was held outside the four main centres, and its success owed much to Bill's leadership in the arrangements for the Conference. Following Napier, Bill served at Hamilton, Whangarei and New Plymouth.

He was elected Chairman of the Hawkes Bay-Manawatu, South Auckland, Northland and Taranaki-Wanganui Districts and was President of Conference in 1968. In all his appointments, his devotion, leadership ability, patient understanding and preaching skill gave strength to the Circuits and Districts in which he served.

No minister could ever carry out his work without the loyalty and the knowledge that his wife and family are behind him. They are the accepted counterparts of a man's ministry. With thoughts such as these, Bill acknowledges the debt he owes to his wife and also to his two daughters, who are both married. He also pays tribute to the loyalty and grace of many lay people whose influence has left its mark upon his life, people who stood by him and strengthened him in his ministry. He acknowledges with warm regard and gratitude the brotherhood of the ministry. There are too many people to mention by name, but there is one who holds a special memory—the late Dr Harry Ranston, who, in Bill's own words, 'set me alight'.

Bill Francis has had a particular interest in Biblical theology, especially the Old Testament, which, he says is a great book to be explored and is of tremendous interest, vitality and is very human. A book that looks upon the world as a good gift from God and which is most relevant for today. He believes that a Biblical emphasis is the best means of keeping a man's theology straight.

Bill's ministry was served in strategic Circuits. His gifts, faithfulness and ability were rewarded with the weightier responsibilities of Chairmanship of four districts and, deservedly, he was recognised and honoured with the Church's highest office of President

of Conference. If responsibilities are considered as honours and recognition, then it was most fitting that Bill Francis received them. As Minister, chairman and president, he served his Church faithfully and well. The brotherhood he spoke of is no less than his own brotherly concern for his fellow ministers. The grace and loyalty of those who stood by him are but the reflections of his own caring ministry. He saw the Chairman's role as a pastor to ministers, and how well and patiently and compassionately he carried out this role. He saw the task of the ministry as one of helping people to be free and the Church as providing the resources of strength, cleansing and growth into maturity and life in Jesus Christ. In all these spheres he was re-echoing the Master's ministry and call to love, compassion and freedom in Him, the Lord of life.

His geniality is infectious and he combines a sense of humour with the serious, which with his understanding of people, situations and church procedure, enabled him to bring wise and sound judgement to the positions he held. As a man, minister and administrator, he is highly regarded and as he retires from the active ministry he carries with him the Church's sincere gratitude and appreciation and good wishes to himself and Mrs Francis for a long and happy retirement.

HOWARD CHARLES MATTHEWS

Howard C. Matthews was born at Waimate in 1910 to Frederick and Ada Matthews. He received his formal education at Mt. Roskill Primary School and Auckland Grammar School and graduated Bachelor of Arts at Auckland University College.

He entered Trinity Theological College in 1931 and after three years training served as a Probationer in Wellington East (Miramar-Maranui) and Timaru South circuits.

He was ordained in 1938 and in the same year married Flora J. Hastings of Palmerston North.

They have served in the following circuits:— Ruawai 3 years, Auckland Central (Roskill-Sandringham) 4 years, Auckland West 2 years, Hamilton 7 years, Napier 6 years, Papanui 11 years and Ashburton 3 years. During World War II he was commissioned as Chaplain to the Forces; appointed to the 2nd North Auckland Infantry Battalion and served with that unit (based on Kaeo, North Auckland) for six months before being recalled to his Circuit, Auckland Central (F. Gardner Brown of Dominion Road was overseas; E. S. Emmitt took ill and was off duty for some time and only E. T. Olds was left with a Probationer supply instead of 4 Ordained Ministers!).

There has been building activity in each of the circuits he has ministered in. He set a high standard in all property matters realising the effect of this provision both for the worship of God and the Christian witness in the Community. The following, which are only some of the many projects, underline his initiative, drive and ability to muster the support of his officials and members. Ruawai, new parsonage; Roskill, New Youth Hall and the Church building re-designed; Auckland West, 2nd Parsonage and land purchased; Hamilton, section purchased and hall erected at Claudelands, Youth Hall at Maeroa, Moon Memorial Church erected at Te Uku, new pipe organ installed at St Paul's and the church interior re-designed; Napier, Trinity Church interior rebuilt, Wesley, new church and hall; Papanui, Church rebuilt and major extensions to the hall; Ashburton, Baring Square church interior rebuilt.

During the course of his ministry he has had the privilege of nominating fourteen men who were accepted by the Conference for training for the ministry. One is deceased, one resigned for health

reasons, two joined other communions, and ten continue with us in Full Connexion.

Mr Matthews has served on numerous committees and Boards including being Convener of the Spiritual Advance Committee of the Home Mission Board, member of the Trinity Theological College Council and Board of Studies, various Christchurch based Connexional Boards, the Conference Secretarial staff for some years, Chairman of the Deaconess Board and Chairman of the South Island Children's Home Board. He was a member of the Examination Committee for practically the whole of his ministry and its Secretary for 12 years. In various capacities he has been deeply involved with the studies of the Probationary Ministers and gave wise counsel and sound leadership and much encouragement. The high standard of work, discipline and devotion to duty that he expected of Probationers was no more than he set and maintained for himself.

For six years Mr Matthews was Chairman of the North Canterbury District and deputy Chairman for another year when the President was resident in the District.

Above all, Mr Matthews was first and foremost a circuit minister. His chief concern was for people. Building projects and committee work were only avenues through which people could be served. He brought to his ministry all his powers of mind and spirit and spared not himself physically. He sought to do to the best of his ability and the satisfaction of the church all that was asked of him.

A strong faith in God and His grace, a conviction of the truth and relevance of the Gospel to Man's need enabled him to be a forthright preacher, a capable administrator, a wise counsellor and a faithful pastor and friend.

In all his work he has been graciously supported by his wife Flora, who has brought her own many gifts and graces to the parsonage life, and circuit and District work. Together they made an excellent team.

As they lay down the reins of the active ministry the whole Connexion expresses its thanks to them and conveys good wishes for a happy, peaceful and long retirement.

LESLIE T. NORWELL

Born in Scotland, endowed with the Scots industry and shrewdness, and a training in art and architecture, Leslie T. Norwell brought to the Ministry distinctive gifts which he has exercised with lasting effect in the circuits where he has served.

The decision to emigrate to New Zealand in 1926 when he was 18, both parents being dead, was a bold one and indicates the spirit of faith and determination which has characterised his ministry. This is expressed in his return to architectural work in Napier after the 1931 earthquake. There he met and married Miss Ethelwyn Chellow and under the Ministry of Rev. E. T. Olds, became a member of the Church, Local Preacher and in 1934 was accepted as a Candidate for the Ministry. In addition to serving in nine New Zealand circuits at Putaruru, Reefton, Milton, Oxford, Waiwhetu, Onehunga, Woolston, Eltham and Cambridge, Mr Norwell did supply work in England and Australia.

His diffident manner tended to obscure the considerable resources of his personality and yet was an asset in itself in that it encouraged lay participation and decision-making in circuit life. A Scottish burr in a Methodist pulpit is more than acceptable accompanied by a fine tenor voice and a deep interest in music as a creative art form in the church. Apart from effective architectural changes in circuits where he served, Leslie T. Norwell contributed plan renovations and designs for ten other circuits.

In many respects it has been "their" ministry, because Mrs Norwell has not only encouraged and supported her husband but made her own significant contribution complementing his work. The combination of Scots and Welsh produced two vigorous celtic sons, sons of promise overshadowed by the sad death of the younger son Alister on the threshold of his manhood. The elder son, Ian, is a fine gift to the ordained Ministry of the Church.

There are many people throughout New Zealand who will thank God for the ministry of Leslie Norwell and who will wish for him and his wife, every good blessing in the years of their retirement.

CUTHBERT F. PEART

Cuthbert Peart was born of Methodist parents in Hamilton in 1926. His home was at Te Uku in the Waikato and in his earlier years he was associated with the Sunday School and Bible Class at Te Uku and Raglan. After a good upbringing in a fine Christian home, he offered himself as a Candidate for the Ministry in 1951 from the Hamilton Circuit.

After three years at Trinity College, he was appointed to Putaruru where he spent his years of probation. It was during this time that a parsonage was built at Tokoroa, which was then in the same Circuit, and the first minister appointed there. Mr Peart was involved with the development at Tokoroa which included pastoral visiting and the conduct of services.

He was ordained at the 1957 Conference and appointed as the RNZAF Chaplain at Woodbourne. For three years he served on the Air Force base, involved with the men at work, expressing his concern for people in this area of ministry which included social service work and pastoral counselling, and at the same time maintained a link with the Blenheim Circuit.

The next four years was spent at Whakatane. In both the Whakatane and Putaruru Circuits his ministry included contacts with men in timber mills and industry. As he worked in these areas, his quiet and unassuming manner brought strength and comfort to a number of people.

During his appointment in the Mangonui Circuit a great amount of united work with the Presbyterian Church was established—a combined services and area visitation—and negotiations towards a Union Parish began. Mr Peart has always been keenly interested in issues relating to the unity of the church, and also in the emphasis on stewardship, believing it plays an important role in the life and growth of the local church. He had been involved in a Wells programme at Putaruru, and in his five years in the Mangonui Circuit he and his people shared in two stewardship reviews both under the direction of the Finance and Stewardship Committee.

Throughout his ministry there has been a desire to see the work among young people in the church strengthened and he has endeavoured to establish youth clubs in the centres where he has worked. Other interests have included the work of the Bible Society and the N.Z. Alliance, and he was President of the latter both in Whakatane and Kaitia.

In 1955 he married Esme Miers who has been of tremendous help to him and given him loyal support through the years, and has played an active part in the life of the Circuits. They have three children.

It was during his appointment at Huntly that Mr Peart suffered ill-health which has forced him now on medical grounds to withdraw from the active ministry. The church deeply regrets his withdrawal, extends its grateful thanks for the service given over the years so

faithfully, and is glad that he is able to find satisfaction in another type of work in Hamilton. His whole ministry has been marked by sincerity, dedication and love of his Lord, and the people in the Circuits to which he has been appointed will remember him and his work with much appreciation.

FREDERICK DONALD PETERSON

In 1971 Frederick Donald Peterson, for health reasons, found it necessary to apply for a rest period, took up outdoor secular employment and went to live on the Whangaparaoa Peninsula. Two years later he has applied for Supernumerary status.

A deeply conscientious, hard working man utterly devoted to his Lord, he came into Home Mission work after his return from Overseas service. It was with the deep conviction that in Jesus Christ alone lay the answer to the deepest human need and the hope for a better world.

Fred Peterson was born in Dargaville on 15th November, 1915. He attended a Methodist Sunday School and was converted at the age of 15. Leaving Primary School he worked on his father's farm, taught Sunday School and became a Local Preacher in Bombay.

In August 1940 he married Miss Joy Wooten, member of a well known Methodist family, and in all his ministry he has been strongly supported by a devoted wife whose first loyalty, like his own, is to Jesus Christ. Their home was blessed by a son and two daughters.

Called to service in the Armed Forces, Fred Peterson was transferred from the Army to the Air Force where he served for three and a half years as an engineer, part of the time in Bougainville in the Solomon Islands. While in the Services he took an active part in forming Bible Classes in camps, as well as in choirs and singing.

Returning from overseas in October 1945 he took up again Sunday School teaching and Lay Preaching. He applied for full time work and was appointed to the Kaukapakapa-Silverdale Home Mission Station, commencing April 1948. He lived in Kaukapakapa and worked with Rev. Roy Coombridge who lived in Silverdale. After three probation years he moved to Silverdale as Home Missionary in full status. In February 1955 Mr Peterson was transferred to the Foxton Shannon Home Mission Station where in 1958 he completed ten years service and achieved the status of "Senior Home Missionary".

With the phasing out of the Home Missionary status as a second ministry Mr Peterson was ordained and received into full connexion at the Annual Conference in Wellington in 1959. His first ordained appointment was Port Albert where he served for six years, travelling long distances in that wide Circuit. A further six years was given in the rapidly growing areas of Beachhaven-Glenfield in the Birkenhead Circuit. Many folk, in all these areas of service, will long retain grateful memories of the devotion and tireless hard work quietly done.

May Fred and Joy Peterson enjoy a happy retirement and find deep satisfaction in the continuing service of the Lord they love.

ANDREW GIBB REID (1971)

In his early married life Andrew Reid was associated with his wife in the work of the Baptist Church where he became a Lay Preacher. When he moved to Whangaroa on business employment in the early 1950's his services as an auxiliary preacher were welcomed on the Whangaroa Circuit Plan. Mr Reid so commended himself to the congregation by his earnest presentation of the Christian faith that he received many suggestions that he should seek a place in the Christian Ministry. His association with our people and their appre-

ciative response to his message turned his mind and heart towards the possibility of service in the Methodist Ministry. This was given warm encouragement.

He and his wife took membership in the Methodist Church and he passed prescribed tests as a Methodist Lay Preacher at Kaeo in 1952. Conference appointed him as a Home Missionary Probationer to the Hauraki Plains Circuit where he served very acceptably for five years, becoming a fully accredited Home Missionary in 1956. At this Conference he was accepted as a Student for the Ministry, continuing for a further year to serve at Hauraki Plains. The 1957 Conference appointed Mr Reid as Non-Resident Student supply to serve at Walmsley Road in the Onehunga Circuit.

After two years there Mr Reid went to Okato in the Opunake Circuit in 1960 and he was ordained in 1961.

In 1963 Mr Reid became Superintendent of Dargaville Circuit where he gave four years of very diligent and appreciated service. He moved to Kamo in the Whangarei Circuit in 1967 and served there for four years.

Commencing his training later than most men, Mr Reid and his wife found the years of training combined with a full programme of Circuit work in busy and extensive appointments a great strain. They were undaunted by this and gave wonderful service but the strain told on them both, and in 1970 they applied for relief and Mr Reid was given permission to rest. During 1972 Mr Reid considered applying to return to full-time service, but to his regret and that of all his brethren, on medical advice he applied for superannuation. This was granted by the Conference but this is our first opportunity to record our tribute for the Conference Minutes.

We do this today acknowledging a very gracious ministry of Andrew Reid, assisted most loyally by Mrs Reid in spite of much physical discomfort. Andrew Reid's outstanding virtues are genuine humility and warm sincere brotherliness. He and his wife have been much loved in each appointment, and they have left grateful memories of a true Christian preacher and a sensitive and diligent Pastor.

We pray for them many years of well-deserved retirement in their little home in the Mahurangi Circuit. There are many people who are better Christians for knowing them—and sharing their ministrations.

ARTHUR R. WITHEFORD

In the superannuation of the Rev. Arthur R. Witheford, B.A. on medical advice, after 39 years ministry, the Church regretfully loses the leadership and service of one of her most devoted and dearly loved ministers.

His father was a loyal and conscientious Methodist Home Missionary and consequently in his early years Mr Witheford knew full well the hardships faced and the sacrifices gladly accepted by such honoured and hard working Missioners. Nevertheless, when the call of Christ to full time service was heard, he responded with alacrity, leaving the prospects and security of a promising banking career for the insecurity and uncertainty of the Ministry of the Church. He was one of a number of young people which the Woolston Methodist Church (Christchurch) has sent forward into full time Church service. Trinity College (Auckland) was the venue of ministerial training under the guidance and direction of Rev. Dr H. Ranston and Rev. W. T. Blight. During these years Mr Witheford was one of a number of students who participated in Student Missions and this experience doubtless contributed to the evangelistic emphasis

which was a constant emphasis throughout his ministry. Whilst in College, he attended lectures at Auckland University College, these finally resulting in his graduating Bachelor of Arts in 1947. It is to his credit that the long interruption to University studies brought about by Circuit work away from a University centre, and then by overseas military chaplaincy duties, did not deter him; and when the opportunity came, Mr Witheford resumed his studies and finally completed his degree. In the circumstances this was a very worthy achievement.

His appointments have been Hutt (Waiwhetu) and Kawakawa-Ohaeawai as a Probationer, and then Matamata; Chaplain to the Forces (1942-46) serving overseas in the Pacific war area for part of that period; then Durham Street (Cashmere); Invercargill Central (7 years); Ashburton (10 years); Rangiora; and Sydenham. In all these appointments Mr Witheford has been greatly loved, much appreciated and widely respected by his people. His chaplaincy service was conspicuously successful as he so readily made friends with the many men of the units he served.

Mr Witheford has been a very wise and devoted pastor, giving attention especially to bereaved, elderly, sick and needy people along with those in trouble. Along with this, however, has gone a systematic care of all his people; regular visitation work has been a characteristic of his ministry greatly appreciated by all his people.

He possesses preaching gifts of a very high order, with an evangelistic emphasis. He strengthened the faith of many as well as consistently seeking decisions for Christ.

His work amongst and with young people has been noteworthy and this has resulted in his nominating a number of Candidates for our Ministry, sons of whom are today making significant and worthy contributions to the life of our Church. In this concern for youth, the Parsonage was always "Open House" and young people were especially invited and welcomed.

An able administrator, he has been zealous in his care for the properties of the Church. In both Invercargill Circuit and Ashburton Circuit, his leadership resulted in new Youth Halls being erected, whilst in Rangiora he laid the plans and helped to prepare for the fine Youth Hall opened during the ministry of his successor. His administrative ability was acknowledged with his appointment as Secretary of Synodal Districts for eight years, first in Otago-Southland and then in South Canterbury. He was on the Secretarial Staff of the Conference for thirteen years. He has been associated with the Board of Examiners for fifteen years, six years as a tutor, nine as Assistant Secretary to the Board, and he served a total of 21 years with the Conference Examination Committee. Organizing ability was coupled with diplomatic zeal and enabled results to be achieved. These qualities led to his appointment in 1960 as Chairman of the South Canterbury District, in which office he served for a number of years, culminating in 1965-66 when he graced the office of President of the Methodist Church of New Zealand. Whilst holding this—the highest office of our Church—he proceeded overseas, officially representing our N.Z. Church at the Australasian Methodist Conference; and later in the same year, at the World Methodist Council and the British Methodist Conference.

It is with extreme regret that his medical advisers have caused such an important "active" ministry to terminate. The Church is extremely grateful for a notable contribution to her life and work.

In all his work and appointments Mr Witheford has been ably supported and assisted by his devoted wife and the members of their family. It has been widely recognised that it has been a "team" ministry in the fullest sense.

The Connexion and the Circuits he has served, unite in paying tribute to the life and work of a sincere and dedicated Minister of the Gospel and Christian leader. The Church extends its hearty and sincere thanks, and prays for Mr and Mrs Witheford many years of good health and a happy and fruitful superannuation.

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

Airini Hobbs

Ivy Jones

Rita F. Snowden

Jean A. Miller

Margaret Nicholls

Madeline Holland

Constance Sage

Atawhai George

Dorothy Pointon

Anne Wilson

(b) Placed on the Retired List?

Sister Heeni Wharemaru

SISTER HEENI WHAREMARU

Sister Heeni is tribally connected with Taranaki, her father being of the Te Atiawa people, and with Maniapoto on her mother's side. She was brought up at Mokau where she attended the primary school.

In 1930 she went to the School of Domestic Science and Hygiene run by the church at Te Kuiti. When in the following year the M.W.M.U. opened Kurahuna School at Onehunga the girls from Te Kuiti became the first students there. Heeni's developing gifts of leadership were recognised and she became the first head girl.

In 1933 Heeni was a successful candidate for the Deaconess Order and did her training at Deaconess House in Christchurch. Her subsequent appointments have been in Northland (1936), Kawhia (1939), Hamilton (1941), Te Rahui W (1945) and Te Rahui T (1952).

In every appointment Sister Heeni has won and held the love and confidence of all who have worked with her. She has been utterly devoted to the well-being of her people.

Her major contributions have been in two fields. One has been her unique service in Hostel work in Hamilton, first as Matron of the Girls' Hostel and later of the Boys' Hostel at both London Street and since 1968 at the splendid new Hostel in River Road. Until his death she was closely associated with the Rev. A. J. Seamer and her daughterly care of him made possible the remarkable extension of service and leadership through the long years of his so-called retirement.

The other major contribution of Sister Heeni is her close link with the fine women leaders of the King Movement, especially the late Princess Te Puea and Queen Te Atairangi Kaahu, and more recently the present young Queen, Te Arikiniui Dame Te Atairangi Kaahu D.B.E. For many years through both her own tribal affiliations with the Royal family and her Christian witness and service, Sister Heeni has exercised a gracious and dignified yet unassuming influence and has been a trusted confidante and friend. The granting of the M.B.E. in 1971 was a fitting recognition of her long service and influence and an acknowledgement of her gifts so generously used.

Among her fellow-workers and a wide circle of friends throughout the whole church Sister Heeni is greatly loved and respected. She has

won the trust of scores of young people through the years and is remembered with great respect and gratitude.

Above all she has been a sincere Christian woman who loved her Lord and graciously and loyally served His church. She has not always enjoyed a full measure of health but her loyalty and industry have never suffered because of it. Her retirement will bring relief from the heavy weight of responsibility that she has carried for so long, but it is impossible to imagine her not finding some way of continuing to serve God, expressing her faith and love in helpful service.

The Church records its profound gratitude for her great gifts and signal service, and prays the blessing of our Heavenly Father upon her during the years of retirement.

QUESTION 13—What Home Missionaries are to be:

(a) Retained on the Retired List?

R. T. Alexander
Roy Coombridge

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?

None

(b) Is any Deaconess designated for Overseas Missions?

None

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

James F. Cropp who is received from UCPNGSI

Frederick J. K. Baker who is received from UCPNGSI

George C. Hopkins who is received from the British Methodist Conference

William D. Griffiths who is received from UCPNGSI

John A. Ziesler, M.A., B.D., Ph.D. who is transferred to the British Methodist Conference

Siauala Amituana'i (who is received from the Samoan Conference).

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

Stanley G. Andrews

W. Geoffrey Tucker

Maxwell L. Bruce

Robert G. Stringer

Alan J. Leadley

Brian H. Turner

(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?

None.

(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 Pamela Beaumont

Sister Edna Jenkin

Sister Lesley H. Bowen

Sister Lucy H. Money

(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

D. J. Alister McDonald

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

David Armstrong

Allan H. V. Newton

Allen H. Hall

Warwick Gust

(c) Without appointment—Woman Minister married?

None

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

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

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

Lane M. Tauroa (with permission to serve with Justice Dept.)

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

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

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

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

Edward P. Boyd (with permission to serve with Justice Dept.)

Donald I. Prince (with permission to serve with Justice Dept.)

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

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

Bruce E. Mackie (with permission to serve with Life-Line in Melbourne).

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

Ronald W. Ferguson

Arthur W. Dickie

A. Kerry Taylor

Brian L. Olsen

Ronald G. Major

John B. Currie

Maynard G. Rutherford

C. Russell Marshall

Pieter K. F. de Zoete
Ian H. Robertson
Lawrence E. Salter
Frank H. Woodfield

David R. Alley
John D. Meredith
William K. Abbott

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

Clifford G. Brown

Neville Thornicroft

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

No.

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

Gordon D. Brough, B.A., William Morrison (who have voluntarily resigned)

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

None

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?

BOARD OF STUDIES

REPORT 1973

The Board has met twice during 1973, acting for the first time as a committee of the Committee on Ministry in conjunction with the Secretary of Examinations and the College staff. It has reviewed and made recommendations concerning the work of ministerial and deaconess students and probationers. The new situation at the United College has occupied a great deal of its attention, and several important policy matters related thereto have been considered.

School for Christian Workers:

There were no students this year. It is the view of the Board that consideration needs to be given to the place of the School in the new Trinity—St John's set-up. A sub-committee has been appointed to consider this question and report to a future meeting of the Board.

Probationary System:

This matter was referred to the Board (Mins. Con. 1972, p. 80, res. 17-18) The Board has no report to present pending decisions concerning curriculum etc. at the United College. It is expected that the position will clarify itself in 1974.

Relationship Principal—Warden:

This matter came before the Board in connection with the work of the College. A recommendation was made to the College Council. Understanding has now been reached re the jurisdiction of the Principal over Methodist Students, this responsibility to the Conference and the making of staff appointments. Details of this are contained in the report of the College Council.

Joint Board of Theological Studies, L.Th. Examinations, and Continuing Education of the Ministry:

This is a complex situation involving the United College, Knox College, the J.C.C.U. and the Commission of the General Synod of the Anglican Church on Theological Education. A very detailed discussion is in progress at the United College on training for Ministry, curriculum, length of course and teaching method. It is anticipated that important steps will be taken in 1974, and that dialogue will be initiated with the Joint Board and the General Synod Commission. These matters are related to the question of the continuing education of the Ministry. In this connection the constitution of the Joint Board and the scope of its work are being brought under review. The Board of Studies has resolved that the Principal present a report to the Committee on Ministry on this matter.

J. SILVESTER, Convener.

RESOLUTION

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

EXAMINERS

Secretary of Examinations: Rev. E. B. Clarke

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

(A) Examiners for Probationers

Hebrew: Rev. E. W. Hames.

Greek, N.T.—1st year:

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

3rd year:

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

2nd Section

3rd Section

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Rev. E. R. Le Couteur

Correspondence Tutor in Greek

Rev. D. J. Phillipps.

(B) Examiners for Candidates

Bible Knowledge I (O.T.)

Bible Knowledge II (N.T.)

Theology

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Rev. E. F. I. Hanson

Rev. C. B. Oldfield

Rev. E. R. Hornblow

(C) Examiners for Home Missionaries

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| 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)

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

(E) Examiners for Lay Preachers

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| Old Testament | | | | | Rev. O. T. Woodfield |
| New Testament | | | | | |
| 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

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| 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

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| 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—

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

With this aim in mind, the course of study on Probation should be so arranged as to develop the basic Biblical and theological studies which have been pursued in College. Probationers shall present a thesis of 30,000 words on an approved subject, or normally four 5,000 word extended essays on specified subjects, or sit examinations, the decision in each case to be made by the 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 1974.

1st year: Matt. 4-6; Acts 14-15; 1 Corinthians 1.

2nd year: Matt. 4-7; Acts 14-16; 1 Corinthians 1-2.

3rd year: Matt. 3-7, Acts 13-16; 1 Corinthians 1-3.

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 1974 Second Section.

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 1974 Second Section (a two-hour paper).

1st Section—Sermons on:

"Salvation by Faith".

"The Almost Christian".

"Scriptural Christianity".

"Justification by Faith".

"The Righteousness of Faith".

"The Way to the Kingdom".

"The First-Fruits of the Spirit".

2nd Section—Sermons on:

"The Spirit of Bondage and of Adoption".

"The Witness of the Spirit".

"The Witness of our Own Spirit".

"The Means of Grace".

"The Marks of the New Birth".

"The Great Privilege of Those that are born of God".

"Sermon on the Mount (III)".

"The Original Nature, Property, and Use of the Law".

- 3rd Section—Sermons on:
 "The Nature of Enthusiasm".
 "A Caution Against Bigotry".
 "Catholic Spirit".
 "Christian Perfection".
 "Original Sin".
 "The New Birth".
 "Self-Denial".
 "The Use of Money".

4. GENERAL.

1st Year:

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

RECOMMENDED READING:

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

2nd Year:

ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

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

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

Text Books:

"Teach Yourself Maori"—Harawira. Special attention to graded lessons at the back of the book.

"First Lessons in Maori"—Williams.

The Bible (Authorised Version); Maori Bible ("Paipera Tapu"); Maori Service Book ("Nga Ihoi me nga Himene"). "He Konae Aranui"—Kohere.

Scriptural passages—Psalms 1, 8, 23, 24, 95, 100 and 121. Matthew 5/1-16; 13/1-12; Luke 14/1-11; 15/1-24.

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

Text Books:

St. John's Gospel, Psalms, Acts of the Apostles, Maori . . . for reading and translation at sight.

Grey's Mythology (Polynesian) Nga mahi a nga Tupuna, for reading and translation at sight.

Buck: "The Coming of the Maori", especially Book 3.

Keesing: "The Changing Maori".

Norman Smith: "The Maori People and Us".

J. G. Laughton's paper "Maoritanga" issued on request of 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

IV.—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).

2. New Testament—Text books:—
 "The New Testament", W. C. van Unnik.
 "Study Notes on the New Testament", Morna Hooker.
 "Mark's Witness to Jesus Christ", Eduard Lohse.
 "Christ's Messengers", C. F. D. Moule.
 "Saint Mark", D. E. Nineham.
 3. Theology—"Doing Theology—An Introduction for Preachers",
 Edited by John Stacey.
 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.
2. New Testament—"The New Testament", W. C. van Unnik.
 "Study Notes on the New Testament", Morna Hooker.
 "Mark's Witness to Jesus Christ", Eduard Lohse.
 "Christ's Messengers", C. F. D. Moule.
 "Saint Mark", D. E. Nineham.
3. Theology—"Doing Theology—An Introduction for Preachers",
 Edited by John Stacey.
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 Depart-
 ment 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 1974—

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.

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| 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 1974 shall be required on the following dates:
Probationers—May 7th and 8th, September 3rd and 4th.

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 3rd and 4th.

Bible Knowledge for Home Missionary Probationers—Tutorials to commence on March 5th.

Candidates for the Deaconess Order—July 9th, 10th and 11th.

Lay Preachers—First week in June and December.

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

None

QUESTION 21—(c). What is the Report of the Committee on Ministry?

COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY

REPORT TO CONFERENCE, 1973

The Committee is completing its cautiously explorative first year.

The Executive, consisting of the Auckland and Waikato members of the Committee, is functioning with the Convener as the Committee on Ministry between Conferences. It has several sub-committees and ad hoc committees working on a variety of subjects; most of these have accumulated from recent Conferences—a few have been initiated during the year.

The area in which the Committee and the convener are feeling their way is that of exercising a real pastoral function toward the ministry. The ways in which this may best be done are not at all clear. Where pastoral problems have been referred to the Convener he has taken the action he deemed appropriate for each situation.

We deeply regret that because of ill health, the Rev. R. G. Bell must relinquish the post of secretary of Examinations. As Secretary and Convener of the Board of Examiners since 1962 he has given notable service to the Church. Punctilious in his clerical duties, understanding, fair and gracious in his dealings with candidates, students and probationers, Mr Bell's work has been greatly appreciated. The man and the office have been splendidly matched.

REFERRED FROM CONFERENCE 1972

Long Service Leave (1972 Minutes p. 79 Res. 15)

(Report from B. E. Jones and Sub-committee)

A survey of all ministers who have taken Long Service Leave is in preparation. It is hoped to ascertain the values and general experience of the system, and, in the light of this, give consideration to the conditions under which the Leave may best be made available. **Synod Questions to Ministers** (1972 Minutes pp 295-298, Res 2)

A separate Report with Recommendations is appended.

Forms of Ordained Ministry (1972 Minutes p. 253, Res 4)

This refers to the Report and Recommendations of 1970 Conference (p. 314) reccs. 2, 3, 4, 5 and 7.

Resolutions 2 and 7 have been implemented, the latter by the Development Division with Ministers taking up new appointments.

Resolution 3. The Development and Education Divisions were commissioned by the Committee to make a survey of developments in team ministries. They have looked at a variety of team ministries already in action, and have documented the available information. Any churches considering moving toward some sort of team ministry, especially of an ecumenical nature, should consult with the Director of the Development Division who whenever possible will meet with the officials and ministers concerned. Where such a consultation proves to be impracticable, the Development Division can, at least, make available the growing file of information.

Resolution 4. An enquiry is proceeding with ministers engaged in specialist work to ascertain whether any needs are emerging peculiar to their situation. The purpose of this exercise is that the Church, in what is for it a new situation, may be helpful pastorally and administratively to ministers who, for practical purposes outside the circuit system, could find themselves drifting from the practical support and concern of the ministry and the Church.

Resolution 5. This concerns financial consequences of the Report, and the Standing Committee on Stipends, the Supernumerary Fund Board, and the Development Division have been asked to take appropriate action.

Ordination of Maori Home Missionaries (1972 Minutes p. 80, Res. 16)

Consultation is proceeding with the Maori Policy Committee and it is hoped that a report may be made direct to Conference.

Special Committee on Probation System

As will be seen from the Report of the Board of Studies, clarification of the developing situation regarding probationers awaits decisions concerning the curriculum of the United College.

New Developments:

In several fields the Committee is engaged in activities of an exploratory nature.

Continuing Education for Ministry

The Committee is encouraging the coming together of ministers in local areas for study and mutual support. To further this, the booklet "When Ministers Meet Together" has been published, and the importation of suitable study cassettes is being explored.

A major move was the Joint Consultation held at St John's United College, August 27th - 30th when representatives of the Negotiating Churches considered the need for, and possibilities in, joint enterprises in post-ordination education. The Report and Recommendations from this Consultation have been submitted to the Joint Commission on Church Union. The Commission will be making its recommendations to the Church in due course.

Selection Committee

A significant development has occurred during the year, with the planning and holding of a Joint Assessment Course for candidates of the Negotiating Churches at Wallis House, 5th to 7th October. This is of an experimental nature, replacing, this year, our own Methodist Selection Weekend.

Separate Report will be made to Conference. Should, as we expect, it be determined to continue with Joint Assessment, our Methodist Selection procedures will need some revision.

Register of Ministers

A questionnaire has been prepared for sending to all ministers enquiring their interests, the extra training in any fields they have already received in the course of their ministry, and the type of further training they would welcome.

The intention is to compile a Register. This would not be a personal file of confidential information, but would consist only of professional information, recording the qualifications and experience of ministers in various fields of work together with their expressed interests.

Not only will such a Register indicate to the ministry that the Church is taking seriously the professional attainments and experience of individual ministers, but also it should prove invaluable to the Committee on Continuing Education both in approaching men for suitable courses which may become available and for indicating some of the gaps in post-ordination training.

It is hoped that ministers will appreciate the value of such a Register and will co-operate in its compilation.

P. A. STEAD, Convener.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted.
2. That Conference express its warm appreciation to the Rev. R. G. Bell for his notable service as Secretary and Convener of the Board of Examiners for ten years and as the initial Secretary of Examinations within the Committee on Ministry, and learns with deep regret that ill health precludes his continuance.
3. That the Rev. E. B. Clarke be appointed Secretary of Examinations.
4. In the event of the Joint Board of Studies expanding its role and membership so that it becomes a Joint Council of Ministry, Conference recommends that a standing committee on Continuing Education for Ministry be established.
5. That the Committee on Continuing Education for Ministry be: Revs. B. K. Rowe (Convener), I. C. E. Ramage, I. H. McKenzie, J. B. Dawson, B. E. Jones, Mr G. Randall Aker.
6. That Conference is gratified to learn of the new developments in joint selection of candidates by the Negotiating Churches and authorises the Committee on Ministry to continue with joint assessment procedures.
 - (a) That the National Selection Committee be discharged and its duties assumed by the Committee on Ministry.
 - (b) That a National Assessment Convener be appointed annually.
 - (c) That the normal Methodist staff at an Assessment Course be the Convener and a representative from the Theological College Staff, plus other local staff up to one for each candidate, such appointments being made by the Executive of the Committee on Ministry in consultation with the Convener and the Organising Committee.
 - (d) That the Principal of the Theological College, in consultation with the Board of Studies, be encouraged to accept private Methodist students for training; students who intend to offer for the ministry may be directed to an assessment course on the understanding that they must subsequently meet all the normal requirements for candidature.
 - (e) That Conference give its support to the principle of establishing a Joint Council of Ministry, and that the present Joint Board of Theological Studies expand its role to become a Joint Council of Ministry with three standing committees, one of which should be concerned with selection and assessment.
 - (f) That the National Assessment Convener for 1974 be the Rev. D. S. Mullan.
7. That the Oral Examiner for 1974 be the Rev. D. B. Gordon.
8. That the Board of Studies for 1974 be as printed on page 9 herein.
9. That the Convener of the Committee on Ministry be the Rev. P. A. Stead.
10. That the following Ministers be congratulated on gaining degrees and diplomas and that these be printed in the Minutes of Conference.
 - Ph. D (Queensland): The Rev. A. H. Hall, M.A. Dip. Tchg.
 - Dr. theol. (Mainz): The Rev. W. R. G. Loader, B.A., B.D.
 - M.Soc.Sc. (Waikato): The Rev. R. G. Major, B.A.
 - M.A. (1st Class Honours. Otago): The Rev. J. B. Salmon, B.A., L.Th.

B.A. (Auckland): The Rev. R. D. Rakena.
 Dip.Ed. (Massey): The Rev. D. S. Mullan, M.A.
 Dip.Soc.Wk. (Wellington): The Rev. A. R. Bowden, B.A.
 Dip.R.E. (Melb.): The Rev. C. G. Jamieson.
 L.Th. (2nd Class Honours, J.B.T.S.): The Rev. S. C. Grant, B.A.,
 LL.B.
 L.Th. (J.B.T.S.): The Rev. A. I. Corlett.
 L.Th. (J.B.T.S.): The Rev. G. C. Smith.
 B.D. (Melb.) (Hons.): The Rev. E. B. Clarke, M.A.
 B.A. (Otago): Rev. Russell G. Rigby.

11. That degrees and diplomas be printed in the alphabetical list of ministers rather than the chronological list.

12. That the Committee on Ministry in conjunction with the Development Division continue its consideration of the availability and conditions of Long Service Leave.

13. That the matter of the Register of Ministers, including the form of the questionnaire, be referred to Ministerial Synods.

QUESTION 21(c).—

SYNOD QUESTIONS TO MINISTERS

(Mins. 1972, p. 298 rec. 3)

The function of the Ministerial Committee, inter alia, is "to enquire into the character and efficiency of the Ministry" (Law Book para. 335, p. 51). This is put into effect by means of the questions under consideration (para. 336, (2) & (8)).

Question (2) is related directly to Section XII (p.25). This section provides for the "trial" of Ministers and Probationers (but not Home Missionaries and Deaconesses) on any of the considerations of moral character, doctrine, discipline or competence. It provides means whereby charges may be made, and specifies the tribunals which may enquire into such charges. The District Ministerial Committee is one of these tribunals. Any charge to be made must be presented in writing to the Chairman of the District (para. 178, p. 26).

It would appear to be reasonable to argue, therefore, that from a legal standpoint Q.2, para 336 is redundant on the grounds that provision for charges to be made and heard is enacted in Sect. XII. Furthermore, according to the practice of the Methodist Church of N.Z. as it has developed, the question has become out of place and objectionable; relevant cases, when they arise, are invariably dealt with by the Complaints and Appeals Committee of the Conference, and the spirit of the Ministerial Committee is becoming increasingly pastoral (This in no sense calls into question the necessity for constitutional provision for the trial of Ministers and Probationers against whom charges may be brought in terms of Sect. XII).

The suggestion might be worth considering that if the Chairman of the District saw necessity for the District Ministerial Committee to consider a charge made in terms of Sect. XII an ad hoc Complaints and Appeals Committee be appointed.

Cases affecting Home Missionaries and Deaconesses, legally speaking, would be dealt with by the Development Division and Deaconess Board respectively.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted.
2. That Clauses (2) and (8) para 335 be deleted.
3. That the following pastoral question be asked annually at a Ministerial Synod:

Are there any matters relating to the work and personal wellbeing of the Ministers, Probationers, Home Missionaries or Deaconesses in the District?

4. That in conjunction with the above question the District Ministerial roll be read.

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?

NORTHLAND:

Mangonui County Union Parish: That Conference approve the establishment of the Mangonui County Union Parish involving the Mangonui Methodist circuit and the Kaitaia Presbyterian parish. That the staffing be two ministers and the present Methodist and Presbyterian ministers continue on in the new parish for an initial term. The boundaries to be those of the Mangonui County in the province of Northland.

Note: The Union Parish agreement supersedes the 'Joint Parish agreement' concluded between the two churches in 1971.

Kaikohe Union Parish: That approval be given to the formation of the Kaikohe Union Parish by uniting the Kaikohe Presbyterian parish with the Kaikohe society of the Kaikohe-Bay of Islands Methodist Circuit, the first minister to be a Presbyterian. The boundaries to be as defined in the agreement.

South Bay of Islands Co-operating Parish: (Anglican, Presbyterian, Methodist). That Conference give general approval to a working agreement by which the Kawakawa Parochial District of the Anglican Diocese of Auckland and the Methodist and Presbyterian congregations of Moerewa, Kawakawa, Paihia and Russell become the South Bay of Islands Co-operating Parish, with an alternating ministry, the first minister to be an Anglican responsible to the Bishop yet with an associate status with the Northland Synod. That the agreement so far completed be the basis of government and declaration of faith governing the participating churches' life and worship together. Further, that at the commencement of the initial period of co-operation the Parish Council will take steps to finalize an agreement that will adequately define and express the nature of the participating churches' commitment to each other. The boundaries to be as defined in the agreement.

South Hokianga Co-operating Parish (Anglican, Methodist): That Conference give general approval to a working agreement by which the Hokianga Methodist circuit and the South Hokianga Parochial district of the Anglican Diocese of Auckland become the South Hokianga Co-operating Parish, with an alternating ministry. The first minister to be an Anglican responsible to the Bishop yet with an associate status with the Northland Synod. That the agreement so far completed be the basis of government and declaration of faith governing the participating churches' life and worship together. Further, that at the commencement of the initial period of co-operation the Parish Council will take steps to finalize an agreement that will adequately define and express the nature of the participating churches' commitment to each other. The boundaries to be as defined in the agreement.

Kaeo-Kerikeri Union Parish: That a Union Parish be formed from the Kaeo and Kerikeri congregations of the Bay of Islands Presbyterian Parish and the Whangaroa Methodist circuit. The first appointment to be the present Methodist minister to serve for one year as from 1 February 1974. That the boundaries be those as defined in the agreement.

AUCKLAND:

Te Atatu Union Parish: That approval be given to the formation of a Union Parish consisting of the St. Giles Presbyterian Parish and the Te Atatu Society of the Henderson Methodist circuit. Where possible there shall be two ministers, one Presbyterian and one Methodist. The present Methodist minister to serve an initial term in the Parish. The boundaries to be as defined in the agreement with the boundaries of the Henderson circuit adjusted accordingly.

WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY

Thames Union Parish: That Conference approve the formation of a Union Parish between the St James Presbyterian Parish of Thames and the Thames Methodist circuit with the present Methodist and Presbyterian ministers being the first ministers of the Parish. The boundaries to be, in the north, Wilson's Bay at the foot of the south side of Kereta Hill, in the east, the eastern hills, in the west, the Firth of Thames and the Waihou River and in the south, Wharepoa Road. Although the boundaries exclude the Hikuai and Tairua areas, Methodist members of the Thames circuit in those areas are included in the membership of the Union Parish and are under its pastoral care. The Union Parish is prepared to continue with the present arrangement of services in the above mentioned outlying areas. That the Parish be inaugurated on 25 November 1973.

TARANAKI-WANGANUI

Wanganui: That the three circuits, Wanganui Central, Wanganui West and Wanganui North merge to become one circuit as from 1 February 1974, the name of the circuit to be Wanganui Methodist circuit.

HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU

Woodville Union Parish: That approval by Conference be given to the formation of a Union Parish between the St David's Presbyterian Parish of Woodville and the Woodville Methodist circuit. The boundaries to be those of the Woodville borough and that portion of the Woodville county that lies south of the Matahiwi hill. The first minister to be a Presbyterian.

WELLINGTON

St Luke's Union Parish, Masterton: (a) That Conference approve in principle the formation of the St Luke's Union Parish, Masterton by the uniting of the Knox Presbyterian Parish, Masterton and the Masterton Methodist circuit. The initial ministers of the parish to be the ministers of the uniting churches at the time of union. That the boundaries be as specified in the agreement.

(b) That final approval to the inauguration of St Luke's Union Parish be given by the President on the recommendation of the Synod and Development Division.

Miramar Union Parish: That Conference approve the formation of a Union Parish between the Miramar society of the Wellington East Methodist circuit and the Miramar Presbyterian Parish. That there be two ministers with the present Methodist and Presbyterian ministers both serving an initial term. That the boundaries be as described in the agreement.

Evans Bay Union Parish: That approval be given for a Union Parish to be formed between the Hataitai and Lyall Bay societies of the Wellington East Methodist circuit and the St Giles Presbyterian Parish, Kilbirnie. That there be two ministers initially with the present Methodist minister to serve in the Parish until 30 January

1975 and the Presbyterian minister to be appointed for an initial term of three years. That the boundaries be as defined in the agreement. That the Parish be inaugurated on 30 June 1974.

Wellington South Union Parish (Associated Churches of Christ, Methodist): That a Union Parish to be known as the Wellington South Union Parish be formed by the union of the Wellington City Churches of Christ and the Wellington South Methodist circuit. That Conference approves the special agreement by which differing practices and concepts of Baptism are accepted within the Union Parish, and provision is made for an annual authorization of selected lay persons to administer the communion. The initial ministers shall be the Church of Christ and Methodist ministers at the time of the inauguration of the Parish. The boundaries of the Parish shall be those of the Wellington South Methodist circuit, however, these limits shall not apply to Church of Christ members who are drawn from the greater Wellington city area. That the Parish be inaugurated on 18 November 1973.

NORTH CANTERBURY

New Brighton Union Parish: That Conference approve the formation of a Union Parish between the St Enoch's Presbyterian Parish, New Brighton and New Brighton and South Brighton societies of the Christchurch East Circuit. The first minister to be a Presbyterian. The boundaries to be as specified in the agreement with the boundaries of the Christchurch East Circuit amended accordingly.

Halswell Union Parish: That a Union Parish be formed between the Halswell Methodist society of the Spreydon Methodist circuit and the Halswell area of the Presbyterian Parish of Hoon Hay. That the present Methodist minister at Halswell be the first minister of the Parish. The boundaries to be as defined in the agreement with the boundaries of the Spreydon circuit altered accordingly.

Christchurch Central Mission: That the Christchurch Central Mission, Cambridge Terrace Church and Durham Street Church combine to form one circuit to be known as the Christchurch Central Mission.

Christchurch South Circuit: That the Christchurch South circuit be established, the boundary to be as known and commonly understood for the St Mark's, Somerfield and St James', Cashmere churches.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND

The United Church of Port Chalmers—(Associated Churches of Christ, Congregational, Methodist, Presbyterian): That Conference agree in principle to the proposals for the United Church of Port Chalmers consisting of Church of Christ, Congregational, Methodist and Presbyterian parishioners to be constituted a Union Parish under the model constitution. That the President give authority to proceed on the recommendation of the Otago-Southland Methodist Synod and the Development Division.

QUESTION 22 (b)—What new Districts, circuits or Home Mission stations are constituted?

Mangonui County Union Parish, Kaikohe Union Parish, South Bay of Islands Co-operating Parish, South Hokianga Co-operating Parish, Kaeo-Kerikeri Union Parish, Te Atatu Union Parish, Thames Union Parish, Wanganui, Woodville Union Parish, Evans Bay Union Parish, Miramar Union Parish, Wellington South Union Parish, New Brighton Union Parish, Christchurch South, Halswell Union Parish.

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

Whakatane: That subject to adequate consultation between the Whakatane-Kawerau Methodist circuit and the Presbyterian Parish, Whakatane, the Waikato-Bay of Plenty Methodist Synod and the Bay of Plenty Presbytery, the Director of the Presbyterian Ministry Committee and the Superintendent of the Methodist Development Division, the Whakatane-Kawerau circuit be given approval by the President to proceed with negotiations for a joint use of building scheme involving the Whakatane Methodist society and the St George's Anglican Church of the Anglican Parochial District of Whakatane.

Okato: That approval be given to the Joint Use agreement whereby the Vestry of the Anglican Parish of St Paul's, Okato and the Leaders' Meeting of the St Luke's Methodist Church, Okato circuit agree to co-operate in serving the area of Okato by joint use of buildings and such co-operation in worship, christian education as is possible.

Tamatea: That Conference give general approval to the agreement for Tamatea and requests the Development Division to review the strategy for this type of co-operation and to investigate ways and means of providing adequate connexional assistance.

Wesley, Wellington: That Conference give approval to the Wesley society of the Wellington Central circuit becoming a partner with the Kent Terrace Presbyterian Parish and the St Peters Anglican Church in the formation of a Parish Council in order to give overall direction to the life and work of the congregations within the Wellington Inner City Ministry.

Rolleston: That approval be given to the two Joint Agreements whereby:

(a) The Anglican Vestry of the Parochial District of Lincoln, the Quarterly Meeting of the Hornby Methodist circuit and the Session of the Lincoln Union Parish agree to co-operate in serving the Rolleston area by joint use of buildings and such co-operation in worship and christian education as is possible, and

(b) the Combined Church Committee and the Lincoln Roman Catholic Parish shall have joint use of the Buildings for the purposes of the work of the respective churches.

Addington: That Conference endorses the arrangements concluded earlier this year between the Anglican Diocese of Christchurch and the North Canterbury Methodist Synod whereby an agreement for co-operative action between the Addington Anglican and Methodist churches permits the minister of the Addington Methodist church to extend his pastoral and preaching ministry to include Anglicans within the Addington, St Mary's Parish.

Geraldine: That in the event of a satisfactory agreement for a joint use of buildings for Geraldine being negotiated by the Temuka-Geraldine Methodist Circuit and the Geraldine Presbyterian Parish, the President give authority to proceed, on the recommendation of the South Canterbury Synod and the Development Division.

North Invercargill: That approval be given to the agreement between the Invercargill Methodist Circuit and the North Presbyterian Church, by which the Methodist Minister of St Mark's Church share with the Presbyterian minister of the North Invercargill Parish, in a team ministry and towards which the Presbyterian Parish will make a grant from its funds to the Invercargill Circuit.

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

NORTHLAND

Mangonui County Union Parish: That the staffing be two ordained ministers, one Presbyterian, one Methodist.

Kaikohe Union Parish: That the staffing be one ordained minister. The first minister to be a Presbyterian.

South Bay of Islands Co-operating Parish: That the staffing be one ordained minister, the first minister to be an Anglican.

South Hokianga Co-operating Parish: That the staffing be one ordained minister, the first minister to be an Anglican.

Kaeo-Kerikeri Union Parish: That the staffing be one ordained minister, the first minister to be a Methodist.

AUCKLAND

Te Atatu Union Parish: That the staffing be two ordained ministers, one Presbyterian, one Methodist.

Henderson: That the staffing be two ordained ministers.

WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY

Thames Union Parish: That the staffing be two ordained ministers, one Presbyterian, one Methodist.

Tauranga Circuit: That the staffing be three ordained ministers.

TARANAKI-WANGANUI

Wanganui Circuit: That the staffing be two ordained ministers.

HAWKES BAY MANAWATU

Woodville Union Parish: That the staffing be one ordained minister, the first minister to be a Presbyterian.

WELLINGTON

St Luke's Union Parish, Masterton: That the staffing be two ordained ministers, one Presbyterian, one Methodist.

Evans Bay Union Parish: That the staffing be two ordained ministers, one Presbyterian, one Methodist.

Miramar Union Parish: That the staffing be two ordained ministers, one Presbyterian, one Methodist.

Wellington South Union Parish: That the staffing be two ordained ministers, one Churches of Christ and one Methodist.

NORTH CANTERBURY

New Brighton Union Parish: That the staffing be one ordained minister, the first minister to be a Presbyterian.

Christchurch East Circuit: That the staffing be three ordained ministers.

Christchurch South Circuit: That the staffing be two ordained ministers.

Christchurch Central Mission: That the staffing be three ordained ministers.

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

See Questions 22 and 23(a).

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

See Questions 22 and 23(a).

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?

None

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

Auckland Central—3rd

Takapuna—3rd

Morrinsville—2nd)

Hamilton— 3rd) at some future date

Westport Union Parish—2nd

Ashburton—2nd

Dunedin Central Mission—2nd

Dunedin South—2nd

Invercargill—3rd

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. WILLIAM R. LAWS, MA., B.D.
Vice-President—Mr ERIC G. HEGGIE, M. Com., A.C.A.
Acting-Secretary—Rev. LESLIE R. M. GILMORE, B.A.

STATION OF MINISTERS, 1974

(N.B.—Each of the places mentioned in the Stations and numbered consecutively 1 to 173 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 County Union Parish—**
Brian W. Sides.
Presbyterian appointment (Ian Millar).
2. **Kaikohe Union Parish—**
Presbyterian appointment.
3. **South Bay of Islands Co-operating Parish—**
Anglican appointment.
4. **Kaeo-Kerikeri Union Parish—**
Edwin B. Clarke, M.A., B.D. (Hons.) (Melb.).
5. **North Hokianga Community Church—**
Ian C. Norwell.
6. **South Hokianga Co-operating Parish—**
Anglican appointment (Neville Drake).
7. **Hikurangi Union Parish—**
One wanted (Supply: Clifford L. Duder).
8. **Whangarei Uniting Parish—**
John E. Langley
One wanted (Supply: Ian W. Ogier, B.A., Associated Churches of Christ)
One wanted.
Ronald W. Ferguson (without appointment—Profession).
9. **Dargaville—**
J. Henry Woolford, M.A. (who shall supervise the Paparoa Circuit).
One wanted.
10. **Ruawai Union Parish—**
Presbyterian Appointment (F. Bradley).

11. **Paparoa**—
Laurence H. Currie.
12. **Port Albert**—
Ludwig Felderhof.

Maori Circuit—

[1] Northland—

One wanted—(Acting—Herehere Maaka).
 Eruera Te Tuhi, O.B.E. (Sup.)
 6 Home Missionaries.
 3 Deaconesses.
 EDWIN B. CLARKE, M.A., B.D. (Hons.) (Chairman of the District).
 W. J. COURT, O.B.E. (Financial Secretary).

II. AUCKLAND DISTRICT

Development Division—

Barry E. Jones, B.A. (Superintendent).
 Siauala Amituana'i, B.D.

Maori Division—

Ruawai D. Rakena, B.A. (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 "The New Citizen"—

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The College of Saint John the Evangelist

Canon W. Merlin Davies, B.A., Warden.
 John J. Lewis, M.A., B.D., Ph.D. (Tutor in Old Testament) Principal.
 John Silvester, M.A. (Tutor in Systematic Theology) Vice-Principal.
 Watson J. W. Rosevear, M.A., M.Th., L.Th., (Tutor in New Testament) Sub-Warden.
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 John T. Tamahori, B.A., L.Th. (Fellow in Maori Studies).
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 John N. Thomson, Dip. Dram. Art, L.R.A.M., F.T.C.L. (Speech Director).
 J. Wells, B.A. (Hons.), A.R.C.O. (Music Director).
 John H. T. Curnow, M.A., Dip. N.Z.L.S., A.N.Z.L.A. (Librarian).

Auckland Hospital Chaplain—

Francis H. Parker.

13. Auckland Central—

W. Selwyn Dawson, M.A.
 J. C. Aldwyn Williams
 One wanted.
 A Deaconess
 Siauala Amituana'i, B.D.
 John Silvester, M.A.
 Allen H. Hall, M.A., Dip. Tchg., M.A., Ph.D. (Qld.) (without appointment—overseas study).
 Benjamin H. Riseley (Sup.).

- G. Raymond Harris (Sup.).
 William E. Moore (Sup.).
 Walter Parker (Sup.).
14. **Auckland Central Mission—**
 D. Bruce Gordon, M.A. (Joint Chaplain to Everil Orr Homes).
 Mervyn L. Dine (Joint Chaplain to Everil Orr Homes).
 A Deaconess.
 Albert Blakemore (Sup.).
 James W. Parker (Sup.).
 Arthur A. Bensley (Sup.).
 J. Wesley Parker, M.A., B.D. (Sup.).
 Gordon Parker, M.A., Ph.D. (Sup.).
15. **Auckland South—**
 John B. Dawson, B.A.
 Gordon A. R. Cornwell
 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.).
16. **Auckland West—**
 Clifford J. Keightley.
17. **Auckland East—**
 R. Frederick Clement, M.A.
 David L. Trebilco
 Harold C. Pomeroy, B.A., B.D., A.C.A., C.M.A., A.C.I.S.
 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. (United College of St John).
 A. Kerry Taylor (without appointment—profession).
 D. I. Alister McDonald (without appointment—health).
 George I. Laurenson, C.B.E. (Sup.).
 Athol R. Penn (Sup.).
18. **Orakei—**
 Owen T. Woodfield, B.A.
 William R. G. Loader, B.A., B.D., Dr theol. (Mainz).
 One wanted (Supply: John H. Vickery—Associated Churches
 of Christ).
 John J. Lewis, M.A., B.D., Ph.D.
 Eric W. Hames, M.A., Fellow of Trinity College (Sup.).
 Alfred E. Jefferson (Sup.).
19. **Mt. Albert—**
 John H. Osborne, M.A. (Warden of the Deaconess Order).
 Ian H. McKenzie., M.Sc., B.D.
 Ruawai D. Rakena, B.A. (Maori Division—Tumuaki).
 Lawrence Greenslade (without appointment—health).
 Ernest E. Sage (Sup.).
 Leonard C. Horwood (Sup.).
 David O. Williams, M.A., Litt.D. (Sup.).
 W. E. Allon Carr (Sup.).
 George R. Thompson (Sup.).
20. **Avondale Union Parish—**
 Presbyterian Appointment (John C. McKean)
21. **Henderson—**
 Alan K. Woodley, B.A. (who shall supervise the Kaipara Circuit).
 Brian J. Malcouronne
Interim Parish of Glendene—
 William A. French (Anglican)

22. **Te Atatu Union Parish—**
Graham Brazendale.
Presbyterian appointment.
23. **Devonport—**
John H. Roberts, B.A.
24. **Takapuna—**
Ashleigh K. Petch, B.A. (who shall supervise the Devonport Circuit).
J. Cedric Hay.
One wanted (Supply: Bernard M. Chrystall, B.A.).
B. Keith Rowe, B.A., B.D., S.T.M. (Associate Director, Education Division).
Warwick Gust, B.A., B.D. (without appointment in N.Z.)
Pieter K. F. de Zoete (without appointment—Radio).
A. Henry Voyce (Sup.).
Herbert W. Payne (Sup.).
E. Clarence Leadley (Sup.).
B. M. Chrystall, B.A. (Sup.).
John H. Bailey (Sup.).
25. **Birkenhead—**
Ian D. Grant.
Donald G. Sherson, B.A. (Sup.).
26. **Birkdale-Beach Haven Union Parish—**
Presbyterian appointment (Donald C. Mence).
27. **Northcote—**
Edmund D. Grounds.
28. **Onehunga—**
Philip F. Taylor.
Kenneth L. Toomer, L.Th.
David Armstrong (without appointment—Travel).
29. **Otahuhu—**
William D. Griffiths.
30. **Papatoetoe—**
Henry W. Kitchingman.
Niven G. Ball.
31. **Papakura-Manurewa—**
R. Graham Bell, M.A., B.D., Theol. M.
Wallace C. Chapman.
Laurie A. Michie.
32. **Pukekohe—**
George L. Bennett.
Thomas H. Carr (Sup.).
Wesley Training College, Paerata. Teacher-Chaplain, William A. Chessum, Mus.B.
33. **Tuakau Union Parish—**
Presbyterian appointment.
34. **Waiuku—**
Douglas H. Burt.
35. **Kaipara—**
One Wanted. (Supply: F. L. Johnson).
36. **Whangaparaoa—**
Frank S. Rigg.
Frederick D. Peterson (Sup.).
Edward M. Marshall, B.A., Dip.Ed. (Sup.).
L. Gordon Hanna (Sup.).
Clarence T. J. Luxton (Sup.).
William R. Francis, B.A., B.D. (Sup.).

37. **Mahurangi**—
 Frederick J. K. Baker.
 Andrew G. Reid (Sup.).
- [2] **Auckland**—
 Morehu Te Whare (Superintendent).
 Harold A. Darvill (Chaplain to Seamer House).
 One wanted.
 4 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

38. **Thames Union Parish**—
 Robert Thornley, M.A., Dip.Soc.
 Presbyterian appointment (Glyn Thomas).
 Reginald Day (Sup.).
39. **Hauraki Plains Union Parish**—
 Irwin J. Fowler.
40. **Paeroa**—
 John K. Watson, M.C., B.A.
41. **Waihi**—
 John R. Hall.
 A. Francis Attwood (Sup.).
 Albert Jolly (Sup.).
42. **Te Aroha**—
 Trevor L. Bennett.
43. **Morrinsville**—
 Leslie R. M. Gilmore, B.A.
 One Wanted.
44. **Cambridge Union Parish**—
 Presbyterian Appointment (E. K. Orange).
 One Wanted (Methodist appointment).
 Reginald Grice (Sup.).
 Leslie T. Norwell (Sup.).
45. **Hamilton**—
 Peter A. Stead, B.A.
 Stanley J. West
 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, B.A., M.Soc. Sc. (without appointment—
 studies).
 Charlie O. Hailwood (Sup.).
46. **Raglan Union Parish**—
 Presbyterian Appointment (C. Hay).
47. **Hamilton East**—
 Trevor Shepherd.
 Wilfred J. Cable.
 William J. Morrison, M.A. (Chaplain to Tamahere Eventide
 Home).
 Cuthbert F. Peart (Sup.).
 Idris J. Ruck Sup.).

48. **Ngaruawahia Union Parish—**
Presbyterian Appointment (J. N. King).
49. **Huntly—**
Wilfred S. Gilbert.
50. **Matamata Union Parish (Methodist, Associated Churches of Christ)—**
Eric R. Eastwood.
51. **Putaruru—**
Campbell P. Lucas, L.Th.
52. **Tokoroa—**
Richard J. Hendry
Brian L. Olsen (without appointment—profession).
53. **Rotorua—**
Alan Newman.
One wanted.
George H. Goodman (Sup.)
54. **Taupo Union Parish—**
Presbyterian Appointment (Donald J. Knight).
55. **Tauranga—**
Ivan J. Lucas.
One wanted. (Supply: Samuel J. Crawford—a Minister from the Irish Conference).
One Wanted.
Arthur T. Kent (Sup.).
Arthur H. Ivory, LL.B., B.Com. (Sup.).
56. **St James Union Parish, Greerton—**
David C. Pratt.
57. **Te Puke—**
Allan J. Handyside.
58. **Whakatane-Kawerau—**
G. Basil W. Bell.
Arthur W. Dickie (with permission to engage in industry).
59. **Opotiki Union Parish—**
Presbyterian Appointment (Alan Jones).
60. **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.)
61. **Otorohanga—**
Edward Baker.
62. **Te Kuiti—**
One wanted.
63. **Taumarunui—**
Ashley I. Corlett L.Th (who shall supervise Ohura Circuit).
64. **Turangi Union Parish—**
Presbyterian appointment (One wanted).
65. **Ohura—**
One wanted.
H. H. Chick is a Minister from the British Methodist Conference resident in New Zealand.
- [3] **Waikato—**
Te Awaha 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

66. **New Plymouth—**
Geoffrey T. Gilbert (Joint Chaplain to Rangiatea Hostel).
Hughan M. Craig.
Noel D. Billingham.
Robert E. Fordyce, S.B.St.J. (Sup.).
Charles H. Kendon (Sup.).

67. **Waitara—**
H. David Besant, B.A., B.D.

68. **Stratford—**
Graham E. Hawkey.

69. **Eltham-Kaponga—**
One Wanted.

70. **Hawera—**
Leonard V. Willing.

71. **Manaia Union Parish—**
James H. Conway.

72. **Opunake—**
George C. Hopkins.

73. **Okato—**
Jack Wright.

74. **Wanganui—**
Alan O. Jones.
Sydney J. Spindler.
Charles H. Bell, B.A. (Sup.).
C. Russell Marshall (without Appointment—Member of Parliament).

75. **Taihape—**
One Wanted.

76. **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

77. **Napier—**
Leslie F. Bycroft.
Roger J. Hey.
One wanted.
Howard C. Matthews (Sup.).
78. **Hastings—**
Edgar R. Hornblow, LL.B.
Basil J. Hilder.
Norman P. Larsen (Sup.).
79. **Gisborne—**
O. McLennan Olds.
80. **Mangapapa Union Parish—**
Presbyterian appointment (Reginald J. Weeks).
81. **Presbyterian-Methodist Parish of Wairoa—**
Presbyterian Appointment (Murray F. Hall)
One wanted (Methodist appointment).
82. **Dannevirke-Norsewood—**
Duncan R. Graham.
83. **Woodville Union Parish—**
Presbyterian appointment (W. McKenzie).
William C. Jenkin (Sup.).
84. **Pahiatua Union Parish—**
Harry I. Shaw
85. **Palmerston North—**
Leonard P. Schroeder, B.A., B.D.
Loyal J. Gibson.
One wanted.
A. Roy Bowden, B.A., Dip.Soc.Wk.
86. **Ashhurst-Bunnythorpe—**
C. Brice Herbert.
87. **Feilding-Oroua—**
Bruce Scammell.
John I. Manihera.
A. Peter Dorrian (Sup.)
88. **Marton—**
Clifford G. Brown.
89. **Sanson-Rongotea—**
Enid J. Bennett, M.A., B.D.
90. **Waipawa-Waipukurau—**
Neville Thornicroft.
W. J. Henderson (Sup.).
91. **Foxton Union Parish—**
Presbyterian appointment (S. R. Wishart).
Maynard G. Rutherford (without appointment—trade).
Frederick J. Climo (Sup.).
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.

92. **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).
93. **Wellington West—**
 Charles B. Oldfield.
 Gordon R. H. Peterson (Sup.).
94. **Wellington South Union Parish—**
 Robert S. Andrews.
 Associated Churches of Christ appointment (Deaconess Patricia
 Russ).
95. **Evans Bay Union Parish—**
 One wanted (Supply: William W. H. Greenslade, M.B.E.)
 Presbyterian appointment (C. T. Styles).
 William W. H. Greenslade, M.B.E. (Sup.).
96. **Miramar Union Parish—**
 Keith C. Griffith.
 Presbyterian appointment (S. J. Loughton).
97. **Ngaio Union Parish—**
 Harry W. Toothill.
 Ian H. Robertson (without appointment—business).
98. **Johnsonville Union Parish—**
 Presbyterian Appointment (J. M. Highet).
99. **Newlands Union Parish—**
 Presbyterian Appointment (J. C. Doig).
100. **Porirua—**
 Howard E. Harkness, M.A., B.D.
 Ronald N. Simpson.
 Porirua Hospital Chaplain (Presbyterian appointment—W. B.
 Glassey).
101. **Tawa Union Parish—**
 Colin D. Clark, M.A.
 Presbyterian appointment (P. Morreau)
 Associated Churches of Christ appointment (D. I. Hollier).
 John Grundy, M.A. (Director of the Education Division).
102. **Lower Hutt-Petene—**
 E. Francis I. Hanson, B.A., B.D.
 Frederick E. Waine.
 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. (without appointment).
 Frank H. Woodfield (without appointment—business).
103. **Taita Union Parish—**
 R. Leslie George.
104. **Upper Hutt—**
 J. Stanley Olds.
 One wanted.
 R. John Hamlin, C.F. (Principal Defence Chaplain).
105. **Wainuiomata Union Parish—**
 Presbyterian appointment (William R. Vinten).
 One wanted.
 Laurie E. Salter (without appointment—business).
106. **Greytown St Andrews Union Parish—**
 Presbyterian appointment (K. G. Wall).

107. **Featherston Union Parish—**
Presbyterian appointment (B. Doig).
108. **Carterton Union Parish—**
W. J. Douglas Wakeling.
109. **Masterton St Luke's Union Parish—**
Bruce L. Hosking, B.A., B.Com., S.T.M., A.C.A.
Presbyterian appointment (R. Durham).
Masterton Children's Home: Chaplain, Bruce L. Hosking.
110. **St James Masterton Union Parish—**
Presbyterian appointment.
111. **Eketahuna Union Parish—**
Stuart G. Slinn.
John B. Currie, B.A. (Without appointment—industry).
112. **Levin—**
Gordon V. Thomas, B.A.
Ivo M. Raynor (Sup.).
113. **Otaki—**
One wanted.
Ormond E. Burton, M.A. (Sup.).
114. **Paraparaumu—**
John G. Hayhurst.
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

115. **Nelson—**
Harold K. Brown.
Maxwell A. Hornblow
Alfred M. Costain, Dip.Soc.Sc. (Sup.).
William Rowe (Sup.).
116. **Nelson St Luke's Parish—**
Ian L. Clarke, A.C.A. (who shall supervise the Motueka Circuit).
117. **Waimea—**
David G. Stubbs.
118. **Motueka—**
One wanted.
119. **Murchison—**
One wanted.
120. **Blenheim—**
Robert H. Allen, B.A.
Jan D. de Zoete.
121. **Picton Union Parish—**
Presbyterian appointment (William Earle).
122. **Reefton District Union Parish—**
Darrell R. Curtis, B.A. (who shall supervise Murchison Circuit).
123. **Buller Union Parish—**
One wanted (Presbyterian appointment).
One wanted (Methodist appointment).
124. **Greymouth District Union Parish—**
Archibald W. McKay.
Presbyterian appointments:
Neill G. Churcher.
Sue Jacobi.
125. **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 AUTHOR-
ISED REPRESENTATIVE—William R. Laws, M.A., B.D.

GENERAL TREASURER—See Question 28.

126. Christchurch Central Mission—

Wilfred E. Falkingham.

One wanted (Supply: Ivor Bailey—a minister from the British Conference).

Brian R. J. Eagle.

William R. Laws, M.A., B.D. (General and Conference Secretary and President of Conference)

William G. Slade, M.A., D.D. (Sup.).

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.).

127. Christchurch South—

E. Raymond Le Couteur (Somerfield).

Alexander C. Watson (who shall assist in the Spreydon circuit).

128. Christchurch East—

Arnold C. Hight.

Albert A. Grundy, M.A.

Owen L. Christian

J. Herbert Thompson (Sup.).

129. New Brighton Union Parish—

Presbyterian appointment.

130. Sumner-Redcliffs Union Parish—

Norman W. Olds.

Presbyterian Appointment (Ian R. Polson).

Arthur R. Witheford, B.A. (Sup.).

131. South East Christchurch Union Parish—

Presbyterian Appointment (Cornelius Van der Kley).

132. Lyttelton Union Parish—

Presbyterian Appointment (Dudley Ives).

133. Christchurch (Opawa)—

G. Kingsley Greening.

134. Christchurch (Sydenham)—

Derek G. Laws, F.C.A.

135. Christchurch (Spreydon)—

C. Seton Horrill.

Hubert G. Brown (Sup.).

136. Halswell Union Parish—

George M. Hammond.

Owen A. Kitchingman (Industrial Chaplain).

137. Christchurch (Riccarton)—

Wesley A. Chambers, M.A.

Keith J. Taylor, B.A.

John D. Grocott, B.A. (Sup.).

138. Christchurch (St Albans)—

Ernest Heppelthwaite.

Barry G. Harkness, B.A., B.D.

Norman E. Brookes, B.A.

Stuart C. Grant, B.A., LL.B., L.Th. (Hons.).

Charles E. Dickens (Sup.).

139. Christchurch (Papanui)—

Robert W. Widdup.

South Island Children's Home—Chaplain: Robert W. Widdup.

140. **Hornby—**
William L. Wallace, B.A.
Barry W. Neal, C.F., B.A., Dip.Ed. (Burnham Military Camp).
Donald F. Prince (Chaplain with Justice Department).
141. **Lincoln Union Parish—**
Presbyterian Appointment (Rowlatt M. Rogers).
142. **Leeston—**
Hendrik Gerritsen.
143. **Kaiapoi—**
Herbert A. Cochrane.
144. **Rangiora—**
Leonard P. Shapcott.
One wanted.
145. **Greendale—**
Robert A. Allan.
146. **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

147. **Timaru (Bank Street)—**
Norman J. West.
148. **Timaru (Woodlands Street)—**
Percy P. Rushton, B.A., B.D. (who shall supervise the Geraldine-Temuka Circuit).
149. **St David's Marchiel Union Parish—**
Graeme M. McIver, B.A.
150. **Waimate—**
George W. Cramond.
Phillip D. Ramsay (serving with Queensland Temperance League).
151. **Geraldine-Temuka—**
Geraldine—(Joint use of buildings)—Presbyterian appointment,
(G. D. Falloon).
Temuka: One wanted.
152. **Ashburton—**
James F. Cropp (who shall supervise the Willowby Circuit).
Ian E. M. Anderson.
D. J. Donald Hickman (Sup.).
T. Ralph Benny (Sup.).
153. **Willowby—**
One wanted (Supply: Mr J. H. Fruin).
154. **Oamaru Union Parish (Church of Christ-Methodist)—**
Associated Churches of Christ appointment (Clifford M. Russ).
PERCY P. RUSHTON, B.A., B.D. (Chairman of the District).
A. MARSHALL, A.C.A. (Financial Secretary).

X. OTAGO-SOUTHLAND DISTRICT

155. **Central Mission (Dunedin)—**
David S. Mullan, M.A., Dip.Ed.
Restell A. Burton.
A Deaconess.
156. **North Dunedin—**
John B. Salmon, M.A. (Hons.), A.C.A., A.C.I.S., L.Th. (Part-time: with permission to study).
Donald J. Phillipps, B.A., B.D. (Chaplain Otago University)

157. **West Harbour United Parish—**
Presbyterian Appointment. (Ian Fleming).
158. **Mornington—**
Evan R. Lewis, M.Sc., B.A.
Andrew J. Johnston (Sup.).
159. **West Dunedin Union Parish—**
Stanley R. Goudge, B.A.
Presbyterian Appointments:
Ewing C. Stevens, B.A.
A. K. T. Bathgate.
160. **Dunedin South—**
Colin G. Jamieson, Dip. R.E. (Melb.).
G. Clive Smith, L.Th.
161. **Corstorphine-Concord Union Parish—**
Presbyterian Appointment (David J. Wilson).
162. **Dunedin (St Kilda)—**
Russell J. Greenwood, B.A.
163. **Grants Braes Union Parish—**
Presbyterian Appointment (C. M. Angus).
164. **Milton-Lawrence—**
Ronald C. Collingwood (who shall supervise Balclutha Circuit).
165. **Balclutha—**
John A. Stringer, Dip.Theol.
166. **Gore—**
Russell E. James.
167. **Invercargill—**
Kenneth H. Russell
Russell G. Rigby, B.A. (Hons.).
One wanted (Supply: Brian J. Wendelborn, Associated Churches
of Christ).
One wanted.
Edward P. Boyd (serving with Justice Department).
John D. Meredith (without appointment—profession).
David R. Alley (without appointment—profession).
168. **Riverton Union Parsh—**
Warren H. Blundell.
169. **Otautau Union Parish—**
Presbyterian appointment (Philip W. Brown).
170. **Waiono Union Parish—**
Presbyterian Appointment
171. **Bluff—**
D. Ian MacLeod.
172. **Teviot Union Parish—**
Presbyterian appointment.
173. **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 Solomon 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 Hana Hauraki (Auckland)
Sister Grace Clement (Papakura)
One Wanted
Waikato Maori Circuit—
One Wanted (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

3. OVERSEAS WORK

The names are recorded in the Journal of the Conference.

4. LEAVE OF ABSENCE

None.

5. WITHOUT APPOINTMENT

(a) **Resting:** Sister Joan Wedding.

(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

None.

7. RETIRED DEACONESSSES

Sister May Barnett
Sister 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
Sister Heeni Wharemaru, M.B.E.

QUESTION 27 (b).—How are the Overseas Missionary Sisters stationed for the ensuing year?
The names are recorded in the Journal of the Conference.

QUESTION 28.—How are the Home Missionaries employed by the Conference stationed for the ensuing year?

(a) HOME MISSIONARIES

NORTHLAND DISTRICT

Whangarei (2nd)—Supply. Ian W. Ogier, B.A., Associated Churches of Christ.
Dargaville (2nd)—One wanted.
Hikurangi Union Parish—Supply: Clifford L. Duder (Sup.).

Maori Circuit:

Whirinaki—Mack Morunga
Omanaia—Tohu Cassidy
Waima—Herehere Maihi Maaka
Kaikohe—Mare Rogers
Whangaroa—One wanted.
Waiomio—Tawa Te Riri Kawiti, Rewi Tautari, Hone Wilcox.
Pokere—Para Piripi Livingstone
Whanaki—Himiona Waata
Whangarei—Robert Taka, Winiata Morunga, Alan S. Pickering
Onerahi—Hohepa Hemara
Dargaville—Samson Toia

AUCKLAND DISTRICT

Auckland Central (3rd)—One wanted.
Auckland East (Panmure)—One wanted.
Takapuna 3rd—Supply: Bernard M. Chrystall. B.A. (Sup.).
Orakei-Glen Innes—Supply: John H. Vickery (Associated Churches of Christ).
Kaipara—Frank L. Johnson.

Maori Circuit:

Manurewa—Matu Makiha.
Rewiti—One wanted.
Te Atatu—Aperahama T. Rogers.
Point Chevalier—One Wanted.
Te Kohanga—Waaka Kututai.
Pukekohe—One Wanted.
Auckland—Wiremu Paki Ihaka (Retired).

WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY DISTRICT

Morrinsville (2nd)—One Wanted.
Cambridge Union Parish—One Wanted.
Rotorua (2nd)—One Wanted.
Tauranga (2nd)—One Wanted.
Supply: Samuel J. Crawford (a minister of the Irish Conference).
Tauranga (3rd)—One Wanted.
Te Awamutu (2nd)—One Wanted.
Otorohanga—R. Coombridge (retired).

Te Kuiti—One Wanted.
Ohura—One Wanted.
Kawhia—One Wanted.
Coromandel—One Wanted.

Maori Circuits. (a) Waikato

Frankton—Tumu Te Huia (Retired).
Hamilton—Wiremu Tonga (Retired) Tuteao Manihera.
Ngaruawahia—Te Orahi Tonga (Henare Te H. Gray).
Whatawhata—Ngerungeru Tame Pihama.
Tokoroa—Wiremu Huirama Te Hiko and Henare Pate.
Glen Massey—George Taha.
Aotearoa—Pukerau Rangitutia.
Mourea—One Wanted.
Raglan—One Wanted.

(b) King Country

Aotea Harbour—Roi Moke.
Kawhia—One Wanted.
Rakaunui—One Wanted.
Taharoa—Philip Te Uira.
Marokopa—Nguru Winikerei.
Mokau—One Wanted.
Taumarunui—One Wanted.
Bennydale—One Wanted.

TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT

New Plymouth—H. R. Wright (Retired).
Hawera (Patea)—Presbyterian-Methodist co-operation.
Eltham-Kaponga—One Wanted.
Taihape—One Wanted.

Maori Circuit:

Urenui—One wanted.
Rahotu—One wanted.
Nukumaru—One wanted.
Whenuakura—One wanted.
Pariroa Pa—John Hoani Heremaia.
Wanganui—One wanted.

HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU DISTRICT

Palmerston North (3rd)—One wanted.
Napier (3rd)—One wanted.
Wairoa Union Parish—Methodist appointment: One wanted.

WELLINGTON DISTRICT

Otaki—One wanted (supply arrangement with Anglican Church).
Upper Hutt (2nd)—One wanted.
Evans Bay Union Parish—Supply: Rev W. W. H. Greenslade,
M.B.E. (Sup.).

NELSON DISTRICT

Nelson—R. T. Alexander (Retired).
Murchison—One Wanted.
Motueka—One wanted.
Hokitika Union Parish—Deaconess. Supply: Sister Norma Graves.

NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

Christchurch Central Mission (2nd)—One Wanted (Supply: Ivor
Bailey, Minister of the British Conference).
Riccarton (3rd)—One wanted.
Rangiora (2nd)—One wanted.

Maori Circuit:

Rapaki—Wera Couch.

SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

Willowby—Supply: Mr J. H. Fruin.
Temuka—One wanted.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND DISTRICT

North Dunedin—A. E. Tardiff (Retired).
Invercargill (3rd)—One Wanted (Supply Brian J. Wendelborn,
Associated Churches of Christ).
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 (Presbyterian).

AUCKLAND DISTRICT—

Auckland and Mater—Rev. F. H. Parker.
Middlemore—Rev. J. G. Drummond (Presbyterian).
Wesley-Geriatric—Rev. A. R. Penn.
National Women's and Greenlane—Rev. A. McG. Kirkwood,
(Presbyterian).
Oakley Hospital—Rev. R. R. Welsh (Presbyterian).
Kingsseat Psychiatric Hospital and Cornwall—Rev. T. H. Carr.
Ravensthorpe Psychiatric Hospital—Rev. R. G. Bell.

WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY DISTRICT—

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

TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT—

New Plymouth—Rev. H. M. Craig.
Wanganui—Rev. S. J. Spindler.

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).
Grey 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. D. G. Laws.
Sunnyside Hospital—Revs. I. B. Wilson, W. D. Harding, H. G. Brown.
Burwood Hospital—Rev. O. L. Christian.
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. K. Cree (Presbyterian).
Ashburton Hospital—Rev. J. F. Cropp.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND DISTRICT—

Dunedin Public Hospitals and Cherry Farm Psychiatric Hospital—
The Ecumenical Chaplain.
Kew Hospital (Invercargill)—Rev. Russell G. Rigby.

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

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

Laurence H. Currie
Ian E. M. Anderson
D. Ian McLeod
Restell A. Burton

Jan D. de Zoete
Stuart C. Grant
John A. Stringer
John H. Roberts

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

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
S. Toia
Tawai Te R. Kawiti
Te Orah Tonga
J. V. Salisbury, LL.B.
J. D. Curwood
Archibald C. Barrington

Eric G. Heggie
Rewi Tautari
H. Waata
Mare Rogers
R. N. Clucas
Mrs A. B. Beeston
G. E. Brown
M. R. Downey
R. C. Gardiner
C. W. Haliwell
E. D. Langford
G. Nelson
K. W. Nelson
H. J. Voice
B. E. Wilson
Sister Patricia Russ

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

William J. Morrison, M.A.

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

Yes.

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

Archibald C. Barrington, F.C.I.S.

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

Northland: Rev. Edwin B. Clarke.
Auckland: Rev. Edmund D. Grounds.
Waikato-Bay of Plenty: Rev. William J. Morrison.
Taranaki-Wanganui: Rev. Leonard V. Willing.
Hawkes Bay-Manawatu: Rev. Leslie F. Bycroft.
Wellington: Rev. Wilfred F. Ford.
Nelson: Rev. Robert H. Allen.
North Canterbury: Rev. Wesley A. Chambers.
South Canterbury: Rev. Percy P. Rushton.
Otago-Southland: Rev. Kenneth H. Russell.

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

- (a) **General Statistical Secretary:**
Superintendent of Development Division.

- (b) **Secretaries of Synods?**

Northland: Rev. J. Henry Woolford.
Auckland: Rev. Ian H. McKenzie.
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. Harold K. Brown.
North Canterbury: Rev. Robert W. Widdup.
South Canterbury: Rev. Norman J. West.
Otago-Southland: Rev. John D. Meredith.

- (c) (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.
Waikato-Bay of Plenty: Mr C. R. Shoosmith, A.C.A.,
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, A.C.A.,
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.
Convenor: Secretary of Conference.

- Committee of Exigency:**

To be appointed as required.

(b) President's Committee of Advice:

Revs. W. S. Dawson (Ex-President), W. J. Morrison (President-Elect), L. R. M. Gilmore, E. F. I. Hanson, E. D. Grounds, H. E. Harkness, N. E. Brookes. Messrs E. G. Heggie (Vice-President), E. C. Flyger (Ex-Vice-President), H. de R. Flesher (President's Legal Adviser), A. C. Barrington (Vice-President-Elect), C. B. Radcliffe, C. H. Couch, H. R. Laws, Mrs W. H. Price.

(c) Pastoral Committee:

The President, The President-Elect, Revs. Dr J. J. Lewis and W. S. Dawson, Messrs E. G. Heggie, G. E. Hill, W. E. Donnelly, Consultant: The Superintendent of the Development Division.

QUESTION 33.—No longer applies.

QUESTION 34.—No longer applies.

QUESTION 35—What is the Report of the Church Council?

CHURCH COUNCIL

The Church Council met at the City Mission Camp, Otaki on May 14-16, 1973.

The President, Rev. W. S. Dawson, presided.

Church Structure: Council of Mission—Five Divisions:

Mr H. de R. Flesher, the President's Legal Adviser, presented a memorandum on the need for changes in law providing for—

- (a) The establishment of the Council of Mission with its Five Divisions.
- (b) The Five Divisions to be the legal successors to the existing Departments.

Mr Flesher pointed out the need for clarification of relationship of the Divisions to the whole Church and the Council of Mission. A large number of amendments to the 1969 Law Book would be required.

The memorandum was received and referred to the Law Revision Committee for consideration and the preparation of the necessary resolutions for the 1973 Conference in consultation with the Council of Mission.

Role of Church Council:

The Rev. G. T. Gilbert introduced a memorandum prepared by a sub-committee consisting of Revs. L. F. Bycroft, G. T. Gilbert (Convener), Messrs E. C. Flyger and N. P. Alcorn.

The memorandum outlined the history of Church Council since its establishment in 1946. It drew attention to the original terms of reference (Mins. of Conf. 1946, page 56):

- (1) To recommend to Conference the broad policy of the Methodist Church of New Zealand as it affects every aspect of our mission; the Conference to allocate the various parts of that policy to the necessary Departments, Boards and Committees.
- (2) To survey periodically the general trend of Church and community life and to take steps to see that the Church moves with the times. Originally Church Council consisted of 36 members made up equally of ministers and laymen. In 1951 the Agenda of Church Council was stated in the Law Book as—
 - (1) What is recommended concerning the following:

- (a) Doctrine and polity.
- (b) Life and work.

- (2) What is recommended concerning the Church and the community.
- (3) What is recommended concerning ecumenical affairs.
- (4) What matters are remitted to the Council by Conference.

The functions of Church Council were reviewed in 1959 when it was noted that the work-load had steadily increased and Conference reaffirmed the original intention "that Church Council be an Advisory Body to Conference on **major matters of policy**". (Mins. of Conf. 1959, pages 74 and 77).

In the judgment of the sub-committee the emphasis needs to be made clear again that Church Council's role is "the broad policy of the Church" in matters before it. Church Council, however, has to be seen in the light of the structures adopted by the 1972 Conference. What is the role of Church Council in relation to the Five Divisions and to Synod and Conference? The place of Church Council is still one of "long-term policy making". The role of the Council of Mission is to be a team ministry where the resources of the Church are co-ordinated and directed towards the whole Church in action. The Council of Mission would be a "sounding board" and forum for working out the local strategy in line with the Church Council and Conference guidelines.

If the role of the Church Council is to be fulfilled, the Church Council Agenda must adhere more strictly to matters of policy, and other matters which previously have been referred to Church Council by Conference should be passed either to the Council of Mission, Standing Committees of Conference or Divisions. Standing Committees and Divisions may also from time to time suggest points of view for Church Council to establish as policy, but the final working out in the local situation belongs to the Division concerned.

The sub-committee recommended the establishment of a Committee to be responsible for—

- (a) Selecting the issues for discussion at Church Council;
- (b) Setting the Agenda of the Council;
- (c) Directing the preparation of working papers for its meeting.

For Church Council to work effectively, some creative thinking by a person or group must be done before Council meets to provide materials for members to work at. Early receipt of material is essential for Council members to work through in their own time.

Church Council needs to be broken up into small groups for working at specific questions before the full Council makes its recommendations. A reduced Agenda worked over by small groups at Council would be more practical and productive and would help to ensure more lay participation.

The Committee recommended a reduction in size: at present 40 members can attend, it suggested a Council of not more than 32 made up as follows: President, Vice-President, President-Elect, Vice-President-Elect, Secretary of Conference, General Treasurer, Council of Mission representative, two young ministers, two young laymen, 10 Chairmen of Districts, 10 laymen of Districts. The Committee also suggested that the Chairman be a minister or a layman appointed for a term of not less than three years to give some continuity. It recommended that three working groups of from 10-12 persons could deal with the issues in greater detail and more creatively before the whole Council agrees to policy.

It was seen that those who have provided working papers or convened Committees at which working papers have been prepared should attend Council only as resource persons or as advisers.

Church Council divided into three groups to discuss the memorandum. In the plenary session that followed there was general agreement that the role of the Church Council would best be achieved in a leisurely atmosphere with a limited number of basic issues for consideration. The need for creativity and flexibility were both emphasized. Some felt that it would be better to have a Church Council with a small core augmented by a wider group chosen for special skills which might arise at a particular time.

There was some difference of opinion as to whether Church Council should be made the executive of the Conference with administrative matters on its Agenda as well as policy; the consensus of opinion was that the major portion of the time of Church Council should be given to opening up issues.

It was agreed that the sub-committee which had prepared the memorandum should reflect further on the way in which issues are selected for the Agenda of Church Council, the personnel of the Council, and the use of a steering committee, and to bring a report to Church Council 1974.

Role of District Synods:

The General Secretary introduced a memorandum and outlined the steps that had been taken to implement the decisions of the 1968 Conference. He pointed out that all Boards/Committees had not taken seriously the decision of Conference that apart from finance, major policy matters only required to be communicated to Synods. Some Committees had not included in their annual reports to Conference a reference to guidance given by Synods on matters referred to them. He mentioned some of the difficulties experienced in getting materials to sessions of Synod on time. He asked that consideration be given to the advisability of dealing with Connexional reports almost entirely at the August meetings of Synods, reserving the remaining meetings of Synods for District matters.

The consensus of opinion in Church Council was not in favour of reverting to the previous system whereby Synods met once annually in the month of August. It was felt that on balance the new system had great advantages, but Synod meetings should be made more creative by picking out some business for special attention. The Committees could help by indicating clearly the issues on which they desire Synods to react and setting out the manner in which they wished their reactions to be recorded.

Council considered that it would facilitate the operation of Synods if—

- (a) Reports were sent in cyclostyled form direct from Committees/Boards to Synods, with copies forwarded to the General Secretary for use in preparation of Conference Agenda.
- (b) Conference stated a period in the months of March, June, August and October during which all Synods should hold their meetings.
- (c) Secretaries of Synods reported to the General Secretary immediately after each meeting.

Cost of Travelling to Conference Held in Relatively Remote Areas (Mins. of Conf. 1972, page 116, Resolution 2)

A memorandum was received from the Welfare of the Church Committee. While acknowledging the importance of the cost factor, the Council was of the opinion that there could be other considerations that greatly outweigh it—considerations which made it highly desirable that Conference be held in comparatively remote centres.

It was agreed to take no further action.

Tongan Affairs:

The Rev. G. G. Carter, General Secretary of the Overseas Division, reported on a meeting of Auckland ministers and Tongans regarding the provision of adequate pastoral care for Tongans resident in New Zealand. This meeting had recommended the establishment of a Tongan Affairs Committee as a continuing entity to look at problems as they arise. One of its tasks would be to establish a liaison with every centre where there are Tongan Methodists. Church Council indicated its support.

Church Council suggested that the President of the Methodist Church of Tonga be invited to attend the 1973 Conference and to make pastoral contacts.

Personnel of the Committee on Ministry (Mins. of Conf. 1972, pp. 114-115):

A memorandum was received from the executive of the Committee on Ministry recommending that the personnel of the Committee consist of the following: The President, Vice-President, General Secretary, Convener of the Committee on Ministry, Secretary of Examinations, Convener of Continuing Education for Ministry Committee, Convener of Selection Committee, one representative of Trinity Theological College, one representative of the Division of Education, one ministerial representative of each Synodal District, two Chairmen of Districts, four laymen, President-Elect, Warden of Deaconess Order. A total of 27 plus the Oral Examiner.

Church Council supported the recommendation of the executive of the Committee on Ministry.

If past practice is followed, the four laymen would be appointed by the President and the Secretary of Conference in consultation with the Convener of the Committee on Ministry.

Dates for 1974:

Church Council agreed to recommend as follows to Conference: Church Council: May 20-22 at City Mission Camp, Otaki.

October Committee: October 1-3 at Wesley Church, Taranaki Street, Wellington.

Conference: November 2-8 at Pitt Street Church, Auckland.

Allocation of Development Fund 1974-75:

The Rev. B. E. Jones, General Superintendent of the Development Division, 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.

Mr C. R. Hasseldine, General Treasurer, presented a memorandum from the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee requesting a share of the Development Fund for the capital of its Fund. It was noted that the Church Building and Loan Fund had a lengthy waiting list of applications for loans at the present time.

Church Council resolved to recommend that \$20,000 be included in the Connexional Budget for 1974-75, to be allocated as follows:

- 50% direct grants for Church Extension purposes.
- 25% special projects approved by the Education Division.
- 25% capital of Church Building and Loan Fund.

Staffing Needs for 1974:

The Rev. B. E. Jones, General Superintendent of the Development Division, reported briefly.

Use of President and Vice-President for 1974:

The Vice-President-Elect, Mr E. G. Heggie, was overseas. The President-Elect, Rev. W. R. Laws, reported conversations with the

Vice-President-Elect indicating the willingness of both of them to serve the Church in whatever ways it was desired. It was suggested that Union Parishes be included in Presidential visits. The President, Rev. W. S. Dawson, stated that he himself had found great inspiration in his contacts with the Maori people.

United Christian Education Department:

The Rev. J. Grundy, Director of Christian Education, reported that the J.C.C.U. had asked the negotiating Churches' Board of Christian Education to investigate the possibility of structuring the Departments of Christian Education on an ecumenical rather than on a denominational basis prior to Union. He pointed out that there was already a high degree of co-operation among the Christian Education sections and referred to some of the difficulties being encountered in increasing the extent of co-operation.

Church Council expressed its support in principle of the establishment of a United Department of Christian Education and commended the twofold endeavour being made towards the achievement of this objective by unifying the national departments of three negotiating churches (Churches of Christ, Methodist and Presbyterian) and increasing co-operative activities with individual Diocesan Boards of the Church of England.

Hospital Chaplaincies:

The Rev. B. E. Jones, Superintendent of the Development Division, introduced a memorandum referring to Hospital Chaplaincies:

1. **Definitions:**
 - (a) Denominational
 - (b) Shared
 - (c) Ecumenical
2. **Conference Policy** (1972 Mins. of Conf. pp. 193-194).
3. **The Existing Situation:**
 - (a) Full-time Methodist Chaplains
 - (b) Connexional participation in additional shared Chaplaincies with the Presbyterian Church
 - (c) Part-time Methodist Chaplains
 - (d) Chaplains receiving Government subsidy
4. **Developments:**
 - (a) Hospital statistics:
 - i. General
 - ii. Psychiatric
 - (b) Hospital Chaplaincy committees planning for ecumenical chaplaincies
5. **Costs.**
6. **Procedures for the selection and appointment of Ecumenical Chaplains.**
7. **Accreditation:**
 - (a) Principles
 - (b) Training courses

Church Council gave careful consideration to the memorandum and resolved to submit to Synods a set of guidelines for the appointment of Hospital Chaplains:

- (1) We recognise that as a Church we are unable to participate financially in all of the proposed or potential developments concerning the establishment of Hospital Chaplaincies.

- (2) That progressive financial limits on Connexional participation in Hospital Chaplaincies be prepared by the Development Division and presented at the Budget Committee.
- (3) That District Synods make application to the Development Division for financial support and the Division recommend to Conference what specific chaplaincies it considers should receive Connexional assistance.
- (4) That the Development Division establish the necessary criteria to assist Conference determine what existing or proposed chaplaincies will receive Connexional support:
 - e.g. i. The size of Hospital — number of beds.
 - ii. Locality — providing specialist services, etc.
 - iii. Existing full-time chaplains.
 - iv. Availability of pastoral oversight by Circuit ministers.
 - v. Ecumenical co-operation.
- (5) That the Development Division prepare a report to Synods and Conference 1973 on the selection and training of ministers as potential Hospital Chaplains. The report to include:
 - i. The extent to which the Church wishes to deploy its staff in this specialist ministry.
 - ii. The method of selecting men for training.
 - iii. Financing the cost of basic training — stipend/housing during the two three-month courses.
 - iv. Assisting the student's Circuit during the training period.
- (6) That the Development Division enquire from the M.S.S.A., and from District and Connexional Trusts as to the availability of financial assistance for the establishment of chaplaincies and/or the training of chaplains.
- (7) That the Superintendent of the Development Division replace the Rev. W. F. Ford as the second Methodist representative on the Inter-Church Advisory Council on Hospital Chaplaincies.

Candidates for the Ministry:

Reports from District Chairmen suggesting that the number of candidates for the Ministry at 1973 Conference would be small. It was agreed that the President in consultation with Rev. J. J. Lewis, Principal of Trinity Theological College, Rev. J. Bluck, Editor of "The New Zealand Methodist" and Rev. P. A. Stead, Convener of the Committee on Ministry, writes an article commending the ministry to the youth of the Church.

A letter was received from the Rev. P. A. Stead, Convener of the Committee on Ministry, informing the Council of a joint selection programme involving three of the negotiating churches on an experimental basis.

Continuing Education for Ministers:

A letter was received from Rev. P. A. Stead, Convener of the Committee on Ministry, reporting on the consideration being given by the negotiating churches to joint operation in this field.

World Council of Churches—5th Assembly, Jakarta 1975:

Some consideration was given to representation of the Methodist Church of New Zealand at this Assembly.

It was unanimously agreed to nominate to Synods and Conference, the Rev. Rua D. Rakena, Tumuaki of the Maori Division. (Substitute: Rev. Lane Tauroa.)

W. S. DAWSON — President.

W. R. LAWS — General Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. **Personnel of the Committee on Ministry:** That as from Conference 1974 the Committee on Ministry consist of: The President, Vice-President, General Secretary, Convener of the Committee on Ministry, Secretary of Examinations, Convener of Continuing Education for Ministry Committee, Convener of Selection Committee, one representative of Trinity Theological College, one representative of the Division of Education, one representative of the Maori Division and one Deaconess, one ministerial representative of each synodal District, two Chairmen of Districts, four laymen, President-Elect, Warden of Deaconess Order—a total of 29 plus the Oral Examiner.
3. **World Council of Churches—5th Assembly, Jakarta 1975:** That the Rev. Rua D. Rakana, Tumuaki of the Maori Division, be nominated as a representative of the Methodist Church of New Zealand. (Substitute: Rev. Lane Tauroa.)

4. That Church Council report to Synods and Conference 1974 on the revision of procedures for the appointment of Chairmen of Districts to enable the Chairman to give more time to his Synodal duties by being freed from the main responsibility within the circuit to which he is appointed.

Comments:

Wellington has been more effectively served under the present arrangement whereby the Chairman is able to give 20-25% time to Synod. Seven Districts have Chairmen in circuits with multiple staff, one other where the Chairman is not the Superintendent. Nomination may be made. A circuit could be consulted first. Emphasis on Team Ministries makes this practicable and desirable. Separated Chairmen less likely than ever. This would allow greater pastoral efficiency.

5. **Hospital Chaplaincies:** That the guidelines set out in the Report of Church Council be given general approval and referred to the Development Division for implementation.

WELFARE OF THE CHURCH COMMITTEE

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. There is no recommendation.

- (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 Wills 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.
- (f) 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.

The Welfare of the Church Committee considered the submissions carefully and in detail, with an awareness of the problem submitted; however, it 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.

No recommendations are made.

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 has 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 the Methodist Church; 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 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.

5. 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.

6. 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 intention 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, is 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 could 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.

7. PARSONAGE RENTALS AND PRIORITY IN MINISTERIAL ALLOWANCES

(P. 168 1970 Conference Minutes—5).

The matter of Circuit Quarterly Meeting paying trusts a rental for the parsonages in the Circuit, and the priority given in the

Circuit Budget to Parsonage expenses was referred to our committee as above.

This business was discussed and a report sent on to the other consulting committees with an offer to collate the reports and present the matter to Conference 1973. However, as at the time of writing this report one reply only has been received and thus the report is held over for the time being. There are no recommendations.

R. G. RIGBY, Convener.

W. L. WALLACE, Chairman.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted except for sections 2, 3, 4 which were received only.

2. That section 2 be referred back for further consideration.

3. That section 3 be referred back for reconsideration in consultation with the Faith and Order Committee in the light of the principles that underlie paragraph 91 of the Law Book.

4. That the Church hopes that a minister contemplating resignation, before raising the matter officially with his Chairman, will feel free to discuss his concerns with someone of his own choosing.

5. That the Committee on Ministry (in consultation with the Faith and Order Committee) study the report on the relationship of Ordination and Reception into Full Connexion with particular reference to the pastoral implications for ministers who are contemplating withdrawal from active work.

6. That Conference affirms the principle of shared leadership and encourages circuits to make every use of competent lay people in leadership.

7. That the whole matter of section 151(O) and 151(P) of the Law Book be referred back to the Welfare of the Church Committee in consultation with the Law Revision Committee for further consideration and report to Conference 1974.

8. That the Welfare of the Church Committee in consultation with the Law Revision Committee be asked to review Section 151 in the Law Book and bring it into harmony with the principle outlined above, with a view to providing new flexibility in the duties of Superintendent, associates and laymen and that findings be reported to Synods and Conference 1974.

9. That Section 4 be given general approval and referred back to the Committee for further consideration and report to Synods and Conference 1974.

10. That the statistical information in the Annual Returns to be furnished by each Circuit through the District Statistical Secretary, and tabulated in the Minutes of Conference comprise:

- (i) members on the electoral roll at 30th June;
- (ii) number of infant baptisms;
- (iii) number of adult baptisms;
- (iv) number of confirmations.

11. That the Property Schedules for Trusts suitably simplified continue to be furnished through District Property Secretaries.

12. That copies of the audited Circuit Receipts and Payments statements for the year to June 30th, with breakdown of ministerial stipends and allowances, be forwarded to District Financial Secretaries, and also to the General Treasurer for Budget purposes and for record.

13. 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.

14. That when a Circuit Steward or five members of the Quarterly Meeting seek a review of an appointment, the Chairman of the District or his deputy 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.

15. That the matter when raised by Circuit Stewards or members, should be raised 28 days before the March Quarterly Meeting.

16. 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 or earlier special Quarterly Meeting.

17. If the Circuit Stewards do not take any action as provided, any 5 members may request the Circuit Stewards in writing to raise the issue. Such notice shall be given at least 21 days before the March Quarterly Meeting and the Circuit Stewards shall, while retaining the anonymity of the 5 thereupon notify the minister and the Chairman of the District and shall raise the matter at the March Quarterly Meeting.

18. That the following be referred to the Welfare of the Church Committee in consultation with the Law Revision Committee: "That all accredited Lay Preachers be members of the Leaders' Meetings."

19. That the Welfare of the Church Committee 1974 be as printed on page 9 herein.

QUESTION 36 (b)—

NEW ZEALAND METHODIST LAY PREACHERS' ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL REPORT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE 1973

The Dominion Executive transferred early in 1973 from Wellington to Auckland. Our decision to use the Auckland Branch Executive as the Dominion Executive has given us a larger Committee than usual. It is interesting to note that included in our team are three ladies, and two Samoan Lay Preachers.

Tributes:

It is with regret that we record the passing of three of our Lay Preachers. Mr Mervyn Bull of Christchurch was a much respected Lay Preacher, and held executive office at local and national levels. Mr Charles Horn of Te Aroha filled many positions in the Church, and was a Lay Preacher for 65 years. Mr T. P. Hughson of New Plymouth served faithfully as a Lay Preacher for 66 years. We thank God for the devoted service these brethren gave the Church.

Examination Results

13 Candidates sat the examinations held in June and December 1972.

| Subject | Passed | Failed | Total |
|---------------|---------------|-------------|---------------|
| Theology | 2 (1) | — (1) | 2 (2) |
| Old Testament | 5 (5) | — (2) | 5 (7) |
| New Testament | 4 (5) | — (—) | 4 (3) |
| Homiletics | 6 (4) | 2 (2) | 8 (6) |
| The Church | 1 (1) | — (2) | 1 (3) |
| | <hr/> 18 (16) | <hr/> 2 (7) | <hr/> 20 (21) |

(Last year's figures in brackets)

Accreditations

Only two persons have been received as fully accredited Lay Preachers this year. They are Gordon Stewart of Waipawa (414) and Miss Marion L. Neller of Auckland Central (415).

Long Service Diplomas were presented to:

J. Daley (Lower Hutt-Petone) 42 years; Mrs A. Woodnut, 60 years; A. K. Surrey, 41 years; M. H. Whitlock, 41 years; L. Haycock, 36 years; D. Sears, 36 years; J. Harding, 34 years (all from Taranaki-Wanganui District). C. R. Goudge (Auckland East), 32 years; L. D. Rolinson (Auckland East), 40 years.

The Preacher

We are hoping to produce four issues of the magazine this year; this depends both on financial support and on articles coming to hand from Branches. Our President, who has now retired from work, has agreed to act as Editor.

Recognition of Samoan Lay Preachers

The whole question has been discussed, and as a result of the consultations which took place with President Amani and with various committees last year, and in view of the likelihood of a Samoan Minister being appointed to Auckland in the near future, it was decided to leave the matter in abeyance.

NORMAN PACKHAM, President.

ALAN B. BAILEY, Secretary.

RESOLUTION

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

QUESTION 36 (c)—No longer applies.

QUESTION 36—What are the Reports of:

(d) METHODIST WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

TENTH ANNUAL REPORT

The Women's Fellowship in New Zealand has experienced a very busy year: the challenge to Christian womanhood has been strongly upheld in town and country. We are thankful to those who laid the foundations so wisely and well—herein lies much of the strength of our movement.

Membership

There are nineteen District Councils, two of which are Union Councils. Until all district returns are received it is not possible to give the number of members.

National Executive based in Christchurch, has held meetings on the third Wednesday of each month. Words cannot express appreciation of the whole-hearted co-operation and team work of the members of the National Executive this year.

Mrs Price has had the opportunity of meeting MWF members in many parts of the country. They have appreciated her visit, and in turn, Mrs Price has appreciated the warmth of hospitality and friendship extended to her.

We thank Miss J. Angus and Rev. J. Grundy of the Education Division, for arranging and leading a retreat held at Diamond Harbour in March.

We have maintained communication regularly with District Councils through the media of bulletins and newsletters. Direct con-

tact with local fellowships has been by means of the Fellowship Newsletter which has been well received.

Kurahuna Scholarship Grants have this year been made to over 30 Maori girls, and the total is approximately \$4,500. Selection is made on the basis of merit and financial need. In addition to grants for Secondary School Education, Clothing and Books, grants have covered training for Karitane Nursing and Hairdressing.

The assistance aims to encourage both parents and girls to appreciate the worth of an extended education, and its continuance in each case is dependent on satisfactory progress being maintained.

Te Roopu Wahine

Miss Piki Bishop of Opunake has recently been appointed President to succeed Mrs Eva Kershaw who passed away in her sleep on 25 April at Pariroa Pa. Mrs Kershaw loved her Church and served it well; she also took an active interest as a member and leader in many organisations in Patea affecting Maori and community cultural interests. We share with the members of Te Roopu Wahine their sense of loss at the passing of a loved leader. We wish Miss Bishop and her Executive a very happy term of office.

Home and Overseas Workers

There is news of encouraging growth of the women's work in the United Church in P.N.G.S.I. We give thanks and pledge our prayerful support as well as continuing aid.

The National Executive has appreciated the close communication with Sister Beverley Taylor, President of the Deaconess Association.

Union

There are encouraging signs of closer co-operation between women of various denominations. We acknowledge the cordial relationship we have with the National Executives of the Association of Presbyterian Women, the Association of Anglican Women and the Christian Women's Fellowship of the Associated Churches of Christ. A consultation with representatives of these groups is being held in September.

Preparation and planning at local levels has proved to be essential before Union Parishes are formed.

World Federation of Methodist Women

Active links are being maintained. Mrs N. Williams is our corresponding secretary. As an Area Vice-President, Mrs V. Dowie travelled to Mexico in July to a meeting of the World Executive. Arrangements are in hand for an Area Seminar to be held in New Zealand in May 1974, when women from Australia, Fiji, Samoa, Tonga and New Zealand will gather together. A fund has been established to assist women from the Pacific Islands areas with travelling expenses.

Finance

The Income for the year has been similar to that received last year, with the response to the Special Objective being very encouraging, as the target is within reach.

The proceeds from Stamps and Tea Coupons are considerably less this year, and as this is the source of Grants to Workers at home and overseas, it is rather disappointing.

July 1st 1974 marks the dawning of a new era in MWF finances, as from that date the MWF commitment to the Overseas and Maori Divisions will be discontinued and local fellowships will contribute to the circuit budgets.

Representation

With the new structure of Divisions with supporting Boards and Committees, within the Council of Mission, there is no provision for MWF representation, but the inclusion of some women acknowledges that women make a contribution. However, it is felt that there should be still more representatives on both Connexional committees and Local committees. Church Conference 1972 agreed that there should be an MWF representative on Circuit Finance Committees; this will be of value in implementing the altered financial obligations.

Mrs N. Williams is our representative on the National CORSO committee. Women are involved actively in the Church Social Services, also in various community activities.

Thanks

We wish to express our sincere thanks to the leaders of the Divisions within the Council of Mission for their kindly help and assistance throughout the year, to all District Council officers for their co-operation, and we thank God for all the prayers, love and service of the members of the MWF. Though a women's group, we are concerned with the whole family of God, and it is in this context that we see our movement. The role of women is rapidly changing—they have more education, more skills, greater freedom from the traditional tasks and image, while still making the unique contributions which are theirs to give. Our concern is to find acceptance on the basis of competence and need—not to be discriminated against or favoured because we are women.

