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DIARY DATES FOR 1997

1. AUGUST SYNODS

1 - 8 August

Material from Committees and Boards to be considered by the August Synods must be in the hands of the Synod Secretaries for effective distribution by 19 July. If material is to be printed and distributed via the Administration Division, Boards/Divisions/Committees should make arrangements with the Division by the end of June to enable printing and distribution in the Connexional Mailing of 10 July.

2. BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION

Thursday	20 February	21 August
	17 April	9 October
	19 June	4 December

3. CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND

Wednesday	26 February	27 August
	26 March	24 September
	23 April	22 October
	28 May	26 November
	25 June	17 December
	23 July	

Plans, applications and materials for consideration by the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee need to be first considered by the District Property Advisory Committee and then forwarded in time to reach the Administration Division **no later than the Wednesday prior to the meeting** to enable the Plans Committee consider the proposals.

4. COUNCIL OF CONFERENCE

2-4 May
15-17 August
10-12 October

5. CONNEXIONAL MEETINGS

Pakeha Meeting
Tauiti Forum

18 March
17 March

Pakeha Meeting
Pakeha Stationing
Tauiti Forum

26 August
26-27 August
28 August

	Pakeha	6 November
	Pakeha Stationing	6 November
	Tauivi Forum	7 November
6.	CONNEXIONAL BUDGET TASK GROUP	13 March 15 April 2 July December
7.	CONFERENCE	8 - 13 November
8.	COUNCIL FOR MISSION Co-ordinating Committee	31 Jan - 3 Feb. 1 - 3 August
9.	MISSION RESOURCING UNIT	February March May June August September November December
Normally meets first Thursday of month March to December.		
	Co-ordinating Committee:	April July October
	Candidates Assessment Weekend	5 - 7 September
10.	FIJIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE	
11.	TE TAHA MAORI	
	Hui Poari	21 - 22 February 20 - 21 June 5 - 6 September 5 - 6 December
	Komiti Whaiti	9 April 21 May 29 July 29 October

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| 12. METHODIST TRUST ASSN |) 5 March |
| INVESTMENT BOARD |) 14 May |
| P.A.C.T. 2086 |) 9 July |
| | 27 August |
| | 15 October |
| | 10 December |

The Executive meets the evening before the Meeting.

Agenda for the meeting closes 10 days before the date of the Meeting.

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| 13. PASTORAL COMMITTEE | ?? |
| | 25 August |

14. **SYNOD DATES 1997**

N.B. The number shown in brackets denotes the number of copies of material required for distribution within each Synod.

Northland U.D.C. (40)

March	August
June	December

Auckland (130)

22 March
21 June
8-9 August
6 December

Manukau (60)

18 February	9 August
15 April	21 October
17 June	25 November

Waikato-Bay of Plenty (130)

14 March	10 October
13 June	29 November
8/9 August	

Taranaki-Wanganui (57)

22 February	8/9 August
17 May	18 October
	2 December

School of Theology 3 - 6 March

Hawkes-Bay Manawatu (60)

1 March	8/9 August
21 June	18 October

Wellington (100)

25 February	1/2 August
22 April	23 September
24 June	25 November

Nelson-Marlborough (50)

7 April	9/10 August
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North Canterbury (110)

25 February	8/9 August
22 April	23 September
24 June	25 November

South Canterbury (28)

6 March	21 June
1 May	9 August

Otago-Southland (70)

7/11 March	8/9 August
14 June	6 December

Samoan Synod: (2)

22/24 August

also required:

Wairarapa Union District Council 15 copies

Westland Buller District Union Council 20 copies.

15. TONGAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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 Christian World Service
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Connexional Budget Task Group

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Kingseat Psychiatric -

Middlemore - (Presbyterian)

Waikato-Bay of Plenty District:

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Queen Elizabeth (Rotorua)) Pastor R Bloomfield

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for the Connexional Year 1997

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1981	7	Bell , David S, 5 Alnack Place, Torbay, North Shore City 10	[O] 0-9-478 6806 [H] 0-9-473 6874 Fax: 0-9-478 6209	2320
1957	1989	Bell , G Basil W, 10 Peters Ave, Palmerston North	0-6-354 1805	5100
1967	1992	Bennett , Enid J, , 'Tirohanga', 205 Paku Drive, Tairua, via Thames	[H] 0-7-864 7105	3040
1956	1992	Bennett , George L, 4/63 Coronation Rd, Papatoetoe	0-9-278 1310	2410
1988	1994	Bennett , John E 20 Whyte Street, Foxton	0-6-363 8559	
1955	1991	Bennett , Trevor L, 38 Wainui Road, Raglan	0-7-825 7251	3090
1949	1967	Benny , T Ralph 7 Hanrahan St, (PO Box 221) Ashburton	0-3-308 3252	8380
1980	UFS2	Biggs , Donald (Don) F, 133 Lincoln Road, Carterton	ph/fax 0-6-379 7090 Cell 025 479 815	6180
1954	1989	Billinghurst , Noel D 14 Hamua Place, Waitara	0-6-754 4498	4020
1962	8	Bilverstone , John 20 Yaldhurst Rd, Christchurch 4	0-3-348 5519	8120
1971	1996	Blundell , Warren H, 3 Cascade Crescent, Palmerston North	0-6-354 3729	5100
1994	L4	Boswell , Ruth, 11 Penruddocke Road, Bucklands Beach.	0-9-534 7363	2410
1971	1990	Bowen , Lesley H, (Deacon) 1 North St, Blenheim,	0-3-578 6253	7070
1959	1994	Bowen , Lewis (Lew) A; 67 Kennedy Dr, Levin (Supply)	[O] 0-6-368 7159 [H] 0-6-38 9880	5140
1985	3	Bowring , Stuart J; 20 Wellington Street, Hamilton	[H] 0-856 5783	3100
1955	1990	Boyd , Edward (Ed) P, R D 3, Blenheim (Morrin's Hollow, Springcreek)	0-3-570 5165	7070
1960	1991	Brazendale , Graham; 30 Hatfield Heights, Hatfields Beach, Orewa	[H] 0-9-426 3672	2280

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	3	Brazendale, Helen 3 Neal Dow Street, Crofton, Marton	[H] 0-6-327 5311 (Supply)	5130
	1	Bromell, David J 54 Chester Street, Christchurch 1	(Supply)	8010
1969	2	Brookes, Norman E; 12 Halberg St, Papakura	[O] 0-9-298 4695 [O] fax 0-9-298 3129 [H] ph/fax 0-9-298 8110	2430
	7	Brown, Robyn (Wellspring) 320 St Heliers Bay Rd, Auckland 5	[O] 0-9-528 4437 [Fax] 0-9-528 8563	2820
1989	3	Bruce, G Jean, 89 Eton Street, Ashburton	[H] 0-3-308 6297	8380
1989	D9	Bryant, David M 11 Lockett St, Lower Hutt	0-4-567 6106	6120
1989	3	Bryant, George W; P O Box 58, Pukekohe	[h] 0-9-238 7420 Fax: 0-9-238 3582	2830
1989	D9	Bryant, Margaret I 11 Lockett St, Lower Hutt	0-4-567 6106	6120
1993	5	Burgin, Chris, P O Box 113, Inglewood (home: 3 Totara Street0	[O] 0-6-756 8790 [H] 0-6-756 7124	4110
1983	1997	Burnett, Margaret E; 7B Sparks Road, Christchurch	0-3-	8020
1951	1987	Burrough, Amos W, 48 Kimberley Grove, Palmerston North	0-6-357 2689	5100
1949	1987	Burt, Douglas (Doug) H, 9-34 Esplanade Road, Mt Eden, Auckland 3	0-9-630 9503	2010
1974	1986	Burton, Restal A, 31 Catherine St, Ventnor, Isle of Wight, PO38 1HG, England		
1979	5	Bush, David J; 125 West Belt, Rangiora	[O] 0-3-313 7259	8190
1955	1992	Cable, Wilfred J 25b Thornycroft Ave, Lower Hutt	0-4-567 1671	6120
1947	1985	Campbell, M Jackson 8 Totara Rd, Stanmore Bay, Whangaparaoa	0-9-424 7930	2280
1994	MI	Cassidy, Mere P O Box 20, Rawene. (Duddy's Road, Omanaia, Northland)	0-9-405 7740	1510
1985	SOC2	Caygill, Mary E Private Bag 28 907, Remuera, Auckland 1136	[O] 0-9-521 2073	2820
1986	UFS5	Chandler, Clive H; 296A Waiwhetu Road, Lower Hutt	0-4-577 1886	6120
1965	L8	Chessum, William A; 20 Church St, Otahuhu	0-9-276 3468	2410
1950	1985	Clark, Colin D; 120 Kahu Rd, Paremata	0-4-233 1527	6100
1965	SOC3	Clarke, Edwin B; 378 College Street, Palmerston North	[H] 0-6-358 0867	5110

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1963	1989	Clarke, Ian L; 9 Hurst Place, ChCh 9.	0-3-383 0918	8010
1981	3	Clarke, Lois R H; 378 College Street, Palmerston North	[H] 0-6-358 0867	5110
1948	1978	Clement, Grace M (Deacon) 1/141 Galloway St, Hamilton East	0-7-856 3805	3100
1990	3	Clifford, Kathy M, 104 Manawapou Road, Hawera	[O] 0-6-278 6270 [H] 0-6-278 7320	4050
1991	2	Clifford, William (Bill) J; 100 Onerahi Road, Whangarei 010	0-9-436 0963	1080
1987	2	Clover, Gary A M; 15 Highbury Bypass, Birkenhead, North Shore City	[O] 0-9-419 0272 [H] 0-9-480 9718	2150
1951	1986	Clucas, Ivan J; 187 Minden Road, No 6 R D, Tauranga	0-7-552 5903	3190
1987	1997	Cochrane, Airdre R, 116 Matthews Avenue, Kaitaia (retd Deacon)	0-9-408 4019	1010
1948	1986	Collins, Rona W (Sister) Hills Road, Christchurch 1	0-3-	
1994	4	Connole, Kevin R, 1 Te Reinga Street, Kaitaia 0500	[O] 0-9-408 2323 [H] 0-9- 408 1078	1010
1994	L4	Cook, Liz, 58 Kohu Road, Titirangi, Auckland 7	0-9-817 6726 or 0-9-817 5972	2100
1980	6	Cooper, K Desmond, 104 Beerescourt Rd, Hamilton (PO Box 384)	[O] 0-7-839 3951 Fax. 0-7-839 3950 [H] 0-7-849 7630	3080
1986	1	Cooper, Mark F; 214 High Street, Dannevirke	0-6-374 8659	5070
1969	UFS9	Corlett, Ashley I; 43 Waiheke Road, Waiheke Island	0-9-372 6919	2010
1949	1977	Cornwell, Gordon A R; Flat 4/40 Richardson Rd, Mt Albert, Auck.3	0-9-846 9554	2080
1968	1989	Couch, Moke A G; 28 Raymond St, Hamilton	0-7-855 5126	3520
1953	1983	Craig, Hughan M; 41 Ridge St, Tauranga	0-7-576 4223	3190
1957	6	Cropp, James F; 49 Murphys Rd, Blenheim	[O] 0-3-578 5796 [H] 0-3-578 3806	7070
1983	UFS	Cubin, Raewyn F 8 Aperahama St, Paekakariki	0-4-292 7002	6010
1980	CHP9	Cumberpatch, Lindsay E; 60 Malcolm Street, Hamilton	[O] 0-7-856 8638 Fax. 0-7-856 8637 [H] 0-7-856 7699	3330
1962	UFS24	Currie, John B; P O Box 30-570, Lower Hutt	[O] 0-4-566 4981 [H] 0-4-569 9348	6120
1989	D9	Dalton, R Harvey; 417 Parawai Rd, Thames	0-7-868 7506	3010

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1997	1	Dargaville (Ramsay), B Anne The Cottage, 525 Lyndhurst Road, Hastings	[O] 0-6-878 8109 [H] 0-6-876 0431	5010
1940	1979	Dawson , John B; 17 Bayswater Cres, Woolston, Christchurch 6	0-3-384 9656	8030
1943	1982	Dawson , W Selwyn; 44 Kupe St, Orakei, Auckland 5	0-9-521 0236	2070
1954	1992	Dickie , Arthur W; 10A Galloway Street, Hamilton	0-7-	3100
1983	1995	Dickinson , Audrey N; 332 Redoubt Road, R D 1, Papatoetoe	[H] 0-9-263 4797	2410
1958	UFS13	Dickinson , J Mervyn; 16 Smuglers Cove, Christchurch 8	0-3-36 6405	8010
1959	7	Dine , Mervyn L; 7 Francis Ryan Close, Mt Albert, Auckland 3	[H] 0-9-849 5174 also Fax.	2080
1988	4	Dombroski , Christopher (Chris) R; 8 Hulke Street, Foxton.	0-6-363 7127	5150
1990	3	Doubleday , Andrew D; 10a Grange Street, Christchurch 2	[O] 0-3-337 0092 [H] 0-3-332 8573	8080
1994	4	Drylie , John F., 118 Fitzherbert Street, Hokitika 7900	[H] 0-3-755 6119	7120
1990	3	Durrant , Joanne A (Jo), 27 Remuera Ave, Christchurch 2	0-3-332 5202	8070
1969	ET2	Eagle , Brian R J; 12 Wyndham Road, Hannahs Bay, Rotorua	[O]ph/fax 0-7-345 5971 [H] 0-7-345 3010	3170
1980	4	Egli , Bruno W, 801E Queen Street East, Hastings	ph/fax 0-6-876 7965	5020
1948	1980	Eisner , Wilf G; 38 Greenwood Park Lane, Greenwood Park, Tauranga	0-7-544 3061	3190
1980	3	Elderton , William E; Private Box 562, Invercargill. (home:24 Norwood Street)	[H] 0-3-216 5032	9110
1939	1987	Ellemor , Evelyn (rtd Deacon) 4/13 Nursery Place, New Plymouth	0-6-753 4994	4010
1984	1	Elphick , Doris J; 3 Carver Place, New Plymouth	[O] 0-6-758 3592 [H] 0-6-757 8391	4010
1988	3	Emslie , Marian; 47 Pennington St, Leeston 8172	0-3-324 3315	8170
1995	MI	Erueti , Hao 21 Simon Road, Raglan	0-7-825 8972	3510
1992	6	Fa'afuata , Iakopo P; 10 Caribou Place, Kingston, Wellington	[O] 0-4-384 7695 [H] 0-4-389 8586	6010
1989	1	Fa'afuata , Fereti, 14 Fairdale Place, Papakura	[O] 0-9-298 4695 [H] 0-9-298 4092	2430

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1943	1983	Falkingham , Wilfred E; 24 Ranui Cres, Diamond Harbour, 1 R D Lyttelton	0-3-329 4439	8140
1989	D9	Fawkner , Brenda R N 21 Findlay Street, New Plymouth 4601	0-6-751 1668	4010
1964	1989	Felderhof , Ludwig; 179 Kingswood Rd, Tauranga	0-7-576-3176	3190
1982	UFS1	Ferguson , I W Les; 6B Robertson St, Rotorua	0-7-346 1452	3170
1979	3	Ferguson , R Andrew; [H] 0-3-332 7017 also Fax 120 Colombo Street, Christchurch 2		8090
1991		Fifita , Saula, LTh		2340
1994	2	Filemoni , Tavita 1 Waterview Road, Mangere	[H] 0-9-275 9508	2410
		Fonokalafi , Sione, 44 Beach Rd, Te Atatu, Auckland 8 (retired x Free Wesleyan Church in Tonga (Methodist))		
	S3	Forbes , Craig E Trinity College, Private Bag 28 907, Remuera, Auckland 1136		
1949	1985	Ford , Wilfred F; 40B Nigel Road, Browns Bay, Auckland 10	0-9478 0495	2320
1957	1986	Fowler , Irwin J; 54 Buscomb Ave, Henderson, Auckland 8	0-9-836 1265	2100
1981	6	Frith , Lynne O, P O Box 617, Pukekohe (23 Landscape Rd)	[O] 0-9-238 6768 [H] 0-9-238 5214	2440
1955	1997	Fuller , June E 37 Waimairi Rd, ChCh 4 (retd Deacon)	0-3-348 8039	8120
1985	1994	Garner , Edna J 7 Lemnos Place, Titirangi, Auckland	0-9-817 9231	2010
1990	3	George , Norma J 171 Parsons Road, Wanganui	[O] 0-6-345 7394 [H] 0-6-344 6076	4090
1964	UFS	Gerritsen , Hendrik, Route de Beaumont 9, CH 1700 ,Fribourg Switzerland	0041-37-240059	2310
	S3	Gibson , Dan-Mark Trinity College, Private Bag 28 907, Remuera, Auckland 1136.		
1985	1992	Gibson , June L, Pahiatua Track, R D 1, Palmerston North	0-6-354 1463	5100
1952	1989	Gibson , Loyal J, Pahiatua Track, R D 1, Palmerston North	0-6-354 1463	5100
1951	1988	Gilbert , Geoffrey T, 36A Ballance Street, Vogeltown, New Plymouth	0-6-753 6633	4010
1958	1987	Gilbert , Wilfred S, 25 Bay View Road, Raglan	0-7-825 8018	3090

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1976	UFS6	Glensor , Peter E, 49 Cambridge Terrace, Lower Hutt	[O] 0-4-567 6414 [H] 0-4-566 7535	6120
1989	D9	Goodwin , Lorna J 317 Albert Street, Palmerston North	0-6-357 9721	5100
1950	1988	Gordon , D Bruce, 3 Bleakhouse Rd, Howick	[H] 0-9-535 7582	2410
1955	1988	Goreham , Norman J, 50A Takapu St, Henderson, Auckland 1008	0-9-837 8223	2100
1959	1976	Goudge , Stanley R, 46 Mulgan St, Avondale, Auck. 7	0-9-626 7287	2080
1995	MI	Grace , Mate Ngaro Te Rutu (Sam) c/- Postal Agency, Whatawhata, via Hamilton	0-7-829-8907	3510
1956	1982	Grant , Ian D, 37 Dalton Drive, Papamoa	0-7-542 1265	3210
1986	UFS5	Grant , John M 3 Thames Street, Hamilton	0-7-855 8700	3000
1980	2	Grant , Paul H 15 Emerald Hill, Havelock North, Hastings	[H] 0-6-877 4093 Fax: 0-6-877 2433	5020
1973	3	Grant , Stuart C, P O Box 1887, Palmerston North (home: 48 Karina Terrace)	[O] 0-6-358 2860 fax: 0-6-356 8799 [H] 0-6-358 7436	5100
1979	2	Greenwood , I Marie, 3 Goldsbrough Ave, Raumati Beach 6150	[H] 0-4-298 5600	6240
1976	SOC2	Greer , Michael W, 58 Dyers Pass Road, Cashmere, Christchurch 2.		
1959	1992	Griffith , Keith C, 20 Herewini St, Titahi Bay. Wellington	0-4-236 6215	6280
1969	3	Griffiths , William (Bill) D, 62 Shetland St, Titirangi, Auckland 7.	[O] 0-9-828 1102 Fax: 0-9-818 9449 [H] 0-9-818 9985	2310
1943	1986	Grounds , Edmund (Ted) D 7 Milton Rd, Mt Eden, Auck. 3	0-9-638 7475	2030
1960	1997	Gust , Warwick, 23 Pisces Rd, Glen Eden, Auckland	[H] 0-9-818 6285	2100
1957	1990	Guthardt , Phyllis M, 5 Cholmondeley Lane, Governors Bay, 1 R D Lyttelton	0-3-329 9675 Fax 0-3-329 9847	8070
1993 July	ASC	Ha'angana , Sione F, 118 Grange Rd, Mt Eden, Auck. 7,	[O] 0-9-638 6644 [H] 0-9-638 9018	2340
1947	1984	Hall , Allen H, 16 Sir Fred Schonell Drive, St Lucia, Brisbane, Queensland, 4067		2010
1952	1981	Hall , John R 10 Snell Cres., Waihi Beach	0-7-863-5166	3040
1986	D12	Hallam , Valma E, 68 Te Hono St, Maungatapu, Tauranga	0-7-544 0229	3190

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1992	6	Hambleton , Warwick J, 1 Hexham Street, Warkworth (residence:11 Cornel Circle, Snells Beach)	[O] 0-9-425 8660 [H] 0-9-425 5898	2290
1982	D6	Hames , Margaret G R D 1 Paparoa, Northland	0-9-431 7289	1150
1958	1990	Hamlin , R John, 168 Tremaine Ave, Palmerston North	0-6-356 3341	5110
1954	1994	Hammond , George M 24 Mullane Street, Hamilton	0-7-856 1606	3110
1988	UFS3	Handyside , Gwenda J 51A Brunswick Street, Lower Hutt	0-4-569 3938	6120
	S1	Hanscamp , Nigel Mission Resourcing Unit (Trinity College) Private Bag 28907, Remuera, Auckland 1136		
1960	9	Hanson , E Francis (Frank) I, Trinity Theological College, Private Bag 28907, Remuera, Auckland 1136	[O] 0-9-521 2073 [H] 0-9-528 6613	2820
1969	10	Harkness , Barry G, 438 Halswell Rd, ChCh.3 (Home: 3 Muir Ave)	[O] 0-3-322 7514 [H] 0-3-322 8217	8110
1972	1993	Hauraki , Hana P 340a Kamo Rd, Kamo, Whangarei	0-9-435-2454	1510
1962	3	Hawkey , Graham E 11 Bruce Place, Alexandra	0-3-448 8810	9170
1968	2	Hay , J Cedric, 193 Victoria Street, Devonport, North Shore City.	[O] 0-9-445 6801 [H] 0-9-445 0042	2130
1954	1990	Heppelthwaite , Ernest (Ernie) 12 Hockey St, ChCh 5.	[H] 0-3-359 7223	0810
1965	1995	Herbert , C Brice, 86 Hokianga Rd, Dargaville	0-9-439 8080	1090
1969	MI	Heremaia , Hoani; c- Kaumatua Flats, cnr Egmont/Gloucester Sts, Patea (Retired)		4510
1983	MI	Heta , Te Uru Te Patunga, Pupuke Rd, Kaeo		1510
1968	Chp5	Hey , Roger J E, 2/7 Tahuri Road, Epsom, Auck. 3	[H] 0-9-520 0154	2010
1983	D15	Higham , B June, 47 Higham Rd, R D 2, Te Awamutu	0-7-872 7719	3250
1986	D12	Hight , Dianne C, No. 7 Road, R D Waitoa	0-7-887 2842	3050
1948	1988	Hilder , Basil J, 43 Einstein St, Gisborne	0-6-868 8585	5040
1982	1994	Hill , Desmond (Des) A, Hoani Rd, 37 R D, Okato	0-6-752 4147	4080

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1983	UFS3	Hingano , Sifa, (in USA)	[H] 0-9-	2400
1993	UFS2	Hoddinott , Rosalie J 30 Roberta Drive, ChCh 2	0-3-332 2516	8020
1948	1980	Hopkins , George C, 67 Stafford St, Shannon	0-6-362 7532	5100
	S2	Hopner , Elizabeth 33 Sealy Road, Torbay, Auckland	0-9-473 5297	
1936	1970	Hopper , H Ian K; 17 Balmoral Lane, Redcliffs, ChCh 8.	0-3-384 1533	8050
1962	1996	Hornblow , Edgar R, 45 Rushgreen Avenue, Papakura	0-9-298 8488	2430
1960	1995	Hornblow , Maxwell A Bronte Road East, Upper Moutere, R D Nelson	0-3-540 2718	7040
1960	1997	Horrill , C Seton, 178A Lyttelton St, ChCh 2	[H] 0-3-338 2914	8010
1959	UFS6	Hosking , John (Jock) S, P O Box 8047, Kensington, Whangarei. (35 Tui Cres, Maunu, Whangarei)	ph/fax 0-9-438 3651	1130
	ASC2	Hudspeth , Thomas (Tom) 79 Pretoria Street, Lower Hutt	[H] 0-4-566 7130	6120
1988	4	Hughson , Gregory (Greg) A; 463 Gladstone Road, Gisborne	[H] 0-6-867 6260	5040
1993	D5	Hunt , Stan 24 Robertson St, Invercargill	0-3-217 7416	9110
1991	7	Ieriko , Paulo 2 Westend Road, Herne Bay, Auckland	[O] 0-9-376 3319 2[H] 0-9-360 2910	2100
1975	1997	Jacobson , Patricia (Pat) M, 50 Albatross Road, Red Beach, Orewa	0-9-	2280
1961	1995	James , Russell E, 2A Pukeuri Lane, ChCh 2.	[H] 0-3-332 9456	8080
1967	1994	Jamieson , Colin G, P O Box 19672, Christchurch (11 Kaikomako Lyttelton)	[O] 0-3-365 5036 [H] 0-3-328 8190	8090
1968	1	Jeyaseelan , T Wesley 14 St Vincent Ave, Remuera, Auckland 5	[H] 0-9-	2060
1989	1994	Johnston , Alexander (Lex) C, 28 Tawari Street, Matamata	[H] 0-7-	3140
1962	4	Jones , Barry E, 2 Oswald Crescent, Newlands, Wellington 6004	[H] 0-4-478 6283	6080
1983	8	Kane , Graham A, 4 Lichfield St, Stoke, Nelson	0-3-547 7322 Fax: 0-3-547 7639	7010
1984	1	Keesing , Neil R, P O Box 2019, Tauranga (home: 122 Edgecumbe Rd)	[O] 0-7-578 8493 [H] 0-7-578 6151	3190