Conclusion

We conclude this report with thanksgiving to Almighty God for strength and wisdom given to each one as we seek to promote by worship, study and service the spiritual and social life of our members so that we may make a Christian witness in home, church and community.

R. PRICE, President.

J. BROWN, Secretary.

RESOLUTION

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

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

METHODIST EDUCATION DIVISION ANNUAL REPORT, 1973

1. FORMATION OF THE EDUCATION DIVISION

(i) The Methodist Education Division was established by the 1972 Conference, and takes over former responsibilities of the Department of Christian Education and the Finance and Stewardship Committee. The Stewardship Executive Officer becomes an Associate Director in the new Division. The Finance and Stewardship Committee has made an outstanding contribution to the life of the church, and an appropriate resolution is appended.

The Division functions in four sections, responsible to the Board through the Director. They are: Planning and Training under the supervision of John Grundy, Stewardship under Jock Hosking,

Epworth Bookroom (Wellington) under Glyn Jones and Office Management under Laurie Bull.

(ii) **Finance:** The new Division has been under considerable financial pressures. In part these are explained by the general increase in salary and related costs, which cover a high proportion of the Division's expenditure. But in particular they have been generated by the necessity to purchase two parsonages within an eighteen month period. This has meant not only that reserves built up over the years, mainly from profits from Bookroom operations, are no longer available, but also that the Division is under obligation to meet very heavy loan repayments. No less than \$40,000 had to be found to finance the purchases and as a result the Division's request for a substantial increase in contributions from the Connexional Budget cannot be avoided.

2. FUNCTIONS OF THE BOARD

The Board plans its meetings around balancing five tasks—meeting one another, sharing information, planning together, making decisions and initiating new ventures. The pattern in 1973 has been to alternate formal and working meetings. For the working meetings, members plan together in a committee of the whole or in small groups. Issues presently under consideration or identified for attention in working meetings include:

- * training in elementary skills for interpersonal relationships and personal growth.
- * small group worship and new styles of basic church gathering.
- * a course on "helping relationships", focussing on visiting the sick (at home or in hospital), the bereaved, for stewardship purposes, and those with family difficulties.
- * the layman's role in the preparation and leadership of worship, including a revision of the lay preachers' course.
- * the nursery home roll.
- * Christian education with the family as the primary nurturing group.
- * a review of youth ministry.
- * a revision of procedures and structures for ensuring adequate expression of youth opinion in the church's decision-making.

A stewardship Committee, responsible to the Board, has been formed. Members have been selected to attend to three basic tasks—stewardship education, promotion (including possibly publicity for the Connexional Budget), and the development of a variety of patterns for effective fund-raising programmes.

3. TRAINING EMPHASES AND PROGRAMMES 1973 AND PRIORITIES 1974

Staff involvement in programmes covers a wide field, but key areas in 1973 have been:

* **Basic Leadership Training** for children's, youth, and adult Christian education programmes. This continues to be the first priority in Division planning and in ordering of staff time.

* **Ministers' Continuing Education.** Staff members have been involved during 1973 in leadership at four Schools of Theology—the heaviest staff commitment to date in this field. Themes covered have been:

"Salvation Today" (Auckland and Northland), "The Minister's role in planning for local community mission." (North Canterbury), "Help for Ministers' Support Groups" (Hawkes Bay-Manawatu, Taranaki-Wanganui, Wellington and Nelson; South Canterbury and Otago-Southland).

Also, Keith Rowe has been involved in the teaching of Christian Education in the United College of St John and in a number of seminar and other activities with the students.

In August, Keith Rowe and John Grundy were Methodist representatives attending the JCCU sponsored Consultation on Continuing Education for ministers, held at St John's College, Auckland. The JCCU will distribute a Report.

***Selecting and Training Synod Consultants to the local church.**

The key to this has been the Shalom programme, when during 1972 Christian Education Staff worked with the Board of Evangelism in preparing selected people as leaders, to visit local churches in teams of two. In 1973 area gatherings have been held, to review and revise the whole programme, and to plan for its continuation during 1974. The question is raised: in what other ways can Synods usefully develop a consultant service to the local church?

(a) North Canterbury Synod called on Jean Angus and John Grundy to provide initial training for a team of Synod Consultants, who will be visiting by invitation local churches, as an alternative to the established Triennial Visitation. Particular members will concentrate in the fields of education, strategy, and finance and property. Other Synods have expressed interest in this development, and the Division recognises that 1974 will involve staff commitment to training programmes of a similar nature.

(b) During 1973, Keith Rowe has joined with Barry Jones of the Development Division in three local church programmes, when newly appointed ministers in Auckland have shared ideas with their leaders about expectations of ministry, and have made plans to deal with conflicts which arise. John Grundy held three similar programmes in Christchurch, but shared leadership with four members of the Synod Consultant team. We believe that conflicting ideas about the minister's and layman's contemporary role in shared ministry are a critical issue in the church today, and point to serious confusion about the local church's identity and purpose. Therefore we anticipate in 1974 a major effort to train consultants to help local churches deal with these matters. This will be planned co-operatively with the Development Division.

*** Women's Leadership Development.** Jean Angus and John Grundy conducted a Shalom type programme for the National M.W.F. executive in March of this year. Three main consequences for the Division have been:

(a) An increase in the numbers of leadership training events which Jean has taken and expects to take with District women's groups.

(b) To help a local church to examine the leadership role of women in its structures and to plan to improve this, Jean Angus has designed a programme and tested it in Christchurch, Lower Hutt, and Auckland. This has now been printed for wider local church use in 1974.

(c) Jean Angus and Jock Hosking will lead training programmes early in 1974 to assist District Council to interpret the Connexional Budget to M.W.F. members and congregations, with particular emphasis on the merger of the special missionary projects with the overall Connexional Budget.

All these priorities will extend into 1974. The points in the paragraph listed as matters under Board attention indicate other areas for 1974 priority.

4. NEW RESOURCES

*** The Role of Women in the Church.** A kit to enable a local church to look at the leadership positions held by women and to plan

for better use of leadership potential. Prepared by Jean Angus and published by the Division.

* **A Planning Kit.** A kit with cassette designed to help an LEC establish and plan for training needs of teachers and leaders in the local church. C.L.C. price, \$8.56. We recommend that Synods purchase these and make them available locally, preferably with a visiting resource leader.

* **On the Move.** A Quarterly Christian education magazine that presents practical ideas for keeping a church's educational activities lively and effective, along with reports on interesting new learning possibilities for churches. C.L.C. \$3.20 p.a. \$1.00 per issue.

* **Immediate.** To help leaders keep abreast of the films and music influencing young people. It is full of ideas for using media in Christian education. Six issues a year C.L.C. \$2.60 p.a.

* **Contemporary Worship Kit.** Three services (Christmas, Easter, and a celebration of Creation), which involve group participation. Prepared primarily for women's groups, it can be used in small or large groups. Prepared by Jean Angus and published by the Division.

* **Meeting at our Meetings.** Twenty suggestions for structured exercises to use at church meetings. These are designed as a follow-up to the Shalom programme, to encourage relating activities as an integral part of church gatherings. Published by the Division as part of the October issue of the Christian Education Handbook.

* **Family Camping.** An up-to-date guide to all types of family camping. C.L.C.

* **Church and Home Leaflets.** Leaflets (set of eight) for visitors to leave at homes as part of the local church's nursery-home programme. Also a manual of suggestions. C.L.C. price leaflets 43c set, Manual 54 cents.

5. C.L.C. EVALUATION

The Joint Board has two evaluation programmes in process at present.

(a) Year 2, term 1 materials, from Kindergarten to Youth 2 grades are being evaluated by a random sampling of teachers who have been asked to complete a booklet form evaluation. 125 Methodist teachers were involved. Also, a random sampling of 25 churches is currently responding to an adult education Questionnaire.

(b) Thirty-five N.Z. churches, eight of which are Methodist and three Union churches, have been computer-chosen to be visited by interviewers. An ecumenical Committee has chosen suitable interviewers to visit these churches and complete questionnaires provided by the Joint Board.

A Planning Conference in Melbourne is scheduled for July 12-15, 1974, to review the evaluation reports and to plan for the future. Dr David Merritt, Executive Director of the Joint Board, was in N.Z. in July, and suggested that present indications are that present curriculum materials will continue to be available, although a simplified approach of incorporating manual material into the lesson plans seems warranted. Also, there is evidence that new resources will need to be available for churches where the traditional graded lesson approach is no longer effective.

6. STEWARDSHIP

(a) Stewardship Missions

32 Missions were booked for the current calendar year. Of these 6 were for Union Parishes, 3 for Presbyterian Parishes and 2 for

combined groupings of Anglican, Methodist and Presbyterian congregations. The results so far indicate a response in keeping with upward trends in incomes. Whereas last year the average pledge in Methodist Circuits was \$1.37, to date so far the comparable figure is \$1.73—an increase of 26%. Further, the average increase in previous reported pledged giving is 75%. However, the rapid escalation in Circuit and Parish costs, especially in the stipend area, should preclude any smug complacency.

The pattern of missions this year has remained very much the same as over the past 2 or 3 years.

There are indications, strong in some quarters, that a new approach is required, but until viable and economic alternative programmes have been devised, there is little point in throwing away a structure that is still moderately successful. Jock Hosking has worked with one church on a consultant basis, and a similar exercise is planned for next year with a large Circuit. In addition an experimental mission with a completely different approach is being devised on a joint basis with a local church. Significant learnings from these and other experiments will be built into future basic programmes.

(b) Field Staff

The Section has been most fortunate in having available as Field Directors on a part time basis this year Mr W. B. Wotherspoon and the Rev. B. M. Chrystall. Mr Wotherspoon who officially retired at the end of 1972 has worked on a full time basis up to Easter, and Mr Chrystall is directing 3 missions. Mr Chrystall's experience and his knowledge of the Church has fitted him admirably for this work.

Mr Lindsay Parlane, who has been a Field Director for the Past ten years, has tendered his resignation as from May 1974. His work for the Church has been outstanding, and we stand very much in debt to him. The implications of this resignation are that from the middle of next year there will be no full time Field Staff unless replacements can be found. Steps are being taken at present to find new staff, either as full time workers or as part time employees.

(c) Promotion

The administration of the Connexional Budget is now in the hands of the Administration Division in Christchurch. Responsibility for its promotion and the ongoing educational task lies more with the Stewardship Section. A two page feature in the N.Z. Methodist of June 28 sought to highlight in personal terms the work of some of the Divisions and the pressures of rising costs on the budget as a whole. In addition the publication prepared last year titled "Introducing the Annual Stewardship Programme" was sent to all Circuits and Union Parishes at the beginning of this year. As yet there is very little indication as to whether this is proving a useful tool or not.

Promotion for the Connexional Budget is an issue of increasing concern. When the Budget was first introduced, its initial acceptance by the connexion can be attributed in no small measure to careful promotional work. With local church budgets under increasing pressure, it can no longer be assumed that payments from Circuits will continue automatically unless a realistic attempt is made to inform the church at large how the money is spent. Perhaps it is of even greater importance that local congregations see the goals of the various Divisions as being theirs also. Only then can the Connexion reasonably expect contributions to remain at a significant level.

However, adequate promotion requires finance. It would seem an appropriate time to invest some Connexional funds in an enterprise

that would spread information as widely as possible, and challenge response.

7. EPWORTH BOOKROOM

Epworth Bookroom (Wellington) over the years has deservedly earned a high reputation among N.Z. religious bookshops. Glyn Jones has been an outstanding manager now for 11 years.

The Bookroom has an essential place in the Division's work: educationally, its books support and stimulate the leadership given in all phases of the Division's programme, and financially its sales support the work of the Division.

The Board is presently giving careful attention to developing new marketing initiatives to strengthen the Bookroom's capacity to continue that educational and financial support. The wholehearted backing of Methodist people is requested.

8. TOWARDS ECUMENICAL EDUCATION

Discussions have continued during 1973 towards planning for the establishment of a united Christian Education Department. The first Consultation to that end was held on 14 April. At the request of the JCCU executive, a planned July follow-up Consultation was postponed until after the Anglican Provincial Board of Christian Education had met in September. The second Consultation was not held therefore until 29th September and so opportunity for the normal checking with Synods was not possible to allow time for modifications and improvements before Conference.

However, sufficient progress has been made for the Board to seek Conference approval of a first stage of integration, namely its participation with those other negotiating churches' Christian Education Departments which agree to transfer most of their responsibility for general policymaking, staff deployment, staff job descriptions and general oversight, to a Joint Board of Christian Education (N.Z.) Denominational Departments will continue to function as such during this first stage of integration. Steps have been outlined for initial action:

A further Consultation in February 1974 will complete the description of the basic principles of co-operation in a Joint Board.

An executive Secretary from the staff of one of the Departments will be appointed to be responsible for—

(a) implementing the formation and development of the Joint Board. Initially this will be composed of representatives of participating Departments, but ultimately membership will be representative of Regional C. E. Boards. Decisions will be made on the basis of consensus of member Departments.

(b) implementing the formation and development of Regional Boards. This will be a top priority of the Joint Board. Initially three are planned, centred on Auckland, Wellington and Christchurch, but further decentralisation may occur if desired later. A regional Staff will be employed by Regional Boards on the basis established by the Joint Board, will be responsible to the Regional Board through Regional Secretaries, may have national responsibilities in particular defined tasks, and will be available inter regionally by co-operative national planning.

Detailed proposals concerning functions, composition, etc. of both the Joint Board and Regional Boards will be referred to Boards, Synods, etc during 1974, and if generally approved, will be forwarded to the 1974 Conference for ratification.

9. STAFF APPOINTMENTS

Resolutions follow covering the redesignation of the Director and the reappointment of the Associate Directors in the Planning and Training Section. The Board is pleased to forward these resolutions to the Conference, as it is sure that the Church as a whole shares its confidence in the present staff team. The resolutions are made against a background of discussions for a united Christian Education Department. This needs to be kept in mind, and it is the reason why the length of appointment is not included in the resolutions—it should be recognised that the resolutions are not intended to prejudge or prejudice decisions which may need to be taken in these ecumenical discussions.

10. OTHER MATTERS

(i) **CYMM.** The Joint CYMM/CYMP National executive is now based in Auckland. The move has meant that it has taken a while for new members to get the feel of their task, but at this stage they are concentrating on two activities aimed at stimulating a sense of national belonging amongst youth groups. These are: (i) The production of a quarterly publication. (ii) The promotion of a Development project for 1974.

(ii) **Order of St Stephen.** Justine Guest, a nurse from Shirley, Christchurch, became the 102nd member of the Order in May after her year's service at Gemo Hospital, Port Moresby.

Two men are presently serving—Robert Tindling at Foxton as a parish assistant, and Leicester Cheeseman working out of Bougainville, Papua-New Guinea, repairing and checking all types of vehicles.

Barbara Birbeck, a candidate under the Australian Order of St Stephen, begins her year in November, when she will do accountancy work for the Maori, Overseas, and Development Divisions.

(iii) **Community '73.** This broadly-sponsored discussion programme was held in July-August 1973, over a six weeks period. Compared with Interview '69, the numbers were disappointing. But 25,000-30,000 New Zealanders sharing in community planning over several weeks cannot be termed a failure. Some localities report most successful group experiences and purposeful follow-up action.

The National Planning Committee has not completed its evaluation, but they are giving particular attention to:

* The effectiveness of the regional organisation. There are indications that future programmes with such broad sponsorship will need either to depend more heavily on churches for initiating local action or else to place responsibility more squarely on the sponsoring national organisations for developing local response from their own membership.

* The effect of the "secret" kitset on recruitment of hostesses and local organisers.

(iv) **The Churches' Education Commission.** The Commission which merges the former N.Z. Council for Christian Education and the NCC Commission on Christian Education has met three times in 1973, and is settling well to its tasks. Particular emphasis is presently being placed on the establishment of the Sections, which will be the "ideas" and working units of the new body.

Three are functioning already—Intermediate (Auckland), Tertiary and Continuing Education (Wellington), and Community (Christchurch). Primary and Youth Sections are still being formed. The new Commission's value will be more easily tested by 1974, when all these Sections are in full operation.

The Commission has approached its Constituent bodies asking for their concurrence in entering into new dialogue with the Department of Education, with a view to a wide ranging review of all matters relevant to religious and moral education in N.Z. State schools, and in particular,

- * to review the 1962 Religious Instruction and Observances Act in relation to theory and practice and in the light of overseas development in moral and religious education.
- * to examine developments in general education which either question the place of religious education as a separate school activity or which lead State teachers into areas previously dealt with under religious education.
- * to examine the future role of outside bodies such as churches and other religious groups in school programmes.
- * to examine the role of the school in the teaching of values, examining moral standards and ethical situations.

The Division has reported to the Commission that it favours this approach to the Department of Education, on the understanding that churches will be consulted fully before decisions are made. Over the years the Methodist Church has declared its mind for change in arrangements for moral and religious education in N.Z. Schools.

J. A. PENMAN, Chairman
JOHN GRUNDY, Director.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Reports be received and adopted.
2. That Conference places on record its appreciation of the outstanding contribution which the former Finance and Stewardship Committee has made in our Church. The successful introduction of the Connexional Budget, together with the fact that the concepts and practices of Christian Stewardship are now part of our Church's total life, are evidences of the Committee's vision, skill and dedicated service.
3. Believing that adequate promotion and education are essential to the maintenance of support for the Connexional Budget, this Conference asks the Budget Committee to make adequate provision in the 1975-76 Budget for this task.
4. In the light of—
 - (a) the continuing pressures of inflation;
 - (b) steeply increasing costs, especially in the area of stipends;
 - (c) the continuing need to support and develop areas of work beyond the local Church.Conference urges all Methodists regularly to review their giving to the Church and to face realistically the challenge of giving proportionately to one's income.
5. In order to assist the Methodist Women's Fellowship and local Churches to understand the Connexional Budget better, the M.W.F. together with the Education Division and Synods stage a programme during the first half of 1974 which will train new leadership; and enable a greater appreciation of the needs of the whole Church.
6. That Conference records its sincere appreciation to Mr Lindsay Parlame who will retire in May 1974 after ten years service as a Field Director.
7. Recognising—
 - (a) that the Joint Commission on Church Union had requested that if possible ways be found to unite the Negotiating Churches' Departments of Christian Education;

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METHODIST EDUCATION DIVISION—STEWARDSHIP SECTION

Report to November 2nd 1973, on Stewardship Missions, 1973

| Circuit/Parish | At Commencement | | | | | New Programme | | | | | | | | | | | Total Cost \$ |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|--------------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|--------------------|----------------|----------------|------------|-------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------|---------------|
| | No. of E.U. | No. of Pledges | Amount per week \$ | Average Pledge | % Roll Pledged | No. of E.U. | No. of Pledges | Amount per week \$ | Average Pledge | % Roll Pledged | % Increase | New Pledges | Average \$ Pledges | % of Total Pledges | % Pledges—Members | % Pledges—Adherent | |
| Waimate | — | — | 60.00 | — | — | 105 | 72 | 101.05 | 1.40 | 69 | 68 | — | — | — | 79 | 28 | 360 |
| Waipawa/Waipukurau | 106 | 35 | 59.75 | 1.71 | 33 | 97 | 55 | 79.95 | 1.45 | 57 | 34 | 22 | .55 | 40 | 82 | 40 | 316 |
| Waiuku | 153 | 64 | 64.63 | 1.01 | 42 | 153 | 97 | 111.00 | 1.14 | 63 | 72 | 34 | .77 | 35 | — | — | 340 |
| Ngaio Union | 245 | 89 | 135.00 | 1.52 | 36 | 225 | 135 | 228.20 | 1.69 | 60 | 69 | 53 | .95 | 39 | 68 | 30 | 670 |
| Hokitika Union | 169 | 73 | 135.00 | 1.85 | 43 | 191 | 119 | 207.60 | 1.74 | 62 | 54 | 51 | 1.03 | 43 | 70 | 37 | 465 |
| Whangarei | — | — | — | — | — | 471 | 148 | 332.52 | 1.81 | 40 | 80 | — | — | — | — | — | 653 |
| Hamilton East (excl. St. Johns) | 177 | 80 | 135.25 | 1.69 | 45 | 196 | 123 | 210.45 | 1.71 | 63 | 56 | 46 | 1.17 | 37 | 69 | 38 | 483 |
| Hauraki Plains Union | 260 | — | 34.38 | — | — | 260 | 154 | 153.80 | 1.00 | 59 | 347 | — | — | — | 70 | 53 | 464 |
| Papanui | 303 | 97 | 146.70 | 1.51 | 32 | 318 | 183 | 262.40 | 1.43 | 58 | 79 | 87 | 1.00 | 48 | 70 | 36 | 634 |
| Andersons Bay Presbytn. | 350 | 174 | 231.25 | 1.33 | 50 | 350 | 217 | 326.00 | 1.50 | 62 | 40 | 55 | .90 | 25 | 66 | 46 | 609 |
| Linwood-Wainoni | 230 | 65 | 111.95 | 1.72 | 27 | 218 | 124 | 196.35 | 1.58 | 57 | 75 | 66 | .98 | 53 | 65 | 44 | 491 |
| Devonport | 303 | 103 | 145.00 | 1.41 | 34 | 303 | 151 | 232.63 | 1.54 | 50 | 64 | 60 | .92 | 40 | 73 | 30 | 495 |
| Waiwhetu | 280 | 81 | 167.15 | 2.06 | 29 | 219 | 100 | 219.06 | 2.19 | 46 | 31 | 22 | .94 | 43 | 69 | 23 | 451 |
| Te Awamutu | 192 | 72 | 123.00 | 1.71 | 37 | 178 | 117 | 217.40 | 1.86 | 66 | 78 | 48 | 1.28 | 41 | 76 | 47 | 447 |
| Fielding | 409 | 122 | 262.00 | 2.15 | 30 | 404 | 216 | 369.02 | 1.71 | 53 | 41 | 96 | — | 44 | — | — | 620 |
| Takapuna | 718 | 264 | 371.10 | 1.41 | 37 | 663 | 360 | 592.43 | 1.65 | 54 | 60 | 112 | 1.07 | 31 | 66 | 35 | 840 |
| Brooklyn | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Ang/Meth/Pres. | 392 | 180 | 183.65 | 1.02 | 46 | 383 | 197 | 270.97 | 1.38 | 51 | 48 | — | — | — | — | — | 550 |
| I.C.M. Wellington | 1009 | 296 | 540.35 | 1.83 | 29 | 893 | 365 | 786.20 | 2.15 | 41 | 45 | 122 | 1.46 | 33 | — | — | 927 |
| Pahiatua Union | 650 | 111 | 74.20 | .67 | 18 | 567 | 306 | 250.50 | .82 | 54 | 263 | 207 | .65 | 68 | 69 | 47 | 656 |
| New Plymouth | 661 | 333 | 380.00 | 1.14 | 50 | 635 | 404 | 513.03 | 1.27 | 64 | 42 | 99 | .80 | 25 | 81 | 42 | 733 |

METHODIST EDUCATION DIVISION AND STEWARDSHIP SECTION—CONTINUED
REPORT TO NOVEMBER 2nd, 1973, ON STEWARDSHIP MISSION, 1973

| Circuit/Parish | No. of E.U. | No. of Pledges | Amount per week \$ | Average Pledge | % Roll Pledged | No. of E.U. | No. of Pledges | Amount per week \$ | Average Pledge | % Roll Pledged | % Increase | New Pledges | Average \$ Pledges | % of Total Pledges | % Pledges—Adherent | % Pledges—Members | Total Cost \$ |
|----------------------------|-------------|----------------|--------------------|----------------|----------------|-------------|----------------|--------------------|----------------|----------------|------------|-------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|---------------|
| Blenheim | 418 | 216 | 283.80 | 1.31 | 52 | 412 | 250 | 363.70 | 1.45 | 60 | 30 | 47 | .85 | 19 | 72 | 34 | 619 |
| Durham St. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cambridge Terrace | 401 | 154 | 262.85 | 1.71 | 38 | 350 | 188 | 366.23 | 1.95 | 54 | 42 | 40 | .94 | 21 | 61 | 26 | 750 |
| St Johns, Ham. East | 157 | 74 | 147.00 | 1.99 | 47 | 155 | 92 | 195.85 | 2.13 | 59 | 38 | 25 | 1.09 | 27 | 70 | 27 | 379 |
| St Margaret's Presbyterian | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| New Plymouth | 278 | 96 | 96.10 | 1.00 | 35 | 235 | 150 | 164.56 | 1.10 | 64 | 72 | 58 | .65 | 39 | 78 | 49 | 527 |
| Onehunga | | N.A. | | | | 351 | 237 | 515.35 | 2.17 | 68 | 82 | — | — | — | 84 | 48 | 597 |
| St Giles Pres. Papanui | 614 | 236 | 265.25 | 1.12 | 38 | 582 | 262 | 355.80 | 1.36 | 46 | 40 | 54 | 1.02 | 21 | 68 | 23 | 830 |
| Napier | 452 | 180 | 242.90 | 1.35 | 40 | 416 | 216 | 342.30 | 1.58 | 52 | 48 | 55 | 1.01 | 25 | 67 | 32 | 574 |
| Auckland East | 668 | 275 | 458.85 | 1.67 | 42 | 627 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| West Dunedin Union | | | | | | | 361 | 746.35 | 2.06 | 58 | 68 | 103 | 1.57 | 29 | 71 | 36 | 1039 |
| (Wakari) | 384 | 122 | 133.10 | 1.09 | 32 | 370 | 181 | 236.65 | 1.31 | 49 | 98 | 76 | 1.00 | 42 | 50 | 42 | 611 |

SIGNIFICANT FACTS:

| | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|--------|
| In Methodist Mission: | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1970 | 1973 |
| Member Units pledged | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | .65 | .72 |
| Adherent Units pledged | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | .38 | .35 |
| Average Pledge | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | \$1.29 | \$1.74 |
| Average new Pledge | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | .84 | 1.02 |
| Percentage increase | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | .68 | .57 |
| Percentage Earning Unit roll pledged | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | .53 | .57 |
| Total cost per Earning Unit | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | \$1.48 | \$1.70 |

In Other Denominations, including Union Parishes:

| | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-----|--------|
| Percentage Earning Unit Pledged | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | .50 | .54 |
| Average Pledge | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | .96 | \$1.39 |
| Percentage Increase | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | .95 | 102 |

- (b) that satisfactory discussions have taken place between representatives of the Christian Education Boards of the Negotiating Churches to this end;
- (c) that a staged development towards a united Christian Education structure is desirable and possible prior to Union;

this Conference agrees—

- (i) to the Negotiating Churches Board of Christian Education taking further steps to establish a Joint Board of Christian Education (New Zealand) responsible to the appropriate Church Courts through their respective Christian Education Boards;
- (ii) that the Report of the Consultation held on 29th September, 1973 and the suggested steps proposed therein are a satisfactory basis for further action in 1974.

8. That Conference designates Rev. John Grundy for re-appointment at the 1974 Conference for a further term as Director of the Methodist Education Division.

9. That Rev. B. K. Rowe be continued as an Associate Director of the Methodist Education Division for the ensuing Connexional year.

10. That Conference re-appoints Miss Jean P. Angus as an Associate Director of the Methodist Education Division.

11. That the Board for 1974 be as printed on page 5 herein. Refer to tables on pages 126 and 127.

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

METHODIST PUBLIC QUESTIONS COMMITTEE

REPORT TO CONFERENCE 1973

1. DRUG USE AND ABUSE

Res. 2, p. 159, 1972 Minutes.

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 amitryptaline, 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, barbiturates 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, barbiturates, 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 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 attitude 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 feel 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 long been 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 injections to be repeated, and none would have sought it out. Dr Chein and his colleagues concluded: "Opiates are not inherently attractive, euphoric 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 the use of certain drugs, many young people succumb to the pressure to use them, if for no other reason than that it ensures their 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 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 users 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 then 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.

2. THE 1961 NATIONAL MILITARY SERVICE ACT

Res. 5, p. 159, 1972 Minutes.

In view of the Government's intention to abolish this Act, the Committee decided that there was no longer a need to examine the present situation and the issues involved.

3. THE POLICE OFFENCES ACT 1927

Along with a number of other interested groups the Committee was invited to make submissions to the Statutes Revision Committee of the House of Representatives.

In making its submissions, the Committee recognised both the need for maintaining law and order and the danger of the public or the legislators over-reacting in the present situation.

The years since 1927 have seen many social changes — the advent of the Welfare State, the drive of many women for greater recognised equality, a sharp rise in both the standard of living and of the general level of education, a general lessening of the Christian Church's influence on society as a whole, a greater outspokenness in many matters and a tendency on the part of some to resist authority, represent some of these changes. One consequence of all this, in the view of this Committee, is that the community is no longer likely to permit Parliament to give the Police Force power it is not going to use except in emergency.

The Committee was of the opinion that prior to the Act being redrafted there were certain basic questions which needed to be asked — what constitutes an offence? what is the purpose of the Police Offences Act? what is the role of the Police? what is the extent of the powers of the Police? one criminal code or two? — such questions needing to be given serious consideration with a view to being definitely and clearly defined.

MAJOR DRUGS: Their Uses and Effects.

* (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 | for insomnia, tension and epileptic seizures | 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 | none | 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 |
| Cannabis 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 Benz-drine, 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 | stimulant | 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 |

The following is a summary of those parts of the Act which caused the Committee most concern when making its submissions:

Section 3e: "... *without lawful authority or reasonable excuse obstructs any footpath, footway or carriageway.*" Just what is meant by 'reasonable excuse'? There could be a vast difference of interpretation of these words by, say, an experienced Senior Sergeant, and a recent, young and inexperienced graduate from the Police Cadet School.

Section 3 d: "*Every person commits an offence who . . . behaves in a riotous, offensive, threatening, insulting or disorderly manner, or uses any threatening, abusive or insulting words.*" The adjectives are all emotive, condemnatory words, and impossible to define in any clear and stable way, especially since the removal in 1924 of the requirements to prove that persons charged with this behaviour intended to provoke a breach of the peace or that the behaviour was likely to cause such a breach. To give some clarity and stability to these now unanchored words, the test of the *right-thinking man* has been used by the courts. It is now established that disorderly behaviour can occur without there being any breach of the peace. But the behaviour charged as disorderly must be such as to seriously offend against the values of orderly conduct that are recognised by right-thinking persons, and it must be likely to cause disturbance or annoyance to other persons who are present. This test is too highly *subjective* to be capable of fair and consistent application, and the words '*right-thinking man*' logically beg the question since the only definition of them in this context is 'one who is offended by the behaviour in question'. The test is a highly arbitrary one dependent entirely on the natural prejudices of fallible human minds.

Section 18: *Sunday Trading* (suggested that this come under the Shops and Offices Act).

Section 27: *Tobacco Smoking by Youth* (suggested repeal).

Sections 41, 43-44: *re Drunkenness*. In the Alcoholism and Drug Addiction Act, alcoholism is acknowledged to be a disease, and as a Committee we feel that what the alcoholic needs is treatment, not imprisonment.

Sections 49-52: *Idle and Disorderly Persons*. This is in need of a drastic overhaul.

Miscellaneous Provisions

Sale or disposal of contraceptives to children: The Committee is already on record, in its reports on "human sexuality" and "abortion law reform", as urging that contraceptive supplies and advice be readily available to all who need them, whether married or unmarried. As far as those under 16 years of age are concerned this Committee would like to see the present Act amended so that recognised educational and welfare agencies and medical practitioners can give contraceptive advice and supplies. If that provision is made it should not be an offence for a person under 16 years of age to procure or attempt to procure contraceptives.

Offence to remain on ship when ordered to leave: The Committee would prefer to see this dealt with under the Trespass Act rather than the 'offender' being arrested without warrant.

Powers and Duties of Constable

Section 77: *Assaulting or resisting Constables.*

How is the word 'resist' to be defined? Does the fact that in this section it is linked with wilful obstruction and assault tend to give it a more serious connotation than its warrants?

Finally, the Committee had a suggestion to make about the name of the Act. It is understood that the probable reason for the original name is the fact that the Police would be responsible for

conducting the prosecution in the Magistrates Court — hence the name 'Police Offences Act'.

As, however, the Act has nothing whatsoever to do with offences committed by the Police, the Committee suggested that it be re-named either the Public Offences Act or the Minor Offences Act.

4. THE SOCIAL AND ECOLOGICAL EFFECTS OF POWER DEVELOPMENT IN NEW ZEALAND

Res. 4, p. 159, 1972 Minutes.

Electric power development involves a number of choices, each of which affects the community to some extent. For instance, the costs of development, both in monetary and environmental terms are high. Whether from an environmental or merely a "good housekeeping" viewpoint it is important that choices are made which reflect the real values of the community.

The initial choice is whether or not electric power is to be made available. It could well be a valid choice not to have electric power, for until almost the twentieth century all civilisations developed without it. However, the community is now so dependent on electric power that this no longer remains a real choice. The next alternative is whether there is to be a continuous supply of power. While communities would rarely decide against continuous availability, interruptions could result from delayed plant construction because of the cost or possible environmental damage. To provide against failure of supply can, in fact, result in major expense in installing and operating standby plants using oil, each of which is a considerable source of pollution.

Having decided that there is to be a continuous supply the community must reach a decision on the kind of generating plant to be employed. While the conservation of the environment must be considered in relation to this, so also must the conservation of world resources.

Thermal power stations use up part of the world's very limited supply of fossil fuel — oil, coal, or natural gas. They also cause some disturbance to the environment through the production of waste heat and the production of undesirable gases such as sulphur dioxide and the oxides of nitrogen. Depending on the type of fuel burned and the location of the plant, the environmental disturbance can be low; for example, natural gas has a very low sulphur content and when burned it produces small quantities of sulphur dioxide compared with quantities produced from burning the commonly available fuel oils.

Geothermal stations can only be successfully built where a substantial quantity of accessible subterranean heat and water occur naturally together. But these conditions are found together only rarely and the opportunities for power development are small compared with the hydro resources available.

Nuclear stations of the kind presently being built are extremely expensive and have some radio-active waste disposal problems. They also produce more waste heat than fossil fuel stations.

Except, then, for hydro power, there are no present alternatives to the use of one of the kinds of power stations already mentioned. While other sources for small amounts of power exist, usually only in particular places (for example, tidal power, wind power and solar cells), there are not practical alternatives for national power requirements. It is possible that within ten years breeder reactors will become a feasible alternative, but there are potential pollution problems with the plutonium they produce. And by the end of the

century fusion reactors may also be a practicable alternative, but this is by no means certain.

Hydro power resources generate 80% of New Zealand's power needs and although remaining hydro resources are limited in the North Island they are considerable in the South Island. Any hydro scheme will obviously affect the environment but there are some environmental gains — the resulting lake often has recreational use, the lake may provide flood control, and the station itself may become an item of local interest. Of the 20,000 visitors who visited Benmore station during 1972, most will have noticed that it provides a pleasant working environment for staff. But most important of all, the station does not consume fossil fuel.

Hydro station construction may involve the re-settlement of people who occupied the area affected by the scheme. Up to the present, power schemes have been built in sparsely populated areas of New Zealand, with the result that very few people have had to be disturbed. However, hydro sites where dams can be built at reasonable cost with minimum adverse disturbance to the environment are naturally developed first, and it is therefore to be expected that schemes in the future will have more marked disadvantages than those already constructed. In particular, such schemes may involve resettlement of whole communities. Although this may be found necessary in the national interest, it is clear that monetary compensation alone cannot compensate for all the adverse effects of resettlement. In such a situation we think that monetary compensation — sufficient to re-establish people at the standard of living they previously enjoyed — should be paid, and that any additional assistance required to re-establish both individuals and the community itself ought to be provided.

The ecological effects of construction vary widely. One noticeable example is the conversion of a river to a lake by hydro dam construction. A consequence of hydro lakes that is probably of most concern to the community is the effect that raising the water level will have on shoreline vegetation. Most lakes have been formed in comparatively treeless areas and any areas of trees have been cleared satisfactorily. Monowai in Southland is, however, an example of early development where the cost of clearing, at the time the scheme was established, was not considered worthwhile. The lake is now being more frequently visited and clearing could well be now carried out.

The ecological effects of the operations of hydro power schemes have so far been moderately small. The Waikato hydro lakes have been found to encourage the growth of water weed in the river water now carrying a high nutrient content from farm run-off in a catchment previously having a very small animal population. This weed growth has slightly reduced the amenity value of the lakes.

Another area of choice is in power transmission. It would be possible to put most main long-distance transmission lines underground, but the cost of doing this is so great that no community in the world in fact does so. A typical, heavy double-circuit line costs \$80,000 per mile and the equivalent underground cable costs would be about fourteen times as costly. Also, placing a major line underground would require a 40 ft-wide right-of-way strip to be kept clear of trees and building and and maintaining as a secure zone.

One last area of choice is whether an effort should be made to control the growth of demand. Some organisations have adopted the policy of promoting the growth of demand and it is the New Zealand custom to tend to subsidise the domestic consumer at the expense of industry and commerce. Furthermore, the method of charging for

bulk power means that units generated at high cost from imported fuel can be sold at low cost to the consumer at off-peak hours. This can lead to comparatively wasteful use of electricity by the domestic consumer, who may not bother to have his house insulated. Also he may use electricity for heating when some other fuel would be better in the national interest. For example, over twice as much heat is obtained from burning natural gas directly for domestic heating than would result if it were burned at a power station and then converted to electricity. On the other hand, large losses of gas from deteriorated underground distribution systems can reduce the overall efficiency of using gas for domestic heating.

To sum up, we believe that the use of electricity should not be encouraged where another source of power would be more suitable. Furthermore, the waste of electricity should be avoided. To achieve this:

- care should be taken to ensure that advertising does not encourage the use of electricity where a more suitable source of energy is available;
- the public should be made aware of the environmental consequences of increasing their use of power;
- thought should be given to the price of electric current to ensure that consumption is not encouraged by tariffs set below the cost of production;
- prompt consideration ought to be given to incorporating in all domestic building codes the requirement that new houses be adequately insulated against heat loss.

We note with appreciation that environmental impact statements on the Rangipo power scheme and on the Huntly thermal power station have recently been made public and hope that a full account of all such environmental studies will consistently be published in the future.

5. THE CHURCH AND ALCOHOL PROBLEMS

Consequent to its continuing study of the issues involved in Drug Use and Abuse, the Committee has spent considerable time preparing a statement on the Church and Alcohol Problems.

In this statement the Committee will be outlining the situation and the need, suggesting what perspective the Church should adopt, and dealing in detail with some critical areas of concern — e.g. Alcoholism, Alcohol and Road Safety, Alcohol and Public Drunkenness, Alcohol and Legal Controls.

In view of the fact that a Royal Commission on Liquor will be investigating some of these areas towards the end of this year, the Committee hopes to be able to present this statement on "The Church and Alcohol Problems" direct to Conference.

6. CONTINUING WORK OF THIS COMMITTEE

Other matters, which the Committee has in preparation, are:

- (i) The General Status of Women in Society
- (ii) The Sanctity of Life
- (iii) Advertising and Ethics
- (iv) Redundancy
- (v) The Christian Doctrine of Wealth

7. INTER-CHURCH COUNCIL ON PUBLIC AFFAIRS

The Committee has continued to be represented on this Committee. Officers for 1973: Chairman: The Rev. P.G. Buchanan, L.Th.,

Vice-Chairman: The Rev. C. D. Clark, M.A., and Secretary-Treasurer is the Rev. G. R. H. Peterson, who is continuing his sterling work in this capacity.

Among the matters the Council considered, were:

i. *Moral Standards*: Dr J. L. Robson spoke to the Council on this subject and a special committee was appointed to study the subject and to make recommendations to the Council. The questions considered were: (a) Should we make a statement on public morality? (b) Should we make a statement on personal morality? (c) Should we organise a seminar on moral questions? In answer to these questions the Council was of the opinion that the Council deals with Public Affairs and by its existence has shown that the Churches are concerned with public morality. There should be statements on specific issues as appropriate, but not on general morality. The Council agreed not to foster a seminar on morality.

ii. *Statement on Protest and Violence*: Points raised in this statement included: (a) The right to protest and demonstrate is inherent in the democratic way of life as practised in New Zealand. (b) The right to demonstrate according to one's own beliefs does not entitle one to violate the rights of others. (c) In a protest situation there can be considerable tension, which requires self-discipline by all parties concerned. (d) It is also possible to violate the rights of others by preventing them from acting in accordance with their sincerely held convictions — e.g. when in a society like ours, people find themselves united in their opposition to apartheid but divided in their opinions regarding the means to be used against it. (e) Since protests are focused on particular aspects of truth, the news media, out of concern for the whole truth, should observe due proportion in the coverage they give to protests. (f) Within a democratic society policies are dependent on public support, and are, therefore, susceptible to changes in public opinion. For the most part, these changes come about through the peaceable exercise of influence and through the proper provision of opportunities for expression of opinion. It is in this context that the above principles of non-violence apply. The Council pointed out that what the statement said in this respect does not necessarily apply to situations outside New Zealand in which people are sometimes faced with laws which they consider harsh and unjust ("institutionalised violence").

The statement concluded: "Part of the problem of modern protest and violence arises from the fact that society has become so complicated and impersonal that it is becoming increasingly difficult to change public opinion in a short time. Even the people in power are almost powerless at times against social timebombs left by previous generations. Consciously or not, violence can be a protest against this depersonalisation, a protest against having no identity. To some extent, it is therefore non-rational even though it clothe itself in the breastplate of justice. We are reaping the fruits of a society which has lost sight of Christian ideals and Christian motivation. . . . Those given to indifference or self-interest must take their share of the blame for situations which lead to violence."

iii. *Subjects Under Consideration*: (a) Nuclear Tests (b) Refugees (c) Immigration (d) Medical Ethics (e) Growing Concern for Environmental Problems (f) Homosexuality and Proposed Statement on Homosexual Law Reform.

C. D. CLARK, Chairman.

R. N. SIMPSON, Convener.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT

THE CHURCH AND ALCOHOL PROBLEMS

1. THE SITUATION AND THE NEED

Alcoholism and the damage done by heavy drinking constitute a grievous social problem. There are at least 50,000 alcoholics in New Zealand. As the problem of each alcoholic probably involves about 5 other people—allowing for a spouse, children, employer and others—there is likely to be at least 250,000 people who are directly or detrimentally affected. In 1967 about 10% of all admissions to psychiatric hospitals were for alcoholism.

In 1971 3,231 people were convicted for drunkenness and a further 60 for drunkenness and disorderly behaviour, while 3,456 minors were convicted for being in a public bar. These statistics are but the tip of the iceberg, for they do not include the many other offences which are often preceded by heavy drinking.

Social workers, clergymen, doctors and professional case-workers find that drinking problems occur more often than other difficulties they deal with. Nor should it be thought that such problems are tucked away and do not affect ordinary lives. The most dramatic evidence against this view is where drinking is associated with the motor vehicle. In 1971 4,774 persons having excessive blood alcohol, were convicted of driving or attempting to drive, and a further 406 with driving or being in charge of a motor vehicle while under the influence of drugs. In the same year the Ministry of Transport reports that 1,051 drivers involved in accidents were under the influence of alcohol at the time of the accident.

Behind these impersonal figures lie countless stories of lives marred by suffering. There is, in fact, no single kind of drinking problem. Among people diagnosed as "alcoholic" there are such varieties of social situations, behaviour and basic personality that the label "alcoholism" is a simplification. But whatever their specific form, nearly all drinking problems hurt more people than the drinker alone. There is the constantly drunk parent whose behaviour leaves scars on the rest of the family, particularly the children; the man at work—whose colleagues anxiously cover up for him—who may seem sober much of the time but who goes in for drinking bouts that cause lapses of judgment and may even imperil the lives of other workers; the holiday drinker who gets into his car and becomes a killer; the 'Basin Reserve' inebriate whose drunkenness cannot be separated from other disorders and conditions, whose drinking may hurt no one directly but whose plight represents appalling waste and hence a loss to others. These are just a few of the realities behind the statistics.

Unfortunately, the prevailing social attitude in New Zealand accepts or acquiesces in alcohol use until problems occur. And then the characteristic response is disapproval, rejection, denial or indifference. In this way the accepting public resists any attempt to evaluate its drinking practices and the influence of drinking practices on individuals and society. It has chosen to ignore the pharmacological fact that alcohol is a drug which powerfully affects body and mind despite the daily toll of death, accident and disorder which accompany too large a proportion of the users of alcohol.

Sad though it is, the churches have demonstrated little active involvement in this area of social concern.

Historically churchmen in the abstinence tradition came more and more to identify the temperance movement with Christianity

itself. One of the movement's more fervent spokesmen stated "This is the Christian's great issue. It is God's paramount issue". Some in the Churches felt that the effects of alcohol on individuals were so evil and their anti-liquor cause so just that clearly God himself had sanctioned not only their tactics of protecting people from the evils of alcohol, but also their goals of total abstinence for the individual and prohibition for society. Thus, for many churchmen abstinence and prohibition became principles of conduct essential to living the Christian life. Any one who drank or did not believe in prohibition was simply not a Christian. While many other voices were raised against such an extreme position it was this harsh, hopeless legalism which prevailed. Alcohol was regarded as evil and drinking as a sin. Eventually many churchmen rejected both the drinking and the drinker. The consequence was a long and bitter fight for prohibition: an effort to solve the problem of drinking and drunkards through legislation.

Against this background it is heartening to remember that, simultaneously, some churches and churchmen were doing their best to meet the needs of alcoholics and their families. From its very beginning the Salvation Army, for example, manifested concern for the alcoholic.

Today, membership of most churches includes those who feel that there are positive values in alcohol use as well as those who think there are only negative ones. As a result the churches have tended to reflect the same uncertainties and conflicts about the problems of alcohol use as the general community.

Most active have been those church members traditionally oriented towards abstinence, but their efforts have been handicapped by an apparently uncompromising opposition to all drinking. It seems to be the image of disapproval projected by these members—and not their practice of abstinence as such—that has limited their effectiveness in such areas as ministering to alcoholics and their families and the encouragement of public discussion on alcohol use. This condemnatory image may well have aggravated the problem by reinforcing the stigma attached to alcoholism.

Church members who do not take a definite stand on abstinence have been reluctant to deal with any alcohol problems except that of extreme uncontrolled drinking lest they be seen as opposed to all drinking. Such non-involvement and seeming unconcern have limited the effectiveness of these members also.

The resulting polarization of attitudes has led to the same patterns of denial and neglect of alcohol problems by churches that are seen in the larger society. In this polarised situation uncritical attitudes toward alcoholism and indiscriminate drinking practices have been seen to exist and exaggerated claims about the unambiguous benefits of alcohol have flourished with the kind of tragic personal consequences we have already described.

2. THE PERSPECTIVE

The church must clarify and express the motives for its concern and the goals of its involvement.

Basically, the motive for the churches concern is the same as for other social concerns: a love for all human beings which bestows enduring worth on the individual life. Certain uses of alcohol inhibit the realisation of love for others and healthy human interaction, foster self-centredness, impede sense of community, release destructive behaviour and violence, and negate the freedom for growth and fulfillment promised by God.

The churches concern should be to free human beings so that they can receive life as a good gift from their creator, life to be lived in freedom and love, with joy and hope to the fullest of its potential

as God intended in Christ. An individual doing as he pleases without regard to himself or others is not free, but lives another form of bondage. True freedom is accepting the limitations, demands, and possibilities of life as God's reality and presence, and determining one's own choices within them. Until a person has the capacity to shape his own life within the possibilities open to him, he is not free. True freedom is the possibility of accepting the responsibility for realising one's own God-given potential and the consequences of one's own decisions. Until a person takes responsibility for one's own choices he is not free.

In the case of alcohol problems, these words of a study document of the American Lutheran Church are appropriate.

"It is time for churches to shift the discussion of alcohol problems out of the realm of dogmatic rigidities into the openness of Christian freedom and responsibility. It is time to insist that the community support and protect the person who chooses to abstain from alcoholic beverages. It is time to say that if an abstainer is not free to drink, he is not free (unless he be a recovering alcoholic): if a drinker is not free to abstain, he is not free."

The church must ensure the realisation of such freedom for individuals in our complex society.

3. THE CONTEXT

Problems of alcohol are viewed by different groups from a variety of different contexts, and these differences have often produced quite heated conflict in the past. The Committee feels that it should set out its underlying assumptions concerning man's view of alcohol and the nature of its harmful effects on the individual.

Man is a dependent being—dependent on air to breathe, food for nourishment, persons for love, and so on. When a person persistently turns to a drug such as alcohol and depends on it to determine his mood and perceptions and to cope with his emotional and relationship problems, then he surrenders his freedom for decision-making to the chemical action of the drug on the brain and his capacity for self-determination is lost.

Obviously, not all uses of drugs are signs of dependence. Persons in our society use alcohol for a variety of reasons, ranging from gourmet taste with a fine meal to the addictive and compulsive drinking of the problem drinker. Between these two extremes is a broad middle-range use of alcohol where abusive and destructive drinking patterns have not been explored and defined. For example, it is still commonly assumed that alcohol has the capacity to enhance all areas of life from business lunches and social gatherings to husband-wife relations. Often the growth-inhibiting capacities of drugs are ignored or denied. Many people who are far from being alcoholics still use alcohol inappropriately, many as a crutch, and consequently they do not develop their fullest capabilities.

The effort of alcohol on the individual is influenced by many factors other than the chemical properties of alcohol. These include the internal predisposition and expectations of the individual user and the social and environmental setting in which he drinks. The motives and goals of the individual drinker as they interact with the feelings, attitudes, and values of the culture in which he drinks are basic in assessing the effects of alcohol on individuals and groups. When persons consistently expect alcohol to function as a problem-solver to relieve stress and to help one's ability to cope with difficulties, then the potential for a damaging dependence upon alcohol is increased.

There are two ways in which this damaging dependence may be viewed—psychologically and physically. When an individual relies on

a drug such as alcohol to produce his sense of well-being and efficiency and feels uncomfortable without it, then he has become psychologically dependent. When the body begins to need and demand the drug, then one has physical dependence, and the choice to start and to stop no longer belongs to the individual. In both cases the freedom of the individual is compromised.

Dangers of increasing dependence should be recognised before a drug such as alcohol begins to occupy the centre of life and to interfere with the normal functions of life and work. Whether the drug facilitates and enhances life processes or interferes and debilitates them is a question which should be answered by a responsible individual. The criterion is whether one is shaping his own life or being shaped by the drug.

The church should view the use of alcohol within this context of dependence and freedom. Indeed, under God's grace the church may be able to deal more effectively with the confusion, the uncertainty, the prejudices and misinformation that produce punitive and restrictive laws in the absence of effective social controls, and so overcome the legal and moralistic obstacles that impede progress in the field of alcohol problems.

4. CRITICAL AREAS OF CONCERN

Alcohol in society is a complex and involved issue. Particular problems, such as alcoholism and drinking and driving, are directly related to social attitudes and practices regarding alcohol and must be understood and dealt with in this total context, not in isolation.

In New Zealand there are five critical areas of concern which can be readily identified.

(a) Alcohol and alcoholism

Individual New Zealanders respond in various ways to the pressures in society to drink alcoholic beverages. Many hundreds of thousands drink spirits, beer or wine to some extent without any noticeable difficulty. Some, for a variety of reasons, refrain from any use of alcoholic beverages. But one out of 15 who do drink become dependent on alcohol, lose control of their drinking and develop the illness of alcoholism. It is acknowledged that alcoholism may be seen as a social, a behavioural, an ethical problem or a health problem, that is, an illness. Regarding alcoholism as an illness helps counteract the long-standing belief that alcoholics are morally inadequate people who have wilfully brought problems on themselves through their own weakness. Furthermore, seeing alcoholism in a medical context makes it possible to substitute helping or healing for the punitive or judgmental approaches of the past. It should also be stressed that many things can initiate and determine the course of alcoholism. These include physiological, psychological and social factors and the socio-cultural environment. There is no single cause of alcoholism, even though all affected persons may have some symptoms in common. There is also no single preventative approach or treatment for all cases.

Equally, there is at present no way of knowing in advance of drinking who will become an alcoholic. No one who drinks is apparently immune and alcoholics are found in every strata of society.

Alcoholism directly affects the individual who is its victim, but it is also in every sense a family and social illness. The magnitude of the problem can be seen from its involvement in family tragedies, industrial costs, road and other accidents, crime and delinquency and countless other human problems. This major waste of human resource can no longer be avoided or ignored.

While the cause or causes of alcoholism are unknown it is clear that a variety of treatment resources must be available for the many different needs that occur at any particular stage of the illness. A central place should be available in the community where the needs of the alcoholic and his family can be evaluated and appropriate referral made. This may include detoxification in a public hospital, provision for general nursing care, individual or group psychotherapy for psychological insight, longer term treatment in a rehabilitation unit, vocational guidance and training, attendance at Alcoholics Anonymous, Alanon or Alateen, family or marriage counselling, and, possibly, custodial shelter and care. A piece-meal programme cannot cope with the problem of alcoholism, and it is essential that some comprehensive scheme of care and treatment should be provided.

It is acknowledged that much has been done in New Zealand for the alcoholic, especially in recent years with the passing of the Alcohol and Drug Addiction Act, as well as with the efforts of groups such as the National Society on Alcoholism and Drug Dependency, Alcoholics Anonymous and the Salvation Army. More needs to be done in providing for a greater variety of treatments and in the establishment of a treatment programme which operates over the full span of time from the identification of the alcoholic patient through to a year or more of long term followup. The most urgent need is for a comprehensive total national policy on alcoholism.

(b) Alcohol and Public Drunkenness

Too many chronic drunkenness offenders are still being handled on what can only be described as "a revolving door" system—a process of police intervention, arrest, lock-up, court appearance and sentence.

It is common for alcoholics to be self-condemnatory and to think of themselves in deprecating terms. Rejection and condemnation in a system which too often gives punishment rather than treatment only gives support to the alcoholic's low self-esteem. The community's prevailing response of jailing the public drunk tends to intensify the alcoholic's problems and inhibit his recovery.

With the passing of the Alcohol and Drug Addiction Act in 1966 there was recognition that chronic alcoholism offenders coming before the court should be the responsibility of public health and not penal authorities. The Act has been limited in its application for two reasons—the lack of provision of suitable centres for treatment, and stemming from this, the reluctance of relatives and doctors involved to use the compulsory provisions in the Act to ensure early treatment. Provision is needed for the courts to make proper enquiries into the background of all who appear on charges in which excessive drinking has been a contributing factor. Where these inquiries, including medical assessment, establish that alcoholism is involved, the courts should be empowered to require that treatment be undertaken.

The community needs not only to ensure that the alcoholic is emancipated from the outmoded, inhumane, costly and destructive system of marking him as a criminal because he displays symptoms of his illness, but it must also seek to encourage the provision of programmes for treatment and rehabilitation. Such programmes should make an integrated total response to community needs to avoid further fragmentation and competition of services.

(c) Alcohol and Road Safety

In an address to the 1972 Road Safety luncheon in Wellington, Dr Randal Elliott, M.B., Ch.B., F.R.C.S. said, "The major factor in our epidemic of traffic injury is a high blood alcohol. In serious traffic injuries the percentage of drivers with a blood alcohol of over

100 mg is never less than 50 percent in New Zealand studies and may be as high as 80 per cent."

While alcohol may be the most important single factor in road accidents, care must be taken not to oversimplify the problem. Alcohol is not the only problem and there are no easy solutions. Any accident of any kind is the result of a number of factors operating together to cause unwanted and unexpected results. Such factors as the kind and condition of the road—the time of day—the weather, and visibility—the mechanical condition of the vehicle—and the condition of the driver are important ingredients in road accidents. The driver is of course the most important element of all. When alcohol is added to any other potential cause or causes, the possibility of an accident increases with the amount of alcohol consumed.

What kind of measures need to be taken to reduce injury and death on our roads? The following recommendations have been prepared on the basis that it is necessary to restrict some individual liberty to the extent that it proves effective in reducing and curtailing accidents:

- (1) The maximum permissible alcohol blood level standard should be 50mg of alcohol per 100ml of blood.
- (2) Law enforcement officers should be given authority to use breath-blood level testing devices when they stop suspected drinking driving offenders. Random spot checks should be made in this respect in the same way as they are made for drivers' licences and warrants of fitness.
- (3) Where evidence of alcoholism is present, magistrates should be authorised to commit drinking drivers to accepted treatment facilities.
- (4) Alcohol education should be included in all driver training and 'defensive driving' courses.
- (5) Provision should be made for the appointment of more traffic officers to ensure higher concentration of surveillance and checking during the high risk hours.

(d) Alcohol and the Adolescent

It is only natural that adults will be concerned for the health, welfare, education and maturity of young people. The adult community expects young people to become responsible members of society. While alcohol use may be acceptable to some adults and unacceptable to others it should be recognised as being hazardous for the immature. Parents and other adults often have some difficulty, sometimes involving ambivalence, in evaluating their positions concerning the teenage use of alcohol simply because they do not view their own behaviour comfortably. They need to learn that adults can serve young people best by open and honest dialogue on the responsible use and non-use of alcohol and need to be reminded of their own behaviour patterns and their impact as models for the way in which young people behave.

(e) Alcohol and Legal Controls

Legislation designed to control the use of alcohol touches upon issues of tremendous complexity. This becomes evident as we evaluate New Zealand's legal history regarding alcohol control. The significant role of the law in shaping, ordering and reinforcing both behaviour patterns and attitudes of individuals and societies must be recognised. Sometimes a particular law may produce negative reactions on the part of those to whom it seems especially irrational or unjust. Opposition to particular laws, however, does not negate the positive function of law as a regulating and controlling factor in the interaction

of individuals, groups and institutions in a society. The positive function of law should be utilised in relation to alcohol as an important means of forming healthy public practices and attitudes.

The Committee's survey of available evidence has shown that a general increase in the level of consumption is invariably associated with an increase in the proportion of those who drink at levels hazardous to health. It can be argued, as a consequence, that the prevalence of organic damage attributable to excessive alcohol consumption can only be reduced by measures aimed at the reduction of overall consumption.

There are good grounds for believing that laws are still needed which provide for:—

- (1) The taxation of alcoholic beverages to help meet the cost of the social problems they have created.
- (2) The licensing of manufacturers, distributors and retailers of alcoholic beverages.
- (3) The control of hours and conditions of sale and the number and type of outlets for alcoholic beverages.
- (4) The control of advertising.
- (5) The prosecution and prevention of alcohol-related crimes, such as drunken driving.
- (6) The treatment, rehabilitation and custodial care of the alcoholic.

5. A NEW STANCE FOR THE CHURCH

The Committee would suggest that what is needed now is a new approach to alcohol control. In the past, measures to control drinking practices have tended to be negative practices aimed at curbing consumption. These should be replaced by a major attempt to prevent or reduce drinking problems which should include an effort to influence the whole climate of drinking in New Zealand. A broad programme impinging on the public at many different points, through laws, education, and more informal arrangements could well reduce the various kinds of drinking problems.

"Prevention should be a major objective of a national alcohol policy. While treatment may alleviate suffering and help maintain or restore social functioning, only through preventative approaches can rates of alcoholism and other types of problem drinking be substantially lowered . . . A substantial reduction of problem drinking is possible if attitudes toward drinking and drinking patterns are altered." ("Alcohol Problems A Report to the Nation" by the Co-operative Commission on the Study of Alcoholism, U.S.A. 1967).

What would constitute a realistic programme of prevention?

The committee suggests:—

I The church must work to reduce the emotionalism associated with alcoholic beverages.

We would endorse the finding of the Co-operating Commission on the Study of Alcoholism. "A detached examination of drinking practices is difficult because of the widespread sensitivity to the topic of alcoholic beverages . . . a key aspect of minimising the emotionalism associated with alcoholic beverages is reducing the pressure to drink and generally making it more acceptable to be an abstainer or abstemious. The objective is not to encourage more drinking, but to make practical and realistic distinctions between appropriate and inappropriate drinking available."

Neither drinking nor not drinking should be a major issue and alcohol should not symbolize either sexual virility or the attractions

of a forbidden fruit. For drinkers this means acceptance of drinking as a part of ordinary life, rather than as an exaggerated elixir, promising by implication a solution to deep psychological inadequacies.

II. The church must help clarify and emphasise the distinctions between acceptable and unacceptable drinking.

There should be strong taboos against the condition of heavy intoxication, along with a humane concern for the problem drinker. Among people who are going to drink anyway, a stigma on alcohol in itself is likely to produce "forbidden fruit" exaggeration. It will also make it difficult to develop clear guidelines for young people on how to deal with alcohol in a moderate way.

The church should therefore define positively what it means by acceptable drinking rather than relying as it has in the past solely on negative criteria. To do this it will need to recognise the fact that disapproval of unacceptable drinking is not condemnation of all drinking.

III The church must help discourage drinking for its own sake and encourage the integration of drinking with other activities.

The "safest drinking situation is one where nobody is under direct, external pressure to drink more than he really wants to." Present customs and regulatory policies often restrict drinking to situations and settings in which the principal focus is on drinking and where, in the absence of other activities, there is accordingly a reduction of pressure for moderation.

Integrating drinking with other activities should be encouraged because the drinking is likely to be guided by the basic rules of conduct of the particular activity or setting, and drinking behaviour will generally remain within clearly defined limits.

Stressing drinking as an integral part of other activities rather than drinking that is engaged in for its own sake, is of course closely connected with efforts to reduce the strong feelings surrounding alcohol use and is linked with efforts to clarify acceptable and unacceptable drinking behaviour.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the Committee on Ministry be asked to consider and report to Synods and Conference 1974 on the scope and role of ministry that the church expects in specialised chaplaincies. Special consideration to be given to:
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 - (a) the extent to which a chaplain should be free to exercise a full sacramental, prophetic and pastoral ministry and to proclaim the church's view of human life, particularly within the systems and structures that might dehumanise.
 - (b) to the question: "Does involvement within the organisation imply legitimisation of all its aims and acts?"
 4. That the Public Questions Committee report on the situation of a person who has been charged before the Court and is remanded in custody while awaiting the determination of the case against him, unless in the opinion of the Court he is likely to be a danger to himself or the life or limb of any person, or he has breached the provisions of his bail bond.

5. That the Report "Abortion Law Reform" (Conf. Minutes 1972 pp 147 - 152) be referred to Synods and Quarterly Meetings for consideration, with a view to the report being amended or adopted by the 1974 Conference.

6. That the Contingent Fund grant to the Committee for 1974 be \$100.

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 1974 be as printed on page 8 herein.

QUESTION 38—(b) International Affairs?

INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Indo-China

Since the last report the Paris Peace Talks have brought about an agreed ceasefire in Vietnam (27th January 1973) and Laos (23rd February 1973). In Cambodia at the time of writing (July 1973) the fighting is as bad as ever with bombing continuing. Possibly the greatest difficulty in bringing about a ceasefire is the lack of identifiable and acceptable leadership personalities to negotiate a peace settlement.

In Vietnam four parties were recognised, namely the Governments of North Vietnam, South Vietnam, the Provisional Revolutionary Government (Vietcong) and the U.S.A. American troops and military advisers have been withdrawn and each party has agreed to respect the positions held by the Provisional Revolutionary Government or South Vietnam Government forces at the time of the ceasefire. A supervisory Commission (International Commission for Control and Supervision) composed of Canadian, Hungarian, Indonesian and Polish personnel was established to supervise the ceasefire and investigate complaints and violations.

After years of war, suspicion, propaganda and bloodshed it was to be expected that any agreement would be difficult to implement and enforce. The Commission has been hindered in its work from its inception by the principle of unanimity whereby all parties on the Commission must agree to investigate a violation or complaint. This agreement was frequently not possible. The legitimacy of resupply of military equipment and stores was almost impossible to decide and certainty over what territory was in fact held by the parties at the time of the ceasefire was far from clear. Entry to and transport within areas, particularly those held by the Provisional Revolutionary Government has been hampered. Members of the Commission have been injured, with some killed by attacks on their means of transport. Members of the Commission have expressed dissatisfaction amounting to despair over their ability to carry out their task and the Canadians have declared an intention to withdraw.

The political situation in Vietnam is extremely difficult to evaluate for while there still exists in South Vietnam what amount to a government-controlled press, there is an opposition voice being heard and international press reporters are given almost total freedom of movement in South Vietnam Government-held areas. Access to Provisional Revolutionary Government-held areas, on the other hand is, while improved, still greatly restricted and no access is given to the Democratic Republic of Vietnam except for those agencies or persons of known sympathy with the revolutionary cause.

This must distort the picture to some degree. While the accuracy of reporting is believed to have improved, there are still cases of

conflicting reports from South Vietnam which make the truth difficult to find.

The destruction of the Bong Song hospital variously attributed to the Vietcong, vandals, U.S. bombing and South Vietnam Government forces, is a case in point. With this in mind it must be acknowledged that news reports which previously tended to be extremely critical of U.S. and South Vietnam Government activity are tending to become more critical of Provisionary Revolutionary Government and Democratic Republic of Vietnam actions. There appears to be more support for the Government of South Vietnam among the Vietnamese people than had been expected in the Western press.

While some observers believe this is because it is impossible for effective political opposition to the Government to emerge, the greater freedom permitted in South Vietnam which is generally acknowledged, would tend to deny this.

The implementation of aid and reconstruction programmes have been much slower and more difficult to carry out than expected, though it has to be acknowledged that the Government of South Vietnam has been acting steadily since 1970 to get the country back to normal.

The South Vietnamese Government has instituted elections now, to elect half the Senate, and village and local government officers. These are not to be confused with the elections for the National Council of National Reconciliation and Concord which have not been possible to this date.

The destruction of the Bon Song hospital which New Zealand staffed for so long and which gave assistance to all who needed their care including Vietcong, is a special disappointment to New Zealanders.

A major concern in Vietnam now is the continuing delay over the release of prisoners. Each side has claimed more prisoners are held than the other is prepared to acknowledge. Again it is difficult to decide who are held and whether they are held for political or criminal reasons. Where the one ceases and the other begins in the Vietnam situation is almost impossible for us to decide.

The refusal of the North Vietnamese and the Provisional Revolutionary Government to permit the International Red Cross to visit prisons held by them, the failure of both sides to co-operate fully with the International Commission for Control and Supervision, is a matter of grave concern and threatens to destroy the ceasefire agreement and the hope of peace.

As the years have taught us that physical intervention by Western nations only complicates and compounds the problems of Indo-China, the best approach we can make is to use all our influence to ensure that the parties honour the ceasefire agreements while supporting all efforts to reduce the causes of conflict, bring about a reconciliation of the parties and to ease the suffering of the people through aid reconstruction and development.

World Population Year 1974

The Population Commission of the United Nations is planning a World Population Conference in 1974 and to make 1974 World Population Year.

The major objectives of World Population Year 1974 are the exploration of the following matters by local, national and international Government and voluntary organisations:

- (a) Improved knowledge of and information on the facts concerning population trends and prospects, and relevant associated factors;

- (b) Sharpened awareness and heightened appreciation of population problems and their implications by individual governments, non-governmental organisations and scientific institutions;
- (c) Effective education on population, family life, and reproductive functions through formal and other educational systems;
- (d) The discussion of alternative policies, the promotion of demographic considerations in development planning, and the development of policies and programmes in population fields which individual governments might wish to undertake;
- (e) The expansion of international co-operation in the population field and the supply of increased and suitable technical assistance to countries desiring it, and in accordance with their needs.

The World Population Conference will be the major event of the year within this programme.

In contrast to the United National Conference on the Human Environment, the United Nations has already covered much ground in the field of population, and the 1974 Conference will be the third of its kind.

It is predicted that the present world population of 3,700 million will increase to some 6,500 million by the year 2,000, with the largest increase in the developing countries.

The activities of the year will seek to focus world-wide attention on population, to stimulate thought and energy towards raising the scope and quantity of knowledge about population, and to direct that knowledge into action towards improving human life. Its key will be to promote human welfare and development.

South Africa and Apartheid (1972 Mins., p. 167)

Resolutions 4 to 7 of the 1972 Report were read by the committee as indicating a concern that N.Z. Methodists, as individuals and as a church, respond in a more positive way to the issue of Apartheid. This implies, as an initial step, a concern that our statements and actions on Apartheid should reflect understanding of the complexities of the situation, and a preparedness to be positive rather than negative in our words and actions.

In the light of this understanding of its responsibilities in this issue, the Committee has initiated exploration into ways in which the Church might become more informed on South Africa, the churches there and their relation to Apartheid, and ways in which positive aid might be given to effect a change in the status quo. Unfortunately, in its attempts to find a channel for this aid, the Committee ran into real difficulties which we outline below as an illustration of the real problems which have to be faced in any outside effort to give assistance to South African churches and churchmen in their struggle against Apartheid.

On Resolution 7 dealing with the U.N. Committee on Apartheid, the Committee found information difficult to obtain, and would request more time to investigate, before presenting a report.

Responding to Resolution 5 (p. 167) of the 1972 Conference the Committee is of the opinion that it would not be helpful to pursue this matter. We believe that the principle of Apartheid is wrong under God, that its application is inhuman, and that we have an obligation both to enter sympathetically into the situation of those who suffer under its oppression and also to make our opposition to it clear. But we suggest that "practical alternatives" can only be worked out by those within the situation and that for us to do so would be nothing more than an academic exercise.

However, as a Committee we do suggest the following eleven ways in which the N.Z. Churches can be informed about the South African situation and can exercise some active concern and involvement.

1. Exchange visits organised by Churches and at official church levels as against those organised by the South African Government;

2. Keeping in touch with information from South Africa — especially note:

(a) **Sprocas** (Study Projects for Christian Action in Society, P.O. Box 31134, Braamfontein, Johannesburg); SPROCAS is making a special study of migratory labour problems;

(b) N.Z. Defence and Aid Fund for Southern Africa bi-monthly newsletter (write to Box 27-125, Wellington);

(c) Publications of the United Nations Unit on Apartheid (available from Box 9154, Courtenay Place, Wellington).

3. Investments — has the Church any South African interest?

4. Discussions and studies to understand the depths and consequences of white racism in our community.

5. Pressure on the South African Consul-General — “Africans are dependent on us to protest. We speak on their behalf as the voice of the voiceless”.

6. People taking trips to Europe could be encouraged to spend a few days in South Africa to see conditions for themselves.

7. Challenge teachers to spend six months to one year in South Africa, or especially in S.W. Africa.

8. Contact with individual churchmen.

9. Writing to banned people (e.g. as listed in Defence and Aid newsletters).

10. Aid to special projects or areas of need—

Officially recognised and supported projects do exist, mainly in the fields of education, health and welfare. For example (a) the Secondary Education of rural Africans is supported by a Bursary Fund run by the South African Council of Churches. This Fund was recommended to NZers by Bishop Zulu when he visited N.Z. in February 1972. The Council is the only agency giving large assistance in this area. For more information write to the NCC office in Christchurch. A number of projects which form part of the annual NCC Christmas appeal are in this area. For difficulties in aiding integrated and more radical projects in South Africa see Special Note below: (b) donations to N.Z. Defence and Aid Fund for Southern Africa, which provide legal defence for people on “political charges” in South Africa and help for their dependants.

11. Encourage the N.Z. Government (by letters and through personal contact with local MPs) to give further grants to the U.N. Trust Fund for South Africa and the U.N. Educational and Technical Fund for South Africa (which assist the oppressed of that country).

Special Note—

Some Difficulties facing N.Z. Churches and Churchmen anxious to give Effective Aid to South Africa.

The committee explored the possibilities of the Methodist Church of New Zealand supporting multi-racial and ecumenical programmes in South Africa. Because such programmes question the whole basis of the status quo apartheid system, their activities inevitably come under Government surveillance.

The committee endeavoured to make direct contact, by letter with the leadership of one organisation, but to date no reply has been received.

The original hope had been that aid might be given by N.Z. Methodists to this project, such aid to be channelled through the Methodist Church of South Africa. An open and widely-publicised appeal would have been launched as part of our official Mission and Development Aid programme.

The naiveté of such thinking soon became clear, and the committee finally came to the conclusion that in the case of this particular programme and similar programmes, the usual channels of aid and our usual framework of thinking about aid are inapplicable.

Further discussions were held with persons familiar with the South African situation, and the following conclusions and questions emerge—

- (1) Open, official and widely-publicised support for a project that seeks significant change in South Africa is likely to be the 'kiss of death' for such a project.
- (2) Means of assisting such a programme do exist (i.e. through "underground" channels) and aid can be sent from New Zealand to such projects through such organisations as Defence and Aid Fund; but donors must expect never to hear from those assisted, at least not immediately or directly.
- (3) (a) If we believe that such projects deserve our support, how do we enlist the support of others?
(b) In addition to those aid projects which can be carried through *openly* — see above (10) — is there a case for having on the Church's allocations for Overseas Mission and Development Aid a fund for unspecified projects, to be given as need arises and according to the discretion of the President of the Church, in consultation with the appropriate Church Committees?

The Springbok Rugby Tour

The 1972 Conference registered its opposition to the South African all-white rugby tour of New Zealand.

It was disappointing that the N.Z. Rugby Football Union was unwilling to interfere with its invitation to the South African Rugby Football Union in view of the widespread opposition within New Zealand. In the circumstances we consider that the action of the Prime Minister was correct and carried out with honesty and humility in a difficult political situation. We wrote to the Prime Minister accordingly, commending him for his actions.

In retrospect, few would disagree with the wisdom of the move in opening the field for worldwide celebration and competition at the Commonwealth Games, without the hindrance of a tarnished reputation regarding Olympic standards.

We believe that the Tour decision was one of the factors helping New Zealand play the positive role it did at the recent Commonwealth Conference, and helped gain the support accorded to New Zealand viewpoints especially by heads of African, Asian and Caribbean States.

Oath for Scientists Similar to the Hippocratic Oath:

The Committee has studied the resolution passed at Conference in 1972, that a form of Hippocratic Oath be introduced by which scientists bind themselves to use their skills and discoveries exclusively for human welfare. The committee is in sympathy with the sentiment expressed in the resolution, but it considers that it is not

possible to have an oath for all scientists. A major problem would be the identification of scientists — there seems to be no simple, single defining characteristic of a scientist. It could include not only those engaged in research, but those engaged in practical application of knowledge gained from research. If the latter group of people come within the definition of 'scientist', there are others (technicians, administrators, etc.) who should also be bound by a scientist's oath. Is a person who has been trained in some scientific field, yet not actively engaged in this, still classifiable as a scientist? Or, if a person has had little or no formal scientific training but is engaged in some scientific endeavour, is he or is he not a scientist?

Even if an appropriate definition of a scientist was found, several practical problems remain. Because scientists do not have the same sort of professional organisations as the medical profession, it is difficult to see how every scientist could be contacted and compelled to sign the oath. It is also difficult to see what body would have the responsibility of ensuring that such an oath was adhered to and what disciplinary powers it would have.

The limitations placed on the 'pure' scientist by the oath would be formidable. He cannot be expected to evaluate all the possible outcomes of his work before he starts it; nor is it his job. The unique responsibility of a scientist is not to determine how his knowledge shall be used, because the determination does not involve his unique capabilities as a scientist. And even if it were argued that it was primarily his responsibility, he could not guarantee simply by taking an oath himself, that others who have access to his findings, will not use them for the harm or destruction of human life. If a scientific discovery can be put to good and bad uses, the possibility of its being used in an undesirable way should not necessarily prevent publication of the results of the research.

For the stated reasons, the committee considers that it would not be possible to have a form of Hippocratic Oath for scientists.

Amnesty International—Campaign for the Abolition of Torture

The Committee is a member of the N.Z. Section of Amnesty International and is kept informed of their widespread work through the monthly newsletter.

The objects of Amnesty International are—

- (a) To ensure for every person the right freely to hold and to express his convictions and the obligation on every person to extend a like freedom to others.
- (b) Irrespective of political considerations, to work for the release of and provide assistance to persons who in violation of the aforesaid provisions are imprisoned, detained, restricted, or otherwise subjected to physical coercion or restraint by reason of their political, religious or other conscientiously-held belief or by reason of their ethnic origin, colour or language, provided that they have not used or advocated violence.

A movement for freedom of conscience, founded in 1961, Amnesty has now grown to some 15,000 members in more than 30 countries. There are 16 groups in New Zealand. Its International Secretariat in London co-ordinates the activities of groups and supplies them with advice and information about assigned prisoners and the countries in which they are detained. It also sends observers to trials, negotiates with governments and publishes reports, especially on the ill-treatment of prisoners. Amnesty has consultative status with the United Nations, UNESCO and the Council of Europe. It is the only institution in the world which specialises in the study of political

imprisonment and of the conditions which accompany it on a global scale.

Amnesty's work on behalf of political prisoners has brought it into contact with the tortured so often in the last decade that Amnesty has decided it is time to abolish torture. The World Conference on Religion and Peace, meeting in Kyoto in 1971 singled out torture of political prisoners as "one of the main reasons for the escalation of violence that is debasing human civilisation". Although in most people's minds torture is associated with the Middle Ages, systematic torture is becoming more rather than less widespread. In many countries it is used deliberately as an instrument of government or of resistance. This is so, despite the following provisions in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights—

Article 5. No one shall be subject to torture or to cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment.

Article 18. Everyone has the right to freedom of thought, conscience and religion.

Article 19. Everyone has the right to freedom of opinion and expression.

In December 1972, Amnesty International opened a campaign for the abolition of torture aimed at generating an outcry similar to that which led to the virtual abolition of slavery. During 1973 there have been six major elements in the Campaign: diplomatic initiatives, an intensive information programme, a new survey of torture, an international appeal to U.N., Regional conferences, and section and group action. The first phase will culminate with an International Conference on Torture at UNESCO House, Paris, in December of this year which will concentrate on identifying the people and institutions responsible; the social political and economic background to torture; international, regional and national legal factors; and the physical and psychological effects of torture and the involvement of doctors.

A petition to the President of the United Nations General Assembly calling for torture to be outlawed is being circulated as widely as possible. The target is one million signatures, ranging from heads of states to the man in the street.

Also, a draft convention has been prepared on torture and the treatment of prisoners, and the aid of governments is being sought to have appropriate resolutions put to the U.N. General Assembly. Within N.Z. the Government is being urged to support the campaign, and particularly to ratify the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights.

Also within N.Z. a 32-page booklet "Against Torture" has been prepared and some 14,000 copies distributed throughout the community. Copies may be obtained from CAT (Campaign against Torture), Box 3597, Wellington.

People's Republic of China—Recognition of

The Methodist Conference first requested the N.Z. Government to recognise the Peking government of the People's Republic of China in 1956. It has been persistent in calling for this in the years since. In its report to Conference in 1964 this Committee stated that "the eventual recognition of Communist China must be inevitable." Towards the end of 1972 the inevitable at last happened! On 22nd December, 1972, in a joint communique released simultaneously in Wellington and Peking the governments of New Zealand and China announced that they had decided upon mutual recognition and the establishment of diplomatic relations with effect from that day.

In a statement issued on 22nd December the Prime Minister the Right Hon. Norman Kirk, said: "There are now four great powers involved in the affairs of Asia and the Pacific — the United States, Japan, China and the Soviet Union. Each is playing an active and independent role. The policies and activities of all four have an important bearing on developments throughout the region.

"In this situation it is essential for a small country like New Zealand to be in a position to deal directly with all four powers. We must keep ourselves informed of what they are thinking and doing. Our national interests also require that we have the means of making our views known. To do this we must have effective diplomatic representation in all four Capitals.

"China has now re-entered the mainstream of world affairs. It is playing an active part in the United Nations. In Asia and the Pacific its influence is great, and is bound to grow. It is logical and sensible for New Zealand to recognise the People's Republic of China and enter into normal relations with it."

This Committee welcomes the mutual recognition and also the exchange of advance parties and official staff which has taken place during the year.

Atmospheric Testing and Stockpiling of Nuclear Weapons (1972 Minutes, p. 168, No. 12)

"All nuclear weapons tests have one objective. They are carried out in order to make more efficient, more destructive, more deadly nuclear weapons — that is, weapons which represent more of a threat to mankind."

—N.Z. Permanent Representative to United Nations, 28 Oct. 1972.

Catalogue of some events

16 July 1945—Nuclear age began in Alamogordo, New Mexico — U.S. first tested an atomic bomb.

—three weeks later the devastation of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. American bomb tests follow in 1946 — Bikini Island.

1948 — Eniwetok.

1972 — 130 above-ground nuclear test.

All nuclear weapons testing before 1963 took place in the period of the cold war atmosphere.

1952-57—Britain exploded 12 bombs in Australia (Monte Bello Island, Emu Field, Maralinga).

1956 — Britain uses Christmas Island for its thermo-nuclear testing. N.Z. Government offers two Royal N.Z. Navy Frigates as meteorological reporting ships for the British series in the Pacific. But Government presses for assurances that nuclear tests will be kept to a minimum.

1958 — U.S.A. and Britain offer to suspend nuclear testing for one year. Continued throughout 1959 and 1960.

1960 — France explodes her first atmospheric nuclear bomb at Reggan in the Sahara.

1961 — Russia explodes a thermo-nuclear bomb — the largest ever, at least 50 megatons.

1962 — U.S.A. decides to resume atmospheric testing.

Americans test 89 nuclear devices; Soviet Union 42.

Cuban crisis causes a detente between U.S.A. and Russia.

1963 — Agreement reached on a Test Ban Treaty, signed in Moscow by the U.S., U.K. and U.S.S.R. N.Z. also signs.

1964 — Chinese explode their first nuclear bomb at the Lop Nor testing grounds. The N.Z. Government unreservedly condemns this as a violation of world opinion.

1966 — France conducts its first atmospheric atom bomb test in the Pacific.

1966-71—a further 25 tests are carried out in the Pacific, including four hydrogen bomb tests.

— N.Z. Government has protested formally to the French Government in 1968, 70, 71 and 72.

French Testing

In 1963 France announced that it intended to build a nuclear testing centre in French Polynesia. This aroused considerable opposition, especially in New Zealand, and brought an initial protest from the N.Z. Government. From the commencement of testing in 1966 New Zealand, having failed to dissuade France from its purpose, has protested against each test series, and expressed its serious concern in the United Nations General Assembly, while "potential danger to health" has been used throughout to support the protests, since 1966 an increasing concern has been the desire to see the universal observance of the restrictions accepted in the Partial Test Ban Treaty.

While the Government has from time to time expressed its deep regret at the consistency of nuclear French tests in the Pacific, at the beginning of 1972 it went further by saying that "nuclear testing throws a profound strain on relations between France and N.Z."

In the second half of 1972 New Zealand twice combined with several of its neighbours in the Pacific basin to protest against continued nuclear testing. At the United Nations Conference on the Human Environment at Stockholm in June, N.Z. co-sponsored a resolution condemning nuclear testing as environmentally dangerous. Later, in October, she co-sponsored a 13-nation resolution before the United Nations General Assembly which urged "all states that have not yet done so to adhere without further delay to the treaty banning nuclear weapons tests in the atmosphere", and then went further by calling for a treaty banning all nuclear weapon tests.

This year has been marked by continuous Government diplomatic activity. Besides official Government protests, there was a unanimous expression of deep concern by the members of the South Pacific Forum meeting in Western Samoa in April, the visit of the Deputy Prime Minister, Mr Hugh Watt, to Paris, proceedings before the International Court of Justice, the voyages by the frigates HMNZS Otago and Canterbury and the resolutions of the Commonwealth Prime Ministers' Conference. The actions of Government have been far more vigorous than hitherto, and the publicity which has followed has helped to arouse widespread opposition throughout the world.

In France itself the Reformed Church in a statement on May 1st reaffirmed a 1963 resolution regretting the efforts made in that country to establish a nuclear striking force, and requesting the Government of the Republic to cancel this undertaking. And in a joint statement in late June the French Protestant Federation and the Roman Catholic Commission said, among other things, "These tests arouse the emotions of the residents of the Pacific and rouse the world in strong protest. Our country should take greater notice."

It is a matter for deep regret that France and China have not been prepared to heed the call for cessation of atmospheric testing. All testing increases the hazard to health across the whole world. In the case of France, it is easier for the protest to take the form of overt action, but this does not make the Chinese testing any the less reprehensible.

The Wider Issue

However, the hazard to health is only one of the dangers involved in the nuclear testing programme. The other, and some would say even more important danger at this stage, is that of nuclear proliferation. Since the Second World War, talk of disarmament has largely concentrated on nuclear weapons, for the most immediate danger lies in escalation in this field.

Most world opinion rejects further nuclear development. This is clearly demonstrated by the continuing struggle for the abolition and control of nuclear weapons within the U.N. and other international and national bodies.

This opinion has resulted in three significant treaties—

The Partial Test Ban Treaty in 1963 banned atmospheric nuclear testing. It has reduced the danger of nuclear fall-out, and the threat to the environment, but has not been accepted by either France or China.

The Non-Proliferation Treaty of 1968 undertook, in effect, to renounce the right to develop nuclear weapons.

The Strategic Arms Limitation Treaty (SALT I) signed by U.S.A. and U.S.S.R. in 1972 is intended to stabilise the stock of nuclear weapons in the hands of these two powers. The talks between President Nixon and Prime Minister Brezhnev in June of this year led to an agreement of mutual forbearance from nuclear war, including consultation with each other if there is risk of war, and not to provoke confrontations with third countries. There was also an agreement to complete SALT II negotiations for a permanent limit on offensive nuclear weapons by the end of 1974, three years earlier than had been planned.

Nuclear weapons strategy is generally rejected by the governments of non-nuclear powers and constant political pressure is maintained to limit the spread of nuclear weapons. N.Z. protests against both the U.S.A. and the U.S.S.R. for their underground testing programmes are a case in point.

However, these official policies are compromised by the close alliances of governments with one or other of the superpowers. While detesting the testing and use of nuclear weaponry, governments are prepared to accept the security of living beneath the nuclear umbrella.

In 1964 the N.Z. Government rejected the case for a nuclear-free zone in the Pacific because of our involvement with U.S. policies. It would appear that the time is now more propitious for taking active and urgent diplomatic initiatives aimed at creating a nuclear-free zone either in the Pacific or in the Southern Hemisphere. The more independent line of foreign policy being adopted by New Zealand makes this now more possible. Insofar as the small developed nations are prepared to act both responsibly and independently, they have the possibility of making a valuable contribution to the world's struggle for peace. Perhaps the time has come for nations such as our own to come out from beneath the nuclear umbrella, and to reject nuclear protection, even though this may mean a real diminution in our military security.

A Christian Basis for a New Zealand Foreign Policy

The Committee, on its own initiative, is undertaking a study of this important subject. It has two draft reports before it, but is not yet in a position to make any of its work public. However, it is planned that a Report will be sent to Synods early in 1974 for comment.

—E. F. I. HANSON, Convener.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT TO CONFERENCE 1973 CHURCH INVESTMENTS IN SOUTHERN AFRICA—RELATED COMPANIES

The churches have always had a tradition that their investments should not be held in morally dubious enterprises. Hence Methodists have never allowed their funds to support firms producing tobacco, cigarettes or alcohol. Today "morality" is increasingly concerned with racism, social justice, development policies, the threat to the environment, the use of the World's resources, etc.

The issue of church investments is thus taking on a much larger significance in the minds of many Christians.

The Fourth Assembly of the World Council of Churches at Uppsala, Sweden, in 1968 stated:

"Racism is linked with economic and political exploitation. The churches must be actively concerned for the economic and political wellbeing of exploited groups. . . They should also withdraw investments from institutions that perpetuate racism."

The W.C.C. Programme to Combat Racism has taken up this issue, especially with regard to Southern Africa, and has focussed attention on the importance of overseas investment in helping the South African Government to maintain the status quo.

At the 120 members Central Committee of the World Council of Churches in August 1972 the following resolution was adopted by an overwhelming majority:

"The World Council of Churches, in accordance with its own commitment to combat racism, considering that the effect of foreign investments in Southern Africa is to strengthen the white minority regimes in their oppression of the majority of the peoples of this region, and implementing the policy as commended by the Uppsala Assembly (1968) that investments in 'institutions that perpetuate racism' should be terminated:

(1) Instruct its Finance Committee and its Director of Finance: to sell forthwith existing holdings and to make no investments after this date in corporations which, according to information available, are directly involved in investment in or trade with any of the following countries: South Africa, Namibia, Zimbabwe, Angola, and Guine-Bissao; and

(2) Urges all member churches, Christian agencies and individual Christians outside Southern Africa to use all their influence including stockholder action and disinvestment, to press corporations to withdraw investments from and cease trading with these countries."

This line of action was agreed upon after full consideration of the two major alternatives—increased involvement of overseas investment in South Africa leading to improved conditions; and the reform of working conditions instituted by overseas corporations within South Africa. Both lines of argument are given close attention in the W.C.C. booklet "Time to Withdraw", and both are found to be wanting. The tremendous growth of overseas investment in South Africa of recent years from the United Kingdom and other E.E.C. countries, U.S.A., and Japan, has only reinforced the apartheid system. In fact, the legal injustices and inhumanities of apartheid have been growing at the same time as overseas investment has been increasing. The result? African miners' salaries were actually worth less in 1970 than they were in 1911. Including the rural sector the per capita income of Africans actually dropped during the period of extensive economic growth during the 50's and 70's. South

Africa's economic boom has enriched the dominant whites, entrenched the apartheid system and brought no real gains to the Africans.

But will not withdrawal and disinvestment affect the coloured peoples of South Africa worst of all? The late Chief Albert Luthuli has said:

"The economic boycott of South Africa will entail undoubted hardship for Africans. We do not doubt that. But it is a method which shortens the day of bloodshed; the suffering to us will be a price we are willing to pay."

For more than a decade voices of African resistance have called for the economic isolation of that country until its racial policies are changed, and the Coloured Labour Party has publicly called for withdrawal of foreign investment.

Since the 1972 decision of the Central Committee, the W.C.C. has issued a list of 650 corporations directly involved in investment or trade with Southern Africa, and has sold investments worth approximately—\$1.5 million in companies whose names appear on that list. It has also refused to deal with any trading banks which have direct trading links with Southern Africa.

At the time of the above decision the then General Secretary of the World Council of Churches pointed out that the crucial question is not what the W.C.C. is going to do, but how many of the member churches "we can persuade to go with us", as Church organisations and individual Christians in the West have literally millions of dollars invested in banks and businesses which invest in South Africa.

As one follow-up, among many, it has been reported that on the 19th September 1972 the Church Commissioners of the Church of England sold all their shares, valued at nearly £1.5 million in Rio Tinto Zinc.

Within New Zealand the National Anti-Apartheid Co-ordinating Committee is campaigning to try and persuade two New Zealand-owned insurance companies—New Zealand Insurance and South British Insurance—to cease their present operations in Southern Africa. Research by the N.Z.S.C.M. has shown that Church organisations and ministers alone control at least 203,000 shares in N.Z.I., and at least 55,000 shares in South British Insurance.

The Methodist Church of New Zealand with its long-standing opposition to racism in any form, and its specific opposition to apartheid, must now in conscience consider seriously the investment of its monies in companies or corporations which maintain major capital investments in South Africa. In view of this we suggest a thorough investigation of our Churches' investments by the Methodist General Purposes Trust Board, and that the International Affairs Committee be asked to investigate these related matters.

(N.B. the following publications provide further information.)

1. Time to Withdraw: A W.C.C. Publication on Investments in Southern Africa—available through the N.C.C., Box 297, Christchurch.

2. Fight Apartheid: published by the National Anti-Apartheid Co-ordinating Committee, Box 9154, Courtenay Place, Wellington.

3. The South African Connection, by Ruth First, Jonathan Steele, and Christabel Gurney; a 339-page book documenting Western Investment in Apartheid).

On behalf of the Committee,

E. F. I. HANSON, Convener.

RESOLUTIONS

1. (a) That the main Report be received and adopted.
(b) That the Supplementary Report be received.

Indo-China

2. That Conference urges Church Courts to consider ways of using influence to ensure that the parties honour the Cease Fire Agreement and work to reduce the causes of conflict.

World Population Year 1974:

3. That Conference commends the activities of the United Nations Association of New Zealand to our people and recommends to Synods that they give consideration to official representation on local branches thereof.

4. That Conference draws the attention of the Church to the world population year programmes being undertaken by the Association during 1974.

South Africa and Apartheid

5. In love for our brethren in all sections of the Christian Church we offer, once again, our fraternal greetings to the Methodist Church of South Africa. Whilst feeling deep concern over many of the reports which are circulated by the popular press both from South Africa to New Zealand and vice versa, we resolve to seek by all means to give additional support to our fellow Methodists.

6. Recognizing that, whilst the present regime and system prevails in South Africa, genuine selection of any sports team solely upon merit is impossible, this Conference affirms the principle that sporting contact with South Africa should be discouraged.

Conference commends the recent action of the New Zealand Government with respect to the proposed visit of the South African Women's Tennis Team and supports any such further action which may prove necessary in the future.

7. That Conference commends the published intention of the Government of seeking information on the selection of the Uganda team to the forthcoming Commonwealth Games and, in the event of racial discrimination in selection being disclosed, taking the appropriate action; furthermore this same principle be applied to any other country, the Prime Minister to be informed of this commendation and also the previous resolution.

8. (a) That in adopting the section "South Africa and Apartheid", we note a further line of action viz "Do anything we can to encourage visitors from South Africa and Rhodesia".

(b) Further information: "Encountering Darkness" by Gonville Beytagh former Dean of Johannesburg.

Amnesty International—Campaign against Torture

9. That this Conference expresses its concern for Vietnamese political prisoners, as evidenced in a recent television documentary, and commends the work of organizations like R.A.V.P.O.C. and Amnesty International to our people.

10. That Conference commends to the support of our people the petition to the General Assembly of the United Nations Organization sponsored by Amnesty International as part of the International Campaign Against Torture. (Note: It is hoped to secure 10,000 signatures within New Zealand and 1,000,000 internationally.)

Atmospheric Testing of Nuclear Weapons

11. That this Conference commends the New Zealand Government on its endeavours to eliminate research on nuclear testing for war purposes; and draws the attention of Government to Methodist opposition to all forms of nuclear testing for war purposes; and asks the Government to increase its endeavours to abolish research in Nuclear testing for war purposes.

12. That Conference requests the Methodist General Purposes Trust Board and the International Affairs Committee to investigate, in the light of this Report and other considerations (voting 102/99) Methodist Church investments and the principles involved, and to report to Synods and Conference 1974.

13. (i) Conference notes the preamble to the "Statements and Recommendations" from the joint consultation of the Churches in New Zealand on development which reads as follows:

"As delegates to the joint consultation of the churches in New Zealand on development, we are conscious of the vast injustices that exist in the world in which we live as a rich and privileged minority. We have been exposed to situations which revealed dehumanising forces at work in our community. In the light of the gospel of Christ we have struggled to find how the church should respond if it is to be faithful to the call of God today.

At this critical time in human history when so many are being deprived of human dignity and are enslaved by economic systems which work against the poor, the church is challenged to a renewal which involves fresh awareness and action on behalf of those who are oppressed.

New Zealand society is part of the problem. We have accepted without question a life-style which is wasteful, selfish and extravagant.

The church is part of the problem. We have too often identified with the rich instead of the poor, with the comfortable more than with the afflicted, with the oppressors rather than the oppressed. Therefore we recommend to the churches, as a matter of urgency, study and action along the lines incorporated in the following statements."

(ii) Conference authorises the Director of the Education Division, President of the Methodist Women's Fellowship and Convener of the International Affairs Committee to confer so as to bring the statements and recommendations of the Joint Consultation to the notice of church members, groups and committees during 1974. Convener: Rev. J. Grundy.

(Note. The statements and recommendations of the Joint Consultation are available in a booklet published by the National Council of Churches).

14. That Conference affirms Methodist support for the establishment of the proposed Joint Secretariat for Development.

15. Conference draws the attention of our people to the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights to be marked on 10 December 1973.

16. Recognizing the urgency and the extent of the human need, that Conference calls on all our people to respond generously and immediately to the CORSO Special National Appeal for \$500,000 for the victims of the Sahelian Famine.

17. That the Committee for 1974 be as printed on page 7 herein.

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, 1973
RECEIPTS

TRUST ACCOUNTS:

Credit Balances as at June 30, 1972:

| | | | | | | |
|-------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------------|--------------|
| General Funds | | | | | \$ | \$ |
| (a) Special Funds | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 337,593.82 | |
| (b) Special Funds | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 829,348.99 | |
| (c) Special Funds | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 86,540.12 | |
| | | | | | 47,347.37 | |
| | | | | | <hr/> | 1,300,830.30 |

Receipts for Year:

| | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------------|--------------|
| Total Loans received | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 54,910.07 | |
| Extraordinary Receipts— | | | | | | |
| Bequests | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 51,154.89 | |
| Sale of Land and Buildings | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 243,909.09 | |
| Grants—non Circuit | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 28,267.39 | |
| Transfer from other Trusts | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 84,926.53 | |
| Special Efforts | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 55,749.52 | |
| Grants from Circuit Budget | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 199,665.38 | |
| Rent, Interest, etc. | | | | | 694,997.33 | |
| All other Special Receipts | | | | | 76,960.98 | |
| | | | | | <hr/> | 1,490,541.18 |
| | | | | | | 2,791,371.48 |

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|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|-----------|
| Debit Balance General Fund as at June 30, 1973 | | | | | 28,086.39 |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|-----------|

GRAND TOTAL \$2,819,457.87

PAYMENTS

| | | | | | | |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|------------|--------------|
| Debit Balance General Account as at June 30, 1972 | | | | | \$ | \$ |
| Payments for Year: | | | | | | |
| Loan Repayments | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 190,767.35 | |
| Interest on Loans and Bank O/draft | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 40,841.04 | |
| Purchase of Land, Erection or Additions to Buildings | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 384,088.43 | |
| Transfer to other Trusts | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 146,938.23 | |
| All other General Payments—Rates, Repairs, etc. | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 468,199.41 | |
| All other Special Payments | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 106,203.01 | |
| | | | | | <hr/> | 1,337,037.47 |

TOTAL PAYMENTS \$1,392,663.74

Credit Balances as at June 30, 1973:

| | | | | | | |
|-------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------------|--------------|
| General Fund | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 314,475.23 | |
| (a) Special Funds | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 992,831.21 | |
| (b) Special Funds | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 52,161.08 | |
| (c) Special Funds | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 67,326.61 | |
| | | | | | <hr/> | 1,426,794.13 |

GRAND TOTAL \$2,819,457.87

DEBT POSITION

A. Balance from Last Year:

| | | |
|---------------------------------|-------|------------|
| Church Building and Loan Fund | ..... | 325,429.29 |
| Connexional Fire Insurance Fund | ..... | 35,277.46 |

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|------------|---------------------------------------|
| Home Missions Investment Fund Board | 216,169.62 | |
| Commercial | 564,115.61 | |
| Private | 97,944.22 | |
| | | TOTAL \$1,238,936.20 |
| B. New Loans Received: | | |
| Church Building and Loan Fund | 44,809.89 | |
| Connexional Fire Insurance Fund | — | |
| Home Mission Investments Fund Bd | 9,826.79 | |
| Commercial | 21.64 | |
| Private | 8,973.84 | 63,632.16 |
| | | TOTAL A + B \$1,302,568.36 |
| C. Less Loan Repayments: | | |
| Church Building and Loan Fund | 55,630.41 | |
| Connexional Fire Insurance Fund | 8,089.33 | |
| Home Mission Investment Funds Bd | 25,587.72 | |
| Commercial | 103,041.30 | |
| Private | 22,227.28 | |
| | | TOTAL \$214,576.04 |
| D. Balance at Present: | | |
| Church Building and Loan Fund | 315,133.73 | |
| Connexional Fire Insurance Fund | 27,188.13 | |
| Home Mission Investment Funds Bd | 199,880.63 | |
| General Purposes Trust | 580.00 | |
| Commercial | 461,135.95 | |
| Private | 84,073.88 | |
| | | TOTAL A + B - C \$1,087,992.32 |

RESOLUTIONS

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

DISTRICT PROPERTY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

District Chairman, District Property Secretary and—

NORTHLAND: Revs. B. W. Sides, J. H. Woolford, Messrs W. J. Court, L. Hames.

AUCKLAND: Revs. G. L. Bennett, R. F. Clement, I. H. McKenzie, A. K. Woodley, Messrs A. G. Benfell (Secretary), R. B. Verry (Returns), A. M. McKerras, L. A. O'Donnell, L. V. Reisterer, F. M. Souster, N. R. Souster.

WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY: Revs. I. J. Clucas, L. R. M. Gilmore, A. Newman, P. A. Stead, Messrs G. C. Decke, C. R. Shoosmith, W. B. Young.

TARANAKI-WANGANUI: G. T. Gilbert, L. V. Willing, Mr W. S. Thrush.

HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU: Rev. L. J. Gibson, Messrs L. A. Davis and C. B. Radcliffe.

WELLINGTON: Revs. W. F. Ford, C. B. Oldfield, Messrs E. C. Flyger, L. Grace, T. M. Pacey.

NELSON: Messrs V. Smart, R. Wardrop, D. H. Williams.

NORTH CANTERBURY: Members of Church Building and Loan Fund Committee.

SOUTH CANTERBURY: Messrs R. E. Littler, A. J. Marrett.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND: Rev. D. S. Mullan, Messrs C. Chirnside, H. C. Vince and others to be appointed. (Southland Sub-District): One other Minister, Messrs L. H. Allott, R. W. Taylor, A. Young.

DISTRICT PROPERTY SECRETARIES

NORTHLAND: Mr G. B. Keightley, Homestead Road, Kerikeri.

AUCKLAND: Mr A. G. Benfell (Secretary), Mr R. B. Verry (Returns), 43 Glover Road, Glendowie, Auckland, 5.

WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY: Mr K. W. Dey, P. O. Box 556, Hamilton.

TARANAKI-WANGANUI: Mr J. P. Harding, 13 Lorne Street, Kaponga.

HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU: Mr W. A. Suckling, 13 Emerald Hill, Havelock North.

WELLINGTON: Mr G. F. Whitlock, 19 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.

Question 39—What are the Resolutions of the Conference concerning Church and other Properties?

B.—CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND COMMITTEE

ANNUAL REPORT 1973

SALE OF PROPERTIES

The Committee has sanctioned the sale of properties as under. If not acted on by 31st January, 1975 the sanction expires. In some cases final sale price has not been determined (*).

NORTHLAND:

Kawakawa (Kaikohe-Bay of Islands): 1 rood 27.2 perches and Church, \$7,000. **Whangarei:** 26.6 perches and Church, \$32,500.

AUCKLAND:

Auckland Central Mission — Franklin Road: 16.2 perches and house \$8,500. **Winstone Lodge:** 1 acre 32.1 perches and buildings, \$104,000. **Winstone Memorial Fund:** Ponsonby Road—\$41,200; Manukau Road — \$18,600; Sandringham Road — \$24,00; Richmond Road — \$18,000. **Wesley College, Paerata — Waikowhai Park Estate:** Freeholding of sections approved according to schedules submitted. **Probert Trust:** No. 3 Block cnr. Nixon Street and Great North Road \$67,000. **Waiuku Subdivision:** 39.7 perches \$3,700, 36.2 perches \$3,700, 32 perches \$3,850, 1 rood 10.6 perches \$3,850, 1 rood 1.2 perches \$3,750, 25.1 perches \$4,500. **Green Bay, Titirangi (Mt. Albert):** 2

roads 9.1 perches \$11,000. Otara (Papatoetoe): 1 acre .3 perches and Church Hall \$31,500.

WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY:

Greerton (Tauranga): 1 rood 9.6 perches and house \$23,000. Thames: 26.2 perches and house \$30,000. Matiere (Ohura): 1 rood 0.8 perches and Church (*).

HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU:

Karamu (Hastings): 1/8th acre and building (*). Onekawa (Napier): 26 perches \$4,350, 22 perches \$4,150.

WELLINGTON:

Island Bay, Wellington (Dept. of Christian Edn.): 30.1 perches and house \$22,000. Upper Hutt — Hikurangi Street: 33.53 perches and house \$18,153. Plimmerton (Wellington Methodist Charitable and Educational Endowments): 32.7 perches and house \$6,500. Johnsonville: 22.2 perches and house \$21,900.

NELSON:

Pangatotara (Motueka): 1 rood 16 perches \$500. Hokitika: 1 rood and house \$7,200.

NORTH CANTERBURY:

Brookside (Leeston): ¼ acre and Church (*). Hawarden (Rangiora): 1 rood and Church \$1,000. Heathcote: 1 rood and Church \$8,000. Dublin Street, Christchurch (Central Mission): 20 perches and building \$12,000.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND:

Waikouaiti (Dunedin Central): ¼ acre \$50. Blue Spur (Milton-Lawrence): 32.15 perches \$10. Delta Street (Dunedin Central Mission): 15.9 perches and house \$11,250. Edendale (Gore): 1 rood and Church \$800.

PURCHASES

The following purchases have been approved:

AUCKLAND:

Wesley College, Paerata: Otahuhu \$186,400; Onehunga \$150,000; Takapuna 1 rood 6.8 perches and building \$89,250. Forest Hill, Auckland (Dept. Christian Edn.): 26 perches and house \$30,000. Takapuna (Auckland Children's Homes): 2 roods 29 perches \$10,500.

WELLINGTON:

Waiwhetu (Lower Hutt): 20.94 perches and house \$24,770. Lower Hutt — Rata Street (Dept. Christian Edn.): 28.36 perches and house \$21,500. Ngaio: 23.9 perches and house \$20,000.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND:

Concord (Dun. Central Mission): 25.5 perches and house \$19,000.

BUILDINGS

Purchases (P), Erections (E), Additions and Alterations (A), Final Costs Not Known (*).

NORTHLAND:

Kaeo; Parsonage (A) \$1,740.

AUCKLAND:

Auckland Children's Home, Manurewa (A) \$25,007. Pukekohe Eventide Home (Auck. Central Mission): (E) \$300,000. Waiuku; Parsonage (E) \$29,592.92. Overseas Mission Secretary's Parsonage (E) (*). Wesley College, Paerata: Chapel (A) (*) Northcote: Church Hall (A) (*).

WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY:

Chartwell (Hamilton East: (Complex (E) (*) Otumoetai (Tauranga): Parsonage (E) (*) Camp Epworth Lake Karapiro: (A) \$4,500.

TARANAKI-WANGANUI:

Okato: Hall (E) (*) West End (New Plymouth): Classrooms (E) \$5,000.

HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU:

Foxton Union Parish: Church (A) (*.)

WELLINGTON:

Upper Hutt: Centre (E) (*) Greytown Union Parish: Manse (E) (*) Wesleyhaven (Wesley Social Services Wgtn): Hospital (A) (*) Lower Hutt—Pretoria Street: Parsonage (E) (*) Wesley, Taranaki Street, Wellington: Hall (A) \$12,300.

NELSON:

Picton Eventide Home (Christchurch Central Mission): Flats (E) \$34,250.

NORTH CANTERBURY:

Wesley Church, Fitzgerald Avenue: Infant Room Block (A) (*). Opawa: Hall and Church (A) (*) Islington (Hornby): Parsonage (A) (*) Lyttelton Union Parish: Church and Sunday School Block (A) (*.)

SOUTH CANTERBURY:

Ashburton: Baring Square Church (A) \$18,150. Timaru: St David's Marchiel Worship Centre and Lounge Foyer (A) (*). Staveley Camp Site. 2 Units (E) \$5,000.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND:

Brockville (West Dunedin Special U.P.): Family Centre (E) \$40,000. Balclutha: Church Hall (A) (*.)

LOANS

LOANS POSITION:

At 31st May, 1973 there were 209 loans (last year 221) outstanding, totalling \$396,226, distributed among the Synodal Districts as follows:—

| | | | |
|-----------------------|----|------------------|----|
| Northland | 8 | Wellington | 24 |
| Auckland | 54 | Nelson | 6 |
| Waikato/Bay of Plenty | 30 | North Canterbury | 35 |
| Taranaki/Wanganui | 5 | South Canterbury | 8 |
| Hawkes Bay/Manawatu | 21 | Otago/Southland | 18 |

A feature of the year has again 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 209 is the lowest since 1964. The number of loans was at a high point in 1969 (261). Part of the reduction has again been due to amalgamation of loans. The increased size of the maximum loan has also confirmed the trend to fewer but larger average loans.

NEW LOANS:

20 new loans amounting to \$70,450 were advanced during the year as follows:—

Northland: Whangaroa Parsonage alterations \$1,250.

Auckland: Campbells Bay House Property \$3,500, St. Johns Ponsonby (Debt re-arrangement) \$2,300, Pukekohe Parsonage \$5,000.

Waikato — Bay of Plenty: Camp Epworth (Caretaker's House) \$1,500, Taumarunui Parsonage \$5,000.

Taranaki-Wanganui: Okato Hall \$5,000.

Hawkes Bay-Manawatu: Foxton Union Parish (Classrooms) \$3,000.

Wellington: Department of Christian Education (Auckland Parsonage) \$5,000, Paekakariki Parsonage (Debt re-arrangement) \$4,200, Porirua East Parsonage (Debt re-arrangement) \$2,700.

Nelson: Nil.

North Canterbury: Hornby Parsonage alterations \$5,000, St. Stephens Masham Building \$2,000, North Canterbury Camp Sites Trust \$3,400 (Debt re-arrangement), Sumner-Redcliffs Union Parish \$700 (Debt re-arrangement).

South Canterbury: Ashburton Church Alterations \$5,000, St. David's Union Parish Marchwiell \$5,000 (Alterations).

Otago-Southland: Dunedin Central \$3,875 (Parsonage Debt Re-arrangement), Brockville Family Centre \$5,000, Wakari Union Church Education Centre \$2,000.

Of the total sum advanced \$17,175 was for debt re-arrangement and \$53,250 for new construction, purchases and alterations.

SITES FUND:

For the second year running no applications were received and no grants made from the Fund.

DEVELOPMENT FUND:

Grants totalling \$6,250 were made as follows:—

| | |
|--------------------------|---------|
| Flaxmere, Hastings | \$1,000 |
| Tamatea Sections, Napier | \$1,250 |
| Chartwell, Hamilton | \$4,000 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$6,250 |

The Funds balance declined during the year from \$22,650 to \$19,775. It is probable that grants made will again exceed income in 1973-74.

RESOLUTION

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

QUESTION 39—(c) Custodian of Deeds?

CUSTODIAN OF DEEDS

ANNUAL REPORT 1973

1. Titles:

For the year ended 30th June, 1973 the following Certificates of Title have been received and acknowledged:

AUCKLAND:

Mangere East Church, Silverdale Church, Mt. Albert Church.

WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY:

St. John's, Hamilton; Putaruru Church and Hall; Chartwell, Hamilton.

WELLINGTON:

Taita Union Parish Manse, Lower Hutt Parsonage, Raumati Beach Parsonage.

NELSON:

St. Paul's Hokitika, Stoke Church.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND:

Frankton Arm, Queenstown; St. Peter's, Invercargill; Broad Bay Church; Tweed Street, Invercargill section; Dunedin Central Mission Concord Parsonage; North Dunedin Parsonage.

2. New Trusts:

A new Trust has been registered as under and certificate issued:
AUCKLAND: Pukekohe Parsonage.

3. Trustees:

Changes in the personnel of Trustees have been registered as under and certificates issued:

| Districts | Trusts | Deletions | Registrations |
|-----------------------|--------|-----------|---------------|
| Northland | 19 | 51 | 19 |
| Auckland | 31 | 110 | 59 |
| Waikato-Bay of Plenty | 11 | 13 | 16 |
| Taranaki-Wanganui | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| Hawkes Bay-Manawatu | 12 | 44 | 31 |
| Wellington | 17 | 49 | 39 |
| Nelson | 6 | 12 | 7 |
| North Canterbury | 22 | 50 | 46 |
| Otago-Southland | 15 | 26 | 19 |
| | 135 | 356 | 238 |

W. R. LAWS,
Custodian of Deeds

RESOLUTION

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

D.—SPECIAL REPORT OF CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND COMMITTEE

for Presentation to Synods and Conference PROPERTY SEMINARS

The 1972 Conference authorised the arrangement of Seminars/ Consultations in all Districts to consider the procedures outlined in last year's report in the light of three 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.

The Committee considers itself fortunate in securing the services of Rev. John D. Wade, L.Th., Secretary of the Property Committee of the Department of Home Missions and Church Extension of the Victoria and Tasmania Conference, Rev. R. M. E. Glover, L.Th., Dip. R.E., F.C.I.S., A.A.S.A., Property Secretary of the New South Wales Conference, and Mr Robert W. Cooper of Australian Institutional Developments Pty Ltd, SYDNEY. These Church leaders from Australia freely shared with us their knowledge and experience and have stimulated our thinking on contemporary trends in Church architecture, property and finance.

The Loan Fund Committee decided to limit the number of Seminars in the early part of 1973 to three and Seminars were held in Christchurch, Wellington and Auckland in the second half of the month of March. Invitations were extended to the other seven Synodal Districts to send ministerial and lay representatives to the three Seminars; in addition, visits were paid by the Australian leaders to Dunedin, Palmerston North and Rotorua; in these and other ways some contact was made with all our Districts.

It is the desire of the Loan Fund Committee to make arrangements for Seminars/Workshops to be held in other centres over the next two years. Suggestions are invited as to programme, timing, personnel and as to how these Seminars can be given a more ecumenical flavour. The Committee visualises the making of some personal contact with all Districts over a three yearly period.

At each of the three Seminars, lectures were given by Revs. John Wade and R. M. E. Glover and at Christchurch and Auckland by Mr Robert W. Cooper who subsequently paid a special visit to Wellington to meet with the Trustees of Wesley Church, Taranaki Street. The Committee senses a desire by attendants at the Seminars that the friendly relationship built up with the Australian visitors should be encouraged and developed.

The Committee has in mind a regular interchange of visits. Arising out of the Seminars, there have been several requests that the services of a Property Consultant, like Mr Robert W. Cooper, should be obtained and organised on a Connexional basis to enable the best use of land and buildings in the mission of the Church. Besides the making of suitable provision for the worship and witness of the Church in the community, this would include investment of funds and commercial development of property with a view to providing much needed finance for the Church's ministry to all sorts and conditions of men. There are Trusts in our large cities like Christchurch, Wellington, Auckland and in provincial centres like Rotorua and Hamilton who would welcome professional advice and assistance, especially if tendered by a dedicated churchman.

The Committee has given careful consideration to the need for such an adviser and is investigating the possibility of obtaining the services of a Property Consultant from either New Zealand or Australia who could serve the Connexion. The Committee is aware of the urgency of the situation confronting some of our largest Trusts who must face replacement of buildings and the provision of increased income within the next two or three years. The needs of smaller Trusts are not being lost sight of. The present stage in Church Union negotiations is being borne in mind; steps will be taken to see that negotiating Churches are kept informed of property developments; every endeavour will be made to ensure that any building programmes embarked upon will prove an asset and not a liability to the United Church.

A valuable aspect of the Seminars was the distribution of material provided by the Revs. J. D. Wade and R. M. E. Glover and Mr R. W. Cooper. The range of topics covered was wide and varied as can be readily seen from listing some of the titles: Property Requirements in the Light of the Christian Life Curriculum, Development of Church Sites, Theological Architecture, The Church in the Market Place — The Bondi Junction Project, The Management of Church Funds, the Methodist Investment Fund, Changing Format in Management of Major Church Funds.

Study by the Committee of these materials and questions asked at the Seminars has confirmed it in its view that there is need for the Committee to undertake further education of our people in the place of buildings in the mission of the Church, the provision of adequate ministerial and lay staffing and the outlining of the procedures to be followed at local, district and national level when property projects are to be embarked upon and new forms of mission are to be undertaken.

The Committee intends to take up with the Council of Mission the possibility of a joint educational programme involving not only the five divisions of the Methodist Church but also Committees of the

other negotiating Churches charged with responsibilities similar to those entrusted to the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee. The Committee is also giving attention to the preparation of leaflets for insertion in a loose-leaf file that would deal with such subjects as: guidelines for use in the preparation of a brief for an architect; procedures for handling of Plans for new buildings, the obtaining of consent to sell or purchase land and buildings; methods of property financing and investment of funds.

In addition the Committee sees value in the holding of inter-church Seminars on Church Architecture and would hope to be able to make some use of authorities in the other negotiating Churches in future Seminars. The Committee also wonders if the time is ripe for the Conference to ask the National Council of Churches to organise a national Seminar on Church Architecture.

The Committee is reviewing its own procedures. In future, Trusts planning the erection of a new building will be asked to furnish a copy of the brief they gave to their Architect and encouraged to obtain colour Drawings and to make use of visual aids, e.g. transparencies. The Meeting's procedures for dealing with loans, consents to purchase, sell and mortgage, etc. are also being looked at.

The Committee is conscious of the heavy burden of responsibility laid upon it by the Conference and is grateful for the sympathetic interest and support in evidence at the three Seminars. It will continue its practice of consulting Synods and District Property Advisory Committees and, where possible, of paying personal visits to local Trusts. Our Church is indeed well served by its members who place so freely at its disposal their training, experience and skills.

At each of the Seminars the issue was discussed as to the body which should be responsible for giving final approval of sales, allocation of proceeds of sale, purchases and Plans. There was general agreement that this should **continue to be the national committee**, but emphasis was made of the increasing need for consultation. With this point of view the Committee is in complete agreement.

The opinion was expressed that greater use should be made of District Property Advisory Committees in communicating points of agreement and disagreement to Circuits and local Trusts; it was felt that District Property Advisory Committees should be informed of the Loan Fund Committee's viewpoint and the reasons for it and wherever there was a serious difference of opinion asked to visit the local Trust in the Committee's name. The Committee is glad for this suggestion, helping as it does to ensure **mutuality**. Every transaction is twofold in nature; if the Connexional Committee needs to understand the outlook of the Circuit, the Circuit also needs to appreciate that of the Connexion. No doubt there are occasions where a visit from a member of the Loan Fund Committee is still called for in addition to a District visitation.

The consensus of opinion was that there is need for a Connexional committee to give final approval; it is **the way in which authority is exercised that tells**. A Connexional committee can usually be more detached and objective in its attitudes; but it needs to be sensitive to the viewpoints of the local Trust as well as the District, for it is to be expected that those who are nearest to the scene of action will have a valuable contribution to make in long term planning and decision-making.

Fresh consideration could quite well be given to the role of Trustees, including term and method of appointment. Matters needing consideration include—

(a) All properties to be held in the names of a small Connexional holding Trust in terms of the Model Deed 1887; and

(b) The maintenance and development of our properties to be the responsibility of a Committee of the Circuit Quarterly Meeting, the members of which shall be elected annually at the Church Meeting. (Such action would be in accordance with the 1971 Plan for Union).

Another need of the Church to which the Seminars pointed is that of finance. There is a growing desire among our people to pursue a vigorous policy of mission to the community; experimental ministries are being conceived and new structures envisaged; these call for increased expenditure and local churches feel restricted by insufficient income to meet necessary maintenance of present staff and buildings and the cost of outreach.

There was general agreement that a portion of the proceeds of sales of redundant properties should be made available for purposes other than the purchase of additional land or the erection of buildings. The need to make provision for capital expenditure was granted; but not at the expense of meeting the needs of people for the Gospel. Whether the portion for purposes other than buildings should be 25% or less was not insisted upon. It was felt that this could quite well be the norm, provided flexibility was preserved. Some wanted to see the capital preserved and the interest only to be made available for current expenditure.

The Seminars were impressed by the objectives, methods and achievements of the Methodist Trust Association as described by Rev. R. M. E. Glover and saw in this organisation means whereby the Connexion could marshal its existing resources and add to them, providing as it does for:—

(a) The reinvestment of proceeds of sale of redundant Church properties.

(b) The purchase of land for commercial development.

(c) The releasing of moneys for Circuit, District and Connexional use. (N.B.: The distribution of all surpluses is determined by the Conference and not by the Board of the Methodist Trust Association.)

The Committee is seeking detailed information regarding the establishment and operation of the Methodist Trust Association.

Another organisation in existence in Australia was a Methodist Savings Society with which individual Methodists could deposit moneys and receive a reasonable rate of interest, in this way making money available to the Connexion for reinvestment, loans to Churches, etc. About 10 years ago, the New Zealand Conference appointed a Commission to investigate the establishment of such a Society in New Zealand, but the Commission did not recommend it.

This Committee is of the opinion that the question should be re-opened and asks for authority to proceed in this matter.

There could be greater co-ordination in the management and investment of funds while diversifying methods of operation and providing for flexibility in the uses to which moneys are put. If a Methodist Trust Association is formed it would undoubtedly assist this process which is already being encouraged by the Standing Commission on Church Property.

In making these suggestions, the Committee is conscious of the additional work that the examination of these proposals and their establishment if approved will call for from the Executive officers and staff of the Connexional Office. There is no doubt that additional staff will be required. It believes that the appointment of a third full time Executive officer could quite well be required if the Church is to exercise the wisest stewardship of all its resources in these days of unprecedented need and opportunity.

W. R. LAWS, General Secretary

1. That the reports B and D be received and adopted.
2. That Conference records its appreciation to the Revs. J. D. Wade and R. M. E. Glover and Mr R. W. Cooper for their contribution to the Property Seminars held in Christchurch, Wellington and Auckland and for the advice given so readily to some of the Trusts.
3. That Trusts planning the erection of new buildings be asked to furnish copies of the brief given to their Architect and to obtain colour drawings and visual aids wherever desirable, to assist consideration at the Local, District and Connexional Levels.
4. That the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee gives consideration to the role of Trustees, including term and method of appointment, and in particular to consider—
 - (a) The advisability of all properties being held in the names of a small Connexional holding Trust in terms of the Model Deed 1887; and
 - (b) The responsibility for the maintenance and development of properties to be undertaken by a Committee of the Circuit Quarterly Meeting, the members of such Committee to be elected annually at the Church Meeting.
5. That the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee investigate proposals for the establishment and operation of—
 - (a) A Methodist Trust Association; and
 - (b) A Methodist Investment Society.
 and if possible bring recommendations to 1974 Conference.
6. That the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee give consideration to the advisability of obtaining the services of professional Property Consultants who would advise the Connexion and local Trusts regarding the best use of land and buildings in the mission of the Church.
7. That Conference records its appreciation of the valuable services rendered to the Board by Mr C. A. Waters for over 20 years.
8. That Conference requests the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee and the Development Division to give special consideration to those church extension applications where Church buildings have a multi-purpose function and serve both the Church and the community.
9. That the Board for 1974 be as printed on page 5 herein.

QUESTION 39—(d). The Standing Commission on Church Property.

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMISSION ON CHURCH PROPERTY

The Standing Commission on Church Property has continued to exercise the responsibilities entrusted to it by Conference and during the year has consulted with several Connexional Trusts regarding the fulfilment of their objectives, the administration of their properties and the investment of their funds. The Committee feels that its role is increasingly being accepted in the Church and that Trusts are beginning to look to it for guidance and help.

Methodist Trust Association.

The Commission was very interested in the three Property Seminars organised by the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee held in Christchurch, Wellington and Auckland. It was very favourably

impressed by the contributions made by Rev J. T. Wade, of Melbourne, Rev R. M. E. Glover, of Sydney, and Mr R. W. Cooper, a professional property consultant from Sydney. In particular, the Commission was greatly encouraged by the accounts given of the Methodist Trust Association as it operates in New South Wales, Australia. The Commission strongly supports the intention of the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee to seek the approval of Conference for the establishment of a similar Association in connection with our New Zealand Methodist Church. While the New Zealand Church is a comparatively small Church in the size of its membership and its material resources, the Commission is convinced that by the pooling of assets that a Methodist Trust Association enables to be done, moneys can be made available for the whole Connexion, which will enable our Church the better to fulfil its mission in the community.

The Commission would emphasise that the establishment of a Methodist Trust Association in New Zealand could only come to be with the assistance and practical support of some of our larger Connexional Trusts. This will inevitably mean that on the short run such Trusts will need to be prepared to forego some immediate financial gain in the interests of the Church as a whole, but, long term, the Trust Association would work to the benefit of all. The Committee has been encouraged by the evident interest shown by such important Trusts as:—

Auckland Central Mission
Prince Albert College Trust
Wesley Training College Trust
Probert Trust
Wesley-Taranaki Street, Wellington
Christchurch Central Mission,
and Trusts in centres like Hamilton and Rotorua

Methodist Investment Society

The Commission on Church Property is glad to know that the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee is seeking Conference permission to investigate the desirability of the establishment of the Methodist Investment Society by means of which our Church members will be encouraged to lend moneys to the Connexion at reasonable rates of interest with proper safeguards. Past experience has shown that numbers of our people are willing to loan moneys to the Church for the erection of buildings and the requirement of other facilities. This has been demonstrated by the way in which the Home Mission Investment and Church Extension Fund has been supported over the years. The Commission believes that if a sustained effort were made to encourage our people to invest their surplus moneys with the Church, a large amount of money could become available for use in all kinds of projects.

The Commission acknowledges that some years ago a committee of the Conference was appointed to look into the establishment of an Investment Society and at that time advised against its formation. The Commission believes, however, that the situation has changed greatly within the Church during the last ten years. The appointment of the General Treasurer has stimulated the interest of the whole Church in matters financial, and numbers of our people are in an improved financial position. It believes that what seemed unnecessary or impracticable a few years ago could quite well prove to be most beneficial if under-taken within the next year or two.

Visits

(1) **Morley House.** The Standing Commission has welcomed the opportunity of being associated with the steps taken by the Super-

numary Fund Board to acquire Morley House, 25 Latimer Square, Christchurch. It is glad that this property is being retained within the Methodist Church and that preliminary steps are being taken to consider its re-development as a commercial proposition.

(2) **Christchurch Inner City.** The Commission shares the concern of leading Ministers and Laymen within the city of Christchurch that the future use and development of our Church properties at Cambridge Terrace, Durham Street, Fitzgerald Avenue, Latimer Square and Hereford Street should not be considered in isolation but that the overall policy should be worked out for all our Methodist Church properties in the inner city of Christchurch. The Commission is glad to know that steps are being taken to obtain professional advice.

(3) **Wesley, Taranaki Street, Wellington.** The Commission wishes to commend the Wesley, Taranaki Street, Wellington Trust for the careful consideration that it has been giving over recent years to the re-development of its valuable properties and of its willingness to secure all possible assistance from professional consultants. Few people in the Church are more Connexionally-minded than these Trustees and their activities have greatly benefited our Church work, not only at Taranaki Street but throughout the Wellington District and the Connexion as a whole.

(4) **Papakura.** Papakura is a Circuit which the Commission was pleased to visit during the year and to be informed of the wonderful assets with which our Church at Papakura is endowed, and the consideration that is being given in various parts of the Circuit to the possible commercial development of some of our land and buildings as well as provision for the essential work and witness of the Church. The Circuit is to be commended for its progressive, long-term outlook. The same could be said of Hamilton and Rotorua Trusts.

The Commission has been giving some consideration to ways in which its work could be made more effective, and intends to report directly to individual Trusts and Circuits more frequently in the future.

(5) **Pitt Street Methodist Church, Auckland:** The Commission met for the first time with members of the Pitt Street Trust. Here again, it was encouraged by the way in which the Trust is examining the concept of Pitt Street as an inner city Church in this ecumenical time, and the best utilization of all its assets to enable this concept to be realised. The Commission would like to see the fullest possible consultation and co-operation between the Methodist Trusts who have property within the inner city of Auckland:—

Pitt Street Trust
Auckland Central Mission
Prince Albert College Trust
Wesley Training College
Probert Trust.

It has recommended that each of these Trusts should co-operate fully with the establishment of the Methodist Trust Association and a Methodist Investment Society to enable the original objectives of these Trusts to be adequately fulfilled.

Use of Proceeds of Sale from Redundant Properties.

The Standing Commission is fully in agreement with the desire of the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee to make available for projects other than land and buildings a proportion of the proceeds of sale of redundant Church properties. The Commission hopes that the greatest possible degree of flexibility will be

exercised in the use of proceeds of sale. While acknowledging the need for land and buildings, the Commission is firmly convinced that in this day and age the Church needs to engage in specialist ministries and to demonstrate to the community as never before that its primary interest is in the welfare of persons. To this end the Commission hopes that wherever monies are being allocated from the proceeds of sale of property the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee will consult with all concerned to see that the interests of the District and the Connexion are borne in mind as well as local needs, and that there is as much variety as possible in the use of monies. A resolution to this effect is appended.

Conclusion

All in all, the Standing Commission on Church Property believes that this could quite well prove to be a most formative year in the history of New Zealand Methodism. Our Church seems opener than it has been to the consideration of revised methods of finance and more willing to co-operate one with the other in the interests of the Church as a whole. The establishment of such bodies as the Methodist Trust Association and the Methodist Investment Society will make possible great developments in the Church's use of its assets in land, buildings and moneys; in the event of Church Union this should result in a stronger impact by the Church on the community.

W. R. LAWS, General Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee, when giving approval to the allocation of proceeds of sales of redundant properties, be encouraged to make available a percentage for District and Connexional needs as well as local requirements.
3. That the Commission for 1974 be:—
The General Secretary
The General Treasurer
Messrs G. E. Hill, T. M. Pacey, C. B. Radcliffe.

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 1973.

The nett surplus for the year was \$30,369.66 as against \$23,936.21 for the previous year. The improved result comes mainly from:

- (a) Lower repairs and
- (b) Increased rents.

\$13,000 was paid to the Theological College and \$10,000 was appropriated to Building Renewal Fund.

During the Year Number Three Block (a separate portion of the property) was sold for \$67,000 which was a very satisfactory price. The funds will be available for development on the remainder of the land. The portion of the land leased to the New Zealand Motor Corporation has not been developed by them and they have not, as yet, accepted our offer to do so. In the meantime they pay the ground rent.

The Motorway Project is many years behind schedule and this has affected development. However, the Trust has, at present, one very likely tenant for a limited re-development on a portion of the

Trust land. The Trust feels that a start would accelerate interest in the remainder of the property.

The members of the Board are: Mr W. F. Christian (Chairman), Rev. E. D. Grounds, Rev. E. W. Hames, Dr J. J. Lewis, Mr D. Brown, Mr A. L. Caughey, Mr N. H. Furness, Mr T. L. Hames, Mr G. C. Riddell, Mr F. M. Souster, Mr W. F. Winstone.

W. F. CHRISTIAN, Chairman.
F. M. IZZARD, Secretary.

RESOLUTION

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

2—PRINCE ALBERT COLLEGE TRUST BOARD

ANNUAL REPORT OF TRUSTEES FOR THE 1972/73 YEAR

1. During the past year the Trust has continued to maintain its assets, both buildings and property in good condition.

The Private Hotel, shops and I.B.M. Building have been fully let, with the exception of a shop, set aside to provide accommodation for a tenant who will be displaced by the demolition of his premises to make way for the new building.

2. **Building Project:** The erection of a new office block on the City Road, Queen Street corner has continued to be the major project receiving our attention. A considerable amount of negotiation now covering a period of three years with our major tenant has delayed commencement of this project but at this time final agreement appears close.

The building planned is of eight floors, providing over 50,000 sq. ft of space, and will provide a good standard of air-conditioned office accommodation.

3. **Rembrandt Hotel:** The main building structure dates back to 1848, and is increasingly costly to maintain. With its layout it has not adapted efficiently to use as a private hotel, and it is therefore uneconomic to continue its life much longer. In addition the city authorities have indicated their intention to close the hotel unless very major and costly modifications are made.

Such modifications would not be justified having regard to the revenue earning capabilities of the building.

The Trustees are examining the replacement of the buildings with a modern private hotel adaptable to the requirements of large tour groups and also accommodation of New Zealanders visiting Auckland. Room tariff will be economic, while the rooms themselves will be fully serviced.

At this time we consider the project offers exciting possibilities for a Church Trust which feels it has responsibilities to provide accommodation to meet people's needs at a cost they can bear.

4. **Shops Block:** The appearance of this block has been improved with the renovation of the verandahs and installation of a community lighting system. Some of this cost appears in this year's accounts, the remainder will be charged into the 1973/74 year.

Tenants have been invited to modernise their shop fronts on a subsidy basis from the Trust and at present two shops have plans underway for such improvement.

We have renovated one shop to provide accommodation for a tenant soon to be displaced by the demolition of his present premises to make way for the new office block. This by itself has improved the general appearance of the block.

5. **I.B.M. Building:** Due to an original design fault in the roofing, the Trust is faced with recoating the roof of this building with sound absorbing material. The cost of this work is at present unknown, but the work will have to be undertaken promptly.

6. **Income:** Rentals on the shops were increased during the latter quarter of the year, and will reflect improved earnings next year. These rentals are still greatly below what our advisers consider to be their full market value. The Trust, however, feels that rent increases should be of a reasonable amount but reviewed more frequently than previously.

Carpark rentals have also been increased and the benefits will show next year.

Interest earnings have increased substantially and form a considerable contribution to the funds available for further development.

7. **Debentures:** During recent months the Trust has accepted loans on deposit from many Church Trusts and from individual people throughout the country. The security is outstanding, and interest-rates range from 6½% for three months, 7% for one year or more, 7½% for three years, to 8% for six years or more. These deposits have proved helpful to the Prince Albert College Trustees in planning their further development, and will be even more helpful in the future. The more money that can be borrowed "within the church", the less will need to be raised from other sources.

Plans are well advanced for the launching of a Debenture Issue which will assist in financing the large office-building and also the replacement of the present "Rembrandt" private hotel. People and Trusts with deposits already accepted will be given the option of transferring their deposits to Debentures in which a choice will be given of length of term, type of security and interest-rate, or leaving their deposits as is.

It is intended that a "No. 1 Debenture Issue" will carry similar terms to those applying at present on the loan deposits, and these will be appropriate for investment by Church Trusts for the high level of Trustee Security that will be represented by these debentures. Individual depositors may choose to participate in "No. 2 Debenture Issue" which will still carry security against the Trust's Real Property. The total of both these debenture issues will not exceed 85% in value of otherwise-unencumbered land and buildings; security is excellent.

The next few weeks should see the launching of these Debenture Issues, which will be advertised in the "N.Z. Methodist" and in other publications. Communications concerning Loan Deposits or the Debenture Issue may be made to the Trust through Mr J. C. Wigglesworth, Public Accountant, P.O. Box 544, Auckland.

During the next few years the Trust will be required to exercise the utmost restraint in its expenditure. The necessity to float two major development projects almost simultaneously will call for careful management by the Trustees and wise counsel from their advisers. The Chairman of the Trust would pay tribute to the outstanding service given by the Secretary-Treasurer, Mr Ronald A. Barfoote, who has supplied much of the drive behind the development of the Prince Albert College Trust enterprises. The Trust comprises men of undoubted business ability whose advice and services are freely given, and the Chairman would also acknowledge the services of the legal adviser, Mr Sanderson of Butler, White and Hanna, Mr H. T. Garlick, a Trust member responsible for funds investment, as

well as the continued invaluable association with Mr R. R. Livingstone of Livingstone and Jones, Lang, Wootten, consultants to the Trust.

R. F. CLEMENT, (Chairman).

R. A. BARFOOTE, (Secretary).

RESOLUTION

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

3—THE JAMES AND MARTHA TROUNSON BENEVOLENT FUND TRUST BOARD

CONFERENCE REPORT 1973

Grants amounting to \$1,072.00 have been made during the year.

We record the loss of Mr K. M. Griffin who died in January 1972 after ten years of faithful service as a member of the Board. Rev. A. K. Petch has become a new member of the Board replacing Rev. R. Thornley on his removal to Thames.

We remind our ministers that the Board depends on them to sponsor applications for grants to assist needy Methodists of good standing for whom inadequate provision is made by any other Fund of the Church or elsewhere.

The Board is as follows: Mr L. W. Peak (Chairman), Revs. G. I. Laurenson, E. W. Hames, B. M. Chrystall, A. K. Petch, A. R. Penn, G. G. Carter, E. E. Sage (Secretary), Messrs J. S. Caughey, G. S. Gapper and G. H. Lindsey.

L. W. PEAK, (Chairman).

E. S. SAGE, (Secretary).

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report and Financial Statements be received and adopted.
2. That the attention of the Trust be drawn to the low rate of interest being earned by the \$11,620 in Government Stock.

4—THE BOARD OF THE WELLINGTON METHODIST CHARITABLE AND EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENTS

REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1973

We have pleasure in submitting to the Conference our report on the activities of the Board for the year ended 30th June, 1973.

Masterton Children's Home

The Masterton Committee has reported direct to the Conference, and this Board endorses the Committee's Report.

Expenditure has been well contained and in spite of an increase of \$2518 in Salaries and Superannuation total expenditure is up by only \$1662. Thanks principally to an increase in receipts from Church Budget of \$1980, and \$1923 in Government Capitation, Income has exceeded Expenditure by \$2705.

Following recommendations from the Department of Social Welfare concerning Staff Accommodation, plans for a staff house have been submitted to the Church Building and Loan Fund. A Subdivisional plan for a more economic use of the land surrounding the Home has also been submitted to the Fund.

The seven sections on the Herbert Street frontage have been sold and the proceeds, \$12,143 have been invested in terms of the Board's Act.

RANGIATEA MAORI COLLEGE TRUST

Interest is maintained in the work of the College Trust, and our annual grant of \$2750 has been provided for.

AMENDING ACT

The Board has found that certain restrictive conditions contained in its Act, which was drawn up in 1916, are obsolete under present day conditions. Following the experience of the Auckland Charitable and educational Endowments Board which amended its Act in 1971, this Board has had prepared a similar Amending Bill for which Conference approval is sought for submission to Parliament for enactment.

PROPERTIES

(1) Kelburn.

Only one tenant of properties whose leases are due for renewal in 1974 has expressed an interest in acquiring the freehold, other than The Crown. It has not yet been possible to agree with the Crown on the value of the lessor's interest which it wishes to obtain.

(2) Masterton

Plans are at present before the Church Building and Loan Fund for the more economic use of the Masterton land.

(3) Foxton

An area of approximately 3 acres has been taken by the Manawatu County Council for the extension of Bowe Road. This has been exchanged for a slightly larger area of unformed road which is not now required for roading.

(4) Plimmerton

The beach cottage at Plimmerton has been sold at \$2669 above Government valuation, although the sale was not completed until after the end of the financial year.

FINANCIAL

There has been a small drop in the Board's revenue due to the Valuation fees incurred in connection with the negotiations regarding the Kelburn Properties.

Properties have been written up to current Government Valuation.

W. F. FORD, Chairman

J. A. KELLOW, Secretary

RESOLUTIONS

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

2. That the Rev. W. F. Ford be appointed Chairman for the coming year.

3. That the Board's representatives on the Rangiatea Maori College Trust be the Rev. W. F. Ford, Mr J. F. Cody and Mr G. C. Burton.

4. That the persons nominated in the Annual Report of the Masterton Methodist Children's Home be appointed as its Management Committee for the year 1973/74.

5. That the President of the Conference, in consultation with his legal adviser and the Board, be authorised to approve an amending Bill for presentation to Parliament for enactment in 1974.

5—THE EMSLEY TRUST BOARD (REPORTS BIENNIALY)

RESOLUTION

1. That the Financial Statements be received and adopted.

6—GREY INSTITUTE TRUST

ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE 1973

There have been no notable variations to the routine administration of this property.

Maintenance of Mission Property

During the year the Trustees have been responsible for maintaining the Mission property in St. Aubyn Street as well as Parsonage for the Maori Minister in Mission Street. Grants of \$900.34 have been made for the purpose.

In addition to this the regular annual grant of \$4,500 has been made to Rangiatea Maori Girls' College Trust for the continuation of the work there.

Finances

The Accounts disclose a total income for the year of \$13,962.70. Expenses for administration were \$2600.58 including land tax of \$1619.66. Leaving a surplus of \$11,362.12 available for Trust purposes.

Of this sum the Trustees had already distributed \$5400.34 in the manner described above which leaves a sum of \$5400.34 to be allocated.

In accordance with the decisions of Conference this will be the subject of a joint recommendation from the Trustees and the Maori Division of the Church.

W. R. FRANCIS, Chairman.

M. H. BURN, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

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

2. That Conference adopt the joint recommendation of the Trustees and the Maori Division for disposal of the surplus for the year ended 30/6/73:—

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| Maori Division | \$4,000 |
| General Reserve (for property development | 1,961.78 |
| Total surplus | <u>\$5,961.78</u> |

7—KAI IWI MISSION ESTATE

The Trust continues in its work of collecting the rental and has been allocating \$600 annually to Rangiatea Maori College Trust Board and setting aside \$600 annually for provision of a Maori Boys' Hostel in the future. Some \$5500 has been set aside to date for a Maori Boys' Hostel. The Trustees would be interested to learn the thinking of the Church on the utilisation of this money. If a Hostel is not a feasible proposition, a direction on the use of the

funds for other works or Maori purposes would be appreciated.

The Farm was inspected by the Trustees and has been well maintained by the Lessee, and the pastures, buildings and fences are in good order. The rent comes up for review mid 1974 and will be considered by the Trustees at their next Annual Meeting.

The Secretary, Mr E. L. F. Buxton, resigned on 30th June 1972 and was replaced by Mr A. R. Wallis. Mr Buxton had been Secretary for 19 years and during that time showed a genuine interest in the history, development and management of the farm. His keen and efficient interest in the Trust was greatly appreciated by his fellow Trustees and it was with regret that his resignation was received. The thanks and appreciation of the Church are due to Mr Buxton.

ALAN O. JONES, Chairman.

A. R. WALLIS, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Annual Report and Accounts be received and adopted.

2. That the Trustees consult with the Maori Division and report to Conference 1974 on possible alternative uses for its Reserve Funds.

3. That Conference records its appreciation of the work of Mr E. L. F. Buxton for 19 years as Secretary and of his genuine interest in its development and management.

8—ROBERT GIBSON METHODIST TRUST BOARD

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT FOR YEAR ENDED JUNE 30th, 1973

The report of the Farm Supervisor and the Financial Statements reveal that despite drought conditions and the carrying out of much needed maintenance and other repairs to properties, a satisfactory year had been experienced on the farms at Upper Riverlea, Lower Riverlea, Wai-iti and Whiteley.

The Board made grants for educational purposes totalling \$5,128 made up as follows:—

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|----------------------------------|---------|
| Wesley Training College Students | 495 |
| Other Students | 1,350 |
| Auckland Children's Home | 500 |
| Manaia Trust | 640 |
| Masterton Children's Home | 2,000 |
| Hawera Boys' Brigade | 25 |
| Oakura Beach Mission | 118 |
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| | \$5,128 |

The sub-committees of the Board—Bursary and Farms—continue to do good work. The work of Mr R. J. Thomas as Farm Supervisor is greatly appreciated.

J. P. HARDING, Chairman.

RESOLUTIONS

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

2. That the Board for 1974 be: The General Secretary, the Chairman of Taranaki-Wanganui District, the Superintendent Ministers of Hawera, Stratford and New Plymouth Circuits, the Minister of Manaia Union Parish, Messrs J. P. Harding (Chairman), R. J. Thomas, A. M. Moss, H. B. Duthie, J. H. Eaddy, S. W. Bailey and N. P. Laursen.

QUESTION 41 (a)—What are the Resolutions of the Conference in regard to:

(a) DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

FIRST ANNUAL REPORT

The Board began the year with an Orientation Seminar to assist members relate to the objectives and functions of the new Division. It was understood that the Division has five essential areas of Connexional responsibility which take up the many specific functions assigned to it by the Conference.

1. To initiate and encourage the development of ministries appropriate to new forms of rural and urban life.

2. To encourage congregations to explore, enact and consolidate contemporary forms of Christian community life, discipleship and service.

3. To monitor and publish significant developments within the Church in New Zealand and overseas.

4. To process and administer grants for the maintenance of circuit and non-circuit ministries.

5. To give oversight to the formation of union parishes and other forms of co-operative ventures between the various denominations.

The Board meets monthly and has appointed two sub-committees to expedite its consideration of specific issues.

A 'Union Parishes and Co-operative Ventures' committee reviews the agreements prepared by local churches negotiating for a union parish or alternative forms of co-operation. It has five members: the Superintendent-Barry Jones, Dr John Lewis, Rev. John McKean (a Presbyterian minister serving in a union parish), Rev. John Vickery (a Churches of Christ minister serving in a Methodist circuit) and Mr Arthur Turner, a lay member of the Board.

A second committee handles matters relating to Finance and Strategy. Six Board members serve on this Committee.

1. EVANGELISM

Early in the year Rev. Loyal Gibson met with the Board to interpret to members the thinking and planning to date undertaken by the Board of Evangelism.

The Board acknowledged that the responsibility for promoting Evangelism within the life of the Church should be an integral part of the Division's work and agreed that the Board of Evangelism should not remain as a separate entity within the Division. The findings of the Board of Evangelism were also accepted by the Division, namely that 'the Church's true life is the Church's true Evangelism'.

Task Group

In order to assist the local Church to review its group life and to provide resources, to initiate and develop new and existing forms of community life the Division has appointed a Task Group, centred in Palmerston North. Initially, the Task Group has been asked to produce resources and programmes to deepen and extend the experiences of group life initiated through the SHALOM programme. The group at present is completing a set of six exercises that form a course entitled 'Building Community'. The aim of the course is 'to assist persons to grow in community . . . to offer group members an experience of fellowship, and reflection on the process of group building, so that learnings can be lived out in future situations . . . to foster the growth of true community in which each member discovers his own significance, and that of his fellows'.

SHALOM Programme

Regional SHALOM revision programmes have been planned for Auckland, Hamilton, Palmerston North, Wellington, Christchurch and Balclutha.

The worth of the programme is not under review — there has been sufficient evidence to suggest that it is a very effective programme enabling local Church leaders relate more deeply to one another and the key issues facing the Church. However, there were some factors relating to the programme that encouraged the Division through its Palmerston North Task Group, to promote the revision programmes. The objectives of the revision programmes reflect these specific factors.

1. To provide an experience of SHALOM methods in depth sharing-consensus decision making, goal setting and planning for action.

2. To undertake an evaluation and review of the programme.

3. To consider possible post SHALOM programmes and projects.

4. To consider the use of the programme within other denominations.

5. To plan for the training of additional SHALOM leaders.

2. UNION PARISHES and CO-OPERATIVE VENTURES

Union Parishes

As at the beginning of February this year there were fifty-three union parishes incorporating Methodist membership and property. The Board's Union Parishes and Co-operative Ventures sub-committee has been consulted on the agreements relating to the formation of union parishes at Kaeo-Kerikeri, Kaikohe, Te Atatu, Thames, Woodville, Masterton, Wellington South, Miramar, New Brighton and Halswell.

The majority of these will have completed the necessary procedural arrangements and will be seeking Conference's approval to become union parishes.

Anglican Co-operation

In addition to the existing agreements operating between Anglicans and Methodists in Broadwood, North Hokianga, Lynfield and Green Bay, Auckland, arrangements are being finalised for joint work in South Hokianga, South Bay of Islands, Otara and Glendene in Auckland.

As previously agreed by the Auckland Anglican Diocese and the Methodist Conference a Methodist appointment is to succeed the Anglican appointment in North Hokianga. It is proposed that at South Hokianga and South Bay of Islands — Moerewa, Kawakawa, Paihia and Russell—the Conference will withdraw existing staff to enable Anglican appointments to be the initial ministers in these united parishes. However, it is clearly understood that in each case a Methodist minister would be appointed following the termination of the Anglican ministries.

Inter-Church Consultation

With the growth of inter-church co-operation, and the strengthening of the local Church's life and witness, there have arisen a number of issues that require attention. For example, in some areas the number of union/united parishes exceed Methodist circuits. This causes difficulty in sustaining ministerial leadership for Connexional standing committees. Further, there is reduplication with parishes having to send representatives to attend two District courts — Presbytery and Synod.

These issues and others, relating to orientation courses for ministers appointed to serve in union/united parishes, a co-ordinated system of making application for grants, sustaining interest at the

Parish level in the wider work of the national Churches, has led the Board to press for a consultation between the participating Churches to respond to these common areas of concern.

Case Studies in Co-operation

At the request of the Executive of the Church Union Committee the Division is preparing a series of 'case studies in co-operation'. It is proposed within these studies to describe six situations, where, with combination of two or more congregations, something important has been achieved by way of united worship, Christian education and mission. The aim of the publication is not to simply describe what is happening in each of these areas of combined activity, but more importantly to illustrate the respective processes by which the several acts of co-operation were accomplished. It is hoped that case histories of these developments will provide Leaders' Meetings and Quarterly Meetings with some insights and information as to the basic steps necessary to produce decisive co-operation and action.

3. MINISTRY

Clergy-Lay Dialogue on Ministry

On Keith Rowe's initiative, he and Barry Jones arranged programmes in three Auckland circuits where ministers had been newly inducted. Within this programme the two leaders were concerned to explore some of the expectations and images about Christian ministry that influenced both ordained and lay leaders within the local Church.

The following assumptions largely determined content and aim of the dialogue on ministry:

1. Although they are rarely spelt out the minister is surrounded by many different expectations of how he should perform his work.
2. There is often conflict between the way laymen see the minister's role and the way he sees it.
3. Many ministers are uncertain about their role and have never systematically defined their job expectation.
4. Much conflict between laymen and ministers could be avoided if expectations were shared early in a ministry and a climate of openness and trust established.
5. The minister's role is not something imposed upon a circuit but is a role worked out for a particular congregation and in a particular time and place.
6. Ministry is a shared partnership.

Accordingly, the programmes were held with the following objectives in mind:

1. To share expectations the minister and Quarterly Meeting have of each other.
2. To begin to define the role of the minister in the particular congregation and district.
3. To begin the building of a team approach to ministry in this congregation.
4. To develop an atmosphere of openness and honesty between minister and circuit leaders.
5. To develop a model which can be used in other circuits.

After an initial evaluation on the effectiveness of the programme the Division is encouraged to commend its use as a helpful means of enabling newly appointed ministers and their leaders focus upon their common ministry.

4. THE FORM OF THE CHURCH'S PRESENCE IN DEVELOPING AREAS?

It is clear that some existing forms of Church extension and development, particularly in new housing areas have failed to take on. It is equally clear that what requires urgent review is not simply

the inadequacies of old styles of Christian outreach and mission but rather the very mature of contemporary Christian presence within modern community life.

The scope of most of the present and future urban developments makes it necessary for the Churches to co-operate in order to raise the necessary finance and avoid costly reduplication of facilities and ministries.

Currently, the Joint Commission on Church Union is holding discussions with one of its standing committees, the Joint National Committee on Church Extension. The aim of this consultation is to strengthen and increase each of the participating Church's representation on the J.N.C.C.E. and also to investigate means of enabling the committee to facilitate combined Church action in providing adequate forms of Christian presence in new areas.

5. EPWORTH BOOKROOM

In November 1972 the Anglican Department of Christian Education met with the Epworth Bookroom committee to consider a proposition "that the Epworth Bookroom take over the stock of the Anglican Book Centre, and arrange for the Anglican Department of Christian Education to become an agent for the Bookroom".

The Home Mission Board had been informed of preliminary discussions held in October and it had given general approval for the whole proposition.

Change-Over

It was agreed that the following steps needed to be taken:

1. Stocktaking at the Anglican Book Centre

It was agreed: (1) That the stock be divided into "good stock" and "old stock" and other suitable categories. (2) That the value in each category be established by taking stock at the current retail price, and each category discounted by an appropriate percentage.

2. Payment for Anglican Stock at Valuation

It was agreed that the Epworth Bookroom take over the stock at an agreed figure based on the stock valuation, and that the question of the terms of payment be discussed when the value was known. It was suggested that the payment for stock could be spread over two years or other agreed term.

3. Christian Education Materials

It was agreed: (1) That the Department of Christian Education continue to handle orders from Sunday schools and churches as at present. (2) That the Bookroom co-operate to provide supplementary books, etc. for Christian Education programmes, and be responsible for stocking the Anglican Centre with such books and materials; as well as general theological works.

4. Payment of Staff at Anglican Offices for Bookroom Assistance

Rather than the Anglican Centre receiving commissions on the value of books sold at the Centre, it was suggested that Epworth Bookroom should make an arrangement with the Department of Christian Education by which it would receive reimbursement for the cost of the time of members of its staff in attending to the arrangement and sale of books at the Centre. This arrangement could be flexible and reviewed at regular intervals.

5. Anglican Materials

The Epworth Bookroom would agree to handle all Anglican materials for worship, prayer books, etc. as required.

After the bulk of the Anglican Bookroom stock had been moved to Epworth's premises, it was carefully examined and much of it prepared for the annual sale. The result of this sale was disappointing and it was obvious that the stock (mainly paperback editions),

purchased at marked prices less 70%, was not worth as much as had initially been agreed. Consequently, a further meeting was arranged with the Diocesan treasurer and a sub-committee of the Bookroom. The attitude of the Anglicans was clearly that they did not wish Epworth to be in any way embarrassed by the stock purchased from them, and at their suggestion, a further reduction in the total value of stock was mutually agreed to. It is proposed to endeavour to pay for the stock over a two year period at say, \$150.00 per month.

The Bookroom is receiving a greater volume of support from Anglican clergy and lay folk than before the take-over of their stock, and with confidence it is catering much more for Anglican requirements.

In addition, it is benefiting from the St. John's/Trinity College students' book grants, and each month to date has shown an increase in turnover on the previous year's figures. To cope with this increased business it has been necessary to add another member to the staff.

Finance

Despite increases in overhead costs (rates, wages, power, etc.), and after paying full rent the Bookroom finished the current financial year with a net profit of \$1296.08.

The Committee is heartened by the results and expresses its appreciation to the manager, Mr Woodhams and his staff, and to the Connexion for its patience and encouragement over many years.

D. B. GORDON, Chairman.

B. E. JONES, Superintendent.

AN OPEN LETTER TO THE CHURCHES

Leaders of various denominations have been meeting informally to discuss the Churches' common task of Mission and Evangelism. We have been encouraged to discover just how deep the desire for Renewal and Outreach is within our denominations.

We have heard of the Papal/decree concerning 1975 as a Holy Year and of the plans of the Catholic Church for renewal of faith within the family, parish and nation during 1947-75.

We have heard of plans within the Baptist Church for Reconciliation and the local and international focus on this theme.

We again read with interest the recent statements from the Methodist Conference on Evangelism and the re-affirmation of the primacy of the local congregation in this task.

We are mindful of the interest in Key 75 amongst some of the clergy of all denominations.

At all levels we see the movement of God's Spirit apparent within the Church. In our meetings we have been made conscious of three things:

There is no one plan of Evangelism desirable or suitable for all New Zealand, and we must be sensitive to the situations in which men and women live.

There is however one common task of making Christ known in such a way that this generation may respond to him.

At this time, perhaps more urgently than at any other period in these past two decades, God's spirit is at work in all our churches leading us to renewed zeal and commitment to his evangel.

Conscious that Annual Conferences are about to be held by various denominations, we the undersigned, have felt it right to express our joy and hope at this time in the stirring of the spirit we see in our midst, and also to express our desire that the churches and the National Council of Churches, both locally and nationally, draw Christian people together to:

- (a) Deepen and strengthen their faith and witness;
- (b) Wait on God; and
- (c) Work out under the Holy Spirit's guidance practical and effective ways of understanding and reaching neighbours, communities and the nation with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Yours in Christ,

A. H. JOHNSTON, Primate and Archbishop of the Anglican Church of New Zealand.

R. J. DELARGY, Catholic Bishop of Auckland.

E. G. FARR, Moderator of the Presbyterian Church of New Zealand.

W. S. DAWSON, President of the Methodist Church of New Zealand.

Those attending the meeting were:

Salvation Army:

Lt. Cols. P. L. Smith, Wellington, and W. H. Simpson, Auckland Commander.

Baptist:

The Revs. A. H. Finlay, Papakura, and E. F. Sherburd, Papatoetoe

Methodist:

The Revs. A. K. Petch, W. Selwyn Dawson and R. F. Clement.

Presbyterian:

The Revs. E. G. Farr and S. J. D. McCay.

Roman Catholic:

The Most Rev. R. J. Delargy, the Right Rev. A. P. Curran and The Rev. Father Lyons.

Associated Churches of Christ:

The Revs. E. R. Vickery, P. North and R. Russ.

Congregational:

The Rev. J. B. Chambers, Wellington.

Anglican:

The Most Rev. A. H. Johnston and The Ven. Archdeacon E. G. Buckle.

RESOLUTIONS

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

2. That Conference commend the Clergy/Lay Dialogue on Ministry programme and urge all Chairmen, in consultation with the Development Division, to consider its use within their respective Districts.

3. That the following be referred to the Development Division for consideration and report to Synods and Conference 1974:—

That when a minister takes Long Service Leave, the cost of "supply" should be the responsibility of the Connexion and not of the circuit.

4. That the principle of a statistical form for use by union parishes which recognises the increasing difficulty of labelling people, and in particular children, with denominational tags, be approved; and that the Development Division in consultation with the Presbyterian Home Ministry Committee be asked to prepare such a form, to be used if possible from 1974.

Development Fund Grants:

5. The following Church extension projects are given approval to apply for a grant from the Development Fund—

Glendene, Ranui, Christchurch East, Glen Eden, Whitby (Porirua), Hornby.

6. That Circuit Grants for 1974 be approved.

7. That the balance of funds in the Board of Evangelism account be transferred to the Development Division.

8. (a) That Conference refer the "Open Letter" together with the list of those attending the consultation on Mission and Evangelism for consideration by Circuits and Synods, and that August Synods ask what action has been taken.

8. (b) That this also be referred by Synods to local Councils of Churches.

9. That the Board for 1974 be as printed on page 7 herein.

SECRETARIES

NORTHLAND: Rev. B. W. Sides.

AUCKLAND: Rev. D. H. Burt.

WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY: Rev. T. L. Bennett.

TARANAKI-WANGANUI: Rev. A. O. Jones.

HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU:

WELLINGTON:

NELSON: Mr A. S. Allan.

NORTH CANTERBURY:

SOUTH CANTERBURY: Rev. N. J. West.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND:

HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCIES

1. METHODIST POLICY

Denominational Chaplains

Before Conference last year the Church's policy relating to Hospital Chaplains was largely denominational in character. Under this policy two full-time chaplains were appointed. Rev. Frank Parker — Auckland Public Hospital is supported entirely by the Methodist Church — the Development Division and the Auckland District contribute in equal shares. Rev. Wilf Eisner — Tokanui Psychiatric Hospital, is the Methodist-Presbyterian chaplain there and the Development Division contributes to the cost of his chaplaincy in the proportions of three parts Presbyterian, one part Methodist.

Ecumenical Chaplains

At the 1972 Conference support was given to Methodist participation in the establishment of Ecumenical chaplaincies.

The appropriate resolution reads "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 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". (Resolution 6, p. 193, 1972 Minutes.)

Early this year, the Division was contacted by a number of Districts seeking assurances that Connexional financial support would be available to guarantee Methodist participation in the establishment of Ecumenical chaplaincies.

Centres giving notice of proposed chaplaincies were Whangarei, Tauranga, Napier-Hastings, Palmerston North, Levin, Nelson, Christchurch, Timaru, Dunedin and Invercargill.

While the resolutions of Conference were quite explicit about the extent of Methodist involvement, at both the District and Connexional level, the Division was concerned that there were insufficient procedures to determine how, in fact, the Church was to take up its

proportionate share of the cost of Ecumenical chaplaincies. It was clear that the Connexion could not contribute immediately towards the cost of ten additional chaplaincies. If a choice was to be made as to the number of hospital centres that could receive Connexional assistance what criteria would determine the Church's decision?

Further, the Division realised that the Conference endorsement of the principle of Ecumenical chaplaincies would mean in the future, that additional Methodist ministers could be deployed in this specialist form of Christian ministry.

2. CHURCH COUNCIL GUIDELINES

Accordingly, the Division prepared a memorandum which was presented at Church Council. Within it, the Division raised the three fundamental issues. One, the cost of maintaining and developing existing and additional chaplaincies. Two, a Connexional strategy to determine which centres would receive financial support. Three, the development of additional ministers to serve as chaplains.

Church Council discussed these key issues and formulated the following guidelines:

1. We recognise that as a Church we are unable to participate financially in all of the proposed or potential developments concerning the establishment of Hospital Chaplaincies.

2. That progressive financial limits on Connexional participation in Hospital Chaplaincies be prepared by the Development Division and presented at the Budget Committee.

3. That District Synods make application to the Development Division for financial support and the Division recommend to Conference what specific chaplaincies it considers should receive Connexional assistance.

4. That the Development Division establish the necessary criteria to assist Conference determine what existing or proposed chaplaincies will receive Connexional support: e.g.

- i. The size of hospital — number of beds
- ii. Locality — providing specialist services, etc.
- iii. Any existing full-time chaplains?
- iv. Availability of pastoral oversight by circuit ministers
- v. Ecumenical co-operation.

5. That the Development Division prepare a report to Synods and Conference 1973 on the selection and training of ministers as potential hospital chaplaincies.

The report to include:

- i. The extent to which the Church wishes to deploy its staff in this specialist ministry
- ii. The method of selecting men for training
- iii. Financing the cost of basic training — stipend/housing during the two three month courses.
- iv. Assisting the student's circuit during the training period.

6. That the Development Division enquire from the M.S.S.A., District and Connexional Trusts as to the availability of financial assistance for the establishment of chaplaincies and/or the training of chaplains.

7. That the Superintendent of the Development Division replace the Rev. W. F. Ford as the second Methodist representative on the Inter-Church Advisory Council on Hospital Chaplaincies, Subsequently, the Division has taken the following action:

Application Form

An application form has been prepared and sent to all Districts so that they can apply for Connexional assistance on a standardised form. The information solicited in the form is in line with the criteria proposed in the Guidelines.

Selection and Training of Hospital Chaplains

A report on "The deployment of additional ministers as Ecumenical hospital chaplains" has been sent to all Synods. After considering the comments and resolutions of the various Synods the Division proposes to bring to Conference specific recommendations.

Progressive Financial Limits

Recently, the Inter-Church Council on Hospital Chaplaincy completed a survey on the projected cost of chaplaincies for the year 1973-74. On the basis of this information the Division will be submitting to the October Budget Committee specific data relating to the cost of chaplaincies. The decisions of that committee relating to the Connexional budget will largely determine the level of financial support available to meet Methodist proportionate shares in the cost of chaplaincies for the 1974-1975 period.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. Selection and Training of Hospital Chaplains.

(i) Selection:

- (a) That the Board of the Development Division invite applications from Ministers through Synods to undergo an initial training course in preparation for Hospital Chaplaincy.
- (b) That the Board of the Development Division appoint a selection committee to receive and consider the applications and make recommendations to the Board.
- (c) **Note:** It is envisaged that the selection committee might include the following people: A Doctor, a Nursing Sister, a Hospital Chaplain, a Social Worker and the Superintendent of the Development Division.
- (d) That the Board, with the consent of the President, recommend to the successful applicant's Chairman and Circuit that he be released for the period of the initial training courses.

(ii) Training Costs:

That the costs associated with the initial training course (e.g. travelling, accommodation) and the expenses incurred in providing alternative forms of ministry for the trainee chaplain's circuit be the responsibility of the Connexion exercised through the Development Division.

3. (a) That Conference deploy additional staff as Ecumenical Hospital Chaplains in order to extend the Church's ministry within the Hospitals; and that the Development Division review the total staffing needs of the Connexion as a guide to Conference maintaining an appropriate balance between Circuit and Specialist Ministries.
- (b) That the Committee on Ministry, in consultation with the Development Division, be asked to study section 5 of the Development Division Report on deployment of Ministers as Ecumenical Hospital Chaplains and the proposals concerning selection and training costs and report to Conference. In particular, the Committee should address itself to the following questions:

How can we assist Ministers seeking specialist positions to make their decisions in the light of the overall strategy and needs of the Church?

What are the implications of the fact that men in specialist positions operate under different modes of appointment and disciplines than those under the direct discipline of the Stationing Committee?

- (c) That the cost of training potential chaplains and arranging alternative forms of ministry for the student chaplain's Circuit be the responsibility of the Connexion exercised through the Development Division.
- (d) That the Committee on the Continuing Education of the Ministry be asked to consider the desirability of re-training Ministers on their return to Circuit appointments.
- (e) That the Development Division prepare a suggested policy for the housing of Hospital Chaplains, including capital cost, maintenance and supervision.
- (f) That included in the Development Division's report be an assessment of the comparative claims and needs of Public and Psychiatric Hospitals for Chaplaincies.

4. That Conference draws attention of the Development Division to the wider issues involved, such as ministry to hospital staff and management.

5. That in the training of Hospital Chaplains the need be emphasised for a Chaplain to ensure that the local Church continue to be given opportunity to extend and improve its ministry in the hospital.

6. That Conference notes with pleasure the appointment of full-time Chaplains, but we ask the Development Division to investigate the possibility of part-time Hospital Chaplaincies by qualified individuals (in addition to full-time Chaplaincies) in order to provide for maximum flexibility in staffing and whether such part-time Chaplaincies would be eligible for the Government subsidy. (Note: The Roman Catholic Church has part-time Chaplains).

7. That the Development Division Committee look into the feasibility of lay participation in Hospital Chaplaincies.

8. That the Development Division consider the possibility of training for hospital chaplaincy being included as an option in basic theological education, possibly as a long vacation exercise.

9. That the question be asked annually at the March or August Ministerial Synod "Is any man or woman recommended for chaplaincy?"

10.

HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY GRANTS

1. Existing Chaplaincies:

| | 1973/74 | 1974/75 | 1974 |
|---------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| Auckland Public | \$2,400 | \$2,450 | \$2,425 |
| Oakley Psychiatric | 1,000 | 1,412 | 1,206 |
| Tokanui Psychiatric | 800 | 926 | 863 |
| Porirua Psychiatric | 800 | 1,450 | 1,125 |
| Sub Totals | \$5,000 | \$6,238 | \$5,619 |

2. Additional Chaplaincies:

That subject to consultations with the Inter-church Advisory Council on Hospital Chaplaincy the Grants for additional Chaplaincies be:

(a) For the 1973/74 Financial Year:

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|----|--|----------------|--------------|--------------|
| i | That the Division and the North Canterbury Synod share equally in the support of a part-time Methodist Chaplain for the Templeton Psychiatric Hospital | \$395 | — | — |
| ii | That the Division and the Otago—Southland Synod support three Dunedin Ecumenical Chaplains,—one Psychiatric and two General | 784 | 784 | 784 |
| | Sub Totals | <u>\$1,179</u> | <u>\$784</u> | <u>\$784</u> |

(b) For the 1974/75 Financial Year:

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|-----|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| i | That the Templeton Chaplaincy become full-time and apply for a Government Subsidy | — | \$1,582 | 977 |
| ii | That the Division meet the total Methodist share of the Levin Psychiatric Chaplaincy | — | 430 | 215 |
| iii | That the Division meet half the cost of one further Ecumenical Chaplaincy | — | 215 | 107 |
| iv | That the Division meet the cost of a three month course for one trainee chaplain | — | 540 | 270 |
| | Totals | <u>\$6,179</u> | <u>\$9,789</u> | <u>\$7,972</u> |

QUESTION 41 (b)—Maori Division?

METHODIST MAORI DIVISION

FIRST ANNUAL REPORT

Nga Mate Ki Nga Mate

Tu te winiwini,
Tu te wanawana,
Tu te Whakaputaina
ki te wheiao
ki te ao maarama!

We record our deep sense of loss in the passing of Home Missionary Paahi Moke, Honorary Home Missionary Whatarau Wharehoka and President of Te Roopuu Waahini Co-ordinating Committee, Eva Kershaw. Each played a very distinctive part in the life and work of the Maori Mission extending back many years, particularly within the Taranaki Circuit. They each possessed a knowledge and expertise in things Maori that both church and community will miss greatly in these times of renewed interest in and appreciation of Maori cultural values and skills. Furthermore, Eva Kershaw was a member of the new Board and so leaves a gap, which in its early stages the Division can ill afford. Now each has passed on and others have since followed. We mourn and share the loss sustained with their respective whanaunga, but we rejoice and are thankful for the enrichment they each brought to the work and to us all through their life, witness and service.

E te whaea,
E nga maatua i roto i te Whakapono,
Haere koutou, haere, haere, haere.

Kua Rewa To Tatou Waka Maori

The induction of the Tumuaki was the first significant event in the "launching of our Maori canoe". This was held in the context of a typical hui at the historic Turangawaewae marae, Ngaruawahia, where representatives from all Maori Circuits, other Divisions, Auckland and Waikato-Bay of Plenty Districts were present. The occasion was further honoured by the presence of the Anglican Primate, the Bishop of Aotearoa, the Moderator of the Presbyterian Maori Synod and Queen Te Atairangikaahu. Conducted by the President, the induction was infused with a spirit of dedication, confidence and expectancy on the part of all.

Two of the four meetings set for this year have been held. These have been restricted to allow members to become familiar with the scope and nature of their responsibilities. Future meetings will be open and held within a marae setting in our respective Circuits. Under the Board, is an Executive in Auckland and Working Committees sited in each of the Circuits as follows: Staff/Leadership—Tai Tokerau; Education/Resources—Taranaki; Relationships—Waikato; Public Maori Issues—Maniapoto, and Finance/Property—Tamaki.

In the two meetings of the Council of Mission held so far, the Tumuaki reports a warm reception of the nature and the direction of developments now proceeding and a keen desire on the part of the whole Council to assist wherever possible.

Many aspects of the Division's work are, of course, not new. Others are, and will require time for some familiarising and further experience to occur. To help in this process the Superintendents are meeting more regularly than in the past, and in May a meeting of the Deaconesses and Supply Deaconesses was held.

The Board rejoices in the creation of the Maori Division, not simply for the sake of being separate or different, but rather in order to be freer to develop styles and forms of churchmanship that are congenial and more natural to its members and to Maori culture as it survives today. We believe that the whole church will be enriched as members respond to Christ in their own way, and so bring another dimension altogether into the life of the church.

150th Anniversary

The establishing of Wesleydale at Kaeo on 10 June 1823 was marked by a special service held in the Memorial Hall, Kaeo, and led by the Tumuaki, Northland District Chairman and the Vice-President on Sunday 3 June. On the following day celebrations continued on the Te Patunga marae. Throughout the Maori Circuits the occasion was noted in services conducted on Sunday 10 June.

A feature of the celebrations at Kaeo was the presentation of coloured copies of the original paintings by Samuel Leigh of two Whangaroa chieftain brothers Te Pahi and Te Ara. In addition, commemorative envelopes with leaflet and a special postmark used by the Post Office on the 11 June were provided. In the preparation and arranging of all this the church is indebted to the Rev. A. H. Voyce.

Leadership

The full-time staff position remains unchanged, except that Herehere Maaka has this year been exercising additional responsibilities as Acting Superintendent and Robert Te Whare, that of Superintendent. Although the Board would like to hold its present staffing position for at least a further year, it is nevertheless fully aware of some current pressing demands in the way of appointments to centres beyond our five existing Circuits, and staff-desire for further study and training that may not make this possible.

Our Deaconess ranks continue depleted, especially in Waikato and Auckland, but on balance leadership at present is adequate. To a large extent this is due to the response and support of very well equipped and dedicated lay men and women and in particular to a devoted team of Honorary Home Missionaries.

Te Roopuu Waahine

Our women's fellowship groups continue to be a source of strength within the life and work of Regions and Circuits as a whole. Considerable help is given the Deaconesses in their work with children, young people and the all round activities based on the Centres. Each follows a varied programme adapted to membership and local circumstances. However, together through their Co-ordinating Committee they pursue some common objective, which recently has been to raise funds to help those in training for the Deaconess Order or Ministry. The Co-ordinating Committee rotates between the Circuits every two years and is currently based in the Taranaki Circuit where its Secretary is Paringahau Waaka and the new President is Piki Bishop of Opunake.

Ministry With Youth

The concerns of young people have been a continuing subject of discussion within the Regions and Circuits and at other levels over the last year or so. It is an area of our work that is not as advanced or well established as we would like, and while recognising the crucial part parents, the family, teachers and schools, the community and Church generally have to play in influencing the overall growth and development of our young people, we also believe that our young people themselves have a major contribution to make, especially in respect to ministries with youth in the urban situation. We are not unmindful of the kind of questions and challenges being raised in this connection in such reports as the recent *Juvenile Crime in New Zealand*.

A Youth Council has been reformed and is endeavouring to identify the issues that will help Circuits generally to exercise a more effective ministry with their young people. To assist in this process a seminar with special reference to this ministry was planned and conducted under the guidance of the Board's Working Committee over Queen's Birthday Weekend at Te Rahui Taane. Its success has prompted the holding of a follow-up seminar later in the year.

Our Hostels

In common with many institutions endeavouring to provide congenial accommodation for our young people moving into urban centres, our three Hostels have not been entirely free of problems. A full complement of staff in all three has not remained constant, and some behaviour problems have arisen from time to time. On the whole, however, and with the co-operation of Matrons, staff and the respective Hostel Committees a satisfactory year can be reported. There has been close collaboration with officers of the Maori and Island Affairs Department and in particular, the Board is grateful for the help and advice received from Moana Raureti in Hamilton and Te Heikahurangi Rogers in Auckland.

Te Rahua Taane: The Hostel commenced the year with 42 apprentices. Both the Waikato Technical Institute and Maori and Island Affairs Department in Hamilton play a major part in the matter of recruitment and supervision. The facilities and accommodation now offering leave little to be desired. This year saw the completion of a long awaited drying-room extension costing \$2,127, and safe ways of improved heating are being investigated. The Hostel is strategically placed and pleasantly sited. It is in all a property of which the whole

church can be justly proud. Sister Heeni Wharemaru completes her 20th year as Matron to Te Rahui Taane Hostels, and is at present assisted by Taka Pukeroa and Haunui Tawhiao.

Te Rahui Waahine: Our Hostel for young women in Hamilton also began the year full with 26 in residence. The up-grading of fire prevention and safety measures was completed under contract early in the year at a total cost of \$4,665 and it has been necessary to repair and replace chairs, beds and mattresses to the tune of some \$1,400. In addition, the provision of a dishwasher and the replacement of floor coverings in the kitchen, dining-room and lounge has been ordered by the Health Inspector. The Hostel is set a little way back from the main street of Hamilton and although so obviously convenient, rapid commercial development and expansion may well demand a serious review of its present location in the not too distant future. Maude Nikora, assisted by her husband, continues as Matron and under her supervision a happy relationship all round prevails.

Seamer House: This year began with a new Matron, Margaret Hauraki, new staff and 23 in residence. Early in the year the Matron's lounge and the dining-room were repapered and painted at a cost of \$472, and at the Matron's own discretion and with the co-operation of the young women themselves a carpet was purchased for the dining-room. Other improvements are contemplated as funds permit and a total exterior painting is awaited. We endeavour to follow a policy based on the church's desire to see the Hostels run as a Christian Maori "a home away from home" but some conflict has arisen due to a general feeling among the young women themselves to be free of some of the restrictions this has implied, such as attending daily evening devotions. However, a newly formed Hostel Committee on which the young women are represented is proving of immeasurable assistance both to the Matron and the Board in resolving these questions. We are very happy with the way the new Matron has adapted to her onerous role. Not having held a similar position before, she has quickly gained confidence and we are pleased with the good relationship she has already established with the young women. Unfortunately, it has not been possible to hold other staff positions constant throughout the whole year.

We draw from many generous sources in order to maintain our Hostels. From the Maori Trustee we have received a 50% subsidy on the capital works carried out on Te Rahui Taane and Waahine. Seamer House has benefited from last year's Methodist Women's Fellowship's Special Objective, and the Auckland Savings Bank and J. R. McKenzie Trust continue to render us valuable assistance in this regard. We record our continuing indebtedness to them.

Properties

Oversight of our properties is at present shared with the Development Division through the continuing "Home Mission and Church Extension Investment Funds Board" which is an Incorporated body. Primary consideration to date is being given to the houses at present occupied by our staff. We have a growing concern toward those either unoccupied or rented, totalling seven in all. Their future is, of course, closely related to available staff and their deployment to areas where our members reside in largest numbers.

Relationships

(a) **With Maori Methodists Beyond Our Five Circuits:** The movement of our members beyond the bounds of our existing staff and Circuits to other centres such as Wellington, Christchurch and further south, remains a continuing concern. We have never been entirely

happy with the programme of occasional visits carried out over past years, although they have been appreciated. In addition, requests received would seem to indicate that policy proposed for these areas has not proved effective, nor would it seem as if it been possible for a more adequate "ecumenical" basis to have developed under the Maori staff of other churches. Consequently, it is our intention to work more firmly toward specific proposals that may help sustain and develop relationships in this respect.

(b) **With Maori Sections of Other Churches:** This relationship is chiefly structured through the NCC Maori Section and the JCCU Study Committee on Maori Participation. New members to our representation this year were Morehu Te Whare, Moke Couch and Te Rangihwinui Tauroa. Napi Waaka continues to represent us on the Ecumenical Maori Translation Committee, which includes the Roman Catholic Church. At the level represented by these committees relationships have always been good. There is now, however, a feeling toward getting to know each other better at other levels and in different contexts, and also toward creating similar opportunities to enable our wider memberships to meet and relate to each other. Arising out of the most recent meeting of the JCCU Study Committee was the proposal that the committee assume wider responsibilities relating to the Maori work of the negotiating churches, and that the forming of a team ministry, particularly in Wellington, be encouraged and supported by each of the member churches.

(c) **Maori-Pakeha Relations:** We continue to welcome the attention being drawn to Racism as one of the important issues in Race Relations, and the insights emerging from the studies, research and investigations that are proceeding under the WCC's Programme to combat Racism. These, we believe, have much to offer our New Zealand situation. We do not hesitate to endorse the contention that because the greater accumulation of power and wealth lies in the hands of the Pakeha, the basic problems remaining inherent in our present relationships can only effectively be resolved by the Pakeha. The development of a greater sensitivity and fuller appreciation of what is implied by the term "liberation" will, we believe, achieve much in this connection. This is not to deny the overall goodwill that prevails generally, and in particular between our own members, but we still have a long way to go before we can with a clear conscience declare to the world that racism in any form just does not apply in New Zealand. On the other hand, we cannot agree that the lot of the Maori can be equated with that of the Australian Aborigine, the American Negro or the South African.

Maori Language

It is three years since Conference expressed firm support for the teaching and learning of Maori and encouraged its members to avail themselves of the increased, and ever increasing, opportunities offering to do so. We reaffirm this Conference direction having noted with pleasure distinctive changes in Methodist Maori-Pakeha relations where efforts have been made and are continuing to be made by Pakeha Ministers and members in this respect. We do so also because we wish more and more people to be able to understand and share meaningfully with us in our own acts of worship, marae, home and other corporate activities where the medium of communication and interpretation is still very largely the Maori language. Although there are few, if any, areas in Pakeha society which remain closed to the Maori because of his lack of English, we believe there are many in Maori society remaining closed to the Pakeha due to his lack of understanding of Maori. Contrary to a myth that is widely

held, the Maori language is as relevant to our 20th century New Zealand as it ever has been, if not more so.

Land and the Churches

More specific attention to Maori land issues in the last year or so has given rise to the question of the Church's trusteeship over land gifted or purchased from the Maori in early years for missionary causes. Our members on several committees and at seminars have been able to participate in many of the discussions currently taking place. We are convinced of the necessity for the churches to know precisely where they stand in this matter. At a recent seminar for instance, it was stated that some 10 acres of land in a certain locality had been gifted to the Methodist Church, but no one now residing there knew what had happened to it. The available records show that it had been sold in 1915 and the proceeds invested.

Apart from misunderstandings arising as the result of little or no communication, differences in attitude have still to be taken into account. Pakeha attitude has largely been shaped by land having economic value; Maori attitude is in large measure determined by an emotional and social attachment to the land. Consequently, some Maori grievances and suspicions remain, despite the fact that on legal and economic grounds Church Trusts have kept faith. To help mitigate a residue of grievance held among some of our own members we recommend that appropriate Boards and Trusts review their membership to ensure that either a Maori is included or able to be included in due course. In addition, we will endeavour to circulate more widely among our members relevant information on all our Maori land compiled by the Rev. B. M. Chrystall a few years ago.

Wesley College Maori Roll

The Board is concerned that the College does not come within the Government's definition of schools having a sufficient Maori roll as to qualify for the special assistance now available from this quarter. A 30% Maori roll is a prerequisite and currently, the Maori roll at Wesley College is below 20%. The Board has asked its staff, Regions and Circuits to publicise the College as much as possible and to encourage Maori enrolment. However, it is not over-optimistic for two main reasons: firstly, because of the increasing availability and convenience of local and regionally established Secondary Schools, together with the establishing of week-day hostels; secondly, because of the present fee at Wesley College of \$1000 per annum. Even allowing for the reduction provided in the Wesley College Board's beneficiary fund the balance is still something of an obstacle to the average Maori parent. Because of its obvious comparative success with Maori and Polynesian pupils we are anxious that all possible ways of achieving and sustaining at least a 30% Maori roll, are explored by the whole church.

Court Proceedings in Maori

In respect to Conference resolution (1972 Minutes, p. 197), enquiries reveal that although not available in every instance throughout the whole country, facilities for interpretation where necessary, including counselling and representation are increasing. In some centres, such as Hastings, a successful Court Aid scheme has been operating for some years. The principle is also being applied to other ethnic groups under the auspices of such organisations as CARE, the Polynesian Panther Party, Nga Tamatoa and others.

HAROLD A. DARVILL, }
KELLY PEHI } Co-chairmen
RUAWAI D. RAKENA, Tumuaki.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT:

Hui-A-Tau: Many sections of the church were represented at the Division's Hui-a-tau, held over Labour Weekend at the Porowini-Tumatauenga marae, Otiria. Fine weather, sumptuous meals prepared by a hard-working Tai Tokerau team, and an enriching time of fellowship that climaxed in a memorable celebration of Confirmation and Ordination, characterised this year's Hui-a-tau—the first to be run under the newly established Division.

The highlights were undoubtedly the Ordination of Hana Hauraki; the Confirmation of twenty-one members from four Circuits; the Choral-Cultural Festival; the visit and presentation of the Festival trophies by the Minister of Maori Affairs, Matiu Rata, and Mrs Rata, and the presentation of the 150 Anniversary of Methodism baton by the President to the Maori Division, through Murray Cassidy who handed it to him at the opening of the Whangarei Conference.

The Hui-a-tau theme "Whakaoranga mo te wa" (Salvation Today) set the context for the worship, discussions, reviews and study that ensued. Again the Choral-Cultural Festival proved a popular event, with Taranaki repeating its success of previous years.

Special guests and visitors included as well as the President, Mrs Dawson and their family: the Moderator of the Presbyterian Maori Synod, the Rev. T. Hawea, Mrs Hawea and family; Taranaki-Wanganui District Chairman, the Rev. L. Willing, Mrs Willing and family; Principal of the College of St John the Evangelist, Dr J. J. Lewis; Deaconess Warden, the Rev. J. Osborne, Mrs Osborne and family; President of the Methodist Women's Fellowship, Mrs R. Price and Mr Price; Principal of the Bay of Islands College, Mrs F. Leadley; Mrs W. A. Dowie, and the Minister of Maori Affairs, Mr M. Rata and Mrs Rata.

The Ordination of Hana Hauraki became the chief focal point of this year's hui-a-tau, and something in the nature of a historic milestone. Members of the Maori Division express their warm appreciation and thanks to the President, the Deaconess Board and Warden, the General Secretary and other Conference officials and courts for making it possible.

HAROLD A. DARVILL, KELLY PEHI, Co-Chairmen.
RUAWAI D. RAKENA, Tamuaki.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Reports and Financial Statements be received and adopted.
2. That appreciation and thanks be expressed to the Rev. A. H. Joyce for his contribution to this year's 150th Anniversary celebrations.
3. That the forming of Maori interchurch group ministries in the main urban centres such as Wellington and Christchurch be encouraged and the necessary implications arising referred to the Maori Division Board for consideration and action.
4. That Conference convey its greetings and appreciation to Miss Margaret Hauraki for her first year of service as matron of Seamer House.
5. That all Ministers and Circuits share in the publicising of Wesley College with the specific view of encouraging over 30% Maori enrolment and that the Maori Division, in co-operation with the Wesley College Board, prepare and circulate material for this purpose.
6. That Methodist Boards and Trusts administering lands originating from early Maori donors review their membership and facilitate the appointment of Maori members where applicable.

7. That Conference commend the Minister of Maori Affairs, Matiu Rata, and endorse his intention to slow down the rate of Maori land alienation.

8. That congratulations be extended to Tumuaki and the Maori Division, wishing their people well on the 'voyage of the Maori canoe'.

9. That the Tumuaki explore the possibility of appointing a suitable Maori Minister or Maori Home Missionary to be Hospital Chaplain in areas of large Maori population. (Maoris who are ill may need special understanding and knowledge.)

10. That the following be referred to the Maori Division for consideration and report to Conference 1974:— In the interest of pastoral concern for hospital patients, lectures on "Understanding the Maori patient and relatives" by suitable Maori tutors be available to all nurse trainees and Hospital Chaplains.

11. That the Board for 1974 be as printed on page 7 herein.

SECRETARIES

NORTHLAND:

AUCKLAND:

WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY:

TARANAKI-WANGANUI:

HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU: Rev. J. Manihera.

WELLINGTON:

NELSON:

NORTH CANTERBURY:

SOUTH CANTERBURY: Rev. N. J. West.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND:

QUESTION 41 (c)—Overseas Division?

OVERSEAS DIVISION

ANNUAL REPORT TO CONFERENCE 1973

Change is a process, and legislative action tends to recognise the status quo rather than initiating it. During the last eight years there have been very radical changes in the work and underlying philosophy of the Overseas Mission Department. Though these changes were reported to the church both through formal reports, seminars and the spoken and printed word, a great many people seem to have failed to note them. If the recent and impending alterations in the organisation of what is now the Overseas Division serve to draw people's attention to the fact that we live in changed times and have a different understanding of our calling to mission, they will be of value.

An Overseas Division

The incorporation of the Ecumenical Committee in the new Division helps to iron out some of the anomalies inherent in the old structure. Our calling is to partnership and involvement with other Christians so that we might witness together and where that calling is related to folk overseas to have two parts of the church dealing with the matter is confusing and often wasteful. Whether we are dealing with the World Council in Geneva, or the Solomon Islands Christian Association; with a church in Chile or the United Church in Papua New Guinea and the Solomon Islands, our basic attitudes are and will continue to be much the same. The attitude is founded

on the belief that that which God has called into existence he has endowed with grace to witness and to serve. It involves respect for the personhood of people and the selfhood of the church. It further means a recognition that we need the gifts they have to share with us, just as much, if not more, than anything we have to give them. At the same time we have to recognise that our riches, and we are among the most affluent countries on the face of the earth, both in terms of material possession and technical and professional skills, require us to give without stint. This we must do not so much for the sake of others as for our own sake. How hardly shall a rich man (or nation) enter into the kingdom of heaven?

Basically the problem is one of communication, and interreaction. The Division must then be alert to what is happening overseas and try to report and interpret it to the New Zealand church, and it must become a channel by which what the New Zealand church is and is doing is passed on to churches overseas. It is not primarily a matter of news dissemination, but of interpretation and understanding. In the field of action we have to seek to develop a true partnership, especially with those churches with which we are most closely associated. Initially this means responding to their initiatives and being very cautious about taking any of our own. When we have learned to do this and to receive what they have to give, then we can move on to again taking more initiative, this time within a true brotherhood of service in the Gospel.

Integration with the Presbyterians

We cannot carry out our task without close contacts with other churches in New Zealand, particularly with the other negotiating churches. This is especially true of the Presbyterian church. Co-operation with their Committee on Mission Overseas is essential if we are not to keep falling over each other's feet, and wasting time and energy. Their Committee and our Board are now at the stage where we would like to make this co-operation, integration into a joint structure. What we have in mind is using the structure which is envisaged for the proposed United Church, so that while it may not be possible for Anglicans and Church of Christ to come into the arrangements at this time, there will be no problems for later development. We ask the support of Conference in exploring the practical outworking of this during the coming year with a view to presenting a formal structure to the next Conference. We see this structure as having a combined Board, meeting bi-monthly and working through committees entrusted with special concerns, finance, staff recruitment and training, policy, and the various areas where we are involved, Asia, the Pacific, etc. No reduction in staff is seen as likely in the initial stages but there would be specialisation. Each secretary would have a special area of concern, and be responsible to Assembly and Conference for that area.

We have already had three joint meetings at Board level this year and a fourth is planned and it is clear that we can work in this way. Some of the benefits are already becoming apparent, wider horizons as each learns the other's perspective and areas of involvement, and a more effective prosecution of our task. That there will be problems to be resolved we are aware, but we go ahead confident that with the backing of Assembly and Conference, these things can be solved for our mutual enrichment, and increasingly effective service to the church and home and abroad.

Moratorium on Missions

This eye-catching phrase has become popular just recently, but the essential truths behind it have been known for a long time.

Basically it is the idea that if the "western" churches withdrew from the churches of the "two-thirds world," their money and their staff, then somehow these churches would find their own selfhood more quickly. But there are many problems. Even the most vociferous propagators of the idea belong to churches which are still asking for help from New Zealand among other countries. For our part any unilateral withdrawal would be a form of irresponsible paternalism that we dare not follow. It is also important to remember that the churches of the Pacific with whom we have most dealings have for many years been very independent in their approach to missionaries and mission boards. There is a lengthening list of workers sent out by our church who have been told quite politely but firmly, that they were no longer required. The United Church leadership has been working very hard to reduce the dependence of their people on overseas finance and one facet of it is seen in the substantial reduction in the askings for grants for capital purposes—down by two-thirds in five years (from \$250,000 to \$81,750).

The real challenge to us, is not to stop giving, or to stop sending workers, but to be more and more responsive to the words of churches of the "two-thirds world". Giving must be done with greater sensitivity to the personhood of the recipients, and to their needs as *they* see them. The workers we send in response to their requests must be better equipped than ever before. The high standard demanded is rising quite rapidly.

Mission to New Zealand

One way in which we will do this is by seeking in humility and with a sense of need, "missionaries" from churches in the lands to which we have formerly sent workers. At one level, the church in New Zealand has benefited immensely from the presence of Mr Gnanasunderam in our midst. At another we need men and women working at circuit and parish level, to bring us their insights and understanding. Churches in developing countries have few people of the quality and with the language skills needed to spare, but there is real hope that within a few years we shall have ministers from Fiji and Tonga as well as Samoa and Asia.

United Church in Papua New Guinea and the Solomon Islands

We need to be reminded that this church, which some of us still think of as "our mission field" is a full member of the World Council of Churches, with the same status as we have; it serves in a country with a land area 70% greater than ours; and is years ahead of other mainline churches in the country and of the Government itself in localisation of top positions. That this is not a superficial thing was clear to us who had the privilege of being at the consultation between the United Church and its partner churches overseas held in Port Moresby last November. It was they who talked and we who listened. As they shared their hopes and plans with us, there emerged a picture of a church determined to witness to its Lord and Master in every part of the life of the two new nations that are emerging and a church with a vital message for its times. They are hampered by many things of course but among them are two things we can supply—highly qualified staff and money. The need for technical staff in many fields is obvious and is of course likely to continue as it has done in the much older churches of the central Pacific; but they also see overseas workers as in a true partnership in the Gospel, not just as "technicians". In respect of money they ask that we maintain our contributions for the present, while they make every

effort to develop their own resources and at the same time reassess their priorities in the light of the events of the next year or two. With Self-government coming this year and independence probably next year changes are bound to take place and the church is ready for them. They ask that we continue to stand with them.

An important contribution to the consultation was made by the Rev. Morehu Te Whare, who was associate with the General Secretary as the New Zealand representative. Mr Te Whare brought to the gathering, not only wise words from the Maori experience, but also something of the vision that the Maori within our church has today. His words were well received. During the Assembly and his later travels in the United Church he both gave and received, in a way which must strengthen us all.

The induction of the Rev. Leslie Boseto, so well known to many New Zealanders, as Moderator was a highlight of the Assembly that followed the consultations. Mr Boseto is a deeply spiritual man who is also showing signs of being a Christian statesman of no mean ability. Though he himself as a Solomon Islander is an "ex-patriate" there is no doubt of his acceptability and his capacity to give the church the leadership it needs.

The British Solomon Islands too is moving to new forms of government. Localisation was far advanced twenty years ago, and while change is coming more slowly it is building on a firmer basis of experience. The special problems that beset the country are being met by allowing the people to set the rate of change, as far as possible.

New Zealand Workers:

At the 30th June, 1973, we were providing in whole or in part for 34 workers with the United Church. This includes New Zealand Methodist, other New Zealanders, an Irishman, and two Indians, two Tongans and four Fijians. Four New Zealand Methodists not included are supported by the United Church itself.

Our supported workers fall into the following categories:

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| Health | | | | | | | | 7 |
| Education | | | | | | | | 7 |
| Technical services and training | | | | | | | | 6 |
| Ministers and Deaconesses | | | | | | | | 14 |
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Ecumenical

The former Ecumenical committee is now a committee of the Division and will not be making any separate report. In the few months since the beginning of the year it has not had time to make clear its pattern of operations. It is of course continuing some of the things that were previously done. It has already had several meetings with its Presbyterian counterpart, which is located in Auckland, and a fruitful partnership is beginning to emerge. Together we have listened to the report of the Rev. D. E. Duncan on the Bangkok Conference and Rev. W. S. Dawson and Dr R. Kilgour on Singapore. One thing that is clear is that having two people report on the same meeting can be both confusing and enlightening. Confusing because they don't seem to have been at the same meeting, enlightening because they each bring back different (and complementary) insights. Mr Dawson's report on the Singapore Assembly of the Christian Conference of Asia, formerly E.A.C.C., concludes with these words, which we might well take as an indication of the whole attitude we should take to churches and peoples overseas.

"A New Zealand observer coming from our more placid situation, might have been discomfited by the radical 'this wordly' apparently

secular tone of much of the Conference. The voice of impatient radical young people came through clearly, and at times seemed to dominate the Conference. Yet mature leaders of the Asian Church also spoke in these terms, and I was not left in doubt that through them God was indeed speaking to the Churches in Asia. They, like our own, are tempted to over-spiritualise the Gospel, to divorce it from our real life situation and to forget that 'God' so loved, not the Church, but the World . . . " Yet through it all flowed the pulse of faith, of devotion and of the sense that 'our lives are hid with Christ in God'."

Disaster Relief

During the year there have been a hurricane and a cyclone in Fiji, a cyclone in Tonga and a disastrous drought in Papua New Guinea. In each case the Board was able to give some aid but also to encourage other aid from outside the church. Here, as elsewhere our task is to act as a communicator and facilitator, even if we cannot act directly. For example we alerted the N.C.C. to the need in Tonga as well as that in the Highlands during the last year.

Development and Proclamation

For very many years we have been involved in what is now called "development aid" for countries and churches overseas. So much of our missionary task has been concerned with education, health, and economic and social development that we have not clearly seen the two facets of our task. We need now to think more clearly about some aspects of it. It was the church which pioneered education and health in the Solomons for example, which was the first to encourage local economic enterprise, to speak out strongly and fight vigorously against exploitation of the local people by big financial concerns. New Zealanders Slade and Burton defied the Government in Fiji in an earlier day to defend the rights of people, and Burton's book, "The Fiji of Today", was the fuse that ignited the explosive opposition to the indenture system. In the Solomons, Goldie fought tooth and nail against the giant Lever Company and its land grabs. Those days are not passed. In Bougainville, as mining was developed, the church was the first to proclaim the iniquity of the original attempt at land settlement. It is also significant that in many Pacific lands it has been church leaders who have been among the pioneers of political development. In these days, men like Mr Gordon Siamia, former home missionary, have served with distinction on the Solomon Islands Governing Council. If there is such a thing as purely religious development, then very little of our money and very few of the workers we have sent overseas have been involved in it. Increasingly the churches are pioneering in new forms of development, e.g., pre-school in the Solomons; and it is in those new developments that we are going to be asked to share as older forms of service become less relevant, or are taken over by other agencies. The use to which our workers and our assistance is put will change but the total need may not decrease.

But we also have to face the fact that our calling is to witness as well as service. If our fifty years in the Solomons teaches us anything it is surely that service is not an adequate witness in itself. The proclamation of God's Good News which is also a challenge to decision; and the spiritual nurture of the people who are committed to Christ; does not automatically happen because people are engaged in development and service, no matter how Christian their motivation. United Church leaders, in common with other Pacific Church leaders are aware of this problem. We in New Zealand need to begin seriously to think through our responsibilities in connection

with these things. It is one field in which we cannot sit passively and await the other's initiatives.

One Percent or Two Percent Aid

The Board faced certain requests for assistance during the year which seemed to come under this category and for which we did not have funds available. This caused us to examine the Conference resolutions on this matter. It is quite clear that the mind of Conference is that one per cent of the total connexional budget should be sent to the World Council Development fund. The area of doubt was that of the proposed collection to give people a change to match the gift with a similar amount. As a result of our deliberations, we sent proposals down to Synod. Several Synods have found the proposal unacceptable. The Division has also become aware that the N.C.C. Christmas appeal is being threatened by other appeals of a very topical nature being made to Church people.

We therefore judge that the proposal as sent to the Synods should be amended and the suggestions may be presented as two resolutions. This will give the Conference a chance to reaffirm its commitment to one per cent aid as an integral part of the Church budget; and at the same time to decide whether any other action should be taken.

General Secretary

As indicated to Conference last year the Division desires the Conference to designate the Rev. W. G. Tucker for appointment at the 1974 Conference. Mr Tucker will have completed six years of service with the United Church, during which time he has been stationed in Honiara, the capital of the British Solomon Islands. There he has been involved in Ecumenical Affairs and in particular the Solomon Islands Christian Association. We look with confidence to his leadership in the development towards new forms of partnership with churches overseas.

W. E. DONNELLY, (Chairman).

G. G. CARTER, (General Secretary).

Treasurer's Report

The Income and Expenditure Account shows a surplus of \$1,039, and this has been transferred to the Accumulated Fund. The surplus was due to the welcome receipt of 97% of the Budget allocation and to savings in various directions, the most notable being in the case of office salaries. In these times this is remarkable, and is achieved only at some cost to individuals.

Grants were made to the Fijian Cyclone Damage Relief Appeal—\$2,500—and to the Tongan Relief Appeal—\$1,000. From Circuits and individuals \$2,410 was received for the Fijian Appeal and \$501 for Highlands Famine Relief.

Receipts from Legacies were substantial and from the amount made available in the Building and Equipment Fund grants for Capital purposes of \$32,901 were made to the United Church.

Attention is drawn to the deficit of \$1,231 in the Scholarship Fund. This debit balance has grown since the end of the Financial Year and the interest and support of the Church is urgently needed.

We acknowledge the usual generous support of the Methodist Women's Fellowship, which will be continued for just one more year as a direct grant to the Division.

No grant has been received from the Lepers' Trust Board as grants now are made direct to the United Church and other recipients.

G. S. GAPPER, Treasurer.

RESOLUTIONS

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

2. That all congregations be invited to join in special prayer on the first Sunday in December for Papua-New Guinea as it becomes legally self-governing and for the Church within it.

3. That Rev. W. G. Tucker be designated for appointment by the Conference of 1974 as General Secretary of the Overseas Division.

4. That Conference approves of the Overseas Division working as closely as possible with the Presbyterian Committee on Mission Overseas during 1974, with a view to presenting to Conference and Assembly 1974, a plan for a joint structure, that may become operative in 1975.

5. That Conference having accepted as an on-going principle that one percent of the Connexional budget shall be given to the World Council of Churches, for Development Aid, it also commends to circuits, the N.C.C. Christmas appeal and CORSO appeal, as two major appeals for overseas aid and development.

6. That Conference recognising that Christians of other cultures have much to offer New Zealand, supports proposals to bring to New Zealand, one or more ministers from the Pacific Islands.

7. That Conference recognising the need for Circuits to—

- (i) Promote understanding of the changing concepts of 'Partnership in Mission'.
- (ii) Effectively use mission information and resource material.
- (iii) Provide an enlightened contemporary response in a continuing support of the Church's commitment to the United Church in Papua New Guinea and the Solomon Islands.

The Overseas Division be urged to promote ways and means by which Synod representatives of the Overseas Division might stimulate and encourage circuits to—

- (a) Provide a constructive and growing sense of involvement.
- (b) Respond in active concerned support for the promotion of partnership with Churches overseas.

8. That the matter of a Conference Tongan Committee be referred back to the ad hoc Tongan Committee already meeting in Auckland, for discussion and consultation with interested and concerned groups in the Church.

9. That Conference asks the Overseas Division to convey the greetings of the whole Church to the Methodist Churches in Tonga, Samoa and Fiji and to the United Church in Papua New Guinea and the Solomon Islands.

10. That Conference notes with concern charges made by the Asian-Australian section of the WCC programme to combat racism, alleging that Maoris are "oppressed and dehumanised" through institutional and structural domination. It supports the view of the Secretary of the NCC Church and Society Commission that these statements are incorrect and offensive.

We are aware of the impatient questioning of accepted values, assumptions and cultural traditions underlying New Zealand's social

structure and its legal and educational system. It is dangerous, however, to identify the need for social change simply in terms of racial conflict, ignoring much more complex and supra-racial issues.

It is not an expression of the Church's ministry of reconciliation to give unqualified support to all anti-white statements made by some Polynesian leaders in this country. The use of emotionally loaded terms borrowed from other countries and situations will not help people to listen and learn from each other.

"Conference therefore asks the NCC Church and Society Commission to provide information and leadership which will enable church members to play a constructive and responsible Christian role in the harmonious development of a multi-racial society that will be just to all its citizens."

11. That the Board for 1974 be as printed on page 7 herein.

12. That Representatives of the Division on the Synods be:—

NORTHLAND: Rev. B. W. Sides.

AUCKLAND: Rev. P. F. Taylor.

WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY: Rev. J. K. Watson.

TARANAKI-WANGANUI: Rev. H. M. Craig.

HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU: Rev. J. Manihera.

WELLINGTON: Mr R. C. Fleury.

NELSON: Mr C. R. D. Palmer.

NORTH CANTERBURY: Mrs W. H. Price.

SOUTH CANTERBURY:

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND:

QUESTION 41—(d) Board of Evangelism?

Now under Development Division

QUESTION 41—(e) Ecumenical Matters?

Question no longer applies

QUESTION 41(f).—Church Union?

CHURCH UNION COMMITTEE

REPORT TO CONFERENCE

Although this year has been a time of waiting, the Executive has nevertheless continued to meet in order to survey the growing relationships between the negotiating Churches.

The following are areas of significant development throughout the year.

(a) UNION PARISHES AND CO-OPERATIVE VENTURES

These continue to increase in number and their proliferation has very real implications for the structure of the Methodist Connexion. In November, 1972 the Methodist Church was involved in 96 Union Parishes and Co-operative Ventures.

(b) UNIFICATION OF ADMINISTRATION AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

Discussions continue in many common areas of the churches' life such as Overseas Missions, Social Services, Women's Organisations and various degrees of co-operation and amalgamation are appearing as a result. More explicit reference to these negotiations will be made in the reports of various Departments and Boards.

(c) CLERGY WORKSHOPS

These have been held throughout the country and have provided

opportunity for ministers of the negotiating churches to get to know one another better, to discuss ways and means of greater co-operation and to share their hopes and fears regarding union.

(d) THE COMMITTEES OF THE J.C.C.U.

The relevant Committees have continued to function. They are the Committee on Social Services, Maori Participation, Women's Organisations, general Administration and Finance, Superannuation Funds, and Committees to discuss Worship and Marriage have been set up.

(e) THE JOINT BOARD OF THEOLOGICAL STUDIES

This Board has continued to give oversight and direction in the area of theological studies. Consideration is being given through the Methodist Committee on Ministry to the scope of the work of this Board and the nature of representation on it.

In all these areas, the Methodist Church has taken its appropriate share and this has involved many of our members in the continuing process of negotiation and co-operation.

Co-operating Parishes

Particularly in areas where there is rapid growth in population or radical sociological change, there is an increasing urgency to find ways and means whereby the Anglican Church can participate more fully in schemes similar to Union Parishes. (Ref. Mins. Conference 1972 P. 218). The original draft has been greatly modified and is now contained in the Report of the J.C.C.U. under the heading "Guidelines for forming a Co-operating Parish". Discussion continues as to how this scheme can be implemented and as to the advisability of proceeding at the present time. The Executive recommends the adoption of the Guidelines and an appropriate resolution is presented.

The Voting of the other negotiating churches

The Conference, along with some of the other negotiating churches, awaits the final decision of the churches concerning the Plan for Union. Speculation at this stage as to the final outcome is futile.

In the meantime, the Executive recommends to Conference that the affirmations contained in the Paragraph entitled "The Voting of the other negotiating Churches" (Mins. Conference 1972 P. 218) be reaffirmed and that they form the guidelines for any action that may be required following the decisions of all the negotiating churches.

Immediately following the final decision it will be necessary for the full Church Union Committee to meet to plan for the future and it would appear that this could well coincide with the meeting of Church Council in May.

Committee on Union Parishes and Co-operative Ventures

The Joint Development Division—Church Union Committee has continued to meet to process proposed Agreements for the formulation of Union Parishes and Joint Use of Buildings Schemes. The desire to form such groupings continues to grow. The appropriate resolutions are contained in the Report of the Development Division.

The Report of the Joint Commission on Church Union

The Ninth Report of the Commission is presented to the Conference and contains a full account of the continuing work of the Commission.

Personal

It is with regret that we accept the resignation of the Rev. R. G. Bell as a substitute representative on the J.C.C.U. Mr Bell has

had a long association with the Commission and has given generously of himself to the cause of Church Union. The Executive desires to place on record its sincere appreciation of his long and devoted service.

W. J. MORRISON, Convener.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That Conference reaffirms the statement contained in the 1972 Mins. of Conference P. 218—

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 the 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.

3. That Conference approves and adopts the Guidelines for a Co-operating Parish as contained in the Ninth Report of the J.C.C.U.

4. That Conference expresses its thanks to the Rev. R. G. Bell for his long and devoted service on the Joint Commission and the Church Union Committee.

5. That the congratulations and prayers and support of the Conference be extended to the Rev. A. K. Petch on the occasion of his appointment as Chairman of the J.C.C.U.

6. 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 G. H. Peak, Proxy; Rev. P. A. Stead.

7. That the Report of the J.C.C.U. be received.

8. That a grant of \$1,300 be made towards the secretarial and administrative expenses of the J.C.C.U.

9. That the Church Union Committee be as printed on page 6 herein.

10. That the Convener for 1974 be—Rev. W. J. Morrison. Assistant Convener—Rev. A. K. Petch.

THE SAMOAN POLICY COMMITTEE

ANNUAL REPORT 1973

THE PRESIDENT'S VISIT TO SAMOA:

The President, Rev. W. S. Dawson and Mrs Dawson were guests of President Amani Amituana'i. They stayed at his home and received every kindness. The President, Rev. W. S. Dawson, attended the Annual Conference in Matafele Apia, at which he—

Preached at the Opening Service.

Took part in the Ordination Service where 11 ministers were ordained.

Preached at Avoka village church and at Matafele church.

Sat in on many of the Conference Sessions.

Spoke to the Conference when relations with New Zealand came up, and answered questions.

Attended and spoke at Piula College's Prize Giving.

Toured the Land Development project at Faleula High School and the Book Shop.

In the Final Session of the Conference he signed publicly with President Amani Amituana'i an Agreement between the two Conferences.

1. APPOINTMENT FROM SAMOA:

Rev. Siauala Amituana'i, B.D.:

Last year 1972, the New Zealand Conference confirmed the request to Samoa for a Minister (full-time) to work under the New Zealand Conference.

We gladly report that the President, Rev. W. S. Dawson, during his visit made this possible. The Samoan Conference agreed to lend Rev. S. Amituana'i to the New Zealand Conference for an initial period of three years, all charges to be met by the New Zealand Conference.

Rev. Siaula Amituana'i is 42 years of age, married with four children, two girls 13, 11 and two boys 8, 2 years of age.

He is ordained, studied at Pacific Theological College, Suva and gained a B.D., has lived in New Zealand for six months and speaks good English. He is well spoken of as a capable and forceful minister. At present he is employed by the Bible Society of the South Pacific. We expected his arrival in New Zealand in early October.

2. "THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE SAMOAN METHODIST CONFERENCE AND THE NEW ZEALAND CONFERENCE":

Matafele Apia
Western Samoa
20 July, 1973

"The Samoan Methodist Conference, responding to a request from the New Zealand Methodist Conference, agrees to lend a Samoan Methodist Minister, Siauala Amituana'i, to the New Zealand Methodist Conference for an initial period of three years.

His task will be, together with Apelu Tuimaseve, to care for and draw together all Samoan Methodists in New Zealand, so that at a later stage there will be one New Zealand Methodist Church in close relations with the Methodist Church in Samoa.

The New Zealand Methodist Church, through its President, welcomes the appointment, undertakes the full financial support of this Minister and pledges itself to care for all Samoan Methodist people who come under its care."

Signed: Amani Amituana'i
President Samoan Methodist Conference

Signed: Selwyn W. Dawson
President of the New Zealand
Methodist Church

3. OVERSIGHT:

While it is recognised that Rev. Amituana'i's ministry will be centered on Auckland because of the strength of Samoan membership and population, it will not be confined to Auckland Circuits. In other centres where Circuits have the support of Samoan families, Rev. Amituana'i will have a responsibility to minister among them as well.

Because of the Connexional nature of his prospective ministry the Samoan Policy Committee at its annual meeting in August proposed that he be appointed to the Development Division to direct the Church's ministry among Samoans resident in New Zealand.

4. MINISTRY:

It is important to understand that Siauala Amituana'i has been lent to the New Zealand Conference in order to strengthen the work of Circuit Ministers among Samoan people by deepening their understanding of Samoan culture: family life, leadership styles, worship.

5. POLICY COMMITTEE:

The Committee agreed to convene before the next annual meeting if requested by the Development Division in order to consult with Rev. Siauala Amituana'i. Accordingly the Committee is requesting that an additional grant be made available from the Contingent Fund to meet the travelling expenses of the representatives.

6. CORRESPONDENCE:

The Committee recognised the critical situation caused by misinterpretation in translations of correspondence through letters from New Zealand to Samoa and from Samoa to New Zealand.

W. SELWYN DAWSON, President.
HEMI SOLOMONA, Convener.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted.
2. That the New Zealand Conference convey to the Samoan Conference its great appreciation of their setting aside Rev. Siauala Amituana'i to work under the New Zealand Conference in the service of Samoans in New Zealand.
3. That Rev. Siauala Amituana'i be appointed to the Development Division to direct the Church's work among Samoans resident in New Zealand.
4. That any communication between the New Zealand Conference and the Samoan Conference should be conducted in two languages—Samoan and English.
5. That an additional grant from the Contingent Fund be made available to meet the cost of representatives attending the special meeting of the Samoan Policy Committee.

6. That the Samoan Policy Committee and the Development Division be asked to consult regarding their mutual relationship and the Committee's relationship to Conference.

7. That the Committee for 1974 be:

Wellington: Lani Tupu, Vaiola Vaeau, Joe Taulelei, Ernie Martin, Tau Fa'alogo.

Auckland: Vili Matamua, Fa'aoso Tugia, Kitiona Fono, Arona Galuvao, Teti McCarthy, Hemi Solomona (Convener)

Tokoroa: Faasolo Usu, Alesana Letoa

Gisborne: Joe Sue, Rev. Siauala Amituana'i.

N.Z. METHODIST SOCIAL SERVICES ASSOCIATION

REPORT TO CONFERENCE 1973

The Annual Meeting of the Association met on the 27th and 28th March at Palmerston North. The President of the Conference presided, and the meeting was addressed by the Minister of Social Welfare, the Hon. N. J. King, who officially opened the Conference.

Conference Budget Allocation

The amount of \$2,000 was allocated as follows: \$1,000 to the Everil Orr Social Work Training Fund, \$1,000 for national promotion and publicity of the Church's Social Welfare work.

Fire Insurance Grant

As the Fire Insurance Board had designated this year's grant of \$2,000 for Child Care work this amount was equally divided between the Auckland, Masterton and South Island Children's Homes.

It was agreed that future grants be allocated at the annual meeting to some special developments in Social Service with the emphasis on the encouragement of new enterprises. It was also resolved that a portion of the grant be allocated each year to the Everil Orr Social Workers' Training Fund.

N.Z.M.S.S.A. Advertising

It was agreed that the usual advertisement be placed in the Law Journal and that the Standing Committee report to the next meeting on the merits or otherwise, of this form of publicity. It was agreed that the Auckland representatives arrange for Social Service publicity in the "N.Z. Methodist".

Council of Christian Social Services

Agreed that:

1. the N.Z.M.S.S.A. give support to the N.Z. Council of Christian Social Services to invite Dr Keith Lucas of the U.S.A. to New Zealand for 1974.
 2. the Executive of the M.S.S.A. examine its financial obligation for Dr Lucas's visit and work out a basis for contributions for the M.S.S.A. and the Boards concerned, and advise them accordingly.
- Representatives to N.Z. Council of Christian Social Services:** The following were appointed: Executive—Rev. W. E. Falkingham. Council—Revs. W. E. Falkingham, D. B. Gordon and A. R. Bowden.

Consultations for Social Service Staff

It was agreed that the Council of Christian Social Services be asked to consider arranging Regional Consultations and Training

Courses for staff members in Social Service organisations, i.e., Matrons, Administrators, etc.

Finance

Grants from Trusts for the Everil Orr Social Work Training Fund were received as follows:

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| Dunedin Central Mission | 50.00 |
| Otago-Southland District | 50.00 |
| Wellington Methodist Charitable and Education Endowment | 500.00 |
| Auckland Central Mission | 1000.00 |
| Auckland Methodist Children's Home | 1000.00 |
| Miss Irene Sutherland | 100.00 |
| Home Mission Department | 500.00 |
| Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust | 2500.00 |

A legacy of \$200 from the estate of A. P. Sanders was allocated to the Wesley Social Service Trust, Wellington, for the Wesley Hospital Building Fund.

It was agreed that the levy on each Social Service Board for N.Z.M.S.S.A. expenses be \$100.00.

Counselling Services

It was agreed that the Rev. A. Roy Bowden circulate a questionnaire to all Methodist agencies concerned with Counselling, in order that a statement setting out our criteria regarding standards of counselling acceptable to the Methodist Church of New Zealand, be prepared.

The Executive has considered Mr Bowden's interim report during the year, and now recommends that Conference authorise the N.Z.M.S.S.A. to convene a consultation to examine policy, standards, staffing procedures and training facilities sponsored in the counselling area of our Social Service work. The Consultation would discuss the role of the Church Counselling Services with a view to preparing a statement for submission to the Minister of Social Welfare. We believe this area should involve representatives from the Christian Education Division, the Development Division, and those responsible for theological training.

Social Worker Trainee

Miss Pam Bell who is sponsored by the N.Z.M.S.S.A. for Social Work training at Victoria University, has now completed her first year's course. It is expected that she will be available for appointment toward the end of 1974.

Australia New Zealand Conference 1974

Th Meeting supported the Australian suggestion that a Conference be held in April or May 1974 at Vision Valley, Sydney. The N.Z.M.S.S.A. agreed to ask all Boards to facilitate the attendance of key Social Service personnel at this Conference.

Incorporation for Social Service Boards

The Legal Advisor, Mr H. de R. Flesher, presented a paper on Incorporation. It was agreed that this be circulated to all Boards for consideration. A model constitution will also be circulated to all Boards.

Child Care

The N.Z.M.S.S.A. noted with appreciation, the recommendations made by the Social Welfare Department concerning the proposal to build a home adjacent to Homeleigh, Masterton, for the purposes of

housing relief staff and to provide a pilot scheme in 'family rehabilitation'. This resolution was conveyed to the Social Welfare Department.

Resolution of Conference re Co-ordination of Child Care work with Social Services—

The Auckland Central Mission advised that Consultations were continuing.

The Wellington Social Services Trust advised that the present relationship was satisfactory.

The Christchurch representatives advised that a joint Committee of both Boards agreed unanimously to recommend to their respective Boards that the work be co-ordinated under one controlling Board.

Election of Officers

Convener and Official Representative: Rev. W. E. Falkingham. Treasurer: Mr E. C. Flyger. Immigration Officer: Rev. J. A. Penman.

Thanks to Charitable Trusts

Thanks were expressed to Charitable Trusts and other organizations who have supported Methodist Social Service work: McKenzie Trust; Sutherland Self Help Trust; Todd Trust.

J.C.C.U. on Social Services

Revs. W. E. Falkingham and D. B. Gordon were appointed as representatives.

Re-structuring of N.Z.M.S.S.A.

The Meeting divided into Groups to discuss:

1. What is the function of Annual Meeting? e.g. necessary business, Study, or Training Sessions.

2. Are our Social Service Agencies adequately represented? What amendments are necessary in the light of the change in Church Structure?

3. What should be the function and role of the Standing Committee and Executive and the relationship of the two? Is there need for two committees?

Following discussions on these questions, it was agreed that the M.S.S.A. Executive meet following Church Council on Wednesday, May 16th, to study the material prepared by the groups, and to make recommendations.

The following are the recommendations of the Executive:

1. The Executive to meet three times a year.

2. That travelling costs for attendance at Executive meetings to be met through the N.Z.M.S.S.A. fund and that levies be increased to cover this.

3. That the Annual Meeting be held in 1974 for two days. The Social Service policy of the Church be studied in depth at this Conference.

Care of the Elderly

(See 1972 Mins. of Conf., p. 158, and 1971 Mins., p. 154, res. 8).

It was agreed that no action be taken in this matter as the various Social Service Boards administering Aged Care are involved in constant research in this field in consultation with the Health Department.

Euthanasia

This question was referred to the N.Z.M.S.S.A. from the Australia/New Zealand Social Service Conference. It was agreed to refer this matter to the Public Questions Committee.