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1949	1984	Keightley , Clifford J, Fairhaven Home, 91 Harewood Rd, Christchurch 5	0-3-352 0984	8140
	MI	Keepa , John Tata P O Box 60, Kawhia	[H] 0-7-871 0565	3510
1995	1	Kerr , Jessie S 28 Oxford St, Richmond, Nelson	[H] 0-3-	7030
1987	L10	Kilikiti , Vaikoloa, 11 Fulton Crescent, Otara, Sth Auck.	[O] 0-9-638 6644 [H] 0-9-274 0648	2340
1957	1992	Kitchingman , Henry W 2B Duke Street, Papakura	0-9-296 2688	2420
1995	MI	Kopa , John M K 16 Joanna Place, Hamilton	0-7-843 4134	3510
1988 Mar.	ASC	Langi , Jione 5 Paice Avenue, Auckland	[O] 0-9-630 5742	2007
1961	1987	Langley , John E, 217 Grahams Road, Burnside, Christchurch 5	0-3-359 8879	8010
1982	10	Langley , Timothy J, P O Box 1449, ChCh (Home-47C Harris, Cres, Chch 5)	[O] 0-3-366 6745 [H] 0-3-352 8622	8010
1985	1991	Lawry , A Joan, 37 Walker St, Riverton (retd Deacon)	0-3-234 9120	9120
1963	1985	Laws , Derek G, 1 Willock Street, St Martins, Christchurch 2	0-3-332 8739	8090
1968	3	Leadley , Alan J, 137 Boundary Rd, Hamilton	[O] 0-7-855 7434 Fax 0-7-855 7019 [H] 0-7-855 2919	3110
1986	2	Leadley , Colin S 100 Jed Street, Invercargill	[H] 0-3-218 3539 fax: 0-3-218 3530	9110
1930	1970	Leadley , E Clarence, Flat 3, 29 Pupuke Rd, Takapuna, Auck. 9	0-9-486 3645	2140
1977	1981	Leary , Gordon A, 103 Office Rd, St Albans, ChCh. 1.	[H] 0-3-355 2340	8130
1991	1	Le Pine , Dianne M, 18 Buchanans Sstreet, Matamata	[O] 0-6-888 8806 [H] 0-7-888 8976	3140
1958	1987	Lewis , Evan R, 31 Springhill Rd, Dunedin	0-3-453 5951	9020
1942	1981	Lewis , John J, 2/3 Pupuke Rd, Takapuna, Auck. 9	0-9-489 6103	2140
1978	1990	Little , Edith J, 8 Saville Row, Johnsonville, Wellington 4	0-4-478 6719	6070
1964	MI	Livingstone , Para Piripi Pokere, R D 12, Moerewa, Northland (retired)		1510
	S1	Loader , Vilma 50 St David Street, Lyttelton, Christchurch		
1939	1977	Lucas , Campbell P, 15 Tawari St, Matamata	0-7-888 6431	3140

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1957	1997	Mabon , John C F 20 Waikere		6120
	4	MacLeod , D Ian 73 Coonoor Road, Timaru. (Supply)	[H] 0-3- 688 9985	8350
1930	1970	McDowell , M Alexander, "Wesleyhaven", Rata St, Lower Hutt	0-4-567 8762	6120
1990	1996	McInnes , Jean I, 37 Don Street, Oamaru (ret'd Deacon)	0-3-437 1979	8400
1968	UFS1	McIver , Graeme M,		8010
1953	1981	McKay , Archibald W 1/81 Tui Rd, Papatoetoe, Auckland	0-9-278-8904	2410
1996	D2	McLeod , Malcolm C 293 Rangitira Road, Beachhaven, Auckland 10.	0-9-483 3051	2150
1965	UFS16	Mackie , Bruce E, 441-D Dominion Road, Mt Eden, Auckland	0-9-623 2261	
1982	6	McNicol , Derek V 3 Mayroyd Terrace, Nelson	[O] 0-3-548 0558 [H] 0-3-548 4672	7010
1968	UFS7	Malcouronne , Brian J, 568 South Titirangi Rd, Titirangi, Auckland 7	[H] 0-9-817 7708	2310
1997	1	Manu , Tavake 43 Cassandra Street, Stratford	[H] 0-6-765 6192	4030
1989	L9	Manu'atu , Lisiate 18 Vincent Place, Hamilton	[H] 0-7-846 0626	3080
1991	L7	Manukia , Mosese 40 Rankin Ave, New Lynn, Auckland	0-9-827 7454	2340
1961	1991	Marshall , C Russell, 26 Mana Esplanade, Paremata, Wellington	0-4-233 9178	6100
1948	1971	Marshall , Edward M, 28 Surf Rd, Stanmore Bay, Whangaparaoa.	0-9-424 2923	2280
1974	MI	Martin , Huia 74 Franklyne Rd, Otara	0-9-274-9421	2510
1968	5	Meredith , John D, 49 Broadway Ave, Timaru 8601	0-3-686 1932	8310
1992	1	Millar , Ian P O Box 5010, Rotorua West (home: 48 Hillcrest Ave)	0-7-348 1527 [H] 0-7-348 6376	3170
1989	L9	Millar , M Anne, 416 Mairehau Rd, Parklands, ChCh	0-3-383 0144	8000
1963	1988	Miller , Barbara I 12 Arohia Place, Snells Beach, Warkworth	0-9-425 6144	2290
1991	L7	Moa , Kepu 68 La Rosa St, Greenbay, Auckland 7.	[O] 0-9-638 6644 [Fax] 0-9-638 9651 [H] 0-9-817 3667	2340
1976	UFS5	Moala , Taniela T, 40 Kensington Ave, Mt Eden, Auckland	[H] 0-9-630 8747	2340

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1947	SOC	Money , Deacon Lucy H, c- Edna J Money, "Barolin", 28 Willow Grove, Morrinsville 2251		3060
1997	L1	Morunga , Christina M Runaruna Road, R D 2, Broadwood	0-9-409 5841	1050
1972	MI	Morunga , Winiata, 207 Maunu Road, Whangarei	0-9-435 0584	1510
1960	1997	Mullan , David (Dave) S, 20 Tui Grove, Paihia, Northland	0-9-402 8071	1030
1980	2	Murray , John S Private Bag 11903, Ellerslie Auckland. (3 Steele St, Meadowbank)	[O] 0-9-525 4179 [H] 0-9-528 7263	2600
1991	MI	Nathan , Rex E F P O Box 321, (Aoroa Rd) Dargaville	0-9-439 6565	1500
1964	2	Neal , Barry W, 1/64 Peary Rd, Mt Eden, Auckland	[H] 0-9-630 4934	2010
1989	1996	Nesbit , John B 64a Somerfield Street, Christchurch 2	0-3-337 9596	8020
1953	1988	Newman , Alan, 1 Camellia Drive, Ngongotaha, Rotorua.	0-7-357 5235	3170
	S1	Nicholls , Val 57 Laurence Street, Manly, Whangaparaoa		
1980	1	Noa , Nomani, 20 Ireland Road, Panmure, Auckland	0-9-527 7010	2040
1968	UFS4	Norwell , Ian C 26 Waterview Rd, Devonport, Auck.9	[H] 0-9-445 0204	2130
1949	1982	Nuttall , A Roger G, 103A Ohaupo Rd, Hamilton	0-7-843 6375	3080
1994	L4	Oh , Kyoung-Soo 28 Francis Street, Takapuna, Auckland	ph/fax [H] 0-9-489 2211	2140
1946	1981	Olds , Norman W 74A Fleete St, Burwood, ChCh 6.	0-3-385 1932	8010
1951	1977	Olds , O McLennan, 32 Omokoroa Country Estate, Private Bag, R D 2 Tauranga	0-7-548 0658	3350
1983	1	Oliver , J Allan, 83 Kolmar Rd, Papatoetoe	[O] 0-9-278 6442 [H] 0-9-278 6439	2410
1985	UFS6	Olsen , F Anne, P O Box 42105, Homedale, Wainuiomata, Lower Hutt Fax:0-4-564 8399	[O] 0-4-566 4089 [H] 0-4-564 2522	6150
1991	1	Olsen , Ken W, 'Bridson House', 9 Swanson Rd, Henderson Auckland	[H] 0-9-838 9382	2100
1995	3	Osborn , Beverley, 50 Wakefield Street, Westport 7601	[H] 0-3-789 8714	7100
1953	1986	Osborne , John H, 61 McDowell Cres, Glenfield, Auckland 10	0-9-419 1523	2150
	S3	Palelei , Alalafaga 27 Romeny Place, Manurewa, Auckland		

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1947	1979	Parker , Francis H, 382 Racecourse Rd, Te Awamutu	0-7-871 3060	3250
1931	1972	Parker , Gordon, Panorama Ave, Whitianga, Coromandel Peninsula	0-7-866 4199	3320
1930	1971	Parker , J Wesley, 8 Ranui Rd, Remuera, Auck.5	0-9-524 2579	2060
1993	L5	Parkes , Judith R "Windermere" Bells Rd, R D 2 Blenheim	0-3-578 9901	7070
1969	1995	Pate , Heremia H 12 Adventure Street, New Plymouth	0-6-751 2857	4510
1952	1986	Penman , John A, 1/26 New Windsor Rd, Avondale Auckland 7	[H] 0-9-828 8852	2080
1927	1966	Penn , Athol R. Q245 'Northbridge', 454 Akoranga Drive, Northcote, Auckland 9	0-9-489 7130	2140
1992	6	Peterson , Brian C; 67A Gloucester St, Taradale, Napier	[also fax] 0-6-844 2205	5010
1960	1974	Peterson , Frederick D 1 Glynne Cres, Christchurch	0-3-338 8349	8020
1992	6	Peterson , Marion J; 67A Gloucester Street, Taradale, Napier	[also fax] 0-6-844 2205	5010
1968	3	Phillips , Donald J, 165 Carroll Street, Dunedin	[H] 0-3-477 8929	9010
1939	1973	Pointon , Dorothy, Deacon, c/- Everill Orr Homes, 63 Allendale Rd, Mt Albert, Auckland	0-9-846 7159	2010
1996	MI	Polwart , Riripeti 41 Plunkett Avenue, Petone, Wellington	[H] 0-4-568 8912	6510
1986	1992	Pond , H David, 27 Summer St, Stanley Bay, Auckland	[H] 0-9-445 3364	2140
1967	CHP4	Pratt , David C Christian Social Services Wanganui, (Fax) 0-6-345 8767 (12 D'arcy Road) Wanganui	0-6-345 2139 [H] 0-6-343 1462	4090
1975	UFS8	Pratt , G Douglas, Heidelberg, Germany till late July 1997		3080
1966	CHP24	Prince , Donald F, 15 Tivoli Place, Bishopdale, Christchurch 8005	[O] 0-3-364 0640 [H] 0-3-352 4194	8140
1957	1987	Pullar , Beverley, 10 Hunter Ave, Richmond, Nelson	0-3-544 6523	7030
1984	MI	Rakena , Matiu Te Pua Road, Kaikohe	[H] 0-9-401 0843	1510
1954	1995	Rakena , Ruawai D, BA P O Box 62554, Central Park, Penrose	[H] 0-9-570 5234	2510
	S2	Ramacake , Soro Trinity Theological College, Private Bag 28 907, Remuera, Auckland 1136		

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	MI	Rauwhero , Heemi, 163 Pukaki Road, Mangere East, Auckland		2510
	S2	Reeves , Marcia 1/14 Pitoitoi Road, Days Bay, Eastbourne, Wellington		
1984	L7	Reid , Loraine J 31 Leinster Terrace, Lincoln	0-3-325 2899	8010
1987	D11	Reid , Rita J 1/85 Epsom Rd, ChCh 4	0-3-348 9423	8120
	S1	Rennel , Ravai M 27 Friesian Drive, Mangere, Auckland		
1986	1994	Reynolds , Elva M 70 Fitzherbert St, Hokitika	0-3-755 6112	7120
1989	5	Rice , William R, 49 Bryndwr Road, ChCh 5	[H] 0-3-351 9634	8140
1982	L7	Richards , Gillian (Jill) M 10B Paritai Drive, Orakei, Auck. 5	[H] 0-9-524 7562	2010
1969	CHP4	Rigby , Russell G, 11 Penrith St, New Plymouth	[H] 0-6-753 3747	4010
1955	1989	Rigg , Frank S 466B Whangaparaoa Rd, Whangaparaoa 1463	0-9-424 1016	2280
1974	ET5	Roberts , John H., 11 Brougham St, Wellington 1	[H] 0-4-384 6660	6510
1987	8	Rogers , Douglas I, 15 Waddington Drive, Naenae, Lower Hutt	[O] 0-4-569 6597 [H] ph/fax 0-4-567-6110 Cell 025 479 936	6120
	MI	Rogers , Timaru (Mrs) 42 Orrs Rd, Kaikohe	[H] 0-9-405 2097	1510
1990	L2	Rolinson , David T H, 17 Valley Road, Mt Eden, Auckland	[H] 0-9-630 2039	2010
1983	CHP7	Rosewell , Wendie, Chaplains Dept. Auckland Hospital, Park Rd, Auckland (home: 47 Marsden Ave, Balmoral, Auck.)	[O] 0-9-379 7440 Ext. 7279 [H] 0-9-630 2987	2002
	MI	Rountree , Ripia 73 Opaheke Road, Papakura, Auckland	[H] 0-9-298 7596	2510
	MI	Rountree , Whatia R D 3, Kaikohe		1510
	MI	Rogers , Markus 296 Massey Road, Mangere East, Auckland	[H] 0-9-525 4179	2510
1996	2	Ross , Joan P O Box 13638, Johnsonville, Wellington 4	[O] 0-4-479 6329 [H] 0-4-477 3087	6060
1954	1991	Rushton , Percy P, 1 Craig Road, Maraetai, Manukau City	0-9-536 6291	2410
1957	1997	Russell , Kenneth H 39 George Point Rd, Onerahia, Whangarei	0-9-436 3456	1130
1964	1972	Sage , Deacon Constance E 1 Willis St, Auck. 3	0-9-846 5942	2080

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1971	6	Salmon, John B, 19 Temple St, Meadowbank, Auckland.5	[O] 0-9-521 2073 [H] 0-9-521 5949	2820
1982	2	Samoa Saleupolu, Aso T, 62 Stonex Road, Papatoetoe	[O] 0-9-274 8254 [H] 0-9-277 5985	2410
1983	1989	Samusamuvodre, Elia 5 Tawa Cres, Manurewa	0-9-266 0126	2420
1981	3	Sa'o, Tanielu T P O Box 20273, Glen Eden (Home: 32 Te Kamawa Cres, Henderson)	[O] 0-9-818 6542 [H] 0-9-836 1849	2100
1956	1992	Scammell, Bruce, 43 Monmouth Street, Feilding	0-6-323 3463	5120
1950	1988	Schroeder, Leonard P, 90 Mountview Road, Hamilton	0-7-843 0051	3080
1983	5	Sedon, Ashley J, P O Box 68 184, Newton, Auckland (130 Grafton Road)	[O] 0-9-373 2869 [H] 0-9-373 2323 Fax: 0-9-373 2444	2010
1988	1995	Shamy, Eileen L, 224 Sawyers Arms Rd, Chch	0-3-359 4019	8000
1945	1977	Shapcott, Leonard (Len) 13 Lucinda Place, Glen Eden, Auck 7	0-9-818 3415	2100
1952	1990	Shaw, Harry I. 12 Bowen St, Cambridge,	0-7-827 3366	3070
1946	1982	Shepherd, Trevor 38 Freyberg Street, Cherrywood, Tauranga	0-7-576 2791	3190
1944	1970	Sherson, Donald G, c- Public Trust Office, P O Box 33046, Takapuna		2150
1979	5	Short, Robert (Bob) D 90 Forest Lake Road, Hamilton	[O] 0-7-824 8864 [H] 0-7-846 0576	3120
1961	1991	Sides, Brian W 92A Fraser Street, Tauranga	0-7-578 8499	3190
1975	7	Sinclair, Paul F, 406 Thames St, Morrinsville	[H] 0-7-889 7623	3060
1991	L4	Siulangapo, 'Inoke 35 Alport Street, Christchurch	0-3-384 2183	8000
1964	1	Slinn, Stuart G 9 Rhodes Street, Timaru	0-3-688 8401	8310
1979	8	Small, Brian N, 11 Morse Street, Napier	0-6-843-9183	5160
1970	10	Smith, G Clive, 61 Wainoni Rd, ChCh 6	[O] 0-3-389 2285 [H] 0-3-389 7843	8030
1985	5	Smith, Kenneth R, 356 Wairakei Road, Chch 5	0-3-359 8115	8140
1928	1966	Snowden, Rita, c/- Mr F H Stott, N Z Guardian Trust, P O Box 1934 Auckland	0-9-846 7159	2140
1952	1976	Spindler, Sydney J 2/6 Hoyle Place, New Plymouth	0-6-757 8745	4010

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1984	1977	Springett , Margaret, Allens Road, R D 12, Hawera, Taranaki	[H] 0-6-272 2879	4050
1951	1985	Stead , Peter A, 10 Newton Rd, Oneroa, Waiheke Island	0-9-372 7288	2010
1995	3	Stephenson , P Anne, 11 Redwood St, Upper Hutt	0-4-528 0260	6140
1973		Stringer , John A.,		8000
1979	UFS	Stroobant , Anthony (Tony) D 13 Brunton Place, Glenfield, North Shore City	[H] 0-9-444 0092	
	ASC	Stuart , Dr W James, 168 Mitchell St, Brooklyn, Wellington 6002	[O] 0-4-472 9211 [H] 0-4-384 5688	
1953	1988	Stubbs , David G, 51A George St, Blenheim	0-3-578 6083	7070
1989	D9	Sulzberger , Elva M J 111 Govett Avenue, New Plymouth	0-6-753 5432	4010
1995	MI	Taiawa , Tiaki Hoani Wereta 6 Bush Street, Paeroa		3510
1991	L7	Takau , Salesi, DipAcc,NZCC 2 Wairau Place, Palmerston North	[H] 0-6-356 8346	5100
1975	ET5	Tana , Diana A P O Box 20353, Te Rapa Postal Centre, Te Rapa, (home: 36 Delamere Road), Hamilton	0-7-849 6643	3510
1996	L2	Taufa , Samiuela 5 Awarua Street, Elsdon, Wellington		6010
1987	1995	Ta'ufo'ou , Peni Mafi 14 Bingara Pl, Mangere, Auck.	[O] 0-9-638 6644 [H] 0-9-275 4352	2340
	S2	Taufu'i , Hausia, 65 Banks Street, Mt Wellington, Auckland.		
1991	1	Taungapeau , 'Epehi, 237 Kennedy Road, Napier	[H] 0-6-843 8665	5010
1955	1985	Tauroa , Lane M, 22 Hauiti Drive, Warkworth	0-9-425 7365	2290
1966	4	Taylor , Keith J, , P O Box 13638 Johnsonville, Wellington	(Direct Line) 0-4-478 8072 pager 026 107 011 [H] 0-4-382 9795	6070
1957	1993	Taylor , Philip F 12 Melandra Road, Whangaparaoa	[H] 0-9-424 3059	2280
1980	2	Telford , Gillian A, P O Box 16121, Glenview, Hamilton (home: 7 Balfour Crescent)	[O] 0-7-843 5117 [H] 0-7-856 2083	3080
1993	1	Te'o , Suiva'aia, 30 Britannia St, Petone, Lower Hutt	[H] 0-4-568 4687	6120
1967	MI	Te Uira , Phillip, Taharoa, via Te Kuiti	[H] 0-7-876 7316	3520

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1941	1978	Thomas , Gordon V, 36A Kennedy Drive, Levin		6220
1993	5	Thompson , Susan J, 46 College Road, Northcote, Auckland 9	[H] 0-9-480 9332	2180
1995	MI	Thompson , Sunnah R P P 4 Primrose Street, Raglan	0-7-825 7116	3510
1955	1983	Thornicroft , Neville, 7 Walton Ave, Warkworth	0-9-425 7225	2290
1935	1975	Thornley , Robert, Astley House, 55 Allendale Rd, Mt Albert, Auck. 3	0-9-846 3346	2080
	S2	Tonga , Vilami 64 Banks Street, Mt Wellington, Auckland		
1954	1983	Trebilco , David L 16 Coppelia Ave, Omokoroa, R D 2, Tauranga		3350
1988	SOC10	Trebilco , Paul R; 6 Grandview Crescent, Opoho, Dunedin	0-3-473 9629	9020
1994	4	Tregurtha , Paul 7 Ajax Street, Milton	[H] 0-3-417 8134	9080
1982	D15	Tregurtha , Rachel A, 208 King St, Rangiora	0-3-313 7506	8190
1963	UFS8	Tucker , W Geoffrey 38 Braemar Rd, Rothesay Bay, Auckland	[H] 0-9-479 2960	2320
1996	2	Tufuga , Fatuatia 9b Severn Place, New Plymouth	[O] 0-6-758 3592 [H] 0-6-751 0618	4010
1981	1997	Tugia , A Fa'aoso		
1981	1995	Tuimaseve , Fisiga 132 Tennesse Ave, Mangere	[H] 0-9-270 3239	2410
	L4	Tu'itupou , Molia 15 Catherine St, Onehunga		2370
	MI	Tupaea , Marangai (Mara) P O Box 112, Tuakau (133 George Street, Tuakau)	[H] 0-7-236 8283	3510
1985	8	Tupou , S Tavake, 15 Brookfield Tce, Tauranga	[O] 0-7-576 4961 Fax 0-7-576 4961 [H] 0-7-576 2047	3190
1969	UFS1	Turner , Brian H, 5 Beatty St, South New Brighton	[O] 0-3-385 3535 [H] 0-3-388 8483	8000
1991	L7	Uasi , Langi'ila, 7 Archboyd Ave, Mangere East, Auckland	0-9-275 6379	2370
1991	L4	Uhi , Siosifa Latu 38 Wise St, Wainuiomata	0-4-564 7637	6120
1995	3	Unasa , Uesifili S T, P O Box 196, Dargaville (107 Normanby Street)	0-9-439 8724	1090
1991	D7	Unasa-Su , Piula A 64 Ormond Rd, Gisborne	0-6-868 5789	5040

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1964	30	Ungemuth , Shirley V 47 Glendevon Place, Vauxhall, Dunedin	[O] 0-3-477 2000 [H] 0-3-454 4705	9020
1978	3	Upton , Alan R, P O Box 515 (8 Hill Rd), Manurewa	[O] 0-9-266 5301 [H] 0-9-267 6420	2420
1007	1	Vaeluaga , Sani T P O Box 20-273, Glen Eden, Auckland		2100
1995	3	Vickers , Ralph A 4 Oroua St, Te Puke	[O] 0-7-573 7676	3210
1962	4	Wakeling , W J Douglas 1 Highfield Road, Feilding	[O] 0-6-323 8057 [H] 0-6-323 4127	5120
1978	3	Wall , Lynne J, 1 Tennyson Ave, Takapuna, North Shore City 10	[O]ph & Fax 0-9-489 4590 [H] 0-9-489 4584	2140
1978	3	Wall , Terence W, 1 Tennyson Ave, Takapuna, North Shore City 10	[O]ph & Fax 0-9-489 4590 [H] 0-9-489 4584	2140
1961	1995	Wallace , William L, 215A Mt Pleasant Rd, Mt Pleasant, Christchurch 8	[H] 0-3-384 0111	
1985	7	Watkin , Gillian M, Trinity College, Private Bag 28 907, Remuera, Auckland 1136 (17 Havelle Ave, Titirangi, Auck 7)	[O] 0-9-528 4437 [H] 0-9-817 5368	2820
	S1	Walters , Kathryn Mission Resourcing Unit (Trinity College) Private Bag 28907, Remuera, Auckland 1136		
1954	1985	Watson , Alexander C. 376 Halswell Rd, ChCh 3	0-3-322 7805	8110
1987	1995	Waugh , Jean M Flat 3, 77 Golf Road, Tahunanui, Nelson	[H] 0-3-548 6626	7010
1984	3	Waugh , Richard J, P O Box 82 056 , Highland Park, (home: 14 Penruddocke Rd, Pakuranga)	[O] 0-9-576 2407 Fax 0-9-576 5930 [H] 0-9-576 8470	2410
1989	1	Webb , Ronald H, LTh 8 Ingestre Street, Wanganui	[O] 0-6-345 7394 [H] 0-6-345 0575	409
1977	1996	Webster , Alan C, 1 Awatea Terrace, Palmerston North	0-6-354 6896	5100
1980	D	Webster , Edna E P O Box 638, (138A Kingswood Rd, Brookfield), Tauranga	[H] 0-7-576 5986	3190
1960	1991	Wedding , P Joan 2/145 Tukapa Street, New Plymouth	[H] 0-6-753 2983	4010
1965	6	West , Norman J. 121 Barr Street, Dunedin	[H] 0-3-488 2001 Fax: 0-3-488 2277	9020
1971	2	West , Peter J L P O Box 10-365, Te Rapa, Hamilton (home: 22 English St, Bryant Park)	[O] 0-7-849 5104 [H] 0-7-849 5715 email: west.p@xtra.co.nz	3390
1966	11	West , Stan J. P O Box 931, ChCh (22 Kent Lodge Ave)	[O] 0-3-366 6049 [H] 0-3-342 9963	8900

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1995	D3	Westaway, Francis Lawrence Motels, Beaumont Rd, Lawrence	0-3-485 9811	9230
1988	L11	Westaway, Robyn E Lawrence Motels, Beaumont Rd, Lawrence	0-3-485 9811	9230
1981	2	Whaley, Graham H, P O Box 5104, Auckland	[O] 0-9-303 2443 [H] 0-9-366 1816	2010
1936	1974	Wharemaru, Heeni, (Deacon) 1 Ngaere Ave, Hamilton	0-7-855 6618	3100
1976	5	White, Graeme R, 80 Red Beach Road, Orewa	[H fax/phone] 0-9-426 8100	2280
1987	D11	Wicks, Kay 31 Jellicoe Ave, Tuakau	[H] 0-9-236 8169	2450
1985	1994	Wicks, Raymond G. 31 Jellicoe Ave, Tuakau	[H] 0-9-236 8169	2450
1959	1985	Widdup, Robert (Bob) W 14B Pinewood Grove, Paraparaumu	[H] 0-4-297 0699	6240
1975	MI	Wiki, Waha 22 Derrick Road, Kawakawa, Northland	0-9-404 1712	1510
1997	1	Williams, Ken 92 Freyberg Rd, Ruawai 0355	0-9-439 2007	1100
	S4	Williams, Richard 14 Bank Street, Birkenhead, Auckland	0-9-418 1473	
1942	1982	Willing, Leonard (Len) V, BA 8 Murray Ave, Hawera	0-6-278 7035	4510
1986	MI	Winikerei, Barney Ahuroa Road, R D 2, Te Kuiti	[H] 0-7-878 6883	3520
	D4	Wood, Christine (Chris) 38A Foster Cres, Belmont, Lower Hutt	[O] 0-4-566 0580 [H] 0-4-565 1320	6120
1950	1984	Woodfield, Frank H 4 Kowhai Grove, Waikanae	0-4-293 6904	6240
1950	1988	Woodfield, Owen T, BA 107 Kaiwara St, Chch 2.	[H] 0-3-338 2550	8080
1962	UFS2	Woodley, Alan K, BA 39 Westmere Park Ave, Westmere, Auckland	[H] 0-9-360 0065	2010
1971	1989	Wright, Jack 43 Clyde Cres, Palmerston North	0-6-357 5513	5100
1991	2	Yasa, Mike M K 8A Fovant Street, Christchurch	0-3-342 7984	8120
1993	5	Zanders, Gloria J, 301 Bank Street, Te Awamutu	0-7-871 5376	3250

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ph. [O] 0-9-828 2003, [H] 0-9-828 3077
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ph. [O] 0-9-828 2003; [H] 0-9-828 7496
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- Glenfield Ecumenical Project:** (2160)
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- Hauraki Plains Co-operating Parish:** David A G North, (3020)
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ph. 0-7-867 7201
- Paeroa Co-operating Parish:** Stan and Pauline Stewart (3030)
P O Box 54, Paeroa. phopne/fax 0-7-862 8603

- Waihi Beach Congregation LEP:** Lester Simpson (3040)
8 Hobson Street, Waihi. ph 0-7-863 8604
- Te Aroha Co-operating Parish:** Bryant S L Abbott, (3050)
32 Church St, Te Aroha ph. [O] 0-7-884 8673 [H] 0-7-884 7044
- Cambridge Union Parish:** Russell G Rigby (3070)
43 Queen St, (Home: 23 Alpha St,) Cambridge 2351.
ph. [O] 0-7-827-6523;
- Raglan Union Parish:** Peter Kennett (3090)
57 Norrie Avenue, Raglan ph. [H] 0-7-825 8354
- Chartwell Co-operating Parish:** Alan J Leadley, (3110)
137 Boundary Road, Hamilton. ph [O] 0-7-855 7434
[H] 0-7-855 2919; fax no. 0-7-855 7019
Florence M T Chambers, (41 de Vere Cr.) P O Box 12034, Hamilton.
ph. 0-7-854 7101
- Ngaruawahia Union Parish:** Robert (Bob) Short (3120)
90 Forest Lake Road, Hamilton 2001. ph. [O] 0-7-824 8864
[H] 0-7-846 0576
- Huntly Co-operating Parish:** Murray J Lambert, (3130)
P O Box 107, (92 Kimihia Rd) Huntly 2191
ph. [O] 0-7-828 9713; [H] 0-7-828 9938
- Matamata Union Parish:** Dianne L Le Pine (3140)
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[H] 0-7-888 8976
- Putaruru Co-operating:** Gary Husband, (3150)
P O Box 12, Putaruru 2371. ph. [O] 0-7-883 7341;
[H] 0-7-883 7591;
- Taupo Union:** The Parish Secretary, (3180)
P O Box 823, Taupo 3300 ph. [O] 0-7-378 6812,
[H] 0-7-378 4302 (Parsonage 38 Rimu St, Taupo.)
- St James Union Parish, Greerton:** Steve G Horton, (3200)
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- Whakatane Co-operating:** Alexander H Czerwonka, (3220)
P O Box 164 Whakatane 3080. ph. 0-7-308 5809
- Opotiki Union:** The Parish Secretary, (3240)
The Manse, 102 St John's St, Opotiki 3472
ph. [H] 0-7-315 6176; [O] 0-7-315 7314
- St Paul's Co-operating - Taumarunui:** Robert (Bob) Murphy, (3280)
18 Cross Street, Taumarunui. ph. 0-7-895 7061
- Turangi Co-operating:** , Kevin J Tarry, (3290)
4 Hingaia Street, Turangi 3080. ph. 0-7-846 8048
- Hillcrest Co-operating:** The parish Secretary, (3330)
(249 Cambridge Rd), P O Box 11007, Hamilton ph. [O] 0-7-856 4065
[H] 0-7-856 4065; Ross Falconer, 3 Eton Drive, Hillcrest,
Hamilton. ph [O] 0-7-856 7866 [H] 0-7-856 7960
- Pio Pio-Aria Mokau Co-operating Parish:** B E Cavit, (3340)
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- Omokoroa Co-operating:** Anthony (Tony) N Hepburn (3350)
5 Rua Moana Place, Omokoroa, R D 2 Tauranga 3050.
ph. 0-7-548 1072
- Co-op. Parish of St Clare, Dinsdale:** Nancy-Jean Whitehead (3360)
P O Box 15-125, Hamilton. ph. [O] 0-7847 2752;
- All Saints (Bryant Park) Co-operating:** Peter J L West, (3390)
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[H] 0-7-849 5715; email: west.p@xtra.co.nz;
(home: 22 English Street, Bryant Park, Hamilton)
- Whangamata Co-operating Parish:** The Parish Secretary, (3400)
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TARANAKI-WANGANUI (4000)

- Eltham-Kaponga Co-operating:** Alan D Hawksworth, (4040)
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- Manaia Union:** Peter M Kirkpatrick, (4060)
42 Ngatai Street,, Manaia 4752. ph. 0-6-764 6564
- Opunake Co-operating:** Sione L J Faitala (4070)
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- Okato:** Ian Campbell, 2 Gossling St, Okato Taranaki 4652
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- Inglewood Union:** Chris Burgin, P O Box 1131 (4110)
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[H] 0-6-756 7124
- Patea Co-operating:** The Parish Secretary, (4120)
c/- Mr J C Hill, 4 Oxford Street, Patea ph. 0-6-
- Bellblock Lepperton Co-operating Parish:** Bruce A J Hellyer, (4130)
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[H] 0-6-755 3929

HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU (5000)

- Mangapapa Union:** Bruce Mounsey, Facilitator, (5050)
71 Atkinson, Gisborne 3801
- Presbyterian-Methodist Parish of Wairoa:** (5060)
Richard J Gray, 87 Lucknow St, Wairoa 4192
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- Woodville Union:** The Parish Secretary, (5080)
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- Pahiatua Union:** James M Soper (5090)
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[H] 0-6-376 8593
- Rongotea-Sanson Co-operating:** Edward (Ted) A Brash, (5140)
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- Foxton-Shannon Co-operating:** Christopher R Domboskri, (5150)
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- Tamatea Community Church:** Brian N Small (5160)
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- Milson Combined Church:** David J Kettle, (5180)
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- Miramar Uniting:** Ria A Sporry, 136A Hobart Street, (6050)
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- Ngaio Union:** Joan Ross, (6060)
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- Johnsonville Union:** Keith J Taylor, (6070)
P O Box 13594, Johnsonville, Wellington 6004
ph. [DD] 0-4-478 8072 [H] 0-4-382 9795; Pager 026 107011
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- Newlands Union:** - Barry E Jones, (6080)
2 Oswald Cres, Newlands, Wgtn 6004. ph. 0-4-478 6283
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- Greytown St Andrews Union:** The Parish Secretary, The Manse, (6160)
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- Masterton St Luke's Union:** J Scott Thomson
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- St James Masterton Union:** The Parish Secretary (6200)
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- Eketahuna Union:** c/- Mr Walker Bowyer, Nireaha, (6210)
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- Kapiti Co-operating:** I Marie Greenwood, (6240)
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- North Wairarapa Rural Support Ministry:** Vacant, (6260)
- Brooklyn Co-operating:** The Parish Secretary (6270)
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[H] 0-4-
- Karori-Northland Uniting Parish:** Pamela J Tankersley, (6280)
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- Nelson St Luke's Union:** W Bruce Murray, (7020)
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- Motueka Co-operating:** (7040)
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153 Buller Road, Reefton 7853. ph. 0-3-732-8589
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- New Brighton Union:** S Mavaega, 24 Collingwood (8040)
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- South East Christchurch Union:** M Lyndsey McKay, (8060)
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- Malvern Co-operating:** Bruce Hamill, 46 Mathias St, (8200)
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- Parklands Co-operating:** Hugh Perry, (8220)
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[H] 0-3-388 6545

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- Geraldine Co-operating:** Ian Hyslop, (8360)
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- Allenton Union:** Martin J Stewart, (8390)
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- Grants Braes Union:** c- Mr Brian Simms,, (9070)
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- Tokomairiro Co-operating:** Paul Tregurtha, (9080)
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- Riverton Union:** The Parish Secretary (9120)
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- Otautau-Waiono Union:** Ministry Co-ordinator Mrs Judith Day (9130)
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- Bluff Co-operating:** Colin S Leadley, (9150)
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- Otatara Community Church Parish:** (9260)
Stephen J Lindsay

A CHRONOLOGICAL LIST OF PRESBYTERS AND DEACONS OF THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND

and is a record of years of service in the Methodist
Church

NOTE:

- (a) Normally a Deacon and Presbyter's name is listed as from the date of first appointment by the Conference.
- (b) The names of Presbyters received from other Conferences appear under the year of their first appointment by their previous Conference.
- (c) The names of Presbyters received from other Churches into Full Connexion is listed from the year of their appointment by the Conference.
- (d) See Resolution 2, p.8, 1977.

1927	Penn, Athol R (Sup)	1941	Thomas, Gordon V (Sup)
1928	Snowden, Rita (Deacon ret)	1942	Lewis, John J (Sup) Willing, Leonard V (Sup)
1930	Leadley, E Clarence (Sup) McDowell, M Alexander (Sup) Parker, J Wesley (Sup)	1943	Dawson, W Selwyn (Sup) Falkingham, Wilfred E M.B.E. (Sup) Grounds, Edmund D (Sup)
1931	Parker, Gordon (Sup)	1944	Sherson, Donald G (Sup)
1935	Thornley, Robert (Sup)	1945	Shapcott, Leonard (Sup)
1936	Hopper, Ian H K (Sup) Wharemaru, Heeni (Deacon ret)	1946	Olds, Norman W (Sup) Shepherd, Trevor (Sup)
1939	Lucas, Campbell P (Sup) Pointon, Dorothy (Deacon ret)	1947	Campbell, Michael J (Sup) Hall, Allen H (Sup) Money, Lucy H (Deacon ret) Parker, Francis H (Sup)
1940	Dawson, John B (Sup)		

1948	Clement, Grace M (Deacon ret) Collins, Rona W (Deacon ret) Eisner, Wilf G. (Sup) Hilder, Basil J (Sup) Hopkins, George C (Sup) Marshall, Edward M (Sup)	1953	Stubbs, David G (Sup)
1949	Baker, Edward (Sup) Benny, T Ralph (Sup) Burt, Douglas H (Sup) Cornwell, Gordon A R (Sup) Ford, Wilfred F, C.M.G. (Sup) Keightley, Clifford J (Sup) Nuttall, A Roger G (Sup)	1954	Billinghurst, Noel D (Sup) Dickie, Arthur W (Sup) Hammond, George M (Sup) Heppelthwaite, Ernest (Sup) Rakena, Ruawai D (Sup) Rushton, Percy P (Sup) Trebilco, David I (Sup) Watson, Alexander C (Sup)
1950	Clark, Colin D (Sup) Gordon, D Bruce (Sup) Schroeder, Leonard P (Sup) Woodfield Frank H (Sup) Woodfield, Owen T (Sup)	1955	Abbott, William K (Sup) Bennett, Trevor L (Sup) Boyd, Edward P (Sup) Cable, Wilfred J (Sup) Goreham, Norman J (Sup) Rigg, Frank S (Sup) Tauroa, Lane M (Sup) Thornicroft, Neville (Sup)
1951	Burrough, Amos W (Sup) Clucas, Ivan J (Sup) Gilbert, Geoffrey T (Sup) Olds, O MacLennan (Sup) Stead, Peter A (Sup)	1956	Andrews, Robert S (Sup) Bennett, George L (Sup) Grant, Ian D (Sup) Scammell, Bruce (Sup)
1952	Gibson, Loyal J (Sup) Hall, John R (Sup) Penman, John A (Sup) Shaw, Harry I (Sup) Spindler, Sydney J (Sup)	1957	Bell, G Basil W (Sup) Cropp, James F Fowler, Irwin J (Sup) Guthardt, Phyllis M (Sup) Kitchingman, Henry W (Sup) Mabon, John C F Pullar, Beverley (Sup) Russell, Kenneth H Taylor, Philip F (Sup)
1953	Baker, Frederick J K (Sup) Craig, Hughan M (Sup) McKay, Archibald W (Sup) Newman, Alan (Sup) Osborne, John H (Sup)	1958	Dickinson, J Mervyn Gilbert, Wilfred S (Sup) Hamlin, R John (Sup) Lewis, Evan R (Sup)
		1959	Bowen, Lewis A (Sup) Dine, Mervyn L

1959	Goudge, Stanley R (Sup) Griffith, Keith C (Sup) Hosking, John S Widdup, Robert W (Sup)	1965	Barnes, Stanley J Chessum, William A Clarke, Edwin B Herbert, C Brice (Sup) Mackie, Bruce E West, Norman J
1960	Brazendale, Graham (Sup) Gust, Warwick (Sup) Hanson, E Francis I Hornblow, Maxwell A (Sup) Horrill, C Seton (Sup) Mullan, David S (Sup) Peterson, Frederick D (Sup) Wedding, P Joan (Sup)	1966	Alexander, Roy M Prince, Donald F Taylor, Keith J West, Stanley J
1961	James, Russell E (Sup) Langley, John E (Sup) Marshall, C Russell (Sup) Sides, Brian W (Sup) Wallace, William L (Sup)	1967	Bennett, Enid J (Sup) Jamieson, Colin G (Sup) Pratt, David C
1962	Bilverstone, John Currie, John B Hawkey, Graham E Hornblow, Edgar R (Sup) Jones, Barry E Wakeling, W J Douglas Woodley, Alan K	1968	Allan, Robert A Couch, Moke A G (Sup) Hay, J Cedric Hey, Roger J E Jeyseelan, Wesley T Leadley, Alan J McIver, Graeme M Malcouronne, Brian J Meredith, John D Norwell, Ian C Phillipps, Donald J
1963	Ansell, David H (Sup) Armstrong, David (Sup) Ball, Niven G (Sup) Clarke, Ian L (Sup) Laws, Derek G (Sup) Miller, Barbara I (Sup) Tucker, W Geoffrey	1969	Alley, David R Brookes, Norman E Corlett, Ashley I Eagle, Brian R J Griffiths, William D Harkness, Barry G Rigby, Russell G Turner, Brian H
1964	Felderhof, Ludwig (Sup) Gerritsen, Hendrik Neal, Barry W Sage, Constance G (Deacon ret) Slinn, Stuart G Ungemuth, Shirley .V	1970	Smith, G Clive
		1971	Blundell, Warren H (Sup) Bowen, Lesley H (retd Deacon) Salmon, John B

1971	Wright, Jack (Sup)	1980	Biggs, Donald F Cooper, K Desmond Cumberpatch, Lindsay E Egli, Bruno W Elderton, William E Murray, John S Telford, Gillian A
1972	Hauraki, Hana P (Sup) West, Peter J L		
1973	Grant, Stuart C Stringer, John A		
1974	Burton, Restal A (Sup) Roberts, John H	1981	Bell, David S Frith, Lynne O Noa, Nomani Sa'o, Tanielu T Tugia, A Fa'aoso (Sup) Whaley, Graham H
1975	Bell, Anthony N Jacobson, Patricia M (Sup) Moala, Taniela T Pratt, G Douglas		
1975	Sinclair, Paul F Tana, Diana A	1982	Clarke, Lois R H Hames, Margaret (Deacon) Hill, Desmond A (retd Deacon) Hunt, P Anne (Deacon to 1992) Langley, Timothy J McNicol, Derek V Ferguson, I W Leslie Oh, Kyoung-Soo Richards, Gillian M Samoa Saleupolu, Aso T Tregurtha, Rachel A (Deacon)
1976	Glensor, Peter E Greer, Michael W Ieriko, Paulo White, Graeme R		
1977	Leary, Gordon A (Sup) Webster, Alan C (Sup)		
1978	Wall, Lynne J Wall, Terence W Upson, Alan R		
1979	Astley-Ford, H Mary (Sup) Bush, David J Ferguson, Robert A Greenwood, I Marie Little, Edith J (Sup) Short, Robert D Small, Brian N Stroobant, Anthony D Webster, Edna E (Deacon)	1983	Burnett, Margaret E (Sup) Cubin, Raewyn (Deacon) Dickinson, Audrey N (Sup) Higham, B June (Deacon) Hingano, Sifa Kane, Graham A Oliver, J Allan Rosewell, Wendie Sedon, Ashley J
1980	Anderson-Carter, Glenys R	1984	Abbott, Bryant S L Elphick, Doris J

- 1984 Keesing, Neil R
 Ramsay, B Anne (Deacon)
 (until Jan '97)
 Springett, Margaret
 Waugh, Richard J
- 1985 Bowring, Stuart J
 Caygill, Mary E
 Gibson, June L.
 (ret'd Deacon)
 Lawry, A Joan
 (ret'd Deacon)
 Olsen, F Anne
 Rogers, Douglas I
 Smith, Kenneth R
 Tupou, S Tavake
 Watkin, Gillian M
- 1985 Wicks, Raymond G (Sup)
- 1986 Barrow, Shirley-Joy
 (Deacon)
 Chandler, Clive H
 Cooper, Mark F
 Garner, Edna J (Sup)
 Grant, John M
 Allen-Goudge, Robyn D
 Hallam, Valma E (Deacon)
 Hight, Dianne C (Deacon)
 Leadley, Colin S
 Pond, H David (Sup)
 Reid, Loraine J
 Reynolds, Elva M
 (ret'd Deacon)
- 1987 Ambler, Mavis
 Baker, Marcia J (Sup)
 Clover, Gary A M
 Cochrane, Airdre R
 (ret'd Deacon)
 Mika, V Salafai
 Reid, Rita J (Deacon)
 Unasa-Su, Piula (Deacon)
- 1987 Waugh, Jean M (Sup)
 Wicks, Kay (Deacon)
- 1988 Bennett, John E (Sup)
 Dombroski, Christopher R
 Emslie, Marian
 Hughson, Gregory A
 Shamy, Eileen L (Sup)
 Southward, Gwenda J
 Trebilco, Paul R
 Tuimaseve, Fisiga (Sup)
 Westaway, Robyn E
- 1989 Bryant, David M (Deacon)
 Bryant, Margaret I
 (Deacon)
 Bruce, G Jean
 Dalton, R Harvey
 (Deacon)
 Fa'afuata, Fereti
 Fawknor, Brenda R N
 (Deacon)
 Goodwin, Lorna J
 (Deacon)
 Johnston, Alexander C
 (Sup)
 Millar, M Anne
 Manu'atu, Lisiate F T
 Nesbit, John B (Sup)
 Rice, William R
 Sulzburger, Elva M J
 (Deacon)
 Webb, Ronald H
- 1990 Clifford, Kathy
 Doubleday, Andrew D
 Durrant, Joanne A
 George, Norma J
 McInnes, Jean I
 (ret'd Deacon)
 Rolinson, David T H

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| 1991 | Ancrum, Audrey P
Clifford, William J
Fifita, Saula
Le Pine, Dianne
Manukia, Mosese
Olsen, Kenneth W
Takau, Salesi
Taungapeau, 'Epeli
Uasi, Langi'ila
Yasa, Mike | 1996 | McLeod, Malcolm
Taufa, Samiuela
Tufuga, Fatuatia |
| 1992 | Fa'afuata, Iakopo
Moa, Kepu
Peterson, Brian C
Peterson, Marion J
Tu'itupou, Molia | 1997 | Abernethy, Gordon
'Akauola-Tongotongo,
Sylvia
Manu, Tavake
Morunga, Christine
Ramsay, Anne
Vaeluaga, Sani,
Williams, Kenneth |
| 1993 | Hoddinott, Rosalie J
Hunt, Stan (Deacon)
Parkes, Judith
Te'o, Suiva'aia
Thompson, Susan J
Zanders, Gloria J | | |
| 1994 | Alaelua, Faiva
Boswell, Ruth
Connole, Kevin
Cook, Liz
Filemoni, Tavita
Siulangapo, 'Inoke
Tregurtha, Paul
Uhi, Siosifa Latu
Wood, Chris | | |
| 1995 | Bryant, George
Kerr, Jessie
Osborn, Beverley
Stephenson, P Anne
Unasa, Uesifili
Vickers, Ralph
Westaway, Francis | | |

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Beckingsale, Mrs Joan, 6 Keru St, Oneroa, Waiheke Island
Bell, Mrs Grace, Everil Orr Village, 63 Allenvale Rd, Mt Albert, Auckland 3
Besant, Mrs Joyce, 1 Arlington Street, Christchurch 5
Brown, Mrs Constance, 1 Armagh Tce, Marton
Brown, Mrs Mavis, 18 Baretta Street, Christchurch 2
Bruce, Mrs Audrey, 29 Martyn Street, Franklin, Waiuku 1852
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THE BUSINESS FROM DAY TO DAY

THURSDAY, 14 NOV.

8.30am - 9.00pm	Methodist AFFIRM	<i>Wesley Roskill Church 276 Mt Albert Road</i>
9.00am	Pakeha Meeting <i>Convener:</i>	<i>Avondale Union Church 49 Rosebank Road</i>
10.15am	Morning Tea	
10.45am	Pakeha Meeting	
11.00am	Ordinands Retreat	
12.30pm	Lunch (for members of Pakeha Meeting)	
1.30pm	Pakeha Stationing	<i>Avondale Union</i>
3.30pm	Afternoon Tea	
4.00pm	Pakeha Stationing	<i>Avondale Union</i>
6.00pm	Evening Meal (for members of Pakeha Stationing)	
6.00pm	Bi-cultural Network Meeting	
7.30pm - 9.00pm	Pakeha Stationing	

FRIDAY, 15 NOV.