Future Courses for Social Workers

It was agreed that the Convener seek information of future Social Work Training Courses that may be planned. Agreed that we also seek information from Australia regarding Social Work Courses available in that country.

W. SELWYN DAWSON, President.

W. E. FALKINGHAM, Official Representative.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Annual Report and Statement of Receipts and Expenditure be received and adopted.

2. That Conference commends the proposal of the N.Z.M.S.S.A. to convene a consultation to examine policy, standards, staffing procedures and training facilities for counselling services of the Church.

3. That members of the consultation be the Revs. A. R. Bowden, W. E. Falkingham, J. Grundy (or substitute) B. E. Jones, J. A. Penman, I. C. E. Ramage, M. L. Dine, Drs J. J. Lewis and D. O. Williams, with power to co-opt.

4. That the Rev. W. E. Falkingham be re-appointed as Official Representative and Convener of the N.Z.M.S.S.A.

5. That Mr E. C. Flyger be re-appointed as Treasurer.

6. That Rev. J. A. Penman be re-appointed Immigration Officer.

7. That the Executive of the Christian Council of Social Services be requested to initiate a Consultation on Counselling Services in N.Z. on an Ecumenical basis with invitations extended to personnel from other disciplines.

QUESTION 42—(b) City Missions?

AUCKLAND AREA METHODIST SOCIAL SERVICE ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL REPORT TO CONFERENCE 1973

The year has seen continuing expansion in our Social Service work in our area.

Aged Care

Arohæ House, a 50-bed extension to Everil Orr Homes of the Auckland Central Mission, was opened by Mrs Everil Orr in April.

In May, Stage II of Tamahere Home in the Waikato was opened, increasing accommodation from 30 to 61 beds. The extensions were opened free of debt. Authorisation has been given to Kamo Home, Whangarei, to proceed with a 10-bed extension, and to the Franklin Home at Pukekohe for a new 30-bed Home. The total cost of these projects will be approximately \$1,300,000, out of which the Government will provide subsidies of about \$970,000.

Plans are progressing for a 30-bed extension to Wesley Hospital, Auckland, in 1974-1975, and a 45-bed Home on the site of the former Health Camp at Campbells Bay in 1975-1976.

Child Care

As part of its policy of decentralisation, the Auckland Children's Homes Board is seeking to purchase suitable sections for Family Homes, and the Family Home at Manurewa is now operating. Wesleydale will have a maximum of 20 children. One wing has been handed

over to the Social Welfare Unit operated jointly by the Central Mission and the Children's Homes Board. It is planned to provide here transit housing for up to four families and a supervisor.

Counselling and Case Work

Auckland. This work has been greatly expanded in Auckland through the co-operation of the Central Mission and Children's Homes Board, and two Social Workers are employed.

Waikato Inter-Church Social Service Committee has a Social Worker in Hamilton and another in Tokoroa. This Committee represents the Anglican, Methodist and Presbyterian Churches, with Methodist financial support coming from the Hamilton Trust.

Lifeline and Inter-Church Counselling, Auckland reported 4,721 telephone calls and 1309 counselling interviews during 1972. Rev. Gordon Hambly, a Baptist Minister, has been appointed part-time Director.

James Liston Hostel. Auckland, for indigent men, has now been operating for a year, and after initial problems, is providing a fine home for between 40 and 60 men a night.

In the Midst of the City

The Central Mission has co-operated with Pitt Street, St. Matthews Anglican and St. James Presbyterian in the establishment of an inner city ministry with the Rev. Bruce Hucker as Co-ordinator.

The Central Mission Church facilities are being used seven days a week, especially since the opening of a Coffee Bar staffed by voluntary helpers.

The Management Board is planning now for the erection of a Social Service Building on the site of the old Church. Other Churches and organisations have been invited to co-operate.

D. B. GORDON, Convener,
Auckland Area M.S.S.A.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the Auckland Central Mission Board of Management for 1974 be as printed on page 6 herein.
3. Anglican Methodist Social Services (Auckland).
- (a) That Conference consent to the Auckland Central Mission (Methodist) and the Auckland City Missions (Anglican) conducting part of their social work as a joint operation under the name "Anglican Methodist Social Services (Auckland)".
- (b) That Conference approve of the Agreement made between the above parties and approve of it as a constitution under which the new joint body be incorporated under the Charitable Trusts Act.
4. That the Auckland Children's Homes Board for 1974 be as printed on page 6 herein.

WESLEY CHURCH SOCIAL SERVICES TRUST BOARD (WELLINGTON)

REPORT TO CONFERENCE, 1973

The contract has been let for the 30-bed Geriatric Hospital at Wesleyhaven in Rata Street, Naenae. Downer and Company Limited are the successful contractors with a tender price of \$367,071. The

price includes a 6-bedroom addition to the staff house to provide accommodation for nursing staff.

The building period is 52 weeks. With the provision of furnishings and equipment together with new road access to the complex, the final price is expected to be \$450,000. The Government subsidy is \$360,000. The appeal to cover the balance of the cost is meeting with an encouraging response.

The T. G. Macarthy Trust made a Jubilee Grant of \$25,000 and in addition 583 donations have been received to total \$23,166.31.

The future of Epworth House is under consideration. The provision of hostel accommodation for young women coming to the city is recognised as a very transitory need prior to flatting. It is doubtful if the Trust can sustain the lowering bed occupancy rate at present being experienced.

The Inner City Ministry is playing an increasing role in Wellington community service and the Trust is able to bring resources to support the work. An ecumenical stance through the I.C.M. would appear to be the most creative means of meeting the needs of the city.

Two Goodwill Shops are now operating and we are indebted to a large number of voluntary workers without whom we would be unable to maintain our work. This is true in terms of the Fair, Goodwill Industry and Pastoral Care. We express our gratitude to them.

The Trust Board is: Revs. J. A. Penman, W. F. Ford, Messrs A. Alcorn, G. G. Armstrong, R. D. Evison, E. C. Flyger, H. F. Gardiner, L. E. M. Grace, J. J. Gray, J. B. McKinney, C. F. Needham, A. L. Olsson, M. C. Pearce, A. D. Priestley, S. N. Roberts, L. Tupu, G. F. Whitlock, Miss D. Anstiss, Mrs M. Turkington, Mrs M. Suckling.

J. A. PENMAN, Chairman.

E. C. FLYGER, Secretary-Treasurer.

RESOLUTION

1. That the report be received and adopted.

MANAWATU METHODIST SOCIAL SERVICE CENTRE

REPORT TO CONFERENCE, 1973

The Centre has been operating for ten years and is now involved with many families, scores of helpers, child care, social education, community social work and a wider church programme.

Counselling

The staff are seeing more families in family interviews and many persons are being helped through short-term and long-term counselling.

Social Work Services

Generic social work reaches out to give practical help, and facilitates growth for those who need help with their total life situation. Schools, employment, accommodation, marital crises involving parents and children, and socialisation for those who find community life difficult.

Child Care

A working relationship with the Masterton Methodist Children's Home demands social work with families, foster home placements,

holiday homes for children and close liaison with organisations such as Birthright and the Child Care Co-ordinating Committee.

Community Social Work

Mr Mervyn Browne, as Chairman of the Community Service Council, worked within the Community encouraging local groups to structure new facilities and helped co-ordinate the activities of socially concerned groups.

Other Agencies

The Centre has a close link with Government Departments, hospital services and many voluntary agencies. Follow-up counselling and support is given for patients discharged from the Manawaroa Psychological Centre and links are maintained with projects such as the Community Christmas Hamper appeal. The Director is a Consultant for Youthline.

Church Liaison

Seminars and courses are run to encourage local congregations and this work is growing as more churches wish to be involved in social service.

Education Programme

Topics such as "The Needs of Emotionally Disturbed Children", "Life For Those on Their Own" and "Community Social Service Resources" were some of the issues within a wide educational programme which served the Church and the Community.

"Highbury House"

This shop that is staffed by voluntary personnel helps support the social services and provides clothing and other items for those whose budget is limited. The shop has been extended, sales are increasing and women in the area are forming small social groups as a result of their contacts through the shop.

West Street Hostel

A joint project with the Department of Justice. Dr M. Finlay (Minister of Justice) opened the Hostel on 20th March, 1973. Mr M. Browne is Warden, and up to 12 boys will be resident in the Hostel having been placed there by the Probation Service. This is a new building financed by the Department of Justice and the Church is concerned to help the residents to re-establish themselves in the Community.

Finance

The Centre continues to be financed from the M.S.S.A. grant, Child Care grant from Children's Home, 'Highbury House', Charitable Trusts (Moore, McKenzie, Sutherland, Dudding, Hopwood) and donations.

Statistics

1778 interviews and consultations with clients, professional persons and those willing to help the Centre.

Policy

The Centre is now a division of the Palmerston North Methodist Parish, and the staff are members of the Parish Staff team.

Staff

Miss Jennifer Whyte, B.A., Senior Social Worker, left the Centre in December 1972. Her skilled work with families and persons in need was always valued by the Centre. The Rev. A. Roy Bowden, B.A., Dip.Soc.Wk., has been appointed Director, and Mrs Jennie K. Pilalis, B.A. is Social Worker. Mr Mervyn Browne is Warden of the

West Street Hostel, and Mr Cedric B. Radcliffe, M.Sc. continues as Voluntary Worker. Mr M. W. Hancock, M.A., Dip.Soc.Sci. continues as Professional Consultant.

LOYAL J. GIBSON,

Chairman, Management Committee.

RESOLUTION

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

NORTHERN SOUTH ISLAND AREA N.Z.M.S.S.A.

CHRISTCHURCH METHODIST CENTRAL MISSION REPORT TO CONFERENCE, 1973

Fairhaven Hospital

The Health Department has authorised the Mission to call tenders for Fairhaven Hospital which is to be erected as a fourth floor on the Fairhaven Residential Home. It will accommodate 25 patients and a modern physiotherapy Department. This extension will also provide six additional residential beds on the second floor of Fairhaven.

Flats for the Aging

Four Flats at Wesley House, Picton, are now in the course of construction. As subsidy was not available; an appeal was launched in Marlborough to finance this project and with bequest monies and contributions from those to be admitted, it is anticipated that the flats will be opened free of debt.

A further block of five flats will be erected at Fairhaven.

Residential Club for the Aged

A sketch plan of a Residential Club for the Aging has been prepared. It comprises 50 flatettes in a four storey building with certain communal facilities.

The day to day running of the complex will be the responsibility of Committees of residents representing the two clubs which will include all residents. As the complex will be built on the Children's Home site, supervision will be given by the staff of Fairhaven Home and Hospital.

We have asked the Minister of Health to approve this plan as a pilot scheme for New Zealand. It has been submitted to the Care of the Aged Committee of the Board of Health and the New Zealand Council of Christian Social Services, both of whom have recommended that Government approve the scheme as a pilot project. Present indications are that subsidy may be available in the 1975-76 financial year.

Accommodation for Retired Ministers

Discussions have been held with an interested layman and the Connexional Secretary, regarding the possibility of establishing some model home units for supernumerary ministers adjacent to the Fairhaven Community for the Aging.

It has been suggested that two units be constructed as soon as possible to enable the scheme to be assessed. It is envisaged that this scheme could develop in other locations in the city as well as in other New Zealand Centres. The Mission is in consultation with the Connexional Office regarding this development.

School for Seniors

We propose to establish a School for Seniors. It will provide classes in many subjects such as—Painting, Languages, Local History, Home Nursing, Handicrafts, Home Gardening, Christian Doctrine, Floral Art, etc.

Membership will be open to men and women 50 years of age and over. The aim is to help people prepare for retirement and to provide a centre where friendships can be formed and inter-personal relationships developed.

Merger With Durham Street

At various times over recent years, the Synod has urged the Central Mission and Durham Street Church to consider merging, and from 1964 serious efforts have been made to effect such a move.

The Board of Management recommended to the Synod that the Durham Street Church and the Christchurch Central Mission be amalgamated as from 1st February 1974, the name of the new cause to be "The Christchurch Methodist Central Mission". It has been agreed that the identity of both the Durham Street and Cambridge Terrace Churches will be preserved. We feel it is imperative that the staffing remain as at present, i.e. three ordained ministers.

Goodwill Stores

During the year, a Bulk Store has been established at the Mission Headquarters, and four new shops have been opened. Each shop is staffed by a paid Manageress, assisted by voluntary workers.

Life Line

It is hoped in the near future to begin a "Drop In" Counselling Service, which will be available in the evenings and be manned by counsellors who will undergo extended training to equip them for the work. It will also be necessary to have volunteers to act as receptionists at the time when the Centre is open and perhaps make a cup of coffee for the callers. To this purpose we will be able to use folk who would like to help Life Line but may not be suitable to train as counsellors.

Life Line calls have exceeded 4,500 this year.

Group Programmes

A new development in Central Mission Services this year has been the promotion of an education programme for the Church and Community. This extension arises from the conviction of staff that prevention is better than cure and aims to equip people to lead more rewarding and fuller lives, to cope with difficulties before troubles arise, and to help them to understand and cope with their fellow man.

Six creative courses have been prepared in co-operation with Durham Street staff covering: worship, faith, helping, marriage, retirement and listening. In addition, an experimental Bible Study course has commenced and also an extended personal growth group.

Weybridge

A Coffee Craft Centre known as Weybridge opened on July 8th. It operates every Sunday night and aims to offer people creative satisfaction, self confidence and social skills. Activities include: screen printing, copper jewellery, candle making, basketry, painting, rug making, string abstracts, tie dyeing, pottery and do-it-yourself barbecue, folk singing, poetry reading and a discussion group. Staffed by people who are interested in people, this service is already enabling the withdrawn person to become involved, the self conscious person to lose himself in creating, the stifled talents within some

people to find a chance to live and the person with disabilities physically and mentally, to find encouragement in their efforts to grow.

Erewhat

A mixed flat with two double and seven single bedrooms has been leased by the Central Mission, to enable people unable to cope with the detachment and freedom of a normal flatting arrangement and yet unable to live at home to find a secure accepting environment. A core group of four residents with a 12 months commitment and personal stability is envisaged and up to seven others whose length of stay would be variable and dependent upon their ability to cope in alternative arrangements.

Staff

The total staff employed by the Mission, numbers 93 and the annual wages costs are approximately \$160,000. Supporting the work of the full-time staff in most areas of work, there are approximately 300 people who render valuable voluntary service.

Rehua Maori Hostel

The costs involved in providing this Hostel for 65 Maori Trade Trainees has resulted in a heavy drain on the finances of the Mission over the years. We sent a deputation to discuss this question with the Minister of Maori Affairs, the Hon. M. Rata, earlier this year, and he gave us an assurance that reasonable expenses over and above income would be met by a Government grant.

Interchurch Social Service Work

A half way house to accommodate Alcoholics who have undergone treatment at Sunnyside and Queen Mary Hospital, Hanmer has been established.

Dixon House, a 30-bed Home for the Aging at Greymouth, was opened last December.

Plans are now before the Health Department for a Joint Presbyterian-Methodist Home and Hospital in Nelson.

Combined Methodist Social Services

A Committee representing the Children's Home Board and the Central Mission has met to consider the question of co-ordination as recommended by the Conference. It was agreed to recommend to both Boards, that the Child Care work be co-ordinated with the Social Service work of the Mission. Negotiations along this line are proceeding.

Incorporation

The question of the Mission becoming an Incorporated Society under the Charitable Trust Act, is under discussion.

A model constitution for all Central Missions is being prepared by the Legal Adviser, Mr H. de R. Flesher, and the Central Mission Board will further consider this matter when the document is finalised and recommendations may be brought to the 1973 Conference.

Thanks

We record appreciation to the J. R. McKenzie Trust, The Sutherland Self Help Trust, Hyman Marks Trust, Philip Brown Trust, J. B. S. Dudding Trust, Robert Clark Trust, Clark Charitable Trust (Gisborne), Francis Trust.

W. E. FALKINGHAM, Superintendent.
B. E. MACKIE, Associate Minister.
A. A. DINGWALL, Treasurer.
H. G. STEWART, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be adopted.
2. That the Board of Management for 1974 be nominated to the President after the amalgamation of Circuits (Christchurch Central Mission and Christchurch Durham Streets) takes place.

DUNEDIN CENTRAL MISSION

REPORT TO CONFERENCE, 1973

Dunedin Central Mission reports a generally quiet year. The escalation of costs has provided a forbidding climate for social service work, but we have effectively consolidated our programme.

The staffing situation is not as bad as it has been at some times. Miss E. M. Nielsen took up appointment as Matron at Eventide, and is commending herself to all; another registered nurse has arrived from England with her family and lives near to the Home.

The new Boiler House has been commissioned at Eventide, as has the Sprinkler System at Wesley Manor. However, major maintenance problems face us on each of these properties.

Development continues on a small scale at Kawarau Falls Holiday Camp, which is commended to the Connexion for private holiday-makers as well as Church Groups.

The second Day Nursery at Brockville languished for lack of support and three months' operation netted a substantial loss. Hopefully, our projected additional Goodwill Store will be a more encouraging venture as our Social Service Account is now under acute pressure to finance our half of the Anglican-Methodist Family Care Centre. This small unit of social welfare has established an outstanding reputation in the city.

New rentals have been negotiated for the Octagon Theatre, and some changes have been made in tenancies in the new Building which is now fully let. The old parsonage in Delta Street has been replaced with a very comfortable home at Concord.

The Board of Management functions effectively, and all our work enjoys the support of a fine and loyal staff and a sympathetic public.

D. S. MULLAN, General Superintendent.

F. W. WILSON, Administrative Officer.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the Board of Management for 1974 be as printed on page 6 herein.

QUESTION 42—(c) Children's Homes?

MASTERTON METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME

REPORT OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 1973

Mr and Mrs Allan Jolly completed 11 years service as Manager and Matron at the end of 1972 and we record our appreciation of the notable contribution they made to the life of Homeleigh and to the children coming under their care. Their places were taken by Mr and Mrs Ken Harris, recent arrivals from Wales, who have taken up their duties with enthusiasm.

The long-awaited programme of renovations to the boys' dormitories is nearing completion. Due to the internal disruption, the

number of children in residence has been kept down to about 20 until the work is complete. Subsidy has been approved on this project, on the installation of a dishwasher and the upgrading of the hot water service. It has been decided to purchase a stationwagon for conveyance of the children.

There has been a reduction in the number of children in foster homes under control of Homeleigh and through placements arranged by the social workers at Palmerston North and Wellington.

The Department of Social Welfare has recommended that we take steps to strengthen our staffing ratio at senior level and to provide for relief staff. To this end we are exploring the possibility of erecting a house on our land adjacent to Homeleigh as a base and we expect subsidy to be made available. It appears that this project may not only strengthen our staffing position but also offer possibilities for greater flexibility in our work. On a longer term basis is has been suggested that we consider another house unit as a pilot project on "family rehabilitation".

The residential sections fronting Herbert Street have been sold and consideration is being given to offering the remainder of the rear land for sale for residential subdivision, after reserving a few sections for the type of future development mentioned above.

We acknowledge with thanks the gifts received from Church and community groups and the financial support of Methodist people represented by giving through the Church Budget, and by direct donations. In particular we record appreciation of the following grants and legacies: Robert Gibson Methodist Trust \$2000, Methodist Fire Insurance Fund \$667, J. R. McKenzie Trust \$700, Masterton Trust Lands Trust \$250, Masterton Lions Club \$55, Estate I. McSaveney \$2000, Estate E. J. Aplin \$1000, Estate J. J. Irwin \$200, Estate E. Irwin \$200, Estate E. A. Churchill \$131 (additional).

D. H. SPRINGER, Chairman.

J. F. CODY, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the Board be as printed on page 6 herein.

CHILD CARE — SOUTH ISLAND METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME REPORT TO CONFERENCE, 1973

Statistics

The demand for care for children remains at a steady level. Statistics for 1973 are:

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| Admissions | | 112 |
| Demissions | | 106 |
| Number of Children in Care: | | |
| Papanui Home | | 48 |
| Barrington Street Family Unit | ..... | 7 |
| Foster Homes | ..... | 14 |

The Social Worker is in touch with 36 families, with a total of 104 children.

Staffing

Towards the end of the year Mr and Mrs L. G. Reed moved to Harewood Road to take charge as Master and Matron of the Papanui Home, while they were succeeded at the Barrington Street Family Unit by Mr and Mrs R. Brown.

An application has been made for one of the staff to attend the four-week "Housemothers" training course at Kohitere, Levin, in May. Other staff training in-service courses are being investigated.

Composition of Board

The Board has been re-structured and reduced in size to a total of 15 members. Work is shared by four sub-committees—the Executive, and House, Buildings and Grounds Committees.

After eight years of loyal and efficient service on the Board, the Rev. Owen T. Woodfield resigned as Secretary upon his appointment to an Auckland circuit. His place has been taken by Mr N. P. Alcorn.

Finance

The recent increase in capitation subsidies (\$2 to \$7 per week) is most welcome. The Board is facing some heavy expenditure, particularly at Harewood Road for complete external repainting, installation of a new water supply, renewal of electrical wiring to the separate family units to allow for heating in the bedrooms, and provision of floor coverings in many of the rooms.

Matters Under Consideration

The need for day care centres is being investigated, along with other possible lines of care for needy children: the policy regarding the future use of the land and the establishment of new family units. Negotiations are under way for the use of the Home facilities during the Commonwealth Games period.

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 and the Robert Clark Trust for their help, and those who have helped through legacies.

W. A. CHAMBERS, Chairman.
N. P. ALCORN, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted.
2. That Conference express appreciation to the Minister of Social Welfare (Hon. N. H. King) for the increase in capitation subsidy, and to the Council of Christian Social Services for the submissions made on behalf of the Churches.
3. That the Board for 1974 be as printed on page 6 herein.

QUESTION 43—What are the Resolutions of the Conference in regard to—

- (a) The Connexional Office of the Methodist Church of New Zealand?

(A) BOARD OF MANAGEMENT OF THE CONNEXIONAL OFFICE

REPORT TO CONFERENCE 1973

The Board of Management of the Connexional Office continues to exercise a degree of oversight of the Connexional Office and to consider a wide variety of issues referred to it by the Conference. The reduced size of the Board is making for more efficient working.

Financial Position

The Annual Financial Statements are being presented to Conference along with this Report. They reveal an excess of income over expenditure of \$800 as against last year's deficit of \$2,277. The improvement has been brought about as a result of increased appropriations from Funds administered and a small increase in the grant from the Connexional Budget. It should be noted, however, that the Board still has a deficit of \$502 in its Appropriation Account and accumulated funds stand at \$6,848—much too small an amount for a Board which must finance the operations of the Connexional Office, provide equipment, furnishings and working capital, as well as a Parsonage for the General Secretary.

As in previous years, the Connexional Budget has supported the Office only to the extent of approximately one-eighth of the running costs for the year. As nearly half of the work load comprises tasks of a strictly Connexional and personal nature, not closely related to specific Fund management, this means that the Funds administered at the Connexional Office continue to bear a disproportionate share of the total cost of maintaining the Finance and Administration Division.

Children's Fund

The final payments for the Children's Fund allowances were made early in August 1973 and a final Statement of the position of the Fund will be prepared during the year 1973/74.

It is felt that there could be some value in maintaining the records of children born to Methodist ministers or adopted by them. The Board intends to do this for the coming year at least; if the collection of the information proves to be too difficult, the practice will be discontinued.

Removal Expenses Fund

During the year 36 removals were financed by the Fund, 21 being North Island changes, four South Island changes and 11 Inter-Island changes. The Inter-Island changes cost \$5,709 at an average of \$537—a substantial proportion of the total cost of \$9,419.

It is difficult to predict quantitatively the effect of the change-over of ownership of Parsonage furniture, but it has come at a time when general costs are increasing heavily and some considerable impact is inevitable. In the light of this, ministers and other full time workers changing appointments are being asked to be as considerate as possible in the amount of furniture that they take with them.

Contingent Fund

The operation of this Fund has continued to take an increasing proportion of the General Treasurer's time. The late arrival of District statements is again delaying the preparation of the Annual Financial Statements and Report. It is hoped to include these in the Supplementary Agenda.

Staffing

The Connexional Office continues to be well served by its staff; in particular we would refer to the contribution of Miss Shirley F. Leatham who completed 25 years continuous service in June this year. Miss Leatham has been conscientious in every aspect of her work and over the years has acquired a detailed knowledge of the Fire Insurance Fund. At a social gathering, the Chairman of the Board and Mr H. de R. Flesher paid tribute to her work and worth and a small presentation was made.

Council of Mission

The Board is watching with interest the establishment of the Council of Mission and has received reports from its Executive Officers of the initial Meetings held in Auckland.

As a result of the re-distribution of responsibilities, the General Secretary is more closely involved with ecumenical matters and the General Treasurer is being consulted more frequently on investments and other matters of finance affecting all the Divisions.

Parsonage Furniture Changeover

The changeover of ownership of Parsonage furniture took place on July 1, 1973 and judging by the reports received at the Office, it was effected amicably and to the satisfaction of ministers and Circuits. Only a few grants were required from Connexional Funds.

Thanks are recorded to Valuers who gave their services so freely and generously.

Ministers in Part Time Employment

During the year the Board gave some consideration to the implications for the Church and the ministry of ministers exercising a pastoral ministry in a Circuit together with some part-time employment in a trade, business or profession. A sub-committee of the Board prepared a memorandum which was forwarded to the Committee on Ministry with the suggestion that some guidelines be drawn up for the Church.

Planning and Future Staffing Requirements

Arising out of the Property Seminars organised by the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee, consideration has been given by the Board to the need for additional staff at the Connexional Office in the event of the establishment of a Methodist Trust Association and a Methodist Investment Society on similar lines to those operating in Australia. The Board has been aware of the increasing volume of work with each of the Funds at present administered by the Connexional Office and the demands being made upon the General Treasurer for guidance regarding vital matters of the Church's financial policy.

The Board has come to the conclusion that if the Division of Finance and Administration is to undertake additional responsibilities, the appointment of a further layman of executive potential is absolutely essential.

In presenting its application to the Finance and Stewardship Committee of Detail for its annual grant from the Connexional Budget, the Board furnished some estimates of costs and suggestions as to the way in which the new appointment could be financed without all the extra cost being added to the Budget.

The Board awaits with interest the decision of the Conference regarding the establishment of a Methodist Trust Association and a Methodist Investment Society, but in any event would emphasize its concern that adequate staff be provided for the Office.

A. A. DINGWALL, Chairman.

W. R. LAWS, General Secretary.

C. R. HASSELDINE, General Treasurer.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the Financial Statements of the Board of Management, Children's Fund, Removal Expenses Fund and Contingent Fund be received and adopted.

3. That in the light of the projected appointment of an additional layman the 1974/75 appropriations be as follows:—

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|-------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------|
| Supernumerary Fund | | | | | \$7,500 |
| Fire Insurance Fund | | | | | \$7,500 |
| Church Building and Loan Fund | | | | | \$5,500 |
| General Purposes Trust Board | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | \$7,500 |
| Transport Trust Board | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | \$1,000 |

4. That Conference records its appreciation of the services rendered to the Church by Miss Shirley F. Leatham over a period of 25 years.

5. The Conference warmly commends the 1973 Christmas Appeal of the National Council of Churches to members and Circuits for their generous support.

6(a). That for 1974 our representatives on the following National Council of Churches Committees be:—

Council: Revs. W. R. Laws, A. A. Grundy, M. A. G. Couch and one other minister, Mesdames E. R. Le Couteur and W. A. Dowie.

Women's Committee: Mesdames A. G. Worboys, M. R. Tunnicliffe, W. A. Chambers and R. Swindells as corresponding member.

Maori Section: Revs. L. M. Tauroa, Te A. Tahere, R. D. Rakena, Napi Waaka, M. A. G. Couch (Lay alternates when available).

(b) That Conference express its appreciation of the work of Mrs W. R. Laws on the Women's Committee of N.C.C. over the past 7 years.

7. That the Rev. R. D. Rakena represent the Methodist Church of New Zealand at the 5th Assembly of the World Council of Churches to be held at Jakarta 1975 and that Rev. L. M. Tauroa be alternate representative.

8. That this be received and referred to the Board of Management of the Connexional Office:—

“That the Connexional Office arrange for suitably qualified personnel to review all financial and statistical forms in order to make them more relevant and that this updating be a continuing process.”

9. That the Board for 1974 be as printed on page 5 herein.

(B) REPORT ON THE PRINCIPLE OF MINISTERS OWNING THEIR OWN HOUSES

RESOLUTION OF CONFERENCE 1972 (Mins. p.315, Res.5)

“That the principle of Ministers owning their own homes be investigated by the Supernumerary Fund Board, the Connexional Office and the Stipends Committee, and reported to Conference 1973”.

The Supernumerary Fund Board and the Board of Management of the Connexional Office appointed a joint-Committee to consider the advantages and disadvantages of Methodist Ministers owning their own homes. The Committee consisted of: Revs. A. C. Hight, W. A. Chambers, W. R. Laws, N. W. Olds and Messrs W. E. Clothier, A. A. Dingwall, C. R. Hasseldine and N. P. Alcorn.

The Committee received a letter from Rev. O. A. Kitchingman of the Inter-Church Trade and Industry Mission, Christchurch, in

which the Industrial Chaplain commented on his own experience of purchasing his own house and the advantages accruing therefrom.

The Committee also had before it a Memorandum prepared for the Wellington District Synod by an ad hoc Masterton Committee on "Ministers owning their own Homes".

OUR LAW AND USAGE

Each minister and probationer receives a minimum stipend and an adequately furnished house (As from July 1, 1973, a house will be provided and the minister/probationer will be expected to have most of the furniture: stipends are being adjusted accordingly).

TAXATION

At present for taxation figures a notional figure of 10% of the value of the stipend (less 1/6th for the the value of the study) is added to that income, Assuming a stipend of \$3,200.00 per annum, this means in effect a rental of \$267.00 per annum that the minister notionally receives for taxation purposes, although the real economic value would in most cases be substantially higher than 10%.

ISSUES INVOLVED

The issues involved are not purely financial. The original intention of providing a furnished house for the minister was to enable him to be available full-time for the work of the Church. So far as Methodism was concerned it was designed to assist the itinerancy of the ministry by freeing both the minister and people from undue anxiety regarding accommodation with every change of appointment.

Embodied in this provision was a certain concept of the ministry. The minister was expected to be a friendly person given to hospitality and his study was not only the scene of prayer and preparation of sermons but the room where he interviewed people in need of pastoral help. In all this activity, the minister was greatly assisted by his wife.

It may be asked whether such a concept of the circuit minister is as valid for today. Some ministers now prefer to work from an office situated in the church complex. An increasing percentage of ministers' wives are occupying teaching and other positions in the community. Some circuits are providing paid secretarial help and making use of lay-pastors. In addition, the emergence of sector ministries and the growing practice of ministers engaging part-time in a trade, business or profession are affecting the whole pattern of circuit work.

Changes in the concept of the ministry and the role of the minister's wife in church and community must inevitably influence a minister's home and family life. A re-examination of the principle of the church providing a house for the minister is a natural enough request.

Such a re-examination, however, needs to take full account of three things:—

(a) The overall needs of the Church and all its ministers. It would be extremely difficult to operate a partial scheme. As far as is possible, there must be similar treatment for all circuits and all ministers.

(b) The fact that the present system of the church providing houses for its ministers has a good deal of built-in flexibility.

- (c) The need of the minister for a home for his retirement.

ADVANTAGES TO THE CHURCH OF THE MINISTER OWNING HIS OWN HOUSE:

(a) The Circuit would need to pay a housing allowance but would be relieved of all responsibility for maintenance and repairs, alterations and additions and furnishings.

(b) The Connexion would be relieved of the necessity of setting up standard requirements for Parsonages and insisting upon their fulfilment, as each minister would naturally purchase a house of suitable size for him and his family and congenial to his pattern of working.

(c) The fact that no house was provided for the minister could enable the minister to reside in another part of the Circuit or among another section of the population with benefit to the mission of the Church in that area.

(d) The fact that a minister lived in his own house would add to his understanding of the lot of men in trades and professions who must meet mortgage repayments and repairs and maintenance of their houses out of their salaries and wages. Such members would feel that the minister was "one" with them in this respect.

ADVANTAGES TO THE MINISTER OF OWNING HIS OWN HOUSE:

(a) The minister could purchase a house suitable to him.

(b) Interior decoration and any structural alterations and additions could be carried out to the satisfaction of the minister and family.

(c) It would help to give the minister and his wife a feeling of security — and this could be a psychological as well as an economic benefit.

(d) It could assist him to obtain a home for his retirement. On the present scale of retirement benefits — state and church — the average Methodist minister has difficulty in obtaining a suitable home for his retirement. Frequently he has to commute his interest in the Church's Supernumery Fund to enable him to do so. Purchase of a house would not necessarily provide the minister with his retirement home — it might not be in the place of his choice, but it could be a good investment at a time when to invest wisely in property is one of the few ways to overcome the ill effects of inflation. (N.B.: The Victoria and Tasmania Conference insists on its ministers living in a circuit-provided Parsonage, but is encouraging its ministers to purchase a house as an investment. Some of our N.Z. ministers today are making such provision).

DISADVANTAGES TO THE CHURCH OF THE MINISTER OWNING HIS OWN HOME:

(1) The circuit work would suffer from changes in the location of the Parsonage and the people's difficulty of access to it (e.g. some ministers prefer to reside at a small distance from the church complex rather than adjoining it).

(2) The minister's home could be at too great a distance from the Church complex, leading to increases in transport costs and a re-orientation of work which might not be in the best interests of the pastorate.

(3) The itinerancy of the ministry could be made more difficult to operate —

- (a) The time of settling in could be confused and lengthened because of problems of sale and purchase of properties.
- (b) Quarterly Meetings could become reluctant to initiate changes because of economic and other considerations that might adversely affect the minister moving to another circuit.

DISADVANTAGES TO THE MINISTER OWNING HIS OWN HOME:

(1) With pastorates averaging five years (or less) in length, the minister could be faced with purchasing and selling no less than eight houses in different parts of the country in a forty year ministry — and this in a vocation where changes of appointment are not accompanied by regular or occasional increases in stipends and allowances as a result of promotion.

(2) The above fact could result in financial loss to the minister. Even if he sold one house at a capital gain he would most likely have to purchase another property at an inflated price. (N.B.: If a minister under present system of Church ownership loses a capital gain on property, he has a tax gain). The question of responsibility for legal costs and commission on sale could arise.

(3) The variety of areas and varying standards of houses could affect the principle of parity in the ministry.

(4) The overall effect of ministers owning their own houses could result in too much attention to economic considerations by ministers with increased reluctance to accept changes of appointments. This is especially liable to happen in a time of rapid inflation like the present.

SUMMING UP OF JOINT COMMITTEE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF SUPERNUMERARY FUND BOARD AND BOARD OF MANAGEMENT OF THE CONNEXIONAL OFFICE:

The Joint Committee is not in favour of the principle of ministers owning their own houses. It believes that the minister should reside in a house provided by the Church.

It recognises the need, however, for flexibility. In this age of increasing specialisation and team ministry there could quite well be individual exceptions, e.g. a Chaplain to Flat dwellers in a city area might well be more adequately based in a Flat.

All exceptions should be approved by the Circuit Quarterly Meeting in consultation with the District Synod or in case of a Division with the Board of the Division and the Conference. The following factors should be considered:—

(a) The value of the minister owning his own home from the point of view of the mission of the local Church in the community.

(b) The possible effects on the concept of a team ministry if one member of the team owns his own home and the others do not.

(c) The necessary financial arrangements.

N.B.: It would be advisable for the Standing Committee on Stipends to make recommendations regularly regarding minimum housing allowance.

The Joint Committee commends the Supernumerary Fund Board in its endeavours to improve the provisions for Ministerial Retirement Housing and expresses the hope that through the Home Acquirement

Fund or by some other means the minister be provided with a larger amount towards the purchase of a house at the time of his retirement.

The Joint Committee commends the Standing Committee for its policy of reviewing stipends regularly and building Methodist stipends up to parity with Presbyterian stipend minima.

W. R. LAWS, Gen. Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

(1) That the Report be received and adopted.

2. That the following be referred to the Supernumerary Fund Board and Stipends Committee to consider in consultation:—

(a) That the Supernumerary Fund Board be asked to keep the Home Acquirement Fund subscription and subsidies under regular review and to consider placing the subscription on a percentage of Stipend basis.

(b) That the Stipends Committee, in consultation with the Supernumerary Fund Board, be asked to explore ways and means of giving practical assistance to ministers acquiring a section or home during their active ministry.

Note: Consideration might include—

- (i) The possible provision of 2nd mortgage finance (with the need for Conference to approve amendments to powers of investment of various funds).
- (ii) A possible guarantee scheme.
- (iii) A possible survey of Connexional Funds to see whether they could devote a proportion of investable funds for the provision of 1st and 2nd mortgage finance.

QUESTION 43 (b)—The Supernumerary Fund and allied Funds?

SUPERNUMERARY AND ALLIED FUNDS

ANNUAL REPORT TO CONFERENCE 1973

The audited annual accounts are presented to Conference with this report.

A consolidated statement of the movement of funds for the Supernumerary and Allied Funds is presented below:—

| 1972 | Movement of Funds | 1973 |
|--------|--|--------|
| \$ | Sources of Funds:— | \$ \$ |
| | (a) Personal Subscriptions Budget and other subsidies and Investment Income etc. | |
| 45066 | Personal Contributions | 53544 |
| 48704 | Subsidies (less refunds to Budget and payments to National Provident Fund) | 54949 |
| 18836 | Interest Earnings | 21931 |
| 2258 | Dividends | 2715 |
| 635 | Donations and Grants received | 2855 |
| — | Commissions | 288 |
| 42120 | Net Rental Income | 58907 |
| 157619 | | 195189 |

| | | | |
|-----------------------------------|---|-------|--------|
| (b) Other Sources | | | |
| 2076 | Local Body Stocks matured | — | |
| 30000 | Loan received on Mortgage | — | |
| 1602 | Mortgage Advance repaid | 17600 | |
| — | Legacy | 5900 | |
| 9727 | Change in Working Capital | — | |
| 43405 | | | 23500 |
| 201024 | | | 218689 |
| Disposition of Funds | | | |
| 4709 | Costs: Administration Charges | 6167 | |
| 1053 | Other Costs | 832 | |
| 12687 | Interest Paid (other than to Allied Funds)) | 27656 | |
| 18449 | | | 34655 |
| Fund Disbursements: | | | |
| 36305 | Quarterly Annuities | 35872 | |
| 16480 | Annuities Compounded | 12678 | |
| 7069 | Furniture Grants | 1697 | |
| 200 | Other Grants | 248 | |
| 26926 | Refunds of Contributions (including interest) | 40319 | |
| 86980 | | | 90814 |
| Other Disposition of Funds | | | |
| 594 | Additional Costs Property | 1393 | |
| 70000 | Repayment of Mortgage | — | |
| 13915 | Loans Repaid | 15000 | |
| 7086 | Share Investments | 12304 | |
| 4000 | Company Debentures Purchased | 42195 | |
| — | Investment in Group Deposit Fund | 10000 | |
| — | Local Body Stock Purchased | 9764 | |
| — | Increase in Working Capital | 2564 | |
| 95595 | | | 93220 |
| 201024 | | | 218689 |

Supernumerary Fund—Accumulated Funds

After taking account of annuities commuted, the Accumulated Funds increased during the year by \$62032 to \$555503. This increase is the largest recorded by the Fund and reflects the increased scale of contributions, the higher earning rate, and in addition commutation payments were lower than has been the general experience since there were fewer Supernumeraries at the 1972 Conference than for some years past.

New Investments

The Fund was called upon to repay \$15000 of loan advances made by other Connexional Funds but after making this disposition was able to place new investments at favourable rates. The bulk of new funds were placed in company debentures. The share portfolio was also expanded.

Earning Rate

The earning rate of the Fund again improved to 7.8%. The trend has been:—

| | | | | | | |
|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-----|
| 1973 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 7.8 |
| 1972 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 7.6 |
| 1971 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 5.9 |
| 1970 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 6.4 |

It will be appreciated that as the earning rate improves it becomes more difficult to achieve still higher rates—particularly in a fund such as a Retiring Fund. Nevertheless it is hoped that the expansion of property and other equity investments, review of mortgage rates and favourable new investments will enable present yields to be maintained and improved.

Annuities

The position regarding annuitants is as follows:—

| | | Retired | | | |
|---------------|-------|-----------|--------|-------------|-------|
| | | Ministers | Widows | Deaconesses | Total |
| 30 June, 1973 | ..... | 58 | 42 | 1 | 101 |
| 30 June, 1972 | ..... | 61 | 41 | 1 | 103 |
| 30 June, 1971 | ..... | 54 | 44 | 1 | 99 |

Annuities are currently at the rate of \$34320 p.a., but this will rise substantially in 1974 if the recommendations regarding benefits are implemented (see Actuarial Report and Recommendation 3).

Other Fund Disbursements

Furniture grants show a reduction—because of the fewer number of new Supernumeraries from 1 February, 1973, but also because the preceding year's amount included three payments to widows at double rates. Refunds to Ministers having resigned were also at a reduced level.

K. C. Speer Legacy

During the year the Board received a distribution from the estate of the late Mrs Speer. Since balance date the final distribution has been received bringing the total amount received to \$7925. It is the intention of the Board to use this legacy to form the nucleus of a Fund to provide benefits for Widows of Ministers dying in the Active Work (see Recommendation 4).

Allied Funds—General

The Allied Funds have benefited from the increased earning rate for the year—withdrawals of contributions of \$36103 from the Allied Funds were substantially larger than in recent years, reflecting retirement of Deaconesses in the Home Work, Overseas staff and lay staff in New Zealand.

Morley House Property

In response to the Conference resolution No. 6 (1972 Minutes p. 282) the Board has entered into negotiations with the Deaconess Board with a view to the purchase of the property. The matter is reported on in more detail in the report of the Deaconess Board.

Ministers Owning Their Own Homes

The Supernumerary Fund Board has been in consultation with the Board of Management of the Connexional Office which has prepared a report to Synods and Conference on this matter.

Actuarial Report and Valuation

As reported to last Conference, the Board arranged for an actuarial report as at 31st January, 1973. The previous valuation had been made at 30th June, 1970.

Messrs John Eriksen & Company, Consulting Actuaries of Wellington, have reported as follows. The Board has given considerable attention to the report and further discussions and consultations took place with the Actuaries.

REPORT OF MESSRS J. ERIKSEN & COMPANY, CONSULTING ACTUARIES

Report of Actuarial Valuation as at 31st January, 1973

1. BENEFITS AND CONTRIBUTIONS

We have pleasure in submitting our report on the actuarial valuation of the Fund as at 31st January, 1973. In the first instance we set out the current rates of benefits and contributions which have been taken into account in the valuation.

Rate of contribution per minister

| | | |
|----------|--|--------------------|
| Personal | | \$160.00 per annum |
| Subsidy | | 240.00 per annum |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$400.00 per annum |

The total current contribution represents close to 12½% of the current minimum stipend of \$3,203.

Retirement annuity for each supernumerary minister

\$22.50 per annum for each year of service, \$13.50 per annum of which continues to be payable to the widow after the death of the minister. The retirement annuity accrues in respect of a maximum period of service of 40 years.

Annuity to a widow of a minister dying before retirement

\$13.50 per annum for each year of husband's service including both actual and potential service up to age 65 with a maximum of 40 years.

Furniture Grant

A lump sum payable on retirement equal to \$20.00 for each year of service with a maximum of 40 years. In the case of death before retirement a lump sum equal to \$40.00 for each year of service is paid to the widow in respect of both actual and potential service up to age 65.

2. MEMBERSHIP

As at the valuation date 220 ministers were contributing to the fund. A further 11 ministers were not contributing to the fund in 1973. 58 supernumerary ministers were receiving annuities from the fund and in respect of 52 such supernumerary ministers there are prospective liabilities for reversionary annuities to their widows. 43 widows of ministers were receiving annuities from the fund.

The information required for the valuation was provided by officers of the fund. The data is summarised in the schedules attached to this report. The figures reconcile satisfactorily with the revenue accounts of the fund.

3. PROGRESS OF FUND

The progress of the Fund since the last valuation is summarised in the following consolidated revenue account.

**Consolidated Revenue Account for Period from 1st July, 1970 to
31st January, 1973**

| | \$ | | \$ |
|--|---------------|---------------------------------------|---------------|
| Fund as at 1st July 1970 | 445092 | Annuities | 83671 |
| Personal contributions | 70927 | Furniture Grants | 13806 |
| Circuit contributions | 95786 | Commutations | 51805 |
| Subsidy portion payable by contributors | 6909 | Refunds | 13761 |
| Transfer from other sources | 5667 | Working expenses | 12983 |
| Interest and dividends | 58346 | Interest paid to depositors | 38253 |
| Net property income | 75117 | Provision for building maintenance | 3000 |
| Grants and donations | 1458 | Fund as at 31st January 1973 | 542503 |
| Commissions | 480 | | |
| | <u>759782</u> | | <u>759782</u> |

The average yield of the fund during each accounting period since 1st July, 1970, was:—

| PERIOD TO 31st JANUARY | AVERAGE YIELD |
|--------------------------|---------------|
| 1971 (seven months only) | 6.7% |
| 1972 | 8.0% |
| 1973 | 7.9% |

4. VALUATION BASIS

The valuation was performed on the same actuarial bases as those used in 1970 which are summarised below:—

Rate of Interest: $4\frac{1}{2}\%$ per annum.

Mortality of Ministers: The latest table of mortality deducted by the Institute of Actuaries for assured lives.

Mortality of Annuitants: The latest tables deducted by the Institute of Actuaries for Annuitants.

The experience of the Fund since the preceding valuation date has been more favourable than that indicated by the above assumptions particularly in regard to the rate of interest earned on the Fund.

5. VALUATION

The valuation of the Fund on the above assumptions gives rise to the following result:—

Valuation Balance Sheet as at 31st January, 1973

| | \$000s | \$000s |
|---|------------|-------------|
| Present values of:— | | |
| Current annuities to supernumeraries | | 148 |
| Current annuities to widows | | 114 |
| Prospective annuities to supernumeraries | | 674 |
| Prospective annuities to Widows | | 388 |
| Prospective furniture grants | | 93 |
| | | <u>1417</u> |
| Present value of future contributions at the total rate of \$400.00 per minister per annum | 1081 | |
| Fund as at 31st January 1973 | <u>543</u> | <u>1624</u> |
| Surplus | | <u>207</u> |

6. SURPLUS

The surplus of \$207,000 as at 31st January, 1973, compares with a surplus of \$68,000 disclosed by the valuation as at 30th June, 1970. The increase in the surplus is due in the main to the considerable increase in contribution rates since 30th June, 1970. The current surplus of \$207,000 represents approximately 15% of the total value of benefits and an increase in benefits of that order would appear appropriate. If contributions are also to be increased it would in our view be appropriate to increase benefits by more than 15%. We should be pleased to discuss this question in closer detail after you and your Board have had an opportunity to make appreciation of the position disclosed by our valuation as set out above.

Yours faithfully,

(Signed) J. Eriksen.

SCHEDULE OF MINISTERS CONTRIBUTING TO THE FUND

| Year of Birth Group | Number of Ministers |
|---------------------|---------------------|
| 1905-1909 | 4 |
| 1910-1914 | 20 |
| 1915-1919 | 27 |
| 1920-1924 | 27 |
| 1925-1929 | 42 |
| 1930-1934 | 36 |
| 1935-1939 | 27 |
| 1940-1944 | 35 |
| 1945-1949 | 2 |
| | <hr/> |
| | 220 |

SCHEDULE OF MINISTERS NOT CONTRIBUTING TO THE FUND IN 1973

| Year of Birth Group | Number of Ministers |
|---------------------|---------------------|
| 1905-1909 | 1 |
| 1915-1919 | 1 |
| 1920-1924 | 1 |
| 1925-1929 | 3 |
| 1930-1934 | 3 |
| 1935-1939 | 1 |
| 1940-1944 | 1 |
| | <hr/> |
| | 11 |

SCHEDULE OF SUPERNUMERARY MINISTERS WITH NO PROSPECTIVE REVERSIONARY ANNUITIES TO A WIDOW

| Year of Birth Group | Number of Supernumerary Ministers | Amount of Annuity |
|---------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------|
| 1905-1909 | 1 | \$ 225 |
| 1900-1904 | 1 | 585 |
| 1895-1899 | 0 | 0 |
| 1890-1894 | 2 | 1414 |
| 1885-1889 | 1 | 518 |
| 1880-1884 | 1 | 460 |
| | <hr/> | |
| | 6 | <hr/> |
| | | \$3202 |

SCHEDULE OF WIDOWS IN RECEIPT OF ANNUITIES

| Year of Birth Group | Number of Widows | Amount of Annuity |
|---------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| 1925-1929 | 1 | \$ 540 |
| 1920-1924 | 1 | 413 |
| 1915-1919 | 2 | 305 |
| 1910-1914 | 4 | 1067 |
| 1905-1909 | 10 | 2479 |
| 1900-1904 | 5 | 1506 |
| 1895-1899 | 4 | 1049 |
| 1890-1894 | 8 | 2490 |
| 1885-1889 | 6 | 2437 |
| 1880-1884 | 1 | 498 |
| 1875-1879 | 1 | 454 |
| | <hr/> 43 | <hr/> \$13238 |

SCHEDULE OF SUPERNUMERARY MINISTERS WITH RIGHTS TO REVERSIONARY ANNUITIES TO WIDOWS

| Year of Birth Group | No. of Supernumerary Ministers with rights to reversionary annuities to widows | Prospective Amount of of widows' reversionary annuities |
|---------------------|--|---|
| 1910-1914 | 6 | 1151 |
| 1905-1909 | 16 | 4808 |
| 1900-1904 | 17 | 4321 |
| 1895-1899 | 6 | 3002 |
| 1890-1894 | 3 | 2158 |
| 1885-1889 | 3 | 1377 |
| 1880-1884 | 1 | 405 |
| | <hr/> 52 | <hr/> \$17222 |
| | | <hr/> \$13864 |

Benefits

The Actuarial report revealed a surplus which makes possible an increase in benefits for all supernumeraries and ministers' widows as from February 1st, 1974. Taking into account the actuarial valuation and the increase in contributions consequent upon increases in stipends, the Board is able to recommend a 30% increase in benefits (see Recommendation 2). (Note: This follows a 40% increase in benefits in 1971.)

The new maximum pension for a minister (40 years service) will increase from \$900 per annum to \$1170 per annum. The new maximum pension for a widow will increase from \$540 per annum to \$702 per annum.

Should the minister commute to the maximum of 75% he would receive a lump sum payment of approximately \$8700 depending on age at retirement in addition to Furniture Grant and any moneys deposited with the Ministers' Home Acquirement Fund. His continuing pension would be \$292 per annum.

Should the minister's wife commute her prospective pension to the maximum of 75% she would receive a lump sum payment of approximately \$1700 depending upon the ages of herself and her husband at the time of retirement. Her continuing pension would be \$175 per annum.

Furniture Grants

The Board intends to continue its practice of making Furniture Grants to ministers on their retirement at the rate of \$20 per year of service. The changeover of Parsonage furniture that took place at July 1st, 1973, did not include expensive items like refrigerator, washing machine, floor-coverings, and drapes.

Additional Benefit for Widow of Minister Dying in the Active Work

In response to the Resolution of the 1972 Conference (Minutes, page 254, Resolution 6) the Board has given considerable thought to the provision of an additional sum of \$4000 to the widow of a minister who dies in the active work.

Two proposals were submitted to Synods for their comments. Both involve the establishment of a Special Fund created from the following sources:—

- (a) Legacies
- (b) Grants from Connexional Funds
- (c) Donations
- (d) Interest

The Board envisages that this Fund would need to be built up rapidly to a capital of at least \$20,000 and would need to be constantly under review. A legacy of \$7,925 has been received by the Supernumerary Fund Board from the Estate of the late Mrs K. C. Speer and this would form the nucleus of such a Fund.

From this Special Fund, the Board envisages that a cash grant of \$4,000 would be made available immediately on a minister's death in the active work.

As an alternative, the Board could make available an interest free loan to assist the minister's widow to purchase her house. Such loans would be secured by mortgage and repaid either at death or re-marriage. If the loans system is adopted, the Board would envisage that loans of a larger amount than \$4,000 would be possible.

In putting forward both these alternatives the Board's aim is to ensure that every minister's widow is adequately housed.

This benefit would be in addition to present benefits for the widow of a minister who dies in the active work including provision for a pension based on notional years of service with the right of commutation and a double furniture grant. This would mean that the widow of a minister who died in the active work would receive a pension (on the new scale) of \$702 p.a., a furniture grant of \$1600, and a grant/loan of \$4,000 together with any moneys in her late husband's deposit account with the Ministers' Home Acquisition Fund. If she commuted her pension to the maximum of 75% she would receive a continuing pension of \$175 p.a., a lump sum payment by way of commutation of approximately \$8000 depending upon age, a furniture grant of \$1600, and a grant/loan of not less than \$4000 together with any moneys in her late husband's deposit account with the Ministers' Home Acquisition Fund. In the aggregate she could receive a total sum of approximately \$14,000 to \$15,000, possibly more, if the loan scheme is adopted.

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, Home Acquisition Fund, Deaconesses' Retiring Fund, Home Missionaries' Retiring Fund, Deferred Stipend Fund and Lay Workers' Retiring Fund be received and adopted.

3. Benefits:

(a) That as from February 1st, 1974, the annuity for a Supernumerary Minister be increased from \$22.50 to \$29.25 for each year of service up to a maximum of 40 years.

(b) That as from February 1st, 1974, the pension for a minister's widow be increased from \$13.50 to \$17.55 for each year of her husband's service up to a maximum of 40 years.

Note—These rates will apply to ministers superannuating at the 1973 Conference.

4. That an additional benefit be provided for the widow of a minister dying in the active work by way of a grant of \$4,000, and to enable this to be done a Special Fund be created.

5. That the following be referred to Supernumerary Fund Board and Stipends Committee for consideration:—

That Conference ask the Supernumerary Fund Board to investigate and report to Synods and Conference on ways of strengthening the Home Acquisition Fund in the light of—

(i) The practice of ministers using the Supernumerary Fund as a Home Acquisition Fund rather than a Pension Fund and the possibility of a reduced percentage of commutation being available under the Government's proposed Superannuation Scheme regulations.

(ii) The report on the principle of ministers owning their own houses during active service and the need for ministers to make provision for a home on retirement.

6. That Conference gives its approval to the establishment of a Methodist Ministerial Retiring Housing Trust and invites individuals and Trusts to make donations, grants, and legacies to assist the establishment of the Trust.

7. That Conference express its thanks to Mr E. A. Crothall for his untiring efforts to see such a Trust established and his generosity in making a substantial amount of Capital available.

8. That the Board for 1974 be as printed on page 8 herein.

QUESTION 43 (c)—Methodist General Purposes Trust Board?

METHODIST GENERAL PURPOSES TRUST BOARD (INC.)

REPORT TO CONFERENCE 1973

The audited financial statements will be presented to Conference with this Report.

Funds under Administration

It has been another year of strong growth in Funds administered. These now exceed one million dollars. The size of the Fund has more than doubled in three years, as shown by the following movements:—

Funds under Administration (to nearest thousand dollars)

| | | | |
|-----------|-------|-------|-------------|
| June 1970 | ..... | ..... | \$512,000 |
| June 1971 | ..... | ..... | \$618,000 |
| June 1972 | ..... | ..... | \$770,000 |
| June 1973 | ..... | ..... | \$1,065,000 |

This substantial growth rate has meant that close attention has had to be paid during the year to the investment of the funds flowing to the office, since such an inflow exerts pressure on the earning rate of the Fund.

Interest Rate

The rate of interest on call and short term deposits has continued at 5½% p.a. A number of Trusts with substantial deposits have taken advantage of somewhat higher rates of interest by committing their deposits for longer periods.

Investments

The strongest expansion of investments has occurred in first mortgages and the current yields obtainable for new and renewed mortgages will result in a substantial increase in interest earnings in 1973/74. The Board has assisted another Fund of the Church by providing a mortgage of \$50,000 for Wesley Training College in connection with its acquisition of properties for investment.

Winstone Memorial Trust Fund

As indicated in the Report to the 1972 Conference, the Winstone Memorial Trust Fund properties were sold during 1972/73 at a price substantially in excess of book value. Although a number of alternative properties have been considered, at the present time the Funds are still held for re-investment. The Board does not anticipate any great difficulty in finding a suitable outlet for investment in other property. After making the provision for transfer to capital in accordance with the Trust Deed, an amount of \$7,691 of disposable income was realised. Grants to meet arrears of stipends for Ministers in the active work during the year totalled \$5,102, whilst grants to Supernumeraries and Widows of Ministers totalled \$970. During the current year it is anticipated that it will be possible to make further grants to widows and supernumeraries and it is the Board's intention that, where possible, fewer but more substantial grants shall be made to assist the most needy cases, including provision of grants to assist in the reduction of mortgage commitments for supernumeraries and widows.

Thorndon Property

As indicated in the Report to the 1972 Conference, investigations regarding the development of this property by the Church Property Trustees of the Presbyterian Church continue. The Methodist Church is participating in this development. It is hoped to make a more detailed report to the next Conference.

New Trusts

During the year, the major new Trust accepted for administration was the 150th Anniversary of Methodism Scholarship Fund and gifts made to date, together with promises, now exceed \$25,000. In addition, the Board has agreed to assist the Overseas Division by administering some of its investments to enable a higher rate of return to be yielded.

W. E. CLOTHIER, Chairman.

W. R. LAWS, Secretary.

C. R. HASSELDINE, Treasurer.

RESOLUTION

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

QUESTION 43 (d)—Fire Insurance Fund?

METHODIST CONNEXIONAL FIRE INSURANCE FUND

REPORT TO CONFERENCE 1973

The financial statements for the year ended 31st May, 1973 will be presented to Conference with this report.

Year's Result

The net profit before charging the cost of insurances (Employers Liability Ministers, Money Cover, Public Liability for Churches, Halls, Parsonages and Preaching Places, Camps and Retreats) borne by the Fund was \$21,484—slightly lower than last year's result, in which special factors had contributed to the year's earnings.

Distributable Surplus

The Board transferred the usual amount of \$2800 to Capital Account. Insurances for Public Liability cover, a Group Money Policy and Employers Liability cover for Ministers, cost the Fund \$5575. This represents a benefit to local Trusts, Circuits and Districts. A divisible surplus of \$13,000 was declared by the Board.

Grants

The Board recommends, in accordance with its report to Synods, that the divisible surplus be distributed as follows:—

| | | |
|--|-------|--------|
| 10 Synodal Districts at \$200 each | ..... | \$2000 |
| Board of Management re furnishing changeover or Sites Fund | ..... | \$ 500 |
| Church Building and Loan Fund for Capital | ..... | \$2000 |
| Home Acquirement Fund | ..... | \$3000 |
| Wesley Training College | ..... | \$ 500 |
| Transport Trust Board | ..... | \$1000 |
| Supernumerary Fund Board—Special Fund for Widows | ..... | \$2000 |
| Methodist Social Services Trust—Everil Orr Fund | ..... | \$1000 |
| J. H. Oldham Scholarship Fund | ..... | \$ 800 |
| Wesley Historical Society | ..... | \$ 200 |

In making this recommendation regarding grants, the Board is endeavouring to meet the requirements of the Church for additional moneys for special objectives, e.g. Everil Orr Fund, J. H. Oldham Scholarship Fund. It has borne in mind the Church's concern for an additional benefit for the widows of ministers dying in the active work.

The Board of Wesley Training College requested a grant towards a Student Scholarship Fund and the Wesley Historical Society enquired as to the possibility of an additional grant to help meet the increased cost of the 150th Anniversary Celebrations publications. Both these requests have been granted.

The Board was aware of the heavy demand upon the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee for loans at this time—hence the small grant towards its capital. It was also conscious of the continuing need to build up the capital of the Transport Trust Board if ministers and other full-time workers are to continue to receive loans at low rates of interest.

In recommending its usual grants to the 10 Synodal Districts, the Board is gratified at the way in which these moneys have been utilized.

The Board continues to meet its responsibilities to provide subsidies for the Ministers' Home Acquirement Fund. This amount has increased because of the higher rate of subsidy (\$16 per minister instead of \$8).

Review of Insurance Covers

The inflationary trends experienced in New Zealand have meant that many trusts have reviewed their covers—but there are still many who have not done so for upwards of five years—in some cases considerably longer. The Board again stresses that it is the responsibility of individual Trusts to ensure that they have adequate cover.

Parsonage Furnishings Review

The changeover of ownership of some parsonage furnishings has imposed a heavy burden on the administration—necessitating review both for Trusts and for the many ministers placing their personal insurances with the Fund.

Employers Liability Cover

There is little information the Board can give at this stage regarding the new Accident Compensation provisions—particularly on the administrative level. However the Board will be watching the position in 1974 and will keep Trusts advised of their responsibilities.

Claims

Although there have not been claims of a really major nature—in comparison with some of the Fire losses which are reported so regularly in the news media—there were several fires on Church property during the year. Glass claims continue to be frequent in number.

Investments

The Board increased its investment in Mortgages by \$15,000. However, the Board has resolved to explore the possibility of placing part of its investible funds in a property investment—possibly in conjunction with other Connexional Funds and Board. Certain possibilities are being explored. It is for this reason that the Board is accumulating liquid funds.

Loans to Churches and Departments

These have been reduced during the year from \$45,383 to \$38,946—partly by normal repayments of instalments—but also by some advance repayments by Trusts. One new loan was approved during the year but was not uplifted.

New Contract

The present contract is due to expire in May 1974. The Board met on several occasions to review the position. The Board is not able to report fully at this point but a further report will be given at the Conference.

A. A. DINGWALL, Chairman.

W. R. LAWS, Secretary.

C. R. HASSELDINE, Treasurer.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted.
2. That the financial statements for the year ended 31st May, 1973, be received and adopted.

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|--|--|--|--|--------|
| 3. That grants for 1973 be as follows:— | | | | |
| 10 Synodal Districts at \$200 each | | | | \$2000 |
| Board of Management re furnishing changeover or Sites Fund | | | | \$ 500 |
| Church Building and Loan Fund for Capital | | | | \$2000 |
| Home Acquirement Fund | | | | \$3000 |
| Wesley Training College | | | | \$ 500 |
| Transport Trust Board | | | | \$1000 |
| Supernumerary Fund Board—Special Fund for Widows | | | | \$2000 |
| Methodist Social Services Trust—Everil Orr Fund | | | | \$1000 |
| J. H. Oldham Scholarship Fund | | | | \$ 800 |
| Wesley Historical Society | | | | \$ 200 |

4. That the Board for 1974 be as printed on page 7 herein.

QUESTION 43 (e)—Contingent Fund?

METHODIST CONFERENCE CONTINGENT FUND

ANNUAL REPORT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1973

For the third successive year the Fund operated with a deficit and for 1972/73 this was at a record level of \$3,215 making an accumulated deficit of \$5,911.

This means that the Church has spent \$5,900 of money that it does not have (since there are no reserves in the Fund).

Factors contributing to the situation

There are a number of factors contributing to the serious deficiency for 1972/73.

- (a) Location of the 1972 Conference, combined with the fact that it was an Anniversary Conference with special non-recurring costs, including a visiting lecturer and the preparation of the film strip. In addition quite a number of Ordinands had long travel to get to Conference.
- (b) The rise in printing costs which are now at a very substantial level.
- (c) The substantial rise in District expenses, particularly for travel.
- (d) Connexional Printing. This again increased by over \$1000 and, of course, included the provision for the voting papers for Church Union.
- (e) Committee Travel. The Committee travel continues at a high level. I would draw the attention of the Conference to the fact that several additional Committees have been formed in the last year or two which are claiming through the Contingent Fund, these include:—

Council of Mission

Committee on Ministry and its Continuing Education
Committee

Annual Samoan Consultation

Special Candidates Selection Committee

Committee Grants

Provision has been made in the Budgets of the Fund for grants to include the following:—

| | | | | | | |
|---------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| International Affairs | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | \$100 |
| Public Questions | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | \$100 |
| Faith and Order | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | \$ 75 |
| Secretary of Examiners | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | \$ 50 |
| World Methodist Council | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | \$300 |
| Samoa Policy Consultation | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | \$500 |

In preparing an application for Connexional Budget support for 1974/75, it has been necessary not only to meet annual costs, but to attempt to make provision to recoup deficits in earlier years. The Board of Management hopes that during the current year, approximately \$2,600 of the deficit will be recouped although this is by no means certain.

The application to the Conference for Connexional Budget support for 1974/75, therefore, includes a provision of \$3300 to recoup the balance of the deficit.

Even if all costs are held to estimates and there are no unexpected calls, there would still be no Accumulated Fund at 30th June, 1975 to meet any contingencies.

It will be clear to the Conference that the Fund is in a serious position and that remedial steps need to be taken to correct the situation.

C. R. HASSELDINE, General Treasurer

RESOLUTION

1. That the Report and Financial Statements of the Contingent Fund 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?

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 1973

Finances

The audited Financial Statements will be presented to Conference with this Report.

Advances

At 30th June there were 64 loans outstanding (1972—58). All were personal loans, 63 to Ministers and one to a Deaconess. There were no loans to Circuits.

During the year 12 Ministers repaid loans in full. There were 29 new loans advanced, 11 of which were added to existing balances, whilst 18 were for completely new loans. Total advances increased during the year from \$54,568 to \$64,573.

Financial Result

A very small surplus of \$93 on income account was shown for the year ended 30th June, 1973.

Capital of the Fund

The Capital of the Fund at \$9162 is manifestly inadequate as a base for a Fund to provide loans on the scale required.

The Board's report to the 1972 Conference drew attention to the reasons why it is desirable to obtain additional Capital Funds. The Board is grateful for having received a grant of \$1000 from the Connexional Fire Insurance Fund.

It is expected that during the current year two loans of \$2000 each, made available by the Hamilton Trust and the Wesley Social Services Trust, will need to be repaid.

The Board gratefully acknowledges the assistance given by these two Trusts as well as the continuing help it receives from other Funds, Trusts and Departments which have made loan finance available.

Additional Bank Overdraft facilities were arranged at times of peak pressure.

Scale of Travelling Allowances

Early in 1973 a new Travelling Allowance scale was announced by the State Services Commission. In accordance with the authority conferred upon it by the 1971 Conference, the Transport Trust Board adopted a new scale with effect from 1st May, 1973. The new minimum allowances were also adopted (see Resolutions 3 and 4).

Guidelines to Car Purchase

During the year the Board distributed to all Ministers and others in the full-time work of the Church, some guidelines to car purchase. These were prepared by Mr H. F. K. Hayman, a member of the Board. Many appreciative comments were received.

Travelling Allowances and Depreciation

As indicated in the Board's 1972 Report (1972 Minutes page 261) it is intended to take a survey among ministers. The survey questionnaire has now been designed and it is hoped to work on this matter before Conference but it is doubtful if a full report will be available until 1974.

N. E. BROOKES, Chairman.

W. R. LAWS, General Secretary.

C. R. HASSELDINE, General Treasurer.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the Financial Statements for the year to 30th June, 1973, be received and adopted.
3. **Travelling Allowances:** That the action of the Transport Trust Board in adopting the following scale from 1st May, 1973 be confirmed—

MOTOR CARS

| Annual Mileage | Up to 1000 cc per mile | 101-1350 cc per mile | 1351-2000 cc per mile | Over 2000 cc per mile |
|-------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 0-1000 | 0.1075 | 0.1210 | 0.1330 | 0.1470 |
| 1001-2000 | 0.0930 | 0.1050 | 0.1160 | 0.1285 |
| 2001-3000 | 0.0860 | 0.0975 | 0.1075 | 0.1195 |
| Up to 4000 | 0.0305 | | 0.0575 | 0.0780 |
| 4001-5000 | 0.0760 | 0.0865 | 0.0955 | 0.1070 |
| 5001-6000 | 0.0715 | 0.0815 | 0.0900 | 0.1010 |
| 6001-7000 | 0.0680 | 0.0775 | 0.0860 | 0.0965 |
| 7001-8000 | 0.0665 | 0.0755 | 0.0840 | 0.0945 |
| 8001 and over | 0.0645 | 0.0740 | 0.0820 | 0.0920 |

When more than two passengers are carried the foregoing rates for motor cars are increased by one cent a mile

MOTOR CYCLES, MOTOR SCOOTERS, MOPEDS AND POWER CYCLES

| Annual Mileage | Motor Cycles Motor Scooters Mopeds or Power Cycles of not more than 60 cc Per Mile | Motor Cycles or Motor Scooters with Cylinder capacity over 60 cc and less than 350 cc Per Mile | Motor Cycles or Motor Scooters with Cylinder capacity of 350 cc & over Per Mile |
|-------------------|--|--|--|
| Up to 4000 | 0.0305 | 0.0575 | 0.0780 |
| Over 4000 | 0.0280 | 0.0505 | 0.0680 |

4. Minimum Travel Allowances: That the action of the Transport Trust Board in adopting the following revised Minimum Travelling Allowances from 1st May, 1973, be confirmed:—

| | \$ | Presently |
|--|----------|-----------|
| Scooter (if sole means of transport) | 165 p.a. | (\$140) |
| Small Car (under 1000 cc) | 370 p.a. | (\$330) |
| Medium Car (1000 cc to 1350 cc) | 420 p.a. | (\$370) |
| Larger Car (1351 cc and over) | 440 p.a. | (\$400) |

5. That the Board for 1974 be as printed on page 8 herein.

APPENDIX

Cumulative Details of Scale Rates of Travelling Allowances from 1st May, 1973

Small Cars up to 1000 cc

| Mileage | Rate per mile \$ | Total for this 1000 \$ | Total Allowance \$ |
|-------------|---------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1- 1000 | 0.1075 | 107.50 | 107.50 |
| 1001- 2000 | 0.0930 | 93.00 | 200.50 |
| 2001- 3000 | 0.0860 | 86.00 | 286.50 |
| 3001- 4000 | 0.0820 | 82.00 | 368.50 |
| 4001- 5000 | 0.0760 | 76.00 | 444.50 |
| 5001- 6000 | 0.0715 | 71.50 | 516.00 |
| 6001- 7000 | 0.0680 | 68.00 | 584.00 |
| 7001- 8000 | 0.0665 | 66.50 | 650.50 |
| 8001- 9000 | 0.0645 | 64.50 | 715.00 |
| 9001-10000 | 0.0645 | 64.50 | 779.50 |
| 10001-11000 | 0.0645 | 64.50 | 844.00 |
| 11001-12000 | 0.0645 | 64.50 | 908.50 |

Medium Cars (1001-1350 cc)

| | | | |
|-------------|--------|--------|---------|
| 1- 1000 | 0.1210 | 121.00 | 121.00 |
| 1001- 2000 | 0.1050 | 105.00 | 226.00 |
| 2001- 3000 | 0.0975 | 97.50 | 323.50 |
| 3001- 4000 | 0.0925 | 92.50 | 416.00 |
| 4001- 5000 | 0.0865 | 86.50 | 502.50 |
| 5001- 6000 | 0.0815 | 81.50 | 584.00 |
| 6001- 7000 | 0.0775 | 77.50 | 661.50 |
| 7001- 8000 | 0.0755 | 75.50 | 737.00 |
| 8001- 9000 | 0.0740 | 74.00 | 811.00 |
| 9001-10000 | 0.0740 | 74.00 | 885.00 |
| 10001-11000 | 0.0740 | 74.00 | 959.00 |
| 11001-12000 | 0.0740 | 74.00 | 1033.00 |

Cars (1351-2000 cc)

| | | | |
|-------------|--------|--------|---------|
| 1- 1000 | 0.1330 | 133.00 | 133.00 |
| 1001- 2000 | 0.1160 | 116.00 | 249.00 |
| 2001- 3000 | 0.1075 | 107.50 | 356.50 |
| 3001- 4000 | 0.1025 | 102.50 | 459.00 |
| 4001- 5000 | 0.0955 | 95.50 | 554.50 |
| 5001- 6000 | 0.0900 | 90.00 | 644.50 |
| 6001- 7000 | 0.0860 | 86.00 | 730.50 |
| 7001- 8000 | 0.0840 | 84.00 | 814.50 |
| 8001- 9000 | 0.0820 | 82.00 | 896.50 |
| 9001-10000 | 0.0820 | 82.00 | 978.50 |
| 10001-11000 | 0.0820 | 82.00 | 1060.50 |
| 11001-12000 | 0.0820 | 82.00 | 1142.50 |

Cars (2001 cc and over)

| Mileage | Rate per mile \$ | Total for this 1000 \$ | Total Allowance \$ |
|-------------|---------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1- 1000 | 0.1470 | 147.00 | 147.00 |
| 1001- 2000 | 0.1285 | 128.50 | 275.50 |
| 2001- 3000 | 0.1195 | 119.50 | 395.00 |
| 3001- 4000 | 0.1140 | 114.00 | 509.00 |
| 4001- 5000 | 0.1070 | 107.00 | 616.00 |
| 5001- 6000 | 0.1010 | 101.00 | 717.00 |
| 6001- 7000 | 0.0965 | 96.50 | 813.50 |
| 7001- 8000 | 0.0945 | 94.50 | 908.00 |
| 8001- 9000 | 0.0920 | 92.00 | 1000.00 |
| 9001-10000 | 0.0920 | 92.00 | 1092.00 |
| 10001-11000 | 0.0920 | 92.00 | 1184.00 |
| 11001-12000 | 0.0920 | 92.00 | 1276.00 |

QUESTION 44—(a) What is the Report of the Finance and Stewardship Committee?

Question no longer applies

QUESTION 44—(b)

REPORT ON THE 1972/73 CONNEXIONAL BUDGET

Audited copies of the financial statements will be presented to Conference with this report. Once again the Budget Account was held open until the first week of August to bring into account the final instalment of the Methodist share of contributions from Methodist/Presbyterian Union Parishes remitted to the Presbyterian Church by agreement. In addition a number of Methodist Circuits also made their final payments in July generally soon after the Quarterly Meeting.

Payments to Departments and Funds

All Guaranteed Funds were paid 100% of their allocation. Non Guaranteed Funds have been paid 97% of allocations compared with 95% for 1971-72. This is the best percentage payout to non guaranteed funds for five years — but it needs to be realised that whilst the better percentage was partly achieved by increased giving, other factors also at work were:

(1) **Churches Television Committee.** This Committee did not uplift any part of the allocation for 1972-73 because of the transfer of its responsibilities to the New Zealand Broadcasting Corporation. Our church also received its appropriate share of Funds in hand at the closure of the work undertaken by the committee.

(2) **Refunds from Retiring Funds.** As in previous years refunds have been received from Retiring Funds. These Funds receive subsidies on a 'per capita' basis. In the case of the Supernumerary Fund there has been quite a marked fall in contributing members to the Fund over the last two or three years due to:

- (a) Retirements exceeding new contributors
- (b) Resignations
- (c) An increase in members "without appointment" not currently contributing to the Fund.

There has also been an increase in members without appointment who remain as contributors but whose subsidies are paid by other organisations and agencies.

The aggregate result of these trends is to reduce the number of subsidies required although inflation, with its attendant increase in the size of the subsidy has some off-setting effect. However the estimates made in 1971 of subsidies required proved to be too large.

Because of the reduction of the numbers of subsidies required for Ministers in Circuits, Union Parishes and Departments, a larger than usual refund was received.

This trend has implications far wider than the immediate area of one year's connexional budget.

DISTRICT AND UNION PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS

There has been an increase both in the absolute level of giving to the Connexional Budget and in the percentage achieved.

The overall position is as follows:

CIRCUITS AND UNION PARISHES

| | | | | Fully Paid | Not Fully Paid |
|---------|-------|-------|-------|------------|----------------|
| 1972-73 | ***** | ***** | ***** | 122 | 45 |
| 1971-72 | ***** | ***** | ***** | 113 | 52 |
| 1970-71 | ***** | ***** | ***** | 108 | 53 |
| 1969-70 | ***** | ***** | ***** | 120 | 41 |

Budget Allocations (including District Expenses)

| | | Allocations | Contribution | Percentage |
|---------|-------|-------------|--------------|------------|
| | | \$ | \$ | % |
| 1972-73 | ***** | 373,604 | 360,633 | 96.6 |
| 1971-72 | ***** | 362,709 | 348,264 | 96.0 |
| 1970-71 | ***** | 97,428 | 243,614 | 94.5 |
| 1969-70 | ***** | 97,711 | 244,004 | 94.7 |

Payments to Funds

| | | Guaranteed | Non Guaranteed | Percentage for non Guaranteed |
|---------|-------|------------|-------------------|-------------------------------------|
| | | \$ | \$ | % |
| 1972-73 | ***** | 109,691 | 248,233 | 97 |
| 1971-72 | ***** | 108,668 | 233,017 | 95 |
| 1970-71 | ***** | 97,428 | 243,614 | 94.5 |
| 1969-70 | ***** | 97,711 | 224,004 | 94.7 |

Circuits and Union Parishes have again responded most loyally both to the opportunity to contribute to the work of the Church supported by the Connexional Budget and in the regularity of their payments.

No District achieved less than 96% of its allocation. The recovery achieved by the North Canterbury and Otago-Southland Districts, which had the lowest percentages in 1971-72, was particularly helpful in enabling a high payout to Non Guaranteed Funds.

Another encouraging feature is that the proportion of Union Parishes meeting their full allocations has increased (now nearly two-thirds) whilst the overall response of 84.19% compares very favourably with 75.6% for 1971-72. If account is taken of Retiring Fund assessments paid separately, the Union Parish percentage would be still further increased. There remain, however, a handful

of Union Parishes and Circuits with a serious shortfall in their contributions. It is hoped that some recovery will be achieved in the present financial year in these situations.

It would be inappropriate not to conclude this report without an expression of warmest thanks to all at District Synod level, Circuits and Union Parishes and through them to the individuals concerned for the excellent results achieved in 1972-73.

C. R. HASSELDINE, General Treasurer.

RESOLUTION

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

CONNEXIONAL BUDGET 1974/75

The Finance and Stewardship Committee of Detail met in Wellington on 1st and 2nd October, 1973.

The Committee considered reports on

- (i) The Connexional Budget response for 1972/73.
- (ii) A Report on Circuit and District Financial positions for 1972/73 with comparative data for earlier years.
- (iii) Stipend projections for the next 9 months.
- (iv) Reports on Stewardship programmes conducted during 1973.

Total Applications

Applications totalling over \$487000 were received. The Connexional Budget for the current year 1973/74 is \$385000.

Determination of amount of 1974/75 Budget

The Committee deliberated at length on the aggregate amount of the Connexional Budget for 1974/75. It believes that a Budget must be set which will challenge our people, but which at the same time will elicit the excellent support which has, for so many years, been experienced by the Methodist Church of New Zealand.

The evidence shows that Circuit incomes are increasing and in fact at a steadily increasing rate, as follows:—

| | |
|--------------------------|------------|
| Increased Income 1970/71 | plus 2.97% |
| Increased Income 1971/72 | plus 5.68% |
| Increased Income 1972/73 | plus 7.32% |

The aggregate increased income revealed by the survey of Circuit finances was approximately \$67,000 in 1971/72, and approximately \$80,000 in 1972/73. However, the rate of inflation has exceeded the rate at which Circuit incomes have increased. Local costs for 1971/72 increased by approximately \$42000, whilst in 1972/73 they increased by over \$81000. The Church is, therefore, receiving increased financial support, but not on a sufficiently large scale to provide for all its needs, local, District and Connexional.

The Committee is, therefore, recommending to Conference that the 1974/75 Budget be increased by 7½% to a total of \$413875. This increase takes into account the fact that the Methodist Women's Fellowship, which has for many years been giving direct support to the Overseas Missions and Maori Work in New Zealand, totalling over \$16,000 p.a. will, in 1974/75, channel its support directly through Circuits and Union Parishes.

Individual Applications

All applications were reviewed in detail and some initial minor adjustments were made. However, the Committee was faced with the unpalatable position of keeping the Budget within the limit of \$413875. Major reductions were inevitable and could only be achieved by reductions in the major Departments of the Church.

It needs to be stressed that whilst in earlier years adjustments were, in general, possible either on "technical grounds" or in the expectation that other sources of income could be provided to do the work planned by the major Departments, on this occasion the Committee was reluctantly forced into a position of recommending allocations which must result in either reductions in staff or non-replacement of present staff, as normal retirements occur.

The major reductions recommended are as follows:—

Education Division, including Stewardship Section.

The application received was \$40518, and this has been reduced to \$33527. In making this recommendation the Committee intends to ask Conference to approve approaches to major Connexional and Local Trusts for special grants in 1974/75, to permit the Department to continue its work with its present staff.

The Committee noted that any reduction in staff in this Division would necessarily reduce the creative work from this Division and would diminish the problem solving capacity of the Church itself through a diminution in the services provided by the Department.

Maori Division

The application of \$69000 was reduced to \$58419. The Tumuaki reported to the Committee that opportunities were opening up which if grasped would require additional staff. In addition this Division, like the Overseas Division, will be affected by the change-over in the method of support by the Methodist Women's Fellowship.

Development Division

Application \$45936—reduced to \$34195. A reduction of this size can only be effected through severe reductions in aggregate grants to Circuits and Union Parishes. The Department will necessarily have to scrutinise applications more closely but, in addition, to encourage reviews of Circuit strategy. The Department will need to establish priorities in the applications in view of the reduced income likely to be available to it.

Finance and Administration Division (Connexional Office).

This Division requested an increase to permit employment of additional staff to enable implementation of the proposal from the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee, that the Church set up a Methodist Trust Association (and possibly a Methodist Investment Trust). The Committee felt that whilst it would encourage the Connexional Office to proceed with its planning, it could not at this stage provide additional Budget support. It is hoped that the Connexional Office will find alternative means of financing the scheme which, in the long run, could prove to be a substantial benefit to the Church as a whole.

Overseas Division

This Division requested an allocation of \$145937 and again this was affected by the altered method of support from the Methodist Women's Fellowship after the current year and, in addition, implementation of stipend changes has a substantial effect on its application.

Nevertheless the Committee could not recommend a grant greater than \$129700 an increase of only \$2700 on the \$127000, allocated in the current Connexional Budget.

Strategy:

In undertaking the task of preparing the recommendations to Conference, the Committee encountered the difficulty, which has been experienced in other years, concerning the determination of suitable Budget priorities and strategies for the Church. The Committee was of the mind that a review of such priorities and strategies be undertaken. Accordingly it is asking that the Vice-President for 1973/74, Mr E. G. Heggie, make this a part of his Vice-Presidential year's programme and a suitable recommendation is appended.

W. S. DAWSON, President

C. R. HASSELDINE, General Treasurer and Convener.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

2. That the Connexional Budget Allocations for 1974/75 be as follows:—

| 1973/74 | | | |
|-----------------------------|--|----------------|---------------------|
| Allocation | | Guaranteed | Requested Allocated |
| 58,100 | Supernumerary Fund | 62,214 | 62,214 |
| 1,200 | Home Missionaries Retiring Fund | 1,696 | 1,696 |
| 5,000 | Deaconesses Retiring Fund | 5,490 | 5,490 |
| 1,920 | Lay Missionaries Retiring Fund | 1,747 | 1,747 |
| 8,000 | Removal Expenses Fund | 12,000 | 12,000 |
| 24,200 | Conference Contingent Fund | 27,500 | 27,500 |
| 3,000 | Children's Fund | — | — |
| Non-Guaranteed Funds | | | |
| 30,500 | Education Division | 40,518 | 33,527 |
| 6,000 | Board of Management—Connexional Office | 11,250 | 7,500 |
| 750 | Children's Homes—Auckland | 655 | 655 |
| 3,000 | Children's Homes—Masterton | 3,000 | 1,000 |
| 5,000 | Children's Homes—South Island | 500 | 500 |
| 6,309 | Development Fund | 20,000 | 500 |
| 31,756 | Development Division | 45,936 | 34,195 |
| 41,390 | Maori Division | 69,000 | 58,419 |
| 12,000 | New Zealand Methodist | 18,000 | 18,000 |
| 2,000 | N.Z.M.S.S.A. | 4,000 | 2,000 |
| 127,000 | Overseas Division | 145,937 | 129,700 |
| 3,850 | Trinity Theological College | — | — |
| 3,850 | Overseas Aid (1%) | 4,877 | 4,138 |
| 374,825 | | 474,320 | 400,781 |
| Miscellaneous Funds | | | |
| 2,178 | National Council of Churches | 2,614 | 2,614 |
| 1,018 | World Council of Churches | 1,018 | 1,018 |
| 1,130 | N.Z. Council of Christian Education | 1,130 | 1,130 |
| 60 | N.C.C. Prison Chaplaincies | 60 | 60 |
| 150 | Armed Forces Chaplaincies | 150 | 150 |
| 2,787 | University Chaplaincies—N.C.C. | 4,720 | 4,720 |
| 1,000 | Overseas Travel Fund | 1,000 | 1,000 |
| 1,150 | J.C.C.U. | 1,300 | 1,300 |
| 202 | East Asian Christian Conference | 202 | 202 |
| 500 | Visual Audio Aids Society | 500 | 200 |

| | | | |
|---------|---|---------|---------|
| — | Committee on Ministry | 400 | 400 |
| — | Pacific Council of Churches | 300 | 300 |
| 10,175 | Total Miscellaneous Funds | 13,394 | 13,094 |
| 374,825 | Total Guaranteed and Non-Guaranteed Funds | 474,320 | 400,781 |
| 385,000 | 1974-75 Connexional Budget | 487,714 | 413,875 |

3. That the 1974/75 Connexional Budget District Allocations be as follows:—

| District | Allocation |
|-----------------------|----------------|
| Northland | 9,830 |
| Auckland | 87,750 |
| Waikato-Bay of Plenty | 57,841 |
| Taranaki-Wanganui | 30,727 |
| Hawkes Bay-Manawatu | 43,667 |
| Wellington | 50,120 |
| Nelson | 21,296 |
| North Canterbury | 69,489 |
| South Canterbury | 17,765 |
| Otago Southland | 25,390 |
| | 413,875 |

4. That the Board of the Wesley Training College be permitted to conduct a Special Appeal in 1974 to provide Funds for Scholarships for Maori pupils.

5. That Mr E. G. Heggie be asked to conduct in 1974, as a Vice-Presidential project, a programme to review present Budget priorities and strategies.

6. That the Budget Strategy Committee be: Mrs M. Turkington, Mr E. C. Flyger, Mr T. J. Martin, Rev. L. J. Gibson (or W. F. Ford), Rev. J. Grundy, Rev. F. E. Waine, Mr E. G. Heggie (Convener).

7. That Connexional and major local Trusts be encouraged to provide all possible, immediate and substantial support for the three Divisions, e.g. Education Division, Maori Division and the Overseas Division, whose staffing will be placed in jeopardy and that the Finance and Administration Division be asked to initiate discussions with appropriate Boards and Trusts to enable early supportive action to be taken.

QUESTION 45—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Trinity Theological College and Hostel?

A. REPORT OF TRINITY METHODIST THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE COUNCIL

The Council has met bi-monthly with a strong attendance of members. During the year we suffered the loss of a valued member, Mr K. J. Rosser, who died on 17 June. He had given excellent service to the Council and College for 24 years. Mr D. Brown, who has guided us wisely, especially in insurance matters, was forced to resign through pressure of work. Mr W. F. Winstone has resigned from the position of Treasurer after serving most generously and efficiently in that capacity for 25 years. The whole Church is greatly indebted to him. The Senior Student, Mr John Roberts, has been a valued member of the Council this year.

The College of St John the Evangelist

Conference last year approved the establishment of a United College, amalgamating the Trinity Methodist College and the St. John's Anglican College. The Service of Inauguration was held on 1 March, 1973, with representatives of both Churches participating.

The coming together of the two traditions and also of the two administrative structures has inevitably thrust up a number of problems, but through a deepening spirit of community within the student body and good relationships between the Staff, the problems have in fact become creative and enriching. The Joint Executive of the united College is working through issues affecting the relationship of the office of Warden to that of Principal.

We are tremendously indebted to our Principal, Dr J. J. Lewis for his wise and gracious leadership in these formative days of the United College and we feel that the whole Church may look with confidence to the future of this venture.

Student and Staff Accommodation

All of our Methodist students are now satisfactorily accommodated in or near the United College at Meadowbank. Only one of the Teaching Staff families is accommodated there at present, but as soon as staff houses are available the other two families will move out from Grafton.

Trinity College Buildings

In accordance with the decision of last Conference, the Trinity buildings and two staff houses have been leased to the Government for a School of Physiotherapy for a period of three years with right of renewal for three years. Income from the lease is being used to pay for our students at the United College and to build up a reserve ready for when the buildings are taken up again. During the year a special committee has been meeting to determine how the buildings may best serve the Church in the future. The Committee comprises the Principal, Dr J. J. Lewis, Rev. I. C. E. Ramage, Rev. B. K. Rowe, Rev. D. B. Gordon, Rev. R. D. Rakena, Miss Joan Fowler, and five Anglican representatives. A representative from the Presbyterian Church has recently been added.

Grafton Hall of Residence

With the leasing of the College buildings, the Trinity Hostel has come to an end. But the Church's ministry to University students continues through the excellent accommodation provided by the Grafton Hall of Residence. The Hall which accommodates 150 students has been full throughout the year. We draw the attention of Methodist students expecting to attend the University of Auckland to this first class accommodation, arrangements for which may be made through the University Lodgings' Officer.

Last Conference gave authority for the present lease from the College Council to the P.M.C. Foundation to be surrendered and replaced by a lease to the University of Auckland, the University in turn to grant a sub-lease to the Foundation. These negotiations have been successfully concluded. We express our thanks to Mr L. W. Peak for the large amount of time and work involved in the negotiations for this lease and also for the lease of the Trinity College buildings.

Council Membership for 1974

Nominations for Council membership will be presented at Conference.

A. K. PETCH, Chairman.
P. P. RUSHTON, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That Conference give approval to the following statement by the Joint Executive of the College:

"That this Executive recognises that there are matters concerning which the Warden and Principal have responsibilities to their own governing bodies. In these matters each should have freedom to fulfil responsibilities belonging to his office. It is recognised that staff and students should do as much together as is consistent with the wishes of their governing bodies. As there should be one person in whom responsibility ultimately rests, it is therefore acknowledged that the Warden should exercise final discretion in matters affecting the common life of the United College."

3. That the Council for 1974 be as printed on page 9 herein.

B. TRINITY METHODIST THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1973

We are pleased to be able to report that the finances of the College are in good shape.

From January this year, all the students are now in residence at the College of St. John's and Trinity Theological College Hostel has been leased for a period of six years to the New Zealand Government and is being used by the Auckland Technical Institute.

The income received from this source is being used to pay student expenses and the surplus is being invested to establish a fund which will be available when we re-occupy the buildings in six years.

Income from the Probert Trust, Emsley Trust and Prince Albert College Trust is paying salaries and expenses of the Methodist Tutorial staff at the United College of St. John's.

The staff are to take up residence at St. John's as houses are provided and we are holding funds which have been accumulated to assist with furnishing of these houses.

The Connexional Budget has been relieved of providing any income for the training of the ministry for a period of six years.

I would like to express our thanks for the Connexional Budget's assistance and co-operation over many years which has made my job much easier. Also, I acknowledge the continuing support from the Probert and Prince Albert College Trusts.

This is the start of a new era for the College and is the right time to pass over the duties of Treasurer to Mr Lloyd Riesterer.

As I am retiring, I would like to express my thanks to the three Principals, Rev. E. W. Hames, Dr D. O. Williams and Dr J. J. Lewis and their staff for all the co-operation, help and friendship which has made my job that much easier over the years.

WILFRID F. WINSTONE, Hon. Treasurer.

C. THE COLLEGE OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

Incorporating Trinity Methodist and St John's Anglican Colleges PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

In response to the decision of the 1972 Conference, the ministerial training programme of Trinity College has been amalgamated with that of St. John's College. Methodist students have been accommo-

dated in or near the College at Meadowbank and they have been granted allowances on a parity with those of the Anglican students. They are able to train in very favourable conditions and have the benefit of a wide range of teaching resources. Practical training in schools, circuits and parishes is also integral to the full College course. There has been an obvious enrichment in the stimulus of community life and in the bringing together of two traditions. The venture is proving fruitful and Students and Staff alike have pledged it their fullest support. The Methodist Church has been able to make its contribution through its representatives and out of its resources. It pays its own allowances and stipends and brings its own emphases. We are now in the second phase of the venture, the first to establish a united College, the second to make it function effectively. The third is to take up again the Trinity buildings for an expansion in lay and ordained practical research and training programmes.

Of the 46 students, 15 are Methodist, 12 for the New Zealand Ministry, one Deaconess, and two for the Samoa Conference.

A week of orientation began the year. A Race Relations Seminar was conducted by Mr Gnanasunderam and two Directors of Christian Education, the Revs. B. K. Rowe and J. Mullane. Under the leadership of Mr J. H. Roberts and Mr R. J. McLay, the combined College quickly established its common life and work.

Administration

On March 1st the Rev. Dr F. I. Andersen was inducted as Warden of St. John's College. He brings with him considerable experience in theological training in America and Australia and he is an Old Testament scholar of international reputation. In a preceding service, representatives of both Churches pledged support and resources for combined ministerial training. The College is organised under the general oversight of the joint Staff Meeting and this is strengthened by student representation. In addition students are assigned to the various Staff members for pastoral care and guidance, in a tutorial system. Methodist students are related to the Conference through the Principal and Methodist Staff members, through the Board of Studies and the College Council.

A venture such as this inevitably raises its own questions. There has been an urgent need for clarification at a number of points and these have been taken up in the Joint Executive. In all the discussions the relationship of the Conference to its Staff and Students has been emphasised. Much has been achieved in a short period.

The Staff

Fresh from successful study periods in Mainz, Germany, and Princeton, U.S.A., respectively, Dr W. R. G. Loader and Dr G. A. W. Armstrong have added strength to the teaching team. Mr K. Booth has completed his doctoral thesis. Mr Ramage has been elected to membership in the New Zealand Association of Psychotherapists. Mr Silvester leaves for overseas study in September.

The Warden and the Principal are both lecturing this year in the Auckland University Classics Department in Ancient History and Hebrew respectively.

Special Activities

The College is indebted to the Revs. B. K. Rowe and J. Mullane who gave further leadership in Holy Week when a multi-media approach was applied to Easter themes and in the weekend held at Camp Morley.

Mr R. A. Burton produced a College play 'J.B.', based on the story of Job, with performances being given in Auckland and Napier.

As part of the course in Maori Studies, Canon J. Tamahori led a College group in a weekend Hui at Ngawha Springs.

The Colloquium for Staff and Students has become an accepted part of the United College programme. Students have met in discussion the cast of Godspell and Peace Media representatives and have studied issues relating to curriculum and training. The Occasional Lecture has been re-established and we have been grateful for the visits of the President and Vice-President and departmental leaders. Other visitors include Professors Tippet, Boling and Gordon Dunstan.

Methodist and Anglican students shared in giving four lectures on Contemporary Theology in the Pitt Street Church.

The Future Use of Trinity Buildings

The representative committee has met on three occasions to study issues related to the future use of the Trinity buildings. A report is in preparation.

Tributes

The College is much indebted to the members of the College Council for support and guidance over the years. The late Mr K. J. Rosser served for 40 years and was often a College representative at Conference. After 25 years, Mr W. F. Winstone has relinquished the office of Treasurer. His work through difficult years made possible the large programme of extension and renovation. We are grateful.

I wish to thank my colleagues, Methodist and Anglican, for co-operation during the year.

J. J. LEWIS, Principal.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Principal's Report be received and adopted.
2. That the Treasurer's Report and the Financial Statements be received and adopted.
3. That Conference expresses its very warm appreciation to Mr W. F. Winstone as he resigns from the position of Treasurer of the Trinity College Council after 25 years service. Mr Winstone succeeded to this position when his father was obliged to relinquish it because of ill health and has maintained the pattern of very willing and gracious service to the Church in this capacity. We record our gratitude for all that Mr Winstone has so unstintingly contributed to the life of the Church.

D. GIFTS TO TRINITY COLLEGE LIBRARY AND MUSEUM

The Trinity College Council gratefully acknowledges receipt of several valuable manuscripts from Mrs Hayman, sister of the late Mr Alan White. These include John Whiteley's 'He Ronga Mau', a Maori version of 'Robinson Crusoe', Maori Service and Prayer Books.

Acknowledged also is a gift of a Robert Raikes Sunday Schools' Centenary Medallion from Mrs W. E. Thompson.

All such gifts are kept in the Trinity Library Collection.

J. J. LEWIS, Principal.

RESOLUTION

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

QUESTION 46—What are the Resolutions of Conference in regard to

(a) The Order of Deaconesses?

(b) The Training of Deaconesses?

DEACONESS BOARD AND WARDEN'S REPORT 1973

Trainees

This year there is one trainee, Miss Diana Tana, who is studying at St. John's College. The Board agreed that Deaconess Trainees be paid allowances on a par with all the Divinity Students at St. John's. Diana is doing her practical and pastoral work with Rev. M. Te Whare in the Mangere area. Sister Hana Hauraki is continuing her reading assignments and book reviews and it is expected that she will be ordained this year. At the present time we have received no enquiries from future candidates.

Morley House

The Board is in consultation with the Supernumerary Fund Board regarding the disposal of Morley House. The Board has agreed to accept in principle the proposal of the Supernumerary Fund Board to purchase the property. The Board would favour the suggestion that has been made that it would maintain a diminishing interest in the property, say for five years after the transfer, should the property be sold outside the Church organisation. The Board is asking that a current valuation of the property be obtained, but would be happy with an unofficial valuation from a person other than a registered valuer. It is understood that the interest rates will be 5½% and possibly 6%.

Convocation

This year Convocation was held at Christchurch for one day only prior to the Ecumenical Consultation on Service. Though the time available did not make it possible to fit in learning groups, it was a worthwhile time with many local senior Deaconesses present and an opportunity to meet with the Executive of the Women's Fellowship. Several associate members also shared in the business sessions. The opportunity was taken to raise three main areas of concern — furniture in Deaconess accommodation, book allowances for Deaconesses and the implications of the sub-committee report and recommendations on training and future of the Order.

Regional Ecumenical Consultation on Service

This was held at Christchurch College from 16th to 23rd January and was attended by about 180 people, most of whom were either Deaconesses, social workers or missionaries from the Pacific area. There was an interesting representation from the United States, Australia and most Pacific Islands. Bible Study was given by Dr P. Gutthardt and the theme was underlined by keynote addresses given by Dr Alan Brash of the W.C.C. The Consultation had a practical bias and visits were arranged to several social service and psychological centres. While we may regret the lack of clear answers about the future of Deaconess Orders as such, there is no doubt that diaconal work (which is caring work that no one else wants to do) is and always will be a large part of the total ministry of the Church. There is wide variety in the ways that Churches train and organise their Deaconess work and a strong suspicion that many Deaconesses would like to be part of an Order such as we have, which has a strong sense of fellowship among its members.

Amended Constitution

Conference 1971 approved the amended Constitution (p. 294, res. 3), but so far we have not received any communication from the Law Revision Committee in this regard. In the Law Revision Committee Report to Conference 1972 (p. 305 Section 2) it is stated that the Committee did not receive the proposed Constitution prior to its presentation to Conference. In fact this statement is incorrect as the draft was forwarded and receipt thereof acknowledged. The Board is assuming that this amended Constitution is the one that is now operative and is acting accordingly at the present time.

Personal

This year we were sorry to receive the resignation from the Board of Sister Anne Wilson. We wish her well in her new sphere of work at Tyler House.

Deaconess Work and Training

The Deaconess Questionnaire sent to Quarterly Meetings in 1972 was returned by 66% of Circuits and in most cases a committee or group had spent time considering the responses. In some cases ministers had simply given their own views and so reduced the effectiveness of the exercise by preventing a cross-section of the church from expressing its views. However, there are some tentative conclusions that can be drawn.

It is obvious that Deaconesses have been employed only in a few European Circuits and that most people think instinctively of the Deaconess in Maori work. There are notable exceptions, and some European Circuits have derived great benefit from the ministry of Deaconesses. Only 12 had employed a Deaconess in their history. In seeking information about the usefulness of employing a Deaconess in their Circuits, most replied that, if financial factors were ignored, there were needs in social work, Christian education and pastoral assistance that could be met by a Deaconess. These are the traditional fields of service. To the question "What other areas of service were there?" there was an imaginative response—e.g., Chaplain to factory workers, counselling, budgeting, hospital visitation, social work with seasonal workers, children's court work, the aged, Islanders, resource person in training, young marrieds, etc."

It is clear from the replies that there are opportunities in many Circuits, and that some might widely consider a Deaconess second appointment, rather than a ministerial appointment.

The Methodist Maori Policy Committee reported that the Deaconess Order had a valuable place in the Church now and in the future. They emphasised the Deaconess role as one of teaching, training and enabling others to teach and counsel. They also stressed the need for workers among Maoris to be bilingual and are reluctant to see trained Deaconesses appointed as staff members of institutions such as hostels.

The emphasis in the replies, and among Deaconesses themselves, is that the chief need is for a pastoral-social work type ministry, rather than a preaching-sacramental role. That is, the Deaconess is seen to be clearly a member of the diaconate, the basic ministry of the Church.

This suggests that we need to examine the way in which training in the past has concentrated on a biblical/theological emphasis, and the assumption behind the transfer of training to Trinity College to benefit from theological expertise. It is the policy of the Deaconess Board to establish a basic biblical/theological groundwork, for no one who represents the Church can be ignorant in that area, and to build upon that a practical interest in people and social work. While

there are some organisational difficulties in doing so, our aim is that every student should obtain the Certificate of Social Studies from the Department of Continuing Education of Auckland University. This is a semi-professional qualification recognised by the N.Z. Association of Social Workers. In suitable cases we would be willing to pay for tuition at another centre such as Victoria University or Waikato. The Deaconess Board feels it should not be wedded to a totally theological course. It does not believe that Deaconesses are Presbyters in all but name.

We feel that training should have a professional basis and that this could be achieved at various levels to suit the person concerned. We are quite ready to consider people with professional social work qualifications who wish a year's intensive theological training prior to ordination as a Deaconess. While we recognise the obvious advantage to the Church of trained social workers in Central Missions and other positions, including the Circuits, and while we are impressed by the quality of the service such people already give the Church, we feel that there is a place for the person who in addition wishes to dedicate her life and be at the disposal of the Church. Without in any way being judgmental, we have the impression that social workers have a high degree of job mobility, and suggest that a professionally trained Deaconess may have advantages because of her closer identification with the Church.

The word "Deaconess" has been under discussion and we have noted that there are some reasons why the Order lacks appeal to young women today. While the role is capable of a variety of interpretations, it is not easy to find an adequate word to describe it.

There are some areas of part-time and alternative training for Deaconesses and women that we think the Church should examine. We suggest that there are many women who could be officially engaged by Circuits on a paid or voluntary basis if they had some basic training in biblical/theological and pastoral skills. While Circuits may hesitate to employ a Deaconess full time, and it may not always be possible for neighbouring Circuits to co-operate in employment, it would be possible to extend the use of the present "lay pastor", particularly women lay pastors, if there was the possibility of preliminary training outside the Circuit setting. It is possible to envisage several centres where this could happen on one or two mornings a week for a term. From these, some older women might find a worthwhile place in full-time service, but certainly most would be a boon to Circuits prepared to use their services part-time.

We would like to draw the attention of the Church to the way in which it is simply assumed that by Ordination, after training, a Deaconess is a member of the Deaconess Order. Deaconesses themselves have devised a "Common Rule", based upon a similar Rule from the Church of South India. We think that it is the concept of service, pattern of life and self-imposed discipline that makes these women members of an Order. Ordination is the granting of authority and responsibility as a representative of the Church, but this does not necessarily make one a member of an Order. However, in our happy Methodist way we assume that this is so. This does raise the question that there could well be members of the Order, or associate members, who were not ordained or who did not fulfil all the requirements of the Church regarding educational standards. We think that there is a place in an Order for those whose chief desire is to serve the Lord, however humble that service might be, as well as those who bring other talents to His service.

Theological Basis of the Deaconess Order

Our thinking about the practical aspects of the Deaconess Order depends, in the final analysis, upon our theological understanding of the nature of "Ministry".

Where "Ministry" has meant "Threefold Ministry", i.e. episcopate, presbyterate and diaconate, the emphasis has been on episcopate and presbyterate (priesthood), with the diaconate in a subordinate and far from satisfactory position. "Deaconess" has denoted a female engaged in a variety of services (usually social in character), but not seen as being integral to the threefold Ministry.

Where "Ministry" has been understood as presbyterial, as in the case of the Reformed and Presbyterian Churches, a similar situation prevails.

The Methodist understanding of Ministry, historically speaking, is basically presbyterial, although episcopal and arch-episcopal elements are built into its polity. John Wesley became convinced that presbyters were not out of order when they ordained presbyters. The function of the Methodist presbyter has always been to preach, administer the sacraments and fulfil the pastoral office. Consequently, as in the Anglican and Presbyterian polities, the female "deaconess" has been in an anomalous position.

The question is now being raised in many quarters whether the basic Ministry is not that of the diaconate. This question takes its rise in a deepening theological conviction that the Church has one ministry, namely that which is derived from the servanthood of Christ.

If this reorientation of thinking about ministry is well-founded, it means that presbyterate and episcopate are special forms of diaconate. It follows that the way is clear to think of an order or orders of the diaconate which, while neither presbyterial nor episcopal, are integral parts of the one ministry of Christ.

These orders—

1. might, conceivably, be varied in form, although they must be vitally related to the ministry of Christ.
2. are not necessarily restricted to one sex, although it might be expedient to have such a restriction in some circumstances.

There are obviously problems of organisation and nomenclature, but it is possible to think in terms of an order of female deacons (deaconesses) within the diaconate. The recognition of such an order by the Church per medium of the right of Ordination implies discipline and being at the disposal of the Church. The Church selects, trains and ordains candidates for the diaconate, this being an aspect of Christ's ministry for which she is responsible. Members of this order might wish to establish an Order with an appropriate concept of service, "Common Rule", pattern of life and self-accepted discipline. It would, presumably, seek the sanction of the Church so to do. The Order itself would admit members to its ranks.

Other forms of the diaconate—male, female or mixed—may or may not be established. In each case the Church would have to determine the status and *modus operandi* of the order concerned. It is now possible to think of the diaconate, of orders within the diaconate, of an order of female deacons ordained by the Church and of an Order of Deaconesses in much more satisfactory terms. One problem is to find a way of speaking of this Order of Deaconesses which distinguishes it and yet does not separate it from the basic concept of the diaconate.

C. J. KEIGHTLEY, Chairman.

J. H. OSBORNE, Warden.

H. L. WILLIAMS, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report and Financial statements be received.
2. That the Financial statements be adopted.
3. That the Report be adopted up to and including the para. "Personal".
4. That the Section "Deaconess Work and Training" and "Theological Basis of the Deaconess Order" be referred to Quarterly Meetings and Synods for report back to the Board by August 1974 and for report to Conference 1974.
5. That the Section, "Theological Basis of the Deaconess Order" of the report be referred to the Faith and Order committee.
6. That the attention of Leaders and Quarterly Meetings be drawn to the continuing opportunities for Deaconesses to serve the Church and to encourage women of all ages to make enquiries of the Board.
7. That the Board for 1974 be as printed on page 6 herein.

QUESTION 46(c).—What is the Report of the Morley House Committee?

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE FOR "MORLEY HOUSE"

(FORMERLY DEACONESS HOUSE)
CHRISTCHURCH 1973

Conference 1972 decided that in view of the financial and other difficulties in continuing the Hostel that the Hostel be closed at the end of 1972.

This was done and a successful auction sale of the entire contents of the Hostel was held.

The Committee received several applications for the use of the premises but as all enquiries sought leases for periods much longer than five years these applications could not be entertained.

Last Conference suggested that the long term use of the property be considered with the use of other Methodist properties in the inner area of Christchurch and also recommended that Connexional Funds endeavour to purchase the property.

The Committee awaits the result of consultations in regard to the property.

W. A. CHAMBERS, Chairman.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report and Financial Statements be received and adopted.
2. That the Board for 1974 be as printed on page 7 herein.

QUESTION 47.—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Colleges and Schools and Hostels?

A. WESLEY TRAINING COLLEGE, PAERATA

REPORT OF THE BOARD, 1973

Three main contributory factors enabled the Board to declare a small excess of income over expenditure for the year ended 31st January, 1973. The first factor was the benefit derived from deferred

payments of Government State Aid from the previous year. The second was the improvement obtained from the re-arrangement of property investments, and the third was the outstanding and additional responsibilities undertaken by the College Staff during the renting of the College facilities to the Girls' Brigade and the Girl Guides over the summer vacation period.

This last factor well illustrates the concern held for the College and the willingness to perform beyond the normal course of duties by the present staff at Wesley College and the Board is most appreciative of their efforts under the enthusiastic and able guidance of the Principal. These efforts were made in addition to maintaining the very high academic standard established at the College which resulted in the usual above average passes being obtained in the University Entrance and School Certificate Examinations and for the second successive year a University Junior Scholarship being won in addition to the six Bursaries awarded. It is doubted whether any other school in New Zealand could better the proportionate achievements of Wesley College.

The property investment income was improved by the Freeholding Scheme at Waikowhai Park Estate being progressed to the stage where 125 sections were freeholded with part of those proceeds being applied to the acquisition of three Commercial properties in suburban industrial areas. The opportunity was also taken to repay in full the previous loan on mortgage on the Paerata property, and our thanks are recorded to the Trustees of the Marianne Caughey Smith-Preston Memorial Rest Homes Trust Board for the sympathetic consideration given to us during the course of that mortgage. The Freeholding Scheme was officially closed on 31st December 1972 but some transactions are continuing to be concluded in the current year.

Development work at Wesley College is continuing as outlined in last year's Report with the water supply and sewage disposal scheme having been completed and the renovation and extension of the College Chapel to seat a congregation of 270 being commenced. This work is to include a major overhaul and tonal improvement of the Chapel Organ to which matter the College Chaplain, Reverend W. A. Chessum, who was welcomed to the College at the commencement of the school year, will lend his expert knowledge in assuring that a very fine instrument suitable to its surroundings is obtained. Several substantial donations have been made by well-wishers of the College and these, with the other donations received for the Chapel renovations, are most welcome as the costs have escalated to over \$40,000 for this project.

Exceptional increases in Teacher salaries together with other increases of costs have throughout New Zealand compounded the difficulties in providing private education of the best standards. The problem for Wesley College is worsened by the objects and tradition of offering such education to a section of the community which generally comes from the lower income levels, leading to substantial financial assistance being granted by the Board and through Scholarships. For the current year the grants or rebates from General Board Funds will amount to \$20,570 and further assistance is given to some pupils by the award of Scholarships. In addition to the Funded Scholarships under the control of the Board we are pleased to report that substantial continuing assistance is received from the Scholarships awarded by the Edith Winstone Blackwell Foundation, Fletcher Holdings Ltd., and the Auckland Savings Bank. Over the years the benefit of Wesley College education is borne out by the achievements and contributions made in or to the community at large, and those who are able are encouraged to consider the provision of such Scholarships.

During the whole of the year membership of the Board has been stable and all have contributed generously of their time and talents to meeting the challenges encountered. For this gratuitous work and effort and for the assistance given to their Chairmen grateful thanks are recorded.

The Board is co-operating with the Wesley College Old Boys Association to mark the 130th Anniversary of the establishment of Wesley College at the Jubilee to be held early in 1974, for which the planning has commenced. We are looking forward to these celebrations with keenness and we trust that all supporters and sympathisers of Wesley College will join with us on this occasion.

W. E. DONNELLY, Chairman.

G. C. B. MINOGUE, General Secretary.

REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL, 1973

Staff

The most notable staff change has been the move of Rev. Ian and Mrs McKenzie back into circuit work after six years of service to the College, and the appointment of Rev. W. Chessum, as Chaplain successor to Mr McKenzie. It is a sad fact that the real value of Mr McKenzie's work will become apparent to the growing young recipients, who have had the advantage of his concern, only after they have left College. As is the case in all of society, attitudes as to what the Church has to offer, are constantly being questioned. Within the College society, Mr McKenzie was faced with the same challenges. His sincerity and focus upon the basic ingredients of a Christian life, have provided a clear course, at a time when numerous changes in form and emphasis are the vogue. Our best wishes to the family as Ian continues his ministry at New Lynn. To Mr and Mrs Chessum, a very warm welcome into the College family.

We need again to record a change of senior matron as once more the constant demands of boys have over-taxed our matron physically. Our very best wishes to Mrs M. McKenzie as she recovers her health.

The composition of the staff in other areas remains constant and again I must record thanks to the Deputy Principal, Mr Horsman, and to the other Department Heads—Mrs Fordyce (acting matron), Mrs Reeve (laundry), and Messrs Allan (Bursar), Sealby (maintenance), Carpenter (domestic), and Reeve (farm).

College Roll

The roll at present is 221. Included in this total are 42 Maori, 7 Tongan, 2 Samoan, 3 Tahitians, 2 Solomon Islanders, 2 Indian, 1 Fijian and 4 overseas European.

The demand for boarding places at senior levels appears to be lessening and it would seem that the primary reason is that of seeking greater weekend social activities than are available in a semi-isolated Boarding school. The seeming lesser emphasis on academy, the challenges of social contact with the opposite sex and greater mobility, must influence boys' demands of their parents.

The number of Maori students on the roll is not large enough for the College to qualify for extra assistance. In view of the success which the College has in instructing these pupils, as reflected in examinations, it is perhaps a tragedy that the Church as a whole does not take a greater part in the challenge of assisting members of its own native race. That there is a disparity in performance between European and Maori is statistically proven; that Wesley College is an institution able to achieve Polynesian performance much above average is also proven. What is needed is the financial support to

enable boys to attend the College. The quality of our teaching staff is quite unique, as is the ready assistance given by other College staff.

Examinations

For the second successive year, we achieved a University Junior Scholarship, Scott Fowlds achieving this honour in the 1972 examinations. With a seventh form class of 17, three of whom were promotions from fifth form, this is a most creditable performance. At Bursary and School Certificate level, results have improved, while at University Entrance level 18 were accredited.

Bearing in mind the IQ's of boys entering College, and attempting examinations, the results achieved by the College would, I believe, be quite unique and would certainly not be bettered.

The need for scholarships to be made available, not only for Polynesian students, but also for deserving boys of all races, is still very apparent.

The institution of further competitive Scholarships, as stated last year, would assist to raise the standard of pupil in the school. Of necessity the fees must increase, and the lower and middle income groups are severely taxed to meet the costs; the Maori roll would be the first to decrease.

Club Work

In accord with our efforts to encourage hobbies activities, a rifle shooting club with the Rev. W. Chessum in control has been added to the other activities of electronics, Young Farmers' Club, gymnastics, field craft, Polynesian club, hobbies building, surf board construction, photography club, art, leather and fur craft.

In order to encourage a greater participation in the art types of activity, a House Choral competition has been inaugurated and the College is participating in as many debating opportunities as offer themselves—Y.F.C., Jaycees, etc.

The enthusiasm of Mr Chessum has doubled the number of boys interested in, and learning, band work and the quality of this work and enthusiasm for it has increased greatly.

College Work

In an effort to encourage social responsibility, the following have been instituted:

- a. Prefects have morning tea with the staff at least two mornings a week.
- b. Visits to Kingseat are being continued with the hope of their being extended to include local concerns.
- c. Opportunities exist for students to join local Bible Classes, and pupils from outside the College have been invited to join the College Bible Classes.
- d. Seniors are permitted to wear "civvies" during the week and weekends, but these must be neat.
- e. A camp has been held for seniors at Big Bay, Manukau Heads. The fifth form have been on an educational trip covering the National Park area, Rotorua and Tauranga. Forms 1 and 2 have been at a one week camp at Big Bay.
- f. A St. John's course has been set up within the College.
- g. A financial target was set for a fund raising campaign. The particular amenity desired by the majority of the students was a larger swimming pool. Staff and pupils participated in the campaign which culminated in a gala day held at the College.

- h. A night class in Maori Studies has been instituted. This draws its membership from local adults with oral participation from the senior students of Maori at the College.
- i. Classes have been encouraged to set a project of work within the College and for the class, as a group, to work on the project. It is hoped that this will encourage students to appreciate the value of work done by others.
- j. Students are informed of all matters which constitute the College.

We wish to extend our sincere thanks to the Chairman, Mr Donnelly and to members of the Board for their assistance and support throughout the year.

E. TeR. TAUROA, Principal.

THE BOARD OF WESLEY COLLEGE

SUPPLEMENTARY SPECIAL REPORT TO SYNODS AND CONFERENCE

Wesley College, Paerata is the successor to the Native Training Institution established at Grafton, Auckland by the Reverend Walter Lawry on land granted for the purpose by Governor Fitzroy in October 1844.

The Institution was formally opened early in 1845 at Grafton, and further land was granted at Three Kings for the purposes of the Native Institution. Subsequently additional land was granted or purchased on the Manukau-Waikowhai shore.

In 1849 the larger Institution was opened at Three Kings, to which the work was transferred from Grafton. This Three Kings Native Institution served splendidly until 1869 when the unsettlement of the land wars of that period resulted in the temporary discontinuance of the work there.

After seven years, in 1876, the work was re-opened as Wesley College, Three Kings, and there the training of Theological Students for both the Native and the Pakeha ministries was combined with the College work.

In 1895 the Pakeha Theological Training was moved to Prince Albert College in Queen Street. The Reverend J. H. Simmonds became Principal at Three Kings where the Maori Boys' College continued until August 1922 when the work was transferred to the present property at Paerata.

On moving to Paerata the Board and the Conference entered on a new policy of inter-racial education for the mutual benefit of both the Maori Boys and their fellow students of other races.

In 1924, Wesley College, Paerata was registered as a Secondary School, and the Jubilee of this is being observed early in 1974. This celebration will also be linked with the Anniversary of the establishment of the Native Training Institution of 1844—130 years—one of the earliest schools in New Zealand.

Now the Board is facing a serious problem in maintaining a worthy proportion of Maori students. From its endowments and other income, the Board has maintained over the years a policy of allocating annually a substantial sum for special Maori Scholarship or bursaries in abatement of Maori fees, as well as other beneficiary grants,—this year this sum being \$14,750. This figure will be reviewed annually in the light of the overall budget.

Costs, especially those of Teachers' salaries, have risen steeply in recent years and this has forced the Board to increase the fees for all boys. The result is that the figure allocated for special Maori grants is covering fewer Maori boys, and this now is causing the Board great concern giving rise to this special Supplementary Report.

As a Board, we stress the obligation of our Church to maintain and develop Wesley College, not only because it is a legacy from the past, but also because we are convinced that it can make and is making a unique and valuable contribution to the Education of the boys who come there, particularly if it can maintain its contribution to a significant number of Maori boys.

The present full fee for a Maori or Island boy is now well beyond the capacity of the parents in the areas from which most of such boys have been drawn by Wesley College. The result is an inevitable drop in the proportion of such boys on the school roll, and this will continue at an increasing rate unless special urgent steps are taken to remedy it.

The only hope of a change is for the provision of some special assistance by way of special Maori Scholarships or bursaries for the abatement of a substantial portion of the annual fee. If Circuits individually or working in groups, or Members of our Church personally, could pledge support to make a contribution equal to fees for a term or more, as a Church we would really achieve something.

It is the wish of the Board that Conference draw the attention of the whole Church to this situation, with the belief that many Circuits and individual well-wishers will spring to the aid of Wesley College by the way of gifts or legacies towards this special need. It is many years since Wesley College turned to the Connexion as a whole for special assistance for its basic programme of work, and the Board is anxious that the Church through the College may worthily honour its historic obligation to assist substantially in the education of a good proportion of Maori Scholars. We confidently commend this to the whole Church.

W. E. DONNELLY, Chairman.

RESOLUTIONS

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

2. That Conference extend to the Board, Staff and Students at Wesley College, Paerata its congratulations and good wishes on the occasion of the Golden Jubilee of the College at Paerata, and the 130th Anniversary of the establishment of the Wesleyan Native Institution at Grafton in 1844.

3. That District Synods be urged to bring this anniversary before all Circuits with the request that serious consideration be given to making special efforts individually or in groups for the provision of more scholarships and bursaries for Maori students.

4. That our members be asked wherever possible to consider personally providing gifts and legacies for this work.

5. That Conference extends to Mr E. Te R. Tauroa its thanks for the very fine contribution he and Mrs Tauroa have made to the life of Wesley College over the last nine years, six being as Principal. It notes that the academic standard of the College has been raised to a very high level, that the spirit of the College has led to an enriched experience of life, and that the emphasis on Christian standards and faith are equipping boys for life.

Conference congratulates Mr Tauroa on his appointment as Principal of a new co-educational Secondary School and wishes him well for the future.

6. That Conference place on record its appreciation of the fine service given by Mr W. E. Donnelly as a member of the Board for many years and as Chairman of the Board over the last two years.

7. That the Wesley College Board and the Maori Division consult in the preparation of a case to be submitted to the Minister of Education, asking for an adjustment to the embargo which at present prevents special assistance being given to Colleges whose Maori roll is under 30%.

8. That the Board for 1974 be as printed on page 9 herein.

QUESTION 47 (b)—

B. RANGIATEA MAORI COLLEGE TRUST BOARD

ANNUAL REPORT, 31st MAY, 1973

The Hostel continues to have its ups and downs with girls, staff and circumstances. The roll at the commencement of this calendar year was 56 girls but has now dropped to 50. A vigorous campaign of publicity, the production of brochures and posters widely distributed has not resulted in filling the Hostel to its capacity of 68 girls, which fact is reflected in the financial statements.

The care and maintenance of the property has been borne in mind by the Board and the roof has been painted, some interior painting completed and work done in the bathrooms. The grounds are well maintained and a credit to the Hostel. A new hedge has been planted on the road frontage with the assistance of some good friends. A new Fire Alarm system connected directly to the Fire Station in the city has been installed.

It is with regret that we record another loss in our accounts this year, the major cause being the lowered roll of girls in residence. Staff wages have been reviewed and we recognise that this will need regular oversight if we are to have suitable staff members when replacements are required. This has lead the Board also to revise the scale of fees for the girls commencing from January 1974. The Church can assist the Board very greatly by ensuring that a succession of girls of secondary school age are encouraged to keep the Hostel filled year by year.

We could not close this report without a very sincere vote of commendation for the Matron, Sister Joan Wedding, and her devoted staff in their care and guidance of these young women of Maoridom. Thanks are also due to the members of the Board and the Executive Committee resident in New Plymouth who offer themselves so willingly for this work. We go forward into the new year with some misgivings, but also with confidence that God will still bless the faithful labours of His children.

W. R. FRANCIS, Chairman.

M. H. BURN, Secretary.

MATRON'S REPORT, 31st MAY, 1973

It was an honour that at the beginning of the year a Rangiatea 7th form girl was elected head girl of Spotswood College. She was obviously the most able leader, which is rather an encouraging thing in a school of 1400 students.

At the Hostel, Whakaata Callaghan, a 5th year student, is our Head girl. She has shown a mature leadership in involving large numbers of the girls in the responsibility of helping the Hostel function as an integrated unit. She is also aware of her Maori heritage and the methods she uses are true to responsible Maori ways. It has been good to encourage her in these ways and to note the positive response from the girls.

A feature of the newcomers this year is that they are mostly Methodists and many come with a background of involvement in our Maori Mission work. Girls at the Hostel go regularly to New Plymouth Youth for Christ meetings. From this involvement a Rangiatea Quartet entered the Y.F.C. Capital Teen Convention contest. They returned from Wellington bringing a large trophy, as they won their section against all the other musical groups entered from throughout New Zealand.

Spotswood College offers Maori lessons by Correspondence to its students who board here and many are taking it. Most are succeeding quite well and are being assisted regularly by Mr Couch who comes to the Hostel 8 - 8.30 a.m. to teach them on several mornings a week.

Thursday evenings after dinner Mr Couch leads all the girls in Maori prayer and then takes religious instruction classes with F.5 upwards. A staff member and I take the F.3 and F.4 girls. Our five Methodist F.4 girls are attending confirmation classes at Whiteley Church each week. Each 4th Sunday of the month, the Maori members of the New Plymouth circuit join with the girls at the Hostel for a service. This has usually been led by Mr Couch. Other Sundays it is normal to worship at Whiteley Church. Several senior girls assist in the Maori Sunday School at the old Rangiatea Church.

Rangiatea has joined the North Taranaki Netball Association and fielded their own three netball teams this year for the first time. Our senior team has won their section. Many of the girls represent their school in indoor basketball, netball, softball and tennis.

Examination Results 1972

Two girls were accredited U.E., one from each school.

Two gained their lower sixth form certificates.

Of 12 girls sitting School Certificate subjects, only seven had any success.

The staff at both schools take a real interest in these girls and are always prepared to give as much additional assistance as is wanted.

We are indebted to many people in the community who invite the girls into their homes on outing afternoon on the 1st and 3rd Saturday afternoons of the month. The girls have taken an active part in collections. Several senior girls belong to Rotoact Clubs at their schools and participate in various projects. All the girls learn action songs each Friday evening and of recent weeks, Ngaio McCulloch, one of Mr Couch's young youth leaders here in the city, has very ably assisted our senior girls in training the others in these.

I am very indebted to a very loyal staff for their assistance, support and Christian witness and consider that they have cared for and guided the girls well, during the past year. Almost without exception the girls themselves are developing into young people with a good positive lead to give in the community when their days here are completed.

P. J. WEDDING, Matron.

RESOLUTIONS

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

2. That the Board for 1974 be as printed on page 8 herein.

QUESTION 48—What are the Resolutions of the Conference in regard to: (a) The Board of New Zealand Methodist?

BOARD OF THE NEW ZEALAND METHODIST

REPORT FOR 1973

This last year, 1972-73, has been the eighth year of the paper's life. The year has seen several matters of importance, notably the change of editor and, as always, a constant reviewing of the work and emphasis of the paper by the Board.

Editor

We believe that the Rev. John Bluck is making a very significant contribution to the life and thinking of our people throughout the Connexion through the columns of the paper. To John and to the Anglican Church which has released him for this task we express our sincere thanks.

Circulation

The circulation of the paper remains reasonably steady. We would wish it were otherwise—for with the establishment of an increasing number of Union Parishes we had hoped that our local Methodist people would have seen the paper as something which they should take into those parishes as part of their contribution to the new situation.

The Board has been concerned about this and has endeavoured to find out why the outreach of the paper has not developed in this way.

Name of Paper

It has seemed that in at least some parishes the name of the paper has been a stumbling block. Members have hesitated to push a paper with a denominational name, even though its contents have been much wider than the name it bears.

The Board has agreed on the following criteria (and hopes to be in a position to recommend a new name to Conference)—that the name should be non-denominational, that it should reflect the idea of the Church in Society, and should catch the thought of the new breaking forth in our midst.

Distribution

The Board is somewhat concerned that in some Circuits the distribution of the paper is much less well organised than in others. We are of the opinion that the most effective method of distribution is the organising of a team of distributors (normally of younger members) who will undertake to promptly deliver each issue into the letter boxes of members or associates. Because of the amount of reading in each issue we do not think that the delivery of two issues together should ever be resorted to.

We recognise that despite its importance the distribution of the paper fortnight by fortnight can become somewhat irksome and we hope that distributors can be changed from time to time.

Finance

The Board's financial statements show a result which causes the Board some anxiety. For the first time in the life of the paper expenditure has exceeded income by a substantial amount. This has not resulted from a drop in the donations contributed by readers (which, in fact, are an all-time record) but costs have risen consider-

ably. A substantial rise in printing costs has had to be met, and despite considerable care other minor costs have also risen. The Board therefore faces a situation where it must ask for an increased grant from the Connexional Budget. This will be the first time such a request has been made despite increasing costs and the decreasing value of our dollar.

Thanks

The Board expresses its thanks to all who have assisted during the year in the production and distribution of the paper. We are greatly encouraged by the frequency and regularity of expressions of appreciation of the paper. We would not expect that every article or every expression of opinion finds the same enthusiastic response from every reader. But we hope that from issue to issue it encourages new thinking, promotes deeper devotion and challenges to wider service.

H. A. DARVILL, Chairman.
R. J. F. REID, Secretary.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT CHANGE OF NAME

The Board of the New Zealand Methodist asks Conference to approve a change in the name of the paper. The reasons for change, the criteria by which a new name should be chosen, and a suggested new name appear in the following statement:

Reasons

Methodists have prided themselves on having an ecumenical paper. Its contents are aimed at all the negotiating churches, yet very few outside Methodism read or hear about it.

That might be because we don't promote it hard enough. It is also because the name 'New Zealand Methodist' conjures up a narrow denominational image to outsiders. The Board's recent experience in negotiating with other churches to support the paper confirms this.

We don't believe changing the name will suddenly increase the paper's ecumenical appeal. But we know it will help its acceptance in Union parishes and Anglican and Presbyterian groups.

The New Zealand Methodist's future depends on its winning a place in the 56 Union parishes, 250 congregations involved in joint ventures, and the hundreds more sharing in co-operation of all kinds.

A non-denominational name will help that effort and with rising costs, a shrinking Methodist base and growing sectarian images (however different the reality may be) a name change is imperative.

Advertising sales are also hampered severely by a denominational name. The great bulk of our advertisers have purely secular concerns and prefer media that don't fence off readership into compartments. Selling advertising is difficult at the best of times. We have a much better chance of selling ourselves as a national mass circulation church paper under a non-sectarian title.

Our present experience has also been that potential contributors outside Methodism are not helped by the present name. We could widen our appeal to all writers with Christian concern if we had a new name.

Criteria

In the light of these reasons the Board set up a sub-committee several months ago to propose a new and suitable title.

The new name had to be non-denominational, hopefully reflecting the ideas of the Church in society.

It could not be offensive to any one section of the Church's membership or theology.

It should include some Biblical image, suggesting the promise of new life in the Gospel and pointing to the new order that the Kingdom of God brings in.

We wanted a name that said we as Christians are involved in a new dimension of life and belong to a new kind of society; we are caught up in the new Kingdom in our midst.

Suggested Name

By the above criteria the Board judged the suggestion of "NEW CITIZEN" as the best available title, catching both the new citizenship shared by all Christians and the social concern of our readers in and outside the church. The committee's second choice—"CHRISTIAN FORTNIGHT"—carries less of this conviction and is much more neutral; it is close to the Church of Christ's "New Zealand Christian" and does not have the biblical imagery of "New Citizen".

Urgency

Over a number of years the NZMB Board has given a great many hours of very serious thought to finding a suitable new name. The Board is convinced that this question has now assumed the dimension of real urgency and appeals to Conference to authorise the change this year.

H. A. DARVILL, Chairman.
R. J. F. REID, Acting Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Reports be received and adopted.
2. That Conference notes with regret Mr Ron Howell's resignation and expresses its appreciation of the outstanding contribution he has made to the "N.Z. Methodist" during the period of its launching as a new venture and in the formative years since. Mr Howell's life-long concern for the social relevance of the Gospel expressed itself in an enthusiasm for the paper which was quite an inspiration to others. As the first secretary of the Board he brought administrative gifts and drive and determination to his task; that the paper is where it is today in the life of Methodism is in no small part the result of his work as secretary. The church is indebted to him and he retires with the goodwill and gratitude of the church.
3. That a new name take effect from the first issue in 1974.
4. That the fact that the paper is published by the Methodist Church of New Zealand continue to be indicated.
5. That the name of the paper be changed from "New Zealand Methodist" to "New Citizen".
6. That the Board for 1974 be as printed on page 7 herein.

QUESTION 48—What are the Resolutions of the Conference in regard to: (b) The Board of Publications?

BOARD OF PUBLICATIONS

ANNUAL REPORT, 1973

The only publication by the Board during the current year has been the Prayer Manual which was re-titled "Outreach". Because of the special support of the Women's Fellowship we are glad to report increased sales to the level of 2000 copies.

Members of the Board have not been idle, however, and some other material suggested for publication was examined. At the present time we have in preparation three new publications. These are a study book on the charismatic movement, a multi-language worship guide containing traditional and common prayers, and the Ecumenical Affairs Committee's study on "Salvation To-day".

G. I. LAURENSEN, Chairman,
J. H. OSBORNE, Executive Officer.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report and Financial Statement be received and adopted.
2. That Sister Rita Snowden be thanked for her long association with the Board of Publications and for the use of her special gifts in the service of the church.
3. That the Committee for 1974 be as printed on page 8 herein.

QUESTION 48—What are the Resolutions of the Conference in regard to: (c) Radio and Television?

RADIO AND TELEVISION COMMITTEE

REPORT TO CONFERENCE, 1973

The Committee's Role and Work

Under the new NZBC system in which the Religious Unit exercises more direct control the role and work of the committee has changed. Continuing responsibilities are Sunday programmes, a critical role and liaison with the NZBC.

(a) Sunday Programmes

The committee is still responsible for the selection of people and churches in connection with the Sunday programmes except for "Encounter" on radio and "Plain Speaking" on television. Separate Church services for each Island are broadcast each morning at 11 a.m. Thirty minute national programmes are broadcast at 5 p.m. when the programme may be of a variety of types, e.g. discussions, interviews; and at 7 p.m. when a traditional service aimed at the elderly and the shut-ins is requested. Four Maori services are provided, broadcast at either 11 a.m. or 5 p.m. The committee also selects those responsible for "Treasure Trove", the five minute programme which follows the ZB News at 8 a.m. each Sunday in the middle of the Children's Requests Programme.

One Methodist service has been televised this year on a network link from Wesley Church, Taranaki Street, Wellington.

The committee is grateful to all ministers and congregations who have participated in these programmes.

(b) Critical Role

As previously the committee continues to be concerned with programme standards. Some programmes have been taped and later assessed by the committee and the criticism given to the broadcasters. The NZBC Religious Unit is offering criticism also. Especially it is emphasizing the need for clarity of speech and singing.

(c) Liaison with the NZBC

The committee has been asked for programme suggestions for both radio and television, for news material for the Wednesday night

programme "Faith and Works" and for suggestions of people who might be auditioned for "Faith for Today" and "Encounter". The NZBC chooses persons to conduct these programmes and pays them at standard rates.

The Future

With the Religious Unit of the NZBC taking control this year the committee has had to work as needs arose rather than plan ahead. The Government's announced policy on Broadcasting means more changes for radio and television. The committee will take an active interest in the discussions on the role of broadcasting.

Many of the committee's functions are changing but a role remains in linking the Church to the NZBC, or to its successors; in offering comment and advice through membership of the Religious Broadcasting Advisory Committee; in suggesting programme ideas and people as broadcasters.

The church at large can help the committee by suggesting people and programme ideas to the convener and by giving as early notice as is possible of events that might be newsworthy on a national rather than a local basis.

J. A. PENMAN, Chairman.
R. S. ANDREWS, Convener.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That a grant of \$150 be provided 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 committee be as printed on page 8 herein.

QUESTION 49.—What is the Report of the Faith and Order Committee?

FAITH AND ORDER COMMITTEE

ANNUAL REPORT

For most of the year the Committee has been engaged in the preparation of several services, requested by the last Conference. We have been grateful to Synods and individuals who have responded to the Committee's invitation to share in the creative preparation of these services. We hope that there can now be a period of time when these services are used by the Church, before any further revision work is carried out.

Minutes of Conference 1972 Res. 2, Page 298.

An Order of Service for the Induction of a Minister

Presiding

Minister: Give thanks to the Lord for He is good.

People: His steadfast love endures for ever.

Hymn

*During the singing of the hymn, the Circuit Stewards escort the Minister from the entrance of the Church to the front of the Congregation.

*The Congregation is seated.

Circuit

Steward: We present to you . . . who has been appointed by the Conference to be the Superintendent Minister of the . . . Circuit.

or

We present to you . . . who has been appointed by the Conference to be a Minister in the . . . Circuit

or

We present to you . . . who has been appointed by the Conference to be . . . of the . . . Division.

*The Presiding Minister welcomes the Minister with the right hand of fellowship and says to the Minister.

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are here to induct you by prayer and the laying on of hands, believing that God gives you authority and enables you to do the work of Christian Ministry. He does this in answer to the prayers of His Church and through the support of her Members.

Presiding: The following or other prayer of praise and confession be
Minister: offered.

Let us pray.

All:

We praise you, God, because in love you have made us your people, giving us forgiveness and freedom, involving us in service and love, fulfilling our deepest desires, and giving our lives meaning and purpose.

We praise you for the world you have made, for the wonder and mystery of the vast reaches of space, for the beauty and awe of nature in its seen and unseen splendour.

We praise you for the Gospel you have given us and charged us to proclaim, for the Church and for the unity we have with all people because of Jesus Christ.

We praise you for Jesus who lived and died and lives again; for the power of His suffering love in the midst of life. For the Holy Spirit who gives us the joy of serving Him in others and others in Him. For the Christian hope which gives meaning to the future. We Praise you O God. Forgive us when we forget to praise you, when we turn your love into legalism, your freedom into slavery, your promises and gifts into demands and duties.

Forgive us when we forget this world is yours and squander its resources.

Forgive us when we forget we are your people and make your Church exclusive.

Forgive us when we forget that Jesus is our contemporary and lock Him up in forms and customs, words and structures.

Presiding

Minister: God's mercy never ends. In the Name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

All:

Thanks be to God.

Our Father in heaven;

holy be your name,

your kingdom come,

your will be done,

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Do not bring us to the test

but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory
are yours
now and for ever. Amen.

LESSONS FROM THE OLD AND NEW TESTAMENTS

HYMN

SERMON

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (all standing)

All: We believe in God;
 who has created and is creating,
 who has come in the true man, Jesus, to reconcile and make
 new,
 who works in us and others by His Spirit.
 We trust Him.
 He calls us to be His Church:
 to celebrate His presence,
 to love and serve others,
 to seek justice and resist evil,
 to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
 our judge and our hope.
 In life, in death, in life beyond death,
 God is with us.
 We are not alone.
 Thanks be to God.

Hymn:

INDUCTION: *The Minister being inducted comes forward and is addressed by the Presiding Minister.
You have been appointed by the Conference to be a Minister in this Circuit/Division.
It is the calling of a Christian Minister to seek to be true to the Christian life, as it is embodied in and taught by Jesus Christ as The Way of Life for all men.
The whole Church in its Ministry proclaims the message of Jesus through words and actions as members of the one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
It declares His presence through worship and sacraments.
It cares for people within the Church and Community.
To this ministry you are called.
*The Minister being inducted turns to face the Congregation.

Presiding Minister: Do you accept this appointment as being God's call to you?

Minister: I do.
I resolve to equip myself for this ministry through the reading of the Bible, prayer and study.
I will preach the Word of God, administer the Sacraments, love and serve this people.
Accepting my appointment through the Conference I will fulfil my administrative and other duties in accordance with our Methodist discipline.

*The Congregation stands and is addressed by the Presiding Minister.

Conference has appointed . . . to be a Minister in this Circuit/Division. Do you accept him as your Minister?

Congregation: We do, and with him dedicate ourselves to be the Church of God in this place. We promise him our sincere fellowship, our loyal partnership, and our constant prayers.

Presiding

Minister: Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have called Minister and People to make their vows before you, help them to keep the promises they have made, that the work of Christian ministry may be faithfully continued here, to the glory of your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. —

* The Congregation is seated.

* The Minister being inducted kneels.

* The laying on of hands.

* The Presiding Minister then says:

Almighty God give you strength and power to perform your ministry, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A new ministry has begun. In silence let the Minister pray for his People and the People pray for their Minister. Silent Prayer.

Presiding

Minister: Father, may this Minister and this Congregation find you strong to help. Give them courage to venture in faith together.

Give them a sense of mission and purpose to be your People in the community.

Guide and lead them by your Holy Spirit to love and serve.

Grant that in all things they may fulfil this ministry without reproach in your sight.

These things we ask in the name of Jesus Christ, who offered to you the perfect ministry. Amen.

THE CHARGE

* All standing.

* The Presiding Minister says to the Inducted Minister.

Be a good pastor to the people of God.

Preach the Word.

Minister to the sick.

Bring again the outcast.

Seek the lost.

Abide in Christ.

* The Presiding Minister and/or others, may present to

the Inducted Minister appropriate symbols, e.g., Bible, Chalice and Paten, Register of Members, Electoral Roll . .

* The Presiding Minister says to the Congregation.

Be the People of God.

Meet regularly for worship and study.

Serve daily in the world.

Welcome your Minister and his family.

Provide for their needs.

Care for each other.

Abide in Christ.

* The Congregation is seated.

* The Inducted Minister takes the place of the Presiding Minister and says:

Let us pray:

for the world . . .

for the Church universal as it seeks to proclaim and serve Christ . . .

for the Methodist Church of N.Z. and its President

for the Chairman and Minister of this District.
for all Ministers and Congregations who are at this time
establishing new ministries . . .
for the Christian Congregations of this community . . .

All: Hear our prayers for your Church.

Inducted

Minister: Let us pray
for this Church and People
for those who carry responsibility in leadership
for our homes and families . . .
for children, youth and parents . . .
for the sick and elderly . . .
for those in trouble and difficulty . . .
for those who have lost faith . . .

All: Hear our prayers for this Church, through Jesus Christ
our Lord. Amen.

* The Inducted Minister may now speak briefly to the
Congregation.

Hymn:

Minister: Go into the world in peace, in the name of God.

All: Amen.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all.

Minutes of Conference, 1972, Res. 8, Page 298.

An Order of Service for the Ordination of Ministers and Deaconesses.

Chaplain: We have come together to hear God's Word and to share
in a Service of Ordination.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

(Remain Standing)

President: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

People: His steadfast love endures for ever.

All: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires
known, and from whom no secrets are hidden; cleanse our
thoughts by your Holy Spirit, so that we may truly love
you and worthily praise your Holy Name; through Jesus
Christ our Lord. Amen.

(Sit or Kneel)

President: Our Lord Jesus Christ said: The first commandment is,
Hear, O Israel; the Lord our God is the only Lord; love
the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your
soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.

People: Lord, have mercy on us, and help us to obey this law.

President: The second is this: love your neighbour as yourself.

People: Lord have mercy on us, and help us to obey this law.

President: He also said: I give you a new commandment; Love one another: as I have loved you, so you are to love one another.

(Silence)

All: God our Father, we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, through our own fault; we have not loved you with all our heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves; we have not loved one another as you have loved us. Have mercy on us; cleanse us from our sins and help us to overcome our faults; that we may serve you in newness of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

President: God's mercy never ends. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

People: Thanks be to God.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

HYMN. THE OFFERING IS RECEIVED, TO BE DEDICATED
LATER IN THE SERVICE

(Remain Standing)

PRESENTATION by the Secretary of the Conference.

Mr President, we present for ordination to the Ministry of Word, Sacrament and Pastoral Care.

Full names to be read:

and for Ordination to the Ministry of Pastoral Care and Special Service.

Full names to be read:

We have examined them concerning their relation to the doctrines and disciplines of the Methodist Church of New Zealand, and judge them to be worthy to exercise these ministries.

President: God our Father, we praise you that in every generation you have called men and women to know and love you. We give thanks for the succession of faithful disciples who have been loyal to Christ. We give thanks to you now for these who offer themselves for your service. May we and all who bear Christ's name always be faithful to our calling. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(Sit)

SERMON

THE APOSTLES CREED

HYMN

(Sit)

CHARGE OF THE CHURCH (Ordinands Standing)

President: The Methodist Church of New Zealand claims and cherishes its place within the Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church. In the name of Jesus Christ the Lord of the Church, we are met here to ordain you to the ministry of the Word and Sacrament and Pastoral Care. We require to know that you truly profess the Church's faith, and are ready to undertake the work of the ministry. It is the work of a minister faithfully to study and preach

the Word of God, to administer the Sacraments, to visit the sick and needy, to build up the body of Christ and equip every member for service.

In the name of Jesus Christ, the Lord of the Church, we are met here to ordain you to the ministry of Pastoral Care and Special Service. We require you to know that you truly profess the Church's faith, and are ready to undertake this ministry.

It is the work of a deaconess to exercise a ministry of an evangelistic, pastoral, educational or social nature.

THE EXAMINATION

President: Do you affirm your faith in Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord?

I DO.

Do you believe you are called by God to accept this ministry?

I DO.

Will you seek to lead a prayerful, disciplined, and wholesome life among those with whom you live?

I WILL ENDEAVOUR SO TO DO.

Do you accept your share in the life and work of the Methodist Church of New Zealand, upholding its doctrine, worship, government and discipline, and cherishing a spirit of brotherhood towards all followers of the Lord?

I DO.

Do you accept the Holy Scriptures as containing all things necessary for salvation and as the supreme standard of faith?

I DO.

Do you accept the Catholic and apostolic faith that is set forth in the scriptures, and witnessed to in history by the Apostles' and Nicene Creeds?

I DO.

Almighty God who gives you the will to do these things, give you the grace to perform them.

AMEN.

The Congregation of the Conference stands.

President: As members of the Church of God and representatives of the Methodist Church of New Zealand, do you now accept these men and women in the ministry of the Church?

People: WE DO.

President: Will you uphold them in your prayers and share with them as partners in the mission of the Church?

People: We will. May God equip them and us for this service.
AMEN.

THE ORDINATION

All kneel and the President calls the people to silent prayer.

The President then stands and says:

Let us give thanks for our life in Christ Jesus. The divine nature was his from the first: yet he did not think to snatch at equality with God, but made himself nothing, assuming the nature of a slave; he humbled himself, and in obedience accepted even death—death on a cross. If he our Lord and Master served us, we ought to be servants to one another.

Let us give thanks and pray for these servants of Christ whom God has called into the Ministry of his Church.

(Here the President lays hands on the head of each Ordinand in turn, in which he is joined by the other persons appointed).

President: Name;

May you receive the Holy Spirit. Take authority to preach The Word, administer the Sacraments, to declare God's forgiveness and to be a shepherd to your people.

People: AMEN.

President: Name;

May you receive the Holy Spirit to exercise your Ministry of Special Service and Pastoral Care.

People: AMEN.

President: Give them grace, our Father, to be faithful to their promises, constant in their service, and bold to proclaim your gospel. Enrich them in knowledge and understanding. Make them watchful and loving guardians of your flock as followers of the good Shepherd who gave his life for the sheep. Enable them to give a good account of their Ministry. Keep them in your love; give them hope, and the full assurance of faith. You have appointed them; may they go on to bear fruit, fruit that shall last, to your glory.

AMEN.

Take this Bible, a token of the authority which you have received from God, to preach the Gospel of Christ and to minister the sacraments; and be a faithful pastor wherever you shall serve.

Take this Bible, a token of the authority which you have received from God, to serve Christ and his people in the ministry of word, special service and pastoral care.

(The badge of the Deaconess Order is presented to each newly ordained Deaconess by a representative of the Deaconess Order).

President: We declare that (Names) are ordained ministers of the Word and Sacraments and Pastoral Care, and that (Names)

are ordained Deaconesses in the Church of God, in the name of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People: AMEN. THANKS BE TO GOD.

A STATEMENT BY THE ORDINANDS MAY BE MADE.

DEDICATION:

The Gifts of the People—the Bread and Wine are brought forward, the people standing.

President and

People: Holy Father, with boldness we come to you and bring you what is yours. Accept us and these gifts which we offer for all, for your service and glory.

AMEN.

HYMN

Those newly ordained, close relatives and sponsors will be served Holy Communion.

President: The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, and after giving thanks to God, broke it and said: "This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way then he took the cup after supper and said: "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me."

President and those receiving Holy Communion:

We do not come to your table Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your great mercy. We are not worthy even to gather the crumbs from under your table. But you are the same Lord, whose nature is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat this bread and drink this wine that Christ may evermore dwell in us and we in Him.

AMEN.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD.

President: The bread which we break is a sharing in the body of Christ. The cup of blessing for which we give thanks is a sharing in the blood of Christ.
Behold, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

THE COMMUNION

The body of our Lord Jesus Christ, the bread of life:
The blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, the true vine.

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

Our Father in heaven;
holy be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Do not bring us to the test
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and for ever. AMEN.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

President: Go into the world in peace.

People: We go in the name of Christ.

All: THE GRACE OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, AND
THE LOVE OF GOD, AND THE FELLOWSHIP OF
THE HOLY SPIRIT BE WITH US ALL. AMEN.

Minutes of Conference 1972, Res. 10, Page 298

An Alternative Order for Holy Communion

INTRODUCTION

We are here in the name of Jesus Christ. Let us pray:

Our Father in heaven; holy be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Do not bring us to the test, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

**A hymn of praise is sung.

It's good that Christians should meet over a meal together, and this is a meal that links us with Christians of every kind, in gratitude for Jesus Christ. All of us eat from the one loaf, and we invite all who love our Lord to share it with us. Amen.

*An offering may be taken. The bread and wine are placed on the table here, as part of the offering.

Dear Father, we offer ourselves to you. You have loved us; accept our love and our service.

Forgive the poor work I have done. A great deal has been entrusted to me, and you have only a small return from me in service and care. Forgive me my share in causing the world's suffering. I have looked after myself and my own, and been indifferent to many who were in need.

Forgive me my lack of faith and love, I have been a burden to those who know me, and need the grace to forgive and be forgiven.

Father, I have sinned against men and against you; I am no longer fit to be called your son.

But God says, 'Rejoice with me; for this son of mine was dead and has come back to life again. He was lost and is found.'

COMMUNION

*The Minister takes the bread and the cup in his hands at the appropriate words:

The tradition we are keeping comes to us from Christ himself. During supper with his friends on the very night he was arrested, he spoke of his own death; he took the bread in his hands, gave the prayer of thanks, broke it for them and said, 'This is my body'.

At the end of the meal he held up the cup, again gave the prayer and said, 'This is the new covenant in my blood'.

Whenever you eat this bread and drink this wine, remember him.

We remember him as a man of great humility, giving hope to the working people of Palestine, healing many who were sick and disturbed, mixing with outcast men and women. We remember him under bitter attack, abandoned by his friends, broken on a cross by frightened men, crying 'My God, why have you forsaken me?'

We remember him, plain speaking and not easy to live with, choosing to die, and bringing us home to life by his death.

With the first apostles and the new-born church,

We remember him.

With heretics and statesmen of the church struggling to find the truth; with reformers who seized the future; with tragic men who killed and tortured in your name,

We acknowledge him.

With all the church, our friends, those who have died, with Christ himself,

We thank you Father.

Thank you for this food, this bread and wine. Thank you for all Christ suffered to make us free. Amen.

*Without further invitation, the first group is directed to the rail. The minister serves them, breaking the bread for each member. He himself is served at the rail with a later group. Alternatively the minister and steward may serve each other before serving the rest of the people.

*No words of administration need be used. But the server may say once to each group:

The body of the Lord Jesus Christ which was given for you.

The blood of the Lord Jesus Christ which was given for you.

*Each group is dismissed:

Go in peace.

*After all have been served, all say:

May the peace of God be with all his church to give us faith and a concern for men; to give us unity; that we may share in his work for mankind. Amen.

*A hymn is sung.

DISCUSSION

*The lesson is read. As a writing from the church, this is read from the congregation, and introduced without giving chapter and verse, by a brief historical introduction.

*A sermon and/or discussion follows, or a business meeting of the church.

*Intercession also may be led by a member of the congregation. Prayers from these sections should be omitted and others added to fit local needs.

Let us pray:

For our homes; for the members of our families away from home;
for

For families faced with poverty and sickness, with disability or mental illness;

For children and parents of broken homes;

For refugees and those who are homeless; we pray to you.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For all men and women in their daily work; for . . .

For employers, men working for themselves, and our trade unions;

For students at school and university;

For workers in law and medicine, and all whose work is to help those in trouble;

For the unemployed; we pray to you.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For New Zealand;

For our members of parliament and those who lead public opinion; especially . . .

For racial harmony within our country;

For goodwill in our relations with other nations; we pray to you.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For countries at war, and in violent revolution; especially . . .

For . . .

For people who are denied basic needs and rights.

For nations gaining new education and new political power;

For the leaders of all nations; we pray to you.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For ourselves;

For grace in our dealings with others;

For strength in the face of trouble and the pressure of work;

That we may love you with all our heart, and our neighbours
as ourselves; we pray to you.

Lord, hear our prayer. Amen.

* hymn is sung.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all. Amen.

COMMENTARY: This service was prepared to meet the interest in further experimentation with the theology of the communion service.

Here communion is treated as a family meal, a common meeting ground for the discussion that follows. It follows the natural outline of a meal; welcome, grace, the meal, conversation.

The service centres on the crucifixion, seen as a rough lesson of history, and the prayer of thanks where we identify ourselves with the varied 'saints' of the church who have tried to learn the same lesson.

Yet we express our faith in our own terms. Our confession deals with human responsibilities, not divine commands. The intercession shows our sense of living in an uncomfortably changing world. There is no creed, though the Lord's Prayer is a uniting expression of faith.

The lesson, sermon and intercession are treated as three sides of one discussion, arising out of the one fellowship of the church.

BAPTISM

Minutes of Conference, pages 298-299, Resolutions 15 and 16.

We believe that the section of "The Plan for Union" on Baptism sets out our understanding of Baptism clearly and adequately. We quote part of that statement for convenience (see pages 20-21 of the Plan).

"Baptism is a setting forth of the Gospel, administered within the community of faith. It stresses the priority of the grace of God the Father, who in this sacrament receives his children into his family. It applies the final work of Christ to the one baptised and admits to that community which is the body of Christ and the fellowship of the Spirit. It requires a personal response of repentance, faith and obedience, and in this setting conveys God's forgiveness of sin, his calling men to be his servants, and his equipping them for their ministry in the world through the gift of his Spirit.

"Baptism is anticipatory, in that it looks forward to a life of faith in fellowship, and the consummation of God's purpose. Especially is this so in the case of the Baptism of an infant, when the Church looks forward to his making his own profession of faith and being admitted to the privileges and responsibilities of membership by Confirmation or its equivalent when he attains a mature age. But Baptism remains anticipatory, whether administered in infants or adults. In this sacrament we are admitted to membership of the Church, which is the body of Christ, to remain in that membership, by God's grace, throughout our life. The two Sacraments of Holy Baptism and Holy Communion thus bear witness to two aspects of our faith; as God gave his Son to die once for all, so we are baptised once into him; and as God meets us ever anew in his grace and

mercy, so we regularly celebrate the sacrament of Holy Communion. "In Baptism a personal covenant is established. We believe that God receives the one baptised into membership of his people. The one baptised is thereby committed to a life of faith; and he and the congregation receiving him are bound together in their common membership in Christ . . ."

We understand this statement as emphasising

- (a) the priority of the grace of God the Father in Baptism
- (b) that Baptism is anticipatory, whether administered in infancy or adulthood
- (c) that Baptism represents admission into the Church, the body of Christ—it establishes a covenant relationship
- (d) Baptism is a process rather than a momentary event, and this implies the need for continuing growth and fellowship and instruction.

It is as true today as it ever has been that men need to have a personal covenant with God established, committing them to a life of faith and calling them to be God's servants, equipped for their ministry in the world. Thus we see baptism as being as relevant to the present decade as it ever has been.

With respect to Resolution 16, page 299, 1972 Minutes of Conference, we point out that the proposed Order of Service for Baptism of Infants is based on this understanding of Baptism, and implies it. Thus the Order of Service supplies a good basis for discussion with parents who wish their children to be baptised. When the meaning and significance of baptism is thus clearly explained, the decision of parents as to whether they wish to proceed to make the promises involved should be respected.

Resolutions 15, page 298, 1972 Minutes of Conference, asks us to "examine the pastoral concern arising from the increasing requests for Believers Baptism from people previously baptised as infants". We believe that baptism, which is based on the death and resurrection of Jesus, is a once-only sacrament—there is "one baptism", which is not repeated. Baptism stands for the incorporation of the person into Christ, whether that person is baptised as an infant or an adult. If people who have been baptised as infants come seeking what they now call, "Believers Baptism" we suggest that the correct procedure, both theologically and pastorally, is to discuss the matter thoroughly, explaining the position of the Church and inquiring why they seek "Believers Baptism". In many cases, we believe, it will be found to be due to an inadequate understanding of baptism. We believe that practising "rebaptism" could do as much to raise pastoral problems as to solve them. If a person is wishing to make a public declaration of his faith as a personal matter, this can fittingly be done by Confirmation, or perhaps at a Service of Holy Communion. The Church must always deal sympathetically with those who seek a deeper commitment to and experience of Christ and His Church. It has a duty however, to help its members perceive that such deeper commitment and experience springs, not so much from further symbolic acts, as from more costly service and involvement in the Church's mission.

An Alternative Service for the Baptism of Children

INTRODUCTION

We are about to baptise (name), son or daughter of A and B.

When Jesus was baptised by John in the river Jordan, he was publicly identifying himself with sinful mankind, under the grace of God.

In baptism we are involved with Jesus Christ in his life, death and resurrection. We share in all that he is.

In baptism we are one with all Christians because we all belong to Jesus Christ.

In baptism we are identified with all other people. As Jesus in his life identified himself with all mankind and every part of human life, we also are engaged to serve men in their needs. In baptism we affirm that we are all under the grace of God.

But how does all this relate to the baptism of children?

Children have a place in this community which centres on Jesus. God loves them, and desires that they become members of his church and grow in his love and service.

God does not wait for a response from children before they become the focus of his love. He takes the initiative. Baptism is first and foremost his act. For this service declares that while we were yet powerless, long before we understood, or believed, or loved, God acted in love and forgiveness.

Children do not understand this; but their parents and the church together acknowledge their faith in God, and promise to bring the child up in this faith. The Church prays that as members of the Body of Christ they may be led to the confirmation of their baptism, and more and more show forth in their lives that which they are by God's calling.

THE VOWS

The parents stand. The Minister asks the parents:

A and B, in bringing your child (name) to be baptised, do you acknowledge with us your faith in God, and trust your child to him?

We do.

Will you with God's help bring your child (name) up in a Christian home, teaching the truths, privileges and responsibilities of the faith?

We will.

Will you share in the life and worship of the church thus encouraging your child (name) to come to the confirmation of his baptism, the fellowship of the Lord's table, and the service of God in the world?

We will.

The Congregation stands. The Minister asks the Congregation:

As members of Christ's church you are receiving this child into membership. With God's help, will you be faithful to your calling; that this child, and all other children in your midst may grow in the knowledge and love of Christ our Lord?

WE WILL AND WE WELCOME THEM INTO THE CHURCH.

THE BAPTISM

Baptism is with flowing water in the Threefold Name.

The minister takes the child and says:

Name, for you Jesus Christ has come, he lived on this earth, and suffered on the cross. For you he cried "It is accomplished" for you he died, for you he was raised from the dead. For you he lives now and has promised to be with you for ever, even though you do not know it Name.

Let us pray:

Father, look in mercy on us and send us your Holy Spirit, that your child (name) may continue yours for ever. Amen.

I baptise you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

PRAYER OF THANKS

We thank you, Lord God, for what you have done for this child (name), for these parents, and for us all.

You have received your child for your own, and made him a member of your church.

May he grow in your love, and show forth more and more that which he is by your calling.

We thank you for your goodness to these parents, for the gift of children and the joy of bringing them up. Give them wisdom and understanding, that their home may be a home of security and freedom; may their love bring this child (name) an understanding of your love.

We thank you for your love to us all in Jesus Christ, and for the grace of our own baptism. Forgive us where we have failed, and keep us in our calling to serve you in the world. Amen.

COMMENTARY: As with the baptism of adults, the baptism of children would ideally take place during a communion service, just before the offertory. This brings the child into the family of the church at the point where the congregation is offering itself to God in response to his word.

"Baptism with flowing water in the Threefold Name."

The practice of baptism has become mutually acceptable throughout the Church, Catholic and Protestant. It is thus important that the symbolism should be clear and for this reason, reference is made to flowing water. Biblically, moving water is symbolic of the living, healing and cleansing power of God. This symbolism is preserved in the practice of sprinkling, just as in immersion or pouring. This understanding of the practice was accepted by the Methodist Conference 1970 (See Minutes of Conference 1970 pages 209-210).

INSTRUCTION TO MINISTERS

Normally the local minister would preside. Representatives of sister churches may be invited to share in the service. It is appropriate that the Chairman of District or his deputy, be associated with the service to represent the wider church, as a sign that this action belongs to the Universal Church.

COMMENTARY

Christian Initiation

It is the way of the Christian Church to bring men and women, young and old, into relationship with Jesus Christ in His Church and to help them to identify themselves with His mission in the world. In this continuing process, normally there are found three visible actions, Baptism, Confirmation and Reception at the Lord's Table. The sequence in which these come may vary but they belong together and each contribute to Christian growth and nurture.

Confirmation is the act by which we declare our faith in Jesus as Lord and by which the Church, in witness to the working of his Spirit within us, welcomes us into the responsibilities of membership and authorises us to share her mission, in, to, and for the world.

Baptism is a life-long sacrament in which we are declared to be members of the Church.

Reception at the Lord's Table brings us into that inner fellowship of Jesus with his Church, through which we grow in grace and strength of character for his service in the Church and world.

Greeting

Minister and People greet each other with a reminder of the goodness and love of God.

The Preparation

In this section of the service we prepare ourselves to hear God's word to us. This preparation is first in our remembrance and praise of God; and secondly in prayer for the forgiveness of our sins.

Opening Prayer

In our first prayer we approach God, acknowledge our unworthiness and acknowledge our involvement together in this service as the people of God.

AN ORDER OF SERVICE FOR CONFIRMATION

Stand

Minister: Give thanks to the Lord for he is good.

People: His steadfast love endures for ever.

The Preparation

PRAYER OF APPROACH

Minister: God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, and our God;
whose creating and redeeming word stands forever.
We believe that you call all men and women to be your
people and that you do not reject us in spite of our
unworthiness.

People: Help us by your Spirit to renew the vows and promises
made to you, that we may become one in Christ and be
renewed for your service. Through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Hymn of Praise

In the hymn we praise God for what he is and what he has done. Our worship must begin with praise. It is only because of God's providence and love that we may gather for worship.

Declaration of Intention

We are reminded by this affirmation that Confirmation is not simply an individual act, for the Church gathers around those who confirm their faith, giving them authority to share her task.

The Ministry of the Word

We now listen to what God has to say through scriptures and sermon.

Affirmation of Faith

We make an immediate response to scripture and sermon by confessing our faith. Yet there will be more than this required of us: God wants our obedience and faithfulness in everyday life, but this is based on our faith in Him. The affirmation in the service is from the United Church of Canada. The Apostles Creed printed here as an alternative was developed in the early Church over a period of centuries, it was not composed by the Apostles, but rather tries to summarise the faith of the Apostles.

The Apostles Creed

We believe in God, the Father, Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

We believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

We believe in the Holy Spirit

the holy catholic church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Remain Standing

DECLARATION OF INTENTION

Minister: In the name of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Minister We have come:

and to receive these confirmands;

People: to confirm them in their faith:

to authorise them for responsibilities within the Church,
and mission in the world:

to pledge them our support:

to dedicate ourselves anew to become the people of God
in this place.

Sit

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

The Bible is read.

The Sermon preached.

The following or some other recognised affirmation of faith is now made.

Stand

Minister: Man is not alone . . .

Minister We believe in God:

and who has created and is creating

People: who has come in the true man, Jesus, to

reconcile and make new,

who works in us and others by his Spirit.

We trust him,

He calls us to be his church:

to celebrate his presence,

to love and serve others.

to seek justice and resist evil,

to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,

our judge and our hope.

In life, in death, in life beyond death,

God is with us.

We are not alone.

Thanks be to God.

Introduction of the Confirmands

Confirmands may be introduced as a group, by a member appointed by the Leaders Meeting, or individually, by a member appointed by the Leaders Meeting.

Declaration of Faith

This may take various forms.

1. As printed in the order.
2. Individual testimonies.
3. A statement prepared by the confirmands.
4. Answers prepared by the Leaders Meeting.

Baptism

Those unbaptised are baptised with flowing water in the Threefold Name.

"Baptism with flowing water in the Threefold Name"

The practice of baptism has become mutually acceptable throughout the Church, Catholic and Protestant.

It is thus important that the symbolism should be clear and for this reason, reference is made to flowing water. Biblically, moving water is symbolic of the living, healing and cleansing power of God. This symbolism is preserved in the practice of sprinkling, just as in immersion or pouring. This understanding of the practice was accepted by the Methodist Conference 1970 (see Minutes of Conference 1970 page 209-210).

HYMN

ACT OF CONFIRMATION

The Confirmands come forward, face the Congregation and are introduced by name.

Minister: We invite you to declare your faith.

Confirmands:

I believe in Jesus Christ as Lord.

I have come to commit myself in the power of the Holy Spirit to live as a member of his church in the world.

I accept my responsibilities as a member of the Methodist Church of New Zealand.

All the candidates kneel

The presiding minister baptises those not previously baptised and commissions them with the laying on of hands and prayer.

Minister: 'Name' I baptise you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Confirmation and the Laying on of Hands

Confirmation is normally by prayer and the laying on of hands. This accompanying act is both a focus of prayer and a sign of authorisation to engage in the service and mission of the Church. In it we are identified with all those who have shared this vision and given themselves to it.

Those sharing the laying on of hands would normally include the Chairman of the District or his deputy, local minister(s) and a representative lay person, e.g. sponsor(s), and may include representatives from sister churches.

The Charge to the newly confirmed

The life in Christ finds expression in worship, service, and caring.

Act of reception by the Congregation

The newly confirmed are welcomed with a greeting, promise and prayer by the congregation, as in the order. OR
by a representation of the congregation in his own words.

The certificate of Baptism/Confirmation may be given at this point in the service by a member appointed by the Leaders' Meeting.

The laying on of hands

Minister: You have been received into the church and we commission you to share fully in service and mission.

Prayer

Lord, keep 'name' in your grace that he/she may continue yours forever and daily grow through the Holy Spirit into the fullness of Christ.

People: AMEN.

The Presiding minister confirms those who have been baptised with the Laying on of hands and prayer

The Laying on of hands

Minister: 'name' In the name of God, we confirm you in the Church and commission you to share fully in service and mission.

Prayer

Lord, keep 'name' in your grace that he/she may continue yours forever and daily grow through the Holy Spirit into the fullness of Christ.

People: AMEN.

THE CHARGE TO THE NEWLY CONFIRMED

All standing

Minister: Become the People of God.
Meet regularly for worship and study.
Serve daily in the world.
Care for each other.
Abide in Christ

ACT OF RECEPTION BY THE CONGREGATION

The newly confirmed turn and face the congregation

People: We the members of this congregation, joyfully welcome you as full partners in the common life of the church. We promise you our friendship and our prayers. Together we renew our vows to obey Christ and to serve him in the congregation and in the world. AMEN.

Confirmands return into the Congregation

The Peace

Before offering is made we affirm our unity in Christ, remembering that Jesus said that we should be at peace with our brother before offering a gift at the altar. Matthew 5, 23-24.

The action of the handshake of peace gives expression to our words.

The Offertory

The bread and wine are offered along with the money; they are all tokens of our daily life in this world. Bread and wine have to be brought in order for there to be a communion, this reminds us that the common life, which at this point the bread and wine symbolise, must also be brought by us to the communion. This act of offering is our necessary contribution. Augustine said to the newly confirmed: 'There are you upon the table, there are you in the cup'.

Offering Prayer

In the offering prayer we remember that even so, we can only make an offering with God's help—that is, through Jesus Christ (Hebrews 10: 19-22). And we are only giving back to God what is his (1 Chronicles 29:14)—bread, wine, money, are all his; so are our lives, which we offer, so are all men for whom we pray and hope as we offer.

Invocation

In this prayer we remember that it will be Jesus present among us who makes this a communion meal, and, addressing Jesus as he is written of in Hebrews 4:14, we pray that we may know him as did the disciples at Emmaus. Luke 24; 35.

We praise God in the ancient words, 'Holy, holy, holy . . .' based upon Isaiah 6:3.

Words of Institution

Here we repeat the words spoken by Jesus at the last supper, which are our authority for this service. (1 Corinthians. 11. 23-25).

COME

The invitation of our Lord is spoken to us, reminding us that we are able to respond because we have heard his call 'Come with me'. His words of invitation are always addressed to us.

Come, not because you are strong, but because you are weak;

Come, not because of any goodness of your own gives you a right to come, but because you need mercy and help;

Come, because you love the Lord a little and would like to love him more.

Come, because he loves you and gave himself for you.

Lift up your hearts and minds above your cares and fears and let this bread and wine be to you the token and pledge of the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit.

THE PEACE

Minister: The peace of God be with you.

People: And his peace with you.

Each person greets his neighbour with the handshake of peace as he gives the greeting of peace.

THE OFFERTORY

The offering is taken

The gifts of money, together with the bread and wine for the communion, are brought forward and handed to the Minister, who places them on the table.

Stand

Minister Holy Father, with boldness we come to you and bring you and what is yours. Accept us and these gifts which we offer

People: for all, for your service and glory. Amen.

THE COMMUNION HYMN

Remain Standing

THE THANKSGIVING

Minister: Let us pray.

Be present, Jesus, Son of God, our great high priest; stay with us and make yourself known to us in the breaking of the bread.

People: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts, the whole earth is full of your glory; Glory be to you Lord most high.

Minister: With all your people in heaven and on earth we give you thanks, holy Father, for Jesus Christ, who on the night he was betrayed took bread, and after giving thanks to God, broke it and said: 'This is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.' In the same way he took the cup after supper and said: 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me.'

People: Amen. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be; world without end. AMEN.

The Breaking of the Bread

We are reminded that though our eating and drinking is done separately, we are all in communion with the one Christ. 'We become one single body, limbs of his flesh and bone of his bone. This is the effect of the nourishment he gives: he merges himself with us in order that we may be all one single thing, as one body joined to one head.' (St. Chrysostom).

As the bread is broken we may think of Jesus giving himself to death for us. We are called to be united with him in his death, so that we may share in his resurrection life.

After a period of silence

Minister: Let us pray

Sit or kneel

Minister &

People: We do not come to your table Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your great mercy. We are not worthy even to gather the crumbs from under your table. But you are the same Lord, whose nature is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat this bread and drink this wine that Christ may evermore dwell in us and we in him. AMEN.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

After a pause, the minister breaks the bread and says:

Minister: The bread which we break is a sharing in the body of Christ.

He then takes the cup and says:

Minister: The cup of blessing for which we give thanks is a sharing in the blood of Christ.

Silence is kept for a space, after which the minister may say:

Minister: Behold, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

The Communion

As we watch others with us sharing in the communion of Christ's body and blood, we may pray for them and for all the members of Christ's body—and also pray for others who do not come to the Lord's table through unbelief.

The newly confirmed may be invited to share in the distribution of the bread and the wine.

Intercession

It is intended that following the communion, the first act of the newly confirmed and the congregation is to pray for the world and her needs. For it is in, to and for the world that we are to share the mission of the Church.

The newly confirmed may take a section of this prayer.

THE COMMUNION

The minister and people receive the bread and wine
Unless the people are remaining in their pews, the following invitation
is given:

Minister: Come for all things are now ready.

The following words of administration may be used.

Minister: The body of our Lord Jesus Christ, the bread of life.
The blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, the true vine.

The minister may dismiss each group with these words:

Minister: Go in peace.

When all have partaken, the minister covers the remaining elements
and says:

Minister: As God's renewed people, let us pray for the world.
For the peace of the whole world, and the well-being of
all men and women, that they may find joy and freedom
in Christ, and community with one another.
For all those in distress, trouble and difficulty that they
may be delivered, and find help and strength in time of
need.
For all in sorrow and sickness, all who suffer from the
violences, cruelty or neglect of others, especially the very
young and the aged.
For this community and district, that we, the People of
God, may be sensitive to the needs of our neighbourhood,
and eager to serve in the spirit of love.
For the Church of Jesus Christ, that it may be to all the
world an example of unity and love, salt to the earth, and
light to the world.

A Pause

GO

In response to the invitation of our Lord 'Come' we are commissioned to 'Go' and take up our mission. 'You did not choose me: I chose you. I appointed you to go on and bear fruit, fruit that shall last; so that the Father may give you all that you ask in my name. This is my commandment to you: love one another.'
John 15: 16-17

The Congregation greets the newly confirmed

The newly confirmed may now accompany the minister to the foyer of the church and be greeted by the congregation or some other appropriate greeting.

Minister: The Lord hears our prayers.

People: Thanks be to God.

Our Father in heaven: holy be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Do not bring us to the test but deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now
and for ever. AMEN.

HYMN

Minister: Go into the world in peace, in the name of God.

People: Amen.

Minister &

People: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all. AMEN.

THE CONGREGATION GREETs THE NEWLY CONFIRMED

The Lord's Prayer

The Joint Working Committee of the N.C.C. gave consideration to this question at its May and November meetings, 1972. The following material is based on its Eighth Report.

A letter had been received from the Acting Executive Secretary of the International Committee on English in the Liturgy, Inc., Toronto and Washington (ICEL), asking the Committee to use and evaluate the work already done, as reported in the booklet, "Prayers We Have in Common".

ICEL is a body within the Roman Catholic Church with the task of achieving "an English version of liturgical texts acceptable to the interested countries . . . bearing in mind the ecumenical aspects". In recent years the Advisory Committee of this body has been meeting with representatives of the major Christian Churches throughout the English-speaking world, so that there is now an international and ecumenical body known as the International Consultation on English Texts (ICET) which is the publisher of "Prayers We Have in Common". Reactions to these texts will be studied in 1974 before a revision is undertaken.

The text of the Lord's Prayer in "Prayers We Have In Common" is:—

1. Our Father in heaven,
2. holy be your Name,
3. your kingdom come,
4. your will be done,
5. on earth as in heaven.
6. Give us today our daily bread.
7. Forgive us our sins
8. as we forgive those who sin against us.
9. Do not bring us to the test
10. but deliver us from evil.
11. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
12. now and for ever.

A report on the information received by ICET up to July 1, 1972, was also received by the Committee. This showed, country by country, how churches reacted to the proposed texts. For instance, it reported that the Roman Catholic Church in New Zealand had accepted all the texts except the Lord's Prayer.

The Committee agreed (in November, 1972) to report to ICET that it was happy with all the phrases in the proposed text of the Lord's Prayer except line 9 ("Do not bring us to the test").

Alternative suggestions made were:—

"Save us in the time of trial".

"Do not bring us to breaking-point".

In line 5 ("on earth as in heaven") the Committee expressed a preference in favour of "on earth as it is in heaven", but this was for reason of rhythm only.

This is the position in the broadest ecumenical perspective. It is worth noting that the Anglican Church in this country revised its liturgy in 1966 and again in 1970. In the latter revision it adopted the ICET text. According to a report presented to the Joint Working Committee in May, 1972, the Anglican Church is not happy with this text and prefers that of its 1966 revision with one alteration. It does not wish, however, to finalise a text until agreement with other

Churches is reached. It is reported that the Anglican Church in Britain has not found the ICET text satisfactory and has requested its revision.

The Roman Catholic Church in New Zealand has not adopted the ICET text of the Lord's Prayer and is still using the traditional form. The reason for this is not clear at the moment.

It is clear that if there is to be full ecumenical agreement this cannot be reached earlier than 1974. If the Methodist Church of N.Z. wishes to comment on the ICET text this should be done through the Joint Working Committee. If it wishes the N.Z. churches to produce an agreed text before 1974 it should ask the Joint Working Committee if it is willing to act along these lines.

Translation into Other Languages, of the Order of Holy Communion

Minutes of Conference 1972.

page 298. resolution 11.

The Committee has discussed this with the Maori Division, and has received translation of parts of the service that the Maori Division recommends for inclusion in the Order of Holy Communion. It is intended to print these within the Commentary text of the approved Order. The Committee is consulting with the Samoan Policy Committee, and on a favourable response, would intend to print such sections as may be desired, in the Samoan language, also in the Commentary text of the approved Order.

Printing of Responses, Greetings and Benedictions

Minutes of Conference 1972.

page 299. resolution 17.

The Board of Publications has accepted responsibility for the printing of Responses, Greetings and Benedictions in the Maori, Samoan, Cook Island, Tongan, and other languages.

Implication of the Church's Involvement in the Armed Forces through its Chaplaincy Service

Resolution of Conference, 1972 Minutes, page 298, resolution 14.

"That the implication 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."

The Faith and Order Committee reports that it finds this resolution a difficult one to interpret. If the 'implications' referred to are of a public questions nature, or relate to international affairs, then they are best answered through the Conference Committees set up to examine these subjects. If however, it is asking what Ministry in the Armed Forces means, . . . then it is the Faith and Order Committee's responsibility to define it.

The Committee sees a Chaplaincy in the Armed Forces as a real Ministry of the Word, Sacraments and Pastoral Care. The Church has always seen that she ought to be involved in situations where people are in need, even in situations where complete agreement and identification are not possible. e.g. Prisons and corrective institutions, industry etc. This has been the Church's traditional position since the days of Jesus, the friend of tax collectors and sinners.

In the Armed Services, (Army, Navy and Air Force) there are men and women with a variety of human needs, who need the Gospel. Who require the Ministry of the Church in its prophetic, sacramental,

healing and educational roles. The Chaplain then, is the Church's servant in these fields, called to minister to men and women in need on a personal basis. His role as a counsellor is greatly valued by the Services.

We see the issue in terms of 'ministry' to the people of the Armed Services, as part of our obligations to minister to all peoples. We are aware that there may be tensions that arise from time to time, but all who 'minister' feel the tension of involvement in some way or other, and perhaps specialist ministries feel it more acutely. The Committee is of the opinion that such tensions should not be an excuse for the withdrawal of Chaplains, or curtailment of their services. The Church has no right to withhold its Gospel or its sacramental ministry from people with whom it may disagree, even on political or moral grounds.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the report be received and adopted.
2. That Conference approve the experimental use of the Service for the Induction of a Minister.
3. That Conference approve and authorise the Service of Ordination of Ministers and Deaconesses.
4. That Conference approve and authorise the use of the "Alternative Order of Holy Communion".
5. That the Faith and Order Committee consider the issues involved in (a) Infant dedication and (b) A service of thanksgiving for the birth of a child, on the understanding that neither of these would be a substitute for the baptism of infants, and report to Synods and Conference.
6. That Conference approve and authorise the use of the "Alternative Order of Infant Baptism."
7. That Conference approve the experimental use of "An Order of Service for Confirmation".
8. That Conference recognising that it may be several years before a final text of the Lord's Prayer is agreed to, the text of the Lord's Prayer as in the Holy Communion Order (ICET) be used by Methodist Churches as the standard text in the meantime.
9. That the Board of Publications be asked to print copies of the Lord's Prayer in the ICET text for insertion into Hymn books.
10. That the Board of Publications be asked to print Orders of Service in a standard format, similar to the Order for Holy Communion.
11. That the Faith and Order Committee be asked to prepare an experimental order of service for healing and wholeness for optional use.
12. That the Faith and Order Committee consider matters related to marriage and marriage services today, and report to Synods and Conference.
13. That the Faith and Order Committee investigate the developing thought and experiments of sister churches in the field of Christian Initiation in relation to the sacraments, including the possibility of Family Communion and report to Synods and Conference.
14. That the Circuit Stewards be appointed at the June Quarterly Meeting.
15. That the Faith and Order Committee be asked to investigate the possibility of alternative ways in which an individual may reaffirm his faith—for example, by total immersion.
16. That the Committee be as on page 7 herein.

QUESTION 50—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting Chaplaincy matters?

ARMED SERVICES CHAPLAINCY COMMITTEE

REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1973

Three meetings of the committee were held during the year, coinciding with the meetings in Wellington of the Chaplains Dominion Advisory Council.

In the regular force chaplaincy the Rev. R. J. Hamlin continues to serve as Principal Defence Chaplain, located at the Ministry of Defence, Wellington, and responsible for chaplains of the three services, Navy and Army as well as the Air Force to which he was originally attached. The Rev. Barry W. Neal is to be posted from Papakura Army Camp to Burnham Camp late in 1973. Both these ministers are serving with complete acceptance.

Territorial Force Chaplains have served with units and at Annual Camps as required and as recommended by the inter-church committees which are advisory to the Armed Services in chaplaincy matters. In each case the ministry offered has been appreciated.

Methodist representatives on Regional Chaplaincy Advisory Committees for Northern, Central and Southern areas are the Revs. R. F. Clement, J. S. Hosking, and K. J. Taylor, the latter appointment to be carried by the Rev. R. W. Widdup during Mr Taylor's absence overseas next year.

A new departure by the Methodist Church of N.Z. has been the appointment of one of its ministers to serve a naval unit. The Rev. P. K. F. de Zoete has been commissioned to serve as chaplain to the R.N.Z. Volunteer Naval Reserve, being attached to HMNZS Ngapona.

Two Army Regiments received new Queen's Colours during the year, and the Rev. R. F. Clement as Chairman of the Chaplains' Dominion Advisory Council participated in the dedication of both of these. In the dedication at Auckland he was assisted by the Rev. M. L. Dine, T.F. chaplain to 3 RNZIR.

For a minister to serve the men and women of the Armed Services and their families, it is essential that he accept identification with them. When on official duties the chaplain wears the uniform of the service with which he is identified and also badges representing rank, but he is one of the few people within the Armed Services who has no power of command by virtue of rank, and who does not have a place within the hierarchy of authority.

Chaplaincy Today

Chaplaincy to the Armed Forces' personnel continues to be a real ministry of Word, Sacraments and Pastoral Care. Chaplains meet the same basic problems and challenges as do their counterparts in the parishes. The Armed Forces situation presents similar difficulties of proclaiming a gospel which is seen to be relevant, of meeting the variety of personal needs of individuals and families, of the changing pattern of church attendance, and the mobility of the population. The closest parallel with the civilian ministry would be that in a Union Parish.

Chaplains too are seeking new ways of presenting the message of faith and of expressing a caring ministry. Some experiments in new forms of worship are bearing fruit, as are programmes of social

care and welfare activity. Much time is spent in personal counselling with individuals, couples and families. Separations, inadequate housing, and the exigencies of the service create pressures which some people find very distressing. The ministry of a chaplain enables him to be involved in sharing the burden with these people, as well as providing a link with resources of help which frequently are found within the wider church.

Chaplains fulfil an important ministry in bringing Christian insights, values and hopes into situations where the dehumanising forces of power structures, technology, unquestioning obedience, and the oppressive force of constantly living in the presence of the means of mass destruction may so easily numb the spirit and destroy human sensitivity. The ministry of care and of human sympathy born of fellowship with Christ may bring a new dimension to disheartened people.

Chaplaincy in the Armed Forces opens the door for a real ministry to men and women by which are offered the new life, reconciliation, and healing of Christ. It requires men of ability, vision and dedication if the need is to be matched.

The passage of time brings to retirement age several of our Methodist Territorial Force chaplains (an exception to this rule being the Senior chaplain of each denomination whose retirement occurs at a later age). There is now an opportunity for some younger Methodist ministers to offer for commissioning as T.F. chaplains, which ministry interferes very little with the circuit ministry.

Comments of Serving Chaplains

"T.F. Chaplaincy in today's Army is a valid and useful form of ministry. It affords the opportunity to spend a fortnight or so once a year, and other occasions if proximity to one's unit is reasonable, with a group of people who have little contact with the institutional church."

"The T.F. Chaplain works with a true cross-section of the community at large, and as a representative of the church has the chance to portray a Christian stance. In addition, because of the 'grass roots' nature of his appointment, he is able to listen to what 'the world' is saying. Open dialogue, frank discussion, the thrust of friendly debate with all ranks is the basic diet of the T.F. Chaplain, together with the normal ministry of Word, Sacraments and Pastoral Care."

"The unique chance to be personally involved through Armed Services chaplaincy with a broad spectrum of humanity is highly relevant to the Church of today, accused as it so often is of ghetto-like existence and other worldly or antiquarian life styles. Wherever there are people, there is human need. Hence people are essentially the prime concern of the Church and human need the focus of its attention."

"It is my opinion that the Defence Chaplaincy is of great value and has tremendous relevance in this day. At all times we are working within a machine of people—whose human qualities and virtues need the love of Jesus Christ; experience acknowledges that while contact with the Padre in training weekends or annual camps is of a generally superficial nature, it still carries meaning and the knowledge that the Church cares."

"It is imperative that the Chaplains' Department continues this type of ministry. Experiences with families in (Army) camps lead to the strong conclusion that many of these would be lost without the ministry of the church, its groups of diverse activity, and its care for the Christian nurture of their children."

"Chaplaincy experience has helped me to shed the trimmings of the Christian faith and get down to basic beliefs. Men are not usually

prepared to listen to waffle . . . The freedom in chaplaincy work is an aspect which I appreciate. I also appreciate that, through chaplaincy, a minister comes into close contact with men who would otherwise have little awareness of what the Church stands for. It is sometimes difficult to do what is required of a Territorial Chaplain because of time, but I believe that this work should have a very high priority."

Financial

The committee received an allocation of \$150.00 from the Conference, while grants to chaplains and committee expenses cost \$143.00 for the year. There is a credit balance of \$165.00.

R. F. CLEMENT, Senior Chaplain.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report and Financial Statements be received and adopted.
2. That the chaplains for 1974 be: (a) Full-time: Revs. R. J. Hamlin (RNZAF and Principal Defence Chaplain), and B. W. Neal (Army) (re-appointed for a 3 year term). (b) Part-time: Revs. R. F. Clement (Senior Chaplain), J. B. Currie, P. K. F. de Zoete, M. L. Dine, J. S. Hosking, J. I. Manihera, D. S. Mullan, K. J. Taylor, N. Waaka.
3. That the Committee for 1974 be as printed on page 5 herein.

QUESTION 51—What is the Report of:

(a) WESLEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY (NEW ZEALAND)

150th Anniversary "Histories"

Sales of the first two volumes ("Te Hahi Weteriana" and "Out of the Common Way") were at first brisk, but have now slowed down. It is of the greatest importance that the remaining copies are sold to have money in hand for publishing the next two volumes.

The "Overseas Outreach" volume by the Rev. G. G. Carter should appear at Conference 1973, and the Rev. E. W. Hames's second volume ("All in a Lifetime") is expected to be published before mid-1974.

The 1972 Conference Lecture

The Lecture by Dr J. M. R. Owens at the Whangarei Conference has been published under the title "The Unexpected Impact" in illustrated booklet form. As such, it makes an ideal souvenir of an historic Conference. Besides this, it is seen as being important for the balanced interpretation it gives of early missionary influence in New Zealand, and every endeavour will be made to have it widely circulated in Teachers' College and High School Libraries.

Samuel Leigh—Artist of Merit

The Society is indebted to the Rev. Harry Voyce for re-discovering the existence of two water-colour paintings dating from 1823, of the Whangaroa chiefs, Te Puhi and Te Ara ("George"). The originals are at the Methodist Missionary Society Office, London and colour photos of these historic portraits have now been widely circulated in New Zealand. They are considered to be of great value, because they are as early as the earliest known authentic Maori portraits.

Kaero Celebrations

During the Queen's Birthday weekend, the 150th anniversary of the founding of our first Mission Station ("Wesleydale") was cele-

brated at Kao. Enlargements of the Leigh paintings were presented to the Centennial Church there, and a special post-mark was authorised by the Post Office for the actual 'founding' date, June 11th.

Serial Numbering of Proceedings

Because of some confusion that appears to have arisen, we list the numbering of recent and projected volumes. Those marked with an asterisk, have to be specially ordered and paid for separately by members:

- Vol. 26, Nos. 1-4: "100 Years in Pitt Street" (E. W. Hames).
- *Vol. 27, Nos. 1 & 2: "Te Hari Weteriana" (G. I. Laurenson).
- *Vol. 27, Nos. 3 & 4: "Out of the Common Way" (E. W. Hames).
- Vol. 27, No. 5: "I Remember" (Inez Hames).
- *Vol. 27, No. 6: "The Unexpected Impact" (J. M. R. Owens).
- *Vol. 28, Nos. 1 & 2: "All in a Life-time" (title not finally fixed) (E. W. Hames) (due mid-1974).
- *Vol. 28, Nos. 3 & 4: The "Overseas Outreach" volume (G. G. Carter) (due Nov. 1973).
- Vol. 28, No. 5: "David Voeta . . ." (G. G. Carter).

Annual Meeting and Lecture, 1973

The Annual Meeting will be held at Friendship House, Central Mission, Christchurch, on Saturday, 3rd November, at 4.30 p.m. The Lecturer will be the Rev. G. G. Carter, who will speak on "John Crump—Pioneer Missionary to New Britain".

E. W. HAMES, President.

L. R. M. GILMORE, Secretary.

RESOLUTION

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

QUESTION 51.—(b) Custodian of Early Records?

REPORT OF THE CUSTODIAN OF EARLY RECORDS

Historical Records

The care of Ministers in forwarding records of our Methodist Churches throughout another year has been appreciated. We would again urge Ministers in Union Parishes to be careful to forward on for safe custody books of records no longer required.

During the year ended 30th June, 1973, Church records of various kinds have been received from the following Circuits, and receipts issued for affixing in Circuit Schedule books:—

NORTHLAND:

Kao, Dargaville.

AUCKLAND:

Stanley Bay.

WELLINGTON:

Johnsonville, Otaki.

NELSON:

Wakefield, Nelson, Hokitika.

NORTH CANTERBURY:

Oxford, St John's Fendalton, New Brighton - Christchurch, Woolston.

SOUTH CANTERBURY:

Ashburton.

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND:

Milton, Invercargill, Synod - Conference Books, Port Chalmers, St Kilda - Dunedin.

We cannot help noticing that we have very little material from some Districts and would urge District Chairmen and Circuit Superintendents to make enquiries as to the housing of their Circuit records. **Plans and Bulletins**

Circuit Superintendents continue to respond to requests for copies of preaching plans and local bulletins. We have been asked if it might be possible for some of these bulletins to be made available to enquiring Ministers desirous of obtaining suggestions for the improvement and re-designing of their own local bulletins. We would like to suggest that within Districts an exchange of bulletins be encouraged.

Use of Records

Enquiries are being made regarding increased accommodation in the basement at Epworth Chambers for the use of records. The possibility is being explored of some of the Wesleyana and Church papers at present at the Connexional Office being made available to the University of Canterbury and other libraries. This would not only relieve the pressure on space at the Connexional Office but would help to make this valuable historical material more accessible to students writing these and historians engaged in research.

W. R. LAWS, Custodian of Early Records.

RESOLUTION

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

QUESTION 51 (c)—

150th ANNIVERSARY OF METHODISM SCHOLARSHIP FUND

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD

The Board set up by the last Conference to administer the Scholarship Fund has made its existence known throughout the Maori Circuits, but has not yet completed the task of passing on the information to all the Churches of the Pacific Council of Churches.

During the year several enquiries regarding the scope and purpose of the Scholarship Fund were received. One firm application for a Scholarship Grant supported by the Solomon Island Region of the United Church of Papua, New Guinea and the Solomon Islands was received, and the Board made a Grant of \$500 to enable a Solomon Island student to continue for a third year at Wesley College.

The Board expects to receive many applications for Scholarship Grants from Maori and Pacific Island persons for the 1974 academic year.

The Scholarship Fund is lodged with the Methodist General Purposes Trust Board, and the Connexional Office has reported to the Board on the present state of that Fund. At the 31st January 1973 the Fund stood at \$21,251.05, and at the 30th June 1973 the Fund had received a further \$1,747.08 (including \$929.25 in interest), which after deducting the \$500.00, made the total available for Grants \$22,498.13.

The General Purposes Trust Board, P.O. Box 931, Christchurch is receiving further amounts for the Fund from those who promised to make an annual donation for a specified period.

The Board reminds the Conference that the 150th Anniversary objective for the Scholarship Fund was \$50,000, and it believes that there are many within the fellowship of the Church who would like

to make further contributions, or to make provision for the Fund with legacies. Gifts or donations may be made at any time, and will be gratefully received. It is the intention of the Board to expend the total amount of the Fund within the period of 10 or so years. It has no intention of building up a capital fund.

B. M. CHRYSTALL, Convener.

RESOLUTION

1. That the Report be received and adopted.

QUESTION 52(a).—What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting the laws of the Church including the ruling of the President during the year?

LAW REVISION COMMITTEE

ANNUAL REPORT 1973

Section (1) of the Committee's 1972 report relating to "Lay Representatives in Conference" was referred back to the Committee.

It has not been possible to find out the reason for this. The only explanation appears to be that the Committee's report was considered in a hurry in the last session of the Conference and that there was no time to give adequate consideration.

In case it is desired to give further consideration the Committee's report is set out hereunder.

A (1) Lay Representatives

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".

B—Ministers on Exchange—Membership of Conference and Synod

The Committee has been 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 (1973 Minutes page 304 Resolution 2)

In the past it has been the Church's practice to welcome a visiting Minister whether on exchange or only a visitor at a Conference or Synod and associate him with that body. When so associated he may attend all sessions and may speak but does not have the right to vote.

Generally Ministers on exchange are here for less than twelve months. It is submitted that it would be difficult for such a Minister to gain sufficient information to vote really intelligently on many matters which have been the subject of consideration by the Church for some time. They can no doubt give the Church some assistance from their experiences but is it proper that they should take part in making a decision to bind the Church?

A Minister cannot be in full connexion with two Conferences. To be received into full connexion with another Conference a Minister would have to be willing to lose his full status in this originating Conference. It is reasonable to suppose that most Ministers would not desire to do this for a short term transfer.

With regard to Ministers who are here for much longer periods it is usual for them to be transferred to this Conference. There have been cases where a Minister has come from overseas to take up a position with an organisation approved by the Conference. Such have been accepted in full connexion by the Conference and some have been transferred to it. It is recommended that this procedure be still followed.

Visiting Ministers on exchange or otherwise unless they are accepted in full connexion by the Conference should be associated with the Conference. When they are so associated they are able to speak and advise but do not vote. This has proved satisfactory in the past.

Therefore the Committee does not recommend any change.

C Other Matters

The Committee has under consideration the constitutions for the Five Divisions and a draft constitution under which the City Missions may be incorporated.

H. de R. FLESHER, Convener.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That an additional question be added to section 381 (Law Book page 62) — "15(a) What ministers from other Conferences are associated with this Conference?"
3. **FIVE DIVISIONS OF THE CHURCH:** That the President upon receipt of a Certificate from the Law Revision Committee that it has approved of the new constitutions of each of the Five Divisions shall approve of the respective constitutions and determine the date that such constitutions shall come into effect.
4. **ELECTION OF CHAIRMEN OF DISTRICTS:** In view of the expressed desire of Conference that Chairmen of Districts as nominated by Synods be elected without ballot, this matter be referred to the Law Revision Committee.
5. That the Committee be as printed on page 7 herein.

(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?

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON STIPENDS

1. HOUSING ALLOWANCES FOR CIRCUIT MINISTERS OCCUPYING THEIR OWN HOMES

During the year, the Committee was approached for guidance as to a fair basis for fixing the rate of house allowance which should be paid to a Circuit Minister owning his own home and who desired to live in it. After a full discussion on the subject, the Committee furnished some guide-lines which were, apparently, helpful to the Circuit concerned in coming to a decision.

However, during the Committee's discussions it became evident that this question of ministers acquiring and living in their own houses instead of using the parsonages provided for them has far-reaching pastoral and financial consequences for the Church and requires a major policy decision by the Connexion. The Committee, accordingly, sets out some proposals for consideration by Synods and Conference as follows:—

- (a) That the decision should be made by Conference only after careful consideration rather than by independent arrangements between ministers and circuits.
- (b) That until Conference has set up the necessary procedures and in the exceptional circumstances where a circuit (or Connexional Committee) does grant a minister permission to live in his own house, an appropriate housing allowance should be paid. These arrangements are to be submitted to the Synod for approval before they are entered into.
- (c) In fixing the rate, the over-riding consideration must be that such a minister is not placed in a better position than his colleagues who occupy parsonages.
- (d) In the light of (a) and (c) above, the circuit should not assist the minister to such an extent financially as to be contributing towards the purchase of the house—the acquiring of an asset. With this in mind, it can be regarded as legitimate to pay the minister sufficient by way of an allowance to cover rates, insurance and maintenance, but not anything towards repayment of principal or depreciation of the asset.
- (e) The question of a payment to him of an amount to cover interest was seen as debatable, it being reasonable to compensate him for interest lost in respect of the amount of money of his own put into the home but at a reasonable rate of interest such as that paid in a bank investment account. On the other hand, although a case can be made for compensation for the cost of interest on any mortgage on the house—on the grounds that this is an expense that he has to meet—it was agreed that such payment is hard to justify, in that it is a direct help in acquiring an asset, one that is appreciating in value as the years go by.

In the course of the discussions, it was mentioned that Banks and the Public Service commonly assess rents of staff houses at 1/6th of basic salary; at least one insurance company does the same but uses a factor of 1/7th. It has also been ascertained that where a Presbyterian minister provides his own housing, an allowance of from \$1,200 to \$1,450 per annum is paid to him. Several Synods have suggested that an amount of 10% of the minimum stipend should be adequate.

The Stipends Committee is of the opinion that there are many good reasons as to why a minister should live in the parsonage provided by the Church, and, should a minister purchase a house, nothing should be done to encourage him to live in it. Where a minister opts

out of this recognised traditional arrangement the conditions set out in (a) to (e) above should be applied.

2. HOUSING FOR RETIRING MINISTERS

As a result of the Committee's investigations into the foregoing subject, plus the concern that is being expressed by Synods and the Church as a whole, we came to the definite conclusion that the matter of ministers owning their own homes during their active ministries is not the major problem. The matter which is of paramount importance and which requires urgent attention is that ministers, on retirement, should be able to acquire a suitable home, preferably debt-free, and the Church should, even in times of serious inflation, seek ways and means to make this possible. The Supernumerary Fund Board with, if desired, the assistance of the Board of Management and the Stipends Committee, should bring down an imaginative dynamic scheme in order to meet the serious situation that has arisen.

Suggestions have already been made, one of which is that the Church should purchase suitable houses in various parts of the country which could be let to retired ministers and their wives for their lifetime at nominal rents. This would avoid the necessity of the minister having to put his capital into a property and the Church would retain an appreciating asset. Further examples of imaginative schemes put forward by the Stipends Committee are (1) The formation of a Property Investment Trust to which ministers may contribute their savings and Church Trusts may also deposit capital. The Trust would invest in real estate, and when a minister retires he withdraws not only interest on his savings but his share of the capital gain. Such a scheme would be preferable to individual ministers making property purchases during their active ministry. (2) A further possibility would be for the Church to make loan money available to ministers towards the end of their ministry at say, State Advances rates of interest but without the requirement that the borrower reside in the property.

3. LONG SERVICE INCREMENTS

As a further means to achieve parity with the Presbyterians, the committee sounded out the Synods regarding a proposal to implement a Long Service Increment scheme as adopted by the Presbyterian Church. Some Synods are definitely opposed while others are, at the most, lukewarm towards adopting even the principle of the scheme.

Even though the Committee feels that this could be another method for senior ministers to provide for their housing requirements on retirement, the support from Synods is not sufficient for us to make a recommendation to Conference. We must admit that, until we have a Central Stipend Fund, the Presbyterian scheme is not operable in the Methodist Church.

4. TAX FREE ALLOWANCES

The Committee recently considered a report from its convener on the subject of payment of a Tax-free Allowance to Ministers. It was noted that the Presbyterian Assembly, which has paid its ministers such an allowance for a number of years, decided at the last Assembly to increase the amount to \$150 per annum. It was stated that the Inland Revenue Department had given its approval and that the allowance is to cover entertaining, books, subscriptions, etc.

In view of the parity proposals referred to earlier, the Committee is recommending that this allowance be paid to Methodist Ministers from 1st January, 1975. Synods, with two exceptions, have given general approval to the proposal.

5. LIAISON WITH THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

In accordance with the decision of last Conference, an approach was made to the appropriate committee of the Presbyterian Church with a view to consultation on stipend matters. The Director of the Ministry Committee recently advised that his Church had set up a special committee to conduct a full investigation of stipends and methods of stipend adjustment, including possible equality of stipend for all ministers in the employ of the Church. He also expressed his willingness to consult us further, expressing his belief that it will be important for the two Churches to share information and/or to consult as seems necessary. The Committee proposes to hold further consultation.

6. STIPEND MINIMA

In the light of adjustments to State Service salaries brought about by the Yearly Ruling Rate Survey which revealed an increase of 11.1% in the private sector and the Wage Adjustment Order which gave a 6% increase to State Servants, the Committee increased the Stipend Minima to \$3,800 per annum as from 1st November 1973.

Calculations used to arrive at this figure are as follows:—

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| Stipend as at 1/4/1972 | 3,050.00 |
| Add State Service Increase, announced August 1973—11.1% | 338.55 |
| | <hr/> 3,388.55 |
| Add Increase granted 1/7/1973 on account of furniture ownership | 180.00 |
| | <hr/> 3,568.55 |
| Add 6% Wage Adjustment Order Increase | 214.13 |
| | <hr/> Total \$3,782.68 |

Actual \$3,800.00 p.a.

In order to achieve parity with Presbyterian stipends by 1st July 1974, it had been decided to increase our stipends by \$180 from 1/1/1974 and a further \$180 from 1/7/1974. The latest adjustments necessitate an alteration in our proposals. It would appear most likely that the Presbyterian stipends will be increased to \$4,025 as from 1/10/1973 and it is expected that this will be the basic figure for 12 months.

The Committee, therefore, proposes that unless unforeseen circumstances, such as a further General Wage Order, arise the Stipend Minima will stand until 30th June 1974 and an increase of \$225 p.a. will be applied as from 1st July 1974. In that way, all things being equal, parity will have been reached by 1st July 1974 as per the 1972 Conference resolution.

This year has revealed a changing pattern in the criteria being used by the State Service and others to arrive at percentage adjustments. The Committee wishes to point out, therefore, that having reached parity with the Presbyterian Church, it may be necessary to review our formula for fixing stipends. A good relationship has been established with the Ministry Committee of the Presbyterian Church and it is hoped that the time will come when Stipends for both Churches will be fixed by a joint committee or, at least, be agreed upon in consultation with one another.

7. THE PRINCIPLE OF PARITY AS RELATED TO COLLEGE STAFF AND HEADS OF DIVISIONS

In accordance with the Conference 1972 resolution (p. 316, No. 7) the Committee gave some attention to the parity principle by which Ministers are paid approximately the same stipends regardless of

their position within the Church and considered the proposition that stipends should be related to the positions held within the Connexion.

Stipend or salary rates for Ministers of other Churches serving in Theological Colleges or as Departmental Heads were obtained and, when these are compared with Methodist stipends, a case could be made for the application of substantial increases to Methodist Ministers serving in similar capacities.

However, the Committee has no recommendation to make and the reason for this is that we believe the Methodist Ministry as a whole is not ready for any departure from the principle of all Ministers receiving approximately the same stipends regardless of their position within the Church. In the past, those Ministers assigned to positions outside the Circuit Ministry have always opposed any suggestion that they should be placed in a more favourable financial position than the rest of the Ministers and the Committee has no evidence of any change in this attitude.

It is suggested, therefore, that until such time as circumstances demand that some action be taken, the whole matter be left in abeyance.

W. F. FORD, Chairman.
E. G. HEGGIE, Convener.
S. N. ROBERTS, Acting Convener.

RESOLUTIONS

1. That the Report be received and adopted.
2. That the guide-lines set out in (a) to (e) of this Report under the heading "House Allowance for Circuit Ministers Occupying their own Homes" be approved for use by Synods and Circuits.
3. That, in an endeavour to alleviate the serious situation that Ministers are facing in making provision for a home for their retirement, the Supernumerary Fund Board be requested to give immediate attention to the problem and to bring down proposals which can be considered by Synods and adopted by Conference 1974.
4. That approval be given to the payment to Ministers of a tax-free allowance of \$150 per annum, with proportionate allowances to others in receipt of stipends. That as from 1st January 1975 this allowance be paid by Circuits in addition to the minimum stipend to cover the cost of entertaining, books, subscriptions, etc. The present linen allowance be eliminated from that date.
5. That in view of the decision to increase the Presbyterian basic stipend beyond the \$4,025 provided for in the report, the Stipend Committee be authorised, if necessary, to delay, by up to one year, the date by which full parity with the Presbyterian basic stipend is reached, and also to report on the basis for future adjustments to stipends.
6. That Conference records its appreciation of the long and devoted service of Mr T. M. Pacey and Mr J. H. Yarr on this committee.
7. That the Committee for 1974 be as printed on page 8 herein.

QUESTION 54—What are the Resolutions of the Conference on any other matter?

That the Vice-President Elect consult with members of the Council of Mission after his election in order to plan for his Vice-Presidency in terms of—

- (a) His specific skills and expertise.
- (b) The particular needs of the Connexion.

AMENDMENTS TO THE LAW BOOK

Adopted by Conference 1973

Part V District Courts

(A) District Ministerial Committee

Page 51: Section 334A—

The following question shall be asked annually at either the March or August session:—

“Is there any person suitable for chaplaincy?”

(1973 Minutes Page 51)

Page 51: Section 335 is hereby amended by repealing Sub-sections (2) and (8) and substituting therefor the following:—

(2) Are there any matters relating to the work and personal well being of the Ministers, Probationers, Home Missionaries or Deaconesses in the District? In conjunction with this question the District Ministerial Roll shall be read.

(1973 Minutes Page 51)

Part VI The Conference

Page 58: Section 361 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

361 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.

(1973 Minutes Page 51)

Page 62: Section 381 is amended by adding the following:—

(15a) What Ministers from other Conferences are associated with this Conference?

(1973 Minutes Page 51)

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 therefor 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 the last 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.

334A. The following question shall be asked annually at either the March or August session:—

"Is there any person suitable for chaplaincy?"

(1973 Minutes Page 51)

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?
Section 335 is hereby amended by repealing Sub-sections (2) and (8) and substituting therefore the following:—
- (2) Are there any matters relating to the work and personal well being of the Ministers, Probationers, Home Missionaries or Deaconesses in the District? In conjunction with this question the District Ministerial Roll shall be read.
(1973 Minutes Page 51)
- (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?
- (9) Have the Home Missionary Probationers in the District passed the prescribed examination in their respective years?
- (10) What are the replies from Circuits to the following questions: (These to be entered on printed forms supplied for the purpose.)
 - (a) Has the Annual Audit of Trust Accounts been made?
 - (b) Have all changes in the personnel of the Trusts been reported to the Authorised Representative?
 - (c) Have the proper entries been made in the Circuit Schedules?
 - (d) Have all baptisms been duly registered?
 - (e) Have Leaders' Meetings been regularly held and has the Membership Roll been duly revised?
 - (f) Have the Conference requirements relating to Home and Overseas Missions been complied with?
 - (g) Have Membership preparatory classes been regularly held?

- (11) Can any measures be adopted to promote our own pastoral efficiency? [When considering this question the Pastoral Resolutions (appendix II) shall be read.]

336. The findings and recommendations of this Committee shall be recorded in the District Synod Journal and a complete copy forwarded to the Secretary of Conference, to the Secretary of the Board of Examiners, to the District Chairman and to the District Ministerial Representative on the Stationing Committee.

(b) REPRESENTATIVE SESSION

337. The Representative Session shall review all the work of the Church within the District, except that dealt with in the District Ministerial Committee, and such other business as may be referred to it by the Conference.

338. The business of the various Representative Sessions shall be dealt with in accordance with the following questions:

I. ALL SESSIONS

- (1) Who are present?

District Matters

- (2) What recommendations do we make concerning—
(a) The Welfare of the Church?
(b) The Lay Preachers' Association?
(c) Men's Fellowship?
(d) Women's Fellowship?
- (3) What recommendations do we make in regard to the work of Christian Education in the District?
- (4) What are the reports of the following District Committees—
(a) Executive
(b) Finance and Stewardship
(c) Property
(d) Home Mission and Church Extension
(e) Church Welfare and Evangelism
- (5) What is the report relating to the Social Service work in the District, including Children's Homes?
- (6) What is the report of the District Chaplains' Committee?
- (7) What do we recommend respecting matters remitted to us (if any) by the Conference?
- (8) Are there any Resolutions or Recommendations on matters of which notice has been given?
- (9) When and where shall the next session be held?

II. MARCH SESSIONS

Connexional Matters

- (10) What are the reports of the following Committees, Boards and Institutions—
(i) Faith and Order Committee
(ii) Theological College
(iii) Deaconess Institution and Deaconesses
(iv) Wesley College and other schools, colleges or hostels
(v) Wesley Historical Society
- (11) Who are nominated as representatives to the Church Council?

III. JUNE SESSION

Connexional Matters

- (12) What is the report of the Department of Christian Education?
- (13) What are the reports of the following Committees and Boards:
 - (i) Welfare of the Church Committee
 - (ii) Board of Evangelism
 - (iii) Public Questions
 - (iv) International Affairs
 - (v) Temperance
 - (vi) Radio and Television
 - (vii) Church Union

IV. AUGUST SESSION

- (14) Have the Conference appointments for this District been observed?
- (15) Has any Minister or Probationer died since the last Conference?
- (16) Does the Synod recommend that any Minister be made a Supernumerary at the ensuing Conference?
- (17) Does the Synod recommend that any Supernumerary return to the regular work?
- (18) Does the Synod recommend that any Minister have permission to rest for a year?
- (19) Does the Synod recommend that any Minister be left without Pastoral Charge?
- (20) Does any Minister or Probationer offer himself for Overseas Mission work?
- (21) Do we recommend the division or alteration of the Districts or of any Circuit or Home Mission Station in the District?
- (22) Do we recommend any change in the status or staffing of any Circuit or Home Mission Station?
- (23) To what Circuits do we recommend that additional preachers be appointed?
- (24) From what Circuits do we recommend that Preachers be withdrawn?
- (25) What Circuits in the District are suitable appointments for the training of a Probationer?
- (26) What do we recommend in regard to the constitution of new Circuits or Home Mission Stations?
- (27) What can be done in the Circuits of this District to advance the cause of Church Union and co-operation with other Churches?
- (28) Do we recommend that any Home Mission Station be constituted a Circuit?
- (29) What Circuits become due to provide for married Ministers at next Conference? What is being done by Circuits to which Probationers are appointed to prepare for appointment of married Ministers in due course?
- (30) What is the state of the Circuit Funds in the district? Has the audit been held in each Circuit?
- (31) What are the Annual Statistical Returns?
- (32) What is the report of the District Statistical Secretary regarding the increase or decrease in the number of churches or preaching places in any Circuit or Home Mission Station in the District?

- (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".

Page 58: Section 361 is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

361 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.

(1973 Minutes, page)

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 121.)

Page 62: Section 381 is amended by adding the following:

(15a) What Ministers from other Conferences are associated with this Conference?

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. Committe 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 sub-section:

- (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 DEACONESSES

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 manu-

scripts 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 world we live in is one of hope and fear, love and hatred, unity and division. Yet, for all its confusion, this world is God's world, Christ is Lord and His love will prevail. Therefore we pledge

ourselves to the task of breaking down all racial, political and religious barriers, and of confronting all mankind with that fullness of life which is to be found only in Jesus Christ.

The Living Word:

At the heart of the Gospel there stands Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. We therefore resolve in all our preaching, teaching and administering of the Sacraments, to place ourselves at the disposal of the Holy Spirit so that our words and actions may confront men and women with the Risen Christ. To this end we submit to the discipline of study, and accept the challenge to wrestle with contemporary thought so that we may proclaim a relevant word for this age.

Pastoral Responsibilities and Administration:

Remembering our Lord's infinite love for people, we resolve to give our pastoral responsibilities a central place in our ministry. We will counsel people as need 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 3 MONTHS ENDED 30th JUNE, 1973

| INCOME | | | | EXPENDITURE | | | |
|------------------------------|---|----|-----------------|--------------------------------|---|---|-----------------|
| | | \$ | \$ | | | | |
| Interest—National Bank | — | — | 25.80 | Printing "Preacher" | — | — | 45.55 |
| Government Stock | — | — | 23.75 | Book Award | — | — | 5.00 |
| General Purposes Trust Board | — | — | 99.00 | Postages | — | — | 2.44 |
| | | | | Sundry | — | — | 1.30 |
| Subscriptions from Branches | — | — | 148.55 | Total Expenses | — | — | 54.29 |
| | | | 22.75 | Excess Income over Expenditure | — | — | 117.01 |
| | | | <u>\$171.30</u> | | | | <u>\$171.30</u> |

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR 12 MONTHS ENDED 30th JUNE, 1973

| INCOME | | | | EXPENDITURE | | | |
|-----------------------------|---|----|-----------------|--------------------------------|---|---|-----------------|
| | | \$ | \$ | | | | \$ |
| Interest | — | — | 172.30 | Printing "Preacher" | — | — | 71.35 |
| Subscriptions from Branches | — | — | 30.75 | Book Award | — | — | 10.00 |
| Profit on Meal at A.G.M. | — | — | 8.50 | Postages | — | — | 7.44 |
| | | | | Sundry | — | — | 8.30 |
| | | | | Travelling Expenses | — | — | 66.20 |
| | | | | Total Expenses | — | — | 163.29 |
| | | | | Excess Income over Expenditure | — | — | 48.26 |
| | | | <u>\$211.55</u> | | | | <u>\$211.55</u> |

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1973

| LIABILITIES | | | | ASSETS | | | |
|-------------------------------------|---|----|-------------------|---|---|---|-------------------|
| | | \$ | \$ | | | | \$ |
| Benevolent Fund | — | — | 2,300.00 | N.Z. Methodist Church General Purposes Fund | — | — | 1,800.00 |
| General Fund | — | — | 1,856.39 | N.Z. Government Stock, 4½% 15/10/73 | — | — | 1,000.00 |
| Plus Excess Income over Expenditure | — | — | 48.26 | Outstanding Interest Received 6/7/73 | — | — | 99.00 |
| | | | 1,904.65 | Auckland Savings Bank | — | — | 1,305.65 |
| | | | <u>\$4,204.65</u> | | | | <u>\$4,204.65</u> |

Audited and found correct.

A. C. DRAPER, A.C.A., C.M.A.,

27/8/73.