9.00am	Pakeha Stationing Bi-cultural Network Meeting	<i>Avondale Union</i>
9.00am-3.00pm	Methodist AFFIRM	<i>Wesley Roskill Church</i> <i>276 Mt Albert Road</i>
10.15am	Morning Tea	
10.45am	Tauiwi Forum	<i>Avondale Union</i>
12.30pm	Lunch for Tauiwi Forum members	
1.30pm	Tauiwi Forum	<i>Avondale Union</i>
3.30pm	Afternoon Tea	
4.00pm - 6.00pm	Tauiwi Forum	
5.30pm - 8.00pm	Wesley Historical Society Meal and Annual Meeting	<i>Avondale Union</i>
7.00pm	Law Revision Meeting	<i>Avondale Union</i>

SATURDAY, 16 NOV.

10.30am - 12.30pm	Introduction to Conference	<i>Rosebank Peninsula Church</i> <i>212 Rosebank Rd</i>
11.00am	President's lunch with families of the deceased	<i>Avondale Union</i> <i>(downstairs)</i>
2.00pm	Powhiri	<i>Avondale Union</i>
	Conference Worship Induction of the President and Vice-President	<i>Avondale Union</i>
5.00pm	Light Meal	
6.00pm - 8.00pm	Recognition of those retiring.	<i>Avondale Union</i>

SUNDAY, 17 NOV.

Morning Worship with Parishes

11.00am - 1.15pm	Lay Preachers Assn meeting Lunch (12.30 pm.)	<i>Avondale Union downstairs</i>
2.00pm	Ordination of Presbyters and Deacons	<i>Avondale Union Hall</i>
5.00pm	Conference Convenes Story Time	<i>Avondale Church</i>
5.05pm	Introductions & Acknowledgments Staff, Observers, Elders Those nominated for President-Elect and Vice-President-Elect Reception into Full Connexion	
6.15pm	Light Meal <i>(Conference Secretary, President & Vice-President meets with Conveners Committee of Detail)</i>	
6.15pm	Notices of Motion box cleared	
7.30pm	Messiah	<i>Mt Albert Church</i>

MONDAY, 18 NOV.

8.00-8.15am	Karakia	<i>downstairs</i>
8.30am	Lighting the Candle Reflections	<i>Avondale Union</i>
8.50am	Notices of Motion Memorials	
	Committee of Detail Meetings	<i>Avondale Union</i>
	<i>NOTE: The business of Conference is considered in Committees of Detail before being presented to the Conference.</i>	
10.15am	Morning Tea (at Committee of Detail venues)	
10.45am	Committees of Detail continue	

MONDAY cont'd

1.00pm	Lunch & Provident Society Meeting
2.00pm	Committees of Detail continue
3.00pm	Conference Session Story Time
3.05pm	Questions 1-2, Questions 3-7 Questions 8-20 Stationing Law Revision (R)
3.30pm	Afternoon Tea
4.00pm	Taha Maori & Taiwi Meetings
6.00pm	Opportunity for Taha Maori & Taiwi to report on their meeting
	Reflections
6.30pm	Evening Meal Notice of Motion Box cleared
7.30pm	Celebration Conference receives the Reports of this year's activities of Standing Committees and Boards
	Thanksgiving Conference acknowledge the leadership of those who move from Connexional Appointments, etc.
8.50pm	Close of day.

TUESDAY, 19 NOV.

8.00-8.15	Karakia	
8.30am	Lighting the Candle	<i>Avondale Union</i>
8.35am	Conference Session convenes	
G.	Mission and Ministry	

TUESDAY cont'd

10.15am		Morning Tea
10.45am		Reflections
11.05am	G.	Conference Session Mission and Ministry
1.00pm		Lunch Deacons Luncheon
2.00pm		Story Time
2.05pm	B.	Conference Session Communications/Organisations Election of President
3.30pm		Afternoon Tea
4.00pm	C.	Conference Session Faith and Order Election of Vice-President
5.30pm		Ex-President & Ex-Vice-President share with Conference
6.00pm		Evening Meal
7.00pm	E.	Conference Session Public Questions
8.50pm		Close of day

WEDNESDAY, 20 NOV.

8-00-8.15		Karakia	
8.30am		Lighting the Candle	<i>Avondale Union</i>
8.35am	I.	Conference Session Taha Maori	
10.15am		Morning Tea	
10.45am		Reflections	

WEDNESDAY, cont'd

11.05am	A.	Conference Session Administration & Connexional Properties & Funds
1.00pm		Lunch
2.00pm		Story Time
2.05pm	J.	Conference Session Church Welfare
3.30pm		Afternoon Tea
4.00pm	D.	Conference Session Samoan/Tongan/Fiji
6.00pm		Evening Meal
7.00pm	F.	Conference Session Mission & Ecumenical
8.50pm		Close of day

THURSDAY, 21 NOV.

8.00-8.15am		Karakia	
8.30am		Lighting the Candle	<i>Avondale Union</i>
8.35am	H.	Conference Session Social Services	
10.00am		Remaining Questions Unfinished Business Concluding activities	
11.00am		Morning Tea	
11.30am		Covenant Service	
12.30pm		Lunch	

**Please note these times may vary during
the course of the Conference.**

COMMITTEES OF DETAIL - BUSINESS:

- A. ADMINISTRATION/CONNEXIONAL PROPERTIES & FUNDS:**
Convener: Pat Teague
Administration Division
Investment Board
Methodist Trust Association
Methodist Provident Society
P.A.C. Distribution Group
Robert Gibson
James and Martha Trounson Trust
- B. COMMUNICATION/ORGANISATIONS**
Convener: Doug Rogers
Media
PAC Communications Endowment
Epworth Bookshop
Lay Preachers
Women's Fellowship
Community of Women and Men
Methodist AFFIRM
Wesley Historical Society
Wesley College
- C. FAITH & ORDER**
Conveners: Terry Wall
Faith and Order
- D. FIJI-SAMOAN-TONGAN**
Conveners: Sasau Strickland
Tevita Finau
Lani Tupu
Fiji Advisory Committee
Tongan Advisory Committee
Samoa Synod
- E. PUBLIC QUESTIONS**
Convener: Fletcher Thomas
Public Questions
- F. MISSION & ECUMENICAL**
Conveners: Ian Faulkner
Council for Mission and
Ecumenical Co-operation

G. MISSION & MINISTRY RESOURCING UNIT

Convener: Barry Neal/Mary Caygill

- Mission Unit** - Ministry matters
- Educational Ministry
 - English Speaking Youth
 - Church Union
 - Forum of Co-operative Ventures
 - Futures Task Group
 - Chaplaincies

Ministry Unit - Trinity College

H. SOCIAL SERVICES

Convener: Chris Wood

Methodist Mission Aotearoa
Auckland Methodist Mission
Wesley Wellington Mission
Christchurch Methodist Mission
Dunedin Methodist Mission

I. TE TAHA MAORI

Convener: Diana Tana

Taha Maori
Grey Institute Trust
Wellington Charitable Trust

J. WELFARE OF THE CHURCH

Convener: Norman West/Nicola Grundy

Welfare of the Church
Council of Conference
Bicultural Committee
Restructuring Task Group
Central Complaints Committee
Disputes/Discipline - National Church

DRAFT GUIDELINES FOR CONFERENCE DECISION-MAKING PROCESS

At Conference new ways of making decisions have been used for some years. It now seems appropriate to collate those which have been helpful and to make them known, so Conference members can become familiar with them. It is expected that many of the methods detailed here will also be appropriate for use at district and parish level.

The primary goal of the decision-making process outlined is to enable Taha Maori (Tangata Whenua, the people who are the land) and the Tauwiwi (the people who came later and settled here) - partners of Te Hahi Weteriana o Aotearoa, the Methodist Church of New Zealand - to make decisions which demonstrate partnership.

The church has discovered that the Westminster Parliamentary method did not do this and was appropriate for only some sections of the partnership, so more equitable ways have been sought and tried.

Facilitation of the partnership decision-making process requires particular skills, which not all elected leaders will have developed, so an experienced facilitator may be asked by the President or Vice-President to lead the Conference at such times.

PRINCIPLES

The following are principles for making decisions in a manner which demonstrates Taha Maori/Tauwiwi partnership:

- A decision is made only when it is clear that both partners - i.e. Taha Maori and Tauwiwi - can state that they agree with the suggested decision.
- Taha Maori or Tauwiwi may caucus at any time in the process to work out their position.
- Partners may choose their own language for the discussion. (Tauwiwi will need to decide the language(s) appropriate for them).
- When the partners do not agree, no decision can be made.
Instead, a process will be established which may lead to agreement in the future.
- The Council of Elders will monitor the process and may guide it.

DECISION-MAKING STRATEGIES:

1. Consensus is a term often used when general agreement rather than majority rule is a group's aim. "Consensus", as generally understood in relation to decision-making in large groups, enables:

- participation by a larger number of members
- the opportunity for minority opinions to be acknowledged
- a greater chance of obtaining unity of purpose in a group with a variety of values
- more stable, longer-lasting decisions.

Consensus does not mean unanimity or total agreement. Rather it is the group agreeing to work together in a certain way, even though some members might prefer not to, e.g.

"We are prepared to support this decision because:

- it is for the good of the group
- we see it is so important
- we feel that our viewpoint has been adequately expressed
- we are prepared to live with the decision".

In consensus decision-making, if it is clear that no agreement is possible at the time of the discussion, the topic is adjourned and plans made for other approaches which may lead to consensus in the future. In the meantime the status quo will continue.

The process of seeking consensus can use a number of techniques which may assist the group to reach its general agreement. Some of these are:

- caucussing
- brainstorming to collect ideas
- buzzing in pairs or threes to clarify a position
- dividing into small groups to respond to the same or different parts of the topic
- having a prepared presentation of the issues involved
- adjourning the topic till later in the agenda and having two or three people work at finding an alternative way forward
- a majority decision
- straw votes to give an indication of the mind of the group
- having members indicate non-verbally if they agree/disagree with the ideas being expressed
- identifying common ground and then working on areas of difference
- asking those with a different opinion if recording their view will enable them to live with the decision.

2. Caucussing is a method used in large groups to assist decision making. It is a meeting of group(s) within the larger group. Caucussing enables any group to clarify its position on the business in hand. Conference does not continue when it divides into Taha Maori/Taiwi caucus groups, so it is not appropriate for the President, Vice-President, or facilitator of the Conference to continue facilitating any of the smaller groups. In the Conference Taha Maori or Taiwi can call for their group to caucus, but only if doing so seems likely to assist the full group to reach a decision.

There are 3 ways for this to happen:

(a) The person presiding over the Conference may determine that caucussing is appropriate.

or (b) Taiwi may call for a caucus.

or (c) Taha Maori may call for a caucus.

Conference then divides into Taha Maori and Taiwi groups. The people who facilitate the full Conference do not lead the small groups, so these groups need to have their own facilitators ready.

Caucus process:

Each group decides its own process for establishing its position on the topic.

(a) They may work in one group

or (b) They may divide into smaller caucus groups, e.g. ethnic, gender, district or interest groups, who discuss their position regarding the topic.

The sub group(s) come to their decision so they rejoin the larger group and report their position. Then that group seeks to reach agreement. This continues until all the sub-groups have rejoined the caucus. A sub-group may decide it cannot reach an agreed position but that it is prepared to support the one reached by the full group.

If at any time a sub-group cannot reach an agreed position and this prevents a decision being reached by the full group, then the sub-group may ask for a specified time to explore other approaches if that is expect to result in an eventual decision.

The Caucus then discusses its position to see if it has been able to reach a common mind. If it has, the caucus rejoins the Conference.

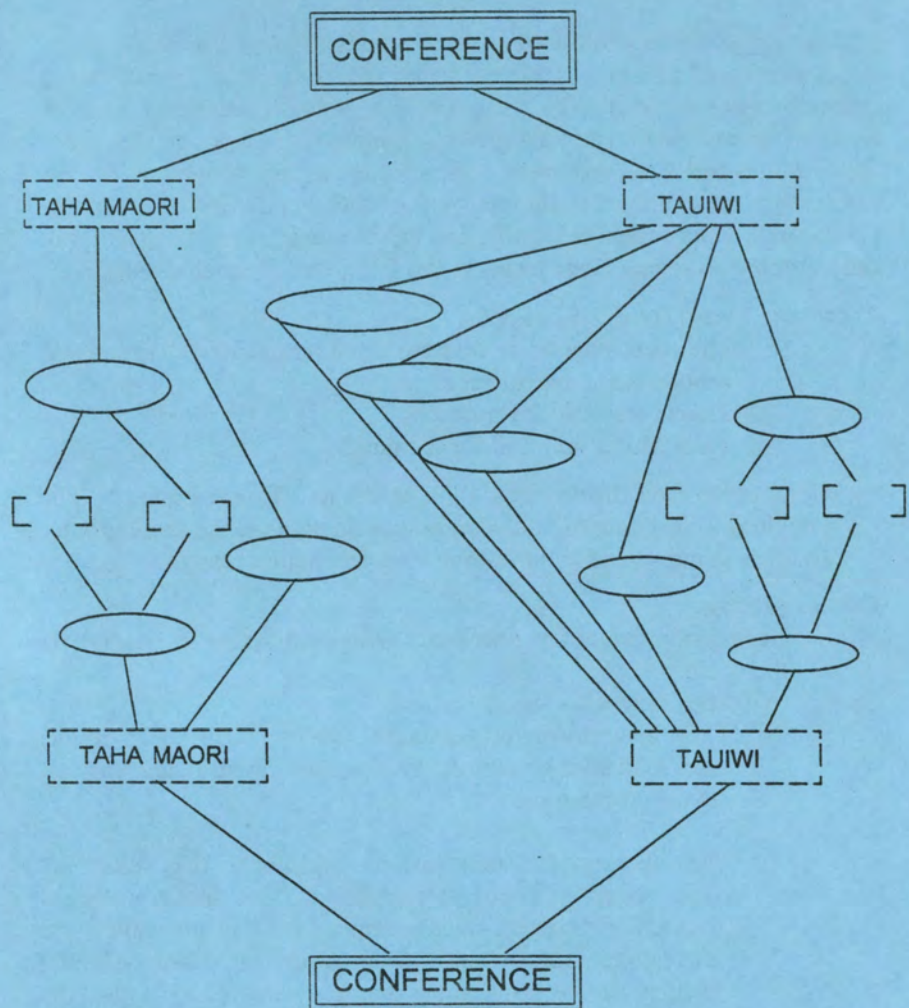


DIAGRAM OF
POSSIBLE CAUCUS
PROCESS

Key: Full Conference Group
 Partners of Conference
 Sub-groups of Tauiwai /Taha Maori caucuses
 Sub-groups of a sub-group

What does the Conference do?

When Taiuiwi and Taha Maori groups rejoin, Conference reconvenes, so the person presiding resumes his/her role. Normally, the group which called the caucus reports first, then the other group reports its position. If the person presiding called the caucus, he/she will determine the order of reporting back. Then the whole Conference works toward a consensus decision.

When the process is complete the person presiding shall make a clear statement of the decision.

MEMBERS' RESPONSIBILITIES:

Consensus decision-making requires a high level of member responsibility and individuals need to be aware of how they can contribute in a helpful manner. Members should:

- expect to contribute briefly, to the point, and only once on a topic
- prepare what they have to say and speak only if that point has not already been made
- contribute material if it assists the discussion or reconciles an apparent difference
- keep silent if they cannot contribute in a way which aids the discussion.

SUMMARY

- Conference decision-making has for some time been evolving toward a process which demonstrates Taha Maori-Taiuiwi partnership agreement and enables full participation from all member groups.
- Consensus agreement using caucus groups, and other methods of assisting decision-making, is an appropriate mode for making partnership decisions.
- For such processes to be successful all group members need to participate in an informed and responsible manner.
- Facilitation of these processes is a skilled task and the President and Vice President may request experienced people to lead some sessions.

PROCEDURES TO ENABLE THE BUSINESS OF CONFERENCE TO BE TAKEN "EN BLOC":

- (1) Committees of Detail of Conference will be asked to advise the Conference as to those reports/resolutions that can be presented to the Conference En Bloc. On the recommendation of the Committees of Detail they will be put to the Conference En Bloc. Reports/Resolutions to be taken En Bloc will be clearly marked on the papers distributed to the Conference.
- (2) In order to safeguard the rights of members of Conference to speak on any report/resolution, any member may by simple request to the Chair, have removed from the "En Bloc" procedures any report/resolution.

(Minutes of Conference 1978, Resolution 1, page 564.)

FUNCTION - COUNCIL OF ELDERS

The Council of Elders shall enable and assist the Church in its Bicultural Journey by seeking to model the equal partnership prefigured in the Treaty in the Treaty of Waitangi, and specifically it may:

- (a) monitor recommendations of all Conference Committees and Boards of the Conference, and
- (b) reflect and comment on the style, work and priorities of all Conference Committees and Boards, and
- (c) refer back for further consideration any report or recommendation which the Council of Elders considers will hinder or divert the Church from its Bicultural Journey, and
- (d) report each year to the Conference

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Brian C Peterson, Lth, DipMin
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Gloria Zanders

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Ian Millar
Joan Ross

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Fuller, June E

Sage, Constance G

Bowen, Lesley H

Webster, Edna E

Hames, Margaret E
Hill, Desmond A
Tregurtha, Rachel A

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Barrow, Shirley-Joy
Hallam, Valma E
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Wood, Chris

II. LAY REPRESENTATIVES

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| (A) Vice-President of Conference | - Ruth Bilverstone |
| Ex-Vice-President of Conference | - Jill van de Geer |

(B) Representatives of Circuits and Parishes

1000 NORTHLAND DISTRICT

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| 1010 Mangonui County Union | - Joy Rogers |
| 1020 Kaikohe Union | - |
| 1030 Bay of Islands Co-op | - |
| 1040 Kaeo-Kerikeri Union | - |
| 1050 North Hokianga Community | - |
| 1060 South Hokianga Co-op. | - |
| 1070 Hikurangi Union | - |
| 1080 Whangarei Uniting Church | - |
| 1090 Dargaville | - Bill Simpkin |
| 1100 Ruawai Co-operating | - |
| 1120 Wellsford Co-op. | - Myrtle Neal |
| 1130 St John's Raumanga | - Michael Dymond |
| 1140 St Paul's Kamo | - Rosalie Gwilliam |
| 1150 Otamatea Co-op | - Diana Hamilton |

2000 AUCKLAND DISTRICT

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|---|---------------------|
| 2010 Auckland Central Parish &
Mission | - John Boniface |
| | - Una Chandler |
| | - Ian Kilgour |
| | - George Tikodei |
| | - Audrey Wood |
| 2030 Roskill | - Bryan White |
| 2030 Lynfield | - |
| 2040 Auckland East | - |
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| | - |
| 2060 Orakei | - Rushan Sinnaduray |
| 2070 Glen Innes Co-op. | - |
| 2080 Mt Albert | - Valerie McKenzie |
| 2090 Avondale Union | - Mary McEwing |

2100 Waitakere	- Malcolm Hunt
	- Vaimalu Tutogi Mailei
	- Sheila Thorne
2120 Te Atatu Union	-
2130 Devonport	- Karl Tuinukvafe
2140 Takapuna	- Doreen Morley
	- Ken Morley
2150 Birkenhead	- Judith (Judy) Cooper
2160 Glenfield Anglican/Methodist Community Church	- Graham Cameron
2180 Northcote	- Margaret Harvey
2270 South Kaipara Co-op.	-
2280 Whangaparaoa	- Joan Braddock
2290 Mahurangi	- Joyce Reeves
2300 St Austell's Co-op.	-
2310 Waterview	-
2320 East Coast Bays	- Elizabeth Davies
2330 Lynfield Co-op	-
2340 Auckland-Manukau Tongan Parish	- Kilifi Heimuli
	-
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2370 Auckland-Samoan Parish	- Limu Isaia

2400 MANUKAU DISTRICT

2410 Manukau North	- Apulu Apulu
	- Jean Collis
	- Fiu Nili
	- Kerry Taylor
	- Helen Tooley
	- Peter Williamson
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2420 Manurewa	- Margaret Ziegler
2430 Papakura	- Noa Tolova
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2440 Pukekohe	- Gwenda Welch
2450 Tuakau Union	-
2460 Franklin West Co-op.	- Audrey Bruce
2470 Bucklands Beach Co-op	-

3000 WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY DISTRICT

3010 Thames Union	-	
3020 Hauraki Plains Co-op.	-	
3030 Paeroa Co-operating	-	Ken Firth
3040 Waihi Beach/Waihi	-	
3050 Te Aroha Co-op.	-	Betty Buchan
3060 Morrinsville	-	
3070 Cambridge Union	-	Chris Astridge
3080 Hamilton	-	Rhonda Gibbison
	-	Hilda Schroeder
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3090 Raglan Union	-	
3100 Hamilton East	-	
3110 Chartwell Co-op.	-	Gwen Burton
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3120 Ngaruawahia Union	-	Laurie Spragg
3130 Huntly Co-op.	-	Brian Smith
3140 Matamata Union	-	Ron Keightley
3150 Putaruru Co-op.	-	Beryl Husband
3160 Tokoroa	-	Letoa Alesana
3170 Rotorua	-	
3180 Taupo Union	-	Christine Hardwick
3190 Western Bay of Plenty	-	Alison Kehely
	-	Elaine Short
	-	
3200 St James Union	-	
3210 Te Puke/Maunganui	-	Veronica Lowe
3220 Whakatane Co-op.	-	Betty Rondon
3230 Kawerau	-	Alan Speirs
3240 Opotiki Union	-	Alan Young
3250 Te Awamutu	-	Ailsa Campbell
3260 Otorohanga	-	
3280 St Paul's Co-operating Parish (Taumarunui)	-	
3290 Turangi Co-op.	-	
3330 Hillcrest Co-op.	-	
	-	
3340 Pio Pio-Aria Mokau Co-op.	-	
3350 Omokoroa Co-operating	-	
3360 Dinsdale - Parish of St Clare	-	Anne Saunders
3390 All Saints (Bryant Park) Co-op.	-	
3400 Whangamata Co-operating	-	

4000 TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT

4010 New Plymouth	- Jeanette Pepperell
	- Rosemary Ward
4020 Waitara	- David Baird
4030 Stratford	-
4040 Eltham-Kaponga Co-op.	-
4050 Hawera	-
4060 Manaia Union	-
4070 Opunake Co-op.	-
4080 Okato Co-op.	-
4090 Wanganui	- Audrey Cox
	- Dick Mansfield
4110 Inglewood Union	-
4120 Patea Co-op.	-
4130 Bell Block Lepperton Co-op	-

5000 HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU DISTRICT

5010 Napier	- Jocelyn Boys
	- Don Clark
5020 Hastings	- Olive Tanielu
	- Jank Overeem
	- Kathi Egli
5040 Gisborne	- June Stichbury
5050 Mangapapa Union	-
5060 Presbyterian-Methodist Parish of Wairoa	-
5070 Dannevirke	-
5080 Woodville Union	- Jim Worboys
5090 Pahiatua Union	-
5100 Palmerston North	- John Thornley
	- Lynette Green
5110 Ashhurst-Bunnythorpe-Pohangina	-
5120 Feilding-Oroua	- Rae Scammell
5130 Marton	- Dulcie Powell
5140 Rongotea-Sanson Co-op.	-
5150 Foxton/Shannon Co-operatiang	-
5160 Tamatea Community Church	-
5170 Waipawa Co-op.	-
5180 Milson Community Church	-

6000 WELLINGTON DISTRICT

6010 Wellington Central	-	Manasa Rayasi
	-	Niuselu Uesi
	-	Trish Moseley
	-	
6030 Wellington South-Lyall Bay Union	-	
6050 Miramar Uniting	-	
6060 Ngaio Union	-	Janet McKenzie
6070 Johnsonville Union	-	
6080 Newlands Union	-	
6100 Mana	-	
6110 Tawa Union	-	Keith Knox
	-	Lindsay Tod
6120 Hutt City Uniting Congregations	-	Alison Cable
	-	Fa'afetai Fa'alogo
	-	Mitch Hawn
	-	Mary-Kay Hudspeth
	-	Naomi Toaga
	-	Kitty Young
.6140 Upper Hutt Uniting Parish.	-	Ron Malpass
	-	Sione Kiteau Saafi
6150 Wainuiomata Union	-	
6160 Greytown St Andrews Union	-	
6170 Featherston Union	-	
6180 Carterton Union	-	
6190 Masterton St Lukes Union	-	Jack Hessel
6200 St James, Masterton Union	-	
6220 Levin	-	Ross Eagle
6230 Otaki	-	
6240 Kapiti Co-op.	-	
6250 Hataitai-Kilbirnie Co-op.	-	
6260 North Wairarapa Rural Sup Ministry	-	
6270 Brooklyn Co-op.	-	Kathryn McKenzie
6280 Karori-Northland Uniting	-	Gwen Ryan

7000 NELSON DISTRICT

7010 Nelson	-	Barbara McNicol
	-	
7020 Nelson, St Luke's Union	-	

7030 Waimea	-	
7040 Motueka-Moutere Hills Regional Co-op.	-	
7060 Murchison	-	
7070 Blenheim	-	June Fields
	-	
7080 Picton Union	-	Hilary Colquhoun
7090 Reefton District Union	-	
7100 Buller Union	-	
7110 Greymouth District Union	-	Thelma Efford
7120 Hokitika Union	-	

8000 NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

8000 Tongan Church	-	Saimone Mounga
8010 Christchurch Central Mission	-	Barbara McNicol
	-	Dianne Pearce
	-	
8020 Christchurch South	-	Cheryl Brown
8030 Christchurch East	-	
	-	
8040 New Brighton Union	-	Helen Buxton
8050 Sumner-Redcliffs-Lyttelton Union	-	
8060 South East Christchurch Union	-	
8080 Christchurch (Opawa)	-	Stuart Bryant
8090 Beckenham-Sydenham	-	
8110 Halswell Union	-	
8120 Christchurch (Riccarton/Hornby)	-	Jayne Alexander
	-	Catherine Owers
8130 Christchurch (St Albans)	-	Ross Lawn
	-	
8140 Christchurch North	-	Heather Wall
8160 Lincoln Union	-	
8170 Ellesmere Co-op.	-	George Emslie
8180 Kaiapoi Co-op.	-	
8190 Rangiora	-	
8200 Malvern Co-op.	-	
8210 Oxford District Union	-	
8220 Parklands Co-op.	-	

8300 SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

8310 Timaru-Temuka	-	Margaret Ramsay
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8330 St David's Marchviel Union	-	Bruce Woodnorth
8350 Waimate	-	
8360 Geraldine Co-op.	-	
8380 Ashburton	-	George Aitken
8390 Allenton Union	-	
8400 Oamaru Union	-	Alan Birtles

9000 OTAGO-SOUTHLAND DISTRICT

9020 Dunedin Mission	-	Martin Anderson
	-	
Dunedin Parish	-	Gordon Abernethy
	-	
9060 Corstorphine-Concord Union	-	
9070 Grant's Braes Union	-	
9080 Tokomairiro Co-op.	-	
9090 Balclutha	-	
9110 Invercargill	-	Iris Lankshear
	-	Peter Lankshear
	-	
9120 Riverton Union	-	
9130 Otautau-Waiono Union	-	Judith Day
9150 Bluff Co-op.	-	Audrey Leadley
9160 Teviot Union	-	
9170 Alexandra-Clyde-Lauder Union	-	
9190 Flagstaff Co-op.	-	
9220 Blueskin Co-op.	-	
9230 Lawrence	-	
9240 Kaikorai Union	-	
9250 Brockville Union	-	

TE TAHA MAORI

Kaiarahi	-	Paewhenua Nathan
	-	Te Rua Winiata
Lay Representatives	-	Rita Bublitz
	-	Mere Cassidy
	-	Elaine Dell
	-	Kiri Haretuku
	-	Aroha Houston
	-	Bill Nathan
	-	Rex Nathan
	-	Riripeti Polwart

- Timaru Rogers
- Ripia Rountree
- Markus Rogers
- Kataraina Thompson
- Sunnah Thompson

REPRESENTATIVES OF DEPARTMENTS, COMMITTEES AND FUNDS--

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Ministry Resourcing Unit (Trinity College)	- Frank Claridge
	- Craig Forbes
	- Maureen Giles
	- Jan Leman Christiansen
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Youth Directors	- Matt Roberts
	- Russell Fleet
Youth Representatives	- Siniva Moli
	- 'Ofa Mone
	- Alison Greening
	- John Heberton
	- Anna Hodgson
	- Reijieli Langi
	- Sevanaia Naulumatua
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Council for Mission and Ecumenical Co-operation	- Ian Faulkner
Methodist Affirm	-
Samoan Synod	- Lani Tupu
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Tongan Advisory Committee	-
	-
Fiji Advisory Committee	- Susau Jane Strickland
	- Elaisa Fonmoa
President's Legal Adviser	- Geoff Peak
N Z Women's Fellowship	- Ruth Blundell
	- Alison Kane
Wesley College Trust Board	- Jack McCoskrie

N Z Lay Preachers' Assn	- Catherine Owers
Wellington Charitable and Educational Endowments	- Neville Price
Grey Institute Trust	- Margaret Burnett
Robert Gibson Trust	- Alan Hughson
N Z Methodist Trust Assn)	
Investment Board	- John Fraser
Wesley Historical Society	- Verna Mossong
Community of Women and Men in Church and Society	- Olive Bain
Council of Elders	- Bella Ngaha
	- Rua Rakena
	- Pari Waaka
	- Percy Rushton
	- Mike Yasa
	- Kerry Watson
Connexional and other Appointments	- Judy Allison
	- Robyn Brown
	- Margaret Hamilton
	- Winifred Murray
	- Graham Weir
	- Bryan Wilshire
Tauiwi Forum	- Helen Hay
	- Diane Paterson
Council of Conference	- Nicola Grundy
	- Jan Tasker
	- Fletcher Thomas
District Superintendent	- Barbara Lawrence
	- Betty Watson
Ex-President	- Garth Cant

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- Ted Body
- Tony Hepburn
- Gary Husband
- Elizabeth Mansill
- Barbara Stephens

- Pauline Stewart
- Pamela Tankersley
- Bob Te Whaiti
- Gillian Woodward

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associated with this Conference**

- Andrew Bell
- Steve Emery-Wright
- Sione Finau Ha'angana
- Tom Hudspeth

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- Catherine Gibson
- Beverley Nock

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- George Bryant
- Jessie Kerr
- Beverley Osborn
- Anne Stephenson
- Samiuela Taufa
- Uesifili Unasa
- Ralph Vickers

- Malcolm McLeod
- Francis Westaway

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS:

- Fatu Tufuga

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Anglican

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Associated Churches of Christ

- Rev Ron O'Grady
- Keith Guyan

Baptist Union of New Zealand

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Presbyterian Church of New Zealand

- Mrs Jane Pritchard
- Rev Murray Hall

Roman Catholic Church

- Father Chris Hamblin

Salvation Army Church

- Captain Stephen Wallis
- Mrs Elizabeth Wallis

Forum of Co-operative Ventures
Christian World Service

- Kathryn McKenzie
- Jill Hawkey

OVERSEAS VISITORS:

Uniting Church in Australia

- Rev John Mavor

OBSERVERS:

(People who have indicated that they will be attending Conference but without the right to vote.)

- Simi Elia
- Jan Cormack
- Diane Gilliam-Weeks
- Lorna Nolan
- Edna Peachey
- Mary Petersen
- Janet Teage
- Joy Wright
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REPORTS FROM
CONNEXIONAL COMMITTEES
AND BOARDS
AUCKLAND

The Methodist Church of New Zealand
Te Hāhi Weteriana O Aotearoa

COUNCIL OF CONFERENCE

Report to Conference 1996

LOOKING BACK

Membership for 1996.

Taha Maori: Rex Nathan, Ripia Rountree, Aroha Houston, Tara Tautari, Riripeti Polwart, Elaine Dell, John Roberts, Diana Tana, Markus Rogers, Hao Erueti.

Tauiwi: Nicola Grundy, June Higham, Doug Rogers, Kenneth Smith, Susau Strickland, Jan Tasker, 'Epeli Taungapeau, Suiva'aia Teo, Fletcher Thomas, Norman West.

◆ Two Years down the Track

At its April meeting, Council reflected on its life after two years of existence. Amongst the positives listed were: experience of working in partnership; growth of relationships; improvements in agenda setting and facilitation; use made of small group discussion and caucuses; less unresolved discussion; willingness to work through issues; members with analysis skills. Areas noted for improvement included: changing membership; difficulties for Tauiwi members in not being able to get together at other times to build relationships and work on issues; communication with the connexion; uncertainty within the church as to the council's role; role and place of resource people; being open, up front and honest with feelings and concerns; more careful listening to each other; better communication and awareness raising with the connexion; domination by a few. Improvements have been made in facilitation upskilling, in caucus work and in clarifying the role of resource persons. Several areas are still being worked on. Council is aware that it needs to model the bicultural journey to the wider church in its life and decision making.

◆ Resource People

The Resource people are: Nga Kaiarahi, General Secretary and the President and Vice President. Stan's role in the Council is that of a note taker as well as offering information to help the council. The council

appreciates the time and effort given. The President, Vice President and Nga Kaiarahi are there as observers and listeners and are not part of the decisions made at the Council of Conference meetings. They are called upon at times to give relevant information they may have regarding issues being discussed. This is an very important role and the Council wishes to affirm their contribution. 1997 will see Nga Kaiarahi no longer as resource people, but they will attend pre Council meetings for Te Taha Maori.

♦ A Theology of life.

Over the past few years our Church has been reflecting about two world views. The Council of Conference continued those reflections. So it seemed appropriate to the Co-Conveners to suggest the August meeting give time to thinking about a theology of life. They fitted this into the weekend programme for Saturday and Sunday morning.

It was more than an academic exercise. A bit like doing a jig-saw we began to think about the process we had been through at piecing together our own theology of life. Something of a journey, in which experience shapes where we are. Feelings have an important place. The task has been one of fitting the right pieces, discovering some pieces missing and gradually getting it together.

Time was given for personal reflection on our journey and coming to recognise our own theology of life. We had time for sharing with others. It was a stimulating experience. We had different leadership each morning. Each brought their own approach and culture to an exploration about our theology of life.

The work we did had its own touch of spiritual enrichment. Sometimes we were surprised about how our journey led us to similar conclusions to others. yet we knew the task would never be finished. We do not have to agree. We do best when we respect anyone else's theology of life.

Perhaps our search for a theology of life can help us in our Bi-cultural journey?

◆ **Budget matters.**

The Budget Task group has again serviced the Council with very carefully prepared reports. Commencing the process earlier this year had allowed an extra layer of consultation. The initial budget report was circulated to the Tauwi Forum, Taha Maori, asking groups and Districts. Although the time frame was very tight for this step, it did afford each group an opportunity to discuss and comment thus establishing an important principle. Costs and askings are still going up while income is coming down.

◆ **Connexional Appointments**

Within Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa, these are the Connexional Appointments:

- General Secretary
- Mission Resourcing Unit
- Ministry Resourcing Unit
- Nga Kaiarahi
- Missions - Auckland, Wellington, Christchurch, Dunedin

The process for selection is the 4 + 4 process. Status quo for selection applies in respect to appointment process.

Council at its April meeting recommended that the current General Secretary continue for a further 2 years. This extension beyond 10 years is because of exceptional circumstances. The Board of Administration was encouraged to be proactive in encouraging a response to the nomination process and to set up a special search group to seek nominations.

LOOKING FORWARD

◆ **Budget**

Council has affirmed the need to convert the dollars and cents of the connexional Budget into a sharing with the parishes of what happens in the life of the Church and its people as a result of the financial resources available. To this end a popular version of the budget is being considered so that it can be circulated to all Parishes and Synods when the next round of budget setting commences early in the new year. This would show how

the money comes alive through people and the work Committees and Boards do. It would be helpful if Boards and Committees started to review their priorities in a proactive way for next year straight after Conference. Council will be continuing their conversation of how to move beyond a mere survival mode.

◆ **Future of Conference.**

The Council began to dream about the future of Conference. We tried to do some lateral thinking to discover creative ways of managing conference. We have not reached any conclusions, rather joined others who have been thinking. This is a subject for continued reflection. We hope to have some suggestions about the shape of our Church Conference to share after further reflection.

◆ **Continuing matters for Council.**

The Council continues to discuss matters relating to Immigration/Embargo, Decolonisation, Constitutional Change and Crosslink. We hope to share more on these subjects in a Supplementary Report to Conference.

Suggestion Decisions:

1. That the report be received.
2. That Stan West continue as General Secretary for a further two years.
3. The membership for 1997 be:
Taha Maori:
Rex Nathan, Ripia Rountree, Aroaha Houston, Brian Eagle, Riripeti Polwart, Elaine Dell, John Roberts, Diana Tana, Markus Rogers, Hao Erueti.

Tauwiwi:



TE TAHA MAORI

REPORT TO CONFERENCE 1996

Kia tihei mauri ora! Nga mema o te Hui Toopu, tena koutou katoa!

Na Ihowa i homai,

Na Ihowa i tango:

Kia whakapaingia tona ingoa.

Nga mate o te tau, hoki atu ki te Kaitiaki o te po ko Hineuira (Jean) Wikiriwhi tera o tatou.

We acknowledge in memory all those of our Weteriana Whanau who have died since last Conference.

E te Iwi, he tino hari kua tutataki tatou. Ahakoa no hea, no hea. Tena koutou katoa.

SHIFTS IN GOD UNDERSTANDINGS

The God question A question raised in hui and wananga has been: *kei whea te 'Atua'*? or where is your 'God'? Terms such as '*Runga rawa*' and '*Te Matua nui i te rangi*', have been frequently heard. This traditional approach tends to make God above and distant. We are encouraging a move towards a life oriented, around and about, and especially within each one of us understanding. So, '*te Atua ora, i runga, i raro, i waho, i roto, i tenei i tenei o tatou,*' and '*Ehara te mate, engari te ora, te tino ora rawa.*' Such a shift of thinking has implications for our understanding of ministry and mission in Aotearoa now and into the future. It has caused some at least to reflect on what has happened to our people in the process of 156 years of colonisation and to begin to see some shifts we now need to make in terms of decolonisation and constitutional change.

The liturgy question Many of our people still sing hymns translated in the early 19th Century. Some of our members who lead Karakia, rely on a translated prayer book that can be traced back to Cranmer and the Anglican Book of Common Prayer of 1662 which John Wesley adapted and to which he added a collection of hymns. Hence a need to make some shifts that will be reflected in our liturgies and hymns.

Implications Our shifting God understandings and desire for liturgies that state who we are as Maori in the late 20th Century going into the 21st Century, have implications for our way of being church and the nature of our ministry and mission of transformation here in Aotearoa. It may mean that, rather than focusing exclusively on a Hebrew/Israelite history, we are being led to reflect on and take control of, our own history and destiny as Maori, the tangata whenua of Aotearoa; and to reflect this in our theology and liturgy.

SOCIAL AND POLITICAL CONCERNS

Life in Aotearoa connections James Belich has written *'Making Peoples'* a new history of this country. It seeks to overturn some myths about the making of Aotearoa/New Zealand. In part it reminds us of the effects of colonisation as the Pakeha dream collided with the interest of tangata whenua - a collision which still confronts us today. Some implications of this were teased out in the Joint Public Question Committee publication *"Te Wero!"* (1994)

Decolonisation The year began with Iwi giving a mixed reception to the visit of the replica of James Cook's 'Endeavour'. The ship and its captain were a reminder that such 'discovery' is the beginning of a process of colonisation that leads to indigenous people being marginalised and oppressed.

Waitangi Day saw the Government abandon commemorations at Waitangi in favour of a celebration at Government House in Wellington that barely touched on the significance of the Treaty. Some Iwi members were used to provide entertainment and commend the Government on its Treaty policies which most Iwi had already rejected. Those who gathered at Waitangi engaged in a time of reflection and discussion on the Treaty and its implications for social, economic and political arrangements in this country.

The third Hirangi Hui in April continued a 'beyond biculturalism' discussion on constitutional change to recognise Maori political rights on the basis of the foundation documents of the Declaration of Independence 1835 and the Treaty of Waitangi 1840. Decolonisation and constitutional change workshops have followed, as part of a lead up to further discussion at Waitangi in February 1997.

Globalisation The Atlanta Olympic games have focused attention on a world stage. Euphoria over our medal wins has been a welcome respite from some of the harsh realities of life here in our own backyard. Forces of globalisation and privatisation continue to be promoted by market forces in this country. The General Agreement on Trade together with the Asia Pacific Economic Co-operation Forum (APEC) and their promotion of a free market agenda, affect many working New Zealanders. They also ignore Maori rights, their policies being in serious conflict with Crown obligations and Maori rights under the Treaty, particularly tino rangatiratanga. It is not surprising that Maori have challenged the Government on such matters. The irony is that the Government may now be losing its own assertion of sovereignty due to the very policies it is promoting.

A constitutional crossroad? A lot of attention is focused on the potential outcomes of the country's first MMP election. It is doubtful that many of the changes of the past ten years can be readdressed by any coalition government that emerges in October. So the question of what kind of Aotearoa we want for the next generation will remain. As Maori we would remind Conference that in no way does MMP address tangata whenua political rights under the Treaty of Waitangi. So we will continue to engage in education for constitutional change to gain those rights, as our way of contributing to a more just Aotearoa into the 21st Century.

NGA WAAHINE O TE TAHA MAORI

Women are continuing to play an active part in Te Taha Maori. The theme for the Hui Waahine this year was **Women of the Easter Story**. There were three sub themes: *What do we know because we are women*; *Women watching from a distance*; and *A moment of recognition*. The Hui enabled women to look again at their roles in the Hahi and their response to the Hahi. This is in addition to the demand made on them by their Iwi.

The roles of women are clearly an important part of Te Taha Maori and the wider church. Nga Waahine are active in the life of the Rohe as Liaison Persons and Hui Poari representatives and decision makers. As Minita-a-Iwi, these women are active in all aspects of ministry, from baptisms, blessing, tangihanga, hura kohatu and karakia.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Te Taha Maori is committed to working on the basis of *Every Member a Minister*. Equipping members for this means regular wananga within the various forums of Te Taha Maori. The training takes place in the Rohe, at Hui Poari and at a national level.

In the Rohe there have been Minita-a-Iwi training sessions as well as wananga for the whole membership. Themes have included: Taha Maori Waiata, Leadership, Making Connections, Being in Relationship.

At Hui Poari, theological sessions have explored Gospel and Culture and the theme - Where is Your God? There has also been a session on Constitutional Change.

The Annual Minita-a-Iwi wananga held at Whakatuora, also touched on Gospel and Culture but also explored baptism and blessings, koha and discussed the suggested Minita-a-Iwi process.

Te Taha Maori Council of Conference members and Reserves, met in March for a training session which included sessions on better communication and facilitation skills, how to write reflections, and the place of Resource People.

The Annual Hui Waahine held in Taranaki is reported elsewhere.

The Enabling Team met four times in 1996. There were three regular meetings where the year's work is planned and reviewed. Also included are staff development sessions which members take turns leading. Sessions have included theology themes, rites and rituals, pastoral care, setting objectives, setting questions, Waitangi Day, book reviews, professional supervision. An extra development day took place prior to the Council of Conference workshop on Time Management.

Two task groups met this year - one to look at overall Taha Maori financial resourcing and the second to review the process for the training of Minita-a-Iwi. The suggested process will lie on the table until the December Hui Poari.

Te Taha Maori Kaikarakia: Kiri Haretuku, Bella Ngaha, Richard Rangitawa, Warren Cassidy, Jack Witikia;

Kaikarakia in Training for Minita-a-Iwi: Sonny Livingstone, Wi Waiomio, Horotai Tito, Patrick Briggs, Hou Pene, Raumoa Kawiti

Minita-a-Iwi accepted by Hui Poari since Hui Toopu 1995:
Hui Poari February 1996: Riripeti Polwart; Hui Poari September 1996: Markus Rogers, Ripia Rountree, Whati Rountree, Mara Tupaea

Minita-a-Iwi presently serving: Mere Cassidy, Hao Erueti, Sam Grace, Te Uru Heta, Winiata Morunga, Matiu Rakena, Heemi Rauwhero, Timaru Rogers, Sunnah Thompson, Tiaki Taiawa, John Kopa, Rex Nathan, Philip Te Uira, Waha Wiki, Barney Winikerei

Authorised to administer the sacraments: Te Waihoroi Tana, (to the sick and dying)

FINANCE AND PROPERTIES

Tai Tokerau Properties at OTAUA, OTAMATEA and WAIMA are in the process of being returned to families or committees of the original owners. We appreciate the use of these properties which have served the Hahi well over the years.

Tamaki WHAKATUORA continues to be a place where Te Taha Maori and the wider church, community groups and families gather for hui. The complex has recently been re-painted and gates have been installed for security. Repairs and maintenance of the buildings are on-going.

Waikato Discussions are continuing about the future of the BRYCE STREET properties, 11 UNION STREET and TE RAHUI CENTRE in Hamilton. After several years and much discussion, the property at GIBSON ROAD, TUAKAU is to be returned to members of Nga Tai E Rua Marae.

Taranaki Renovations have been done at TAHUPOTIKI CENTRE, HAWERA. Taha Maori members have enjoyed the use of the new kitchen and showers during their hui.

In June, Nga Kaiarahi, John Roberts and David Pratt met with Ratana officials to discuss the future use of TE WHARE O TE HIIMA at Ratana Pa. Te Taha Maori was given a key to the building at the 25 January 1996 celebrations of Ratana's birthday.

Investment Funds Board Te Taha Maori have agreed for this Board to continue in its present form. They have met three times during 1996 acting on the direction and instructions of Hui Poari. We are grateful for the legal and property advice this Board provides.

Finance Our thanks and appreciation to the Grey Trust and Wellington Charitable and Educational Endowment Trust who assist

us financially. The money is used to enable and equip our members for work within Te Taha Maori and Te Haahi Weteriana.

RANGATAHI

The Big O.E. Tara Tautari went to Geneva, Switzerland, as part of the Youth Interns programme of the World Council of Churches where she has been working with the Indigenous Peoples' worker Eugenio Pamo. Tara will be there for a year. (Best of luck Tara.) As we know, Tara's skills will enable her to be a good working member of this world wide organisation.

Heartland Hokianga The year got off to an awesome start with our outdoor pursuits adventure in the Hokianga. The event was ably led by members of Nga Uri Whakatupu o Hokianga. Historical places and stories of Hokianga were part of the adventure. The highlight was travel on the waka Tokihi and Canadian canoes as well as the camping and visits. We finished our time together at the Waipoua Forest under the mighty Tane Mahuta.

Waitangi On the day we spent at Waitangi, we took a look at all the happenings of the day - from what was happening at the tent next to the marae to what was going on at the top marae. We saw the protest organisers getting things ready for the march, the flags - the whole thing. It was a long but educational day.

National Rangatahi Hui This is an annual event held at Queen's Birthday weekend. This year the hui was held at Whakatuora, Tamaki with representatives from all three Rohe - about 35-40 in all. There were workshops on Saturday and Sunday mornings on the taiaha and poi. There were items performed to the rest on the group on Sunday afternoon. On Saturday afternoon we all enjoyed the hot pools at Waingaro. On Saturday night we all went ten pin bowling in Manukau. Sunday afternoon we had a visit from the local Community Policeman - a highlight for everyone. Following this was a visit from a St John's Representative. On Sunday afternoon we ran a relay with our Rangatahi baton which had been donated from the people of Otatau. Our time together ended on Sunday evening with presentations and some impromptu entertainment with jokes, songs, skits by young and old.

The Hirangi Hui Keita Hotere attended this hui as a Rangatahi representative. This was the third of these Hui hosted by

Sir Hepi Te HeuHeu. It was a forum for Maori to discuss constitutional change and other proposals from the Government which affect te Iwi Maori.

Planning Committee This continues to be our main forum for sharing ideas. Catching up with rohe events and planning for the year ahead. This group gets through a lot of work on behalf of the Rohe. The meetings are only one day long and are based at the Church Offices (Penrose) so that we can get the Minutes done before the meeting finishes.

Education and Training Hui This event took place in August and focused on "*Who is Te Atua for us today?*" We also visited a Funeral Director, Aotearoa Television and Wesley College. The elections and the 'Euthanasia' booklet (Joint PQ committee) were two other issues discussed.

Young Adults' Consultation This event was held in Taranaki and took the form of a two day hike around Mount Taranaki led by our able guides from Kaponga. Stories of the Maunga and history of the area helped to fill in our time.

THE BICULTURAL JOURNEY

Te Taha Maori has watched the birth of the Tauwiwi Forum with interest. Although we do not attend this meeting, the realisations and learnings from such a structure are becoming apparent.

It has often seemed in the past that when Pakeha have spoken, the voice of the Church has been heard. Those who are not Pakeha have consequently had to develop strategies to be heard. Now when Pakeha speak there is a clearer understanding that this is the voice of the Pakeha group within Tauwiwi.

Where such an understanding exists, there is more likelihood that Te Taha Maori will be heard expressing its view as part of the whole church.

When Te Taha Maori has representatives on a Committee or Board alongside Tauwiwi members, this does not make that Board or Committee bicultural. It usually means that here is a situation where Te Taha Maori members can hear what the partner is saying and bring forward a Taha Maori view. There are also other consultation processes in place to enable the communication to happen.

ECUMENICAL CONCERNS

The vehicle for Maori ecumenism continues to be Te Runanga Whakawhanaunga I Nga Haahi whose members are Mihinare, Perehipiteriana, Katorika and Weteriana. From time to time, Taha Maori has expressed grave concerns at the low level of commitment to ecumenism shown by the other constituent members. However for the time being we continue.