NEW ZEALAND METHODIST WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR
ENDED 31st AUGUST, 1973

| 1972 \$ | | | | | | \$ | 1973 \$ |
|---|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|-----------|-------------|
| ACTIVITIES HAVE BEEN FINANCED BY:— | | | | | | | |
| Contributions from Districts— as detailed in the Summary attached: | | | | | | | |
| 781 | Membership Fees | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1,191.06 | |
| 26,367 | Missions General | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 22,144.69 | |
| | Special Objective | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 5,565.09 | |
| 4,310 | Stamps, etc. Fund | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 4,041.37 | |
| 1,882 | Kurahuna Scholarship | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | — |  |
| — | Cents for the Australasian Seminar | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 233.88 | |
| 345 | Other Objects | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 692.87 | |
| 33,685 | | | | | | | 33,868.96 |
| Interest Received: | | | | | | | |
| 374 | National Bank of New Zealand | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 295.66 | |
| — | Methodist General Purposes Trust re Smethurst | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 130.00 | |
| 374 | | | | | | | 425.66 |
| Sundry Income: | | | | | | | |
| 16 | Sale of Literature etc. | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | — | 2.55 |
| 179 | Refund of Expenses | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | — | — |
| \$34,254 | Total Income | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |  | \$34,237.17 |

**THE ABOVE INCOME HAS ENABLED US TO
MAKE THE FOLLOWING PAYMENTS:—**

| | | | | | | | |
|----------|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|----------|-------------|
| 8,200 | To the Maori Division | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 8,200.00 | |
| 8,200 | ...Overseas Division | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 8,200.00 | |
| — | Maori Division—1971-72 Special Objective | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 6,000.00 | |
| 6,000 | Seamer House | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | — |  |
| | Overseas Division—1970-71 Special Objective | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | — |  |
| 1,000 | Special Earthquake Appeal | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | — |  |
| 23,400 | | | | | | | 22,400.00 |
| 4,220 | Allocations from the Stamp Fund | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 4,310.00 | |
| 2,505 | for Overseas Grants | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 2,930.00 | |
| 340 | for Other Objects | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 692.87 | |
| 7,065 | | | | | | | 7,932.87 |
| — | Maori Division re Smethurst Trust Grants towards a Maori Minister's Stipend | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 130.00 | |
| 130 | Administration Expenses, | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | — |  |
| 222 | Treasurer's Honorary | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 259.84 | |
| — | Printing and Stationery | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 428.01 | |
| 235 | Net Convention Travelling Expenses | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 116.81 | |
| 159 | Travelling Expenses | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 194.50 | |
| | General Expenses | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 12.00 | |
| | Subscriptions N.C.W. | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 85.00 | |
| | W.F.M.W. | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | — |  |
| 97 | | | | | | | 97.00 |
| 843 | | | | | | | 1,096.16 |
| 31,308 | Total Expenditure | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |  | 31,559.03 |
| 2,946 | Surplus of Income over Expenditure | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |  | 2,678.14 |
| \$34,254 | | | | | | | \$34,237.17 |

SUMMARY OF THE MAIN ACCOUNTS

WORKING EXPENSES:

Expenditure for the year was made up as follows:

| | | | | | |
|---|--|--|--|--|--------|
| Printing and Stationery | | | | | 259.84 |
| Travelling Expenses | | | | | 116.81 |
| General Expenses | | | | | 194.50 |
| Subscriptions N.C.W. and W.F.M.W. | | | | | 97.00 |
| Net Travelling Expenses—Convention 1972 | | | | | 428.01 |

| | | | | | |
|--|--|--|--|--------|-----------------|
| Total Expenditure | | | | | 1,096.16 |
| Less Grant Transferred from Missions General Account | | | | | |
| as per Convention Resolution | | | | 600.00 | |
| Sale of Literature etc. | | | | 2.55 | |
| | | | | | 602.55 |

| | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|--|--|--|--|-------------------|
| Transfer of Membership Fees | | | | | Dr. 493.61 |
| | | | | | Cr. 1,191.06 |
| | | | | | Cr. 697.45 |

KURAHUNA SCHOLARSHIP AND GRANTS ACCOUNT:

| | | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|-----------------|
| We commenced the year with (1.9.72) | | | | | 1,855.63 |
| Plus Interest from all sources | | | | | 6,250.68 |
| | | | | | 8,106.31 |

| | | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|--|--|--|----------|-----------------|
| Less Grants | | | | 4,415.00 | |
| Grant to Maori Education Foundation | | | | 1,500.00 | |
| Sundry Payments | | | | 37.50 | |
| | | | | | 5,952.50 |

| | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|-----------------|
| We completed the year—31.8.73 with | | | | | 2,153.81 |
|------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|-----------------|

KURAHUNA CAPITAL:

The Kurahuna Capital is invested as follows:

| | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--------------------|
| Investments per Peak Longland & Co. | | | | | 56,300.00 |
| Deposits—General Purposes Trust Board | | | | | 11,130.00 |
| Loan at Call Development Division | | | | | 4,000.00 |
| | | | | | \$71,430.00 |

SMETHURST REVENUE ACCOUNT:

| | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|--|--|--|----------|-----------------|
| We commenced the year—1.9.72 with | | | | | 1,045.07 |
| Plus Transferred from Residue Account | | | | 164.26 | |
| Loan to Development Division Repaid | | | | 456.00 | |
| Other Income from all Sources | | | | 1,035.87 | |
| | | | | | 1,656.13 |

| | | | | | |
|--|--|--|--|--|-----------------|
| | | | | | 2,701.20 |
|--|--|--|--|--|-----------------|

| | | | | | |
|---|--|--|--|----------|-----------------|
| Less Property Expenses | | | | 1,540.68 | |
| Payment to Maori Division as Contribution towards the Stipend of a Maori Minister | | | | 130.00 | |
| | | | | | 1,670.68 |

| | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|-------------------|
| We completed the year—31.8.73 with | | | | | \$1,030.52 |
|------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|-------------------|

SUMMARY OF THE MAIN ACCOUNTS

MISSIONS GENERAL:

| | | | | |
|--|-------|-------|-------|--------------------|
| We commenced the year—1.9.72 with | ..... | ..... | ..... | 16,604.39 |
| Plus Contributions from Districts | ..... | ..... | ..... | 22,144.69 |
| Interest ex National Bank of N.Z. | ..... | ..... | ..... | 295.66 |
| | | | | <u>38,984.74</u> |
| Less Transfer to Overseas Travel Fund at 1c per Member | ..... | ..... | ..... | 77.89 |
| Transfer to Working Expenses per Convention Resolution | ..... | ..... | ..... | 600.00 |
| Payment to Maori and Overseas Divisions at \$8,200 each | ..... | ..... | ..... | 16,400.00 |
| Less Payment Maori Division for 1971-72 Special Objective | ..... | ..... | ..... | 6,000.00 |
| Payment for Combined Overseas Grants as approved at Convention | ..... | ..... | ..... | 2,930.00 |
| | | | | <u>26,007.89</u> |
| We completed the year—31.8.73 with | ..... | ..... | ..... | <u>\$12,976.85</u> |

STAMPS ETC. FUND:

| | | | | |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-------------------|
| We commenced the year—1.9.72 with | ..... | ..... | ..... | 5,144.02 |
| Plus Contributions from Districts | ..... | ..... | ..... | 4,041.37 |
| | | | | <u>9,185.39</u> |
| Less payments as approved at Convention or by the Executive subsequently | ..... | ..... | ..... | 4,310.00 |
| | | | | <u>\$4,875.39</u> |
| We completed the year—31.8.73 with | ..... | ..... | ..... |  |

SPECIAL OBJECTIVE:

| | | | | |
|--|-------|--|--|-------------------|
| Contributions from the Districts for this year's Project | | | | <u>\$5,565.09</u> |
|--|-------|--|--|-------------------|

CENTS FOR SEMINAR:

| | | | | |
|----------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-----------------|
| Contributions from the Districts | | | | <u>\$233.85</u> |
|----------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-----------------|

OVERSEAS TRAVEL FUND:

| | | | | |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-----------------|
| We commenced the year—1.9.72 with | ..... | ..... | ..... | 339.13 |
| Plus Transfer from Missions General at the rate of 1c per Member | ..... | ..... | ..... | 77.89 |
| | | | | <u>77.89</u> |
| We completed the year—31.8.73 with | ..... | ..... | ..... | <u>\$417.02</u> |

NEW ZEALAND METHODIST WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st AUGUST, 1973

| 1972 | | | | 1973 |
|--|-----------------------------------|-------|-----------|------------------|
| \$ | | | | \$ |
| The Following are our Continuing Funds: | | | | |
| 16,604 | Missions General | ..... |  | 12,976.85 |
| — | Special Objective | ..... |  | 5,565.09 |
| 5,144 | Stamps etc. Fund | ..... |  | 4,875.39 |
| 339 | Overseas Travel Fund | ..... |  | 417.02 |
| — | Cents for Seminar | ..... |  | 233.88 |
| — | Working Expenses | ..... |  | 697.45 |
| <u>22,087</u> | | | | <u>24,765.68</u> |
| Kurahuna: | | | | |
| 56,300 | Investments | ..... | 56,300.00 | |
| 6,457 | National Bank of N.Z. | ..... | 2,153.81 | |
| 6,497 | General Purposes Trust Board | ..... | 11,130.00 | |
| 4,000 | Loan at Call—Development Division | ..... | 4,000.00 | |
| 73,254 | | | | 73,583.81 |
| 1,856 | Less Scholarship Account | ..... | 2,153.81 | |
| 71,398 | Capital Account | ..... | 71,430.00 | |
| <u>73,254</u> | | | | <u>73,583.81</u> |
| Smethurst: | | | | |
| 456 | Investment with Development Div. | ..... | — |  |
| 8,000 | Drainage Board Debentures | ..... | 8,000.00 | |
| 1,206 | National Bank of N.Z. | ..... | 1,030.52 | |
| 8,000 | "Smethurst" House Property | ..... | 8,000.00 | |
| 17,762 | | | | 17,030.52 |
| 1,662 | Less Revenue Account | ..... | 1,030.52 | |
| 8,000 | Investment Account | ..... | 8,000.00 | |
| 8,000 | "Smethurst" House Property | ..... | 8,000.00 | |
| <u>17,762</u> | | | | <u>17,30.52</u> |
| The Continuing Funds are supported by | | | | |
| the amount deposited at The | | | | |
| 22,087 | National Bank of New Zealand | ..... |  | \$24,765.68 |

Audited and found correct.

F. H. BAIRD, A.C.A.

Note: I have accepted statements from the General Purposes Fund Board, Peak Long-land & Co. and the Development Division relating to the investments.

10th October, 1973.

METHODIST EDUCATION DIVISION

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1973

| 1972* | | | 1973 | | 1972* | | | 1973 | |
|----------|----|--|-----------|-------|----------|---|--------|--------|-----------|
| | \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | \$ |
| | | Current Liabilities: | | | | Current Assets: | | | |
| 3,092 | | Sundry Creditors — — — | 1,900 | | 8,560 | Cash on Hand or at Bank — | | 875 | |
| 1,251 | | Stewardship Deposits in Advance — — | 1,490 | | 5,159 | Sundry Debtors—Trade — | 4,989 | | |
| | | | | | — | Less Provision for Doubtful Debts — — — | 100 | | |
| 4,343 | | Total Current Liabilities — — — | | 3,390 | (2,467) | Less Sales in Advance — — | 2,301 | | |
| 15,916 | | Secured Loans and Mortgages — — — | 50,288 | | | | 2,588 | | |
| 20,775 | | Reserves—Properties — — — | 28,327 | | | | | | |
| 571 | | Youth Conference — — — | 587 | | 4,633 | Prepayments and other Debtors — — — | 3,848 | | |
| 468 | | Special Purposes — — — | | | | | | 6,436 | |
| 344 | | CYMM Projects — — — | 291 | | | | | | |
| 2,211 | | Leadership Training — — — | 2,211 | | 13,316 | Stock on Hand—Trade — | 12,300 | | |
| 143 | | Camping Commission — — — | 143 | | 1,388 | Stock on Hand—Stationery — | 727 | | |
| | | | | | | | | 13,027 | |
| 40,428 | | Total Mortgages and Reserves — — — | 81,847 | | | | | | |
| | | Accumulated Fund: | | | 30,589 | Total Current Assets — — — | | | 20,338 |
| 42,890 | | Opening Balance — — — | 44,934 | | | Reserve Funds: | | | |
| 2,044 | | Excess Income (Expenditure) for Year | (8,004) | | 1,159 | Properties — — — | 6,222 | | |
| — | | Less Grants or Value or Furniture given to Ministerial Staff, July 1st, 1973 — — — | 2,968 | | 571 | Youth Conference — — — | 587 | | |
| | | | | | 468 | Special Purposes — — — | — | | |
| | | | | | | | | 6,809 | |
| 44,934 | | Closing Balance — — — | 33,962 | | — | Secured Loans—Staff — | — | 650 | |
| \$89,705 | | | \$119,199 | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 2,198 | Total Investments — — — | | | -7,459 |
| | | | | | 3,167 | Furniture and Equipment (cost, less depreciation) — — — | | 1,183 | |
| | | | | | 57,085 | Properties (subject to mortgages at cost) — — — | 94,394 | | |
| | | | | | 3,334 | Less Accumulated Depreciation of office property — — — | 4,175 | | |
| | | | | | | | | 90,219 | |
| | | | | | 56,918 | Total Fixed Assets — — — | | | 91,402 |
| | | | | | \$89,705 | | | | \$119,199 |

* Includes all Departments.

I report that I have examined the books, accounts and vouchers of the Methodist Church of New Zealand Education Division for the year ended the 30th June, 1973, and have obtained all the information and explanations I have required in respect of the accounts. I certify that in my opinion, the Balance Sheet and Income and Expenditure Account are properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and fair statement of the financial position of the Methodist Church of New Zealand Education Division for the year.

Wellington,
23rd October, 1973.

B. WOODS, A.C.A., Chartered Accountant.

METHODIST EDUCATION DIVISION
TRADING AND INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNTS YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1973

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| 1972* | INCOME | | | | 1973 | EPWORTH | | STEWARDSHIP | | TRAINING | |
|----------|---|---|---|---|----------|----------|----------|-------------|----------|----------|----------|
| | | | | | | 30/6/72 | 30/6/73 | 30/6/72 | 30/6/73 | 30/6/72 | 30/6/73 |
| | Trading: | | | | | | | | | | |
| 38,612 | Sales—General (adjusted for sales in advance) | — | — | — | 37,308 | 38,612 | 37,308 | | | | |
| 1,369 | At Cost | — | — | — | 1,085 | 1,369 | 1,085 | | | | |
| | Total Sales | — | — | — | 38,393 | | | | | | |
| 39,981 | Opening Stocks | — | — | — | 13,316 | 39,981 | 38,393 | | | | |
| 14,500 | Purchases | — | — | — | 23,105 | 14,500 | 13,316 | | | | |
| 28,024 | | — | — | — | | 28,024 | 23,105 | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 42,524 | | | | | 36,421 | 42,524 | 36,421 | | | | |
| 13,316 | Less Closing Stocks | — | — | — | 12,300 | 13,316 | 12,300 | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 29,208 | Cost of Goods Sold | — | — | — | 24,121 | 29,208 | 24,121 | | | | |
| 1,159 | Less Joint Board Equalisation | — | — | — | — | 1,159 | — | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 28,049 | | | | | | 28,049 | 24,121 | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 11,932 | Gross Profit | — | — | — | 14,272 | 11,932 | 14,272 | | | | |
| | Other Income: | | | | | | | | | | |
| 12,494 | Stewardship Services | — | — | — | 13,256 | | | 12,494 | 13,256 | | |
| 19,270 | Grants—Connexional Budget | — | — | — | 21,547 | | | 1,745 | 110 | 17,525 | 21,437 |
| 1,000 | Fire Insurance Fund | — | — | — | — | | | 1,000 | — | | |
| 1,718 | Leadership Training | — | — | — | 385 | | | | | 1,718 | 385 |
| — | Other | — | — | — | 58 | | | | 58 | | |
| 3,343 | Holiday Camps—Gross Income | — | — | — | 3,948 | | | | | 3,343 | 3,948 |
| (3,167) | Gross Expenditure | — | — | — | (3,934) | | | | | (3,167) | (3,934) |
| 253 | C.E.H. Subscriptions | — | — | — | 171 | | | | | 253 | 171 |
| 28 | Donations | — | — | — | 21 | | | | | 28 | 21 |
| 397 | Interest Received | — | — | — | 218 | 354 | | 29 | | 14 | 218 |
| — | Salaries Recovered | — | — | — | 289 | | | | | | 289 |
| 1,819 | Otherwise Income | — | — | — | 297 | | | | 16 | 552 | 280 |
| | Resource Materials | — | — | — | — | | 1 | | | 1,317 | — |
| | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 37,205 | Total Other Income | — | — | — | 36,256 | 354 | 1 | 15,239 | 13,440 | 21,583 | 22,815 |
| \$49,137 | Total Income | — | — | — | \$50,528 | \$12,286 | \$14,273 | \$15,239 | \$13,440 | \$21,583 | \$22,815 |

* Includes all Departments.

METHODIST EDUCATION DIVISION
TRADING AND INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNTS — YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1973

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| EXPENDITURE | | | | | EPWORTH | | STEWARDSHIP | | TRAINING | |
|-------------|---|---|---|----------|----------|----------|-------------|----------|----------|----------|
| 1972 | | | | 1973 | 30/6/72 | 30/6/73 | 30/6/72 | 30/6/73 | 30/6/72 | 30/6/73 |
| \$ | | | | \$ | | | | | | |
| 313 | Accounting and Auditing Services | — | — | — | 163 | | | | 150 | |
| 75 | Advertising | — | — | 135 | 75 | 135 | | | | |
| 9 | Bad Debts Provision | — | — | 102 | 9 | 102 | | | | |
| 317 | Depreciation of Equipment | — | — | 167 | 135 | | | | 182 | 167 |
| 1,130 | General Expenses | — | — | 1,663 | 602 | 542 | | 121 | 528 | 1,000 |
| — | Grants | — | — | 215 | | | | 215 | | |
| 164 | Insurance | — | — | 124 | 96 | 61 | 58 | 37 | 10 | 26 |
| 224 | Interest Paid | — | — | 161 | | | 45 | | 179 | 161 |
| 261 | National C.Y.M.M. Expenses | — | — | 4 | | | | | 261 | 4 |
| 1,055 | Postages | — | — | 987 | 620 | 690 | 142 | 96 | 293 | 201 |
| 1,534 | Printing and Stationery | — | — | 2,462 | 603 | 663 | 79 | 160 | 852 | 1,639 |
| 3,690 | Rent or Property Expenses | — | — | 7,754 | 1,283 | 1,579 | 321 | 1,378 | 2,086 | 4,797 |
| 1,338 | Resource Materials and Subscriptions | — | — | 198 | | | | | 1,338 | 198 |
| 32,449 | Salaries, Superannuation Subsidy and Allowances | — | — | 39,652 | 7,849 | 10,919 | 10,860 | 12,331 | 13,740 | 16,402 |
| — | Synod Education Conveners' Expenses | — | — | 456 | | | | | | 456 |
| 677 | Special Activities Expenses | — | — | 691 | | | 120 | | 557 | 691 |
| 3,046 | Travelling Expenses—New Zealand | — | — | 3,599 | | | 1,541 | 1,946 | 1,505 | 1,653 |
| 535 | Overseas | — | — | 58 | | | | | 535 | 58 |
| 276 | Training Expenses—Staff | — | — | 104 | | | | | 276 | 104 |
| \$47,093 | Total Expenditure | — | — | \$58,532 | \$11,435 | \$14,691 | \$13,166 | \$16,284 | \$22,492 | \$27,557 |
| 2,044 | Excess Income (Expenditure | — | — | (8,004) | 851 | (418) | 2,102 | (2,844) | (909) | (4,742) |

JOHN A. PENMAN, Chairman.
 JOHN GRUNDY, Director.
 MURRAY CLARK, Treasurer.

METHODIST CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND
LOANS ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 31st MAY, 1973

| 1972 | | 1973 | 1972 | | 1973 |
|---------|-----------------------|---------|---------|-------------------------|---------|
| \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ |
| 396,296 | Loans at 31 May, 1972 | 386,930 | 67,916 | Loans Repaid | 61,177 |
| 58,550 | New Loans Advanced | 70,425 | 386,930 | Loans at 31st May, 1973 | 396,178 |
| 454,846 | | 457,355 | 454,846 | | 457,355 |

SITES FUND ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 31st MAY, 1973

| | | | | | |
|--------|--------------------------------|--------|--------|--------------------------------|--------|
| — | Grants Made | | 10,716 | Balance 31st May, 1972 | 13,712 |
| 13,712 | Balance of Fund 31st May, 1973 | 14,662 | | Contributions Received: | |
| | | | 1,600 | Fire Insurance Fund | 500 |
| | | | 302 | Interest | 450 |
| | | | 1,094 | Grants Refunded | — |
| 13,172 | | 14,662 | 13,712 | | 14,662 |

DEVELOPMENT FUND ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 31st MAY, 1973

| | | | | | |
|--------|--------------------------------|--------|--------|--|--------|
| | Grants Made: Flaxmere Hastings | 1,000 | 22,982 | Balance 31st May, 1972 | 22,650 |
| | Tamatea, Napier | 1,250 | 11,590 | Contributions from Budget (75% of \$4,500) | 3,375 |
| | Chartwell (Hamilton) | 4,000 | | | |
| 10,922 | Total Grants | 6,250 | | | |
| 22,650 | Balance of Fund 31st May, 1973 | 19,775 | | | |
| 33,572 | | 26,025 | 33,572 | | 26,025 |

SPECIAL PROJECTS FUND ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 31st MAY, 1973

| | | | | | |
|-------|---|-------|-------|--|-------|
| 3,000 | Grants Made: Manawatu Social Service Centre (Prepaid 1971/72) | 250 | 2,750 | Contributions from Budget (½ Share of \$4,500) | 1,125 |
| | C. G. Jamieson (Travel) | 500 | 250 | Balance 31st May, 1972 (Prepayment) | — |
| | Balance of Fund 31st May, 1973 | 750 | | | |
| | | 375 | | | |
| 3,000 | | 1,125 | 3,000 | | 1,125 |

METHODIST CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND
ADMINISTRATION ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31st MAY, 1973

| 1972 | | 1973 | 1972 | | 1973 |
|-------|--------------------------|-------|-------|-----------------------|-------|
| 3,600 | Administration Charges | 4,800 | 2,576 | Working Expenses | 2,672 |
| — | Other Expenses: | | 1,212 | Interest Receivable | 1,655 |
| 117 | Seminars | 757 | 120 | Commission Receivable | — |
| 195 | Advertising | 136 | 336 | Dividends | 354 |
| 135 | Audit and General | 323 | | | |
| 135 | Postages | 115 | 4,244 | | 4,681 |
| 418 | Stationery and Telephone | 453 | 453 | Deficit for Year | 2,239 |
| 232 | Travelling (General) | 336 | | | |
| 1,097 | | 2,120 | | | |
| 4,697 | | 6,920 | 4,697 | | 6,920 |

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st MAY, 1973

| | | | | | |
|---------|--|---------|---------|--|---------|
| 373 | Current Liabilities: | | 411,353 | Loans Current | 419,769 |
| | 355 Sundry Creditors | 329 | | Less Working Expenses relating to | |
| | Other Accounts Deposited with Fund: | | 24,423 | future periods | 23,591 |
| | 13,712 Sites Fund Account | 14,662 | 386,930 | Principal Portion of Loans Out- | |
| | 22,650 Development Fund Account (for | | | standing | 396,178 |
| | Church Extension) | 19,775 | | | |
| | Special Projects Fund Account | 375 | | | |
| | 36,362 | 34,812 | | | |
| | Accumulated Funds: | | | | |
| | 393,902 (i) Capital Account at 31.5.72 | 405,233 | 9,730 | Current Assets: | |
| 11,331 | Add Legacies and Donations | | 10,000 | Cash at Bank—Current Account | 14,637 |
| | Received | 2,206 | | Cash at Bank—Term Deposit | 10,000 |
| | | | 250 | Deposit with N.A.C.—Connexional | |
| 405,233 | | 407,439 | | Office Bulk Air Account | 591 |
| | | | | Prepayment Special Projects Account | — |
| 600 | (ii) Administration Funds | | 20,974 | | 25,470 |
| 2,053 | Capital | 600 | 6,724 | Deposits: | |
| | General Funds Balance | | 14,522 | General Purposes Trusts (Sites) | 7,093 |
| | 31.5.72 | 1,600 | 8,000 | General Purposes Trust (General) | — |
| 2,653 | | | | N.Z. Insurance Co. Ltd. | 8,000 |
| (453) | | | 29,246 | | 15,093 |
| 2,200 | Less Deficit for year | 2,239 | 2,500 | Other Assets: Shares Bequeathed to Fund | |
| 407,433 | Debit Balance | 39 | 4,500 | (a) Preference Shares (Unlisted | |
| | Total Accumulated Funds at 31st | | | Company) | 2,500 |
| | May, 1973 | 407,400 | | (b) Ordinary Shares (Listed Com- | |
| | | | | pany) | 3,300 |
| 444,150 | | 442,541 | 444,150 | | 5,800 |
| | | | | | 442,541 |

METHODIST CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st MAY, 1973

| 1972 | | 1973 | | 1972 | | 1973 | |
|-----------|---|-----------|--------|-----------|---|-----------|--------|
| \$ | | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | |
| 355 | Current Liabilities: | | | 411,353 | Loans Current | 419,769 | |
| | Sundry Creditors | 329 | | 24,423 | Less Working Expenses relating to future periods | 23,591 | |
| 13,712 | Other Accounts Deposited with Fund: | | | 386,930 | Principal Portion of Loans Outstanding | 396,178 | |
| 22,650 | Sites Fund Account | 14,662 | | 9,730 | Current Assets: | | |
| | Development Fund Account (for Church Extension) | 19,400 | | 10,000 | Cash at Bank—Current Account | 14,637 | |
| | Special Projects Fund Account | 750 | | | Cash at Bank—Term Deposit | 10,000 | |
| 36,362 | | | 34,812 | | Deposit with N.A.C.—Connexional Office Bulk Air Account | 242 | |
| 393,902 | Accumulated Funds: | | | 994 | Interest Accrued | 591 | |
| 11,331 | (1) Capital Account at 31/5/72 | 405,233 | | 250 | Prepayment Special Projects Account | | |
| | Add Legacies and Donations Received | 2,206 | | 20,974 | | 25,470 | |
| 405,223 | | 407,439 | | 6,724 | Deposits: | | |
| 600 | (2) Administration Funds: | | | 14,522 | General Purposes Trust (Sites) | 7,093 | |
| 2,053 | Capital | 600 | | 8,000 | General Purposes Trust (General) | | |
| | General Funds Balance 31/5/72 | 1,600 | | 29,246 | N.Z. Insurance Co. Ltd. | 8,000 | |
| 2,653 | | 2,200 | | | Other Assets: Shares Bequeathed to Fund | | 15,093 |
| (453) | Less Deficit for Year | 2,239 | | 2,500 | (a) Preference Shares (Unlisted Co.) | 2,500 | |
| 2,200 | Debit Balance | 39 | | 4,500 | (b) Ordinary Shares (Listed Co.) | 3,300 | |
| 407,433 | Total Accumulated Funds at 31/5/73 | 407,400 | | | | 5,800 | |
| \$444,150 | | \$442,541 | | \$444,150 | | \$442,541 | |

We have examined the books of account and records of the Methodist Church Building and Loan Fund for the year ended 31st May, 1973. 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 a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Fund as at 31st May, 1973, and of its income and expenditure for the year ended on that date.

Christchurch,

20th August, 1973.

McCULLOCH, BUTLER & SPENCE,
Chartered Accountants.

W. A. CHAMBERS, Chairman.
W. R. LAWS, General Secretary.
C. R. HASSELDINE, General Treasurer.

THE PROBERT TRUST BOARD OF THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND
PROPERTY INCOME ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1973

| 1972 | | | 1973 | 1972 | | | 1973 |
|-------------|---------------------------------|----------|-------------|-------------|---|--|-------------|
| \$ | | | \$ | \$ | | | \$ |
| | Repairs, Maintenance and | | | 27,150.13 | Rent | | 28,692.79 |
| | Renovations: | | | 40.97 | Rent (Refund received from Bankrupt Tenant | | |
| | No. 1 Block — — — | 3,697.73 | | | 1969) | | 4.45 |
| | No. 2 Block — — — | 507.91 | | | | | |
| | No. 3 Block — — — | 1,387.81 | | | | | |
| | Cottages, etc. — — — | 514.43 | | \$27,191.10 | | | \$28,697.24 |
| 10,173.40 | | | 6,107.88 | | | | |
| 839.77 | Insurance Premiums — — — | | 955.39 | | | | |
| 305.85 | Rates — — — | | 529.18 | | | | |
| | Sundries: | | | | | | |
| | Land Tax — — — | 707.91 | | | | | |
| | Valuation Fees — — — | 135.00 | | | | | |
| | Commission — — — | 1,798.53 | | | | | |
| | Fares and Stamps — — — | 46.44 | | | | | |
| | Legal Fees — — — | 369.55 | | | | | |
| | Sundries — — — | 2.38 | | | | | |
| 2,826.64 | | | 3,059.81 | | | | |
| 13,045.00 | Surplus from Rent — — — | | 18,044.98 | | | | |
| \$27,191.10 | | | \$28,697.24 | | | | |

THE PROBERT TRUST BOARD OF THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1973

| LIABILITIES | | \$ | ASSETS | | |
|---|------------|----|--|------------|------------|
| Capital Account: | | | Freehold Properties: | | |
| Balance as at 30/6/72 — — — — — | 458,196.40 | | Land (at Government Valuation 1/1/70) — | 339,800.00 | |
| Income Account: | | | Buildings (at Govt. Valuation 1/1/70) — | 49,200.00 | |
| Balance as at 30th June, 1973 — — — — — | 13,388.13 | | | | |
| Building Renewal Fund — — — — — | 120,000.00 | | Less No. 3 Block (sold 1/6/73) — — | 65,108.20 | |
| | | | | | 323,891.80 |
| | | | Building Renewal Fund Investments: | | |
| | | | 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, 5¾% 5/8/73 — | 6,000.00 | |
| | | | Auckland Hospital Board, 5¼% 1/4/76 — | 20,000.00 | |
| | | | Auckland Hospital Board, 5¼% 1/10/75 — | 15,000.00 | |
| | | | Auckland Regional Authority Drainage Division, 5.7% 1/7/76 — — | 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 | |
| | | | Casey, G. J. M. and B., 8% 11/2/75 — | 10,000.00 | |
| | | | Goodwin, D. M. and O. F., 8% 29/3/74 — | 6,500.00 | |
| | | | Murphy, H. L. and B. J., 8% 3/5/74 — | 7,000.00 | |
| | | | B. G. Pirrit Ltd., 8½% 26/7/75 — | 10,000.00 | |
| | | | Robb, D. E. and M. J., Pems Autos Ltd., 8½% 31/5/74 — — | 13,000.00 | |
| | | | Wong, S. Y. and L. M. Y., 8½% 28/2/75 — | 4,000.00 | |
| | | | | | 120,000.00 |
| | | | Deposit on Call: | | |
| | | | (N.Z. Mortgage, Invest. & Deposit Co. Ltd.) | | 38,355.70 |
| | | | Mortgages: | | |
| | | | Ashby, P. and K. A., 8% 6/3/75 — — | 6,000.00 | |
| | | | Bryers, H. A., 8% 3/12/74 — — | 8,000.00 | |
| | | | Collins, A. T., 8½% 2/2/76 — — | 9,400.00 | |
| | | | Jamieson, J. A. and J. L., 8½% 19/1/76 — — | 9,400.00 | |
| | | | Parker, K. J. and B. K., 8½% 22/6/76 — — | 16,250.00 | |
| | | | 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 | |
| | | | Watson, C. A., 8½% 7/6/76 — — | 14,500.00 | |
| | | | | | 101,150.00 |

| | | | | | |
|--------------|--------------------------------------|---|---|---|---------------------|
| | Post Office Savings Bank | — | — | — | 66.68 |
| | Bank of New Zealand, Current Account | — | — | — | 7,869.02 |
| | Cash in Hand | — | — | — | 251.33 |
| \$591,584.53 | | | | | <u>\$591,584.53</u> |

We have examined the Books and Accounts of the Probert Trust Board for the year ended 30th June, 1973, 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, 1973, as shown by the Records of the Probert Trust and according to the best of our information.

A. R. MARTIN,
R. EVANS,

Auditors.
F. M. IZZARD, Secretary.
W. F. CHRISTIAN, Member.

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1973

| 1972 \$ | Sundries: | | | 1973 \$ | 1972 \$ | | | | 1973 \$ |
|-------------|---------------------------------------|---|---|-------------|-------------|---------------------------------|---|-----------|-------------|
| | | | | | | | | | |
| | Audit Fee | — | — | 100.00 | 13,045.44 | Surplus from Rent | — | — | 18,044.98 |
| | Commission | — | — | 691.32 | | Interest: | | | |
| | Secretary's Salary | — | — | 750.00 | | Bank of New Zealand | — | 294.28 | |
| | Photocopying | — | — | 13.36 | | Debentures & Registered Stock | — | 3,037.50 | |
| | Sundries | — | — | 23.85 | | P.O. Savings Bank | — | 1.92 | |
| 1,503.52 | | | | 1,578.53 | 12,320.26 | Mortgages | — | 10,492.73 | 13,826.43 |
| 23,936.21 | Surplus for the Year | — | — | 30,369.66 | 74.03 | Commission (N.Z. Insurance Co.) | — | 76.78 | |
| \$25,439.73 | | | | \$31,948.19 | \$25,439.73 | | | | \$31,948.19 |
| — | Appropriated to Building Renewal Fund | — | — | 10,000.00 | 23,936.21 | Surplus for the Year | — | — | 30,369.66 |
| 25,500.00 | Paid to Theological College | — | — | 13,000.00 | 7,582.26 | Balance—30th June | — | — | 6,018.47 |
| 6,018.47 | Balance—30th June | — | — | 13,388.13 | \$31,518.47 | | | | \$36,388.13 |
| | | | | | 6,018.47 | Balance—30th June | — | — | 13,388.13 |
| \$31,518.47 | | | | \$36,388.13 | | | | | |

**PRINCE ALBERT COLLEGE TRUST — PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30th, 1973**

| 1972 \$ | | | | | | | | | 1973 \$ |
|-------------------------|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|----------|------------|
| Income Received: | | | | | | | | | |
| 13,524 | Rent—Shops | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 13,948 | |
| 8,147 | Private Hotel | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 7,395 | |
| 6,573 | Carparks | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 6,567 | |
| 30,414 | Commercial Building | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 33,514 | |
| 10,189 | Interest—Mortgages | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 31,021 | |
| 5,716 | Other | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 6,180 | |
| 1 | Plant Sales | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | — |  |
| — | Rates Received | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 311 | |
| 74,564 | | | | | | | | 98,936 | |
| Expenses: | | | | | | | | | |
| 400 | Administration Expense | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 400 | |
| 127 | Depositors Register Accounting | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 331 | |
| 6,858 | Depreciation Buildings | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 6,858 | |
| 148 | Insurance | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 1,897 | |
| 5,765 | Interest—Mortgages | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 5,665 | |
| 7,860 | Depositors | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 16,861 | |
| 724 | Land Tax | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 79 | |
| 126 | Legal Expenses | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 79 | |
| — | Legal Charges—Mortgage Administration | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 310 | |
| — | Lease Agreement Commission | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 901 | |
| 52 | Printing, Stationery and Copying | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 20 | |
| 1,770 | Property Maintenance—Shops | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 2,588 | |
| 140 | Carparks | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 598 | |
| — | I.B.M. Building | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 490 | |
| 437 | Rates—Carparks | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 293 | |
| — | Shops | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 623 | |
| 300 | Rent Collection—Shops | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 320 | |
| 329 | Rent Collection Commission—Carparks | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 328 | |
| 1,829 | Rent Collection Commission—Commercial Building | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 2,212 | |
| 163 | Share Commercial Building Expense | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 629 | |
| 142 | Sundry Expenses | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 41 | |
| 30 | Telephones, Tolls, Postages | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 36 | |
| 274 | Travelling and Expenses | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 135 | |
| 27,474 | | | | | | | | 42,386 | |
| 47,090 | Trading Surplus for 1972/73 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 56,550 | |
| 400 | Less Grants Made: | | | | | | | | |
| — | Trinity Theological College | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 400 | |
| 400 | 150th Anniversary Fund, first of 3 Annual Grants | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 200 | |
| — | Advanced Theological Study | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 600 | |
| 800 | Total Grants | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 1,200 | |
| \$46,290 | Nett Surplus for 1972/73 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | \$55,350 | |

PRINCE ALBERT COLLEGE TRUST BOARD

COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET AS AT JUNE 30th, 1973

| 1971-72 | | | | 1972-73 | |
|--------------------------------|--|-------------|---------------------|---------|-----------|
| \$ | | | | \$ | \$ |
| Current Assets: | | | | | |
| 15,859 | Funds at Bank of New Zealand | ..... | ..... | 34,026 | |
| 1,270 | Debtors—Recoverable Expenses | ..... | ..... | 876 | |
| 4,054 | Interest Accrued | ..... | ..... | 4,054 | |
| 278 | Rent Accrued | ..... | ..... | — |  |
| 21,461 | | | | | 38,956 |
| Current Liabilities: | | | | | |
| 5,581 | Rent Paid in Advance | ..... | ..... | 6,434 | |
| 4,074 | Interest Accrued | ..... | ..... | 4,074 | |
| 9,655 | | | | | 10,508 |
| 11,806 | Net Working Capital | ..... | ..... |  | 28,448 |
| Invested Funds: | | | | | |
| 94,000 | N.Z. Insurance Company Trust Fund | ..... | ..... | — |  |
| 36,500 | Merbank Corporation | ..... | ..... | — |  |
| 206,000 | First Mortgage Advances and Secured Deposits | ..... | ..... | 445,051 | |
| | Mortgage Endowment Sinking Fund: | | | | |
| 35,524 | Mortgage No. 1 | ..... | ..... | 39,508 | |
| 9,246 | " 2 | ..... | ..... | 11,294 | |
| 381,270 | | | | | 495,853 |
| Fixed Assets: | | | | | |
| | | Cost | Depreciation | | |
| 200,244 | Buildings at Cost | 232,971 | 39,585 | 193,386 | |
| 232,000 | Land 1958 Valuation | 232,000 | | 232,000 | |
| 10,857 | Carparks | 10,857 | | 10,857 | |
| 21,223 | Building Project Development | 27,736 | | 27,736 | |
| 464,324 | | 503,564 | 39,585 | | 463,979 |
| Less Fixed Liabilities: | | | | | |
| 857,400 | Mortgage—National Mutual Life Assurance | ..... | ..... | 988,280 | |
| | Secured over I.B.M. Building: | | | | |
| 60,000 | No. 1 Account 6½% of \$160,000 less Repaid | | | 60,000 | |
| | \$60,000 | | | | |
| 25,600 | No. 2 Account 7% of \$36,000 less Repaid | | | 24,000 | |
| | \$12,000 | | | | |
| 221,147 | Funds Held on Deposit | ..... | ..... | 298,277 | |
| 196 | Prince Albert College Old Students Fund | ..... | ..... | 196 | |
| 306,943 | | | | | 382,473 |
| \$550,457 | Nett Book Value of Assets | ..... | ..... |  | \$605,807 |
| 504,167 | Accumulated Fund at 30th June, 1973 | ..... | ..... | 550,457 | |
| 46,290 | Plus Surplus for Year After Paying Grants | ..... | ..... | 55,350 | |
| 550,457 | Total Fund | ..... | ..... |  | 605,807 |

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, but excluding all other buildings on the site, at \$945,000.

Note 2: Reversionary bonus in respect of the Sinking Funds credited to 30th September 197 amount to approximately \$———.

This amount has not been brought into the accounts here presented.

Note 3: There are no contingent liabilities at 30th June, 1973. Major renovations are in progress to shop verandahs, estimated cost to complete is \$4,500.

Note 4: Funds on deposit and on mortgage are handled through the law office of Rennie, Cox and Garlick.

All mortgages held have a first charge on the property over which they are secured. The total advance in no case exceeds 60% or Trustee value whichever is the less of the certified value of the property and buildings. Funds on deposit are held either in the solicitors Trust Account or in an acceptable Trustee Security on the short term market.

I hereby certify that I have examined the Books and Vouchers for the Prince Albert College Trust. In my opinion the above Income and Expenditure Account and the Balance Sheet have been properly drawn up so as to show a true and fair view of the Trust's affairs as at 30th June, 1973.

J. C. WIGGLESWORTH, B.Com., A.C.A., A.C.I.S.

Auckland, 4th August, 1973.

R. F. CLEMENT, Chairman.

THE JAMES AND MARTHA TROUNSON BENEVOLENT TRUST FUND BOARD
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT : FROM 1st JULY, 1972 TO 30th JUNE 1973

| EXPENDITURE | | | | | | INCOME | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------------------|------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------------------|
| | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Grants | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1,072.00 | Interest Bank of New Zealand | ..... | ..... | ..... | 33.90 |
| Expenses | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 67.19 | " Auckland Hospital Board | ..... | ..... | ..... | 55.00 |
| Excess of Income over Expenditure | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 478.77 | " J. W. Veale & Anor | ..... | ..... | ..... | 880.00 |
| | | | | | | | " Government Stock | ..... | ..... | ..... | 581.00 |
| | | | | | | | " A.S.B. Investment Account | ..... | ..... | ..... | 45.00 |
| | | | | | | | " A.S.B. General Account | ..... | ..... | ..... | 23.06 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | <u>\$1,617.96</u> | | | | | <u>\$1,617.96</u> |

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1973

| LIABILITIES | | | | | | ASSETS | | | | | |
|--------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|--------------------|---|-------|-------|-------|--------------------|
| | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Trust Fund Account | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | 23,620.00 | Auckland Hospital Board Works Loan 5½% 1975 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1,000.00 |
| Income Account | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | 3,493.92 | J. W. Veale & Anor 8% 1974 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 11,000.00 |
| | | | | | | | N.Z. Govt. Inscribed Stock 5% 1974-76 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 11,620.00 |
| | | | | | | | Cash Balances: | | | | |
| | | | | | | | Bank of New Zealand | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1,644.88 |
| | | | | | | | Auckland Savings Bank Investment | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1,000.00 |
| | | | | | | | Auckland Savings Bank | --- | --- | --- | 849.04 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | <u>3,493.92</u> |
| | | | | | | <u>\$27,113.92</u> | | | | | <u>\$27,113.92</u> |

Audited and found correct in accordance with pass books and certificates.

J. C. WIGGLESWORTH, B.Com., A.C.A., A.C.I.S.
Auckland, 16th July, 1973.

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, 1973

| 1972 | | | | | | 1973 | | | | | | 1972 | | | | | | 1973 |
|------|----------------|----|-------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|----|--------------|---|---|----------------|
| \$ | 25 | To | Audit Fee | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | \$ | 3,450 | By | Interest | — | — | \$ |
| | 48 | " | General Expenses | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | | 4,911 | " | Rents | — | — | 3,500 |
| | 55 | " | Land Tax | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | | | | | | | 4,911 |
| | 90 | " | Legal Expenses | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | | 8,361 | | | | | 8,411 |
| | 300 | " | Secretarial Fee | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | | | | | | | |
| | | " | Travelling Expenses | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |  | 7,843 | By | Brought Down | — | — | 7,473 |
| | | " | Valuation Fees | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| | 7,843 | " | Carried Down | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | | | | | | | |
| | <u>8,361</u> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 2,750 | To | Rangiatea Maori College Trust | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | | | | | | | |
| | 5,093 | " | Masterton Children's Home | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | | | | | | | |
| | <u>\$7,843</u> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | <u>\$7,473</u> |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

EMSLY TRUST
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1973

| | \$ | | \$ |
|--|---------------|--------------------|---------------|
| 1973—June 30th | | 1973—June 30th | |
| To Interest on Auckland Hospital Board Stock to 1/4/73 | 209.00 | By Trinity College | 209.00 |
| | <u>209.00</u> | | <u>209.00</u> |

INVESTMENT ACCOUNT

| | \$ | | \$ |
|----------------|-----------------|---|-----------------|
| 1973—June 30th | | 1973—June 30th | |
| To Capital | 3,800.00 | By Auckland Hospital Board 5½% Registered Stock Due | 3,800.00 |
| | <u>3,800.00</u> | 1/4/76 | <u>3,800.00</u> |

Audited and found correct.

A. R. MARTIN,
R. EVANS,

Auditors.

W. F. CHRISTIAN, Treasurer.

GREY INSTITUTE TRUST
STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR
ENDED 30th JUNE, 1973

| 1972 \$ | | | | | | | | 1973 \$ |
|------------------|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------------------|
| | Income from: | | | | | | | |
| 13,406.60 | Land Rents | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | 13,319.50 |
| 8.00 | Noting Fees | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | 25.00 |
| 144.00 | Mission House Rents | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | 144.00 |
| 997.65 | Interest | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | 448.20 |
| 26.00 | Grazing Fees | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | 26.00 |
| <u>14,582.25</u> | | | | | | | | <u>13,962.70</u> |
| | Expenses for: | | | | | | | |
| 45.00 | Audit Fee | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | 100.00 |
| 99.50 | City Rates | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | 77.67 |
| 5.40 | Commission—Travelling | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | 13.00 |
| 17.29 | Insurances | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | 15.76 |
| 1,572.79 | Land Tax | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | 1,619.66 |
| 25.00 | Legal | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | — |
| 700.00 | Secretary's Salary | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | 700.00 |
| 126.31 | Stationery | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | 57.00 |
| 2,050.00 | Strongroom for Trust Records | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | — |
| 6.74 | Sundry Expenses | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | 17.49 |
| <u>4,648.03</u> | | | | | | | | <u>2,600.58</u> |
| 9,934.22 | Excess Income available for Appropriation | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | 11,362.12 |
| | Less Grants: | | | | | | | |
| 4,500.00 | Rangiatea Methodist Maori Girls' College | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | 4,500.00 |
| 409.81 | Repairs to Mission Property | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | 900.34 |
| <u>4,909.81</u> | | | | | | | | <u>5,400.34</u> |
| \$5,024.41 | Net Income Transferred to Accumulated Funds | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | \$5,961.78 |

GREY INSTITUTE TRUST
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1973

| RECEIPTS | | | | | | PAYMENTS | | | | | |
|----------|-----------------------------|---|---|---|-------------|----------|--|---|---|---|-------------|
| 1972 | | | | | 1973 | 1972 | | | | | 1973 |
| \$ | | | | | \$ | \$ | | | | | \$ |
| 12,458 | Rents | — | — | — | — | — | Legal Expenses | — | — | — | 13.00 |
| 8 | Noting Fees | — | — | — | — | 5 | Travelling Expenses | — | — | — | — |
| 138 | Rates Refunded | — | — | — | — | 25 | Insurance | — | — | — | 444.55 |
| 8 | Insurances Refunded | — | — | — | — | 66 | Rates—Water | — | — | — | 54.24 |
| 144 | Rent from Mission House | — | — | — | — | 172 | General | — | — | — | 185.92 |
| 998 | Interest | — | — | — | — | 45 | Audit Fee | — | — | — | 100.00 |
| 26 | Grazing | — | — | — | — | 126 | Stamps and Stationery | — | — | — | 57.00 |
| | | | | | | 25 | Legal Expenses | — | — | — | — |
| 13,780 | Total Receipts | — | — | — | — | 398 | Repairs to Buildings | — | — | — | 887.30 |
| 4,877 | Opening Bank Balance 1/7/72 | — | — | — | — | 12 | Repairs to Equipment | — | — | — | 9.95 |
| | | | | | | 1,573 | Land Tax | — | — | — | 1,619.66 |
| | | | | | | 700 | Secretary's Honorarium | — | — | — | 700.00 |
| | | | | | | 4,500 | Grant "Rangiatea" | — | — | — | 3,000.00 |
| | | | | | | 6 | Bank Charges and Exchange | — | — | — | 7.54 |
| | | | | | | 4,000 | N.Z. Insurance Co. Fixed Deposit 7% (due 7/4/75) | — | — | — | — |
| | | | | | | 2,050 | Strongroom | — | — | — | — |
| | | | | | | — | Maori Mission | — | — | — | 7,000.00 |
| | | | | | | 13,703 | Total Payments | — | — | — | 14,079.16 |
| | | | | | | 4,954 | Closing Balance 30/6/73 Bank of N.S.W. | — | — | — | 5,786.67 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | |
| \$18,657 | | | | | \$19,865.83 | \$18,657 | | | | | \$19,865.83 |

GREY INSTITUTE TRUST
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1973

| 1972 \$ | | 1973 \$ | | 1972 \$ | | 1973 \$ |
|-------------|---|-------------|--|-------------|----------------------------|-------------|
| — | Sundry Creditor: | | | 4,953.67 | Cash at Bank of N.S.W. | 5,786.67 |
| — | Grant—Rangiatea | 1,500.00 | | 1,000.00 | Investment Accounts T.S.B. | 1,000.00 |
| — | Less Insurance Paid | 388.24 | | 2,131.38 | Debtors for Rents | 1,331.37 |
| | | 1,111.76 | | — | Loan H.M. Board | — |
| | Accumulated Funds: | | | 4,000.00 | Deposit N.Z. Insurance Co. | 4,000.00 |
| 12,060.64 | Balance 1/7/72 | 12,085.05 | | — | Insurance Prepaid | 40.55 |
| 5,024.41 | Add Net Income | 5,961.78 | | | | |
| 17,085.05 | | 18,046.83 | | | | |
| 5,000.00 | Less Grant to H.M. Board from previous years surplus | 7,000.00 | | | | |
| 12,085.05 | | 11,046.83 | | | | |
| \$12,085.05 | | \$12,158.59 | | \$12,085.05 | | \$12,158.59 |

We have examined the books and accounts of the Grey Institute Trust for the year ended 30th June, 1973, and report that: (a) Proper books of account have been kept. (b) We have obtained all the information and explanations required. (c) In our opinion, according to the best of information and explanations given to us and as shown by the said books, the Balance Sheet and Income and Expenditure Account are properly drawn up so as to give respectively a true and fair view of the state of the Trust's affairs as at 30th June, 1973, and of the results of the Rental income and expenditure transactions for the year ended on that date.

New Plymouth, August, 1973.

DINGLE, CHADWICK & CARTER, Chartered Accountants, Auditors.

W. R. FRANCIS, Chairman.

M. H. BURN, A.C.A., Secretary.

KAI IWI MISSION FARM
STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1973

| 1971 | EXPENDITURE | 1972 | 1971 | | 1972 |
|-------|--|-------------------|-------|----------------------|-------------------|
| \$ | | \$ | \$ | INCOME | \$ |
| 11 | General Expenses | 20.00 | 2,090 | Rent | 2,090.00 |
| 124 | Interest (State Advances Mortgage) | 112.84 | 25 | Interest—Bank N.S.W. | 22.17 |
| 500 | Depreciation (Transferred to Reserve Account) | 500.00 | | | |
| 1,479 | Net Rents (Transferred to Appropriation Account) | 1,479.33 | | | |
| | | <u>\$2,112.17</u> | | | <u>\$2,112.17</u> |

APPROPRIATION ACCOUNT

| \$ | | \$ | | \$ | | \$ |
|-----|--|-------------------|-------|-----------------------|--|-------------------|
| 600 | Grant—Rangiatea | 600.00 | 1,479 | Net Rents Transferred | | 1,479.33 |
| 600 | Grant—Maori Boys Hostel Fund | | | | | |
| | (Transferred to Reserve Account) | 600.00 | | | | |
| | Balance Transferred to Capital Account | 279.33 | | | | |
| | | <u>\$1,479.33</u> | | | | <u>\$1,479.33</u> |

BALANCE SHEET

| LIABILITIES | | | | ASSETS | | | |
|-------------|--|-----------|-------------|--------|--|----------|-------------|
| \$ | | \$ | \$ | \$ | | \$ | \$ |
| 2,805 | State Advances Mortgage | | | 67,600 | Farm Property (Government Valuation 1/10/70) | | 67,600.00 |
| | Reserves: | | | 522 | Accrued Rental | | 522.50 |
| | Depreciation Fund: | | | 431 | Bank N.S.W. current account | | 428.86 |
| | Balance 1/7/72 | 7,162.71 | | | Depreciation Reserve: | | |
| | add Depreciation for year | 500.00 | | | Investments— | | |
| 7,162 | add interest for year | 392.73 | | 1,062 | P.O.S.B. | 955.44 | |
| | | | 8,055.44 | 6,100 | Local Body Investments at cost | 7,100.00 | 8,055.44 |
| | Maori Boys Hostel: | | | | Maori Boys Hostel: | | |
| | Balance 1/7/72 | 4,754.77 | | | Reserve Investments: | | |
| 4,754 | Transferred from Appropriation Account | 600.00 | | 4,755 | Investment Funds Board | | 5,521.18 |
| | add interest for year | 166.41 | | | | | |
| | | | 5,521.18 | | | | |
| | Capital Account: | | | | | | |
| 65,748 | Balance 1/7/72 | 65,748.32 | | | | | |
| | Transferred from Appropriation Account | 279.33 | | | | | |
| | | | 66,027.65 | | | | |
| | | | \$82,127.98 | | | | \$82,127.98 |

A. O. JONES, Chairman.
A. R. WALLIS, Secretary.

Audited and found correct—
F. W. G. CLARIDGE, B.Com., A.C.A., A.C.I.S.

ESTATE OF ROBERT GIBSON METHODIST TRUST BOARD
RESIDUARY ACCUMULATION ACCOUNT
INCOME CASH STATEMENT — 30th JUNE, 1972 to 31st JULY, 1973

| | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|------------------|----------|--------------------|
| Balance from Last Statement | | | | | | CREDIT | 8,480.49 |
| RECEIPTS | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| Farm Balances Transferred: | | | | | | | |
| Upper Riverlea Farm | | | | | 6,353.62 | | |
| Lower Riverlea Farm | | | | | 6,960.15 | | |
| Wai-iti Lease Farm | | | | | 618.43 | | |
| Whiteley No. 2 | | | | | 355.97 | | |
| | | | | | <u>14,288.17</u> | | |
| Less Whiteley Farm | | | | | 1,763.41 | | |
| | | | | | | | 12,524.76 |
| Other Income: | | | | | | | |
| Taranaki Dairy Co. Interest | | | | | | | 83.02 |
| Total | | | | | | | <u>\$21,088.27</u> |
| PAYMENTS | | | | | | | |
| Livestock Adjustment Account: | | | | | | | |
| Balance Transferred | | | | | | | 2,567.40 |
| Other Expenses | | | | | | | |
| Meeting Expenses: | | | | | | | |
| Photostating Minutes | | | | | 8.00 | | |
| Mileage, Meals, etc. | | | | | 190.02 | | |
| | | | | | | 198.02 | |
| Re Bursaries and Grants: | | | | | | | |
| Advertising and Printing | | | | | 15.26 | | |
| Sundry | | | | | 88.97 | | |
| | | | | | | 104.23 | |
| | | | | | | | 302.25 |
| Capital Account: | | | | | | | |
| Balance 30/6/72 Transferred | | | | | | | 2,596.10 |
| Distribution | | | | | | | |
| Bursaries and Grants: | | | | | | | |
| Wesley Training College: | | | | | | | |
| P. E. Lang | | | | | 165.00 | | |
| R. Cross | | | | | 165.00 | | |
| M. S. Bennett | | | | | 165.00 | | |
| | | | | | | 495.00 | |
| Under Section D: | | | | | | | |
| N. J. Cornwell | | | | | 200.00 | | |
| P. Miedema | | | | | 200.00 | | |
| B. W. Faulf | | | | | 200.00 | | |
| P. T. Askin | | | | | 200.00 | | |
| R. G. O'Dea | | | | | 100.00 | | |
| M. M. Rich | | | | | 150.00 | | |
| Miss S. D. May | | | | | 200.00 | | |
| M. E. Wastney | | | | | 50.00 | | |
| M. A. Kearsley | | | | | 50.00 | | |
| | | | | | | 1,350.00 | |
| Other Grants: | | | | | | | |
| Auckland Methodist Children's Home | | | | | 500.00 | | |
| Manaia Trust | | | | | 500.00 | | |
| Manaia Trust Pntg. Hall Roof | | | | | 140.31 | | |
| Masterton Children's Home | | | | | 2,000.00 | | |
| Hawera Methodist Boys' Brigade | | | | | 25.00 | | |
| Oakura Beach Mission | | | | | 118.30 | | |
| | | | | | | 3,283.61 | |
| | | | | | | | 5,128.61 |
| Public Trustee: | | | | | | | |
| Charge for Administration | | | | | | | 604.17 |
| Total | | | | | | | <u>\$11,198.53</u> |
| Balance at End | | | | | | CREDIT | 9,889.74 |

ESTATE OF ROBERT GIBSON METHODIST TRUST BOARD
CAPITAL CASH STATEMENT — 30th JUNE, 1972 to 31st JULY, 1973

| | | | | | | | | | |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-----------|-------------|
| Balance from Last Statement: | | | | | | | | OVERDRAFT | 2,596.10 |
| RECEIPTS | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | \$ | \$ |
| Receipts: | | | | | | | | | |
| Balance 1972 Transferred from Income Account | ***** | ***** | | | | | | | 2,596.10 |
| Depreciation: | | | | | | | | | |
| Upper Riverlea | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | 155.64 | |
| Lower Riverlea | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | 101.94 | |
| Wai-iti | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | 330.81 | |
| Whiteley | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | 253.07 | |
| | | | | | | | | | 841.46 |
| Total | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | | \$841.46 |
| | | | | 4 | | | | | |
| PAYMENTS | | | | | | | | | |
| Plant: | | | | | | | | | |
| Extension Wai-iti Sludge Unit | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | | 1,288.17 |
| Fixed Deposit: | | | | | | | | | |
| Public Trustee 5% 31st October, 1973 | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | | 3,400.00 |
| Shares and Stock Units: | | | | | | | | | |
| 91 Farmers Organ. Society Ord. | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | 91.00 | |
| 6 Clifton Dairy Co. Ord. | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | 12.00 | |
| | | | | | | | | | 103.00 |
| Bank Overdraft: | | | | | | | | | |
| National Bank Hawera | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | | 6,244.34 |
| Total | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | | \$11,035.51 |
| Balance at End | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | OVERDRAFT | \$10,194.05 |

ESTATE OF ROBERT GIBSON METHODIST TRUST BOARD
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st JULY, 1973

| ASSETS | \$ | \$ | \$ |
|---|-----------------|------------|---------------------|
| Bank: | | | |
| National, Hawera | | | 591.29 |
| Fixed Deposit: | | | |
| Public Trustee 5% 31st October, 1973 | | | 5,500.00 |
| Livestock: | | | |
| 25 Cows at \$110.72 | 2,768.00 | | |
| 5 Calves at \$30.00 | 150.00 | | |
| 43 Yearling Steers at \$70.80 | 3,044.40 | | |
| 31 Weaners at \$83.00 | 2,573.00 | | |
| 1 Bull at \$250.00 | 250.00 | | |
| | <u>8,785.40</u> | | |
| Half Share | | | 4,392.70 |
| Plant and Implements | | | |
| Upper Riverlea Farm: | | | |
| G.V.B. Milking Plant and Sundries (as at 30/6/72) | 1,556.45 | | |
| Less Depreciation | 155.64 | | |
| | | 1,400.81 | |
| Lower Riverlea Farm: | | | |
| L.K.J. Milking Plant and Sundries (as at 30/6/72) | 1,019.46 | | |
| Less Depreciation | 101.94 | | |
| | | 917.52 | |
| Whiteley Farm: | | | |
| Milking Plant Spray Outfit and Sundry Items (as at 30/6/72) | 2,530.79 | | |
| Less Depreciation | 253.07 | | |
| | | 2,277.72 | |
| Wai-iti Lease Farm: | | | |
| Milking Machines + Manure Tank (as at 30/6/72) | 2,019.96 | | |
| Sludge Pump | 1,288.17 | | |
| | <u>3,308.13</u> | | |
| Less Depreciation | 330.81 | | |
| | | 2,977.32 | |
| | | | 7,573.37 |
| Shares and Stock Units: | | | |
| 18 Producers Meat Ltd. 1.00 F.P. | 18.00 | | |
| 631 Taranaki Co-op. Dairy Ord. 2.00 F.P. | 1,262.00 | | |
| 353 Farmers Organ. Society Ord. 1.00 F.P. | 353.00 | | |
| 5 Newton King Ord. 1.00 F.P. | 5.00 | | |
| 421 Clifton Dairy Co. Ord. 2.00 F.P. | 842.00 | | |
| | | | 2,480.00 |
| 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 | Not Assessed | | |
| | | | 214,900.00 |
| Total | | | <u>\$235,437.36</u> |
| LIABILITIES | | | |
| | | \$ | \$ |
| Cash Overdraft: | | | |
| Capital Account | | 10,194.05 | |
| Income Account Credit | | 9,889.74 | |
| | | | 304.31 |
| Mortgage: | | | |
| J. B. Wilkinson 6% 17/4/83 | | | 30,000.00 |
| Leaving Net Capital Worth: | | | |
| Net Capital Worth 30th June, 1972 | 198,560.30 | | |
| Plus Increase in Assets | 1,224.01 | | |
| | | 199,784.31 | |
| Plus Reduction in Liabilities | | 5,348.74 | |
| | | | 205,133.05 |
| Total | | | <u>\$235,437.36</u> |

BOARD OF EVANGELISM
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1973

| EXPENDITURE | | | | | | | INCOME | | | | | | |
|----------------------|------|------|------|------|------|-----------------|--------------------|------|------|------|------|------|-----------------|
| | | | | | | \$ | | | | | | | \$ |
| Travelling | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | 184.50 | Interest B.N.Z. | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | 2.14 |
| Books | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | 3.60 | Connexional Budget | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | 250.00 |
| Cheque Book | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | 1.00 | | | | | | | |
| Office Expenses | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | 31.60 | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | 220.70 | | | | | | | |
| Surplus for the year | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | 31.44 | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | <u>\$252.14</u> | | | | | | | <u>\$252.14</u> |

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1973

| | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|-----------------|----------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|-----------------|
| | | | | | | \$ | | | | | | | \$ |
| Accumulated Funds B.N.Z. | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | 35.10 | H.M. Investment Fund Board | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | 415.04 |
| H.M. Investment | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | 415.04 | B.N.Z. | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | 66.54 |
| | | | | | | 450.14 | | | | | | | |
| Surplus for the year | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | 31.44 | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | <u>\$481.58</u> | | | | | | | <u>\$481.58</u> |

Audited and found correct—
7th August, 1973

RON INGRAM, A.C.A.

N.Z. METHODIST SOCIAL SERVICES ASSOCIATION
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE FOR 12 MONTHS ENDING JUNE 30th, 1973

| | | | | \$ | | \$ | |
|--|------|------|----------|------------|--------|--|------------|
| To Balance 1/7/72 | .... | .... | .... | \$ | 738.11 | By General Purposes Trust Board (A. E. Orr | |
| | | | | \$ | \$ | Memorial Training Fund) | 3,200.00 |
| Levies 1972/73 5 at \$100 | .... | .... | 500.00 | | | Tolls and Stationery | 7.83 |
| 1973/74 5 at \$100 | .... | .... | 500.00 | | | Advertising—Butterworths | 330.00 |
| | | | | 1,000.00 | | Grant ex Connexional Fire Insurance Fund: | |
| A. E. Orr Memorial Training Fund: | | | | | | Auckland Children's Home | 666.67 |
| Dunedin Central Mission | .... | .... | 50.00 | | | Masterton Children's Home | 666.67 |
| Otago/Southland District | .... | .... | 50.00 | | | South Island Children's Home | 666.66 |
| Wgtn Methodist Charitable and Educa- | | | | | | | 2,000.00 |
| tion Endowment | .... | .... | 500.00 | | | Christian Council of Social Services | 100.00 |
| Auckland Central Mission | .... | .... | 1,000.00 | | | Miss P. Bell—Payments ex A. E. Orr Fund | 884.68 |
| Auckland Methodist Children's Home | .... | .... | 1,000.00 | | | Travelling Expenses—Annual Meeting: | |
| Miss Irene Sutherland | .... | .... | 100.00 | | | Representatives | 300.00 |
| Home Mission Department | .... | .... | 500.00 | | | Miss Page—Typist | 39.20 |
| | | | | 3,200.00 | | | 339.20 |
| Grant Connexional Fire Insurance Fund | .... | .... | 2,000.00 | | | Rev. W. A. Falkingham—Church Council | 66.89 |
| General Purposes Trust Board—Refund ex | | | | | | Mr A. A. Dingwall—Church Council | 22.77 |
| A. E. Orr Training Fund | .... | .... | 884.68 | | | | 89.66 |
| Bank Interest | .... | .... | 10.30 | | | Credit Balance 30/6/73 | 881.72 |
| | | | | \$7,833.09 | | | \$7,833.09 |

I certify that I have audited this Statement and in my opinion it is correct.

29th July 1973

L. M. GRACE, M.Com., A.C.A.

MASTERTON METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1973

| EXPENDITURE | | | | | INCOME | | | | |
|-------------|---|---|---|----------|----------|---|---|---|----------|
| 1972 | | | | 1973 | 1972 | | | | 1973 |
| \$ | | | | \$ | \$ | | | | \$ |
| 8,943 | Salaries and Superannuation | — | — | 11,461 | 1,820 | Methodist Church Budget | — | — | 3,800 |
| 5,754 | House Stores and Expenses | — | — | 4,641 | 667 | Methodist Fire Insurance Fund | — | — | 667 |
| 2,122 | Repairs and Maintenance | — | — | 1,286 | 683 | Donations | — | — | 320 |
| 1,274 | Drapery and Clothing | — | — | 1,640 | 5,396 | Maintenance | — | — | 5,394 |
| 45 | Advertising | — | — | 118 | 1,542 | Social Security Benefits | — | — | 2,179 |
| 40 | Auditor's Honorarium | — | — | 40 | 2,609 | Government Capitation | — | — | 4,532 |
| 85 | Fares of Children | — | — | 64 | 1,700 | Robert Gibson Methodist Trust | — | — | 2,000 |
| 43 | General Expenses | — | — | 39 | 600 | J. R. McKenzie Trust Grant | — | — | 700 |
| 1,425 | Heating and Lighting | — | — | 1,333 | 150 | Masterton Trust Lands Trust | — | — | 250 |
| 248 | Insurance | — | — | 200 | 4 | Police Charity | — | — | — |
| 1 | Interest | — | — | 6 | 900 | Income from Estates | — | — | 1,046 |
| 800 | Motor Car Allowance and Expenses | — | — | 877 | 3,494 | Interest | — | — | 3,480 |
| 521 | Manager's Disbursements | — | — | 361 | 5,093 | Wellington Methodist Endowments Board—Share of Income | — | — | 4,724 |
| 146 | Maintenance (Boarded Out) | — | — | — | 32 | Farm Proceeds | — | — | — |
| 2 | Optical, Dental and Medical Fees | — | — | — | | | | | |
| 205 | Postages and Telephones | — | — | 218 | | | | | |
| 231 | Rates | — | — | 211 | 24,690 | | | | |
| 412 | Recreational Expenses | — | — | 479 | 35 | Excess of Expenditure over Income | — | — | — |
| 400 | Secretary's Honorarium | — | — | 400 | | | | | |
| 173 | Stationery and School Requisites | — | — | 157 | | | | | |
| 60 | Subscription—N.Z.M.S.S.A. | — | — | 100 | | | | | |
| 59 | Travelling Expenses | — | — | — | | | | | |
| | E. Orr Training Fund | — | — | 500 | | | | | |
| 1,500 | Social Workers—Central Districts M.S.S.A. | — | — | 2,000 | | | | | |
| 236 | Depreciation—Plant and Furniture | — | — | 256 | | | | | |
| | | | | 26,387 | | | | | |
| | Excess of Income over Expenditure | — | — | 2,705 | | | | | |
| | | | | \$29,092 | | | | | |
| \$24,725 | | | | | \$24,725 | | | | \$29,092 |

MASTERTON METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1973

| 1972 \$ | | 1973 \$ | 1972 \$ | | 1973 \$ |
|------------|--|------------|------------|------------------------------------|------------|
| | Current Liabilities: | | | Current Assets: | |
| 914 | Sundry Creditors | 1,299 | | Bank of New Zealand: | |
| | Capital Being Excess of Assets over | | | | |
| | Liabilities: | | 1,260 | Current Account | 1,727 |
| | Balance at 30/6/72 | 79,187 | 2,337 | Depreciation Fund Account | — |
| | Legacies: | | 436 | Wellington Board | — |
| | Est. E. A. Churchill (addtl.) | 131 | 601 | Sundry Debtors | 4,254 |
| | Est. E. M. Leadbetter (addtl.) | 6 | | | |
| | Est. I. McSaveny | 2,000 | 4,634 | Total Current Assets | 5,981 |
| | Est. E. J. Aplin | 1,000 | | Investments: | |
| | Est. J. J. Irwin | 200 | 74,148 | Held by Wellington Board | 75,821 |
| | Est. E. Irwin | 200 | | Fixed Assets: | |
| | Est. H. J. Berry | 20 | | Land and Buildings (vested in Wel- | |
| | Excess of Income over Expenditure | 2,705 | | lington Board \$50,252) | |
| | | | | Furniture and Plant at 30/6/72 | 1,319 |
| 79,187 | Balance of Capital 30/6/73 | 85,449 | | Additions | +600 |
| | | | | Depreciation | -256 |
| | | | | | 1,663 |
| | | | | Holden Station Wagon at Net Cost | 3,283 |
| | | | 1,319 | Total Fixed Assets | 4,946 |
| \$80,101 | | \$86,748 | \$80,101 | | \$86,748 |

I have examined the books and vouchers of the Masterton Methodist Children's Home for the year ended 30th June, 1973, 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, 1973, and the result of its transactions for the year ended at that date.

31st August, 1973.

R. C. BEBARFALD, A.C.A., Auditor.

J. F. CODY, F.C.A., Secretary-Treasurer.

SOUTH ISLAND METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH, 1973

| 1972 | | Harewood | Barrington | 1973 Total | 1972 | | 1973 |
|----------|------------------------------|----------|------------|------------|----------|--|----------|
| \$ | | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | | \$ |
| 600 | Administration Charges | 850 | 150 | 1,000 | 19,779 | Maintenance Fees | 27,958 |
| 39 | Advertising for Staff | 31 | — | 31 | 1,863 | Methodist Church Connexional Budget | 2,700 |
| 2,256 | Board Payments | 3,604 | — | 3,604 | 807 | Combined Orphanages Appeal: | |
| 182 | Ground Expenses | 155 | — | 155 | 4,193 | McKenzie Trust Grant | 816 |
| 303 | Cleaning | 318 | — | 318 | | General | 5,084 |
| 572 | Clothing and Drapery | 678 | 6 | 684 | 200 | Grant Robert Clark Trust | 5,900 |
| 5,476 | House Supplies | 5,207 | 823 | 6,030 | 419 | Donations (Cash) | — |
| 189 | Insurance | 489 | 112 | 601 | 613 | Donations in Kind | 1,736 |
| 3,219 | Power, Light and Heat | 3,203 | 625 | 3,828 | | | 276 |
| 39 | Music Lessons | 11 | 10 | 21 | 24 | Interest Receivable | 2,012 |
| 95 | Medical Supplies and Costs | 65 | 7 | 72 | 764 | Rent Receivable | 36 |
| 1,087 | Miscellaneous Expenses | 601 | 65 | 666 | | Grants from Connexional Fire Insurance | 942 |
| 447 | Pocket Money | 464 | 37 | 501 | | Fund: | |
| 673 | Rates | 690 | 44 | 734 | | 1971 | 666 |
| 1,500 | Repairs and Maintenance | 1,946 | 53 | 1,999 | | 1972 | 667 |
| 19,847 | Salaries and Wages | 18,744 | 1,810 | 20,554 | | | 1,333 |
| 150 | School Requirements | 92 | 40 | 132 | 28,662 | | 40,881 |
| 582 | Stationery and General | 374 | 1 | 375 | 13,321 | Excess of Expenditure over Income | |
| 258 | Telephone and Tolls | 207 | 74 | 281 | | (Operating Deficit) | 5,696 |
| — | Sports Ground Equipment | 64 | — | 64 | | | |
| 769 | Vehicle Costs and Travelling | 726 | — | 726 | | | |
| 46 | Interest Payable | 87 | 17 | 104 | | | |
| 287 | Replacement of Utensils | 72 | — | 72 | | | |
| 38,646 | | 38,678 | 3,874 | 42,552 | | | |
| 3,337 | Depreciation | 3,130 | 895 | 4,025 | | | |
| \$41,983 | | \$41,808 | \$4,769 | \$46,577 | \$41,983 | | \$46,577 |

APPROPRIATION ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH, 1973

| | | | | | |
|----------|--|---------|----------|--|---------|
| 13,321 | Operating Deficit Brought Down | 5,696 | 9,500 | Grant from Orphanage Investment Board | 6,000 |
| — | Balance Transferred to Capital Account | 304 | 3,821 | Net Deficit Transferred to Capital Account | — |
| \$13,321 | | \$6,000 | \$13,321 | | \$6,000 |

SOUTH ISLAND METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME
BALANCE SHEET AT 31st MARCH, 1973

| | 1972 | | | 1973 | | 1972 | | | 1973 |
|-----|---------|--|---------|---------|--|--------|-------------------------------------|---------|---------|
| | \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | \$ |
| | 1,612 | Current Liabilities: | | | | 1,140 | Current Assets: | | |
| | 2,046 | Sundry Creditors | | 2,779 | | 80 | Bank of New Zealand | | 2,155 |
| | | Loan General Purposes Trust | | — | | 351 | Cash in Hand | | 80 |
| | 3,658 | | | 2,779 | | 323 | Post Office Savings Bank | | 362 |
| | | | | | | | Sundry Debtors | | 2,610 |
| | 20,125 | Capital and Reserves: | | | | 1,894 | | | 5,207 |
| | | Capital Account | | 20,125 | | | Fixed Assets: | | |
| | 115,684 | Accumulated Funds: | | | | | Land—Harewood Road | 15,569 | |
| | 868 | Balance at 31 March, 1972 | 112,731 | | | 19,994 | Barrington Street | 4,375 | 19,944 |
| | | Add Transfer from Investment Funds Board in respect of Repairs and Alterations to Harewood | 34,757 | | | 77,356 | Harewood Road Home | 77,356 | |
| | | | | | | | Additions and Alterations | 34,757 | |
| | 116,552 | | | | | | | 112,113 | |
| 398 | 3,821 | Less Deficit for Year 72/73 | 147,488 | | | | Less Depreciation | 2,242 | 109,871 |
| | | Add Grant from Sutherland Self Help Trust for Capital Alterations | 1,000 | | | 951 | Harewood Dwelling | 951 | |
| | | | | | | | Less Depreciation | 24 | 927 |
| | | | 148,488 | | | 5,618 | Harewood Furnishings | 5,618 | |
| | | Add Grant for Purchases of New Van from McSaveny Legacy | 2,000 | | | | Plus Additions | 1,072 | |
| | | | | | | | | 6,690 | |
| | | | 150,488 | | | | Less Depreciation | 669 | 6,021 |
| | | Add Transfer from Appropriation Account | 304 | | | 27,418 | Barrington Street Home | 27,418 | |
| | | | | | | | Less Depreciation | 548 | 26,870 |
| | 112,731 | | | 150,792 | | 3,407 | Barrington Street Furnishings | 3,407 | |
| | 775 | Reserves: | | | | | Plus Additions | 34 | |
| | | Renovation Reserve | | 775 | | | | 3,471 | |
| | 133,631 | | | 171,692 | | | Less Depreciation | 347 | 3,124 |
| | | | | | | 472 | Tools | 472 | |
| | | | | | | | Less Depreciation | 94 | 378 |

SOUTH ISLAND METHODIST ORPHANAGE INVESTMENT BOARD
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH, 1973

| 1972 \$ | | 1973 \$ | 1972 \$ | | 1973 \$ |
|-----------------|--|----------------|-----------------|--|----------------|
| 59 | Expenses and Commissions | 5 | | Interest Receivable: | |
| 946 | Interest Payable | 528 | 77 | Bank Interest | 107 |
| | Grants to Children's Homes: | | 5,373 | Mortgages, Debentures, Local Body and Govt Stock Interest | 4,393 |
| | (1) General Cash Grants | 6,000 | | | 4,500 |
| | (2) Sutherland Self Help Trust | 1,000 | 5,450 | Grant for Alterations to Home: | |
| | (3) Van Financed by McSaveny Legacy | 2,000 | | Sutherland Self Help Trust | 1,000 |
| 9,500 | | 9,000 | 5,255 | Deficit for Year | 4,233 |
| 200 | Share of Administration Charges | 200 | | | |
| <u>\$10,705</u> | | <u>\$9,733</u> | <u>\$10,705</u> | | <u>\$9,733</u> |

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH, 1973

| 1972 \$ | | 1973 \$ | 1972 \$ | | 1973 \$ |
|------------|---|------------|------------|--|------------|
| | Current Liabilities: | | | Current Assets: | |
| 14,576 | Loan General Purposes Trust Board | — | 3,091 | Bank of New Zealand | 4,384 |
| — | Sundry Creditors | 200 | 126 | Post Office Savings Bank | 129 |
| | Capital Account: | | 1,012 | Accrued Interest | 711 |
| 95,802 | Balance 31st March, 1972 | 101,727 | — | Sundry Debtors | 35 |
| 2,502 | Add Legacies Received | 13,368 | 4,229 | | 5,259 |
| 9,544 | Govt Subsidies Received | — | | Investments: | |
| | | 115,095 | 54,113 | Govt. and Local Body Stock | 42,303 |
| 107,848 | | 4,233 | 1,000 | Preference Shares (Legacy) | 1,000 |
| 5,255 | Less Deficit for Year | | 3,700 | Debentures | 3,700 |
| | | 110,862 | 5,442 | Loan to Methodist Trust | 2,000 |
| 102,593 | Sundries Transferred to Home Account | — | 13,600 | First Mortgage | 12,450 |
| 867 | | | — | Other Interest Bearing Investments | 2,000 |
| | | | 77,855 | | 63,453 |
| 101,726 | Less Capital Expenditure Stage II Alterations to Harewood Road Home Transferred to Home Account | 34,757 | 34,218 | Deposit—General Purposes Trust Progress Payments — Harewood Road Home Stage II Alterations | 10,000 |
| | | | | | — |
| 101,726 | Capital Account Balance 31/3/73 | 76,105 | | | |

| | | | | | |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------|------|------|-----------------|------------------|
| Reserves Account: | | | | | |
| | Christchurch Combined Homes | | | 2,407 | |
| | Appeal | .... | .... |  |  |
| <u>\$116,302</u> | | | | <u>\$78,712</u> | <u>\$116,302</u> |
| | | | | | <u>\$78,712</u> |

We have examined the books of account and records of the South Island Orphanage Investment Board for the year ended 31st March, 1973. 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, 1973, and of its income and expenditure for the year ended on that date.

McCULLOCH, BUTLER & SPENCE
Chartered Accountants.

W. A. CHAMBERS, Chairman.
N. P. ALCORN, Secretary.
C. R. HASSELDINE, Treasurer.

Christchurch,
10th July, 1973.

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND — BOARD OF MANAGEMENT CONNEXIONAL OFFICE
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1973

| 1972 | | | 1973 | | 1972 | | 1973 |
|----------|-----------------------------------|------|----------|----|----------|-----------------------------------|----------|
| \$ | | | \$ | \$ | \$ | | \$ |
| 128 | Insurance | .... | 43 | | | | |
| 150 | Interest | .... | 150 | | 5,000 | Supernumerary and Allied Funds | 6,500 |
| 110 | Lighting and Heating | .... | 133 | | 3,600 | General Purposes Trust | 4,800 |
| 1,113 | Office Rent | .... | 1,113 | | 5,400 | Fire Insurance Fund | 7,000 |
| 241 | Repairs to Equipment | .... | 191 | | 3,600 | Church Building and Loan Fund | 4,800 |
| 19,670 | Salaries and Wages | .... | 22,649 | | 500 | Transport Trust Board | 750 |
| 72 | Travel Expenses | .... | 11 | | 800 | South Island Children's Home | 800 |
| 609 | Telephone, P.O. Box and Postages | .... | 623 | | 200 | South Island Orphanage Investment | |
| 1,084 | Stationery and General Expenses | .... | 1,268 | | | Board | 200 |
| — | Staff Recruitment and Advertising | .... | 55 | | | | |
| 468 | Depreciation on Office Equipment | .... | 421 | | 19,100 | | 24,850 |
| | House Property Account: | | | | 2,835 | Connexional Budget | 3,840 |
| 24 | Insurance | .... | 24 | | 41 | Bank Interest | 61 |
| 8 | Interest | .... | — |  | 6 | Sundry Income Commissions, etc. | 58 |
| 205 | Repairs | .... | 425 | | | | |
| — | Painting | .... | 522 | | 21,982 | | |
| 174 | Rates | .... | 195 | | 2,277 | Deficit for Year | — |
| 203 | Depreciation on Furnishings | .... | 186 | | | | |
| — | Excess of Income over Expenditure | .... | 1,352 | | | | |
| | | | 800 | | | | |
| \$24,259 | | | \$28,809 | | \$24,259 | | \$28,809 |

APPROPRIATION ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1973

| | | | | | | | | |
|----------------|---------------------------------|------|------|---------------|----------------|--|------|---------------|
| 61 | Deficit Balance 30th June, 1972 | .... | .... | 2,338 | — | Excess of Income over Expenditure | .... | 800 |
| 2,277 | Deficit for Year | — | — | — | — | Transfer from Salaries Fluctuation Reserve | .... | 1,000 |
| | | | | | | Transfer from Maintenance Reserve | .... | 36 |
| | | | | | 2,338 | Deficit Balance 30th June, 1973 | .... | 502 |
| <u>\$2,338</u> | | | | <u>\$2338</u> | <u>\$2,338</u> | | | <u>\$2338</u> |

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND — BOARD OF MANAGEMENT CONNEXIONAL OFFICE
BALANCE SHEET AT 30th JUNE, 1973

| 1972 \$ | | 1973 \$ | 1972 \$ | | 1973 \$ |
|------------|--|------------|------------|--|------------|
| | Current Liabilities: | | | Current Assets: | |
| 655 | Sundry Creditors | 730 | 50 | Cash in Hand | 50 |
| — | Bank of N.Z. Overdraft | 818 | 4,152 | Bank of N.Z. | — |
| | | 1,548 | 2,376 | Sundry Debtors | 3,744 |
| | | | 65 | N.A.C. Bulk Air Account | 442 |
| | | | 5 | Post Office Savings Bank (Removal Fund) | 6 |
| | Deposits Held for Other Funds: | | | | |
| 2,778 | Removal Fund | 2,333 | 6,648 | | 4,242 |
| 4,859 | Children's Fund | 1,193 | | | |
| 577 | Contingent Fund | — | | | |
| — | N.C. Camp Sites Trust | 19 | | | |
| | | 3,546 | | | |
| | Total Current Liabilities | 5,093 | 5,243 | Fixed Assets: | |
| 8,869 | | | 1,917 | House Property—17 Merivale Lane | 5,243 |
| | Loans: | | 117 | House Furniture | 1,831 |
| 3,000 | General Purposes Trust | 3,000 | | Additions | 37 |
| 250 | Fire Insurance Fund | — | 2,034 | | 1,868 |
| | | 3,000 | (203) | Less Depreciation | 186 |
| | Reserves: | | | | 1,682 |
| 1,000 | Salaries Fluctuation Reserve | — | 1,831 | | |
| 36 | House Maintenance Reserve | — | 2,933 | Office Furnishings | 2,640 |
| | | — | (293) | Less Depreciation | 264 |
| | Capital Account: | | | | 2,376 |
| 5,370 | Balance 30th June, 1972 | 7,120 | 2,640 | | |
| 1,750 | Add Grant from Fire Insurance Fund | 250 | 1,535 | Office Equipment | 1,575 |
| | | | 215 | Additions | — |
| 7,120 | Capital Account Total | 7,370 | | | |
| | Less Appropriation Account | | 1,750 | Less Depreciation | 157 |
| (2,338) | Deficit at 30th June, 1973 | 502 | (175) | | 1,418 |
| 4,782 | | 6,868 | 1,575 | | |
| | | | 11,289 | | 10,719 |
| \$17,937 | | \$14,961 | \$17,937 | | \$14,961 |

A. A. DINGWALL, Chairman.
W. R. LAWS, General Secretary.
C. R. HASSELDINE, General Treasurer.

27th July, 1973.

Audited and found correct.
W. E. CLOTHIER, B.Com., A.C.A., A.C.I.S.

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND — SUPERNUMERARY FUND
REVENUE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31st JANUARY, 1973

| 1972 \$ | | \$ | 1973 \$ | 1972 \$ | | \$ | 1973 \$ |
|------------|-------------------------------------|--------|------------|------------|---------------------------------------|--------|------------|
| | Charges: | | | | Fund Contributions: | | |
| 3,584 | Administration Charges | 4,795 | | 27,749 | Personal Contributions | 31,309 | |
| 768 | Stationery, General Expenses and | | | | Subsidies: | | |
| | Aud't Fee | 651 | | 34,992 | Connexional Budget | 44,183 | |
| 20 | Actuarial Costs | — | | 6,062 | By Other Agencies and Individuals | 3,288 | |
| | | | | 459 | Special Payments (for Purchase | | |
| 4,372 | | | 5,446 | | of Earlier Years Service) | 1,601 | |
| | Interest Payable (other than | | | 69,262 | | | 80,381 |
| 13,310 | Property Loan Interest): | 15,322 | | — | Commissions | | 288 |
| 2,126 | To Allied Fund | 1,602 | | | Investment Income: | | |
| | Other Interest (Department Loans) | | 16,924 | 803 | Bank and other Deposit Interest | 1,572 | |
| 15,436 | | | | 1,787 | Local Body Stock and Debenture | | |
| | Fund Disbursements: | | | | Interest | 3,834 | |
| 35,821 | Annuities | 35,388 | | 16,246 | Mortgage Interest | 16,525 | |
| 7,069 | Furniture Grants | 1,697 | | 2,258 | Company Dividends and Convert- | | |
| 8,124 | Refunds of Contributions | 4,216 | | | ible Note Interest | 2,715 | |
| | | | | | | | 24,646 |
| 51,014 | | | 41,301 | 21,094 | Property Income: | | |
| 70,822 | | | 63,671 | 28,910 | Epworth Chambers Rents | 29,707 | |
| 51,093 | Transferred to Appropriation | | 74,497 | (14,569) | Less Expenses | 14,016 | |
| | Account | | | | | | 15,691 |
| | | | | 14,341 | Century Property | | |
| | | | | 8,700 | Rents | 8,700 | |
| | | | | (39) | Less (i) Expenses | 68 | |
| | | | | (2,250) | (ii) Mortgage | | |
| | | | | | Interest | 2,250 | 2,318 |
| | | | | | | | 6,382 |
| | | | | 6,411 | | | |

| | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------------------------------|--------|-------|--|--|--------|-----------|
| | | 19,917 | Papatoetoe Property | | | | | | |
| | | (799) | Rents | 20,500 | | | | | |
| | | (8,311) | Less (i) Insurance & Gen. Ex. 971 | | | | | | |
| | | | (ii) Interest G.P.T. | 8,749 | 9,720 | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | 10,780 | |
| | | 31,559 | Net Rents | | | | | | 32,853 |
| \$121,915 | \$138,168 | \$121,915 | | | | | | | \$138,168 |

APPROPRIATION ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31st JANUARY, 1973

| | | | | | | |
|----------|--|----------|----------|------------------------------|--|----------|
| 3,000 | Transferred to Provision for Building Main-tenance | | 51,093 | Balance from Revenue Account | | 74,497 |
| 48,093 | Transferred to Accumulated Funds | 74,497 | | | | |
| \$51,093 | | \$74,497 | \$51,093 | | | \$74,497 |

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND — SUPERNUMERARY FUND
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st JANUARY, 1973

| | 1972 | | 1973 | | 1972 | | 1973 |
|-----|---------|---|---------|--|---------|--|---------------|
| | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | | \$ |
| | | Current Liabilities: | | | | Current Assets: | |
| | 4,498 | Sundry Creditors | 1,950 | | 15,793 | Bank of New Zealand (Current Account | 5,717 |
| | 2,714 | Rates Accrued | 3,063 | | 20,000 | Bank of New Zealand (Term Deposit) | 30,000 |
| | 88 | Subscriptions Prepaid | 110 | | 2,326 | Subscriptions Due: Personal | 1,220 |
| | | | | | 1,228 | Subsidy | 719 |
| | 7,300 | | 5,123 | | 3,540 | Interest Accrued | 5,604 |
| | | Deposits by Allied Funds: | | | 2,700 | Sundry Debtors | 2,543 |
| | 2,826 | Benevolent Fund | 4,963 | | 45,587 | | 45,803 |
| | 82,872 | Home Acquisition Fund | 89,350 | | | Investments: | |
| | 9,998 | Home Missionaries Retiring Fund | 10,373 | | 27,231 | Local Body Stocks | 36,995 |
| | 72,944 | Deaconesses Retiring Fund | 69,743 | | 4,000 | Debentures of Public Companies | 46,195 |
| | 10,196 | Lay Workers Retiring Fund | 9,724 | | 244,400 | First Mortgages | 226,800 |
| | 13,491 | Deferred Stipend Fund | 15,691 | | 53,532 | Company Shares and Convertible Notes (Note 1) | 65,836 |
| | 192,327 | | 199,844 | | — | Group Investment—N.Z. Insurance Co. Ltd. | 10,000 |
| 406 | 30,000 | Term Loans: | | | 329,163 | | 385,826 |
| | | Century Property Mortgage (Musson and Others) | 30,000 | | 201,001 | Properties: | |
| | | Other Loans: | | | 87,310 | Papatetoe Property at cost (1970) | 201,001 |
| | 116,650 | General Purposes Trust Board | 116,650 | | 211,687 | Century Property at Cost (1968) | Note 2 87,310 |
| | 15,000 | Connexional Fire Insurance Board | 10,000 | | | Epworth Chambers at Valuation (1966) plus subsequent Additions at Cost | 213,080 |
| | 20,000 | Home Mission Department | 10,000 | | 499,998 | | 501,391 |
| | 151,650 | | 136,650 | | | | |
| | | Unallocated Fund: | | | | | |
| | — | K. C. Speer Legacy | 5,900 | | | | |
| | | Accumulated Funds and Reserves: | | | | | |
| | | Provisions and Reserves: | | | | | |
| | 10,000 | Investment Fluctuation Reserve | 10,000 | | | | |
| | 3,000 | Provision for Building Maintenance | 3,000 | | | | |
| | 13,000 | | 13,000 | | | | |

| | | | |
|---------------------------|---|-----------|-----------|
| Accumulated Funds: | | | |
| 448,613 | Balance 31st January, 1972 | 480,471 | |
| 245 | Add Donations and Grants Received | 213 | |
| 448,858 | | 480,684 | |
| (16,480) | Less Annuities Compounded | 12,678 | |
| 432,378 | | 468,006 | |
| 48,093 | Add Transfer from Appropriation Account | 74,497 | |
| 480,471 | | 542,503 | |
| 493,471 | Total Accumulated Funds and Reserves | 555,503 | |
| \$874,748 | | \$933,020 | \$874,748 |
| | | | \$933,020 |

Notes (1) Valuation of Shares and Convertible Notes, based on last sales price in January, 1973—\$85,776.

(2) Government Valuation of Properties:

| | Unimproved Value | Value of Improvements | Capital Value |
|-------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|---------------|
| Epworth Chambers (1969) | 103,800 | 131,200 | 235,000 |
| Century Property (1969) | 13,600 | 60,200 | 73,800 |
| Papatoetoe Property | 70,000 | 91,000 | 161,000 |
| | | | \$469,800 |

W. E. CLOTHIER, Chairman.

W. R. LAWS, Secretary.

C. R. HASSELDINE, Treasurer.

We have examined the books of account and records of the Methodist Church Supernumerary Fund for the year ended 31st January, 1973. 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, 1973, and of its income and expenditure for the year ended on that date.

McCULLOCH, BUTLER & SPENCE,
Chartered Accountants.

Christchurch,
16th March, 1973.

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND — SUPERNUMERARY FUND — BENEVOLENT FUND
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT — YEAR ENDED 31st JANUARY, 1973

| 1972 | | 1973 | 1972 | | 1973 |
|--------------|--------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|---------------------------|--------------|
| \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ |
| 200 | Grants | 248 | 207 | Interest Receivable | 286 |
| 7 | Balance to Accumulated Revenue | 38 | | | |
| <u>\$207</u> | | <u>\$286</u> | <u>\$207</u> | | <u>\$286</u> |

ACCUMULATED REVENUE ACCOUNT — YEAR ENDED 31st JANUARY, 1973

| 1973 | | 1972 | | 1973 |
|------------|-----------------------------------|-------------|------------|--|
| 8 | Balance, 31st January, 1973 | 46 | 1 | Balance 31st January, 1972 |
| | | | 7 | Transfer from Income and Expenditure Account |
| <u>\$8</u> | | <u>\$46</u> | | <u>38</u> |
| | | | <u>\$8</u> | <u>\$46</u> |

BALANCE SHEET AT 31st JANUARY, 1973

| | | | | | |
|----------------|---|----------------|----------------|---|----------------|
| 2,800 | Capital at 31st January, 1972 | 2,818 | 2,826 | Deposit with Supernumerary Fund Board | 4,964 |
| 18 | Add Donation for Capital (Note 1) | 2,100 | | | |
| <u>2,818</u> | | <u>4,918</u> | | | |
| 8 | Accumulated Revenue Account | 46 | | | |
| <u>2,826</u> | | <u>4964</u> | | | |
| <u>\$2,826</u> | | <u>\$4,964</u> | <u>\$2,826</u> | | <u>\$4,964</u> |

Note (1)—The Donation for Capital is made up of a gift of \$2,000 from the late Rev. J. W. Reddihough (plus \$100 interest earned prior to transfer to the Benevolent Fund).

We have examined the books of account and records of the Methodist Church Supernumerary Fund Benevolent Fund for the year ended 31st January, 1973. 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, 1973, and of its income and expenditure for the year ended on that date.

W. E. CLOTHIER, Chairman.
W. R. LAWS, Secretary.
C. R. HASSELDINE, Treasurer.

McCULLOCH, BUTLER & SPENCE,
Chartered Accountants.
16th March, 1973.
Christchurch,

CONTRIBUTORS ACCOUNT — YEAR ENDED 31st JANUARY, 1973
METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND — HOME MISSIONARIES RETIRING FUND

| 1972 | | | \$1973 | 1972 | | | \$1973 |
|----------------|----------------------------|------|-----------------|----------------|---------------------------------|------|-----------------|
| \$ | | | \$ | \$ | | | \$ |
| 129 | Funds Withdrawn | .... | 2,222 | 7,145 | Balance 31st January, 1972 | .... | 9,164 |
| 9,164 | Balance 31st January, 1973 | .... | 9,785 | | Contributions: | | |
| | | | | 595 | Personal | .... | 955 |
| | | | | 992 | Subsidy from Connexional Budget | .... | 1,218 |
| | | | | | | | |
| | | | | 1,587 | | | 2,173 |
| | | | | 561 | Interest Allowed | .... | 670 |
| <u>\$9,293</u> | | | <u>\$12,007</u> | <u>\$9,293</u> | | | <u>\$12,007</u> |

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT — YEAR ENDED 31st JANUARY, 1973

| | | | | | | | |
|--------------|-----------------------------------|------|--------------|--------------|-----------------------------------|------|--------------|
| 561 | Interest Allowed to Contributors | .... | 670 | 653 | Interest Earned | .... | 747 |
| 55 | Administration Charges | .... | 77 | 10 | General Donations | .... | 10 |
| 15 | Stationery and General Expenses | .... | 15 | — | Excess of Expenditure over Income | .... | 5 |
| 32 | Excess of Income over Expenditure | .... | — |  |  |  |  |
| <u>\$663</u> | | | <u>\$762</u> | <u>\$663</u> | | | <u>\$762</u> |

ACCUMULATED REVENUE ACCOUNT — YEAR ENDED 31st JANUARY, 1973
METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND — HOME MISSIONARIES RETIRING FUND

| 1972 \$ | | 1973 \$ | 1972 \$ | | 1973 \$ |
|-------------|---|-------------|-------------|---|-------------|
| — | Transferred from Income and Expenditure Account | 5 | 4 | Balance 31st January, 1972 | 36 |
| 36 | Balance 31st January, 1973 | 31 | 32 | Transferred from Income and Expenditure Account | — |
| <u>\$36</u> | | <u>\$36</u> | <u>\$36</u> | | <u>\$36</u> |

BALANCE SHEET AT 31st JANUARY, 1973

| | | | | | |
|-----------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------------------------|-----------------|
| 9,164 | Contributors Accounts | 9,785 | 262 | Sundry Debtor | 503 |
| 1,042 | Accumulated Funds: | | 9,998 | Deposit with Supernumerary Fund | 10,373 |
| 18 | Capital, 31st January, 1972 | 1,060 | | | |
| | Add Donation for Capital | — | | | |
| 1,060 | | 1,060 | | | |
| 36 | Accumulated Revenue Account | 31 | | | |
| 1,096 | | 1,091 | | | |
| <u>\$10,260</u> | | <u>\$10,876</u> | <u>\$10,260</u> | | <u>\$10,876</u> |

We have examined the books of account and records of the Methodist Church Home Missionaries Retiring Fund for the year ended 31st January, 1973. 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, 1973, and of its income and expenditure for the year ended on that date.

W. E. CLOTHIER, Chairman.
W. R. LAWS, Secretary.
C. R. HASSELDINE, Treasurer.

McCULLOCH, BUTLER & SPENCE,
Chartered Accountants,
Christchurch,
16th March, 1973.

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND — HOME ACQUIREMENT FUND
CONTRIBUTORS ACCOUNT — YEAR ENDED 31st JANUARY, 1973

| 1972 | | 1973 | | 1972 | | 1973 |
|----------|----------------------------|----------|--|----------|---------------------------------|----------|
| \$ | | \$ | | \$ | | \$ |
| 5,226 | Funds Withdrawn | 5,291 | | 75,993 | Balance 31st January, 1972 | 80,317 |
| 382 | Subsidies Forfeited | 20 | | | Contributions: | |
| 80,217 | Balance 31st January, 1973 | 87,437 | | 3,379 | Personal (Subscriptions) | 1,781 |
| | | | | — | (Additional amounts | |
| | | | | | paid into Fund) | 2,070 |
| | | | | 1,912 | Subsidies | 1,832 |
| | | | | 5,291 | | |
| | | | | 4,641 | Interest on Accounts | 5,683 |
| | | | | — | Bonus Allocation ex Accumulated | 5,894 |
| | | | | | Revenue | 854 |
| | | | | | | |
| \$85,925 | | \$92,748 | | \$85,925 | | \$92,748 |

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT — YEAR ENDED 31st JANUARY, 1973

| | | | | | |
|---------|--|---------|---------|---------------------|---------|
| 4,641 | Interest Allowed to Contributors | 5,894 | 5,764 | Interest Earned | 6,434 |
| 450 | Administration Charges | 500 | 382 | Subsidies Forfeited | 20 |
| 105 | Stationery and General Expenses | 50 | | | |
| 950 | Excess of Income over Expenditure transferred to Accumulated Revenue | 10 | | | |
| | | | | | |
| \$6,146 | | \$6,454 | \$6,146 | | \$6,454 |

ACCUMULATED REVENUE ACCOUNT — YEAR ENDED 31st JANUARY, 1973
METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND — HOME ACQUIREMENT FUND

| 1972 \$ | | 1973 \$ | 1972 \$ | | 1973 \$ |
|----------------|--|----------------|----------------|---|----------------|
| | — Special Bonus Allowed (being Additional Interest for 1971/72) | 854 | 431 | Balance 31st January, 1972 | 1,381 |
| 1,381 | Balance 31st January, 1973 | 537 | 950 | Transferred from Income and Expenditure Account | 10 |
| <u>\$1,381</u> | | <u>\$1,391</u> | <u>\$1,381</u> | | <u>\$1,391</u> |

BALANCE SHEET AT 31st JANUARY, 1973

| | | | | | |
|-----------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|-----------------|
| 1,129 | Fire Insurance Subsidy Balance | 1,297 | 82,871 | Supernumerary Fund Deposit | 89,351 |
| 80,317 | Contributors Accounts | 87,437 | | | |
| | Accumulated Funds: | | | | |
| | Capital at 31st January, 1972 | 44 | | | |
| 44 | Add Donation for Capital | 36 | | | |
| | | | | | |
| 44 | | 80 | | | |
| 1,381 | Accumulated Revenue | 537 | | | |
| | | | | | |
| 1,425 | | 617 | | | |
| <u>\$82,871</u> | | <u>\$89,351</u> | <u>\$82,871</u> | | <u>\$89,351</u> |

We have examined the books of account and records of the Methodist Church Home Acquirement Fund for the year ended 31st January, 1973. In our opinion, according to the information and explanations given to us, and as shown by the said books of account, the Contributors Account 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, 1973, and of its income and expenditure for the year ended on that date.

W. E. CLOTHIER, Chairman.
W. R. LAWS, Secretary.
C. R. HASSELDINE, Treasurer.

McCULLOCH, BUTLER & SPENCE,
Chartered Accountants.

Christchurch,
16th March, 1973.

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND — DEACONESS RETIRING FUND
CONTRIBUTORS ACCOUNT — YEAR ENDED 31st JANUARY, 1973

| 1972 | | 1973 | 1972 | | 1973 |
|----------|--------------------------------------|----------|----------|----------------------------|----------|
| \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ |
| 6,158 | Contributions and Interest Withdrawn | 13,569 | 56,560 | Balance 31st January, 1972 | 59,371 |
| 59,372 | Balance 31st January, 1973 | 56,573 | | Contributions: | |
| | | | 1,705 | Personal | 2,682 |
| | | | 3,056 | Budget Subsidy | 3,468 |
| | | | 4,761 | | |
| | | | 4,209 | Interest Allowed | 6,150 |
| | | | | | 4,621 |
| \$65,530 | | \$70,142 | \$65,530 | | \$70,142 |

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT — YEAR ENDED 31st JANUARY, 1973

| | | | | | |
|---------|--|---------|---------|---------------------------|---------|
| 4,209 | Interest Allowed | 4,621 | 5,246 | Interest Earned | 5,772 |
| 475 | Administration Charges | 648 | 271 | Income Mabel Morley Trust | 286 |
| 110 | Stationery and General Expenses | 96 | | | |
| 484 | Annuity Paid | 404 | | | |
| 5,278 | | 5,849 | | | |
| 239 | Balance to Accumulated Revenue Account | 209 | | | |
| \$5,517 | | \$6,058 | \$5,517 | | \$6,058 |

**METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND — DEACONESS RETIRING FUND
ACCUMULATED REVENUE ACCOUNT — YEAR ENDED 31st JANUARY, 1973**

| | | | | | | | |
|--------------|----------------------------|----------------|--|--------------|---|----------------|--|
| 1972 | | 1973 | | 1972 | | 1973 | |
| \$ | | \$ | | \$ | | \$ | |
| 890 | Balance 31st January, 1973 | 1,099 | | 651 | Balance 31st January, 1972 | 890 | |
| | | | | 239 | Transferred from Income and Expenditure Account | 209 | |
| <u>\$890</u> | | <u>\$1,099</u> | | <u>\$890</u> | | <u>\$1,099</u> | |

BALANCE SHEET AT 31st JANUARY, 1973

| | | | | | |
|-----------------|---|-----------------|-----------------|---------------------------------|-----------------|
| 875 | Sundry Creditors | 232 | 72,944 | Deposit with Supernumerary Fund | 69,743 |
| 59,372 | Contributors Accounts | 56,573 | | | |
| 108 | Bonus Allocation—Balances No. 1 Account | 108 | | | |
| 650 | Grant Allocation Account | 650 | | | |
| | Accumulated Funds: | | | | |
| 11,010 | Capital at 31st January, 1972 | 11,049 | | | |
| 39 | Add Donation to Capital | 32 | | | |
| | | <u>11,081</u> | | | |
| 11,049 | | 1,099 | | | |
| 890 | Accumulated Revenue Account | | | | |
| | | <u>12,180</u> | | | |
| 11,939 | | | | | |
| <u>\$72,944</u> | | <u>\$69,743</u> | <u>\$72,944</u> | | <u>\$69,743</u> |

We have examined the books of Account and records of the Methodist Church Deaconess Retiring Fund for the year ended 31st January, 1973. 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 the affairs of the Fund as at 31st January, 1973, and of its income and expenditure for the year ended on that date.

W. E. CLOTHIER, Chairman.
W. R. LAWS, Secretary.
C. R. HASSELDINE, Treasurer.

McCULLOCH, BUTLER & SPENCE,
Chartered Accountants.
Christchurch,
16th March, 1973.

CONTRIBUTORS ACCOUNT — YEAR ENDED 31st JANUARY, 1973
METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND — LAY WORKERS RETIRING FUND

| 1972 | | 1973 | 1972 | | 1973 |
|-----------------|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|---|-----------------|
| \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ |
| 5,144 | Funds Withdrawn | 7,431 | 8,642 | Balance 31st January, 1972 | 9,320 |
| 1 | Subsidies Forfeited | 258 | | Contributions: | |
| 9,320 | Balance 31st January, 1973 | 7,765 | 3,511 | Personal | 4559 |
| | | | 1,690 | Budget Subsidies (Overseas Mission Staff) | 960 |
| | | | | | |
| | | | 5,201 | | 5,519 |
| | | | 622 | Interest Allowed to Contributors | 615 |
| <u>\$14,465</u> | | <u>\$15,454</u> | <u>\$14,465</u> | | <u>\$15,454</u> |

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT — YEAR ENDED 31st JANUARY, 1973

| | | | | | |
|--------------|--|----------------|--------------|---------------------|----------------|
| 623 | Interest Allowed to Contributors | 615 | 743 | Interest Receivable | 799 |
| 55 | Administration Charges | 77 | 1 | Subsidies Forfeited | 258 |
| 15 | Stationery and General Expenses | 10 | | | |
| | | | | | |
| 693 | | 702 | | | |
| 51 | Balance to Accumulated Revenue Account | 355 | | | |
| <u>\$744</u> | | <u>\$1,057</u> | <u>\$744</u> | | <u>\$1,057</u> |

ACCUMULATED REVENUE ACCOUNT — YEAR ENDED 31st JANUARY, 1973
METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND — LAY WORKERS RETIRING FUND

| 1972 \$ | | 1973 \$ | 1972 \$ | | 1973 \$ |
|-------------|----------------------------------|--------------|-------------|---|--------------|
| 1 | Debit Balance 31st January, 1971 | — | | Balance 31st January, 1972 | 50 |
| 50 | Balance 31st January, 1973 | 405 | 51 | Transferred from Income and Expenditure Account | 355 |
| <u>\$51</u> | | <u>\$405</u> | <u>\$51</u> | | <u>\$405</u> |

BALANCE SHEET AT 31st JANUARY, 1973

| | | | | | |
|-----------------|--|----------------|-----------------|---------------------------------|----------------|
| 416 | Sundry Creditors | 1,134 | 10,196 | Deposit with Supernumerary Fund | 9,724 |
| 9,320 | Contributors Accounts | 7,765 | | | |
| | Accumulated Funds and Reserves: | | | | |
| 400 | Capital Account 31st January, 1972 | 410 | | | |
| 10 | Add Donation Received during year | 10 | | | |
| | | <u>420</u> | | | |
| 50 | Accumulated Revenue | 405 | | | |
| | | <u>825</u> | | | |
| 460 | | | | | |
| <u>\$10,196</u> | | <u>\$9,724</u> | <u>\$10,196</u> | | <u>\$9,724</u> |

We have examined the books of account and records of the Methodist Church Lay Workers Retiring Fund for the year ended 31st January, 1973. 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, 1973, and of its income and expenditure for the year ended on that date.

W. E. CLOTHIER, Chairman Supernumerary Fund Board.
W. R. LAWS, General Secretary.
C. R. HASSELDINE, General Treasurer.

McCULLOCH, BUTLER & SPENCE,
Chartered Accountants.

Christchurch,
16th March, 1973.

CONTRIBUTORS ACCOUNT — YEAR ENDED 31st JANUARY, 1973
METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND — DEFERRED STIPEND FUND

| 1972 | | 1973 | 1972 | | 1973 |
|-----------------|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------------|-----------------|
| \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ |
| 2,145 | Funds Withdrawn | 7,590 | 7,374 | Balance 31st January, 1972 | 13,449 |
| 13,449 | Balance 31st January, 1973 | 15,640 | 7,668 | Contributions | 8,587 |
| | | | | | 22,036 |
| | | | 552 | Interest Allowed | 1,194 |
| <u>\$15,594</u> | | <u>\$23,230</u> | <u>\$15,594</u> | | <u>\$23,230</u> |

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT — YEAR ENDED 31st JANUARY, 1973

| | | | | | |
|--------------|---------------------------------|----------------|--------------|-----------------|----------------|
| 552 | Interest Allowed to Depositors | 1,194 | 697 | Interest Earned | 1,284 |
| 90 | Administration Charges | 70 | | | |
| 20 | Stationery and General Expenses | 10 | | | |
| 35 | Balance to Accumulated Revenue | 10 | | | |
| <u>\$697</u> | | <u>\$1,284</u> | <u>\$697</u> | | <u>\$1,284</u> |

ACCUMULATED REVENUE ACCOUNT — YEAR ENDED 31st JANUARY, 1973
METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND — DEFERRED STIPEND FUND

| 1972 \$ | | 1973 \$ | 1972 \$ | | 1973 \$ |
|-------------|----------------------------|-------------|-------------|--|-------------|
| 42 | Balance 31st January, 1973 | 51 | 7 | Balance 31st January, 1972 | 41 |
| | | | 35 | Transfer from Income and Expenditure Account | 10 |
| <u>\$42</u> | | <u>\$51</u> | <u>\$42</u> | | <u>\$51</u> |

BALANCE SHEET AT 31st JANUARY, 1973

| | | | | | |
|-----------------|------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------------------------|-----------------|
| 13,449 | Contributors' Deposits | 15,640 | 13,491 | Deposit with Supernumerary Fund | 15,691 |
| 42 | Accumulated Revenue | 51 | | | |
| <u>\$13,491</u> | | <u>\$15,691</u> | <u>\$13,491</u> | | <u>\$15,691</u> |

We have examined the books of account and records of the Methodist Church Deferred Stipend Fund for the year ended 31st January, 1973. 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, 1973 and of its income and expenditure for the year ended on that date.

W. E. CLOTHIER, Chairman, Supernumerary Fund Board.
W. R. LAWS, General Secretary.
C. R. HASSELDINE, General Treasurer.

McCULLOCH, BUTLER & SPENCE,
Chartered Accountants.
Christchurch,
16th March, 1973.