There have been two planned national hui during 1996. The first in June, focused on the theme *Kotahi Rongopai: He Iwi Tokomaha*, (Called to One Hope - the Gospel in Diverse Cultures. This is the theme for the Conference on World Mission and Evangelism, Brazil 1996). It was held at Te Ao Marama, Ohinemutu, Rotorua. There were also discussions on Christology, Maori theology, the meaning of "ecumenical", Maori spirituality versus Christian spirituality. It was encouraging to leave that hui with a second hui set for September to look at the roles of women and youth in our Haahi, to explore further our God understandings and to discuss the future of Te Roopu Tomokia.

The monthly meetings of the Interim Administrator, Rua Rakena, with Haahi member representatives, still continue.

It is through Te Runanga Whakawhanaunga I Nga Haahi that we keep in contact with work of other ecumenical bodies - CCANZ, CCA and WCC.

Te Rua Winiata continues her work as a Commissioner with Unit III, World Council of Churches and in May attended the Indigenous Peoples Creation Forum which was part of the WCC Theology of Life programme. It was held in Guatemala.

At the end of November **Lana Lazarus** will attend the Conference on World Mission and Evangelism in Salvador, Brazil as a Methodist Youth.

Reports continue to come from **Tara Tautari** who is working as a WCC Youth Intern with the Consultant for Indigenous Peoples in Geneva.

Paewhenua Nathan continues as a member of the Christian Conference of Asia General Committee. She was asked to attend a Consultation in Thailand (October) on "Racism and Oppression in Asia - Hope for our Peoples" as a Co-Moderator.

LOOKING FORWARD

Where will our God understanding lead us in 1997? The gradual theological shifts we are endeavouring to make means being open to the God given creative potential within us.

During 1996 a lot of time and effort was put into completing the long process of returning gifted land and clarifying the use of designated funds. We have looked for better ways of training and preparation for ministry. Nga Waahine have continued to affirm what they have always known about themselves in the knowing that they have.

The beginning of the new Connexional year will also see the birth of some electoral reform but will it mean real change for the better for those on the poverty line; for those struggling to move away from models of dependency?

For Te Taha Maori it is time to look again at our Goals - do they clearly express a strategy for our vision into the new millennium?

SUGGESTED DECISIONS

1. The Report be received.
2. Hui Poari membership for 1997 be: Nga Kaiarahi - Paewhenua Nathan and Te Rua Winiata, Markus Rogers, Diana Tana, Brian Eagle, John Roberts, Mere Cassidy, Timaru Rogers, Kiri Haretuku, Ripia Rountree, Pari Waaka, Hao Erueti, Barney Winikerei, Rita Bublitz, Iris Pate, Christine Kershaw, Riripeti Polwart, Huia Tahere, Erina Barnes and three Rangatahi
3. Te Runanga Whakawhanaunga I Nga Haahi o Aotearoa for 1997 be: Paewhenua Nathan, Te Rua Winiata, John Roberts, Markus Rogers, Diana Tana, Keita Hotere

FAITH AND ORDER COMMITTEE

REPORT TO CONFERENCE 1996

SECTION 1

The Faith and Order Committee has had a particularly demanding year, with Conference asking the Committee to consider an increasing number of questions. To ensure the quality of the work, the Faith and Order Committee would ask Conference to be judicious in the requests made of the Committee.

The work of the Committee is dependent upon a large number of people commenting and contributing in different ways. We are thankful for the high level of interest in the work and the many responses that the Committee has received to liturgies and papers the Committee has issued over this year. Each response is considered carefully.

Church, ministry and sacraments

Theology of church

The Committee's ongoing work on the theology of *church* has been on hold during 1996, mainly due to pressure to report on other issues this year.

Over recent years a lot of work has been done and a lot of material gathered. As with other theological issues (eg baptism) the challenge for the Committee is how to present the wide diversity of views current within the church in a way that will stimulate thinking and discussion about the shape of Te Haahi Weteriana in the years ahead.

It is hoped that the Committee's work to date can be gathered into a study/discussion paper for synods and parishes during 1997.

"Every Member a Minister"

Conference 1995 requested the Faith and Order Committee to investigate and report on the theology of the phrase "every member a minister", including the relationship between lay and ordained ministries.

The Committee has undertaken some initial work on the historical background to this phrase "every member a minister". It notes that a very similar phrase appears in 1954 in a Faith and Order Document "Doctrine of Ministry". In speaking of the Ministry of the whole church it stated:

Since all Christians are ministers in virtue of their membership in the one Body there is given by God within and to the Church a universal ministry to exercise, preserve and enrich her purity and evangelistic power as a redeemed and a redeeming community.

Every member shares in this ministry. The ministry is both priestly and prophetic."

This same understanding was reiterated in the 1976 report *Diversity in Ministry*.

Reports from Maori Division (Te Taha Maori) in 1983, 1985 and 1986 speak clearly of this understanding of ministry and it is in the 1983 report that the actual phrase "every member a minister" appears.

It is also interesting to note that the Committee on Ministry *Statements on Ministry* that were given to the 1991 Conference, initially did not contain the phrase, which was subsequently included as an amendment.

A discussion paper has now been prepared by the Faith and Order Committee. This will be circulated to synods and parishes early in 1997. After responses have been received and reviewed, the Faith and Order Committee will prepare a further response for Conference 1997.

Theology of Baptism

The Faith and Order Committee has continued its work on theological issues in relation to baptism. A further discussion paper circulated to synods and parishes in the middle of this year endeavoured to identify some key questions and to stimulate discussion around particular issues the Committee perceives in the life of the church.

The paper does not present the Faith and Order Committee's position on each issue, nor is it the Committee's "answer" for the future, but rather seeks to stimulate ongoing discussion.

Infant Baptism liturgy

Conference 1995 approved the Infant Baptism liturgy for trial use during 1996 and invited comments from parishes. Some helpful responses have been received but it is proposed that the draft liturgy continue in trial use for a further year to give parishes time to use the service and provide further comment to the Committee.

Adult Baptism liturgy

Following on from the new Infant Baptism liturgy the Committee has produced a new Adult Baptism liturgy for trial use during 1997 (see Section 2 of this report). Comments from parishes and synods are invited and should be sent to the Convenor before June 30, 1997.

Communion Beyond the Gathered Congregation

Following on from a decision of Conference 1994, work continues on this liturgical resource for use by laypeople taking Holy Communion to those unable to attend worship. It is hoped to make a draft available to parishes and synods for comment by late 1996 or early 1997.

Theology of Ordination

Conference 1995 asked the Faith and Order Committee "to continue to work on the nature and theology of ordination in order to bring a report to Conference 1996."

In this area the Committee focused on particular issues raised by Conference 1995 relating to the laying on of hands and ordination and the phrase "every member a minister", including the relationship between lay and ordained ministries (see above).

The Committee will continue work on broader considerations regarding ordination during the coming year.

Other topics

Covenant Service

A modest revision of the Covenant Service was undertaken by the Committee in 1994 and approved by Conference 1995.

Conference 1993 asked the Committee to begin work on an alternative Covenant Service that picks up the spirit of the traditional service and expresses it in modern language. The Committee would be pleased to receive resource material from those who have used alternatives to parts (or all) of the traditional Covenant Service. Please send to Alan R. Upson, PO Box 515, Manurewa.

Funeral Service

Following on from a decision of the 1993 Conference, a new kitset of Funeral Service resources, replacing the resources from the late 1970s and including a large amount of new material, is well under way.

The Committee thanks Andrew Ferguson for collating material and preparing the first draft of the new resource kit.

Depending upon how long it takes to secure copyright permission for some of the material, the Committee hopes this will be available in 1997.

Theology, Liturgy/ Hierarchy and Patriarchy Study

Conference 1993 requested "the F&O Committee to begin work on an exploration of the way traditional theology and liturgy contribute to the maintenance of hierarchical and patriarchal attitudes."

A four unit study booklet for use in parishes is at the final editorial stage and should be available early in 1997.

Ecumenical Dialogues

Methodist/Roman Catholic Dialogue

The reconstituted dialogue meets twice a year in Auckland in June and November. The last two meetings have focused on the witness of the Wesleys, the Methodist understanding of ordination, religious orders in the Roman Catholic tradition and the theology of the Church. Bishop Patrick Dunn introduced the Pope's 1995 encyclical *Ut Unum Sint (That All May Be One)*. The next meeting will focus on current pastoral priorities of our churches; the Methodist members will share experience of the bicultural journey. It is envisaged that a public meeting will be held during 1997 to make the work of the Dialogue more widely known.

Anglican/ Methodist Dialogue

Early in 1995 the Committee received a copy of *Sharing in the Apostolic Communion*, a document from the newly established Anglican-Methodist International Commission. The Faith and Order Committee submitted a response to this draft document which, in paragraph 62, regards "the time as right to move toward full communion in faith, mission and sacramental life....". Responding to a recommendation that "a joint committee between each national church in the two communions" be formed, an initial meeting was due to take place in September. Te Taha Maori has made a very helpful response to the document.

Joint Liturgical Commission

The Joint Liturgical Consultation has not met during this year, although the Committee continues to receive material from the English Language Liturgical Consultation (ELLC).

Church Union Committee

The Faith and Order Committee, which has representatives on the Church Union Committee, is aware that possible new directions recommended by that Committee have, in general terms, not been endorsed for several years running. This has prompted the Committee to begin thinking, in broad terms, about the possible shape of ecumenical relations in the future, especially in light of Te Haahi Weteriana's bi-cultural journey.

With the Church's encouragement, the Committee will continue working on this issue and will report in due course.

Lectionary

The Committee is grateful that Lois Clark has taken up responsibility for editing the *Lectionary* beginning with the 1996/7 issue.

The Committee also thanks Lynne Wall for contributing articles on the three Gospels in the 1995/6/7 issues.

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SECTION 2

Church, Ministry and Sacraments

Laying On of Hands at Ordination

Conference 1995 requested the Faith and Order Committee to examine issues relating to the laying on of hands at ordination and to make recommendations to the 1996 Conference as to any necessary alterations to practice and/or law.

The Faith and Order Committee examined the current law which states:

S27.5 (1994) Update

A **Presbyter** admitted to Full Connexion shall thereafter be ordained by prayer and the laying-on of hands, according to the form prescribed in the Book of Offices. The....

1 President

2 Ex-President

3 Secretary of Conference

4/5 two other Ministers

6/7 two other Ministers

8 Vice-President

and the....

together with....

selected by the President, Ex-President and the Secretary of Conference, together with

selected by the President and the....

shall take part in the act of Ordination.

The Ordinand may suggest one of the two Ministers to be selected by the President.

(numbering added by Faith and Order Committee for clarity)

S 2 12.5 (1994) Update

The ordination of a **Deacon** shall be by prayer and laying-on of hands, according to the form prescribed. The President, Ex-President, and the Secretary of the Conference, together with two other Ministers selected by the President, and the Vice-President, shall take part in the act of Ordination. The Candidate for ordination may suggest one of the two Ministers to be selected by the President.

It was noted that there has been a discrepancy between the current law and the current practice. The following matters were discussed in relation to these discrepancies.

- a) Reciprocal acceptance of ordination with other denominations, namely Presbyterian and Churches of Christ.
- b) Inclusion of Tumuaki, Nga Kaiarahi in laying-on of hands - a partnership matter.
- c) Eligibility of lay superintendents in laying-on of hands.
- d) The reason for the people included in the current law.

In considering these matters, and the number of people presently included in the laying-on of hands, the Committee presents recommendations which arise out of the following rationale:

- The laying-on of hands is universally recognised as a symbol of ordination and is appropriately undertaken by people formally recognised as representatives of the Church.
- As laying-on of hands occurs at both confirmation and ordination it seems appropriate that representatives of the particular order or form of ministry (ie presbyter, deacon or layperson) a person is being ordained to be part of this act.
- It also seems important that there be congruity in the occasions when laying-on of hands is used.

(See Report to Conference 1992, p.122ff regarding laying-on of hands at induction).

Recommendations

1. A **presbyter** admitted to Full Connexion shall thereafter be ordained by prayer and the laying-on of hands, according to the form approved by Conference.

The President

Vice President

Ex-President together with two presbyters selected by the ordinand shall take part in the act of ordination.

Note (a):

The President and Vice-President represent the Conference (Taha Maori and Tautiwi), the Ex-President represents a sense of continuity from one Conference to the next and the two presbyters chosen by the candidate represent a continuity of the order, or form of ministry to which the person is being ordained.

Note (b):

There is no need to include representatives from the denominations with which reciprocal ordination has been agreed as the agreement itself must mean that we accept the validity of each others' act of ordination.

Note (c):

Cultural sensitivity: ordinands will be given the option of head or shoulders for the laying-on of hands.

2. The ordination of a **deacon** shall be by prayer and the laying-on of hands, according to the form prescribed
The President

Vice President

Ex-President together with two deacons selected by the ordinand shall take part in the act of ordination.

Note:

The President and Vice-President represent the Conference (Taha Maori and Tauiwai), the Ex-President represents a sense of continuity from one Conference to the next and the two deacons chosen by the candidate represent a continuity of the order, or form of ministry to which the person is being ordained.

3. Confirmation (ordination of the **laos** into the universal ministry of the church) signifies that a new relationship is established with the whole church.
Confirmation follows in response to confession of faith in Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord.
Confirmation involves a commissioning to responsible membership in the Methodist Church through the laying on of hands with prayer of a person baptised in infancy or in association with the baptism of an older person (and so what is said here of confirmation applies also to adult baptism).
The District Superintendent or nominee (as representative of the wider church) together with two lay members chosen by the Confirmand shall take part in the act of confirmation.

Note:

The District Superintendent or nominee represents the Conference in the local Church. The two lay members represent a continuity of the order or form of ministry to which the person is being ordained.

Resource Material for Lay Persons Authorised to Administer the Sacraments

Conference 1995 requested the Faith and Order Committee to consult with the Field Director Ordained Ministry concerning resource and training material for lay persons given authority to administer the Sacraments.

The Field Director Ordained Ministry has prepared resource and training material for this purpose. The Faith and Order Committee recommends that this material be forwarded to all lay persons given authority to administer the Sacraments.

The Superintendent of the Mission Resourcing Unit will provide a list of names and addresses to the Field Director Ordained Ministry after Conference each year.

Trinitarian Formula for Baptism

Conference 1995 requested the Faith and Order Committee to continue discussions within Te Haahi Weteriana and open discussions with other denominations about the continued use of "Father, Son and Holy Spirit" in baptism with a view to exploring other appropriate ways of expressing this.

During the year the Committee has researched the issues involved and has begun to explore possible ways ahead. The Committee has also written to the Anglican, Roman Catholic, and Presbyterian churches in Aotearoa/ New Zealand and the World Methodist Council to initiate discussion on the experience of other churches. Responses so far have not been encouraging, although replies have yet to be received from all those contacted.

The key issues in relation to the use of 'Father, Son, and Holy Spirit' in baptism are:

- The Christian tradition has emphasised baptism 'in the name of the Trinity' for a long time, and this is one of the conditions of acceptance of baptism between denominations. 'Father, Son and Holy Spirit' is the traditional form for this.

- A number of people today, including many women, find the exclusively male language of 'Father and Son' unhelpful and/or unacceptable. So alternatives, such as 'Creator, Redeemer, and Giver of Life', are being used in various settings in the life of the church.

- Others are also questioning any language (including the alternative 'Creator, Redeemer, and Giver of Life') which suggests hierarchy, or a totally transcendent God, or relationships which are not fully mutual. Increasingly, such people are wanting to see new language used in baptism, as an expression of the trinitarian formula for baptism, but without the perceived damaging effects of exclusive maleness and lack of mutuality.

- Some would respond by saying that 'Father, Son, and Holy Spirit' is the only way of expressing Trinity, and cannot be abandoned. This has been a standard official response in a number of churches.

- Others argue that forms like 'Creator, Redeemer, and Giver of Life' are acceptable in some settings, but do not express the fullness of the Trinity. One view is that such expressions are forms of the heresy of 'modalism', in which the Trinity is understood in terms of three 'modes of God's self-revelation'. Or, somewhat similarly, that these expressions represent the 'economic Trinity' (active within history) but not the 'immanent Trinity' (the nature of God in 'his self-relations').

- Are there ways ahead, which satisfy the ecumenical insistence on a trinitarian formula for baptism as well as the concerns about male, hierarchical language? Some efforts have included using both, such as: 'in the name of the Trinity, Creator, Redeemer, and Giver of Life'.

The Committee is continuing to work on ways ahead, including exploring possible alternatives and considering ecumenical implications, and invites comments to the Convenor.

A Service for Adult Baptism within Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa/ The Methodist Church of New Zealand

Preamble

- Baptism is a sacrament of the church; it is not a private ceremony. It takes place within the context of congregational worship in the church attended by the candidate, ideally within a service of Holy Communion. If, in exceptional circumstances, baptism occurs elsewhere, the presbyter should ensure that representatives of the congregation are present if at all possible.

- The resident presbyter shall normally preside and the district superintendent (representing the wider church) shall be invited to participate in the laying on of hands.

- It is the responsibility of the presbyter administering the sacrament of baptism to ensure that the candidate has been carefully prepared beforehand and is aware of both the personal and corporate implications of baptism and that baptism is both God's gift and God's call to true discipleship.

- Candidates for baptism must be approved by the leaders' meeting or parish council.

- It is suggested that sponsors, endorsed by the leaders' meeting or parish council, be available during the preparation time, during the baptismal service and for ongoing support of the candidate. As part of the preparation it would be appropriate for the candidates and sponsors to gather for prayer immediately prior to the service.

- It is fitting that leadership of the service be shared by a presbyter and a layperson.

- In keeping with the practice of the early church in its celebrations of the gift of new life, it is suggested that Easter or Pentecost are particularly fitting times for baptism.

- Adult baptism incorporates a public affirmation of faith by the candidate and confers membership of the catholic (universal) church. Those who are baptised as adults within our denomination are admitted into responsible membership of Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa/ The Methodist Church of New Zealand.

By the laying on of hands they are ordained to the ministry of the whole people of God, so there is no need for confirmation.

- Baptism is administered by liberally pouring water on the head of the candidate or by full immersion.

If pouring is employed, the font should be large enough to hold a substantial quantity of water.

- The font or baptistry should occupy a prominent place within the church building. Thought should be given (especially if using a temporary baptistry) as to where candidates go immediately after emerging from full immersion; baptism should be a dignified as well as a joyous occasion.

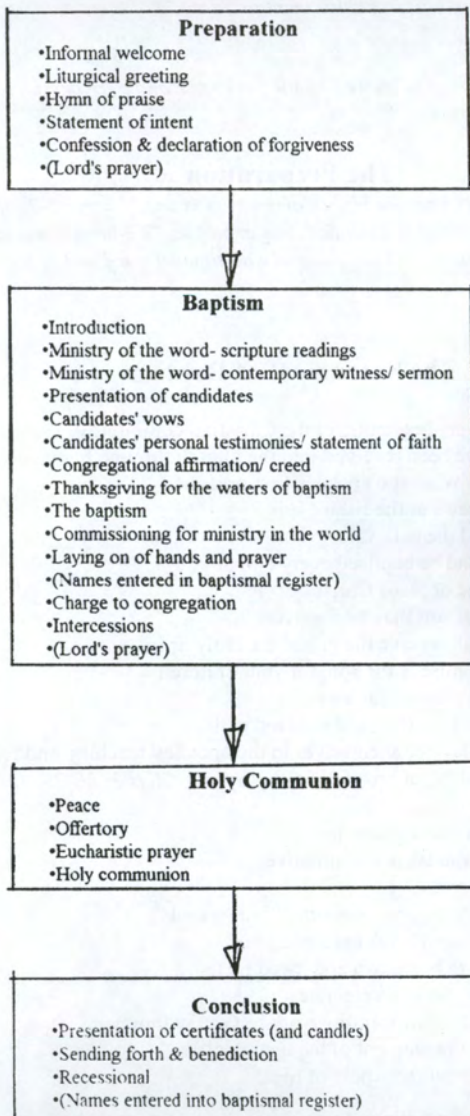
- Entry may be made in the baptismal register either during or after the baptismal service.

- It is recommended that presentation of baptismal candles and certificates be made at the end of the service (after Holy Communion) and that the newly baptised lead the way out of church with their sponsors and families.

- If this service is used within a co-operative venture, the above needs to be read alongside any local ecumenical agreement.

Order of Service

(Brackets indicate optional items or positions)



Order of Service

Baptismal hymns and songs may be sung at appropriate points in the service

During the welcome to worship particular mention is made of the candidates and their families and friends.

*Leadership of the service may be shared by the presbyter and a layperson (denoted **Presbyter and Leader**, below).*

The Preparation

When the 1992 Methodist Order for Holy Communion is used (pages 3-7), the Statement of Intent (p5) needs to be suitably extended. For example, "We have come together to hear God's word, to baptise, and to meet our Lord in the communion.... etc."

The Sacrament of Baptism

Leader: From the very beginning of the Christian community,
people have been received into the church through baptism.
On the day when the apostles first preached
the good news of the risen Christ,
Peter urged the believers:
"Repent, and be baptised every one of you
in the name of Jesus Christ
so that your sins may be forgiven;
and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.
For the promise is for you, for your children
and for all who are far away,
everyone whom the Lord our God calls....
And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship,
to the breaking of bread and the prayers." (Acts 2: 38-39, 42)

Presbyter: Baptism is God's gift to us.
It is God who takes the initiative;
God chooses us.
Long before we can understand or respond
God knows and loves each one of us
and wants to be known and loved by us.
Baptism marks and celebrates
the gracious, transforming work of God within us,
not just in the moment of baptism itself
but throughout the whole of life.

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Baptism is the sign of new life in Christ Jesus.
 By water and the Holy Spirit
 we are brought into union with Christ
 in his death and resurrection.
 In baptism we are sealed with the Holy Spirit,
 made members of the body of Christ
 and called to ministry in the world.

Ministry of the Word

Scripture readings

If the *Lectionary* readings for the day are not being used, some of the following passages may be chosen. There should be a First Testament and a Gospel reading.

First reading	Isaiah 11:1-3a Jeremiah 31:31-34	Ezekiel 36:25-28 Joel 2:26-29
Second reading	Acts 1:3-8 Acts 8:14-17 Romans 5:1-5 Romans 6:3-4 Romans 8:12-17	1 Corinthians 12:4-13 Galatians 3:27-28 Ephesians 4:1-6 Titus 3:4-5
Gospel	Matthew 5:1-12 Matthew 16:24-28 Matthew 28:18-20 John 3:5	John 14:15-21 John 15:1-11 John 15:16-17 John 16:5-15

Contemporary witness (sermon/ address)

Presentation of Candidates

Candidates for baptism come forward accompanied by their sponsors or the parish stewards

Sponsors/

Parish Stewards: We present to you.....who have been prepared for baptism.

Presbyter: We rejoice that you have come to be baptised today.

Sponsors/parish stewards return to their seats.

Candidates' Vows

Presbyter: Obeying the word of the Lord Jesus,
and confident in his promises,
the church baptises those who come in response to Christ's call.
Through baptism we enter the covenant which God has established
and affirm that we belong to God's covenant people.
In the light of the gospel the church proclaims
we ask you:

Do you renounce the worship of false gods,
the worship of anything that falls short
of the full truth and beauty of God
as revealed in Jesus Christ?

Candidates: With God's help, I do.

Presbyter: Do you renounce hardness of heart,
the lack of compassion
which lets us pass by on the other side
when faced with the need of others?

Candidates: With God's help, I do.

Presbyter: Do you turn from the temptation
to remain silent in the face of evil;
do you accept responsibility
for naming the powers that deprive anyone
of the fullness of life that Christ promised?

Candidates: With God's help, I do.

Presbyter: Do you give your allegiance to God?

Candidates: I pledge myself to God.

Presbyter: Do you turn to Jesus Christ who has brought us new life?

Candidates: In faith I turn to Christ.

Presbyter: You are called to a life
of worship and freedom,
compassion and courage.
May your heart and mind and soul
remain open to the Spirit of God.

Candidates' Personal Testimonies/Statements of Faith

Congregational Affirmation of Faith/Creed

Stand

Leader: Let us all declare our faith in the words of the.....

APOSTLES' CREED

All: We believe in God,
the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and
earth.
We believe in Jesus Christ,
God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by
the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
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,
he is seated at the right
hand of the Father,
and he will come 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.

Leader:

FIRST AFFIRMATION

We are not alone- we live in
God's world.

All:

We believe in God:
who has created and is
creating,
who has come in Jesus,
the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others
by the Spirit.
We trust in God.
We are called to be the
Church:
to celebrate God's 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.
(United Church of Canada)

SECOND AFFIRMATION

All: We believe in God, maker of all things,
whose power and wisdom are seen
in the world about us.

We believe in Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour,
Who was born of Mary in Bethlehem;
who was tempted as we are;
who loved all people; and healed the sick;
who taught us about God and showed us the divine nature,
whose love is a pattern for our love,
who died on the cross to bring us to God;
who was raised from the dead and is with us always.