METHODIST GENERAL PURPOSES TRUST BOARD (INC)
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1973

| 1972 \$ | | 1973 \$ | 1972 \$ | | 1973 \$ |
|-----------------|--|-----------------|-----------------|---|-----------------|
| 29,513 | Interest Allowed to Trust and Depositors | 45,969 | 11,459 | Interest Earned: | |
| 3,600 | Administration Charges | 4,800 | | Local Body Stock and Company | |
| 530 | Stationery and General Expenses | 813 | | Debentures | 16,588 |
| | | | 8,747 | Mortgages | 14,415 |
| | | | 10,365 | Loans | 11,451 |
| 663 | Excess of Income over Expenditure | 741 | 1,912 | Bank Interest | 8,793 |
| | | | 741 | Other Interest | — |
| | | | 33,224 | | |
| | | | 525 | Commissions | 51,247 |
| | | | 557 | Dividends and Interest on Convertible Notes | 584 |
| | | | | | 492 |
| <u>\$34,306</u> | | <u>\$52,323</u> | <u>\$34,306</u> | | <u>\$52,323</u> |

APPROPRIATION ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1973

| | | | | | |
|--------------|---|--------------|--------------|-------------------------|--------------|
| 63 | Transfer to Investment Fluctuation Reserve | 500 | — | Balance 30th June, 1972 | |
| 300 | Provision for Grant to Supernumerary and Allied Funds | 120 | 663 | Net Income for Year | 741 |
| 300 | Balance Transferred to Capital Account | 121 | | | |
| <u>\$663</u> | | <u>\$741</u> | <u>\$663</u> | | <u>\$741</u> |

METHODIST GENERAL PURPOSES TRUST BOARD (INC)

BALANCE SHEET AT 30th JUNE, 1973

| 1972 \$ | | 1973 \$ | 1972 \$ | | 1973 \$ |
|---|---|--------------------|------------------------|--|--------------------|
| Current Liabilities: | | | Current Assets: | | |
| — | Bank of New Zealand Overdraft | 1,115 | 5,254 | Bank of N.Z. (Current Account) | — |
| 21 | Sundry Creditors | 186 | 90,000 | Bank of N.Z. (Term Deposit) | 200,000 |
| 300 | Provision for Grant to Supernumerary and Allied Funds | 120 | 13,000 | N.Z. Insurance Co. Ltd Group Fund | 28,000 |
| | | 1,421 | 16,851 | Loan S.I. Children's Home | — |
| Short Term Deposits: | | | 4,478 | Sundry Debtors | 434 |
| 7,094 | Church Sites Fund | 7,484 | 6,133 | Interest Accrued | 10,754 |
| 5,547 | Church Building and Loan Fund | 10,000 | 2,255 | Loan Contingent Fund | 2,067 |
| — | Connexional Fire Insurance Fund | 5,000 | | Guardian Trust | 10,000 |
| — | S.I. Children's Home Investment Fund Board | 14,137 | | | 251,542 |
| | | 36,621 | 119,577 | Investments and Loans: | |
| Loans—Walters Farm Trust: | | | 116,650 | First Mortgages | 302,126 |
| 12,000 | Parkes and Others (1st Mortgage) | 12,000 | 39,972 | Loan Supernumerary Fund (Papatoetoe Property) | 96,650 |
| 3,000 | Tamahere Eventide Home | — | 207,109 | Sundry Loans Church Trusts | 31,534 |
| 4,841 | Home Mission Department | 4,618 | 30,500 | Local Body Stock | 209,243 |
| | | 16,618 | 18,000 | Public Company Debentures | 55,616 |
| Other Liabilities: | | | 11,310 | Debentures Dunedin Central Mission | 18,000 |
| 420 | Sundry Church and Other Deposits | 697,868 | 4,000 | Shares and Convertible Notes (Public Companies) (Note 1) | 17,020 |
| 23,500 | Depositors Holding Specific Investments | 23,500 | 4,500 | Building Society Shares held in Trust | 4,000 |
| | | 721,368 | — | Other Shares Held in Trust | 3,300 |
| Trusts Administered by General Purposes Trust Board: | | | | Development Costs Thorndon | 16,081 |
| 113,649 | Winstone Memorial Trust Fund | 177,336 | 38,992 | Winstone Fund Property (Deposit) | 753,570 |
| 96,553 | Sundry Other Trusts | 97,806 | | | 12,500 |
| | | 275,143 | 14,000 | Loans to Transport Trust Board: | |
| Reserves: | | | 6,000 | Winstone Fund | 20,000 |
| 2,500 | Investment Fluctuation Reserve | 3,000 | 1,800 | General | 6,000 |
| Accumulated Funds: | | | | ex Methven Deposit | 1,800 |
| 10,970 | Capital at 30th June, 1972 | 11,270 | | | 27,800 |
| 300 | Add Balance from Appropriation Account | 121 | 20,150 | Walters Trust: | |
| | | 11,391 | | Additional Land at Cost | 20,150 |
| \$770,531 | | \$1,065,562 | \$770,531 | | \$1,065,562 |

C. R. HASSELDINE, General Treasurer.
20th July, 1973.

(Note 1): Market Value of Shares held for Investment approx. \$18,500

We have examined the books of account and records of the Methodist General Purposes Trust Board Incorporated for the year ended 30th June, 1973. In our opinion, according to the information and explanations given to us, and as shown by the said books of account, the Income and Expenditure Account, Appropriation Account and Balance Sheet are properly drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the affairs of the Board as at 30th June, 1973, and of its income and expenditure for the year ended on that date.

Christchurch.

MCGILLOCK BUTLER AND SPENCE

**METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND
CONNEXIONAL FIRE INSURANCE FUND
PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31st MAY, 1973**

| 1972 \$ | | 1973 \$ | 1972 \$ | | 1973 \$ |
|------------|--|------------|------------|--|------------|
| 5,400 | Administration Charges | 7,000 | 19,063 | Net Commissions Earned before Charging Cost of Reinsurance Borne by Fund | 19,359 |
| 795 | Stationery and General Expenses | 895 | | Interest Earnings: | |
| 14 | Unpaid Premiums Written Off | 75 | 700 | Bank | 1,658 |
| — | Travel Costs | 75 | 1,244 | Loans to Churches @ 3½% | 1,387 |
| | | 7,970 | 3,724 | Local Body Stock | 2,911 |
| 22,939 | Profit for Year before Cost of Reinsurance Borne by Fund | 21,337 | 2,991 | Mortgages | 3,153 |
| | | | 1,426 | Other Loans | 839 |
| | | | 10,085 | | 9,948 |
| \$29,148 | | \$29,307 | \$29,148 | | \$29,307 |

**METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND —CONNEXIONAL FIRE INSURANCE FUND
PROFIT AND LOSS APPROPRIATION ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31st MAY, 1973**

| 1972 | | 1973 | \$ | | \$ |
|----------|--|----------|----------|------------------------|----------|
| 2,800 | Transfer to Capital | 2,800 | 759 | Balance 31st May, 1972 | 746 |
| | Cost of Reinsurance Borne by Fund: | | 22,939 | Profit for Year | 21,337 |
| | —Public Liability— | | | | |
| 333 | Camps and Retreats | 333 | | | |
| 3,940 | Churches, Halls, Preaching Places and Parsonages | 3,910 | | | |
| 303 | Money Insurance | 303 | | | |
| 826 | Employers Liability (Ministers) | 1,029 | | | |
| 8,202 | | 5,575 | | | |
| 14,750 | Provision for Grants | 13,000 | | | |
| 746 | Balance Carried Forward | 708 | | | |
| \$23,698 | | \$22,083 | \$23,698 | | \$22,083 |

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND — CONNEXIONAL FIRE INSURANCE FUND
BALANCE SHEET AT 31st MAY, 1973

| 1972 \$ | | 1973 \$ | 1972 \$ | | 1973 \$ |
|------------|---|------------|------------|------------------------------------|------------|
| | Current Liabilities: | | | Current Assets: | |
| 4,222 | Sums Due to Reinsurers | 35,272 | — | Cash at Bank | 2,855 |
| 282 | Sundry Creditors | 184 | 10,000 | Bank of N.Z. (Term Deposit) | 45,000 |
| 3,219 | Bank Overdraft | — | 29,825 | Premiums from Trusts Due to Fund | 32,947 |
| | | | 7 | Sundry Debtors | 20 |
| 7,723 | | 35,456 | 2,446 | Accrued Interest | 2,397 |
| 14,750 | Provision for Grants | 13,000 | 290 | Prepayments | 120 |
| | Reserves: | | | | |
| 600 | Doubtful Debts Reserve | 600 | 42,568 | | 83,339 |
| 3,118 | Natural Calamities Fund | 3,118 | 42,969 | Investments: | |
| 8,109 | Investment Contingency Reserve | 8,109 | 45,383 | Mortgages | 57,538 |
| | | | 10,000 | Loans to Churches and Trust Boards | 38,946 |
| 11,827 | | 11,827 | 64,978 | Loan to Supernumerary Fund | 10,233 |
| | Accumulated Funds: | | | Local Body Stock | 44,587 |
| 168,052 | Balance 31st May, 1972 | 170,852 | 163,330 | | 151,304 |
| 2,800 | Add Transfer from Appropriation Account | 2,800 | | | |
| | | | | | |
| 170,852 | | 173,652 | | | |
| 746 | Profit and Loss Appropriation Account | 708 | | | |
| | | | | | |
| 171,598 | | 174,360 | | | |
| | | | | | |
| \$205,898 | | \$234,643 | \$205,898 | | \$234,643 |

We have examined the books of account and records of the Methodist Church Connexional Fire Insurance Fund for the year ended 31st May, 1973, and have obtained all the information and explanations that we have required. In our opinion the Balance Sheet, Profit and Loss Account and Profit and Loss Appropriation Account are properly drawn up so as to give respectively a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Fund as at 31st May, 1973, and of its income and expenditure for the year ended on that date.
 5th November, 1973.

A. A. DINGWALL, Chairman.
 W. R. LAWS, Secretary.
 C. R. HASSELDINE, Treasurer.

McCULLOCK, BUTLER AND SPENCE,
 Chartered Accountants.

METHODIST CONFERENCE CONTINGENT FUND

BALANCE SHEET AT 30th JUNE, 1973

| 1972 | | \$ | 1973 | | 1972 | | \$ | 1973 | |
|---------|---|----------|------------|--|---------|---|----------|------------|--|
| \$ | | | \$ | | \$ | | | \$ | |
| | Current Liabilities: | | | | | Current Assets: | | | |
| 2,067 | General Purposes Trust Loan | 1,677.17 | | | 1,789 | Bank of New Zealand | 3,258.02 | | |
| 1,154 | Sundry Creditors | 1,253.05 | | | | Debtors: | | | |
| — | Board of Management Connex- | | | | 1,000 | Budget Account | — | | |
| | ional Office | 290.03 | | | 100 | Conference Arrangements Com- | | | |
| | | | | | | mittee | — | | |
| 3,221 | | | 3,220.25 | | 697 | Board of Management Con- | | | |
| | Balances Due to District Synods: | | | | | nexional Office | — | | |
| 66 | Northland | 296.45 | | | | | | | |
| 864 | Auckland | 1,177.33 | | | 3,586 | | | 3,258.02 | |
| 1,291 | Waikato-Bay of Plenty | 2,367.90 | | | | Balances Due from District Synods: | | | |
| 29 | Taranaki-Wanganui | 29.21 | | | 40 | Hawkes Bay-Manawatu | — | | |
| — | Hawkes Bay-Manawatu | 116.66 | | | 60 | Nelson | — | | |
| 184 | Wellington | 102.38 | | | 5 | North Canterbury | — | | |
| — | Nelson | 140.58 | | | | | | | |
| — | North Canterbury | 141.96 | | | 105 | | | | |
| 384 | South Canterbury | 1,138.87 | | | | Deficit of Fund as per Contra | | | |
| 311 | Otago-Southland | 400.13 | | | 1,128 | Balance to 30/6/1972 | 2,658.45 | | |
| | | | | | 1,530 | Plus Deficit for Year | 3,215.25 | | |
| 3,129 | | | 5,911.47 | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 2,658 | | | 5,873.70 | |
| \$6,350 | | | \$9,131.72 | | \$6,350 | | | \$9,131.72 | |

13th September, 1973.

C. R. HASSELDINE, General Treasurer.

Audited and found correct.

W. E. CLOTHIER, B.Com., A.C.A., A.C.I.S.

METHODIST CONFERENCE CONTINGENT FUND

EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1973

| 1972 | | 1973 |
|-------|--|----------|
| \$ | | \$ |
| | Conference Travel: | |
| 1,231 | Equalisation Fund — — | 1,222.45 |
| 1,086 | Official representatives, Ordinands, etc. — — — | 2,216.47 |
| 2,317 | | 3,438.92 |
| | Conference Printing and General Expenses: | |
| 2,347 | Conference Agenda — — | 2,648.10 |
| 3,153 | Conference Minutes — — — | 3,204.85 |
| 97 | Station Lists — — — | 186.20 |
| 251 | Mission Depts. Balance Sheets — — | 203.41 |
| — | Missions Depts. Estimates — — | 66.91 |
| 46 | Ordinands Bibles — — — | 28.81 |
| 417 | Secretarial, Platform and Other Expenses — — — | 611.62 |
| 6,311 | | 6,949.90 |
| | Connexional Printing: | |
| 289 | Synod Agendas and Reports — — | 470.46 |
| 114 | J.C.C.U. Printing — — — | 56.00 |
| 122 | Membership Cards and Guide to Members — — — | 170.50 |
| — | Baptism/Confirmation Cards — — | 145.02 |
| — | Pastoral Cards — — — | 179.71 |
| — | Voting Papers (Church Union) — — | 658.20 |
| 525 | | 1,679.89 |

INCOME ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1973

| 1972 | | 1973 |
|--------|---|-----------|
| \$ | | \$ |
| 18,000 | Connexional Budget Payments — — — | 20,000.00 |
| 263 | Conference Arrangements Committee Surplus including Sale of Agendas — — — | 164.48 |
| 29 | Synod Collections — — — | 23.72 |
| 697 | Sale of Printed Matter — — — | 622.76 |
| 4 | Interest Received — — — | 53.26 |
| 18,993 | | 20,864.22 |
| 1,530 | Excess of Expenditure over Income — — — | 3,215.25 |

| | | | |
|---|-----------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Connexional Payments: | | | |
| 1,050 | President's Travel and Expenses | 892.73 | |
| 82 | Gown and Photo | 74.00 | |
| 130 | Allowance | 130.00 | |
| 538 | Vice-President's Expenses | 569.87 | |
| — | General | — | |
| 188 | Candidates Selection Committee | 32.80 | |
| 294 | Travel—Samoan Consultation | 452.31 | |
| — | Samoan President | 152.90 | |
| 2,282 | | | 2,304.61 |
| 693 | Church Council Expenses | — | 671.70 |
| 3,411 | District Expenses | — | 4,609.65 |
| 1,737 | Synod Expenses | — | 1,414.98 |
| 522 | Ministerial Supply and Other | — | |
| | Special Ministerial Payments | — | 580.65 |
| Connexional & J.C.C.U. Committee Expenses: | | | |
| 1,410 | District Payments | 991.40 | |
| 702 | Paid Direct by Fund | 1,153.51 | |
| 2,112 | | | 2,144.91 |
| 31 | General Expenses, Stationery, | | |
| | Tolls and Postages | — | 90.43 |
| 67 | Interest Paid | — | 113.83 |
| Grants: | | | |
| 40 | First Year Probationers Study and | | |
| | Book Grants | 80.00 | |
| 205 | Sundry Committee Grants | — | |
| 270 | World Methodist Council | — | |
| | | 80.00 | |
| \$20,523 | | \$24,079.47 | \$20,523 |
| | | | \$24,079.47 |

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND — CHILDREN'S FUND
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1973

| 1972 \$ | | 1973 \$ | 1972 \$ | | 1973 \$ |
|------------|---|------------|------------|------------------------------------|------------|
| 7,992 | Allowances to Ministers and Widows (Note 1) | 3,811 | 9,000 | Grant from Connexional Budget | 4,000 |
| 35 | Postages and General Expenses | 15 | | | |
| 8,027 | | 3,826 | | | |
| 973 | Excess of Income over Expenditure | 174 | | | |
| 9,000 | | 4,000 | 9,000 | | 4,000 |

BALANCE SHEET AT 30th JUNE, 1973

| | | | | | |
|-----|--|-------|-------|--|-------|
| 426 | Current Liabilities: | | | Current Assets: | |
| | 3,840 Sundry Creditor | — | | 4,859 Deposit with Board of Management | |
| | Accumulated Funds: | | | Connexional Office | 1,193 |
| | 46 Balance 30th June, 1972 | 1,019 | | | |
| | +973 Add Excess of Income over Expenditure | 174 | | | |
| | | | 1,193 | | |
| | 1,019 | | 1,193 | | 1,193 |
| | 4,859 | | 4,859 | | |

Notes: (1) Payments for calendar year 1972 were \$7,651, of which \$3,840 was accrued in 1971/72 Accounts, leaving a balance of \$3,811.

(2) The accrued payments to 30th June, 1973 (not yet paid out pending receipt of 1973/74 Budget Allocation) are expected to be \$3,505.

(3) The final position at the termination of the Fund is expected to be:—

| | |
|--|----------------------------------|
| Accumulated funds | \$1,193.00 |
| Plus Budget Allocation 1973/74 | \$3,000.00 |
| | \$4,193.00 |
| Less Allowances | \$3,505.00 |
| Balance refundable to Budget will be approximately | \$ 688.00 (Less Sundry Expenses) |

27th July, 1973

A. A. DINGWALL, Chairman.
W. R. LAWS, General Secretary.
C. R. HASSELDINE, General Treasurer.

Audited and found correct.

W. E. CLOTHIER, B.Com., A.C.A., A.C.I.S.

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND — REMOVAL EXPENSES FUND
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1973

| 1972 | | 1973 | 1972 | | 1973 |
|----------------|---|----------------|----------------|---|----------------|
| \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ |
| 6,741 | Removal Costs | 9,419 | 9,000 | Budget Allocation | 9,000 |
| 35 | Stationery and General Expenses | 25 | — | Excess of Expenditure over Income | 444 |
| <u>6,776</u> | | <u>9,444</u> | | | |
| 2,224 | Excess of Income over Expenditure | — | | | |
| <u>\$9,000</u> | | <u>\$9,444</u> | <u>\$9,000</u> | | <u>\$9,444</u> |

BALANCE SHEET AT 30th JUNE, 1973

| Accumulated Funds: | | | 5 | | 5 |
|---------------------------------|-------|----------------|--------------|--|--------------|
| | | | 2,772 | Post Office Savings Bank | |
| Balance 30th June, 1972 | 2,777 | | | Balance Deposited with Board of Management | |
| Less Excess of Expenditure over | | | | Connexional Office | 2,328 |
| Income for year to 30th June, | | | | | |
| 1973 | 444 | 2,333 | | | |
| <u>2,777</u> | | <u>2,333</u> | <u>2,777</u> | | <u>2,333</u> |
| <u>\$2,777</u> | | <u>\$2,333</u> | | | |

Notes (1) Because of the changeover of ownership of Parsonage Furnishings at 1 July, 1973, with an inevitable increase in Removal Costs, no refund has been made to the Budget account. The amount allocated for 1973/74 is \$8,000.

(2) Number of Removals paid for by Fund:

| | No. | Total Cost \$ | Average \$ |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|---------------|------------|
| North Island Changes | 21 | 2,915 | 139 |
| South Island Changes | 4 | 795 | 199 |
| Inter Island Changes | 11 | 5,709 | 537 |
| | <u>36</u> | <u>9,419</u> | <u>262</u> |
| No Claims Made | 2 | — | — |
| Union Parish responsibility | 1 | — | — |
| Total Removals | 39 | | |

A. A. DINGWALL, Chairman.

W. R. LAWS, General Secretary.

C. R. HASSELDINE, General Treasurer.

27th July, 1973.

Audited and found correct.

W. E. CLOTHIER, B.Com., A.C.A., A.C.I.S.

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND — TRANSPORT TRUST BOARD (INCORPORATED)
LOANS ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1973

| 1972 | | | | | 1973 | | | | | 1972 | | | | | 1973 |
|-----------------|--------------------------|---|---|---|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------------|---|---|------|---|---|---|---|-----------------|
| \$ | | | | | \$ | | | | | \$ | | | | | \$ |
| 49,670 | Loans at 30th June, 1972 | — | — | — | 54,568 | 24,990 | Loan Repayments | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | 27,182 |
| 27,343 | New Loans Advanced | — | — | — | 35,046 | 54,568 | Balance 30th June, 1973 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | 65,473 |
| 2,545 | Interest Charged | — | — | — | 3,041 | | | | | | | | | | |
| <u>\$79,558</u> | | | | | <u>\$92,655</u> | <u>\$79,558</u> | | | | | | | | | <u>\$92,655</u> |

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1973

| 1972 | | | | | 1973 | | | | | 1972 | | | | | 1973 |
|----------------|-----------------------------------|---|---|---|----------------|----------------|---------------------|---|---|----------------|---|---|---|---|----------------|
| \$ | | | | | \$ | | | | | \$ | | | | | \$ |
| 500 | Administration Charges | — | — | — | 750 | 2,545 | Interest Receivable | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | 3,041 |
| 1,649 | Interest Payable | — | — | — | 2,067 | | | | | | | | | | |
| 89 | Stationery and General Expenses | — | — | — | 131 | | | | | | | | | | |
| <u>2,238</u> | | | | | <u>2,948</u> | | | | | | | | | | |
| 307 | Excess of Income over Expenditure | — | — | — | 93 | <u>\$2,545</u> | | | | <u>\$2,545</u> | | | | | <u>\$3,041</u> |
| <u>\$2,545</u> | | | | | <u>\$3,041</u> | | | | | | | | | | |

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND — TRANSPORT TRUST BOARD (INCORPORATED)
BALANCE SHEET AT 30th JUNE, 1973

| | | | | | | | | |
|-----|------------|--|------------|--|------------|------------------------|------------|--|
| 429 | 1972 \$ | | 1973 \$ | | 1972 \$ | | 1973 \$ | |
| | | Current Liabilities: | | | | Current Assets: | | |
| | 4,559 | Bank of N.Z. Overdraft — — — | 8,001 | | 10 | Sundry Debtor — — — | — | |
| | 151 | Sundry Creditors — — — | 170 | | 54,568 | Other Assets: | | |
| | | | | | | Secured Advances — — — | 65,473 | |
| | 4,710 | | 8,171 | | | | | |
| | | Loans: | | | | | | |
| | 20,000 | General Purposes Trust — — — | 26,000 | | | | | |
| | 1,800 | General Purposes Trust (Methven) — — — | 1,800 | | | | | |
| | 1,000 | Wellington Methodist Charitable and Educational Endowments Trust — — — | 1,035 | | | | | |
| | 2,000 | Wesley Social Services Trust — — — | 2,070 | | | | | |
| | 5,000 | Home Mission Department — — — | 5,000 | | | | | |
| | 2,000 | Hamilton Methodist Trust — — — | 2,060 | | | | | |
| | 10,000 | Connexional Fire Insurance Fund — — — | 10,175 | | | | | |
| | 41,800 | | 48,150 | | | | | |
| | | Accumulated Funds: | | | | | | |
| | 6,371 | Balance 30th June 1972 — — — | 8,069 | | | | | |
| | 1,000 | Add Grant from Fire Insurance Fund — — — | 1,000 | | | | | |
| | 390 | Share of Development Fund 1970-71) — — — | — | | | | | |
| | 307 | Net Income for Year — — — | 93 | | | | | |
| | 8,068 | | 9,162 | | | | | |
| | \$54,578 | | \$65,473 | | \$54,578 | | \$65,473 | |

We have examined the books of account and records of the Methodist Church Transport Trust Board Incorporated for the year ended 30th June, 1973. 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, 1973, and of its Income and Expenditure for the year ended on that date.

Christchurch,
20th August, 1973.

McCULLOCH, BUTLER & SPENCE,
Chartered Accountants.

W. A. CHAMBERS, Chairman.
W. R. LAWS, General Secretary.
C. R. HASSELDINE, General Treasurer.

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND
CONNEXIONAL BUDGET ACCOUNT YEAR TO 30th JUNE, 1973
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

| 1972 | | 1973 | 1972 | | 1973 |
|---------|--|---------|---------|--|---------|
| 343,845 | Payments to Departments and Funds | 357,924 | 334,091 | Contributions Received: | |
| | (See Schedule I) | | | Methodist Circuits | 339,382 |
| 6,467 | Expenses Collected through Connexional Budget | | | (See District Schedule II) | |
| | and refunded to Districts | 6,604 | | Union Parishes: | |
| 127 | Stationery, Postages, Tolls and General Expenses | 127 | 9,984 | General | 16,421 |
| 172 | Excess of Income over Expenditure | 1,115 | 2,917 | Union Parish Retiring | |
| | (added to balance carried forward to 1973/74) | | | Fund Contributions | 4,830 |
| | | | | | 21,251 |
| | | | 12,901 | | 360,633 |
| | | | 180 | Refunds from Departments and Funds: | |
| | | | 1,158 | Supernumerary Fund | 4,225 |
| | | | 822 | Deaconess Retiring Fund | |
| | | | — | Lay Workers Retiring Fund | 60 |
| | | | | Churches' Television Commission | 476 |
| | | | 2,160 | | 4,761 |
| | | | 1,272 | Contributions for Earlier Years | |
| | | | 187 | received in 1972/73 | 100 |
| | | | | Bank Interest Received | 276 |
| 350,611 | | 365,770 | 350,611 | | 365,770 |

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND — CONNEXIONAL BUDGET ACCOUNT
BALANCE SHEET AT 30th JUNE, 1973

| 1972 | | 1973 | 1972 | | 1973 |
|---------------|---------------------------------|---------------|---------------|----------------------------------|---------------|
| | Current Liabilities: | | | Current Assets: | |
| | Payments in Advance 1973-74 | 16 | 5,583 | Bank of New Zealand | 8,020 |
| 12,797 | Final Payments due to Districts | | | Payments received subsequent to | |
| | Non-Guaranteed Funds and De- | | 7,652 | 30th June, relating to and | |
| | partments | 22,619 | | brought into account for 1972/73 | 16,153 |
| | | <u>22,635</u> | | | <u>24,173</u> |
| | Brought forward from 1971/72 | 423 | | | |
| | Accumulated Funds: | | | | |
| | Add Balance from Income and | | | | |
| | Expenditure Account | 1,115 | | | |
| | | <u>1,538</u> | | | |
| 422 | | | | | |
| <u>13,235</u> | | <u>24,173</u> | <u>13,235</u> | | <u>24,173</u> |

C.R. HASSELDINE, General Treasurer.
7th August, 1973

Audited and found correct.
W. E. CLOTHIER, B.Com., A.C.A., A.C.I.S.

SCHEDULE 1

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND
CONNEXIONAL BUDGET 1972/73
PAYMENTS TO DEPARTMENTS AND FUNDS

| | Allocation | Payment |
|--|------------|---------|
| Departments and Funds: | | |
| | \$ | \$ |
| Supernumerary Fund | 50,933 | 50,933 |
| | (refunded | 4,225) |
| Home Missionaries Retiring Fund | 1,050 | 1,050 |
| Deaconess Retiring Fund | 3,399 | 3,399 |
| Lay Workers Retiring Fund | 2,810 | 2,810 |
| | (refunded | 60) |
| Children's Fund | 4,000 | 4,000 |
| Removal Expenses Fund | 9,000 | 9,000 |
| Contingent Fund | 20,000 | 20,000 |
| Connexional Office | 4,000 | 3,880 |
| The "N.Z. Methodist" | 12,000 | 12,000 |
| Overseas Mission Department | 120,449 | 116,836 |
| Home Mission Department: | | |
| General: | 73,750 | |
| (now Development and Maori Divisions) | | |
| Chaplaincies: | 6,250 | |
| | 80,000 | 77,600 |
| Department of Christian Education | 22,100 | 21,437 |
| Development Fund | 2,000 | 1,940 |
| Finance and Stewardship Committee | — | — |
| Children's Homes: | | |
| Auckland | 1,000 | 970 |
| Masterton | 4,000 | 3,880 |
| South Island | 3,500 | 3,395 |
| Central Missions: | | |
| Christchurch | 1,000 | 970 |
| Wellington Social Services | 1,000 | 970 |
| Trinity College | 8,459 | 8,206 |
| Deaconess Board | 1,138 | 1,104 |
| National Council of Churches | 2,178 | 2,178 |
| Churches' Television Commission | 1,400 | — |
| | (refunded | 475.60) |
| World Council of Churches | 1,018 | 1,018 |
| N.C.C. Prison Chaplaincy | 60 | 60 |
| N.Z. Council of Christian Education | 1,130 | 1,130 |
| Armed Forces Chaplaincy | 150 | 150 |
| N.C.C. University Chaplaincy | 2,378 | 2,378 |
| Visual-Audio Aids Society | 500 | 500 |
| Board of Evangelism | 300 | 291 |
| Overseas Travel Fund | 1,000 | 970 |
| Joint Commission on Church Union | 926 | 1,061** |
| East Asian Council of Churches | 202 | 202 |
| Radio and Television Committee (Methodist) | 250 | — |
| World Council of Churches—1% Overseas Aid | 3,670 | 3,606 |
| | 367,000 | 357,924 |

** (J.C.C.U. paid on basis of revised budget)

METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND — CONNEXIONAL BUDGET 1972/73
FINAL REPORT (METHODIST CIRCUITS)

| District | District Allocation (including local expenses) Note 1 | Less Allocated to Union Parishes (other than Parishes formed 1/2/73) | Allocated to Methodist Circuits and New Union Parishes | Payments to date (Methodist Circuits and New Union Parishes) (3) | % Achieved 1972/73 | Methodist Fully Paid (3) | Circuits Not Fully Paid (3) | Comparative % June 1972 |
|-----------------------|---|---|--|---|-----------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Northland | 8,359 | 603 | 7,756 | 7,846 | 101.1 | 8 | 1 | 101.9 |
| Auckland | 80,196 | 600 | 79,596 | 78,316 | 98.4 | 21 | 2 | 98.0 |
| Waikato—Bay of Plenty | 50,079 | 2,331 | 47,748 | 46,781 | 98.0 | 18 | 5 | 99.3 |
| Taranaki—Wanganui | 27,072 | 1,008 | 26,064 | 25,243 | 96.9 | 5 | 5 | 98.6 |
| Hawkes Bay—Manawatu | 38,185 | 2,476 | 35,712 | 35,156 | 98.5 | 9 | 2 | 97.4 |
| Wellington | 43,519 | 5,917 | 37,602 | 36,148 | 96.2 | 7 | 4 | 98.5 |
| Nelson | 17,945 | 3,028 | 14,917 | 14,548 | 97.5 | 4 | 1 | 98.6 |
| North Canterbury | 62,356 | 3,364 | 58,992 | 56,807 | 96.3 | 12 | 2 | 91.1 |
| South Canterbury | 17,712 | 564 | 17,148 | 16,942 | 98.8 | 5 | 2 | 95.9 |
| Otago—Southland | 24,979 | 3,061 | 21,918 | 21,595 | 98.5 | 8 | 2 | 88.3 |
| | 370,402 | 22,952 | 347,453 | 339,382 | 97.7 | 97 | 26 | 96.4 |

Note: (1) **District Allocations**—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) The final instalment and report on Union Parishes from the Presbyterian Office is appended.

(3) Includes data re new Union Parishes from 1/2/73 (sending to Methodist Church Office until June 1973)

(4) At this time last year the Budget for Methodist Circuits was paid 96.4%—Now it is 97.7%.
 There has been a commendable response in the last few weeks of the year. (The Budget was paid 92.1% at 6 June).

(5) Guaranteed Funds have been paid 100% and Non Guaranteed Funds 97%— This compares with a 95% payout to non guaranteed Funds for 1971/72.

7 August 1973

C. R. HASSELDINE, General Treasurer.

THE METHODIST DEACONESS, BOARD, AUCKLAND

WARDEN'S AND TRAINEES' ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1973

| | | | |
|------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------|
| Warden's Honorarium | 100.00 | Credit Balance B/f 1/7/72 | 1,093.93 |
| Warden's Expenses | 101.38 | Bal. Conn. Budget 1971/72 | 52.00 |
| Trainee's Allowance | 300.00 | Connexional Budget 1972/73 | |
| Trainee's Board | 300.00 | (allocation \$1,138.00) | 900.00 |
| Trainee's Books | 74.10 | Morley House Committee | 500.00 |
| Stationery and Postage | 20.54 | Interest National Bank | 27.27 |
| | | Interest Prince Albert College | |
| | | Trust | 30.99 |
| | 896.02 | | |
| Credit Balance 30/6/73 | 1,708.17 | | |
| | <u>\$2,604.19</u> | | <u>\$2,604.19</u> |

Note: Since closing of Accounts an additional \$159.00 has been received on account of 1972/73 Connexional Budget making a total of \$1,059.00.

SPECIAL FUNDS

TRAINEES' EMERGENCY FUND

| | | | |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|
| Grant to Deaconess Assn. Special | | Balance 1/7/72 | 1,132.81 |
| Travel Fund (Pt. of | | Interest National Bank | 19.30 |
| \$200.00) | 35.00 | Interest Prince Albert College | |
| Balance 30/6/73 | 1,137.76 | Trust | 20.65 |
| | <u>\$1,172.76</u> | | <u>\$1,172.76</u> |

MAORI LIBRARY FUND

| | | | |
|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------------------|-----------------|
| Balance 30/6/73 | 110.80 | Balance 1/7/72 | 105.28 |
| | | Interest National Bank | 5.52 |
| | <u>\$110.80</u> | | <u>\$110.80</u> |

LENA BUTTON FUND

| | | | |
|-----------------------|----------------|----------------------------|----------------|
| Balance 30/6/73 | 73.19 | Balance 1/7/72 | 62.58 |
| | | Interest National Bank and | |
| | | General Purposes Trust | |
| | | Board | 10.61 |
| | <u>\$73.19</u> | | <u>\$73.19</u> |

ESTATE LILY WHITE

| | | | |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|------------------------------|-----------------|
| Grant to Deaconess Assn. Special | | Balance 1/7/72 | 240.71 |
| Travel Fund (Part of | | Interest National Bank | 6.24 |
| \$200.00) | 165.00 | | |
| Balance 30/6/73 | 81.95 | | |
| | <u>\$246.95</u> | | <u>\$246.95</u> |

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1973

| LIABILITIES | | ASSETS | |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|
| Warden's and Trainees' A/c | 1,708.17 | National Bank of N.Z. Ltd. | 611.87 |
| Trainees' Emergency Fund | 1,137.76 | Deposit at 3 Months Call | |
| Maori Library Fund | 110.80 | with Prince Albert Col- | |
| Lena Button Fund | 73.19 | lege Trust | 2,500.00 |
| Estate of Lily White | 81.95 | | |
| | <u>\$3,111.87</u> | | <u>\$3,111.87</u> |

C. J. KEIGHTLEY, Chairman.

Audited and found correct.

J. L. CRAWFORD, A.C.A., Treasurer.

A. TURNER, A.C.A., A.C.I.S. 4/8/73

TRINITY METHODIST THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

GENERAL ACCOUNT

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1973

| EXPENDITURE | | | | | | INCOME | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|-------------|----------------------------------|---|---|---|-------------|
| | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Stipends and Allowances | — | — | — | — | — | 12,615.54 | Connexional Budget | — | — | — | 8,256.00 |
| Student Fees | — | — | — | — | — | 9,130.48 | Probert Trust | — | — | — | 13,000.00 |
| Printing and Stationery | — | — | — | — | — | 16.44 | Emsley Trust | — | — | — | 209.00 |
| Interest | — | — | — | — | — | 36.08 | Prince Albert College Trust | — | — | — | 400.00 |
| Building Loan Repayments | — | — | — | — | — | 397.50 | Sundry Receipts — Interest | — | — | — | 18.20 |
| Transfer to B.N.Z. Savings Account | — | — | — | — | — | 500.00 | Deaconess Board | — | — | — | 600.00 |
| Staff House | — | — | — | — | — | 609.49 | Transfer from No. 2 Fund Account | — | — | — | 4,714.00 |
| Repairs and Maintenance | — | — | — | — | — | 1,182.97 | | | | | |
| Insurance | — | — | — | — | — | 500.00 | | | | | |
| Travel Expenses | — | — | — | — | — | 12.00 | | | | | |
| General Expenses | — | — | — | — | — | 400.00 | | | | | |
| Library Fund | — | — | — | — | — | 847.00 | | | | | |
| Furnishings | — | — | — | — | — | 949.70 | | | | | |
| Excess Income over Expenditure | — | — | — | — | — | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | \$27,197.20 | | | | | \$27,197.20 |

GENERAL ACCOUNT — CASH POSITION

| | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|------------|
| Opening Balance in Funds | — | — | — | — | — | 338.17 |
| Plus Excess Income over Expenditure | — | — | — | — | — | 949.70 |
| Balance as per Cash Book in Funds 30/6/73 | — | — | — | — | — | \$1,287.87 |

TRINITY METHODIST THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE
HOUSE ACCOUNT
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1973

| EXPENDITURE | | | | | | INCOME | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---|---|---|---|--------------------|-----------------------------|---|---|---|---|--------------------|
| | | | | | \$ | | | | | | \$ |
| House and Services | — | — | — | — | 8,309.10 | Hostel Fees | — | — | — | — | 9,599.50 |
| Repairs and Maintenance | — | — | — | — | 482.01 | Rent | — | — | — | — | 1,643.32 |
| Stationery | — | — | — | — | 110.77 | Sales | — | — | — | — | 742.77 |
| Rates | — | — | — | — | 293.72 | Trinity Theological College | — | — | — | — | 3,040.00 |
| Telephones | — | — | — | — | 300.58 | Sundry Receipts | — | — | — | — | 95.77 |
| Travelling Expenses | — | — | — | — | 144.39 | | | | | | |
| Divinity Students Fees | — | — | — | — | 3,083.00 | | | | | | |
| General Expenses | — | — | — | — | 139.91 | | | | | | |
| Excess Income over Expenditure | — | — | — | — | 2,257.88 | | | | | | |
| | | | | | <u>\$15,121.36</u> | | | | | | <u>\$15,121.36</u> |

HOUSE AND SERVICE FUND ACCOUNT

| | | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|-------------------|
| Opening Balance 1st July, 1972 | — | — | — | — | 3,961.47 |
| Plus Cash on Hand 30th June, 1973 | — | — | — | — | 40.15 |
| Plus Excess Income over Expenditure | — | — | — | — | 2,257.88 |
| Balance in Funds | — | — | — | — | <u>\$6,259.50</u> |

TRINITY METHODIST THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

| ORGAN FUND | | | | No. 2 FUND ACCOUNT | | | |
|---|---|---|-------------------|---|---|-----------|--------------------|
| | | | \$ | | | \$ | \$ |
| Balance 1st July, 1972 | — | — | — | Balance 1st July, 1972 | — | — | 327.43 |
| Plus Dividends Received | — | — | 311.40 | Rent from Trinity Theological College Buildings | — | — | 21,214.16 |
| Interest Received | — | — | 21.30 | Sale Trinity Theological College Chattels | — | — | 5,500.00 |
| | | | <u>332.70</u> | Interest B.N.Z. Account | — | — | 9.85 |
| | | | 6,425.00 | | | | <u>\$27,051.44</u> |
| Less Organ Repairs | — | — | 28.80 | Less: Valuation Fees | — | 1,027.50 | |
| Balance of Organ Fund 30th June, 1973 | — | | <u>\$6,396.20</u> | Transfer to General Account | — | 4,714.00 | |
| | | | | Prince Albert College Investment | — | 15,000.00 | |
| South British Insurance Co. Ltd. *1,440 Shares | — | — | 5,400.00 | Repayment Loan Church Building and | — | | |
| Auckland Savings Bank Account 30th June, 1973 | — | — | 996.20 | Loan Fund | — | 3,104.15 | |
| | | | <u>\$6,396.20</u> | | | | 23,845.65 |
| | | | | Balance 30th June, 1973 | — | — | <u>\$3,205.79</u> |
| * NOTE: Bonus Issue Shares received during the year | — | — | 360 | | | | |
| Plus existing holding | — | — | 1,080 | | | | |
| Holding of South British Insurance Co. Ltd. | — | — | | | | | |
| Shares 30th June, 1973 | — | — | 1,440 | B.N.Z. No. 2 Current Account | — | — | <u>\$3,205.79</u> |

TRINITY METHODIST THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

B.N.Z. SAVINGS FUND ACCOUNT STAFF HOUSES

| | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|------------|--|
| | | | | | | \$ | |
| Balance 1st July, 1972 | — | — | — | — | — | 2,078.20 | |
| Interest | — | — | — | — | — | 57.34 | |
| Cash Receipt No. 1 Account | — | — | — | — | — | 500.00 | |
| Balance 30th June, 1973 | — | — | — | — | — | \$2,635.54 | |
| | | | | | | | B.N.Z. Savings Account Staff Houses — — — \$2,635.54 |

CAPITAL ACCOUNT AS AT 30th JUNE, 1973

| | | | | | | | | | | |
|------------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|--------------|--|--|--|--|
| | | | | | | \$ | | | | \$ |
| Transfer of Loans Repayment: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Balance | — | — | — | — | — | 9.40 | | | | 370,610.25 |
| Sale of Chattels | — | — | — | — | — | 5,500.00 | | | | 949.70 |
| Balance | — | — | — | — | — | 384,552.20 | | | | 397.50 |
| | | | | | | | | | | 15,000.00 |
| | | | | | | | | | | 3,104.15 |
| | | | | | | | | | | \$390,061.60 |
| | | | | | | \$390,061.60 | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | Balance 30th June, 1973 — — — — — \$384,552.20 |

TRINITY METHODIST THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1973

| LIABILITIES | | | | | ASSETS | | | | |
|----------------------------------|---|---|---|----|--------------|--|---|---|--------------|
| | | | | \$ | | | | | |
| Capital Account | — | — | — | — | 384,552.20 | Freehold Land | — | — | 80,500.00 |
| Organ Fund | — | — | — | — | 6,396.20 | College Buildings | — | — | 195,190.00 |
| B.N.Z. Fund Account Staff Houses | — | — | — | — | 2,635.54 | Chapel | — | — | 24,454.24 |
| No. 2 Fund Account | — | — | — | — | 3,205.79 | Organ | — | — | 5,669.68 |
| House and Service Fund Account | — | — | — | — | 6,259.50 | Furniture and Fittings | — | — | 8,832.52 |
| | | | | | | Contents Library | — | — | 8,000.00 |
| | | | | | | Prince Albert College | — | — | 15,000.00 |
| | | | | | | Houses: | | | |
| | | | | | | 134 Grafton Road | — | — | 5,668.95 |
| | | | | | | Ranston House | — | — | 19,948.94 |
| | | | | | | Buttle House | — | — | 20,000.00 |
| | | | | | | 1440 Shares — South British Insurance Co. Ltd. | — | — | 5,400.00 |
| | | | | | | Auckland Savings Bank | — | — | 996.20 |
| | | | | | | Bank of New Zealand Savings Bank | — | — | 2,635.54 |
| | | | | | | Bank of New Zealand No. 1 Account | — | — | 1,287.87 |
| | | | | | | Bank of New Zealand No. 2 Account | — | — | 3,205.79 |
| | | | | | | House Account Bank Balance | — | — | 6,259.50 |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | \$403,049.23 | | | | \$403,049.23 |

This is to certify that I have examined the books and vouchers of the Trinity Methodist Theological College Council for the year ended 30th June, 1973, and have compared them with the above Balance Sheet, and in my opinion they correctly set out the position of the Council as at that date. The House Account and Service Fund Account have been compiled from accounts not audited by me.

J. L. CRAWFORD, A.C.A., Hon. Auditor.

THE BOARD OF THE WESLEY TRAINING COLLEGE
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st JANUARY, 1973

| INCOME | | | | EXPENDITURE | | | |
|--------|------------------------------|--------|-------------|-------------|--|-------------|-----------|
| | | | | 1972 | | 1973 | |
| | | | | \$ | | \$ | \$ |
| 440 | Farm Working Account: | | | | College Working Account: | | |
| | Dairy Receipts | 32,452 | 37,610.68 | 173,392 | Salaries and Wages | 162,235.18 | |
| | Profit on Cattle | 6,240 | 5,624.43 | 35,903 | Provisions | 36,861.36 | |
| | Produce—Hay | 2,151 | — | 9,055 | Repairs and Maintenance | 10,637.13 | |
| | Sale of Timber | — | 2,623.44 | 5,712 | Fuel and Light | 5,805.13 | |
| | | 40,843 | 45,858.55 | 3,667 | Depreciation | 3,505.07 | |
| | | | | 8,218 | Other Expenses | 9,535.38 | |
| | Less Wages | 12,483 | \$11,707.90 | 235,947 | | 228,579.25 | |
| | Manure | 4,136 | 3,548.71 | 194,175 | Less Fees Charged | 192,710.00 | |
| | Repairs and Development | 6,339 | 5,483.61 | | | 35,869.25 | |
| | Depreciation | 981 | 810.07 | 41,772 | Plus Fees Concessions to Staff | 2,850.00 | |
| | Mortgage Interest | 915 | 558.00 | 2,550 | | 38,719.25 | |
| | Other Expenses | 5,030 | 9,756.99 | | Less Rent from Outside Organisations | 6,991.50 | |
| | | 29,884 | 31,865.28 | | | | 31,727.75 |
| | | 10,959 | 13,993.27 | | | | 11,748.00 |
| | Maurice Harding Park: | | | | College Beneficiary Work | | |
| | Scoria and Metal Royalties | 3,531 | 1,616.54 | 44,322 | Depreciation Buildings and Improvements | 11,662.26 | |
| | Rents | 25,236 | 21,747.14 | 16,761 | Administration & General Expenses | 9,517.61 | |
| | | | 23,363.68 | 12,197 | Investment Expenses | 407.40 | |
| | Less Rates | 99 | \$132.23 | 9,897 | Interest | — | |
| | Repairs and Maintenance | 230 | 1,409.74 | 2,416 | Excess Income over Expenditure | 4,444.23 | |
| | Other Expenses | — | 265.00 | | Government Grants received and applied during the year against College payments as follows: | | |
| | | 28,438 | 1,806.97 | | Capital items of equipment | | |
| | | | 21,556.71 | | and library books | 1,358.34 | |
| | Waikowhai Park: | | | | Revenue Items | 21,034.57 | |
| | Rents | 28,717 | 16,179.41 | 2,396 | | \$22,392.91 | |
| | Less Rates | 1,781 | \$1,725.16 | 12,983 | | | |
| | Other Expenses | 203 | 253.50 | 15,379 | | | |
| | | | 1,978.66 | | | | |
| | | 26,733 | 14,200.75 | | | | |

| | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------------------|------|------|-------------|-------------|
| City Property Rents: | | | | | |
| 1,895 | Grafton | ---- | ---- | 1,544.36 | |
| 1,141 | Carlton Gore | ---- | ---- | 1,274.43 | |
| | | | | | 2,818.79 |
| Interest: | | | | | |
| | Received | ---- | ---- | 11,307.64 | |
| | Less Paid | ---- | ---- | 1,551.50 | |
| | | | | | 9,756.14 |
| | Investment Rents | ---- | ---- | 7,181.59 | |
| 16,427 | Excess Expenditure over Income | ---- | ---- | — | |
| 85,593 | | | | \$69,507.25 | 85,593 |
| | | | | | \$69,507.25 |

AUDITORS' REPORT

We have obtained all the information and explanations that we have required. In our opinion, proper books of account have been kept by the Board, so far as appears from our examination of those books. In our opinion, according to the best of our information and the explanations given to us and as shown by the said Books, the Balance Sheet and the Income and Expenditure Account are properly drawn up so as to give respectively a true and fair view of the state of the Board's affairs as at 31st January, 1973 and of its income and expenditure for the year ended on that date.

Auckland,
3rd May, 1973

HUTCHISON, HULL & CO.,
Chartered Accountants.

THE BOARD OF THE WESLEY TRAINING COLLEGE
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31st JANUARY, 1973

| | 1972 | | 1973 | | 1972 | | 1973 | |
|-----|---------|--|------------|----|---------|--|--------------|-----------|
| | \$ | | \$ | \$ | \$ | | \$ | \$ |
| 442 | 524,050 | Land, Buildings and Improvements: | | | | Capital Account: | | |
| | 7,400 | Paerata | 533,300.00 | | 641,263 | Balance at 1/2/72 | 625,972.99 | |
| | 35,810 | Maurice Harding Park | 17,220.00 | | 923 | Grafton Lease Conversions | 1,093.00 | |
| | 10,490 | Grafton | 35,810.00 | | 214 | Bad Debts Recovered | — | |
| | 42,174 | Carlton Gore | 10,200.00 | | — | Sales of Property | 508,158.50 | |
| | 19,657 | Waikowhai | 37,460.00 | | — | Excess Income over Expenditure | 4,444.23 | |
| | 20 | Work in Progress | 400.00 | | 642,400 | | 1,139,668.72 | |
| | — | Hobson County | 20.00 | | | Less Increase Reserve for Bad | | |
| | — | Onehunga | 149,000.00 | | | Debts | 3,500.00 | |
| | — | Otago | 185,000.00 | | 16,427 | Excess Expenditure over Income | — | |
| | 649,601 | | 968,410.00 | | 625,973 | | 1,136,168.72 | |
| | 950 | Plant and Equipment: | | | | Scholarship Funds: | | |
| | 5,350 | Farm Machinery | 1,030.00 | | 4,000 | Marianne Caughey Smith-Preston | 4,000.00 | |
| | 30,450 | Motor Vehicles | 7,960.00 | | 3,000 | J. Stuart Caughey | 3,000.00 | |
| | — | Furniture and Equipment | 30,130.00 | | 2,000 | George Winstone | 2,000.00 | |
| | 36,750 | | 39,120.00 | | 2,000 | Stephen James Ambury | 2,000.00 | |
| | 14,584 | Stocks on Hand: | | | 1,280 | Kingswood | 1,279.51 | |
| | 6,429 | Livestock | 14,912.00 | | 769 | War Memorial (Maori) | 1,000.00 | |
| | — | Produce and Sundries | 7,568.90 | | 500 | Henry Wills Memorial | 500.00 | |
| | 21,013 | | 22,480.90 | | | | 13,779.51 | |
| | 672 | General Investments: | | | 206 | Special Funds: | | |
| | — | Shares—Auckland Co-op. Milk | | | 300 | Chapel Extension | 7,806.00 | |
| | — | Producers Ltd | 824.00 | | | Blacklock Library Bequest | 300.00 | |
| | — | Bank of New Zealand | 24,363.48 | | | | 8,106.00 | |
| | — | Southern Cross Building and | | | | | | |
| | 2,532 | Banking Society | 92,000.00 | | 14,055 | | | 21,885.51 |
| | 700 | Savings Bank Accounts | 802.11 | | | Sundry Creditors: | | |
| | — | Debentures—Auckland Electric | | | — | Loans on Mortgage: | | |
| | — | Power Board | — | | 47,000 | Guardian Trust | 80,000.00 | |
| | — | Loan on Mortgage | 82,453.02 | | | Marianne Caughey Smith Pres- | | |
| | 3,904 | | 200,442.61 | | | ton Memorial Rest Homes | | |
| | — | Scholarship and Special Funds | | | | Trust Board | — | |
| | 4,769 | Investments: | | | 9,000 | Howard J. Newcomb Trust | 9,000.00 | |
| | — | N.Z. Government Stock | 4,000.00 | | 28,398 | Trade and other Creditors | 50,451.02 | |
| | — | Tasman Pulp and Paper Co. Ltd | | | 942 | Undistributed Scholarship Income | 562.80 | |
| | 2,000 | Debentures | 1,000.00 | | 20,807 | Bank of New Zealand | — | |
| | — | Loan on Mortgage | — | | 106,147 | | 140,013.82 | |

| | | | | |
|---------|--|----------------|-----------|----------------|
| 1,000 | Auckland Methodist Central Mission Debentures | 750.00 | | |
| 2,250 | Frank M. Winstone Ltd (3,750 Ordinary Shares of \$1 each fully paid) | 2,250.00 | | |
| 3,000 | Astley Holdings Ltd (3,000 Ordinary Shares of \$1 each fully paid) | 3,000.00 | | |
| 1,036 | Savings Bank Accounts | 3,079.51 | | |
| — | Southern Cross Building and Banking Society | 7,806.00 | | |
| 14,055 | | | 21,885.51 | |
| | Sundry Debtors and Prepayments | 53,729.03 | | |
| | Less Reserve for Bad Debts | 8,000.00 | | |
| 20,852 | | | 45,729.03 | |
| 746,175 | | \$1,298,068.05 | 746,175 | \$1,298,068.05 |

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G. C. B. MINOGUE, Secretary.

W. E. DONNELLY, Chairman.

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, 1973 and of its income and expenditure for the year ended on that date.

HUTCHINSON, HULL & CO., Chartered Accountants.

3rd May, 1973.

RANGIATEA MAORI COLLEGE TRUST BOARD
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MAY, 1973

| | 1973 | 1972 | 1971 | | 1973 | 1972 | 1971 |
|------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|--|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | | | 11 Mths. | | | | 11 mths. |
| Income: | | | | LESS EXPENSES | | | |
| From Fees | 18,526 | 18,082 | 14,164 | Administration | 1,579 | 1,317 | 1,285 |
| Staff Board | 144 | 156 | 132 | Grounds Maintenance | 175 | 391 | 303 |
| Lease of Land | 1,000 | 1,000 | 1,000 | Grounds Wages | 2,272 | 2,035 | 1,933 |
| Grants—Grey Trust | 4,500 | 4,500 | 6,500 | Hostel Working Expenses | 5,187 | 6,208 | 3,914 |
| —Kai Iwi | 600 | 600 | 600 | Hostel Wages | 11,092 | 9,758 | 8,148 |
| —Wgtn Meth. C.E. & E. | 2,750 | 2,750 | 2,400 | Provisions | 8,058 | 8,819 | 7,917 |
| Interest | 1 | — | — | Finance Charges | 189 | 573 | 775 |
| Rent | 598 | 511 | 199 | Depreciation | 1,679 | 1,729 | 1,784 |
| Profit on Livestock | 146 | 336 | 39 | TOTAL EXPENDITURE | \$30,231 | \$30,830 | \$26,059 |
| Miscellaneous Receipts | 76 | 21 | 3 | | | | |
| TOTAL INCOME | \$28,341 | \$27,956 | \$25,037 | EXCESS EXPENDITURE transferred to | \$1,890 | \$2,874 | \$1,022 |
| | | | | Accumulated Funds A/c | | | |

RANGIATEA MAORI COLLEGE TRUST BOARD

Canteen Trading Account for the Year Ending 31st May, 1973

| | 1973 | 1972 | 1971 11 months |
|--|-------|-------|-------------------|
| SALES | 1,949 | 2,094 | 1,589 |
| Less Purchases—Adjusted for Unsold Stocks on Hand | 1,714 | 1,962 | 1,640 |
| PROFIT Transferred to Recreation Fund | \$235 | \$132 | \$57 |

LIVESTOCK TRADING ACCOUNT

| | | | |
|---|-------|-------|------|
| SALES of Livestock and Hay | 885 | 618 | 198 |
| Less Purchases of Animals—Adjusted for Stock on Hand | 699 | 226 | 148 |
| | 186 | 392 | 50 |
| Less Animal Husbandry | 40 | 56 | 11 |
| PROFIT Transferred to Income and Expenditure Account | \$146 | \$336 | \$39 |

RANGIATEA MAORI COLLEGE TRUST BOARD BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st MAY, 1973

| Current Liabilities: | | | | Current Assets: | | | |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| | 1973 | 1972 | 1971 | | 1973 | 1972 | 1971 |
| Bank of New South Wales (Secured) | \$ 1,514 | \$ 3,681 | \$ 14,240 | Canteen Stocks | 509 | 580 | 348 |
| Matron's Imprest | — | 97 | — | Matron's Imprest A/c | 65 | — | 70 |
| Sundry Creditors | 1,365 | 1,702 | 1,156 | Cash on Hand | 22 | 29 | 24 |
| Students Funds held | 554 | 341 | 348 | Fees Due | 4,112 | 5,392 | 3,286 |
| Fees Paid in Advance | 1,609 | 294 | 888 | Students Account due to Board | 1,683 | 1,755 | 610 |
| Grant Paid in Advance | — | 300 | 300 | Livestock on Hand | 240 | 230 | 210 |
| | 5,042 | 6,415 | 16,932 | Grey Trust Grant due | 1,111 | 1,500 | 1,500 |
| | | | | | 7,742 | 9,486 | 6,048 |
| Accumulated Funds: | | | | Fixed Assets: | | | |
| Balance 1/7/72 | 121,925 | 109,799 | 110,821 | Land | 8,592 | 8,592 | 8,592 |
| Special Grant—Grey Trust | — | 15,000 | — | Furniture and Equipment | 17,194 | 17,194 | 17,194 |
| | 121,925 | 124,799 | 110,821 | Less Depreciation | 13,176 | 12,730 | 12,234 |
| Losses Transferred | 1,890 | 2,874 | 1,022 | | 4,018 | 4,464 | 4,960 |
| | 120,035 | 121,925 | 109,799 | | | | |
| Funds For Special Purposes: | | | | Hostel Buildings | 123,364 | 123,364 | 123,364 |
| Balance 1/7/72 | 1,027 | 927 | 1,148 | Additions | 483 | — | — |
| Profit from Canteen | 253 | 132 | (57) | | 123,847 | 123,364 | 123,364 |
| | 1,262 | 1,059 | 1,091 | Less Depreciation | 17,772 | 16,539 | 15,306 |
| Expended during the year | — | 32 | 164 | | 106,075 | 106,825 | 108,058 |
| Received during the year | 88 | — | — | | | | |
| | 1,350 | 1,027 | 927 | | 118,685 | 119,881 | 121,610 |
| | \$126,427 | \$129,367 | \$127,658 | | \$126,427 | \$129,367 | \$127,658 |

REV. W. R. FRANCIS, Chairman.
Current Assets:

M. H. BURN A.C.A., Secretary.

We have examined the books, Accounts and Vouchers of the RANGIATEA MAORI COLLEGE TRUST BOARD for the year ended 31st MAY, 1973 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.

AUGUST, 1973

MORINE & JAMES
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS — AUDITORS

MORLEY HOUSE COMMITTEE
REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1973

| 1972 \$ | | 1973 \$ | | 1972 \$ | INCOME | 1973 \$ |
|-----------------|--|----------------|--|-----------------|--------------------------------|----------------|
| | EXPENDITURE | | | | | |
| 3,459 | House Supplies | 2,166 | | 11,886 | Hostel Receipts | 5,780 |
| 898 | Heat and Light | 811 | | 117 | Interest | 117 |
| 5,374 | Salaries and Wages | 2,908 | | | Advertising (Refund) | 1 |
| 159 | Telephone | 57 | | 134 | Rent | |
| 1,099 | Repairs | 101 | | 273 | Excess Expenditure over Income | 1,988 |
| 955 | Rates | 1,066 | | | | |
| 127 | Insurance | 56 | | | | |
| 118 | Sundry Expenses (including Payment to Deaconess Board) | 514 | | | | |
| 21 | Printing and Stationery | 7 | | | | |
| 200 | Depreciation | 200 | | | | |
| <u>\$12,410</u> | | <u>\$7,886</u> | | <u>\$12,410</u> | | <u>\$7,886</u> |

FURNITURE RENEWALS ACCOUNT

| | | | | | |
|--------------|-----------------------|--------------|--------------|-------------------|--------------|
| 21 | Cash Payments | | 706 | Balance at 1/7/72 | 711 |
| 711 | Balance as at 30/6/73 | 728 | 10 | Interest | 10 |
| | | | 16 | Donations | 7 |
| <u>\$732</u> | | <u>\$728</u> | <u>\$732</u> | | <u>\$728</u> |

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1973

| LIABILITIES | | | | ASSETS | | | |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------|-------|-----------------|---------------------------------|--------|-----------------|
| 105 | Bank of New Zealand | | | 46,000 | Freehold Property | 46,000 | |
| 711 | Furniture Renewals Account | | | 3,396 | Furniture and Plant | | |
| 3,607 | Property Reconstruction Account | | 3,606 | 49,396 | | | |
| | Accumulated Funds: | | | 8,366 | Less Depreciation | 8,566 | |
| 40,466 | Balance as at 1/7/72 | 40,193 | | 41,030 | | | 37,434 |
| (273) | Less Excess Expenditure over Income | 1,988 | | | Bank of New Zealand | | 584 |
| | Loss on Sale of Contents | 899 | | 2,400 | Bank of N.Z. Investment Account | | 2,400 |
| | | 2,887 | | 1,186 | Canterbury Savings Bank | | 1,222 |
| 40,193 | | 37,306 | | | | | |
| <u>\$44,616</u> | | <u>\$41,640</u> | | <u>\$44,616</u> | | | <u>\$41,640</u> |

R. DE R. FLESHER, Treasurer.

W. A. CHAMBERS, Chairman.

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| 1972 | | 1973 | 1972 | | 1973 |
|-------|---|----------|-------|------------------------------------|----------|
| \$ | | \$ | \$ | | \$ |
| 926 | Stock of Booklets—1st July, 1972 | 863.15 | 304 | Sale of Booklets — — — | 374.78 |
| 438 | Printing Booklets Prayer Manuals | 498.26 | 13 | Interest—Nat. Bank of N.Z. Ltd. | 7.32 |
| | | 498.26 | 111 | Investment Funds Board | 107.60 |
| 1,364 | | 1,361.41 | 442 | Excess Expenditure over Income for | 114.92 |
| 863 | Less Stock of Booklets, 30/6/73 — | 890.65 | | Year — — — — | 98.36 |
| 501 | Cost of Sales — — — | 470.76 | | | |
| 19 | Advertising — — — | 16.80 | | | |
| 30 | Petty Cash, Postages and Stationery | 30.00 | | | |
| 50 | Travelling Expenses and Allowances | 50.00 | | | |
| 10 | Board Room Rent — — — | 10.00 | | | |
| 11 | Insurance — — — | 10.50 | | | |
| 250 | Donation (to Wesley Historical Soc. (N.Z.)) — — — | — | | | |
| \$870 | | \$588.06 | \$870 | | \$588.00 |

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| 1972 \$ | | | 1973 \$ | 1972 \$ | | | | 1973 \$ |
|----------------|----------------------------|---|-------------------|----------------|------------------------------------|---|----------|-------------------|
| | Accumulated Funds: | | | | | | | |
| 4,997 | Balance at 30th June, 1972 | — | 4,555.22 | 304 | Cash at National Bank of N.Z. Ltd. | | | 197.48 |
| 442 | Less Loss for Year | — | 98.36 | | Loans at 3 Months' Call— | | | |
| | | | | | Investment Funds Board | — | 3,034.85 | |
| | | | | | Interest Added | — | 107.60 | |
| 4,555 | Balance at 30th June, 1973 | — | 4,456.86 | 3,035 | | | | 3,142.45 |
| | | | | 234 | Sundry Debtors | — | | 107.29 |
| | | | | 863 | Stock of Booklets, as per list | — | | 890.65 |
| | | | | 65 | Typewriter at Cost | — | | 65.00 |
| | | | | 54 | Filing Cabinet | — | | 53.99 |
| <u>\$4,555</u> | | | <u>\$4,456.86</u> | <u>\$4,555</u> | | | | <u>\$4,456.86</u> |

Audited and found correct.
R. H. HAMES, B.Com., A.C.A., Hon. Auditor.

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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, 1973, and I am of the opinion that the statement correctly shows the movement in that Fund for the year ended 30th June, 1973.

E. C. D. WATSON,
J. B. McKINNEY,
Honorary Treasurers.

WESLEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY (NEW ZEALAND)
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1973

| RECEIPTS | | | | PAYMENTS | | | |
|----------|--|----------|------------|----------|--|----------|------------|
| 1972 | | | | 1972 | | | |
| 1,368 | General Funds (Auckland Savings Bank 1/7/72) | 3,768.59 | | 942 | Sundry Purchases | | |
| 27 | Arrears Subscriptions | 28.25 | | | 4 Histories (First two books) | 5,809.08 | |
| 191 | Current | 224.95 | | | Samuel Leigh Water Colours | 43.00 | |
| 256 | In advance | 22.44 | | | Sundry | 180.78 | |
| | Sales: | | 275.64 | | | | 6,032.86 |
| 235 | General Literature | 155.75 | | 19 | Subscriptions to Societies | | 2.50 |
| 815 | Envelopes, Stamps etc. | 142.58 | | | Donations | | |
| — | Samuel Leigh Water Colours | 34.00 | | 15 | 150th Anniversary Scholarship Fund | | |
| | | | 332.33 | — | Inez Hames—"I Remember" | | 60.00 |
| 1,280 | Sales & Repayments—4 Histories | 2,053.61 | | — | Presentation A. H. Voyce | | 25.00 |
| 17 | Donations | 13.73 | | 142 | Postages, Stationery & General Expenses | | 139.23 |
| 641 | Subsidies to 4 Histories | 1,550.00 | | 3,769 | General Funds—Auckland Savings Bank A/c. | | 1,820.20 |
| 42 | Bank Interest | 76.89 | | | | | |
| | Sundry Receipts | | 9.00 | | | | |
| | Commission on sales | | | | | | |
| 15 | Donation to 150th Anniversary Scholarship Fund | | — | | | | |
| 4,887 | | | \$8,079.79 | 4,887 | | | \$8,079.79 |

NOTE: The Society has stocks of Books on hand to the value of \$1,860.00 and Sundry Debtors at 30th June, 1973 amounted to \$102.94.

K. H. LAWRY, Hon. Treasurer.
3rd August, 1973.

AUDITOR'S REPORT:

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, 1973.

AUCKLAND: 10th AUGUST, 1973.

J. C. WIGGLESWORTH, B.Com., A.C.A., A.C.I.S. Hon Auditor

METHODIST MAORI DIVISION
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 31st JULY, 1973

| RECEIPTS | | | | | PAYMENTS | | | | |
|---|---|---|----|----------|---|---|---|-------|----------|
| | | | \$ | \$ | | | | \$ | \$ |
| Balance, Commercial Bank of Australia 31/7/73 | — | — | — | 3,717 | Tumuaki: Stipend | — | — | 1,667 | — |
| Share of Home Mission Dept. Balance 31/1/73 | — | — | — | 2,994 | Travel | — | — | 250 | — |
| Connexional Budget | — | — | — | 24,738 | Rent | — | — | 300 | — |
| Circuit Contributions | — | — | — | 4,285 | | | | | 2,217 |
| Grey Institute Grants for 1971-72 | — | — | — | 7,000 | Stipends | — | — | — | 22,870 |
| Investment Funds Board Net Interest and Rents | — | — | — | 2,178 | Travel | — | — | — | 4,588 |
| Methodist Women's Fellowship: | | | | | Parsonage Rents I.F.B. | — | — | — | 2,928 |
| Grant for Salaries | — | — | — | 3,700 | Deaconess Cottage Rents I.F.B. | — | — | — | 450 |
| Special Grant | — | — | — | 800 | Furniture Grants | — | — | — | 3,276 |
| Grant to mark establishment of Division | — | — | — | 200 | Deaconess Rents | — | — | — | 624 |
| | | | | 4,700 | Deaconess Car Expenses | — | — | — | 556 |
| Legacy Estate O. E. Hooper | — | — | — | 2,575 | General Circuit Expenses | — | — | — | 595 |
| Hymn and Service Book Sales | — | — | — | 38 | Office Salaries | — | — | — | 720 |
| Refund Car Insurance 1972-73 | — | — | — | 780 | General Office Expenses | — | — | — | 89 |
| | | | | | Printing and Stationery | — | — | — | 154 |
| | | | | | Telephones | — | — | — | 107 |
| | | | | | Sundry Payments | — | — | — | 290 |
| | | | | | National Council of Churches Subscription | — | — | — | 80 |
| | | | | | Balance, Bank of New Zealand 31/7/73 | — | — | 8,170 | — |
| | | | | | Balance, Commercial Bank of Aust. 31/7/73 | — | — | 5,291 | — |
| | | | | | | | | | 13,461 |
| | | | | \$53,005 | | | | | \$53,005 |

We have examined the Books and Accounts of the Methodist Maori Division for the six months period ended 31st July, 1973. In our opinion the foregoing Receipts and Payments Account is correct.

RYDER, COPELAND, WATSON & CO., Auditor.

METHODIST HOME MISSION DEPARTMENT — GENERAL FUND
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE HALF YEAR ENDED 31st JANUARY, 1973

| RECEIPTS | | | | PAYMENTS | | | |
|---|---|-----------------|-----------|---|---|----------|-----------|
| | | \$ | \$ | | | \$ | \$ |
| Balances at 31st July, 1972: | | | | Maori Mission | — | — | 34,041.55 |
| Picture Department | — | 584.42 | | Legacy Disbursement Grants | — | — | 1,062.00 |
| Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust | — | 817.82 | | Circuit Grants | — | — | 9,191.50 |
| Home Missionaries Training Conference | — | 216.26 | | Chaplaincy Grants: | | | |
| Legacy Disbursement Account (Cash) | — | 8,001.67 | | Auckland Hospital | — | 1,984.12 | |
| Legacy Disbursement Account (Savings) | — | 4,120.30 | | Psychiatric Hospitals | — | 1,197.50 | |
| Term Deposit with B.N.Z. | — | 10,000.00 | | Twizel Industrial | — | 155.00 | |
| Less General Account B.N.Z. Ovdn. | — | 249.91 | | | | | 3,336.62 |
| | | <u>9,750.09</u> | 23,490.56 | Sundry Grants: | | | |
| | | | | Seamer House | — | — | 400.00 |
| 452 Sundry Income: | | | | Supplies: | | | |
| Maori Circuits | — | 3,450.00 | | For President | — | 242.23 | |
| Walters Trust | — | 100.00 | | For Ministers | — | 156.68 | |
| General | — | 202.00 | | | | | 398.91 |
| | | <u>3,752.00</u> | | Office and General Expenses: | | | |
| Methodist Women's Fellowship: | | | | Office Salaries | — | 1,265.72 | |
| Annual Grant | — | 3,700.00 | | Staff Superannuation | — | 79.35 | |
| Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust | — | 350.00 | | Postage and Sundry | — | 132.32 | |
| Connexional Budget | — | 28,006.00 | | Printing and Stationery | — | 87.87 | |
| Investment Funds Board: | | | | Telephones | — | 278.03 | |
| Interest, etc. | — | 6,002.46 | | Light, Power and Cleaning | — | 47.50 | |
| Other Receipts: | | | | Rent and Rates | — | 898.87 | |
| Interest | — | 305.62 | | | | | 2,789.66 |
| Hospital Chaplaincy Grant | — | 850.00 | | Miscellaneous: | | | |
| Sundry | — | 140.23 | | Sundry Travel Expenses | — | 251.46 | |
| | | <u>1,295.85</u> | | Audit Fee | — | 180.00 | |
| Refund Temporary Advance, Investment Funds Board | — | 3,500.00 | | Maori Policy Committee Expenses | — | 185.62 | |
| Refunds on Account of Previous Year | — | 543.48 | | Sundry | — | 127.52 | |
| Sundries for Refund | — | 289.90 | | Grant, M. Te Whare, Overseas Travel | — | 100.00 | |
| | | | | | | | 844.60 |
| | | | | Transfers to Investment Funds Board: | | | |
| | | | | Picture Department Balance | — | 584.42 | |
| | | | | Home Missionaries Training Conference | — | 216.26 | |

METHODIST DEVELOPMENT DIVISION
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE HALF YEAR ENDED 31st JULY, 1973

| RECEIPTS | | | | PAYMENTS | | | |
|---|---|----|-----------|--|---|----------|-----------|
| | | \$ | \$ | | | \$ | \$ |
| Balances Transferred from Home Mission Department at 31st January, 1973: | | | | Legacy Disbursement Account Balance: | | | |
| Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust | — | — | 1,167.82 | Transferred to Investment Funds Board | — | — | 11,059.97 |
| Legacy Disbursement Account (Cash) | — | — | 7,059.97 | Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust Grants | — | — | 825.00 |
| Legacy Disbursement Account (Savings Bank) | — | — | 4,000.00 | Circuit Grants | — | — | 8,697.16 |
| General Account | — | — | 1,401.84 | Chaplaincy Grants: | — | — | — |
| | | | | Auckland Hospital | — | 1,801.00 | — |
| | | | | Psychiatric Hospitals | — | 1,225.00 | — |
| | | | | Twizel Industrial | — | 358.90 | — |
| Edith Winstone Blackwelil Trust | — | — | 13,629.63 | | | | 3,384.90 |
| Connexional Budget | — | — | 2,750.00 | | | | |
| Investment Funds Board: | — | — | 18,662.29 | Sundry Grants: | — | — | — |
| Interest, etc. | — | — | 1,114.24 | M.S.S. Association | — | 100.00 | — |
| Other Receipts: | — | — | — | Long Service Leave | — | 375.00 | — |
| Hospital Chaplaincy Grant | — | — | 925.00 | | | | 475.00 |
| Interest | — | — | 23.46 | Supplies: | — | — | — |
| Sundry Donations | — | — | 17.30 | For President | — | — | 150.00 |
| Sundries for Refund | — | — | 157.50 | Office and General Expenses: | — | — | — |
| | | | 1,123.26 | Office Salaries | — | 664.35 | — |
| | | | | Staff Superannuation | — | 157.74 | — |
| | | | | Postage and Sundry | — | 78.91 | — |
| | | | | Printing and Stationery | — | 239.70 | — |
| | | | | Telephones | — | 114.30 | — |
| | | | | Light, Power and Cleaning | — | 68.07 | — |
| | | | | Rent | — | 618.00 | — |
| | | | | | | | 1,941.07 |
| | | | | Miscellaneous: | — | — | — |
| | | | | Bulk Air and Rail Travel | — | 715.74 | — |
| | | | | Sundry Travel | — | 123.73 | — |
| | | | | Insurances | — | 43.25 | — |
| | | | | Office Equipment | — | 58.85 | — |
| | | | | Furniture Grant | — | 128.00 | — |
| | | | | Sundry Expenses | — | 30.98 | — |
| | | | | | | | 1,100.55 |
| | | | | Superintendent: | — | — | — |
| | | | | Stipend | — | 1,616.52 | — |
| | | | | General Allowance | — | 50.00 | — |
| | | | | Travelling | — | 250.00 | — |
| | | | | Investment Funds Board Parsonage Rent | — | 300.00 | — |
| | | | | | | | 2,216.52 |

| | | | | | | | | |
|--|--------------------|------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|-----------------|--------------------|
| | | Balance at 31st July, 1973: | | | | | | |
| | | Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust | — | — | | | 3,092.82 | |
| | | General Account | — | — | — | — | <u>4,336.43</u> | |
| | | | | | | | | 7,429.25 |
| | | | | | | | | <u>\$37,279.42</u> |
| | <u>\$37,279.42</u> | | | | | | | |

We have examined the Books and Accounts for the Methodist Development Division for the six month period ended 31st July, 1973 and in our opinion the foregoing Statement of Receipts and Payments is correct.

RYDER, COPELAND, WATSON & CO., Auditor.

THE METHODIST HOME MISSION AND CHURCH EXTENSION INVESTMENTS FUNDS BOARD
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st JULY, 1973

| LIABILITIES | | | | ASSETS | | | |
|--------------------------------------|-------|---------|---------|---|--|--------|---------|
| | | \$ | \$ | | | \$ | \$ |
| Creditors: | | | | Cash, Bank of New Zealand: | | | |
| Loans at Call | | 175,509 | | Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust | | 3,372 | |
| T. G. Brooke Memorial Fund 31/7/72 | 3,361 | | | T. G. Brooke Memorial Fund | | 3,479 | |
| Added During Year | 118 | | | M.W.F. Emergency Fund | | 2,126 | |
| | | 3,479 | | Gabriel Lyons Legacy | | 1,562 | |
| | | | 178,988 | Maintenance Accounts | | 4,382 | |
| Loan, Church Building and Loan Fund: | | | | General | | 15,269 | |
| Hamilton Maori Boys' Hostel | | | 2,050 | | | | 30,190 |
| Loan, Church Building and Loan Fund: | | | | Investments: | | | |
| Tokoroa Maori Parsonage | | | 1,350 | Memorial Gifts, Local Body Stock | | | |
| Sundry Funds: | | | | George Buttle Memorial Gift | | 1,000 | |
| Thomas Buddle Memorial Library Fund | | 211 | | Thomas Buddle Library Fund | | 200 | |
| George Buttle Centennial Gift Fund | | 1,054 | | | | | 1,200 |
| | | | 1,265 | General | | | |
| E. D. and M. E. Jones Trust | | | 200 | Mortgages | | 23,500 | |
| P. and E. Rushton Memorial Trust | | | 200 | Government Stock | | 9,400 | |
| M.W.F. Emergency Fund | | | 2,126 | Local Body Stock | | 12,600 | |
| A. J. Seamer Legacy | | | 600 | Sundry Shares | | 20,060 | |
| Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust | | | 3,372 | Post Office Savings Bank | | 100 | |
| Anonymous for Special Purposes | | | 150 | Space in Central Mission Building | | 24,726 | |
| M.W.F. for Maori Centre Renovations | | | 1,025 | Investment in Gabriel Lyons Trust | | 1,140 | |
| Gerard Grounds Legacy | | | 2,785 | | | | 91,526 |
| Reserves: | | | | Special Loans | | | 273,678 |
| Sinking Funds 31/7/72 | | 48,856 | | Properties: | | | |
| Added During Year | | 4,493 | | Parsonages, etc. | | | 122,004 |
| | | | 53,349 | | | | |
| Investment Reserve | | | 800 | | | | |
| Hostel Painting Reserve | | | 350 | | | | |
| | | | 54,499 | | | | |
| Maori Centres and Hostels: | | | | | | | |
| Mortgages | | | | | | | |
| Auckland Maori Girls' Hostel | | 1,150 | | | | | |
| Less Paid During the Year | | 510 | | | | | |
| | | | 640 | | | | |
| Hamilton Maori Boys' Hostel | | 12,477 | | | | | |
| Less Paid During the Year | | 2,650 | | | | | |
| | | | 9,827 | | | | |
| | | | 10,467 | | | | |
| Capital Receipts | | | | | | | |
| Auckland Maori Girls' Hostel | | 45,253 | | | | | |
| Hamilton Maori Girls' Hostel | | 25,301 | | | | | |
| Hamilton Maori Boys' Hostel | | 124,655 | | | | | |
| | | | 195,209 | | | | |

| | | | | | |
|--|---|---|---|------------------|--|
| Dargaville Maori Centre | — | — | — | 4,196 | |
| Hawera Maori Centre | — | — | — | 4,744 | |
| Kawakawa Maori Centre | — | — | — | 8,058 | |
| Otorohanga Maori Centre | — | — | — | 850 | |
| Te Kuiti Maori Centre | — | — | — | 1,700 | |
| Opunake Deaconess Centre | — | — | — | 141 | |
| | | | | <u>214,898</u> | |
| Capital Receipts Sundry: | | | | | |
| Dargaville Deaconess Cottage | — | — | — | 4,220 | |
| Hawera Deaconess Cottage | — | — | — | 767 | |
| Hokianga Deaconess Cottage | — | — | — | 50 | |
| Opunake Deaconess Cottage | — | — | — | 200 | |
| Taheke Deaconess Cottage | — | — | — | 1,350 | |
| Hamilton Maori Parsonage | — | — | — | 8,000 | |
| Hawera Maori Parsonage | — | — | — | 2,500 | |
| Kamo Maori Parsonage | — | — | — | 270 | |
| Mangere Maori Parsonage | — | — | — | 2,000 | |
| Tokoroa Maori Parsonage | — | — | — | 500 | |
| Kaeo Property Sales | — | — | — | 10,919 | |
| | | | | <u>29,776</u> | |
| Capital Receipts Sundry | | | | | |
| Fairfield Section Sale | — | — | — | 1,420 | |
| Western Springs Property Sale | — | — | — | 2,325 | |
| Waimaire Sections Sale | — | — | — | 2,001 | |
| | | | | <u>5,746</u> | |
| Maintenance Accounts | | | | <u>4,442</u> | |
| Auckland Hospital Chaplain's Residence Account: | | | | | |
| On Account of the District Synod | | | | | |
| Church Building and Loan Fund | — | — | — | 3,250 | |
| Auckland Savings Bank Mortgage | — | — | — | 3,400 | |
| Donations | — | — | — | 7,167 | |
| | | | | <u>13,817</u> | |
| Legacy Disbursement Account | | | | <u>8,707</u> | |
| Capital: | | | | | |
| Balance 31/7/72 | — | — | — | 290,752 | |
| Add Legacies | — | — | — | 5,134 | |
| | | | | <u>295,886</u> | |
| Less Transfers to Disbursement Accounts | — | — | — | 1,524 | |
| | | | | <u>294,362</u> | |
| | | | | <u>\$830,825</u> | |
| | | | | | |
| Maori Hostels and Centres | | | | | |
| Auckland Maori Girls' Hostel | — | — | — | 66,775 | |
| Hamilton Maori Girls' Hostel | — | — | — | 29,271 | |
| Hamilton Maori Boys' Hostel | — | — | — | 140,558 | |
| Dargaville Maori Centre | — | — | — | 4,116 | |
| Hawera Maori Centre | — | — | — | 4,790 | |
| Kawakawa Maori Centre | — | — | — | 8,744 | |
| Otorohanga Maori Centre | — | — | — | 7,922 | |
| Patea Maori Centre | — | — | — | 1,246 | |
| Te Kuiti Maori Centre | — | — | — | 2,825 | |
| Opunake Deaconess Centre | — | — | — | 1,297 | |
| Kawakawa Deaconess Cottage | — | — | — | 68 | |
| | | | | <u>267,612</u> | |
| Mt Wesley, Mangawhare | — | — | — | 3,732 | |
| Mt Wesley, Parsonage Site | — | — | — | 3,134 | |
| Kaeo Property | — | — | — | 13,009 | |
| Opononi | — | — | — | 462 | |
| Waima | — | — | — | 200 | |
| Kawhia | — | — | — | 200 | |
| Raglan | — | — | — | 100 | |
| Ratana Pa Property | — | — | — | 1,607 | |
| | | | | <u>22,444</u> | |
| Sundry Debtors | | | | <u>96</u> | |
| Auckland Hospital Chaplain's Residence Account: | | | | | |
| On Account of the District Synod | | | | | |
| Building and Furnishings | — | — | — | 21,865 | |
| Expenses Account | — | — | — | 192 | |
| Auckland Savings Bank Account | — | — | — | 18 | |
| | | | | <u>22,075</u> | |
| | | | | <u>\$830,825</u> | |

We have examined the books and accounts for the Methodist Home Mission and Church Extension Investment Funds Board for the year ended 31st July, 1973. In our opinion the foregoing Balance Sheet shows the position of the Board's affairs according to the best of our information and the explanations given to us and as shown by the books of the Board at 31st July, 1973.

RYDER, COPELAND, WATSON & CO., Auditors.

EDITH WINSTONE BLACKWELL TRUST
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st JULY, 1973

| EXPENDITURE | | | | | | | \$ | \$ | INCOME | | | | | | | \$ | |
|------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|-----|---------|-------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|---------|
| Repairs | — | — | — | — | — | — | 159 | | Rents | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | 9,057 |
| Rates | — | — | — | — | — | — | 781 | | Rates Refunded | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | 498 |
| Insurance | — | — | — | — | — | — | 32 | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | 972 | | | | | | | | | |
| 450 Depreciation Reserve | — | — | — | — | — | — | | 550 | | | | | | | | | |
| Net Income Carried Down | — | — | — | — | — | — | | 8,033 | Net Income Brought Down | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | 8,033 |
| | | | | | | | | 9,555 | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Transfer to Capital | — | — | — | — | — | — | | 1,607 | | | | | | | | | |
| Transfer to Maintenance Reserve | — | — | — | — | — | — | | 300 | | | | | | | | | |
| Transfer to Development Division | — | — | — | — | — | — | | 3,063 | | | | | | | | | |
| Transfer to Investment Funds Board | — | — | — | — | — | — | | 3,063 | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | \$8,033 | | | | | | | | | \$8,033 |

EDITH WINSTONE BLACKWELL TRUST
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st JULY, 1973

| LIABILITIES | | | | | ASSETS | | | | |
|---|---|---|-------|--------|----------|---|---|---|----------|
| | | | | \$ | \$ | | | | \$ |
| Capital: | | | | | | Buildings | | | \$ |
| Balance at 31/7/72 | — | — | — | 34,374 | | Investments: | | | 28,017 |
| Added During Year: | | | | | | National Savings Investments | — | — | 5,780 |
| From Income | — | — | 1,607 | | | Post Office Savings Bank | — | — | 63 |
| From Interest | — | — | 746 | | | Auckland City Council Stock | — | — | 4,000 |
| | | | | 2,353 | 36,727 | Auckland Harbour Bridge Authority Stock | — | — | 5,000 |
| Depreciation Reserve: | | | | | | Auckland Regional Authority Stock | — | — | 5,000 |
| Balance 31/7/72 | — | — | — | 20,454 | | Manukau County Council Stock | — | — | 3,000 |
| Added During Year: | | | | | | Mortgages | — | — | 12,500 |
| From Income | — | — | 550 | | | Cash in Bank of New Zealand in Hand | — | — | 35,343 |
| From Interest | — | — | 1,057 | | | | | | 678 |
| | | | | 1,607 | 22,061 | | | | |
| Maintenance Reserve: | | | | | | | | | |
| Balance 31/7/72 | — | — | — | 2,390 | | | | | |
| Added During Year: | | | | | | | | | |
| From Income | — | — | 300 | | | | | | |
| From Interest | — | — | 125 | | | | | | |
| | | | | 425 | 2,815 | | | | |
| Sundry Creditors | — | — | — | | 2,435 | | | | |
| (Development Division and Investment Funds Board) | — | — | — | | \$64,038 | | | | \$64,038 |

We have examined the Books and Accounts of the Edith Winstone Blackwell Trust for the year ended 31st July, 1973. In our opinion the foregoing Balance Sheet shows the position of the Trust's affairs according to the best of our information, and the explanations given to us and as shown by the Books of the Trust at 31st July, 1973.

RYDER, COPELAND, WATSON & CO., Auditors.

EPWORTH BOOKROOM—AUCKLAND

Trading and Profit and Loss Account for the Year ended
30th June, 1973

| | | | | | | |
|--------|------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-----------|-------------------|
| 1972 | | | | | | |
| 41,098 | Sales | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 50,530.40 |
| 327 | Sales—Upper Room | ..... | ..... | ..... | 266.69 | |
| 37 | Less Postages | ..... | ..... | ..... | 37.00 | |
| | | | | | | <u>229.69</u> |
| 41,388 | Less Cost of Sales | ..... | ..... | ..... |  | 50,760.09 |
| 11,059 | Stock at 1/7/72 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 12,964.05 | |
| 30,599 | Purchases | ..... | ..... | ..... | 37,832.65 | |
| 41,658 | | | | | 50,796.70 | |
| 12,964 | Less Stock at 30/6/73 | | | | 16,255.40 | |
| 28,694 | Cost of Sales | ..... | ..... | ..... |  | 34,541.30 |
| 12,694 | Gross Profit | ..... | ..... | ..... |  | <u>16,218.79</u> |
| | Less Expenses: | | | | | |
| 542 | Accountancy—Monthly | ..... | ..... | ..... | 703.31 | |
| 150 | Audit | ..... | ..... | ..... | 200.00 | |
| 493 | Advertising | ..... | ..... | ..... | 528.55 | |
| — | Bad Debts | ..... | ..... | ..... | 5.90 | |
| 72 | Cleaning | ..... | ..... | ..... | 77.00 | |
| 90 | Commission | ..... | ..... | ..... | — |  |
| 88 | Freight | ..... | ..... | ..... | 122.11 | |
| 140 | General Expenses | ..... | ..... | ..... | 219.26 | |
| 72 | Insurance | ..... | ..... | ..... | 73.90 | |
| 233 | Interest | ..... | ..... | ..... | 240.41 | |
| 378 | Postages | ..... | ..... | ..... | 415.98 | |
| 276 | Power and Light | ..... | ..... | ..... | 298.92 | |
| 148 | Printing and Stationery | ..... | ..... | ..... | 424.02 | |
| 469 | Rates | ..... | ..... | ..... | 591.06 | |
| 3,133 | Rent | ..... | ..... | ..... | 3,133.68 | |
| 68 | Repairs and Maintenance | ..... | ..... | ..... | 83.53 | |
| 5,954 | Salaries and Wages | ..... | ..... | ..... | 7,118.33 | |
| 53 | Subscriptions and Fees | ..... | ..... | ..... | 58.53 | |
| 135 | Superannuation | ..... | ..... | ..... | 178.37 | |
| 196 | Telephone | ..... | ..... | ..... | 212.80 | |
| 53 | Travelling Expenses | ..... | ..... | ..... | 34.40 | |
| 215 | Depreciation, Furniture & Fittings | | | | 202.65 | |
| 12,958 | Total Expenses | | | | | <u>14,922.71</u> |
| (264) | Net Profit | | | | | <u>\$1,296.08</u> |

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Accountants Report:

J. K. BALLARD, SEDON & NATHAN,
Chartered Accountants.

METHODIST OVERSEAS DIVISION
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1973

| EXPENDITURE | | | | | INCOME | | | | |
|-------------|------------------------------------|---|---|---------|---------|---------------------------------------|---|---|---------|
| 1971-72 | | | | | 1971-72 | | | | |
| \$ | | | | | \$ | | | | |
| | The United Church | | | | | | | | |
| 53,183 | General | — | — | — | 1,920 | Interest Working Capital | — | — | 1,985 |
| 85,807 | Staff | — | — | — | 4,997 | Income, Medical Fund | — | — | 4,611 |
| | | | | | 15,000 | Lepers' Trust Board Grant for Medical | | | |
| | | | | | | Expenses, Balance 1972 Grant | | | 6,000 |
| 138,990 | | | | | | Donations Outside Budget: | | | |
| 6,063 | Less Recoveries | — | — | — | 1,490 | General | — | — | 4,349 |
| | | | | | 15,042 | Special Appeal | — | — | — |
| 132,927 | | | | 119,567 | 99,845 | Connexional Budget | — | — | 116,836 |
| | Home Base Expenditure | | | | | Methodist Women's Fellowship: | | | |
| 2,738 | General Secretary's Stipend and | | | | 9,200 | For Sisters' Salaries | — | — | 8,200 |
| | Allowance | — | — | — | 600 | Freight | — | — | 800 |
| 494 | General Secretary's Travel and Car | | | 3,341 | 5,479 | Debit Balance Carried Down | — | — | — |
| | Expenses | — | — | 557 | | | | | |
| 246 | General Secretary's Residence | — | — | 252 | | | | | |
| 3,844 | Office Salaries | — | — | 3,172 | | | | | |
| 1,276 | Office Rent and Rates | — | — | 1,291 | | | | | |
| 592 | Printing and Stationery | — | — | 410 | | | | | |
| 385 | General Office Expenses | — | — | 688 | | | | | |
| | General Office Expenses Account | — | — | | | | | | |
| | Previous Year | — | — | 269 | | | | | |
| 480 | Telephones | — | — | 417 | | | | | |
| 10,055 | | | | 10,397 | | | | | |
| | Publicity and Deputation | | | | | | | | |
| 890 | Material and Travel | — | — | 1,263 | | | | | |
| 1,270 | Subsidy, Open Door and Lotu | — | — | 982 | | | | | |
| 2,160 | | | | 2,245 | | | | | |

Miscellaneous

| | | | | | |
|-------|-----------------------------------|---|---|-------|-------|
| 165 | Audit Fee | — | — | — | 200 |
| 79 | Insurances | — | — | — | 28 |
| 103 | Legal Costs | — | — | — | — |
| 133 | Advertising, N.Z. Methodist | — | — | — | 79 |
| 231 | Sundry Travel Expenses | — | — | — | 104 |
| 966 | Overseas Travel | — | — | 1,098 | — |
| — | Overseas Travel, Rev. M. Te Whare | — | — | 692 | — |
| 228 | Overseas Travel, The President | — | — | — | 1,790 |
| 52 | Office Equipment | — | — | — | 36 |
| 140 | Expenses, Special Appeal | — | — | — | — |
| 296 | General Expenses | — | — | — | 1,258 |
| 80 | Queenstown Road Property Expenses | — | — | — | 165 |
| 400 | Motor Car Depreciation | — | — | — | 400 |
| 100 | Office Equipment Depreciation | — | — | — | 100 |
| 5,010 | Grant, Earthquake Relief | — | — | — | — |
| 300 | Grant, P.I.C.E.C. | — | — | — | — |
| 98 | Grant, C.W.M.S. | — | — | — | 98 |
| 50 | Grant Overseas Voluntary Services | — | — | — | — |

8,431

| | | | | |
|---|------------------------------------|---|---|-------|
| — | Grant, Cyclone Damage Relief | — | — | 2,500 |
| — | Grant, Tonga Relief Appeal | — | — | 1,000 |
| — | Grant, Orientation Course | — | — | 501 |
| — | Grant, Special United Church Synod | — | — | 871 |
| — | Grant, Medical Repatriation | — | — | 403 |

9,533

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|-------|
| — | Balance Transferred to Accumulated Fund | — | — | — | 1,039 |
|---|---|---|---|---|-------|

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METHODIST OVERSEAS DIVISION
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1973

| RECEIPTS | | | | | PAYMENTS | | | | |
|--|---|---|---|--------|----------|---|---|----|---------|
| | | | | \$ | \$ | | | \$ | \$ |
| Balance B.N.Z. Auckland | — | — | — | 3,652 | | Investments: | | | |
| Less B.N.Z. Sydney Account Overdrawn | — | — | — | 970 | 2,682 | Cash Invested General | — | — | 3,743 |
| | | | | | | Vanes Bequest | — | — | 42 |
| Investments: | | | | | | General Secretary's Residence Sinking Fund | — | — | 600 |
| Interest on Investments | — | — | — | 6,247 | | Car Replacement Fund | — | — | 400 |
| Transferred to Sundry Accounts | — | — | — | 6,247 | 4,508 | | | | 4,785 |
| | | | | | | Capital Payments: | | | |
| Investments Realised | | | | | | Building and Equipment Fund | — | — | 17,390 |
| Capital Receipts: | | | | | | Pacific Projects Fund | — | — | 2,000 |
| Legacies Received | — | — | — | 27,769 | | Lepers' Trust Board | — | — | 12,000 |
| | | | | | | Queenstown Road Property | — | — | 20,201 |
| Transferred to Capital | — | — | — | 5,544 | | | | | 51,591 |
| Transferred to Building and Equipment Fund | — | — | — | 19,453 | | The United Church: | | | |
| Transferred to Pacific Projects Account | — | — | — | 2,772 | | General | — | — | 60,124 |
| | | | | | 27,769 | Staff | — | — | 79,319 |
| Medical Fund, Legacies Received | — | — | — | 800 | | | | | 139,443 |
| Mortgage Repayments | — | — | — | 3,920 | 32,489 | Less L.T.B. Grant for Medical Expenses | — | — | 6,000 |
| | | | | | 33,000 | | | | 133,443 |
| Lepers' Trust Board Grants 19/1/72 | — | — | — | | | General: | | | |
| The United Church: | | | | | | General Administration: | | | |
| Recoveries | — | — | — | 19,877 | | General Secretary's Stipend and Allowance | — | — | 3,341 |
| | | | | | | General Secretary's Travel and Car Expenses | — | — | 557 |
| | | | | | | General Secretary's Home Maintenance | — | — | 409 |
| | | | | | | Office Salaries | — | — | 3,171 |
| | | | | | | Office Rent and Rates | — | — | 1,276 |
| | | | | | | Printing and Stationery | — | — | 410 |
| | | | | | | General Office Expenses | — | — | 580 |
| | | | | | | General Office Expenses on Account of Previous Year | — | — | 310 |
| | | | | | | Telephones | — | — | 417 |
| | | | | | | | | | 10,471 |
| | | | | | | Publicity and Deputation: | | | |
| | | | | | | Material and Travel | — | — | 1,263 |
| | | | | | | Open Door and Lotu | — | — | 3,334 |
| | | | | | | | | | 4,597 |

General:

| | | | | | |
|--|---|---|---|------------------|--|
| Circuit and Sundry Receipts | — | — | — | 4,348 | |
| Connexional Budget: | | | | | |
| Balance 1971-72 | — | — | — | 8,845 | |
| 1972-73 | — | — | — | 94,000 | |
| | | | | <u>102,845</u> | |
| Methodist Women's Fellowship | — | — | — | 9,026 | |
| Medical Income | — | — | — | 4,611 | |
| Interest, General Account | — | — | — | 1,985 | |
| | | | | <u>122,815</u> | |
| Scholarship Fund | — | — | — | 533 | |
| Sickness and Accident Fund | — | — | — | 848 | |
| Subscriptions, Open Door and Lotu | — | — | — | 2,352 | |
| Fraternal Workers Fund | — | — | — | 18 | |
| Vanes Bequest | — | — | — | 69 | |
| Fiji Hurricane Relief | — | — | — | 2,411 | |
| Highlands Famine Relief | — | — | — | 505 | |
| Cash Received on Account of Tongan Church | — | — | — | 10,655 | |
| Refunds, Overseas Churches | — | — | — | 513 | |
| C. and N. Keightley Educational Trust Interest | — | — | — | 74 | |
| P. and E. Rushton Memorial Trust | — | — | — | 200 | |
| J. W. Digby Estate Account | — | — | — | 5,310 | |
| Literature and Maps | — | — | — | 118 | |
| Sundry Receipts | — | — | — | 106 | |
| Sundry Gifts and Grants for Transfer | — | — | — | 10,867 | |
| Bank of N.Z. Sydney Overdrawn | — | — | — | 494 | |
| Less Balance B.N.Z. Auckland | — | — | — | 345 | |
| | | | | <u>49</u> | |
| | | | | <u>\$249,999</u> | |

Miscellaneous:

| | | | | | |
|--|---|---|---|------------------|--|
| Sickness and Accident Fund | — | — | — | 987 | |
| Scholarship Fund | — | — | — | 2,251 | |
| Vanes Bequest | — | — | — | 75 | |
| Staff Training | — | — | — | 101 | |
| Literature and Maps | — | — | — | 342 | |
| Fiji Hurricane Relief Funds | — | — | — | 2,379 | |
| Highland Famine Relief Funds | — | — | — | 505 | |
| Earthquake Relief Funds | — | — | — | 705 | |
| On Account of Overseas Churches | — | — | — | 46 | |
| S.S. Islands Staff Retiring Fund Transferred | — | — | — | 324 | |
| Transferred to Tongan Church | — | — | — | 10,961 | |
| Expenses Overseas Travel | — | — | — | 1,099 | |
| Expenses Overseas Travel, Rev. M. Te Whare | — | — | — | 692 | |
| Sundry Expenses and Bank Exchange | — | — | — | 1,533 | |
| Temporary Advance Repaid | — | — | — | 4,000 | |
| Fiji Hurricane Relief Grant | — | — | — | 2,500 | |
| Tongan Relief Appeal Grant | — | — | — | 1,000 | |
| Orientation Course Grant | — | — | — | 501 | |
| Special Synod Expenses Grant | — | — | — | 871 | |
| Medical Repatriation Grant | — | — | — | 403 | |
| C.W.M.S. | — | — | — | 98 | |
| Simeon Jina Tool Account | — | — | — | 2,026 | |
| Sundries for Refund | — | — | — | 443 | |
| Sundry Gifts and Grants Transferred | — | — | — | 10,823 | |
| | | | | <u>44,665</u> | |
| | | | | <u>\$249,999</u> | |

Sundry Administration:

| | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|---|---|---|------------|--|
| Audit Fee | — | — | — | 200 | |
| Insurances | — | — | — | 28 | |
| Office Equipment | — | — | — | 36 | |
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| Sundry Travel | — | — | — | 104 | |
| | | | | <u>447</u> | |

METHODIST OVERSEAS DIVISION
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1973

| LIABILITIES | | | | 1973 | ASSETS | | | | 1973 |
|-------------|---|------|-------|--------|---------|--|---|---------|---------|
| 1972 | | | | | 1972 | | | | |
| 33,690 | Working Capital Account: | | | | | Investments: | | | |
| | Balance 30/6/72 | — | — | 33,690 | 3,480 | N.Z. Govt. Inscribed Stock | — | 3,480 | |
| | Added During Year | from | — | | 50,000 | Local Body Stock | — | 60,000 | |
| | Legacies | — | 5,544 | | 7,520 | Mortgages | — | 3,600 | |
| | Added During Year | from | — | | 19,789 | Shares and Stock | — | 20,268 | |
| | Share Capital | — | 487 | | 2,475 | Savings Bank and Nat. Savings | — | 6,760 | |
| | | | | 6,031 | 2,000 | Prince Albert College Trust | — | 2,000 | |
| | | | | | 19,907 | Share in Central Mission Building | — | 19,907 | |
| 70,259 | Medical Fund: | | | | | | | | |
| | Balance 30/6/72 | — | — | 70,259 | | | | | |
| | Added During Year | — | — | 800 | 105,171 | | | 116,015 | |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| 1,061 | Medical Orderly | — | — | 1,061 | 324 | South Sea Islanders Retiring Fund | | | |
| 6,000 | Lepers' Trust Board General Grant: | | | | 70,259 | Medical Fund | — | — | 71,059 |
| | Balance 30/6/72 | — | — | 6,000 | 1,061 | Medical Orderly | — | — | 1,061 |
| | Expended During Year | — | — | 6,000 | 4,507 | Sickness and Accident Fund | — | — | 4,368 |
| | | | | | | T. W. Digby Estate | — | — | 19,730 |
| 12,000 | Lepers' Trust Board Capital Grant: | | | | 1,442 | Vanes Bequest | — | — | 1,435 |
| | Balance 30/6/72 | — | — | 12,000 | 2,000 | Rev. A. Woodnutt Trust | — | — | 2,000 |
| | Expended During Year | — | — | 12,000 | 12,000 | Lepers' Trust Board Capital Grant | — | — | — |
| | | | | | 13,578 | General Investments | — | — | 16,362 |
| 4,507 | Sickness and Accident Fund: | | | | | | | | |
| | Balance 30/6/72 | — | — | 4,507 | 105,171 | | | | 116,015 |
| | Added During Year | — | — | 848 | 3,965 | Residence, General Secretary | — | — | 3,965 |
| | | | | | 6,070 | Queenstown Road Property | — | — | 26,271 |
| | | | | 5,355 | 2,330 | Motor Car Capital | — | — | 3,135 |
| | Expended During Year | — | — | 987 | 670 | Projectors, Tape Recorder, Typewriters | — | — | 570 |
| | | | | | 351 | Stock, Head Office | — | — | 351 |
| | | | | 4,368 | 50,637 | Sundry Debtors | — | — | 25,486 |
| 324 | South Sea Islands Worker Retiring Fund | | | | 3,652 | Cash, Bank of N.Z., Auckland | — | — | 345 |
| | Balance 30/6/72 | — | — | 324 | 6,012 | Kieta Building Loan | — | — | — |
| | Transfer to Methodist Church in Fiji | — | — | 324 | — | Scholarship Fund | — | — | 1,231 |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| 22,007 | Building and Equipment Fund: | | | | | | | | |
| | Balance 30/6/72 | — | — | 22,007 | | | | | |
| | Added During Year | — | — | 19,453 | | | | | |
| | | | | 41,460 | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| | Expended During Year | — | — | 32,901 | | | | | |
| | | | | | 8,559 | | | | |

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|--------------------------|---|---|---|---|------------------|------------------|
| Accumulated Fund: | | | | | | |
| 5,277 | Balance 30/6/72 | — | — | — | 5,277 | |
| | Transfer from Income and Expenditure Account | — | — | — | 1,039 | |
| | | | | | <u>6,316</u> | |
| | Less Appropriations to General Secretary's Residence Sinking Fund | — | — | — | 600 | |
| | and Motor Car Replacement Fund | — | — | — | 400 | |
| | | | | | <u>1,000</u> | |
| | | | | | 5,316 | |
| <u>\$178,858</u> | | | | | <u>\$177,369</u> | <u>\$175,858</u> |
| | | | | | | <u>\$177,369</u> |

We report that we have examined the books of the Methodist Overseas Division of the Methodist Church of New Zealand. We obtained all the information we required. In our opinion the above Balance Sheet and Income and Expenditure Account present a true and fair view of the state of affairs and results of the Division for the year ended 30th June, 1973.

Auckland,
31st October, 1973.

COOK, BARNETT & COMPANY,
Chartered Accountants, Auditor.

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Returns
for the Year Ending
30th June, 1973**

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, 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 |
| NORTHLAND | 92 | 9 | 155 | 168 | 184 | 182 | 124 | 59 | 40 | 25 | 115 | 143 | 1740 | 5209 | 37117 | 460 | 9164 | 12 M | 3104 | 1968 |
| AUCKLAND | 470 | 11 | 1011 | 802 | 797 | 727 | 629 | 419 | 327 | 302 | 678 | 340 | 9074 | 27469 | 17530 | 1103 | 20422 | 39 M | 8164 | 3020 |
| WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY | 285 | 12 | 558 | 474 | 455 | 473 | 388 | 263 | 177 | 184 | 237 | 145 | 6213 | 18576 | 93063 | 1368 | 5830 | 30 M | 7862 | 7250 |
| TARANAKI-WANGANUI | 155 | 4 | 146 | 200 | 191 | 148 | 149 | 99 | 55 | 32 | 49 | 48 | 3288 | 9102 | 40576 | 458 | 6265 | 13 M | 4711 | 56 |
| HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU | 194 | 3 | 413 | 296 | 293 | 319 | 234 | 153 | 134 | 121 | 268 | 247 | 4297 | 12287 | 52881 | 900 | 9698 | 16 M | 6887 | - |
| WELLINGTON | 266 | 3 | 419 | 512 | 528 | 490 | 406 | 296 | 235 | 112 | 309 | 220 | 5368 | 16767 | 85704 | 2044 | 14552 | 27 M | 22038 | - |
| NELSON | 142 | 9 | 271 | 285 | 260 | 242 | 163 | 106 | 60 | 15 | 177 | 44 | 4275 | 13210 | 40232 | 650 | 6587 | 10 M | 704 | 892 |
| NORTH CANTERBURY | 266 | 13 | 642 | 585 | 751 | 538 | 498 | 337 | 309 | 256 | 886 | 253 | 7505 | 20560 | 95003 | 1000 | 12983 | 29 M | 5428 | 846 |
| SOUTH CANTERBURY | 62 | 2 | 180 | 132 | 127 | 170 | 126 | 100 | 77 | 39 | 221 | 77 | 1593 | 4281 | 28992 | 446 | 5041 | 9 M | 4466 | - |
| OTAGO-SOUTHLAND | 85 | 5 | 170 | 181 | 166 | 162 | 131 | 121 | 81 | 77 | 60 | 57 | 2923 | 6516 | 42646 | 386 | 6940 | 13 M | 2246 | 2092 |
| GRAND TOTALS: | 2071 | 71 | 3965 | 3635 | 3752 | 3451 | 2848 | 1953 | 1495 | 1163 | 3000 | 1574 | 46276 | 133977 | 633704 | 8815 | 97482 | 198 M | 65610 | 16124 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 8 C | | |
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The Methodist Church of New Zealand

Northland District

General Statistical Returns for the year ending 30th June, 1973

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. Ccts. | Other Countries | Other Denominations | Ceased to Attend | | | | | | |
| MANGONUI | 3 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | 1 | | 101 | | 2 | 2 | 2 | | 1 | 2 | | | | | 104 | 3 | | | |
| KAIKOEHE - BAY OF ISLANDS | 3 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | | | | | | 5 | | 90 | | | 14 | | | 2 | 6 | | | 2 | | 94 | 4 | | | |
| WHANGAROA | 2 | | 2 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | 94 | | | 2 | | | 1 | 1 | | 2 | 1 | | 91 | | 3 | | |
| NTH.HOKIANGA COMMUNITY CHURCH | 3 | 3 | 2 | | 1 | | | | | | 1 | 2 | 40 | | | 2 | | 3 | 3 | 4 | | | | | 38 | | 2 | | |
| HOKIANGA | 4 | | 4 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | 5 | | 81 | | | | | | 3 | | 6 | | | | 72 | | 9 | | |
| HIKURANGI UNION PARISH | 1 | 8 | | 1 | | | | | | | 1 | | 42 | | | 2 | | | | | | | 2 | | 42 | | | | |
| WHANGAREI | 4 | 3 | | 2 | 2 | 1 | | | | | 9 | 3 | 382 | 1 | 3 | 19 | | 1 | 4 | 34 | 2 | 11 | 16 | | 339 | | 43 | | |
| DARGAVILLE | 2 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 1 | | | | | | 4 | 3 | 211 | 5 | | 1 | | | 2 | 17 | | 1 | 2 | | 195 | | 16 | | |
| RUAWAI UNION PARISH | 3 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | 1 | 2 | 80 | | | | | 1 | 2 | | | | 3 | | 74 | | 6 | | |
| PAPAROA | 4 | 2 | | 1 | 1 | | | | | | 2 | | 64 | | | 2 | | | 3 | | | 2 | | | 61 | | 3 | | |
| PORT ALBERT | 6 | 2 | 6 | 2 | 1 | | | | | | 3 | 1 | 117 | | | 5 | | 2 | 1 | 4 | | | | | 119 | 2 | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TOTALS | 35 | 25 | 23 | 14 | 11 | 1 | | | | | 32 | 11 | 1302 | 6 | 5 | 49 | 2 | 6 | 21 | 70 | 8 | 16 | 26 | | 1229 | 9 | 82 | | |
| DIFFERENCES | +1 | -7 | = | -1 | = | | | | | | -4 | -1 | | +3 | -6 | +6 | +2 | -125 | +1 | +8 | +5 | -104 | -4 | | -70 | +4 | +30 | | |

PART 2

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

STIPENDS etc., State of Finances At 30 June

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The Methodist Church of New Zealand

Auckland District

General Statistical Returns for the year ending 30th June, 1973

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|-----------------------------|----------|------------------------|-------------|------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|----------------------|------------------------|---|----------------------------------|-------------|---------------------|-----------------|---------------------|----------|---------------------------------|-----------------|---------------------|------------------|-----|----|--|--------------|--------------|
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 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 | | | | | |
| 9 AUCKLAND CENTRAL | 4 | 0 | 4 | 7 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 10 | 4 | 448 | - | - | 14 | 2 | 3 | 8 | 12 | - | - | 4 | 443 | | 5 | | |
| 10 AUCK. CENTRAL MISSION | 2 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 4 | - | - | - | 4 | 7 | - | 238 | | 4 | 16 | 3 | - | 8 | 20 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 227 | | 11 | | |
| 11 AUCKLAND SOUTH | 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | 7 | 1 | 437 | 3 | 9 | 56 | 3 | 16 | 14 | 36 | - | 6 | 14 | 454 | 17 | | | |
| 12 " WEST | 2 | - | 1 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | 5 | 1 | 75 | | 3 | - | 3 | - | - | 5 | - | 4 | - | 72 | | 3 | | |
| 13 " EAST | 4 | - | 4 | 4 | 7 | 4 | - | - | - | 2 | 9 | 2 | 626 | 4 | - | 49 | 1 | 2 | 10 | 39 | 2 | 6 | 15 | 610 | | 16 | | |
| 14 ORAKI | 4 | - | 3 | 3 | 3 | 4 | - | - | - | - | 5 | 2 | 499 | | 3 | 37 | 6 | 2 | 3 | 35 | 3 | 2 | 25 | 479 | | 20 | | |
| 15 MT. ALBERT | 2 | - | 2 | 2 | 3 | 6 | - | - | - | - | 6 | 5 | 335 | | 3 | 22 | 2 | 2 | 5 | 12 | 2 | - | 1 | 344 | 9 | | | |
| 15a AVONDALE UNION PARISH | | | | | | | | | | | | | 89 | | | 1 | - | 15 | 3 | - | - | 5 | - | 97 | 8 | | | |
| 16 HENDERSON | 5 | 4 | 5 | 3 | 3 | - | - | - | - | - | 7 | - | 335 | 7 | - | 37 | 1 | 6 | 1 | 15 | 2 | - | 30 | 338 | 3 | | | |
| 17 DEVONPORT | 1 | - | 1 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | 3 | 1 | 166 | 6 | | 7 | - | 3 | 3 | 1 | - | 1 | 3 | 174 | 8 | | | |
| 18 TAKAPUNA | 4 | - | 3 | 3 | 4 | 4 | - | - | 1 | - | 8 | - | 718 | 2 | - | 38 | 4 | 2 | 7 | 19 | 3 | 8 | 8 | 719 | 1 | | | |
| 19 BIRKENHEAD | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | 4 | 3 | 321 | - | 4 | 4 | - | 3 | 2 | 68 | - | - | 23 | 239 | | 82 | | |
| 19a BIRKDALE/BEACHAVEN U.P. | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0 | | | 58 | | | | | | | | 58 | 58 | | | |
| 20 NORTHCOTE | 2 | - | 1 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | 2 | 2 | 108 | | | 4 | 3 | - | 2 | 8 | - | - | 2 | 103 | | 5 | | |

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| 21 ONEHUNGA | 4 | - | 5 | 2 | 2 | - | - | - | - | - | 3 | - | 285 | 12 | 8 | 28 | 11 | 8 | 3 | 14 | 8 | 4 | 9 | 314 | 29 | | | |
| 22 OTAHUHU | 2 | - | 2 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | 136 | | | 3 | - | - | - | 9 | - | - | 17 | 113 | | 23 | | |
| 23 PAPATOETOE | 4 | - | 3 | 2 | 2 | - | - | - | - | - | 10 | - | 312 | 2 | - | 13 | 4 | 6 | 4 | 15 | 1 | - | 4 | 313 | 1 | | | |
| 24 PAKAPURA/MANUREWA | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | - | - | - | - | - | 4 | 1 | 386 | 2 | 7 | 22 | 8 | 6 | 7 | 37 | 3 | 3 | 7 | 374 | | 12 | | |
| 25 PUKEKOHE | 5 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | - | - | - | - | 4 | - | 254 | 7 | 2 | 13 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 12 | - | 4 | 2 | 259 | 5 | | | |
| 25a BOMBAY/TUAKAU U.P. | 2 | 3 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 4 | 1 | 62 | | | 3 | - | - | 1 | 8 | - | - | - | 56 | | 6 | | |
| 26 WAIKUKU | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | 102 | 2 | 1 | 2 | - | - | 3 | 3 | - | - | - | 101 | | 1 | | |
| 27 KAITIARA | 3 | 2 | 3 | 1 | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | 4 | 1 | 78 | | 5 | 2 | - | - | - | 7 | - | 1 | - | 77 | | 1 | | |
| 28 WHANGAPAROA | 2 | - | 2 | 1 | 1 | 4 | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | 106 | | | 9 | - | 1 | 1 | 4 | - | - | 3 | 108 | 2 | | | |
| 29 MAHURANGI | 2 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | 4 | - | 118 | | 1 | 11 | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | - | 129 | 11 | | | |
| TOTALS | 62 | 19 | 54 | 43 | 45 | 34 | 1 | - | 2 | 7 | 105 | 25 | 6234 | 47 | 50 | 449 | 52 | 77 | 87 | 379 | 27 | 45 | 170 | 6201 | 152 | 185 | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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Methodist Church of New Zealand

Auckland District

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PART 2

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

STIPENDS etc. State of Finances At 30 June

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| AUCKLAND CENTRAL | 41 | 1 | 24 | 19 | 22 | 29 | 29 | 27 | 13 | 31 | 10 | 40 | 595 | 1750 | 3211 | | 480 | M | 612 | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 3220 | | 456 | M | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 2565 | | 250 | M | | |
| AUCK. CENTRAL MISSION | 3 | - | 35 | 30 | 11 | 10 | 8 | 4 | 3 | 14 | 13 | - | 267 | 589 | 3322 | 200 | 500 | M | 757 | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 3114 | 200 | 500 | M | | |
| AUCKLAND SOUTH | 30 | 1 | 67 | 60 | 54 | 74 | 63 | 46 | 30 | 15 | 155 | 83 | 619 | 1789 | 2871 | | 387 | M | | 592 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 3127 | | 504 | M | | |
| " WEST | 1 | - | 13 | 7 | 9 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 5 | - | 2 | 123 | 351 | 3114 | | 375 | M | 33 | |
| " EAST | 30 | - | 87 | 79 | 72 | 43 | 41 | 33 | 29 | 10 | 54 | 21 | 730 | 2119 | 3233 | | 594 | M | 335 | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 3203 | | 682 | M | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 3203 | | 549 | M | | |
| ORAKEI | 20 | 1 | 28 | 26 | 20 | 17 | 19 | 11 | 10 | 20 | 4 | 6 | 521 | 1355 | 3191 | 20 | 517 | M | 573 | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 3191 | 20 | 517 | M | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 3191 | 20 | 517 | M | | |
| MT. ALBERT | 26 | - | 24 | 41 | 30 | 31 | 20 | 30 | 13 | 6 | 22 | 30 | 500 | 1400 | 3192 | 100 | 495 | M | | 375 |
| AVONDALE UNION PARISH | Returns under Union Joint Programmes. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 3192 | | 748 | M | | |
| HENDERSON | 53 | - | 59 | 83 | 132 | 89 | 93 | 62 | 30 | 22 | 48 | - | 904 | 3405 | 3178 | | 477 | M | 1855 | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 3178 | | 477 | M | | |
| DEVONPORT | 14 | 4 | 55 | 33 | 18 | 35 | 28 | 12 | 6 | 14 | 50 | - | 355 | 910 | 3191 | 64 | 567 | M | 169 | |
| TAKAPUNA | 45 | - | 61 | 90 | 53 | 45 | 60 | 40 | 33 | 29 | 12 | 40 | 777 | 1980 | 3243 | 128 | 480 | M | | 189 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 3243 | 46 | 390 | M | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 3243 | 46 | 390 | M | | |

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| BIRKENHEAD | 22 | - | 67 | 39 | 36 | 31 | 16 | 14 | 16 | 16 | 12 | - | 396 | 1292 | 3192 | - | 379 | M | 860 | | |
| NORTH COTE | 15 | - | 13 | 15 | 24 | 16 | 12 | 10 | 2 | - | 12 | - | 160 | 480 | 1188 | (Three part time supplies) | 406 | M | 256 | | |
| ONEHUNGA | 56 | - | 109 | 62 | 56 | 60 | 33 | 30 | 24 | 31 | 35 | 20 | 594 | 1958 | 3122 | 30 | 504 | M | 281 | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 3122 | 30 | 504 | M | | | |
| OTAHUHU | 7 | - | 16 | 21 | 24 | 18 | 26 | 20 | 60 | 20 | 60 | 30 | 210 | 590 | 2922 | - | 600 | M | 351 | | |
| PAPATOETOE | 35 | - | 43 | 54 | 62 | 56 | 50 | 15 | 22 | 12 | 10 | - | 605 | 2535 | 3242 | 88 | 750 | M | | 982 | |
| PAPAKURA/MANUREWA | 35 | 3 | 193 | 55 | 85 | 72 | 50 | 50 | 20 | 34 | 111 | 48 | 817 | 2666 | 3192 | 25 | 508 | M | | 571 | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 3192 | 25 | 508 | M | | | |
| PUKEKOHE | 20 | 1 | 48 | 21 | 21 | 25 | 26 | 17 | 16 | 4 | - | 10 | 280 | 765 | 3191 | | 847 | M | 1720 | | |
| BOMBAY/TUAKAU U.P. | 4 | - | 4 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 1 | 2 | 2 | - | 2 | - | 65 | 89 | (Presbyterian Appt.) | | | | | | |
| WAIUKU | 6 | - | 24 | 13 | 11 | 14 | 5 | 3 | 5 | 1 | - | - | 196 | 586 | 3191 | | 450 | M | | 401 | |
| KAIPARA | - | - | 10 | 17 | 18 | 14 | 15 | 8 | 4 | 16 | 44 | - | 94 | 297 | 2858 | | 600 | M | 47 | | |
| WHANGAPAROA | 3 | - | 15 | 10 | 8 | 13 | 8 | 7 | - | - | 18 | - | 118 | 273 | 3088 | | 528 | M | 4 | | |
| MAHURANGI | 4 | - | 16 | 23 | 26 | 24 | 23 | 8 | 5 | 2 | 16 | - | 148 | 290 | 3191 | | 744 | M | 307 | | |
| TOTALS 1973 | 470 | 11 | 1011 | 802 | 797 | 727 | 629 | 419 | 327 | 302 | 678 | 340 | 9074 | 27469 | | 11032 | 20422 | 39M | 8164 | 3020 | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 117530 | | | From | 15 C | 6 C | |
| 1972 | 508 | 18 | 911 | 840 | 806 | 806 | 650 | 387 | 276 | 334 | 585 | 297 | 9202 | 28211 | 11044 | 68 976 | 20065 | 41M | 5434 | 5431 | |
| VARIATION + or - | -38 | -7 | +100 | -38 | -98 | -79 | -11 | +32 | +60 | -32 | +93 | +43 | -128 | -742 | +13062 | +127 | +817 | -2 | | | |

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| THAMES | 2 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | 3 | 2 | 147 | | | 1 | | | 5 | 3 | | | 1 | 139 | | 8 | | |
| HAURAKI PLAINS UNION | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | 1 | | 41 | 5 | | 2 | | | | 1 | 2 | | | 45 | 4 | | | |
| PAEROA | 1 | | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | 2 | | 70 | 1 | | 2 | | | 2 | 2 | | | | 69 | | 1 | | |
| WAIHI | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | 1 | | 66 | | | 7 | | | 2 | 5 | | | | 66 | | | | |
| TE AROHA | 2 | | 2 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | 177 | 2 | 1 | 3 | | 1 | 5 | 4 | | | | 175 | | 2 | | |
| MORRINSVILLE | 3 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 1 | | | | | | 3 | | 269 | 3 | 3 | 6 | | | 3 | 12 | 3 | 2 | | 261 | | 8 | | |
| CAMBRIDGE UNION | 2 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | 3 | | 179 | | | | | | | 8 | | | | 171 | | 8 | | |
| HAMILTON | 5 | 3 | 5 | 3 | 5 | 1 | | | | | 3 | 4 | 631 | | 7 | 18 | | | 7 | 33 | | | 40 | 576 | | 55 | | |
| RAGLAN UNION | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | 2 | | 50 | | | 2 | | | | 4 | | 1 | 4 | 43 | | 7 | | |
| HAMILTON EAST | 4 | 2 | 6 | 3 | 3 | 1 | | | | | 7 | 3 | 498 | 17 | 4 | 26 | | 2 | 3 | 20 | | 2 | 5 | 517 | 19 | | | |
| NGARUAWAHIA UNION | 3 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | 1 | | 39 | | | 3 | | | | | 3 | | | 39 | | | | |
| HUNTLY | 1 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | 2 | | 119 | | | 3 | | | 2 | 6 | | | | 114 | | 5 | | |
| MATANATA UNION | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | 3 | | 184 | 5 | 4 | 9 | | | 3 | 12 | | 1 | | 186 | 2 | | | |
| PUTARURU | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | 85 | 2 | 3 | 10 | | | | 4 | 1 | | | 95 | 10 | | | |

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| TOKOROA | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | 1 | 1 | 124 | | | 6 | 3 | 1 | | 4 | 3 | | 4 | 123 | | 1 | | |
| ROTORUA | 3 | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | 4 | 2 | 250 | 2 | 2 | 24 | | | 1 | 17 | | 1 | 259 | 9 | | | | |
| TAUPO UNION | 2 | | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | 1 | | 52 | | | 4 | | | 1 | 3 | | | 52 | | | | | |
| TAURANGA | 3 | 2 | | 3 | 2 | 2 | | | | | 5 | 4 | 504 | 5 | 2 | 22 | 2 | 1 | 7 | 92 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 429 | | 75 | | |
| GREERTON UNION | 2 | | 2 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | - | | | 62 | | | | 4 | | 13 | 45 | 45 | | | | |
| TE PUKE | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | 1 | | 81 | | | 11 | | 1 | 1 | 5 | | | 87 | 6 | | | | |
| WHAKATANE-KAWERAU | 2 | | 1 | 1 | 2 | | | | | | 2 | | 103 | | | 11 | 2 | | 4 | 4 | | 4 | 104 | 1 | | | | |
| OPOTIKI UNION | 2 | | 2 | 1 | | | | | | | 5 | | 67 | | | 1 | | | | 1 | | | 67 | | | | | |
| TE AWAMUTU | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | 3 | | 194 | 6 | 4 | 4 | | | 3 | 10 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 188 | | 6 | | |
| OTOROHANGA | 1 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | | | 2 | | 86 | | | 3 | | | 1 | 2 | | | 86 | | | | | |
| TE KUITI | 1 | | 2 | 1 | | | | | | | 1 | | 51 | | | | | | | 2 | | | 49 | | 2 | | | |
| TAUMARUNUI | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | 3 | | 50 | 6 | | 5 | | 1 | | 2 | | | 60 | 10 | | | | |
| TURANGI UNION | | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | | | | | | | 9 | | | | | | | 3 | | | 6 | | 3 | | | |
| OHURA | 3 | 1 | 1 | | | 1 | | | | | 1 | | 45 | | | | | | | 9 | | 1 | 35 | | 10 | | | |
| COROMANDEL | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | | 10 | | | | | | | | | | 10 | | | | | |
| TOTALS | 56 | 45 | 46 | 34 | 33 | 10 | 1 | | | | 59 | 17 | 4181 | 54 | 30 | 245 | 7 | 7 | 50 | 272 | 15 | 13 | 78 | 4096 | 106 | 191 | | |

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| HAURAKI PLAINS UNION | 4 | | 7 | 8 | 5 | 11 | 9 | 8 | 4 | 3 | 5 | | 98 | 332 | 3600 | 100 | 838 | M | | 67 |
| PAEROA | 10 | | 18 | 10 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 8 | 9 | 2 | 15 | | 102 | 278 | 3195 | | 338 | M | 300 | |
| WAIHI | 6 | | 6 | 5 | 5 | 2 | 3 | 8 | 7 | 2 | | | 103 | 338 | 2970 | | 369 | M | 37 | |
| TE AROHA | 6 | | 15 | 18 | 18 | 15 | 14 | 9 | 10 | 10 | 8 | 12 | 169 | 532 | 3172 | | 576 | M | 407 | |
| MORRINSVILLE | 27 | 2 | 72 | 36 | 33 | 20 | 9 | 6 | | | 8 | 10 | 485 | 1210 | 3192 | 25 | 850 | M | 409 | |
| CAMBRIDGE UNION | 12 | | 6 | 16 | 14 | 14 | 13 | 6 | 3 | | | | 151 | 453 | 3600 | | | M | | |
| HAMILTON | 31 | | 85 | 56 | 59 | 53 | 46 | 14 | 24 | 75 | 75 | | 724 | 1566 | 3114 | 246 | | C | | 1037 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 3114 | 146 | 403 | M | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 3114 | 146 | 524 | M | | |
| RAGLAN UNION | | | | 3 | 2 | 1 | 3 | | | | | | 75 | 180 | 3600 | 100 | 604 | M | 1157 | |
| HAMILTON EAST | 31 | | 71 | 79 | 74 | 63 | 62 | 64 | 32 | 23 | 20 | 20 | 577 | 1726 | 3243 | | 637 | M | 190 | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 3192 | | 583 | M | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 3192 | | 555 | M | | |
| NGARUAWAHIA UNION | 3 | | 9 | 7 | 11 | 8 | 5 | 1 | | 3 | 2 | | 60 | 250 | | | | M | | |
| HUNTLY | 12 | | 2 | 6 | 7 | 3 | 7 | 7 | 11 | 4 | | | 256 | 853 | 2875 | | 402 | M | | 1714 |
| MATAMATA UNION | 12 | 7 | 30 | 17 | 24 | 20 | 19 | 17 | 12 | 4 | 30 | | 301 | 1014 | 3255 | | 661 | M | 758 | |
| PITARURU | 5 | | 9 | 8 | 12 | 15 | 13 | 5 | 1 | | | 19 | 180 | 657 | 3114 | | 597 | M | 409 | |
| TOKOROA | 11 | | 7 | 14 | 20 | 38 | 25 | 6 | 5 | 6 | | | 237 | 950 | 3191 | 30 | 725 | M | | 3034 |

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| ROTORUA | 17 | 1 | 32 | 21 | 26 | 22 | 28 | 8 | 4 | | | 12 | 429 | 1176 | 3210 | | 540 | M | | 4 |
| TAUPO UNION | 3 | | 6 | 7 | 5 | 10 | 7 | 5 | | | 8 | | 100 | 400 | 3600 | 150 | 874 | M | 612 | |
| TAURANGA | 18 | | 42 | 38 | 50 | 58 | 30 | 15 | 14 | 16 | 32 | 48 | 477 | 1328 | 3200 | | 694 | M | 1268 | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 2852 | | 479 | M | | |
| GREERTON UNION | 4 | | 37 | 42 | 20 | 32 | 8 | 10 | 4 | 11 | | | 241 | 750 | 1500 | 45 | 290 | M | 52 | |
| TE PUKE | 9 | | 6 | 10 | 12 | 10 | 6 | 3 | 2 | 2 | | | 120 | 400 | 2874 | | 530 | M | | 419 |
| WHAKATANE-KAWERAU | 10 | | 11 | 12 | 7 | 15 | 10 | 10 | 13 | 5 | 8 | | 220 | 650 | 3032 | | 502 | M | | 90 |
| OPOTIKI UNION | 1 | | 2 | 7 | 4 | 3 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 88 | 251 | 3600 | 150 | 775 | M | 1 | |
| TE AWAMUTU | 18 | 2 | 40 | 11 | 14 | 16 | 20 | 15 | 12 | 10 | | | 246 | 750 | 3192 | 100 | 722 | M | 744 | |
| OTOROHANGA | | | 21 | 14 | | 15 | 12 | 5 | 2 | | 14 | | 106 | 334 | 1295 | | 258 | M | 661 | |
| TE KUITI | | | 2 | 4 | 2 | 4 | 5 | | | | | | 9 | 40 | | | | | | |
| TAUMARUNUI | 5 | | 6 | 9 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 5 | | | | | 130 | 450 | 3192 | 30 | 470 | M | | 742 |
| TURANGI UNION | 16 | | | 6 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 8 | | | | | 238 | 940 | 3600 | 100 | 558 | M | 493 | |
| OHURA | 1 | | 6 | | 6 | | 7 | 8 | | | | | 46 | 112 | | | | | 240 | |
| COROMANDEL | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 124 | |
| TOTALS | 285 | 12 | 558 | 474 | 455 | 473 | 388 | 263 | 177 | 184 | 237 | 145 | 6213 | 185769 | 30631368 | 5830 | | | 78627 | 2250 |
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| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 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 | | | | | |
| New Plymouth | 4 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 2 | - | 1 | 1 | - | 6 | - | 625 | 10 | 4 | 30 | 1 | 1 | 15 | 37 | - | 4 | 16 | 599 | - | 26 | | |
| Waitara | 3 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | 2 | 1 | 129 | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | 4 | - | 1 | - | 125 | - | 4 | | |
| Stratford | 3 | - | 1 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 164 | 4 | 2 | - | - | - | 1 | 10 | - | 1 | 2 | 156 | - | 8 | | |
| Eltham-Kaponga | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | 2 | - | 133 | 2 | - | - | - | - | 2 | 4 | - | - | - | 129 | - | 4 | | |
| Hawera | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | 2 | 161 | - | - | 5 | - | 2 | 1 | 2 | - | - | 2 | 163 | 2 | - | | |
| Manaiia Union | 2 | - | 1 | - | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 48 | - | - | 1 | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | - | 48 | - | - | | |
| Opunake | 3 | - | 2 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | 190 | - | - | 3 | - | - | - | 99 | - | - | 3 | 91 | - | 99 | | |
| Okato | 3 | - | 2 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | 4 | - | - | - | 3 | 97 | - | 4 | - | 4 | - | 1 | - | 103 | 103 | - | | |
| Wanganui Central | 1 | - | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | - | - | - | - | 5 | - | 310 | 7 | - | 25 | 3 | 5 | 6 | 12 | - | - | 3 | 329 | 19 | - | | |
| Wanganui North | 2 | - | 2 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 104 | - | - | 2 | - | 1 | 1 | 14 | - | - | 1 | 91 | - | 13 | | |
| Wanganui West | 2 | - | 1 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 89 | - | 1 | 4 | - | 1 | 3 | 8 | - | - | 3 | 81 | - | 8 | | |
| Taihape | 1 | - | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 34 | - | - | 2 | - | - | - | 12 | - | 18 | - | 4 | - | 30 | | |
| Inglewood Union | 1 | 1 | - | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 90 | - | - | 6 | - | - | - | 2 | - | - | - | 94 | 4 | - | | |
| Patea Reciprocol | | | | | | | | | | | | | 18 | | | | | | | | | | 18 | | | | | |
| TOTALS | 28 | 6 | 20 | 14 | 12 | 4 | - | 1 | 1 | - | 21 | 3 | 2095 | 23 | 10 | 176 | 4 | 14 | 30 | 208 | - | 25 | 30 | 2031 | 128 | 192 | | |

PART 2

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

STIPENDS etc. State of Finances At 30 June

| CIRCUITS | Baptisms | | | Children | | | | Youth | | | Adults | | Pastoral Care | | | | | | Circuit | |
|------------------|----------|-----------|------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---------------------|----------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|---------------|-------------------|-----------------|---------------|----------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|----------------|---------------|
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| New Plymouth | 30 | - | 30 | 64 | 48 | 34 | 44 | 20 | 12 | 2 | 15 | - | 1018 | 2275 | 3366 | - | 454 | M | 370 | - |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 3192 | - | 301 | C | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 3192 | - | 508 | M | | |
| Waitara | 13 | 1 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 10 | 9 | 5 | 5 | - | - | - | 286 | 826 | 3172 | - | 360 | M | 19 | - |
| Stratford | 18 | 2 | 10 | 20 | 15 | 12 | 9 | 10 | 10 | 6 | 30 | 30 | 235 | 825 | 3383 | - | 450 | M | 66 | - |
| Eltham Kaponga | 12 | - | 17 | 19 | 23 | 15 | 15 | 3 | 1 | - | - | 1 | 137 | 411 | 3251 | - | 415 | M | 115 | |
| Hawera | 18 | - | 28 | 20 | 21 | 12 | 8 | 13 | - | 5 | - | - | 295 | 700 | 2604 | - | 506 | M | 5 | - |
| Manaia Union | 9 | - | 4 | 5 | 6 | 6 | 5 | 2 | - | - | - | 4 | 70 | 200 | 3600 | 100 | 600 | M | 999 | - |
| Opunake | 7 | - | 15 | 6 | 10 | 8 | 7 | 3 | 2 | - | 4 | 1 | 136 | 477 | 3178 | - | 792 | M | 155 | - |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 1970 | - | 462 | M | | |
| Okato | 9 | - | 6 | 12 | 11 | 7 | 10 | 9 | - | - | - | - | 212 | 646 | 1268 | - | 330 | M | 577 | |
| Wanganui Central | 23 | - | 16 | 24 | 22 | 21 | 23 | 26 | 16 | 13 | - | 12 | 370 | 1010 | 3186 | 354 | 415 | M | 1349 | - |
| Wanganui North | 7 | - | 5 | 5 | 8 | 6 | 9 | 5 | 5 | 3 | - | - | 170 | 490 | 1970 | - | 295 | M | 342 | - |
| Wanganui West | 4 | 1 | 8 | 8 | 13 | 12 | 2 | - | 1 | 1 | - | - | 192 | 574 | 3244 | - | 377 | M | 156 | - |
| Taihape | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 558 | - |
| Inglewood Union | 5 | - | 2 | 11 | 7 | 5 | 8 | 3 | 3 | 2 | - | - | 167 | 668 | - | - | - | - | - | 56 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TOTALS | 155 | 4 | 146 | 200 | 191 | 148 | 149 | 99 | 55 | 32 | 49 | 48 | 3288 | 9102 | 40576 | 458 | 6265 | | 4711 | 56 |

The Methodist Church of New Zealand Hawkes Bay — Manawatu District

General Statistical Returns for the year ending 30th June, 1973

PART I

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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. Ccls. | Other Countries | Other Denominations | Ceased to Attend | | | | | | | |
| NAPIER | 5 | - | 5 | 2 | 2 | - | - | - | - | - | 7 | 1 | 399 | 1 | 4 | 21 | - | 1 | 12 | 13 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 398 | | 1 | | | | |
| HASTINGS | 3 | - | 3 | 2 | 2 | 1 | - | - | - | - | 6 | 4 | 428 | 9 | - | 13 | - | - | 14 | 20 | - | 3 | 6 | 407 | | 21 | | | | |
| GISBORNE | 1 | - | 1 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | 149 | - | - | 7 | - | - | 2 | 10 | - | - | 2 | 142 | | 7 | | | | |
| MANGAPAPA UNION | 1 | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | 26 | | | | | | | | | | | 26 | | | | | | |
| WAIROA PRES-METH. | 1 | - | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 2 | - | 46 | | | 1 | | | | 4 | | | 1 | 42 | | 4 | | | | |
| DANNEVIRKE-NORSEWOOD | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | 1 | 147 | 4 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 5 | 6 | - | - | - | 148 | 1 | | | | | |
| WOODVILLE | 1 | - | 1 | 1 | - | 1 | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | 76 | 1 | | | | | 3 | | | | 1 | 73 | | 3 | | | | |
| PAHIATUA UNION | 3 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | 3 | 1 | 74 | 2 | 2 | 10 | - | 4 | 3 | 3 | - | - | - | 86 | 12 | | | | | |
| PALMERSTON NORTH | 4 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 3 | - | - | - | - | - | 20 | 6 | 679 | 11 | 6 | 50 | 1 | 4 | 19 | 37 | 1 | - | 12 | 682 | 3 | | | | | |
| ASEHURST-BUNNYTHORPW | 3 | - | 2 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | 116 | | 1 | 2 | - | 1 | 3 | 9 | 2 | - | - | 106 | | 10 | | | | |
| FEILDING-OROUA | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | - | - | - | - | 2 | 1 | 371 | - | - | 11 | - | - | 6 | 21 | - | - | - | 355 | | 16 | | | | |
| MARTON | 1 | - | 1 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | 3 | - | 99 | - | - | 10 | - | - | 2 | 5 | - | - | 9 | 93 | | 6 | | | | |
| SANSON-RONGOTEA | 3 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | 141 | - | - | 3 | - | - | - | 5 | - | - | - | 139 | | 2 | | | | |

PART 2

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STIPENDS etc. State of Finances At 30 June

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| NAPIER | 32 | | 27 | 48 | 57 | 44 | 43 | 14 | 14 | 8 | - | 30 | 554 | 1662 | 3192 | 60 | 540 | M | 1865 | |
| HASTINGS | 29 | | 8 | 51 | 45 | 54 | 42 | 30 | 19 | 4 | 88 | 55 | 521 | 1537 | 3192 | 100 | 481 | M | 1692 | |
| GISBORNE | 16 | | 6 | 18 | 17 | 18 | 11 | 12 | 12 | - | 50 | - | 350 | 1150 | 3168 | | 406 | M | 222 | |
| MANGAPAPA UNION | | | 13 | 14 | 26 | 30 | 37 | 19 | 20 | 40 | 12 | - | 347 | | | | | | | |
| Wairoa Pres. - Meth. | 1 | | 5 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 1 | - | 5 | - | 67 | 200 | | | | | | |
| DANNEVIRKE-WORSEWOOD | 7 | | 21 | 12 | 6 | 11 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 23 | 12 | 192 | 747 | 3232 | | 483 | M | 811 | |
| WOODVILLE | 5 | | 6 | 9 | 4 | 4 | 3 | - | - | - | - | - | 82 | 230 | - | | | | 230 | |
| PAHIATUA UNION | 25 | | 181 | 18 | 15 | 12 | 10 | 5 | 11 | 2 | 26 | - | 290 | 896 | 3546 | 100 | 708 | M | | |
| PALMERSTON NORTH | 37 | 2 | 15 | 39 | 45 | 40 | 29 | 31 | 27 | 34 | 16 | 50 | 705 | 2240 | 3270 | 150 | 387 | M | 892 | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 3270 | 150 | 720 | M | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 3270 | 150 | 387 | M | | |
| ASHEURST-MUNNYTHORPE | 9 | 1 | 9 | 14 | 7 | 12 | 8 | 1 | - | - | - | - | 143 | 365 | 3201 | - | 588 | M | 816 | |
| FEILDING-OROUA | 22 | | 56 | 33 | 23 | 33 | 20 | 10 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 40 | 518 | 1690 | 3202 | 100 | 900 | M | 699 | |
| MARTON | 2 | | 5 | 8 | 12 | 20 | 6 | 6 | 8 | 2 | - | 10 | 120 | 380 | 2460 | | 413 | C | 135 | |
| SANSON-RONGOTEA | 2 | | 8 | 14 | 13 | 20 | 5 | 6 | 2 | 6 | - | 30 | 109 | 320 | 3204 | | 761 | M | 66 | |
| WAIKAWA-WAIPUKURAU | 2 | | 26 | 1 | 6 | 7 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 7 | - | - | 149 | 496 | 2472 | | 600 | M | 65 | |
| FOXTON UNION | 5 | | 27 | 15 | 15 | 11 | 10 | 10 | 7 | 8 | 40 | 20 | 150 | 374 | 3555 | | 620 | M | 860 | |
| TOTALS | 194 | 3 | 413 | 296 | 293 | 319 | 234 | 153 | 134 | 121 | 268 | 247 | 4297 | 12287 | 52881 | 900 | 9698 | 16M, 1C | 6887 | - |

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| WELLINGTON CENTRAL | 1 | - | 1 | 2 | 4 | - | - | - | - | - | 6 | 1 | 332 | - | 1 | 15 | 5 | 3 | 7 | 21 | 9 | 6 | 42 | 323 | - | 61 |
| WELLINGTON WEST | 2 | - | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | 4 | 1 | 206 | - | 3 | 6 | - | 1 | 2 | 19 | 2 | - | 11 | 132 | - | 24 |
| WELLINGTON SOUTH | 2 | - | 2 | 2 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | 96 | - | - | 3 | - | 1 | 1 | 11 | - | - | 4 | 34 | - | 12 |
| WELLINGTON EAST | 3 | - | 2 | 2 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | 234 | 2 | - | 6 | - | - | 7 | 27 | - | 2 | 31 | 195 | - | 53 |
| LOWER HUTT - PETONE | 5 | 3 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 3 | - | - | - | - | 11 | 4 | 631 | 3 | 1 | 27 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 37 | 2 | 6 | 93 | 578 | - | 103 |
| PORIRUA | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | - | - | - | - | - | 3 | - | 215 | - | - | 7 | 1 | - | 2 | 13 | 1 | 4 | 11 | 192 | - | 23 |
| UPPER HUTT | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | - | - | - | - | - | 5 | - | 261 | - | - | 3 | - | - | - | 6 | - | - | - | 263 | 2 | - |
| MARTERTON | 2 | - | 1 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | 1 | 4 | - | 199 | 5 | - | 10 | - | 1 | 1 | 15 | 2 | 2 | 9 | 135 | - | 13 |
| LEVIN | 2 | - | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | 2 | 277 | 13 | - | 3 | - | 2 | 2 | 13 | - | - | 3 | 277 | - | - |
| PARAPARAUMU | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | 2 | - | 130 | - | 3 | 23 | - | 1 | 4 | 4 | - | 1 | - | 143 | 13 | - |
| OTAKI | 1 | - | 1 | 1 | - | 1 | - | - | - | - | 3 | - | 62 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 3 | - | 1 | - | 53 | - | 4 |
| CARTERTON UNION | 1 | - | 1 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 75 | - | 1 | 2 | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | - | 78 | - | 2 |
| EKETAHUNA UNION | 2 | 4 | - | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 51 | 2 | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 52 | 1 | - |
| FEATHERSTON UNION | 1 | - | 1 | - | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 27 | - | - | 2 | - | - | 2 | 6 | - | - | - | 21 | - | 5 |

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| GREYTOWN UNION | 1 | - | 2 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | 2 | - | 37 | 1 | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | 2 | - | 35 | - | 2 | | | |
| JOHNSONVILLE UNION | 1 | - | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 4 | 97 | 5 | - | 4 | - | 1 | 8 | - | - | 2 | 90 | - | 2 | | | |
| MASTERTON (ST JAMES) UNION | 1 | 2 | - | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | 101 | 3 | 5 | 2 | - | 3 | - | - | - | 25 | 72 | - | 25 | | | |
| NEWLANDS (ST OSWALDS) UNION | 1 | - | 1 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 34 | - | - | 2 | - | - | 5 | - | - | 3 | 28 | - | 6 | | | |
| NGAIO UNION | 2 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | 132 | - | - | 10 | - | 4 | 16 | 3 | 5 | 8 | 106 | - | 26 | | | |
| TAIA UNION | 2 | - | - | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 18 | - | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 20 | 2 | - | | | |
| TAWA UNION | 1 | - | 1 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | 4 | - | 245 | 2 | - | 11 | - | 1 | 5 | - | 3 | 5 | 244 | - | 1 | | | |
| WAINUIOMATA UNION | 2 | 1 | - | 2 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 209 | 3 | - | 8 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 204 | - | 5 | | | |
| TOTALS | 39 | 15 | 31 | 36 | 29 | 9 | - | - | - | 1 | 46 | 14 | 3772 | 44 | 15 | 45 | 8 | 11 | 42 | 210 | 19 | 32 | 252 | 3421 | 23 | 368 | | |
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| WELLINGTON CENTRAL | 21 | 1 | 25 | 22 | 21 | 16 | 15 | 10 | 11 | 7 | - | 48 | 347 | 722 | 3744 | 80 | 600 | M | 2145 | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 3744 | 80 | 456 | M | | |
| " WEST | 15 | - | 15 | 24 | 17 | 21 | 16 | 5 | 4 | - | - | - | 187 | 440 | 2736 | 60 | 550 | M | 1739 | |
| " SOUTH | 3 | - | 5 | 6 | 4 | 8 | 9 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 35 | 4 | 113 | 340 | 1861 | 35 | 234 | M | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 1842 | - | 210 | M | | 42 |
| " EAST | 10 | - | 30 | 33 | 8 | 20 | 19 | 15 | 10 | 2 | - | 2 | 215 | 550 | 3240 | - | 423 | M | 56 | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 3203 | | 373 | M | | |
| LOWER HUTT - PETONE | 47 | - | 102 | 63 | 81 | 66 | 60 | 50 | 40 | 15 | - | 52 | 947 | 3116 | 3192 | 120 | 816 | M | 394 | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 1856 | 67 | 258 | M | - | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 3191 | 120 | 627 | M | - | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 3191 | 210 | 650 | M | - | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 437 | - | 185 | M | - | |
| PORIRUA | 35 | - | 34 | 56 | 35 | 31 | 29 | 14 | 11 | 5 | 47 | - | 653 | 1954 | 3050 | 60 | 831 | M | 72 | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 3050 | 60 | 381 | M | | |
| MASTERTON | 9 | - | 15 | 14 | 20 | 12 | 15 | 25 | 15 | - | 25 | 20 | 320 | 910 | 4000 | 150 | 604 | M | | |
| LEVIN | 17 | 1 | 20 | 40 | 34 | 24 | 25 | 11 | 4 | 1 | 50 | 25 | 820 | 1475 | 3240 | 40 | 633 | M | 1673 | |
| PARAPARAUMU | 6 | 1 | 10 | 11 | 27 | 28 | 13 | 5 | - | - | 20 | 13 | 258 | 794 | 3151 | 60 | 720 | M | 1480 | |

PART 2

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

STIPENDS etc. State of Finances At 30 June

| CIRCUITS | Baptisms | | | Children | | | | Youth | | | Adults | | Pastoral Care | | | | | | Circuit | |
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| GREYTOWN UNION | 2 | - | 9 | 14 | 15 | 15 | 15 | 8 | 6 | - | 8 | - | 73 | 271 | 3600 | 100 | 400 | M | 100 | |
| JOHNSONVILLE UNION | 8 | - | 10 | 17 | 16 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 9 | 1 | - | - | 135 | 365 | 3700 | 100 | 529 | - | N/A | |
| MASTERTON UNION | 14 | - | 4 | 9 | 14 | 13 | 8 | 3 | 2 | - | - | 12 | 275 | 685 | 3600 | 52 | 400 | M | 2874 | |
| NEERLANDS UNION | 9 | - | 5 | 11 | 7 | 5 | 8 | 5 | 3 | - | - | - | 39 | 157 | 3600 | 100 | 529 | M | 4034 | |
| NGAIO UNION | 16 | - | 60 | 32 | 38 | 42 | 28 | 20 | 18 | 18 | 2 | - | 286 | 901 | - | - | - | M | 1468 | |
| TAIRA UNION | 2 | - | 10 | 10 | 15 | 13 | 7 | 13 | 5 | 4 | 12 | - | 60 | 190 | 3600 | 100 | 300 | M | 415 | |
| TARA UNION | 9 | - | 16 | 23 | 32 | 32 | 32 | 20 | 15 | 22 | - | 10 | 220 | 900 | 3600 | 150 | 529 | - | 1768 | |
| TAIRUA UNION | 12 | - | - | 80 | 51 | 46 | 48 | 33 | 28 | 15 | 33 | - | 112 | 580 | 3600 | 100 | 912 | M | 70 | |
| FEATHERSTON UNION | 1 | - | 2 | 3 | 7 | 4 | - | 4 | - | 2 | - | - | 30 | 72 | - | - | - | - | 3757 | |
| OTAKI | - | - | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 5 | -5 | - | - | 12 | 6 | 63 | 160 | - | - | - | - | N/A | |
| UPPER HUTI | 22 | - | 43 | 28 | 72 | 61 | 32 | 25 | 38 | 12 | 65 | 16 | 435 | 1500 | 3191 | - | 916 | M | - | 35 |
| CARTERTON UNION | 6 | - | 6 | 9 | 8 | 10 | 8 | 6 | 3 | 3 | - | 12 | 60 | 200 | 3600 | 100 | 654 | M | N/A | |
| EKETAHUNA | 2 | - | 1 | 4 | 3 | 5 | 1 | - | 9 | - | - | - | 120 | 485 | 3600 | 100 | 534 | M | | 397 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TOTALS | 266 | 3 | 419 | 512 | 528 | 490 | 406 | 296 | 235 | 112 | 309 | 220 | 5368 | 16767 | 85704 | 2044 | 14552 | - | 22038 | 474 |
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| NELSON | 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | - | 1 | - | - | - | 4 | 7 | 404 | 6 | 2 | 25 | 3 | 4 | 8 | 26 | 6 | 2 | 8 | 394 | - | 10 | | |
| NAIMEA | 3 | - | 1 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | 2 | - | 173 | 7 | - | 5 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 9 | - | 1 | 2 | 175 | 2 | - | | |
| MOTUEKA | 3 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | 3 | - | 104 | - | 2 | 4 | - | 2 | - | 5 | - | - | 3 | 104 | - | - | | |
| MURCHISON | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 40 | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | 19 | - | - | - | 22 | - | 18 | | |
| BLINHELM | 5 | 7 | 4 | 3 | 2 | - | - | - | - | - | 9 | 3 | 452 | 1 | 1 | 13 | - | - | 12 | 25 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 427 | - | 25 | | |
| St.Luke's Union Parish,Nelson | 1 | - | 1 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | 37 | - | 1 | 2 | - | - | - | 4 | - | - | - | 36 | - | 1 | | |
| PICTON UNION PARISH | 1 | - | 1 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | 3 | - | 40 | - | - | 2 | - | - | 3 | 4 | - | - | - | 35 | - | 5 | | |
| RELTON DISTRICT UNION P. | 3 | 3 | - | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 28 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | 27 | - | 1 | | |
| BULLER UNION PARISH | 3 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | 5 | 1 | 67 | - | 2 | - | - | - | 2 | 4 | - | - | 1 | 62 | - | 5 | | |
| GREYMOUTH DISTRICT UNION P. | 2 | 8 | 2 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 140 | - | 1 | - | - | 2 | 1 | 5 | - | - | 1 | 136 | - | 4 | | |
| HOKITIKA UNION PARISH | 1 | 3 | 2 | 1 | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | 2 | - | 55 | 1 | - | - | 1 | - | 1 | 2 | - | 1 | - | 53 | - | 2 | | |
| TOTALS | 25 | 25 | 17 | 15 | 11 | 2 | - | 1 | 1 | - | 28 | 12 | 1540 | 15 | 9 | 52 | 5 | 11 | 29 | 103 | 7 | 5 | 17 | 1471 | 2 | 71 | | |

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Nelson District General Statistical Returns for the year ending 30th June, 1973

PART 2

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STIPENDS etc. State of Finances At 30 June

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| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 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 | | | |
| Durham Street | 3 | - | 4 | 3 | 2 | 5 | - | - | - | - | 5 | | 662 | - | 2 | 10 | - | - | 12 | 40 | - | - | 8 | 614 | - | 48 |
| Christchurch Central Mission | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cambridge Terrace | 1 | - | 1 | 2 | 2 | - | - | - | - | - | 2 | 1 | 80 | - | - | 3 | - | - | 2 | 5 | - | - | 1 | 75 | - | 5 |
| Christchurch East | 7 | 3 | 9 | 4 | 3 | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | 5 | 3 | 736 | 14 | 4 | 31 | 6 | 4 | 17 | 38 | - | 8 | 14 | 718 | - | 18 |
| Sumner-Redcliffs Union Parish | 2 | - | 2 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | 4 | - | 103 | - | - | 2 | - | - | 1 | 3 | - | - | - | 101 | - | 2 |
| Sth. East Ch.Ch. Union Parish | 1 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | 56 | 3 | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | 23 | 36 | - | 20 |
| Lyttelton Union Parish | 1 | 4 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 21 | - | 8 | 8 | - | 77 | 3 | 6 | - | - | - | 105 | 84 | - |
| Opawa | 1 | - | 1 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | 134 | - | - | 2 | - | - | 2 | 4 | - | 2 | - | 128 | - | 6 |
| Sydenham | 2 | - | 2 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | 6 | 4 | 174 | - | 9 | 12 | - | - | 4 | 9 | - | - | 10 | 172 | - | 2 |
| Spreydon | 2 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 1 | - | - | - | - | 2 | - | 309 | - | - | 11 | 3 | - | 4 | 21 | - | 5 | - | 293 | - | 16 |
| Riccarton | 3 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 1 | - | - | - | - | 12 | 1 | 316 | 7 | - | 30 | 2 | 8 | 3 | 13 | - | 2 | 4 | 341 | 25 | - |
| St. Albans | 4 | 1 | 6 | 4 | 4 | 1 | - | - | - | - | 12 | - | 744 | - | 3 | 25 | - | 11 | 14 | 40 | - | 4 | 11 | 714 | - | 30 |
| Papanui | 2 | - | 1 | 2 | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | 2 | 6 | 6 | 322 | 4 | 3 | 37 | 1 | 1 | 9 | 9 | - | 5 | 10 | 335 | 13 | - |
| Hornby | 4 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | 2 | 1 | 140 | 8 | 1 | 39 | - | - | 1 | 62 | - | 2 | 7 | 116 | - | 24 |

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| Lincoln Union Parish | 2 | 3 | 2 | I | - | - | - | - | - | - | I | - | - | - | - | 52 | - | - | I | I | - | - | - | 50 | 50 | - | | | | |
| Leeston | 4 | - | 4 | I | I | - | - | - | - | - | I | - | 196 | 7 | 4 | - | - | 2 | I | 10 | - | - | - | 198 | 2 | - | | | | |
| Kaipoi | 3 | - | 2 | I | I | - | - | - | - | - | I | - | 189 | - | - | 3 | - | - | I | 2 | - | - | I | 188 | - | I | | | | |
| Rangiora | 4 | - | 4 | 2 | I | - | - | - | - | - | 4 | - | 289 | I | I | 15 | - | - | 8 | 19 | - | - | I | 278 | - | 11 | | | | |
| Greendale | 4 | 3 | - | I | I | - | - | - | - | - | I | | 117 | - | - | 3 | - | - | I | 2 | 3 | - | - | 114 | - | 3 | | | | |
| Oxford Dist. Union Parish | 2 | 2 | 3 | I | - | - | - | - | - | - | 3 | 2 | 80 | - | - | 4 | - | - | 2 | 7 | - | - | - | 75 | - | 5 | | | | |
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| | 52 | 20 | 53 | 30 | 24 | 9 | - | - | I | 2 | 68 | 18 | 4668 | 44 | 36 | 287 | 12 | 103 | 87 | 291 | 3 | 28 | 90 | 4651 | 174 | 191 | | | | |
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| Durham Street | 18 | - | 66 | 40 | 37 | 34 | 33 | 23 | 11 | 16 | 12 | 50 | 539 | 1362 | 3132 | 120 | 407 | M | 27 | - |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 3062 | 120 | 411 | M | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 3062 | 120 | 411 | M | | |
| Ch.Ch. Central Mission | 10 | - | 15 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 76 | 142 | 3303 | - | Conf Rates | M | 182 | - |
| Cambridge Terrace | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 3203 | | 100 | M | | |
| Christchurch East | 71 | 6 | 102 | 131 | 105 | 100 | 91 | 59 | 49 | 35 | 168 | 20 | 1428 | 3637 | 3191 | - | 450 | M | 1528 | - |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 3191 | - | 400 | M | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 3191 | - | 400 | M | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 586 | - | 66 | M | | |
| Sumner-Redcliffs Union P. | 2 | - | 16 | 14 | 15 | 10 | 7 | 16 | 15 | 3 | 12 | 30 | 203 | 591 | 3546 | 100 | 479 | C | 340 | - |
| South East Ch.Ch. Union P. | - | 3 | 15 | 10 | 19 | 10 | 18 | 18 | 14 | 8 | 16 | - | 233 | 700 | 3600 | - | 604 | M | 250 | - |
| Lytelton Union Parish | 10 | - | 3 | 14 | 14 | 15 | 4 | 5 | 5 | - | - | - | 366 | 972 | 2567 | 100 | 543 | M | - | 100 |
| Opawa | 9 | - | 28 | 14 | 21 | 25 | 19 | 12 | 20 | 16 | 52 | - | 220 | 690 | 3162 | - | - | C | 65 | - |
| Sydenham | 3 | - | 14 | 21 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 14 | 9 | 20 | 30 | 15 | 230 | 560 | 3192 | - | 407 | M | 192 | - |
| Spreydon | 26 | - | 20 | 21 | 32 | 52 | 43 | 19 | 57 | 63 | 75 | 6 | +758 | +2825 | 3191 | - | 522 | M | - | 746 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 2860 | - | 234 | M | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 769 | - | 177 | M | | |
| Riccarton | 24 | - | 39 | 71 | 64 | 46 | 50 | 26 | 35 | 16 | 290 | 61 | 514 | 1431 | 3191 | - | 420 | M | 110 | - |
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| St. Albans | 25 | 3 | 82 | 80 | 77 | 75 | 73 | 60 | 37 | 19 | 189 | 40 | 1023 | 2693 | 3211 | 60 | 409 | M | - | - |
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| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 3191 | 60 | 402 | M | | |
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| Papanui | 15 | 1 | 94 | 46 | 34 | 50 | 38 | 29 | 12 | 29 | 25 | 15 | 360 | 1083 | 3136 | - | 400 | M | 338 | - |
| Hornby | 4 | - | 14 | 41 | 26 | 24 | 36 | 8 | 6 | 17 | 9 | - | 321 | 1133 | 3112 | - | 703 | M | 106 | - |
| Lincoln Union Parish | - | - | 3 | 9 | 6 | 4 | 4 | 2 | - | - | - | - | 58 | 178 | 3600 | 100 | 679 | M | - | - |
| Leeston | 10 | - | 46 | 17 | 16 | 17 | 11 | 10 | 4 | 1 | - | - | 146 | 447 | 3181 | - | 656 | M | 2 | - |
| Kalapoi | 10 | - | 54 | 10 | 23 | 24 | 19 | 17 | 19 | 6 | - | - | 314 | 842 | 3191 | - | 378 | M | 774 | - |
| Rangiora | 21 | - | 25 | 34 | 17 | 30 | 32 | 14 | 13 | 5 | 6 | - | 332 | 950 | 3165 | - | 516 | M | 73 | - |
| Greendale | | | All Christian Education Work being done jointly with all denominations | | | | | | | | | | | | 3191 | - | 800 | M | 438 | - |
| Oxford Dist. Union Parish | 6 | - | - | 12 | 15 | 9 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 2 | - | 16 | 84 | 324 | 3600 | 100 | 800 | M | 1002 | - |
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| * Represents Presbyterian - Methodist Union Parish figures. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Bank Street | 1 | | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | 1 | 1 | 105 | | | 4 | | | 4 | 5 | | | | 100 | | 5 |
| Woodland Street | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | 1 | | 223 | | | 3 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 11 | | 3 | | 209 | | 14 |
| Waimate | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | 1 | | 116 | 1 | | 4 | 2 | | 2 | | | | | 121 | 5 | |
| Geraldine Temuka | 2 | | 2 | 1 | | *1 | 1 | | | | 2 | | 118 | | 2 | 3 | | | 4 | 6 | | 1 | | 112 | | 6 |
| Ashburton | 4 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | | | | | 3 | 3 | 290 | 2 | 4 | 16 | | | 7 | 12 | | 2 | | 291 | 1 | |
| Willowby | 2 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | 3 | 1 | 76 | 10 | 1 | | | | 3 | | | | | 84 | 8 | |
| St. David's Union | 1 | | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | 59 | 4 | 1 | 5 | | | 1 | | | | | 68 | 9 | |
| Oamaru | 1 | | 2 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | 1 | 165 | | 2 | 10 | | 6 | 5 | 2 | | 3 | | 173 | 8 | |
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| Bank Street | 4 | | 7 | 10 | 9 | 11 | 10 | 10 | 12 | 9 | 44 | | 175 | 400 | 3204 | 104 | 480 | M | 37 | |
| Woodland Street | 14 | | 46 | 15 | 18 | 35 | 13 | 21 | 14 | 2 | 10 | 12 | 276 | 790 | 3204 | 50 | 600 | M | 33 | |
| Waimata | 4 | | 20 | 7 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 6 | 4 | 4 | | 10 | 141 | 302 | 3116 | 30 | 634 | M | 985 | |
| Geraldine Temuka | 3 | | 10 | 16 | 17 | 3 | 6 | 3 | | | 49 | | 117 | 347 | 2777 | 30 | 504 | M | 7 | |
| Ashburton | 23 | | 76 | 42 | 40 | 61 | 52 | 26 | 20 | 7 | 102 | 16 | 413 | 1050 | 3303 | | 459 | M | 31 | |
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| Willowby | 2 | | 10 | 14 | 12 | 20 | 14 | 8 | 6 | 5 | 8 | 12 | 98 | 312 | 3204 | 30 | 600 | M | 386 | |
| St. David's Union | 3 | 1 | 5 | 13 | 13 | 17 | 11 | 7 | 6 | 5 | | 15 | 130 | 390 | 3546 | 100 | 479 | M | 289 | |
| Oamaru | 9 | 1 | 6 | 15 | 13 | 19 | 17 | 19 | 15 | 7 | 8 | 12 | 243 | 690 | 3192 | 102 | 538 | M | 2698 | |
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| Totals | 62 | 2 | 180 | 132 | 127 | 170 | 126 | 100 | 77 | 39 | 221 | 77 | 1593 | 4281 | 28992 | 446 | 5041 | | 4466 | |
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PART I

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| NORTH DUNEDIN | 2 | - | 2 | 1 | 2 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | 98 | - | 3 | 2 | - | - | 3 | 6 | - | - | 7 | 87 | - | 11 |
| MORNINGTON | 1 | - | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 100 | - | - | 1 | - | - | 1 | 2 | - | - | - | 98 | - | 2 |
| DUNEDIN SOUTH | 4 | - | 3 | 2 | 2 | - | - | - | - | - | 4 | - | 219 | 2 | 3 | 14 | - | - | 2 | 5 | 2 | - | 1 | 228 | 9 | - |
| ST. KILDA | 4 | - | 1 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | 2 | - | 111 | 5 | - | 4 | 3 | - | 2 | - | - | - | - | 121 | 10 | - |
| MILTON-LAWRENCE | 2 | - | 2 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | 2 | - | 61 | - | - | 5 | - | 1 | 1 | 12 | - | 3 | 6 | 45 | - | 16 |
| BALCLUTHA | 1 | - | 1 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 115 | - | - | 2 | - | - | - | 9 | - | - | - | 108 | - | 7 |
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PART 2

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

STIPENDS etc. State of Finances At 30 June

| CIRCUITS | Baptisms | | | Children | | | | Youth | | | Adults | | Pastoral Care | | | | | | | Circuit | |
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| DUNEDIN CENTRAL MISSION | 6 | - | 7 | - | 3 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 1 | - | - | 1 | 185 | 355 | 3511 | - | 762 | M | - | 662 | |
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| NORTH DUNEDIN | 3 | - | 6 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | 115 | 230 | 1200 | - | 400 | M | 724 | - | |
| MORNINGTON | 2 | - | 6 | 6 | 12 | 12 | 6 | 7 | 6 | 1 | 6 | - | 110 | 270 | 3191 | 30 | 380 | M | - | 426 | |
| DUNEDIN SOUTH | 10 | 1 | 29 | 16 | 19 | 19 | 17 | 7 | 18 | 9 | 12 | 16 | 348 | 1182 | 3383 | - | 502 | M | 123 | - | |
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| ST KILDA | 8 | - | 15 | 6 | 9 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 12 | 24 | - | 10 | 257 | 586 | 3191 | - | 612 | M | 175 | - | |
| MILTON/LAWRENCE | 1 | - | 5 | 14 | 8 | 10 | 4 | 5 | 1 | 2 | - | 17 | 108 | 325 | 1347 | 30 | 600 | M | 304 | - | |
| BALCLUTHA | 4 | - | 9 | 11 | 8 | 8 | 4 | 8 | - | - | 10 | - | 160 | 480 | 2527 | 104 | 267 | M | - | 304 | |
| GORE | 3 | - | 38 | 33 | 22 | 14 | 7 | 6 | 6 | 12 | 6 | 12 | 177 | 565 | 3191 | 30 | 271 | C | - | 70 | |
| INVERCARGILL | 31 | 4 | 33 | 51 | 41 | 43 | 39 | 40 | 14 | 6 | 24 | - | 811 | 2362 | 3126 | 54 | 486 | M | 671 | - | |
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Methodist Church of New Zealand

Otago - Southland District

General Statistical Returns for the year ending 30th June, 1973

PART 2

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

STIPENDS etc. State of Finances At 30 June

| CIRCUITS | Baptisms | | | Children | | | | Youth | | | Adults | | Pastoral Care | | | | | | Circuit | |
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| WEST HARBOUR UNITED | 1 | - | 3 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 3 | - | - | - | 93 | 285 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| WEST DUNEDIN UNION | 2 | - | 10 | 12 | 11 | 13 | 13 | 15 | 11 | 23 | 2 | - | 15 | 660 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| CORSTORPHINE/CONCORD UNION | - | - | 4 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 2 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| GRANTS BRAES UNION | - | - | - | 3 | 3 | 7 | 10 | 3 | 3 | - | - | - | 50 | 160 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| RIVERTON UNION | - | - | 1 | 3 | 5 | 4 | 5 | - | - | - | - | - | 5 | 199 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| WAIOMO UNION | No returns filed | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TEVIOT UNION | 2 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 51 | 178 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| ALEXANDRA/CLYDE UNION | 1 | - | - | 7 | 6 | 5 | 4 | - | - | - | - | - | 41 | 137 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
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| 1973 TOTALS | 85 | 5 | 170 | 181 | 166 | 162 | 131 | 121 | 81 | 77 | 60 | 57 | 2923 | 6516 | 42646 | 386 | 6940 | | 2246 | 2092 |
| 1972 TOTALS | 109 | 4 | 267 | 265 | 262 | 282 | 204 | 155 | 116 | 129 | 46 | 79 | 3034 | 8629 | 40259 | 621 | 7823 | | 3461 | 3410 |

THE JOINT COMMISSION ON CHURCH UNION, 1973

Roll of members, 6 September, 1973

Anglican: The Right Rev. P. A. Reeves (Convener), The Most Rev. A. H. Johnston, The Right Rev. M. A. Bennett, The Right Rev. E. A. Gowing, The Right Rev. W. W. Robinson, The Ven. W. M. Davies, The Very Rev. J. O. Rymer, The Ven. R. B. Somerville, The Rev. P. A. Stuart, Mr J. C. Cottrell, Mr M. J. Q. Poole, Mr D. M. Wylie. Proxies: The Rev. Canon B. J. Machell, The Rev. M. I. May, Mr W. R. Metekingi.

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Methodist: The Rev. W. J. Morrison (Convener), The Rev. C. D. Clark, The Rev. W. F. Ford, The Rev. J. Grundy, The Rev. A. K. Petch (Chairman), The Rev. R. D. Rakena, The Rev. W. R. Laws, Mr G. H. Peak. Proxy: The Rev. R. G. Bell.

Presbyterian: The Rev. R. K. J. Clarke (Convener), The Rev. J. A. Balchin, The Rev. D. J. Brown, The Rev. Principal F. W. R. Nichol, The Rev. N. E. Ripley, The Rev. H. S. Scott, The Rev. P. B. Taka, Mrs H. P. Anderson, Mr D. G. Weir. Proxies: The Rev. D. C. Evans, Mr G. R. Milne.

Secretary: The Rev. J. E. Stewart.

NINTH REPORT TO THE NEGOTIATING CHURCHES

The Joint Commission on Church Union in New Zealand submits this, its Ninth Report to the Negotiating Churches, dated 6 September, 1973.

The Report comprises the following sections:

I. "IN A COMMON OBEDIENCE"

- A. The Commission
- B. The Executive
- C. The Chairman
- D. The Committees
- E. Personal

II. "INTO ONE CHURCH"

- A. The Processes of Decision
- B. Co-operation and Organic Union
- C. Guidelines for Co-operating Parishes
- D. Unification of Administration and Activities
- E. Experiment and Relationships in Ministry
- F. Clergy Workshops, 1973

III. "TO RECEIVE NEW INSIGHTS"

- A. The Work of the Committees
- B. Consultation on Continuing Education for Ministry

IV. "TO DO TOGETHER"

- A. The Joint National Committee on Church Extension
- B. The Joint Board of Theological Studies
- C. The Negotiating Churches' Board of Christian Education

V. THE WORKING OF THE COMMISSION

- A. Finance
- B. Relationship with the J.N.C.C.E.
- C. The next meeting

I. "IN A COMMON OBEDIENCE"

A. The Commission

The Commission met in Wesley Lounge, Wellington, on 21-22 November, 1972. The Chairman, the Most Reverend A. H. Johnston, presided, 34 members and proxies and the Convener of the Study Committee on Maori Participation being present. Opening worship each day was conducted by the Rev. Dr G. R. Ferguson, one of the ministers of the Inner City Ministry, Wellington. On the 22nd, the Commission adjourned to Wesley Church for the celebration of Holy Communion, the Rev. J. B. Chambers presiding with other members of the Commission assisting.

The Commission met in Wesley Lounge, Wellington, on 29-30 May 1973. The Chairman presided, 34 members and proxies being present. Opening worship each day was conducted by the Rev. A. G. Georgantis, Vicar of Wadestown. On the 29th the Commission adjourned to Wesley Church for the celebration of Holy Communion, the Rev. J. A. Penman presiding, assisted by Mr E. C. Flyger, Vice-President of the Conference of the Methodist Church of New Zealand.

B. The Executive

The Executive met on 28-29 September 1972, 20 November 1972, 14 February, 23 May, 28 June and 5-6 September 1973. It reported fully to the meetings of the Commission.

C. The Chairman

At the first session of the meeting on 29 May, the Chairman advised the Commission that because of his heavy responsibilities and his lengthened term of office as chairman, he desired to relinquish the position. At a later session the Commission regretfully accepted his resignation. The Commission recorded its gratitude for the invaluable services and trusted leadership of Archbishop Johnston during the last five years, acknowledging the way that he had encouraged the growth of mutual trust and goodwill within the Commission and giving "thanks to God for his wise judgment, brotherly spirit and deep concern for the unity and mission of the Church".

It was agreed that the Reverend A. K. Petch be appointed chairman for a period of two years.

D. The Committees

The publication of The Plan For Union in 1971 completed the work of quite a number of the Study Committees and they have not met during the past year. The Commission would repeat the expression of appreciation of the work of its Committees which was made in the 1971 Report. The work of those continuing is referred to in Section III of this Report.

E. Personal

At the May meeting, the Commission recorded "its deep regret at the death of the Rt. Rev. H. W. Baines, a member since its formation, its recognition of his many services in its work, particularly as Convener of the Study Committee on the Sacraments and its gratitude to God for the encouragement of its hopes which resulted from his dedication of his capacities and his enrichment of its fellowship".

At the same meeting the Chairman referred to the death of Mr L. B. Quartermain who had been appointed to the Joint Standing Committee in 1959 and had been a member of the Commission until November, 1968. A resolution expressed "appreciation of the zeal and devotion shown by Mr Quartermain in the establishment of the Commission and the formative years of its work".

II. "INTO ONE CHURCH"

A. The Processes of Decision

Under this heading, the Report last year outlined the way that following the "expression of advice and approval by means of a referendum", each Church would make its decision on the proposal to unite. Four of the negotiating Churches made decisions in October and November 1972 and the other, the Anglican, is engaged now in a process which leads up to the decision by the General Synod in March 1974.

The issue of Background, No. 10, January 1973, included "a concise record of the resolutions so far passed by the Church courts". This was based on reports furnished by the Conveners and is reproduced here together with resolutions passed during 1973.

ANGLICAN

General Synod, April, 1972

"That this General Synod receives the Plan for Union 1971 and adopts the same with a view to its being made known to the diocesan synods in the same manner as a proposal is made known pursuant to Clause 2, 3 and 4 of Title C, Canon I, as the basis upon which the Church of the Province may enter into union with the other negotiating Churches."

This is the constitutional means by which the decision-making process began and in accordance with which the dioceses are now making their decision.

"That this General Synod warmly approves the Plan for Union 1971 and, believing that the General Synod resolution of 1964 has been fulfilled, commends it to the Church of the Province for study and decision."

This was intended to give the Province some kind of indication of the mind of the General Synod regarding the Plan for Union, as it commended it to the Church. The reference back to the resolution of General Synod 1964 is not without importance. This 1964 resolution reads as follows:

"That this Synod accepts as a starting point the Lambeth Statement re-affirmed in 1958 and set out as follows:

'We believe that the visible unity of the Church will be found to involve the wholehearted acceptance of:

'The Holy Scriptures, as the record of God's revelation of himself to man, and as being the rule and ultimate standard of faith; and the Creed commonly called the Nicene, as the sufficient statement of the Christian faith, and either it or the Apostles' Creed as the Baptismal confession of belief:

'The divinely instituted sacraments of Baptism and the Holy Communion as expressing for all the corporate life of the whole fellowship in and with Christ:

'A ministry acknowledged by every part of the Church as possessing not only the inward call of the Spirit, but also the commission of Christ and the authority of the whole body.'"

The response of the Diocesan Synods to the Motion of General Synod has been as follows:

Waiapu—October 1972

That (a) This Synod having received the Plan for Union 1971 adopts the same as a basis upon which the Church of the Province of New Zealand may enter into union with the other negotiating Churches. (b) General Synod be informed of this decision. Carried.

Waikato—June 1973

That this Synod endorses the resolution of the Provincial Commission on Church Union that the acceptance of the Plan for Union by the General Synod in 1974 represents the best way forward for the Church of the Province in this present day. Carried.

Nelson—June 1973

1. That bearing in mind that in the September referendum the clergy of the Diocese voted against the Plan for Union 1971 by a majority of 28 to 18 and the laity returned an adverse vote of 1925 to 1491 this Synod does not consider that the Church of the Province of New Zealand should enter into union with the other negotiating Churches at this stage, but requests General Synod to authorise and encourage consultations in the search for greater unity with those Churches and with other Churches in the mainstream of the ecumenical movement.

2. That this Synod renews its commitment to seek organic union with the other negotiating Churches. Carried.

Wellington—July 1973

- (a) That as the result of the Referendum within the Church of the Province shows that in the Church there is not yet sufficient agreement, this Synod with deep regret is not able to endorse entry into union under the Plan for Union 1971, at this time.
- (b) That this Synod, noting the result of the Referendum in all the negotiating Churches, strongly encourages continuing negotiations and education towards ultimate union.
- (c) That this Synod recommends that all Parishes co-operate with neighbouring congregations of other Churches by sharing the sacraments, services and mission to the fullest extent permitted by the Constitution. Carried.

Auckland—July 1973

That this Synod declares its readiness to proceed to union with the Associated Churches of Christ in New Zealand, the Congregational Union of New Zealand, the Methodist Church of New Zealand and the Presbyterian Church of New Zealand, in accordance with the 1971 Plan for Union. Carried.

Dunedin—August, 1973

That this Synod adopts the Plan for Union 1971 as the basis upon which the Church of the Province may enter into union with the other negotiating Churches. Lost.

That this Synod recommends to General Synod that—

- (a) This Synod, noting the result of the Referendum in all the negotiating Churches, strongly encourages continuing negotiations and education towards ultimate union.
- (b) Every effort be made throughout the country to renew and revitalise the Church and that this effort be timed to coincide, if possible, with the "Key 75" project and the Holy Year of the Roman Catholic Church. Carried.

Christchurch—Decision in October 1973.

ASSOCIATED CHURCHES OF CHRIST

The Convener reported a majority decision of the Associated Churches of Christ Annual Conference in favour of uniting with other negotiating churches on the basis of the Plan for Union 1971. Each affiliated church will need ultimately to determine by the decision of a congregational meeting its future relationship to the proposed Church of Christ in New Zealand following upon the decision of the Anglican General Synod in 1974.

An assurance was given that all the churches in the Association of the Conference would continue in undivided fellowship meanwhile and seek to engage unitedly in furthering the mission of the Church through restoration of New Testament order and Revival.

In the meantime the Conference decided unanimously to remain in association with the Joint Commission on Church Union and to continue to encourage all ways of common action possible.

CONGREGATIONAL UNION

At the recent Assembly it was noted that six Churches had declared they would not go into Union and two Churches would. So a resolution was passed agreeing that when Union came, all possible co-operation would be given the two Churches that decided for Union with respect to transfer of properties. In the meantime the Congregational Union would play its full part in the various Committees of the Joint Commission.

A Resolution was passed in the following terms:

"That this Assembly of CUNZ interprets the results of the vote of Congregational Churches on the Plan for Church Union as a clear indication that most of our Churches do not see this Plan as the one on which they wish to enter into Church Union.

"Nevertheless we will commend to the gracious leading of God in Jesus Christ and to the United Churches, those local Churches which have decided to unite on the basis of this Plan, and pledge the Congregational Union of New Zealand to continue to seek such denominational union and co-operation as is pleasing to the Lord and to our Churches."

METHODIST

"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.

"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.

"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."

PRESBYTERIAN

1971 General Assembly

"Conscious that in 1967 the five Churches 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."

1972 General Assembly

1. That the Presbyterian Church of New Zealand enter into union on the basis of the Plan for Union 1971.

2. That the General Assembly, conscious of the Act of Commitment in 1967, resolves to wait for the final decision of all the five negotiating Churches before implementing the Assembly's decision to unite.

3. That presbyteries, sessions and church members be encouraged to instigate and continue conversations and co-operation on all aspects of church life with members, congregations and synods of other communions.

4. That Assembly committees, wherever appropriate, explore through the J.C.C.U. ways of unifying their administration and activities with the corresponding agencies of the negotiating Churches.

B. Co-operation and Organic Union

1. In December 1972, a study document entitled "Concepts of Unity and Models of Union" was received from the Commission on Faith and Order of the World Council of Churches. The opening paragraph is as follows:

"Church unity is one of the goals of the ecumenical movement. Division is contrary to the will of Christ. It obscures his presence. The divided and scattered people of God must therefore become visibly one in the unity which Christ wills and gives. Recently this goal was strongly reaffirmed by the World Council of Churches. The Central Committee inserted the following sentence into the Constitution: 'to call the churches to the goal of visible unity in one faith and in one eucharistic fellowship, expressed in worship and in common life in Christ, and to advance towards that unity in order that the world may believe' (Constitution, Functions and Purposes, (i)). A great deal has been done to bring the churches nearer to this goal. But where have all these efforts brought us? The prayers for unity? The dialogue and discussions, the joint witness and co-operation, the energetic and patient negotiations in commissions and synods? Since the ecumenical movement began we have travelled a long way, but does this way lead towards the goal? Or are the churches chasing a will o' the wisp which always keeps out of reach however far they travel? It is time to re-examine these questions."

2. The Executive decided that in the circumstances of the negotiations for union and the growing relationships between our Churches, it would be beneficial for the Commission to make a careful study of this document. This was felt to be desirable, partly to help

us to make some scrutiny and assessment of the results of our offering 'our utmost endeavours that by the Holy Spirit we may be brought into one Church according to His will'. But the paper itself drew attention to the wide dimensions and changing perspectives inherent in "the Church's constant endeavour to achieve the unity of which it speaks in the Creed, to make that unity visible where it has been obscured and to restore it where it has been lost. The achievement of unity cannot be compared with the solving of a jigsaw puzzle with all the pieces given and needing only imagination, time and patience to put together the complete picture. As the churches engage in fulfilling their task, the task itself assumes a new form. In its fragmented state, the Church is not something fixed and given, but a living thing. The Church lives, preaches, is related to the world around it, it influences and is influenced by that world. The criteria for establishing unity are not fixed in advance. In every fresh situation they have to be re-examined."

3. A group in Hamilton prepared a full summary of this paper and listed various questions which arose from our own New Zealand situation. This summary was circulated to members beforehand and a group in Dunedin prepared comments on it which were issued at the meeting. The Commission devoted an afternoon session to this study, in four groups for an hour and then in general discussion.

4. A statement was prepared expressing some of the points that had arisen, and after revision at a later session, it was approved for inclusion in this Report. It is as follows:

LOCAL CO-OPERATION AND ORGANIC UNION, A STATEMENT APPROVED BY THE COMMISSION MAY 1973

1. Local co-operative ventures are in themselves no substitute for organic union. Without union in the end they wither. National and regional structures are needed for the furtherance of mission, evangelism and ministry. These structures will be enabling — not oppressive — and intended to provide resources at the local level, while allowing experimental freedom to meet changing situations in our mobile society.

2. In the event of union there will be no hasty amalgamation of local areas into parishes of the united Church. The Plan for Union has always recognised (para. 497) that initially each existing parish continues as an interim parish of the united Church. The determination of parish boundaries being the function of each Diocese, the Commission believes there will be consultation with and respect for the particular needs of each congregation and area. The Plan (paras. 63-65) recognises that the life of the Church will involve varying traditions of worship. The Commission is aware that diversity now enriches the life of the Church, and that this diversity will continue in the united Church. Similarly, the concept of team ministries will not be appropriate in every case.

3. Pending the final decision on union, the Commission believes that its present role is to support existing and future co-operative

ventures. To meet situations where Union Parishes and Joint Use Agreements are not appropriate, it has prepared guidelines to permit the formation of "Co-operating Parishes" as an interim measure aimed at meeting the needs of areas wishing to become partners in unity and mission. The Commission has requested the various Church Union Committees to permit it to play a more direct and active role in encouraging, implementing and guiding common action in our denominational groups at all levels. With its source materials and secretarial assistance it is the belief of the Commission that a more effective mission orientated approach to common action will result.

4. Many of the negotiating Churches feel a sense of indecision and confusion because progress towards union is slower in some areas than others. The Commission is not dismayed by these different rates of progress. Nor does the Commission envisage that, in the years after union, all congregations would share the same degree of involvement with other neighbouring congregations. Yet their merging in the One Body is acknowledged by the acceptance of a common oversight and opportunity provided by the united Church. So long as the united Church is a more effective instrument of mission, Christ centred differences and diversity are strengths not weaknesses.

5. The negotiating Churches have spent nearly 10 years in formulating the Plan for Union, and during that time they have experienced the strains resulting from increased urbanisation of Maori and Pakeha, the need for ministry to increasing numbers of Pacific Islanders in New Zealand cities, the impact of "secular theology" of the late 60's, the charismatic movement in the Churches, the swing against institutionalism in any form and the search for informal styles of worship. The Commission is confident that, under God, the Plan for Union possesses the form and flexibility to meet the challenges facing His Church in the future.

C. Guidelines for Co-operating Parishes

1. The Joint National Committee on Church Extension presented its report to the November meeting of the Commission with the title "Co-operative Ventures — A Continuing Story". It began: "Between July 1972 when the Annual Report of the JNCCE was prepared, and November 1972 — five months later — Union Parishes have been approved for 10 more areas. . . In the same period, Joint Use of Buildings agreements have been approved in three Hamilton areas." The situation at that date, November 1972, was summarised as follows:

- "1. There are now 56 Union Parishes and 25 Joint Use Agreements.
2. Anglicans are involved in 27 Co-operative Ventures, Presbyterians in 90, Methodists in 96 and Churches of Christ in 8.
3. There are at least 250 congregational units involved in joint ventures."

"It is clear that when the debate on the Plan for Union was active in the congregations of the negotiating Churches, discussions were continuing to increase commitment in co-operative work at the

local level. This significant activity is understandable only on the assumption that it is widely accepted that Union at the national level is probable in the foreseeable future, and that this justifies the enthusiastic exploring of joint action with other local congregations of the negotiating Churches."

2. The JNCCE also reported that: "The need was felt in the Auckland area for a 'Model Constitution for a Union Parish in which all the Churches now negotiating for Union could participate', and the Joint Regional Committee appointed a representative committee to prepare the draft of such a constitution. The Joint National Committee received a copy of this draft and referred it to the Church Union Committees of the negotiating Churches as it involved principles wider than they considered themselves competent to handle."

3. After discussing the report, the Commission decided that a consultation should be called "to consider a possible constitution of a union parish, and other means of co-operation that could include all the negotiating Churches".

4. A preparatory meeting was held on 15 February at which the reports on the proposed Model Constitution were received from Church Union Committees. The discussion resulted in four points of agreement:

- (i) The Model Constitution proposed by the Auckland Joint Regional Committee was referred to Church Union Committees for consideration but it is apparent that it does not overcome the real difficulties in the sphere of ministry.
- (ii) The desire for co-operation in both urban and rural areas is both pressing and widespread. Until it is possible for the negotiating Churches to come together in union, an attempt ought to be made to meet this need within the present constitutional structures of the Churches concerned.
- (iii) Two ways of co-operation by all the negotiating Churches are already available:
 - A. Joint Use Schemes
 - B. Team Ministries
 These provide a wide range of opportunities for co-operation, particularly where a multiple ministry is possible.
- (iv) There is need for provision to be made for forming co-operating parishes where the Churches involved concur in the principle of one minister acting for all the Churches in that area. This type of arrangement would
 - (a) include provision for meeting where necessary particular sacramental requirements or pastoral needs of the people or the constitutional requirements of their Church;
 - (b) provide for the various courts (Vestry, Session, Quarterly Meeting) to meet when required by their Church's constitution;
 - (c) include a Parish Council to have oversight of the life of the Parish;
 - (d) involve approval by the district courts of the Churches concerned.

This was reported to the JNCCE and to Church Union Committees which confirmed the desirability of holding a Consultation.

5. The Consultation was held in Wellington on 24 May, fifteen representatives appointed by their Church Committees attending together with four others. A preliminary draft of a model agreement had been prepared. The Consultation agreed that the best approach in the situation would be for the Commission to make recommendations in the nature of "guidelines" which would provide for an orderly development and yet leave room for adaptability according to various circumstances. It therefore approved a revision entitled "Guidelines for forming a Co-operating Parish" for submission to the Commission on 29-30 May.

6. The report of the Consultation was carefully considered by the Commission. Discussion revealed that in many districts there is a strong desire for some such provision to be made as a matter of urgency. After further revision of the document, the Commission decided that it should be sent to Church Union Committees for them to make their comments to the Executive which was authorised to take whatever action is necessary for its fullest implementation. At the date of this report, not all the replies have been received. The document as approved is as follows:

GUIDELINES FOR FORMING A CO-OPERATING PARISH (ENABLING NEGOTIATING CHURCHES TO WORK TOGETHER AS ONE PARISH WHERE IT IS NOT POSSIBLE TO FORM A UNION PARISH)

INTRODUCTION

1. A Co-operating Parish is one in which the Churches involved in the present agreement concur in the principle of one minister acting for all the Churches in that area. This may involve the other Churches regarding their parish(es) as being vacant for the term of the agreement.

Note: These guidelines and the outline agreement may be adapted to form a Co-operating Parish in which there is more than one minister.

2. A Co-operating Parish can be formed when there is a strong desire expressed by the members of the existing congregations and their local courts for the formation of such a parish, and the district courts consider that this is a desirable course of action in the interests of the total mission of the Church in the area. In some situations the initiative may come from the local congregations (e.g. existing congregations in rural areas), but in other situations the initiative may be taken by the district courts (e.g. new housing areas).

3. A Local Planning Committee should be formed consisting of representatives of the congregations involved (if applicable) to discuss such matters as worship, sacraments and any other matters of local concern. At this time, district courts should be advised of the

discussions. Representatives of the Local Planning Committee would then need to be appointed to meet with representatives of the Joint Regional Committee to plan as follows: the area to be served by the agreement; to prepare the agreement; to make recommendations concerning the denomination and the initial term of the first minister; to prepare a draft budget to test the viability of the proposed Co-operating Parish; to seek the approval of the district courts.

OUTLINE AGREEMENT

4. Co-operating Parish agreements will differ considerably in detail, according to the particular needs of each situation, but should include the following:

I. The Parish

5. Name of the Parish; definition of area to be served by the parish; congregations to be involved.

II. Ministry

6. It is expected as the norm that the congregations in each area will worship together and that the minister appointed will exercise the fullest possible ministry of Word and Sacraments and pastoral care to all the members of the congregation.

7. If it is necessary in certain instances to meet particular sacramental or pastoral needs of the people, or the constitutional requirements of their Church, it shall be the responsibility of the Vestry, Session, etc. in consultation with the minister and the Parish Council to arrange with one minister appointed by the district court of his own Church for him to meet such needs or requirements by visitation or otherwise.

8. The minister shall normally be appointed for a term of up to five years.

9. The minister shall be inducted according to the practice of his own Church, but representatives of the other co-operating Churches in the parish shall take part in the service.

10. The minister shall be responsible to the courts of his own denomination, and be subject to its discipline.

11. Not less than six months before the minister's term of appointment ends, the district court of the minister shall review the situation in consultation with the Joint Regional Committee. If the term of appointment is not being extended the following procedure shall apply: After consulting the Parish Council and receiving its recommendation as to the denomination of the minister to be appointed, the Joint Regional Committee shall make its recommendation to the Joint National Committee on Church Extension who shall make the final decision on the denomination of the minister to be appointed. There will normally be a change of denomination with new appointments. The appointment shall then be made by the appropriate church court of the denomination decided upon, and in accordance with its normal procedures.

III. Parish Council

12. A Parish Council shall be appointed to give oversight to all aspects of parish life, and shall function as outlined in the Plan for Union (paras. 219-235), adapted to meet local circumstances.

13. Where applicable, the members of the Parish Council shall be elected by each co-operating congregation voting separately as if they were appointing representatives to their own local church courts; e.g. Anglican members shall elect members as for a Vestry; Presbyterian members shall elect members as for a Session, etc. Each congregation shall be fairly represented, but normally shall not appoint more than the minimum required to meet the constitutional requirements of their denomination. The Vestry, Session, etc. shall only meet separately when required by their Church's constitution. Where appropriate, representatives of other negotiating Churches in the area shall be appointed to the Parish Council.

14. The Parish shall continue to be regarded by the district courts of the co-operating Churches as if it was one of their parishes, and the normal channel of communication with the parish shall be through the Parish Council. Representation of the parish to the district and national courts of the negotiating Churches shall be arranged by the Parish Council in the manner appropriate for each Church.

15. The district Church courts in consultation with the Joint Regional Committee will have the right to carry out the Visitation of the parish.

IV. Finance

16. The Parish shall accept responsibility for meeting the assessments from each of the national or diocesan budgets of the parent Churches and when necessary, after consultation, may make application for financial assistance to the parent Churches. When co-ordination or consultation is necessary it shall be made through the Joint Regional Committee.

V. Property

17. The property of the co-operating congregations shall continue to be vested as before. When property is acquired subsequent to the commencement of the agreement, it shall be vested in one or more of the negotiating Churches.

18. Initially all the property of the co-operating Churches shall be retained. Disposal or alternative use of property may be considered when the agreement is in operation.

19. The sale of any land or buildings shall be approved by the congregation through a parish meeting, the Parish Council and the district courts. The final disposal of the property shall be the responsibility of the Church in which the property is vested, and shall be carried out according to the normal procedures of that Church. The appropriate authorities of the other co-operating denominations shall be informed of the proposed sale.

VI. Amendments

20. Amendments to the agreement shall be approved by the Parish Council and the district courts of the Churches.

VII. Dissolution

21. In the event of its becoming manifest to the Parish Council or any of the district Church courts that the agreement cannot be made to work satisfactorily, the matter shall be referred to the Joint Regional Committee. The Joint Regional Committee shall investigate the matter and if it is clear that the present agreement must cease, shall convene a meeting of representatives of the district courts concerned to discuss a resolution concerning the dissolving of the Co-operating Parish. If such a resolution is confirmed it shall not be deemed to be effective until it has been confirmed by a subsequent meeting of the Joint Regional Committee held not sooner than two calendar months from the date of the first meeting. In the event of dissolution, unless otherwise provided, matters of property and finance shall be dealt with in terms of the appropriate clauses in the Standard Agreement for Co-operative Ventures based on the Joint Use of Buildings.

D. Unification of Administration and Activities

1. At the meeting of the Commission on 21-22 November 1972 a letter was received from the Chairman of the Negotiating Churches' Board of Christian Education, the Rev. W. J. Schrader. He asked for comment on the future tasks of the Board, and in the letter said: "As a Board we have been instrumental in bringing together Christian Education staffs into joint planning ventures nationally, and there have been many local training events run ecumenically, aiding the wider mission of the Church." The letter asked specifically whether a need was seen "for an 'educational work group' which could continue our research into possible structures for Christian Education in a united Church?" The Commission decided to ask the Board to investigate the possibility of structuring the Departments of Christian Education of the negotiating Churches on an ecumenical basis now.

2. After further discussion, it was agreed "that investigation begin into how other Church Departments may be integrated before union". The Commission was informed of the resolution of the Presbyterian General Assembly: "That Assembly Committees wherever appropriate, explore through the JCCU ways of unifying their administration and activities with the corresponding agencies of the negotiating Churches." At a later session the following resolution was agreed to:

That the JCCU recommend to the negotiating Churches that they co-ordinate and, where possible, unify their administration and activities in regard to Overseas Missions, Social Service, Women's organisations, Communication and any other suitable areas, and that this resolution be conveyed to Church Union Committees requesting that they refer this matter to the appropriate committee within their Churches for such action as is necessary.

E. Experiment and Relationships in Ministry

1. In the last Report (page 8) reference was made to a report

concerning closer relationships in ministry to be considered at the November meeting of the Commission. This was presented in two sections:

1. Experiment in Ministry.
2. Relationships in Ministry.

It was later printed in 'Forum', the magazine for Presbyterian ministers and copies were sent to the ministers of the other Churches.

2. The Commission gave very careful consideration to this report and agreed to the following resolution:

- (a) The Commission recommends to all ministers within the negotiating Churches the practice of small groups meeting together at spaced intervals and in a somewhat informal way. It is believed that such social gatherings, by enabling ministers to get to know one another as individuals, will be of help in future discussions of a more deliberate nature.
- (b) The Commission commends the practice of considering the inclusion of other denominations when any one denomination is planning a conference, retreat or seminar of its members.
- (c) The Commission notes with interest the extent to which exchange of ministers, as between denominations, has been carried on of recent times. Provided such exchanges are conducted in an orderly manner and are fully authorised, value will accrue therefrom.
- (d) The Commission appreciates the value of larger gatherings of ministers and laymen and is at present arranging for a number of such seminars or "workshops" for 1973. It is stressed, however, that for such gatherings to be fully effective and of maximum help to those attending, it is of importance that discussions be conducted in small groups of about 12 persons.
- (e) The Commission believes that if ministers of the negotiating Churches avail themselves of the opportunity of getting to know one another better, there will arise a better understanding on many counts as between individual members of the clergy. Then, if in the future, a team ministry appears to be the best answer for a particular local situation, ministers within the team will be able to work together with a better understanding and knowledge of one another's attributes.

F. Clergy Workshops, 1973

1. The seminars for ministers held in 1972 proved to be a very worthwhile activity and a group in Auckland was asked to prepare the background material. After the discussion on Experiment and Relationships in Ministry at the November meeting of the Commission, it was decided to add members of the Departments of Christian Education to the group and to enlist the assistance of the staffs in the conduct of the seminars. An early decision was made to make the title "Clergy Workshops". The objective was stated as follows:

To provide a setting in which ministers of the negotiating Churches working in a particular area may—

- ... get to know one another better;
- ... share their hopes and fears regarding the life and mission of the church and in particular the prospect of Church union;
- ... discover and discuss an aspect of ministering together, now or in the future, which is important to them;
- ... make some concrete plans for future action.

2. The background material was made available in a booklet duplicated in the Christchurch Diocesan Office and entitled "Styles of Co-operation". It included the following sections:

- (a) Towards real co-operation.
- (b) What does working together really mean?
- (c) What can be done? Some instances.
- (d) Team ministry — working together.
- (e) A couple of case studies:
 - (i) Wellington Inner City Ministry;
 - (ii) Together in worship: St. John's and Trinity Theological Colleges.

3. To date, workshops have been held in twelve areas and five are planned for later in the year. The reports received from the area conveners show a wide range of activity as adaptations of the suggested programme were made to suit local circumstances. The numbers attending have varied considerably; reports include 45 out of about 60 possible, 40 out of 150, 16 out of 50-60, 22 out of 48, 16 out of 30. The value of the workshops cannot, however, be measured in numerical terms alone. Reports include the following sentences:

"From the point of view of getting to know one another and understanding how differences are as much a matter of temperament as of ecclesiology, the time was very well spent."

"From the temper of discussion at our own gathering most of us cannot have enough of this exposure to the ministers of other Churches."

"This was a time of meeting and coming to know each other and of discovering points to admire in men of different traditions and outlooks."

The general reaction has been that the workshops have had very good effects.

III. "TO RECEIVE NEW INSIGHTS"

A. The Work of the Committees

1. The Committee on Social Service (Convener, the Rev. G. F. McKenzie, Christchurch) met on 20 August, chiefly to formulate a report on progress on co-operative ventures and to discuss future procedure. Those present reported the following joint projects:

Auckland Region

- Kamo Home for the Aged (Meth./Pres.).
- Melrose Home for the Aged, Tauranga (Pres./Meth.).
- Pukekohe Home for the Aged (Meth./Pres.).
- Life-Line and Inter-Church Counselling Centre (N.C.C. Churches except S.A.).
- Liston Hostel — 60 bed night shelter (Negotiating Churches plus R.C.).
- Waikato Inter-Church Social Services (Negotiating Churches).

Wellington Region

- Night Shelter (Combined Churches).
- Taita Home for the Aged (Pres./Bapt.).

Christchurch Region

- Dixon House for the Aged, Greymouth (Negotiating Churches plus R.C.).
- Wainoni Social Service Centre (Negotiating Churches plus Bapt.).
- Open Door (Ang./Pres.).
- Rehabilitation Hostel for Alcoholics (Negotiating Churches plus R.C. plus S.A. Hospital Board plus N.S.A.).
- Life-Line (All Churches).
- Glenwood Home for the Aged, Timaru (Ang./Meth.).
- Green Gables Home for the Aged, Nelson (Pres./Meth.).

Otago Region

- Cameron Centre (Pres./Ang./Meth. and R.C.).
- Family Care (Ang./Meth.).
- Ranui Home for the Aged, Alexandra (All Churches).

In addition, there is a good deal of general co-operation.

2. The Committee on Maori Participation (Convener, the Rev. Canon R. H. Rangihū, Hastings) met at Te Amorangi, Rotorua, 13-14 July. Consideration was given to the development of co-operative ministry in Wellington. It was agreed:

1. To support the Presbyterian Maori Synod in its move to appoint a second minister to Wellington.
2. To urge the forming of an ecumenical team ministry there.
3. To invite other member churches to make additional appointments as soon as possible.
4. To ask each member church to give consideration to the kind of structure that will help a co-operative ministry to be exercised and sustained in Wellington, and perhaps elsewhere.

Consideration was given to the future of the Committee: "Following discussion it was agreed that in view of developments now taking place and which were likely to accelerate, consideration should be given to the re-constituting of the study committee so that it was in a position to serve the JCCU and its three member churches in all matters relating to their Maori work and personnel."

3. The Committee on Women's Organisations (Convener, Mrs H. P. Anderson, Auckland) has reported that attention is being given to national and regional co-ordination of women's organisations and possible structures for a basis of union.

4. The Committee on General Administration and Finance (Convener, Mr R. F. Wilson, Wellington) asked for direction regarding some matters referred to it and it was agreed that consideration be deferred in the meantime. However, the need for a co-ordinated policy on stipends for union and co-operating parishes, and the provision of houses for clergy will be reported on to the next meeting of the Commission.

5. The Committee on Superannuation Funds is located in Wellington. Mr L. A. Atkinson (Convener) reports: "It was agreed at the last meeting of the JCCU 'That the Committee on Superannuation Funds be requested to meet as soon as details of the Government's Superannuation Fund are known in order to discuss the implications of the scheme for the superannuation funds of the negotiating Churches.' Details of the proposals have not yet been released although there has been much press comment on the scheme in general. Details are likely to be made public soon."

6. A statement entitled "The Church's Ministry of Healing" was approved at the May meeting and sent to Church Union Committees for their consideration and report. The replies will be considered at the November meeting.

7. A Committee has been formed in Auckland to prepare a statement on Marriage, the convener being the Rev. W. J. Rosevear.

8. At the November meeting of the Commission the Executive was asked to consider the setting up of a Joint Committee on Worship. A Committee has been set up in Christchurch with the Rev. J. S. Murray as convener, (i) to make a survey of what has been done and is being done by the Churches in the field of the principles of worship, revision of existing services and creation of new services and (ii) to draw attention to what needs to be done and what could be done together.

9. Since 1968 the Commission has received a number of resolutions and letters regarding the preparation of an ecumenical hymn book, likely to be useful in the contemporary New Zealand situation. An Exploratory Group in Christchurch was asked to report on these matters. The Commission received its report at the November meeting and asked the Executive to arrange for the appointment of a committee. A sub-committee has been formed to be associated with the Joint Committee on Worship in Christchurch.

B. Consultation on Continuing Education for Ministry

1. During the discussion at the November meeting of the report "Experiment and Relationships in Ministry", the point was made that the initial theological training of ministers needs to be followed by continuing training during the period of ministry. The Commission resolved as follows:

That the JCCU invite the Departments of Ministry of the negotiating Churches to appoint representatives to a Consultation on Clergy In-Service Training, with particular reference to Relationships in Ministry and Team Ministries in the Church of Christ in New Zealand and that the negotiating Churches' Board of Christian Education be asked to suggest resource people for the Consultation.

2. The Executive asked the Conveners of the Anglican, Methodist and Presbyterian Committees to prepare an agenda and an outline of arrangements for the holding of the Consultation. The group furnished a written report to the Commission which expressed appreciation of the work done and general approval of the proposals. The Departments of Ministry of the Churches were invited to appoint representatives to the Consultation to be held at St. John's College, Auckland, on 27-30 August. The report of the Consultation will be presented to the Commission at its next meeting.

IV. "TO DO TOGETHER"

A. The Joint National Committee on Church Extension

ANNUAL REPORT TO THE NEGOTIATING CHURCHES AND THE J.C.C.U., 1973

Co-operative Ventures

The 1972 Annual Report of the Joint National Committee on Church Extension revealed a significant increase in the number of co-operative ventures inaugurated since 1970. (An increase of 21 for the period 1970-72 and 19 for the period 1968-70.) Five months later, in November 1972 a further report was made to the J.C.C.U. and later published in "Background" (No. 10, January, 1973) which indicated that Union Parishes had been approved in 10 more areas (Presbyterian-Methodist Union Parishes in Birkdale-Beachhaven, Tuakau, Greerton, Opotiki, Taupo, Lincoln, Riverton, Waiono and Otautau; Methodist-Church of Christ Union Parish in Matamata); and that three further Joint Use of Buildings agreements had been signed (Anglican, Presbyterian and Methodist in Dinsdale and Hillcrest, Hamilton; Anglican and Methodist in Hamilton North).

Negotiations have continued in a number of areas and in some situations a firm decision has been made to inaugurate a Union Parish in February, 1974. In other places the decision making processes at local district and national levels are nearing completion and it is probable that by February, 1974, an additional five Union Parishes will be established. This will mean an increase of 15 Union Parishes in the period July, 1972 to February, 1974, bringing the total of Union Parishes to 63.

The November, 1972, report described the Joint Ministry agreement covering the area of the Milton pastorate signed between the Milton-Lawrence Methodist Circuit and the Tokomairiro Presbyterian Parish. The two ministers meet at least weekly to plan the pastoral and preaching work in the area. The Presbyterian parish makes a

grant from its funds to the Methodist circuit in recognition of the work of the Methodist minister in the Milton area. Other types of shared ministry have been established in other parts of the country.

In addition to these co-operative ventures at least two Joint Use of Buildings agreements, one Reciprocal Membership agreement and several other agreements have been established. It is difficult to be precise, but the total number of co-operative ventures approved or in operation is at least 115, an increase of 28 over the period July, 1972 to February, 1974.

The information received from Joint Regional Committees provides ample evidence that the formation of co-operative ventures is a "continuing story", and it is probable that future reports of this committee will report not only an increase in the number of co-operative ventures but a variety of different types of working together at the local level. On the one hand there is need for caution in entering into types of agreement other than those officially approved by the negotiating churches, especially if it arises from the mutual understanding of the clergy or church officials of the area and not included in a signed document. A change of personnel, and the passage of time, may lead to different expectations of what was intended by the original agreement.

On the other hand it must be recognised that changes taking place within New Zealand society demand of the churches that they approach the complex needs of today's world with flexibility and an openness to new ways of meeting these situations. The manner in which the negotiating churches do this will depend on the policy that can be formulated following the decision of the General Synod of the Church of the Province of New Zealand on the Plan for Union in March, 1974. The magnitude of the task is so great, especially in the mushrooming new urban areas in South Auckland, that it will only be possible to meet it jointly and through new strategies.

The signing of a specific agreement for a co-operative venture is too coarse a measure to gauge accurately the extent of the increasing co-operation between the churches at the local level. For example, one Union Parish has bought a section next to the Anglican Church as the first step towards moving to a joint plant for the negotiating churches on that site. Two Union Parishes report reciprocal communion services with neighbouring Anglican churches. In other areas there are reports of regular co-operation on a regular basis between congregations without, at present, the signing of a specific agreement.

It should be noted that, as reported in November, 1972, "when the debate on the Plan for Union was active in the congregations of the negotiating churches, discussions were also continuing to increase the commitment in co-operative work at the local level. This significant activity is understandable only on the assumption that it is widely accepted that Union at the national level is probable in the foreseeable future, and that this justifies the enthusiastic exploring of joint action with other local congregations of the negotiating churches".

It needs to be recognised how much this increase in the number of co-operative ventures is making it more difficult for the normal

organisation of the church to operate at district and national levels. Two examples illustrate this situation: On the West Coast there are no Methodist or Presbyterian churches outside a Union Parish, and the situation is almost the same in the Wairarapa. This makes it impossible for the Presbytery, or the section of the Methodist Synod in the area, to function normally. Hence the churches work through a combined District Council. The Wellington Methodist Synod now has more Methodist "units" as parts of Union Parishes than in separate Methodist circuits. This means that if the Union Parish has only one minister there is the time consuming difficulty of the parish maintaining adequate links with the district and national courts of the negotiating churches. It is especially true of Presbyterian-Methodist Union Parishes that there is a duplication of business within the respective district courts and sometimes an inadvertent lack of communication between these courts on Union Parish matters.

In the past there has been resistance to the formation of links between the Union Parishes at wider levels. It was felt that there was danger in giving the impression that they formed a separate denomination. In the Annual Report, 1972, some reference was made to the difficulties which the proliferation of Union Parishes created at the national level, e.g. in the allocation of the national budget, and it was stated, "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". It also raises the question as to whether some machinery at the district level should be provided to increase the efficiency of the communication between Union Parishes and the district courts.

"Guidelines for Forming a Co-operating Parish"

Arising out of a need particularly apparent in the Auckland area for a form of co-operation in which Anglicans could participate and which gave in practice something of the integrated local church life of a Union Parish, the "Guidelines for Forming a Co-operative Parish" were prepared. Much of the initiative in this matter was taken by the J.C.C.U. and it is reported more fully in the J.C.C.U. report, but members of the Joint National Committee on Church Extension were involved in some of the preparation of this document.

The Changing Role of the Joint National Committee on Church Extension

On the initiative of the J.C.C.U. some discussion was held to consider whether the committee's order of reference should be revised "to include the helping and evaluating of joint planning and action in both established and new local areas and also in regional and national activities." It was considered that this was not the appropriate time for a radical restructuring of the committee and that it would be better discussed in 1974 when the negotiating churches were planning for the future in the light of the decision of the General Synod of the Church of the Province of New Zealand on the Plan for Union.

Sociological Research

The Joint National Committee has discussed with Mr R. H. Thompson of the Department of Sociology in the University of Canterbury the possibility of the negotiating churches undertaking some sociological research in areas of concern that would assist the church in its forward planning. Mr Thompson addressed a combined meeting of the Joint National Committee, the J.C.C.U. Executive and the Council of the Presbyterian Assembly in September, 1973. It is hoped that further discussion will lead to a definite project being submitted to the negotiating churches for their approval.

Joint Use of Buildings

The Joint National Committee is still unable to report on the suggested amendments of Clauses 7-11, Property and Finance, of the "Standard Agreement for Co-operative Ventures Based on the Joint Use of Buildings".

Personnel

The Rev. B. M. Chrystall, a Methodist representative on the Committee since its inception, resigned from the Committee when he retired from the ministry at the end of 1972. The Committee has been greatly helped by Mr Chrystall's experience and judgment in all matters that have been referred to it, and places on record its deep appreciation of his contribution to its work. The Rev. B. E. Jones is the new Methodist representative on the Committee.

COLIN D. CLARK, Convener.

B. The Joint Board of Theological Studies

Annual Report of the Joint Board of Theological Studies 1973

The Joint Board of Theological Studies developed out of the Committee on Theological Studies set up by the Joint Commission on Church Union in 1965. Over the years it has given attention to a variety of questions, such as lay training, multi-racial training, co-operation among Theological Colleges of the negotiating Churches, pastoral training and selection of candidates. The main area of concern has been the administration of the Diploma, Licentiate in Theology.

By means of this diploma, the Churches now have a commonly accepted basic standard in theological training. Tuition for the papers of the diploma is provided in the Colleges in Auckland and Dunedin, and staff members and others qualified serve as examiners and assessors. The Rev. W. J. W. Rosevear serves as Registrar. He is assisted by Mrs S. Holdsworth, office secretary.

The following table shows the use which is being made of the L.Th. diploma course:

| | | Number of candidates | Number of Papers taken | % of Passes | Number completing Diploma |
|------|------|-------------------------|---------------------------|----------------|------------------------------|
| 1969 | .... | 68 | 288 | 79 | — |
| 1970 | .... | 89 | 393 | 76.4 | 7 (2 with Hons. 2nd Cl.) |
| 1971 | .... | 111 | 496 | 75.6 | 17 (2 with Hons. 2nd Cl.) |
| 1972 | .... | 102 | 411 | 85.2 | 14 (3 with Hons. 2nd Cl.) |

While most candidates for the diploma L.Th. are enrolled at one of the Colleges and preparing for service in the ministry, a number of ministers, Church workers and others interested, are studying extra-murally.

The advanced diploma, Scholar in Theology, normally includes examinations and the presentation of a thesis. Two candidates completed the requirements last year and were awarded the diploma.

Co-operation in theological education has been furthered this year with the combining of Anglican and Methodist training in the United College of St. John the Evangelist in Auckland. In Dunedin, staff and students of the Churches of Christ and the Presbyterian Church work together in Knox Theological Hall.

G. D. MUNRO, Chairman.

C. The Negotiating Churches' Board of Christian Education

This Board has met only twice; in November it considered the future of the magazine, "Moment", and "its own future tasks and relationships to the denominational Boards in the situation as it now exists among the negotiating churches". This led to a two-day consultation at Wallis House in February, 1973 when together we considered the two resolutions from the Joint Commission on Church Union, viz.:

- (a) That the Board of Christian Education be asked to investigate the possibility of structuring the Departments of Christian Education of the negotiating Churches on an ecumenical basis now rather than on a denominational basis;
- (b) That the J.C.C.U. recommend to the negotiating churches that they co-ordinate and, where possible, unify their administration and activities in regard to Overseas Mission, Social Service, Women's Organisations, Communications and any other suitable areas, and that this resolution be conveyed to Church Union Committees requesting that they refer this matter to the appropriate committee within their Churches for such action as is necessary;

together with our own concerns from our previous meetings.

We agreed that representatives of the Associated Churches of Christ, Methodist and Presbyterian Churches should meet later this year to formulate a structure for the joint working of the C.E. Departments with the intention that this be presented for approval to the 1973 Assembly/Conference; that the Anglicans would initiate a co-operative diocesan venture in Auckland (and they encouraged the other churches to explore the structure for union) and that the Board would meet again in February, 1974 to consider progress made.

Subsequently in April representatives of the Associated Churches of Christ, Methodist and Presbyterian Churches met to consider the possibility of a Joint Department. Concerns, hopes, expectations, functions and a structure were shared and a second meeting set for July when reactions from our respective Committees/Boards could be made. Progress was reported to the J.C.C.U. and at its May meeting

it asked us to reconsider the position of the Anglican Church in this and to allow the Provincial Board to react to the possibilities of united work; and to postpone the July consultation until the end of September, at which meeting there would be a full representation of the Anglican Board.

Later the Board will together consider what action is both desirable and possible arising from our September consultation.

We would like also to express our appreciation of the warm help the Rev. James Stewart has been in our meetings and particularly his attendance at the Wallis House meeting in February.

W. J. SCHRADER, Chairman.

V. THE WORKING OF THE COMMISSION

A. Finance

1. The Treasurer, Mr D. A. Larsen presented to the meeting in May a Statement of Receipts and Payments for the year ended 31 December, duly signed by the Auditor appointed by the Commission, Mr P. H. Johnsen.

The Statement is as follows:

THE JOINT COMMISSION ON CHURCH UNION—RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 DECEMBER, 1972

GENERAL ACCOUNT

| | | \$ | \$ |
|--|------|----------|----------|
| Balance 1 January, 1972 | .... |  | Nil |
| Receipts | | | |
| Contributions from Churches— | | | |
| Anglican | .... | 3,912.00 | |
| Church of Christ | .... | 91.00 | |
| Congregational | .... | 17.00 | |
| Methodist | .... | 1,012.00 | |
| Presbyterian | .... | 2,968.00 | |
| | | | 8,000.00 |
| Contributions Ministers' Seminars | .... |  | 216.72 |
| Interest on Bank Account | .... |  | 28.91 |
| Transfer from Publications Account | .... |  | 1,070.91 |
| | | | 9,316.54 |
| Payments | | | |
| Stipend and House Allowance, Secretary | .... | 5,682.54 | |
| Office Rent | .... | 600.00 | |
| Secretarial Assistance | .... | 381.04 | |
| Travelling Expenses— | | | |
| Secretary | .... | 151.33 | |

| | | |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|
| Conveners' Study Committees | 70.12 | |
| Ministers' Seminars | 640.13 | |
| Stationery | 206.38 | |
| Postages and Telephone | 426.74 | |
| Presbyterian Beneficiary Fund Assessment | 523.43 | |
| Light, Heat and Cleaning | 35.59 | |
| Insurances | 14.12 | |
| Sundries | 11.79 | |
| "Background" Newsletter | 334.50 | |
| Expenses General Administration Study Committee | 14.96 | |
| | <u>9,092.67</u> | |
| Balance, National Bank of N.Z. 31-12-72 | | <u>\$223.87</u> |

PUBLICATIONS ACCOUNT

| | | |
|-----------------------------|------------------|------------|
| | \$ | \$ |
| Balance, 1 January, 1972 | | 1,115.88 |
| Receipts | | |
| Sales— | | |
| 7th Report | 130.90 | |
| 8th Report | 103.35 | |
| Plans for Union | 2,997.32 | |
| Leaflets | 7,516.76 | |
| Interest | 67.19 | |
| | <u>10,815.52</u> | |
| | | 11,931.40 |
| Payments | | |
| Printing— | | |
| 8th Report | 131.00 | |
| Plan for Union | 2,230.67 | |
| Leaflets, incl. postage | 8,498.82 | |
| Transfer to General Account | 1,070.91 | |
| | <u>11,931.40</u> | |
| Balance, 31-12-72 | | <u>Nil</u> |

D. A. LARSEN, A.C.A., Hon. Treasurer.

I have inspected the books of account and vouchers of the Joint Commission on Church Union for the year ended 31 December, 1972. In our opinion the foregoing statement of receipts and payments for the General Account and Publications Account give a true and fair view of the transactions for the year ended 31 December, 1972.

P. H. JOHNSEN, Chartered Accountant.

2. The Budget for 1973 totalling \$8780 was allocated to the Churches as follows:

| | | | | | | |
|--------------------|------|------|------|------|------|--------|
| Anglican | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | \$4292 |
| Churches of Christ | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 95 |
| Congregational | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 18 |
| Methodist | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 1110 |
| Presbyterian | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 3265 |
| | | | | | | <hr/> |
| | | | | | | \$8780 |
| | | | | | | <hr/> |

3. The Executive considered the Budget for 1974 prepared by the Treasurer and totalling \$10,993. This was framed on the same basis as the budget for 1973 but allowed for the unavoidable escalation in costs. The Executive agreed to recommend the Budget for approval by the Churches, subject to the decision of the Presbyterian General Assembly regarding the new rates to be set for stipends and house allowances.

4. Mr D. A. Larsen who had been the Commission's Treasurer since 1966, advised that because of his increased responsibilities he wished to resign this office at the end of 1972. The Commission recorded its appreciation of his efficient service and wise guidance as Treasurer.

Mr D. G. Weir has been appointed Treasurer.

B. Relationships of the Commission to the JNCCE

When the Commission was reviewing the steady growth of Union Parishes and Co-operative Ventures at the May meeting, it considered the ways that its concerns for unity and mission were related to the work of the Joint National Committee on Church Extension. It was suggested it could be advantageous for the Secretary of the Commission to be also the Secretary for the J.N.C.C.E. This was agreed to at a meeting of the J.N.C.C.E. and the Executive on 5 September.

C. The Next Meeting

The Commission will meet in Wellington on 20-21 November, 1973.

ASHLEIGH K. PETCH, Chairman.

6 September, 1973.

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