We believe in the Holy Spirit who dwells in us all;
Who teaches us the truth
and strengthens us to do God's will.

We believe in the Church,
the community of all who love and follow Jesus.
We believe that nothing can separate us
from the love of God,
in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.
(Renewal Group adapted)

Sit

Thanksgiving for the Waters of Baptism

Leader: Flowing water is the central symbol of baptism.
It is a sign of life and growth,
of refreshment and delight,
of cleansing and new beginnings,
of God's Holy Spirit poured out
on those who belong to Christ

*Water is poured into the font by a member of the congregation
or the presbyter enters the baptistry*

Presbyter: Let us pray:
Eternal God,
we thank you for the gift of water.

When nothing existed but chaos
you swept across the waters of creation
and brought forth life.
When you saw your people as slaves in Egypt
you led them to freedom through the sea;
across the river Jordan you led Israel
to the land you promised.

In the fullness of time you sent Jesus,
nurtured in the waters of a womb.
In the Jordan he was baptised by John
and anointed by your Spirit.
At the well in Samaria
he offered the gift of living water.
He called his followers to share the baptism
of his death and resurrection
and to make disciples of all nations.

By the power of the Holy Spirit
bless this water
and those who are baptised in it,
that they may be born of water and the Spirit,
be raised to new life in Christ
and strengthened to serve you in the world.

All: To you be all honour and glory
now and forever. Amen.

The Baptism

Stand

The presbyter pours water from the font onto the head of each candidate or fully immerses each candidate once, saying:

Presbyter:I baptise you
in the name of the Father,
and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

The presbyter may make the sign of the cross on the candidate's forehead and say:

Presbyter:from this day forward
you are marked with the sign of the cross.

The presbyter presents the baptised to the congregation, saying:

Presbyter:is now received into the holy catholic church.
When anyone is in Christ there is a new creation:
the old has gone, the new has come.
It is all God's work.

Hymns/songs

(During the singing candidates who have been fully immersed change and return)

Commissioning for Ministry in the World

Presbyter: Now that you have been baptised
you share with all the baptised
responsibility for ministry in the world.
May God's Spirit guide you to be true disciples
in this land of Aotearoa/New Zealand.

We ask you to pledge yourself
to Christian ministry.

The newly baptised respond to these questions together.

Will you follow Christ in your daily life?

Newly baptised: With God's help
I will seek to love and obey Christ
and be open to the Spirit of God
through prayer and the study of the Bible.

Presbyter: Will you be a faithful member
of the Christian community?

Newly baptised: With God's help
I will share regularly in worship
and support the work of the church
with my time, talents and money.

Presbyter: Will you actively participate
in the mission of the church?
Will you care for God's creation,
love and forgive others,
work for justice and reconciliation,
develop your gifts and share your faith?

Newly baptised: With God's help
I will witness to Christ in word and deed
and seek to be part of God's new creation.

Laying on of Hands and Prayer

The candidates kneel and those appointed to lay on hands come forward.

The presbyter calls everyone to silent prayer, after which one or more may offer prayer.

Presbyter: Let us pray:
By the power of your Spirit,
strengthen your servants
and set their hearts alight with love for you.
May your gifts of grace grow within them:
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,
the spirit of goodness and gentleness,
the spirit of wonder in your presence,
the spirit of joy and delight in your service,
now and forever.

All: Amen.

The presbyter and others appointed lay hands upon the head or shoulders of each candidate in turn, saying:

Presbyter:, by the power of the Holy Spirit
be a faithful witness to Christ
all the days of your life.

*When all have received the laying on of hands, the newly baptised stand.
The Aaronic blessing may be said.*

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The face of the Lord shine upon you
and be gracious unto you;
the countenance of the Lord be lifted upon you
and give you peace. Amen.

Names of the newly baptised may be publicly entered in the baptismal register (*or at the end of the service*)

Charge to the Congregation

Presbyter: People of this congregation,
love, encourage and support
these brothers and sisters in Christ,
that they may continue to grow in grace
and the knowledge and love of God.

All: With God's help
we will live out our baptism
as a loving community in Christ:
nurturing one another in faith,
upholding one another in prayer
and encouraging one another in service.

Intercessory Prayers

The following may be included in the intercessions.

Leader: Gracious God, you call us to be
a community of prayer
in which our lives are offered
daily to you in trust and joy.

Help us to recognise all the baptised
as sisters and brothers in Christ.

silence

Leader: Through our openness to constant conversion
may your Spirit assist our growth in faith.

silence

Leader: Enable us to see the form that
holiness might take in our discipleship.

silence

Leader: Assist us to know ourselves, find ourselves
and give of ourselves in the spirit of Christ.

silence

All: We praise you for those who nurtured our faith;
may we too find ways to share Good News in our day.
Amen.

Sacrament of Holy Communion

(1992 Methodist Order for Holy Communion pages 19 - 27. To be printed in full in final version)

Peace

Offertory

Eucharistic (Thanksgiving) Prayer

Holy Communion

Presentation of baptismal (and membership) certificates and baptismal candles

The newly baptised and their sponsors may gather at the front of the church.

Certificates are presented.

The sponsor of each person baptised may take a white candle, light it from the Easter candle standing near the font or from a candle on the communion table, saying:

Sponsor:, you belong to Christ
the light of the world.

or, walk in the way of Christ;
shine with the light of Christ.

When all the newly baptised have received lighted candles:

Presbyter: Let your light so shine
that all may see your good works
and give glory to God.

Sending forth and benediction (blessing)

Presbyter: Go forth into the world in peace;
be of good courage;
hold fast to what is good;
render no one evil for evil;
strengthen the faint-hearted;
support the weak;
help the afflicted;
honour all people;
love and serve God
rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

or

Presbyter: Go in peace to love and serve God.

All: God the Creator grant us grace and strength,
God the Redeemer grant us new life,
God the Spirit empower and encourage us,
The Three-in-one be with us, every one.
Amen.

or

Presbyter: The grace of Christ attend you;
the love of God surround you;
the Holy Spirit keep you
this day and forever. Amen

and/or

All: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit
be with us all.
Amen.

Recessional

The newly baptised, their sponsors and families lead the way out of church

Names of newly baptised entered in baptismal register (if not previously)

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SUGGESTED DECISIONS

1. The Report is received.
2. The Infant Baptism liturgy continue in trial use during 1997, with parishes invited to send comments to the Committee by June 30, 1997.
3. The Adult Baptism liturgy is approved for trial use during 1997 with responses to be sent to the Committee by June 30, 1997.
4. Conference encourages the Faith and Order Committee to continue considering the possible future shape of ecumenical relations in the light of the bi-cultural journey .
5. A Presbyterian admitted to Full Connexion shall thereafter be ordained by prayer and the laying-on of hands, according to the form approved by Conference. The President, Vice President and Ex-President together with two presbyters selected by the ordinand shall take part in the act of ordination.
6. The ordination of a deacon shall be by prayer and the laying-on of hands, according to the form prescribed. The President, Vice President and Ex-President together with two deacons selected by the ordinand shall take part in the act of ordination.
7. The District Superintendent or nominee together with two lay members chosen by the confirmand shall take part in an act of confirmation.
8. That the Field Director Ordained Ministry be asked to forward prepared resource and training material to all lay persons given authority to administer the Sacraments.
The Superintendent of the Mission Resource Unit be asked to provide a list of names and addresses to the Field Director Ordained Ministry after Conference each year.
9. The Committee for 1997 is:

COUNCIL FOR MISSION & ECUMENICAL CO-OPERATION

REPORT TO CONFERENCE 1996

SECTION A: WHAT WE HAVE DONE

Introduction

The Co-ordinating Committee of the Council for Mission and Ecumenical Co-operation has been forced to devote a lot of time to considering an appropriate structure reflecting the progressively reduced budget being placed on it by the Methodist Church of New Zealand Te Hahi Weteriana and the Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand. The Co-ordinating Committee feel that it has acted in a responsible manner in response to this situation. Decisions have been made to close the Council offices in Laughton House, Wellington, Morley House, Christchurch and at St Paul's Methodist Church, Hamilton. The office of the sole Secretary is now located at her home in Christchurch. These actions have been the cause of some distress for some regional units.

In this context the Council welcomes the review being undertaken by both the Methodist and Presbyterian Churches regarding the best way for each to engage in mission, ecumenical relations and international affairs. The current brief of the Council is broad. Informal comments from Parishes would indicate that aspects of its work do not have their support, even though the terms of reference of the Council have been approved by both the Conference and Assembly.

The Co-ordinating committee is very aware of the fact that the Secretary, Judy Allison, is now working in a very different position to the one to which she was appointed. There is a temporary Job Description which reflects the new circumstances of the Secretary of the Council.

Mission Overseas and People

The Council continues to examine what are the most appropriate ways of working in partnership with those overseas churches with which we are associated. This has involved an examination of the Block Grant system and recognising that block grants have led to a feeling within the Churches that mission expressed in this manner is faceless. The decision to progressively phase out block grants will raise questions about our methods of decision making and must be tied in with consultations with our partner churches on what are now appropriate ways of expressing our partnership. Indeed this debate has raised our consciousness of the 1993 review of the Council where partnership was expressed in terms of mutuality, sharing of resources and a

growing together. The Council has recognised that in the move away from block grants, the Partner Church must still be free to set its priorities when making application for project funding.

The Council has recognised that while block grants may appear faceless, behind each grant are people working in our partner churches. During the past year the Council has made a deliberate attempt to put a human face to its mission overseas, and it is important for the church to recognise these people as a part of their staff for which they are responsible. Some staff work in very trying conditions. All staff, overseas associate workers and scholarship students in Asia have received a pastoral visit during year. Pastoral visits have been made to Pacific staff, students and partner churches.

The Council is deeply appreciative of the work of its accountant **Mr Kelson Hyslop**. With the closure of offices the services of **Mrs Judith Williams** and **Mr Melvan Driscoll** were no longer required. Judith had worked for the Council since its inception and the knowledge she accumulated during this time is the Council's loss.

The Co-ordinating Committee is dependant on the involvement of many people within its life. It is important that the Church recognises this gift of time and expertise and finds ways of affirming those who so willingly contribute to the work of the Council for Mission. Gratitude for the leadership of **Dr Garth Cant**, formerly Co-convenor of Unit 4 and Co-convenor of the Co-ordinating Committee must be expressed. The wisdom and experience of **Mr Richard (Dick) Yates** is a blessing gifted to the Council without which the Secretary would have had difficulty managing the its finances.

Returning staff included **Miss Kath Kerr** who has served as a teacher on a local salary at Goldie College for five years. **The Rev Seru Beraki** and his wife and two children have returned to Fiji from the New Guinea Highlands where they have served for thirty years.

International Affairs

Many issues with which the Council has been concerned Government has acted in a commendable manner. Concern for our partners in the Pacific led the Council to protest strongly to the French Government during their **nuclear testing programme** and to assist the protest fleet in a small way.

It was with incredible pace that the Crimes Act was amended in August 1995 to allow for the prosecution of New Zealanders involved in **child prostitution** overseas. The extraterritorial legislation which makes provision for up to 14 years imprisonment for offenders and 7 years imprisonment for those who arrange sex tours came into force on 1 September, 1995.

Within the international church arena because of Government's agreement to the total ban on anti-personnel land mine production and laying we are able to hold our heads high. Some concern still exists as to the level of aid given by government to **land mine clearance programme**. It is recognised that it may take a century to clear the land mines from Cambodia. During the visit of the Secretary it was demonstrated how quickly donations from the international church are utilised for mine clearance and resettlement. The Mines Awareness Group, to which our donations go, clear mine fields in the morning and by evening they are planted with subsistent crops.

Through close liaison with the National Council of Churches in **Sri Lanka** the internal conflict between Government forces and the Liberation Tigers of Tamale Eel has been monitored closely. Council has taken the opportunity to keep the Ministry informed of developments from the perspective of the more neutral Christian Church. The Council contends that it would be dangerous to take sides in this complex conflict which has right and wrong on both sides. The NCC has set up peacemaking programmes in a number of villages which bring together people of various faiths in an attempt to find a mutual understanding and common ground whereby they might live together in peace. Lack of finance has hindered the programmes being offered more widely.

The eight year conflict in **Bougainville** continues to be unresolved even with the largely respected cease-fire. In some areas indiscriminate killing continues by both the BRA and Papua New Guinea Defence Forces. Distrust between the Bougainville Transitional Government, which was sworn in on 10 April 1995, and the three separate groups claiming to be the Bougainville Revolutionary Army has led to mistrust the people. Many believe that before the issues of the conflict can be addressed there is a need to heal the hurts, wounds and pain of the people who are all sick of the war. There is a belief among the people that the BTG is a puppet government of Papua New Guinea which will not address the question of self-determination of the Bougainvillaea people.

Fresh evidence regarding the death of New Zealander Kaman Bamadhaj, during the Memorial Gathering at the Santa Cruz cemetery in Dili, **East Timor** November 12, 1991 which was turned into a blood bath by the Indonesian army has been produced. It is believe that Kamal was deliberately murdered by the military also with several hundred East Timorese. At the time the New Zealand Government did register a protest but accepted the Indonesian denial of responsibility for the death. With new evidence available a fresh inquiry into the death would be appropriate, however it could not be held in Indonesia because of danger to the eye-witnesses' families still living in East Timor. The Australian Government has set up an inquiry into the death of journalists, including a New Zealander

and we would ask that the New Zealand Government reverse its decision not to make further investigations into the events surrounding the death of Kamal Bamadhaj.

The Council for Mission received from its partner, the Presbyterian Church of Taiwan, requests for prayer as China postures on the edges of Taiwan's territorial waters. The Council, after discussion with other Asian churches, fully supports **Taiwan's application for membership of the United Nations** which we do not consider to be a barrier to the formation of one China at some future date. The precedent of two Germanys and two Koreas has already be set.

As a part of the justice, peace and integrity of creation mandate of the Council **climate change** has been monitored. The Rev Richard Lawrence serve on a WCC committee highlighting to the world the consequences of indulgent energy use.

Partner Church Relationships:

The Council for Mission has instructed the Presbyterian Church Property Trustees to gift the Aotearoa Property at Woodstock School to the Church of North India Church Property Trustees. It has been brought to the attention of the Council for Mission that there may also be other properties in the name of the Church Property Trustees of the Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand in the Punjab area. Investigation of this allegation is taking place and if such properties are discovered they would be redundant in their use to the Council for Mission. In the spirit of partnership the Council sought and received permission of the General Assembly to gift these properties to the Church of North India Church Property Trustees.

Ecumenical Affairs:

Conference of Churches in Aotearoa New Zealand and Christian World Service

During the year there has been an attempt to clarify the relationship between Christian World Service and the Council for Mission & Ecumenical Co-operation. It has been recognised that Christian World Service is not a sub-committee of the Council but in fact is a part of the our Church which is responsible for aid and development projects not associated with our partner churches. With this clarification the Council for Mission would ask that Christian World Service be invited to report to each Conference in its own right. The Council for Mission believe that this right should also be afforded to the Conference of Churches in Aotearoa New Zealand.

The Rev Terry Wall and Ms Nicola Grundy are Te Haahi Weteriana's replacement members in the CCANZ delegation. They join The Revs Mike Yasa, Kathy Clifford, Ms Lesley Utting and Mr Terry Sugrue.

Christian Conference of Asia

At the Assembly of the Christian Conference of Asia held in Sri Lanka, June 1995, the constitution was revised. The major change being the way the General Secretary is elected. Instead of being elected at the Assembly where block voting can take place a Search Committee was appointed to find the most suitable person for this important post. The committee have recently reported to the General Committee and the churches that the new General Secretary is the Dr Feliciano V. Carino, at present serving as General Secretary of the National Council of Churches in the Philippines.

New Zealanders who serve on CCA Programme Committees are The Rev Dr Clive Pearson, Theological Concerns, Ms Jill Hawkey, Development and Service, Ms Prue Neild, Mission and Evangelism and Kathryn McKenzie, Communications. Paewhenua Nathan represents New Zealand on the Central Committee. The Rev David Clarke attended a Christian Conference of Asia consultation on HIV/AIDS in Chiang Mai with the assistance of the Council.

World Council of Churches

The Council was delighted when two of the names submitted for the Conference on World Mission and Evangelism were selected by the World Council to attend the Conference in Brazil, November, 1996. Ms Lana Lazarus and the Rev Dr Simon Rae were selected.

As the "Ecumenical Officer" of the Methodist and Presbyterian Churches of Aotearoa New Zealand, Judy Allison was invited to attend a meeting of officers in Geneva. The World Council of Churches is making preparatory moves for its Assembly to be held in Harare, 1998 by inviting member Churches to study *The Theology of Life and Gospel and Culture* papers to which the Council has made a response.

Relationships with Ecumenical Bodies

The 1995 Conference asked the Council to consider Te Hahi Weteriana's participation in World Methodist Council and Committee on World Mission and Evangelism. The opinion of the Council is offered in Appendix A.

Special Sundays

With all members of the ecumenical family it is appropriate that we make special places in our church calendar for events we can celebrate together. In the spirit of inclusiveness this year an extra Sunday has been added to the calendar to include special recognition of those whose are often pushed to the margins of society, the disabled.

Partner Churches:

India: Christian Hospital, Jagadhri has appointed a new medical superintendent, Dr Cecil Harrison, who was initially educated at St Thomas' School.

Malaysia: The Seminari Theoloji Malaysia is undertaking a major building programme that will enable the Seminary to move from the sub-standard buildings at present rented into their own buildings. Most of the money for the buildings has been raised within Malaysia. The Rev Dr Herman Shastri, Council staff member who teaches at the Seminary is also General Secretary of the National Council of Churches in Malaysia.

Singapore: The Rev Lal Tin Hre of Myanmar has been studying on a Council for Mission Scholarship at Trinity College, Singapore and will complete his studies in December, 1996.

Sri Lanka: The partnership with the National Council of Churches has grown as the Council for Mission has responded to their requests to keep governments informed of the events in Sri Lanka. Waikato-Bay of Plenty Synod in a remarkable way responded to the Sri Lankan request for help with their peace-making programme.

Thailand: The Secretary has visited with the Church of Christ in Thailand and Payap University, where Mr Gavin McLean, a former Council for Mission Staff member, has returned as one of our volunteers.

Cambodia: Our partners in Cambodia are Rehab Craft, Church World Service and through them Mines Awareness Group who serving the people in an amazing way as the country is being rehabilitated. All have been visited. The Second Mile Giving programme to assist land mine clearance and rehabilitation has been supported generously by many parishes.

Indonesia: The Secretary visited Duta Wacana, Yogyakarta and STT Intim, Ujung Pandang. During the year Duta Wacana requested help for their teaching programme as the Indonesian government had imposed restrictions on the teaching levels when it granted University status to Duta Wacana. The Very Rev Dr Ian Cairns responded to their request and undertook a heavy teaching and supervision programme for 4 months as a volunteer. The Council has committed funding to allow Dr Cairns to return again next year under the Overseas Volunteer Programme. Bruce and Celia Irvine have also served in Yogyakarta in this programme as volunteers at Pusat Rehabilitasi Yakkum. The STT Intim Trustees have raised the question with the Council for Mission as to a possible replacement from New Zealand for the Rev Robert Paterson when he returns home.

Hong Kong: The Kowloon Church, where the Rev Winston Baker is serving, Bethune House, Amity Foundation, the Hong Kong Christian Council, the Christian Conference of Asia, the Asian Migrant Centre have each been visited.

Australia: The Council has a close working relationship with its counterpart World Mission in the Uniting Church of Australia. The Secretary has visited and she and the Rev Graham Brookes are in contact on matters of common concern. The two churches share their expenses wherever possible.

United Church of Papua New Guinea and the Solomon Islands: It was with some sadness the Council heard of the impending split in the United Church. In future this will mean relating to two churches. While the Council is no longer able to fund two doctors at Helena Goldie Hospital Dr and Mrs Mein, of Dunedin served under the volunteer scheme to relieve Dr Roger Brown. The hospital will itself now endeavour to fund most of the second doctor. Dr Richard Thomas of Rotorua is currently at the hospital for a year. The Council accepted responsibility for an invitation extended by the Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa for 40 women from Papua New Guinea to visit.

Vanuatu: Onesua Community College has difficulty attracting suitable teachers from New Zealand as salaries are paid by the local government and appear unattractive to New Zealand teachers even though the cost of living is low. New management structures at Navota Farm have seen wide new training programmes put in place.

Myanmar: The 1995 General Assembly asked the Council for Mission and Ecumenical Co-operation for further information on investments in Myanmar. While the Council has worked very hard to find this "hard evidence" the information of financial investment by companies is well protected. With the help of the Uniting Church in Australia the paper in Appendix B was written.

United States of America and Canada: During the visit of the Secretary to Geneva, a warm working relationship was established with the Methodist and Presbyterian (USA) and Uniting Church of Canada Ecumenical Officers. This relationship was further developed with a visit to the USA. It is obvious that Aotearoa New Zealand has much to offer these churches and they us.

Within New Zealand:

It is gratifying for the Council when invitations are accepted by and received from Synods, Presbyteries and Union District Councils to visit. The Council while being unable to fulfil all the requests to date will endeavour to do so in the coming year. Ten Presbyteries, one Synod and one Union District Council have been visited, as well as Methodist Womens' Conference and many parishes and Fellowship groups..

LOOKING FORWARD TO 1997

Priorities:

The priorities of the Council are:

- (a) To put a human face on the mission priorities.
- (b) To work with Synods, Presbyteries, Union District Councils, Congregations and Womens' groups so together we can grapple with an understanding of mission appropriate for the end of the 20th century.
- (c) The support of people in education: teachers, vocational teachers, lecturers and the provision of scholarships which will help provide our partners with ministers who have post-graduate training.
- (d) The provision of medical personnel in India and the Solomon Islands with the traditional partners of the Methodist and Presbyterian Churches.
- (e) To move from block grant funding of partner churches to programme and project funding.
- (f) To become involved in the United Nations programme with "at risk" children in the Pacific.
- (g) To assist partners building programmes with a single grant.
- (h) To maintain ecumenical partnerships and deepen the relationship with the world bodies to which we belong.
- (i) To monitor the international events especially those which affect the Council and our Partners
- (j) To assist the Methodist and Presbyterian Churches in the reviews of their mission practises.

Extra Commitment Missionary Support Scheme - A Proposal **Appendix C**

Hearing the "voices" from many parishes the Council for Mission and Ecumenical Co-operation has developed this proposal. We would ask that Conference affirm the principles and the concept the proposal introduces to the churches.

1996 - 97 Second Mile Giving Programmes:

- (a) **Theological Training of Ministers from Laos.** **\$10,000.**
There has been no education of ministers in Laos for the last eighteen years. The church is in serious need of finding a way to improve training of ministers, pastors and church leaders. Under the guidance and supervision of the General Secretary of the Church of Christ in Thailand, its Pastoral Ministry Unit and the McGilvay Faculty of Theology of Payap University, Chiang Mai, students from Laos will be offered training in Thailand.
- (b) **Onesua High School & Navota Farm, Vanuatu.** **\$10,000.**
Onesua wishes to upgrade in order to teach to NZ 7th Form level. In order to do this computers and science laboratory equipment are needed. Navota Farm is expanding its training programme and requires additional basic equipment to implement these programmes in order that they be available for all the students.

(c) Cambodian Antipersonnel Landmine and Clearance Programme.

In response to demand this second mile giving project has been continued.

(d) Burmese Border Consortium (BBC) Project.

The BBC is a coalition of churches which pool resources to provide basic assistance to refugees from Karen State, Burma who are flooding into Northern Thailand. The Karen are indigenous mountain people who have been subjected to planned genocide on the part of the military government. Camps are built by the refugees themselves from local materials, in traditional style. The BBC provides 95% of all food and relief supplies. Camps are periodically moved because of conflict along the border.

Issues for the Council for Mission

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12 December	Human Rights Day
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7 March 1997	World Day of Prayer
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18 May 1997	Asia Sunday
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Ascension - Pentecost	Week of Prayer for Christian Unity
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15 June 1997	Disability Awareness
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6 July	Refugee Sunday
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20 July	Bible Sunday
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3 August	Peace Sunday
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5 October	World Communion/World Mission Sunday
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19 - 26 October	Week of Prayer for World Peace/Asia Youth Week
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17. That the membership of the Council be as in Appendix D of the report.

APPENDIX A

INVOLVEMENT IN WORLD ECUMENICAL BODIES

Conference 1995 asked Unit 4 to report on Te Hahi Weteriana's participation in the World Methodist Council and the Conference on World Mission and Evangelism. (Resolutions of Conference 1995.p.762. No11).

Conference on World Mission and Evangelism: This Conference is organised by the World Council of Churches which asks member Churches for nominations only and they make the final decision on who is invited to participate. At Conference 1995 we affirmed two nominations and Te Tahī Maori later provided the Council for Mission with four names. Two nominations made through the Council for Mission were accepted, that of the Rev Dr Simon Rae of PCANZ and that of MS Lana Lazarus, nominated by Te Tahī Maori.

Unit 4 believes Te Hahi Weteriana should continue to respond to invitations from the World Council of Churches to make nominations to this

and other Conferences they organise, realising they are nominations only and there is no guarantee people will be invited to attend.

World Methodist Council:

In 1993 the Ecumenical Sub-Group of Unit 4, containing both Methodist and Presbyterian members, looked at the relationship of Te Hahi Weteriana to the World Methodist Council and how we may better contribute to the Council and relate the Council to the Church in Aotearoa New Zealand. The paper they presented forms the basis of our response.

Some years ago Conference adopted a priority ranking for our participation in ecumenical bodies and ranked the World Methodist Council bottom of the list. The effect of this has been that the value of our participation in the Council has been easily discounted. In recent years individual representatives of the New Zealand Church have given significant service at all levels of World Methodism, on the Presidium, the Executive, the World Federation of Methodist Women and on the service committees. This service has not always been sufficiently recognised or valued by the Conference.

The value of maintaining links with the World Methodist Council is that it represents our traditional and current roots and ethos as Methodists within a world-wide Methodist community. As we participate in the activities of the Council we contribute from our experience of being Christians and Methodists in Aotearoa. We also learn from other communities with Methodist traditions and from the world body as a whole. The benefits of our involvement are both to the world body and its member Churches and to ourselves. While we may feel intimidated and disempowered by the American and to a lesser extent the British domination of the Council we need to recognise the world body needs our contribution and that it has to be well planned and assertive. We should also co-operate with other Pacific Churches that are members of the Council in bringing common concerns before the world body. The Council welcomes well researched and prepared papers sent to the officers' meeting and these would be raised at the Executive. We need to be more pro-active in our membership of the Council.

We would also suggest that we encourage member Churches of the World Methodist Council to follow the example of members of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches who see themselves as Partners in Mission rather than as "family". This would be more in line with our own theology of mission and would affirm the diversity of contexts and understanding which exists within the World Methodist Council.

APPENDIX B

MYANMAR BACKGROUND

Burma was colonised/conquered by the British in 1886, gaining post War World II, independence in 1947. Within the country there are 67 ethnic groupings, eight of which are considered to be the main ones. The Burmese form the largest group, occupying the central plains, while the Chin, Karen, Kachin, Shan, Arakanese, Mon and Kayah inhabit the mountain areas the borders of Burma.

On September 18, 1988 a peaceful demonstration resulted in a bloody attack by the military. Thousands were arrested and others, driven out of the cities joined the minor ethnic groups in the mountains.

After establishing the State Law and Order Restoration Council (SLORC) the military placed the country under martial law. The 1973 constitution of Burma was abolished. All schools were closed and curfews imposed. SLORC prohibits criticism of the military.

"The SLORC is not an organisation that observes any constitution. It is an organisation that is governing the nation by martial law. It is common knowledge that the SLORC is governing the nation as a military government that has been accepted as such by the United Nations and the respective nations of the world." (SLORC declaration No1/90, July 27 1990).

In May 1989 the SLORC changed the name of Burma to Myanmar and in 1990 called for a multi-party election where the National League for Democracy (NLD) won a triumphant landslide with Aung San Suu Kyi as the leader. Instead of turning over power to the NLD, the SLORC began arresting the leaders and held Aung San Suu Kyi under house arrest for six years.

Amnesty International's report to the United Nations in 1992 stated that 1,500 government opponents were in prison and thousands were believed to be held for political reasons. Allegations of torture and ill treatment were reported as well as extrajudicial execution of members of ethnic minorities.

Joy Balazo, Secretary for Human Rights, Social Responsibility & Justice Committee of the Uniting Church in Australia has had the opportunity to visit Myanmar. She writes:

"Burma has been closed to the outside world for many years. Only in the last few years has the SLORC allowed tourists to visit areas designated by the military. Upon arrival a tourist has to change US\$200 to their paper currency. Un-spent notes are non-refundable. Tourists can stay only in hotels, not with friend or relatives.

Yangon is clean, peaceful and orderly and the people are very friendly. Men in military uniform are seldom seen in public places but surprisingly people are very selective in their words and gestures. One tends to believe that there are eyes and ears everywhere. The SLORC totally controls the media in promoting its "programme and progress".

My meeting with a group of 20 students confirmed my suspicion that people cannot say "NO" when ordered by the SLORC to participate in their support rallies. Student militancy has been the backbone of Burma's resistance from the early 1990's. To cut student's involvement in extra curricular activities the government has decided to compress four year courses into two years - doubling the number of subjects each student has to study. Whatever free time is left is used to practice national folk dancing and other activities created by the school. While the student movement is constantly under the government magnifying glass, the Myanmar Council of Churches University Fellowship is very much alive.

There are very few Non Government Organisations in Myanmar. The church is an important witness in the struggle for justice in Burma. People's oppression, poverty, human rights, repression and lack of freedom have unified the church. Although there is seemingly religious freedom Christians are apprehensive that the SLORC is slowly but surely promoting Buddhism as the state religion. I heard stories of villagers forced to be Buddhists, that non-Buddhists are not given food. The church now has a feeding programme to help stop the growing malnutrition of children. Women are forced into prostitution for lack of jobs."

Joy was able to travel to the mountains and meet with the Karen and Karenni people whose stories were very disturbing. They included stories of rape, forced incest, torture, murder, forced labour, land confiscation, and HIV positive soldiers not being treated but sent to have intercourse with the tribal women.

SLORC's power to continue oppressing the ethnic minorities in Burma is sustained basically from money invested in Burma by foreign companies. LEVI STRAUSS & CO and American firm pulled out in 1993 on the grounds that "it could not do business in Burma without directly supporting the military government and its pervasive violation of human rights". In March 1994 AMOCO pulled out of Burma.

APPENDIX C

A PROPOSAL JOINT SUPPORT OF OVERSEAS STAFF BY THE COUNCIL FOR MISSION & ECUMENICAL CO- OPERATION, PRESBYTERIES, SYNODS AND UNION DISTRICT COUNCILS THROUGH EXTRA COMMITMENT MISSIONARY SUPPORT

Historically our denominations have sent missionaries/staff to foreign countries. Evangelists, teachers, engineers, doctors, educators, agriculturists, administrators, lawyers, boat builders, carpenters, nurses and many more have gone out in the name of Christ to share the message of the Gospel. Each year the Mission Boards/Council for Mission & Ecumenical Co-operation has supported people financially and has overseen their labours. The process has not changed except to become vastly more complex as the world has changed.

Some years ago the Presbyterian and Methodist Churches adapted their system of sending mission personnel to accommodate the reality of global mission engagement. "Mission Churches" had matured into fully functioning bodies of believers who were able to direct their own destinies and to engage in their own mission programmes. Recognising this change our churches were led into a new and responsive era of partnership in mission. Thus we adjusted the manner in which we acknowledge Christ's unchanging command and now send mission personnel in close consultation with our overseas partners.

A similar transformation is now taking place at the local levels within the Presbyterian and Methodist Churches. As the world grows smaller and as Presbyterians and Methodists travel more extensively, we are coming into broader contact with Christian Churches outside our own borders and thus with mission opportunities around the world. The wisdom and vision gained from these contacts seeks expression within our denominations through our mission enterprise. As today's proactive Presbyterians and Methodists seek a central role in shaping the mission direction of the Presbyterian and Methodist Churches in Aotearoa New Zealand we can anticipate a new and exciting era of partnership - an era in which mission priorities and programmes will be developed and implemented in close consultation with local partner congregations, Presbyteries, Synods, Union District Councils and the Council for Mission and Ecumenical Co-operation.

At this crossroad in the life of our churches, it is agreed throughout that there is a need for a common set of understandings about the recruitment and

funding of mission personnel and the establishment of partnerships among congregations, Presbyteries, Synods, Union District Councils, the Council for Mission & Ecumenical Co-operation and churches in other countries. Further, while partnership in certain decisions and processes is important the Council for Mission & Ecumenical Co-operation must remain the central coordinator for international mission, strategy, evaluation, deployment of personnel and disbursement of funds.

The ministry of placing women and men in mission positions is divided into three distinct areas:

1. Positions for Service - (Identification and Validation) With the rise of independent, indigenous churches in many countries the Council for Mission now operates in "partnership" with these churches. In many places the presence of foreign nationals/expatriates is a politically sensitive issue and requires careful understanding of the local church's position and needs.

2. Funding - When a position is deemed "valid", funding is provided, if possible. Many of the positions represent a combination of funds or support provided by the local church and the Council for Mission. Our rule has always been "No person is deployed through the Council without a plan for full financial support to cover the duration of his or her appointment."

3. People - Men and women have offered themselves for mission service since the earliest days of the church and continue to do so today. The sense of calling continues to rest with the faith and conscience of the individual. When people present themselves for service it is the responsibility of the sending and receiving church to determine if the skills, psychological stability, physical health, spiritual maturity and prospects for fruitful ministry warrant commissioning an individual for overseas service.

Historically the Mission Boards/Council for Mission has had the responsibility for these three tasks. However, many parishes are now sending their own people overseas. At times they find that there is a short fall in the money required for the full support of their people and funding is sought from the Council for Mission or the people sent overseas are found to be unsuitable for the position. The Council has had a policy of not being involved with appointments in which they have had no part of planning.

This proposal is an attempt to link the expertise of the Council for Mission and the desire of parishes, Presbyteries, Synods and Union District Councils to be more directly involved in nominating people for mission work, choosing new sites for mission and contributing to the cost.

The Council for Mission and Ecumenical Co-operation, the committee the churches have charged with the responsibility of worldwide mission, is inviting the increased participation of congregations, Presbyteries, Synods and Union District Councils in a shared ministry.

The intent of the proposal is to:

1. Provide a system of recruitment, funding and continuing involvement that maximises the flexibility for individuals seeking mission appointments.

2. Engage the Presbyteries, Synods, Union District Councils in advocating for new mission positions, seeking persons who might serve in mission, and sharing in the recruitment and assessment processes for mission service candidates.

3. Encourage congregations to reaffirm their commitment to Presbyterian and Methodist mission through personal and financial support of their own members or members of congregations within their own or a neighbouring Presbytery, Synod, or Union District Council in mission service opportunities.

4. Enable the appointment of increased numbers of mission personnel in times of declining budgets and cuts in the mission budget, specifically.

Beyond the excitement of emerging possibilities, our Reformed understanding of "call" weaves its faithful way through all that is new and creative. As Presbyterians and Methodists pursue their call to mission service, they are nurtured and shaped by the Spirit speaking through the voices of the local, national and international church.

The Proposal For Extra Commitment Missionary Support Positions, Persons and Funding for Mission Service

The Identification and Validation of Positions for Mission Service

The church of Jesus Christ in any particular place is and must be the primary agent of mission in that location. It is this affirmation that informs the partnership process for the identification and validation of mission service positions. In general, requests for specific personnel needs will be made by Christian entities who are working locally. There are several appropriate avenues for determining needs and positions for mission service.

1. An international partner church or institution may identify a needed position and request personnel through the Council for Mission & Ecumenical Co-operation.

2. An individual may be invited to serve in a specific position and make contact with his or her Presbytery, Synod, Union District Council or the Council for Mission & Ecumenical Co-operation to apply for placement, recognition or support by the Council through the Extra Commitment Missionary Support Programme.

3. A group or individual planning to work with a mission organisation not currently in an established partnership with the Council for Mission & Ecumenical Co-operation may explore the possibility of establishing a formal mission relationship with the Council.

4. A group or individual may propose that a ministry to those who have not heard the Gospel be validated where there is no church entity with which to establish a partnership.

Once a service is identified, the position is defined and a process of "validation" takes place. This process determines the scope of the work, the duration of the project, the skills needed, the working and living environments, supervision, job expectations and estimates of additional programme costs. Before appropriate validation can be completed such questions may be asked as:

- Is this position strategic to the witness of the Gospel in this place?
- Does the filling of this position with an Aotearoa New Zealand person place local Christians in physical or political danger?
- Does filling this position replace local people with similar skills who are available to be hired?
- Does the mission agency, church or Christian society have standing in and recognition by partner churches of the Council for Mission and with the ecumenical structures operating within the country concerned and is the missionary endeavour consistent with the Council's understanding of mission?
- Is it an activity the Council can accept and their name be associated with the endeavour?

The Council for Mission will consult with the necessary parties to assist in determining the validity and viability of each position request.

Funding Positions for Mission Service

When a position is considered "valid" by all parties, it is prioritised so that available funding can be determined. No person is to be deployed through this plan or by the Council for Mission & Ecumenical Co-operation without a plan for full financial support to cover the duration of his or her appointment. Possible funding sources for the position vary with the nature, location and priority of a national church. Funding options may include, but are not limited to the following:

- A limited number of newly validated positions will be prioritised to receive full funding from the Council for Mission & Ecumenical Co-operation. The number will differ annually with changes in the budget, amounts available, the retirement or completion of terms for other personnel, and the pattern of service appropriate to the position. Some years no new appointments will be made.

- When a position has been validated and a candidate for that position has been approved, the Council for Mission may authorise the candidate to secure up to at least 80% of the total support required for the full term of appointment, with assurance that the appointment will be made unless

changing circumstances make it impossible. These funds should represent "new dollars" rather than monies shifted from other Presbyterian or Methodist causes. The remaining required amount will be provided by the Council for Mission and Ecumenical Co-operation.

- Joint appointments with other agencies or denominations may be made through negotiations to share the cost of a validated position.

- Short term volunteer position are funded from personal money, gifts and/or scholarships from congregations and Presbyteries, Synods, or Union District Councils. For volunteer positions over one year the funding package is negotiated with the individual, the Council for Mission & Ecumenical Co-operation and the congregation, Presbytery, Synod, or Union District Council participating in the appointment. Present volunteer commitments will be honoured.

Where funding for people in mission is provided by congregations, Presbyteries, Synods, Union District Councils or individuals there needs to be an absolute commitment for the full term of the project. The Council for Mission will receive, acknowledge and appropriately direct these designated funds. Sponsors have the responsibility for making regular payments through the Council's Finance Department in Wellington for the agreed upon term of the appointment. Funds from parishes will be remitted through the Presbytery, Synod or Union District Council treasurer to the appropriate account of the Council for Mission. Gifts from individuals may also be sent to the Presbytery, Synod or the Union District Council. These gifts will follow the same pattern as those given by the churches. All funds, whether from parishes or individuals, will be applied to salary support only. Monies designated for personal gifts will not be accepted.

Anyone wishing to gain financial support through the Extra Commitment Missionary Programme must first be validated by the Council for Mission & Ecumenical Co-operation and a specific job, finance plan and tenure be identified.

The Presbytery, Synod, or Union District Council will then review and endorse the applicant/s. Access to the local congregations for financial support will not be granted until this endorsement is completed and publicised by the Presbytery, Synod, or Union District Council.

Presbyteries, Synods, and Union District Councils, in consultation with the Council for Mission & Ecumenical Co-operation and any other supporting Presbytery, Synod, Union District Council, will determine the maximum amount to be funded by local churches and individuals within the area. Should excess funds be received, Presbytery, Synod, or the Union District Council will contact the individual or parish and give them the option of re-directing the money to another Council for Mission project or returning it.

Extra Commitment Giving is understood to mean "special gifts for a special cause". These monies should be over and above the previous mission commitments of the congregation and should not result in a reduction of other giving. It is not understood to be over and above giving unless the church has already met its wider work commitments. For Presbyterians this means payment of the Presbytery allocation to the Mission and Ministry fund as well as the National Service Levy. For Methodists it will mean that the Connexional Budget allocated will be paid in full. Presbyteries, Synods, Union District Councils, and Parishes will not be able to participate in the programme unless their wider work commitments have been fulfilled. This will be based on the previous years' giving. If a parish fails to pay their wider work budgets then the Council for Mission will discuss with the parish the return home of their people.

Persons Called To Mission Service.

Individuals desiring to serve the Church in mission service have the primary responsibility to discern God's will for their lives and their call to service through personal reflection, consultation with friends, their Minister or Presbyter and with the Session, Parish Council or Leaders Meeting of their home church.

The sense of call must be tested as well as the support and acceptance of their own church. People will have an understanding of the Church's ethos, cultural and bicultural issues. Once the individual determines that mission service may be the appropriate avenue to respond to God's call to serve, an inquiry phase begins. There are two ways to initiate this phase:

- The individual may contact the Council for Mission & Ecumenical Co-operation. The individual will be sent information regarding mission opportunities and funding options.

- The individual may contact his or her home Presbytery, Synod, or Union District Council and express interest in mission service. The Presbytery, Synod, Union District Council that is participating in the recruitment and/or funding process, will link the individual with the Presbytery, Synod, or Union District Council committee whose concern is the assessment and placement of church personnel (Ministry Committee). This committee will immediately contact the Council for Mission in order that dialogue and assessment may proceed.

These two options differ only in the way in which the person is identified and assessed for mission service and possibly in the manner in which the position or individual is funded. The person called to serve is a full participant in the mission service of the Council for Mission & Ecumenical

Co-operation and is subject to all of the expectations, rules and prerequisites that govern the actions of all its mission personnel.

Under the second option, the initiative lies with the individual. While decisions regarding the appropriateness of the position and its relationship to overall mission strategy remain with the Council for Mission & Ecumenical Co-operation the individual may be a participant in the identification and validation of the position. The individual also must seek the position, complete the Council for Mission & Ecumenical Co-operation's application procedures and create a funding plan with their congregation, and Presbytery, Synod or Union District Council for the life of his or her term of service that conforms to the guidelines of this proposal.

The individual is then subject to the judgement of the Presbytery, Synod, or Union District Council and the Council for Mission & Ecumenical Co-operation regarding suitability for mission service. If the candidate is rejected or finds the service opportunities offered unsatisfactory, she or he may call for a conference of the decision makers for an explanation and possible reconsideration.

Frequent contact with sponsoring individuals and congregations is an especially important part of this shared ministry. Direct relationships with one or more specific congregations may involve not only financial support, but also matters of shared news, hospitality and pastoral care as well as recruitment of others for mission service.

Should it be necessary for the individual to be recalled, all of the parties in that decision shall consult with each other and the individual. The decision may be appealed; however, if it is upheld, the individual dismissed from service shall respect the final decision of the Church, the International Partners and the Presbytery, Synods or Union District Council.

Appointment to mission service is to be celebrated. Together the candidate, their congregation, Presbytery, Synod, or Union District Council and the Council for Mission & Ecumenical Co-operation plan for the commissioning, the continuance of regular prayer and the welcoming home of those engaged in mission service.

Deployment, Care and Maintenance of Mission Personnel

The deployment of mission personnel comes at the merging of the recognition of an individual's call, the definition and validation of a position meeting human need and the assurance of funding to support the person for the life of the appointment.

The orientation, pastoral care and supervision of mission personnel once deployed in the field of service are complex tasks. The congregation, Presbytery, Synod, and Union District Council are important in the ongoing communication and care pattern for members serving in mission overseas.

The Council for Mission & Ecumenical Co-operation will keep the mission personnel informed of changes or relationships that affect their lives. It is the Council for Mission staff and the placement partner who share the task of orientation and job oversight while the on-site agency or partner has responsibility for day to day supervision. With any combination of funding, recruitment and placement options, the co-ordination of mission strategies for the Presbyterian and Methodist Churches remains the responsibility of the Council for Mission & Ecumenical Co-operation, both within Presbyteries, Synods and Union District Councils as well as the strategies for working with international partners of the Churches. Processes related to the deployment, compensation and benefits of mission personnel appointed under the auspices of the Council for Mission & Ecumenical Co-operation are administered by the Council, whether the individuals are compensated or are volunteers serving internationally.

COUNCIL FOR MISSION AND ECUMENICAL CO-OPERATION MEMBERSHIP

Co-ordinating Committee - Presbyterian Co-conveners: Janet Taege - CH(94LF); **Methodist** Co-conveners: Ian Faulkner WBP(95LM), the conveners of units: Assembly appointees - Russell Rofe SC(95CM), Bruce Nicholls AK(95CM), Regina Te Ratana MS(96LF). **Conference appointments: Two to be appointed**

Unit 1 - Auckland: Convener: Bill Griffiths AK(94CM). *Presbyterian:* John McKinley AK(93CM), Gladys Stiles AK(90CF), Leanne Munro AK(92LF), Joy Pilkinton AK(95LF), Cath Tautu AK(93LF), Anne Massey AK(95LF) Stuart Vogel AK(92CM). *Methodist:* Margaret Gordon AK(92LF), Margaret Hames AK(LF), Shona Michie AK(94LF), Diane Paterson NL(91LF), Phil Taylor AK(CM), Marion Whaley AK(94LF), Kepu Moa AK(CM), Hugh Dyson AK(96LM).

Unit 2 - Hamilton: Convener: David Holmes WK(92LM). *Presbyterian:* Cathleen Rushden BP(91LF), Doreen Riddell WK(95CF). *Methodist:* Betty Buchan WBP(LF), Dorothy Dyson WBP(LF), Ian Faulkner WBP(LM), Alison Kehely WBP(LF), Veronica Lowe WBP(LF), Hilda Schroeder WPB(LF), Len Schroeder WBP(CM), Joyce Sides WBP(LF).

Unit 3 - Otago-Southland: (Convener to be appointed.) *Presbyterian:* Phyllis Varcoe DN(95LF), Mary Galt SL(94LF), Margaret Robertson DN(92LF), Betty Scarlet DN(92LF), Esther Scarlet SL(92LF), Uatoto Elisara DN(91LM), Fraser Mitchell DN(91LM), Ken Baker DN(96CM), Jim Hunter SL(96CM). *Methodist:* Sally Weston OS(90LF), Fay Richardson OS(96LF).

Unit 4 - Christchurch: Presbyterian: Co-conveners: David Carmichael CH(96CM), Samoa Mavaega CH(94CM), Christopher Nichol CH(91CM), Alison Grimshaw CH(95LF), Barbara Meier CH(95LF), Robin Meier CH(95LM). *Methodist: Co-conveners: (To be appointed)* Ruth Bilverstone NC(91LF), Amanda Clarke NC(91LF), Leatrice McIntyre NC(91LF), Mike Yasa NC(96CM).

Unit 5 - Wellington: (Convener to be appointed) *Presbyterian:* Ralph Pannett WN(93LM), Lorraine Copp WN(93LF), Margaret Rushbrook WN(93LF), Dorothy Harvey WN(93CF), Michael O'Brien WN(93LM), Les Lindsay WN(93LM). *Methodist:* Bryan Pannett WN(95LM), Lynette Green (96LF), Barbara Stephens WN(96CF).

Conference of Churches in Aotearoa New Zealand

(A) Sharing what has happened.

1. Restructuring

A continuing problem for the CCANZ has been the decreasing financial support from the member churches which has meant that the small reserves were being whittled away in the daily running costs. This situation could not continue. At the annual Forum in Hamilton (September 1995) the member churches indicated that the CCANZ must live within its budget. To achieve that result, restructuring has been required. Very regretfully the Executive at its November meeting decided to disestablish the Field Work positions - Kevin McBride in Auckland, Brian Eagle in Wellington and Rosemary Russell in Oamaru. It was a difficult decision when the organisation is committed to working at the "grass roots" level in the parishes. It was even more painful to let such experienced workers go, losing their enthusiasm, experience and knowledge of the ecumenical scene. They have been faithful servants of the ecumenical movement.

Financial resources will also be saved by having two instead of three Executive meetings during the next year.

2. Programme Planning

In the light of the restructuring the Executive has also put energy into planning a five year ecumenical programme (1996 - 2000). One programme each year will play a lead role in developing a theme for that year. Next year the International Affairs Programme will take up the theme of migration adapting it to our particular context in Aotearoa. This will reflect the work being done in the World Council of Churches (WCC) and the Christian Conference of Asia (CCA). Prior notice will be given the year before at the annual Forum so that resources can be prepared and Churches and groups notified in time to participate.

3. Programme Development

Two new programmes have been set up this year. They are the Evangelism Programme in Wellington (Convenor - Rev Barry Jones) and the Unity Programme on the North Shore (Convenor - Rev Terry Wall). These programmes will replace the previous Mission Unity and Evangelism Programme which had too much work to contain under one heading. Mission becomes a part of all Conference Programmes.

4. Resources

Two particular resources have been produced for the use of parishes and groups this year. The *PEOPLES CHARTER* is a simple flexible resource for groups who want to study the Peoples Charter that was drawn up by Peoples Groups, aware that the present economic and social policies are not working. The Charter was adopted by the National Peoples Assembly and

offered to the Churches as part of the Building Our Own Futures programme. The Charter itself is a resource and a challenge because it opens up the issues behind poverty and questions whether the system is working for anyone? The Justice Peace and Service Programme of the Conference produced the discussion leaflet.

A discussion starter booklet on **Gospel and Cultures** has been produced by an ecumenical group which looks at how we package the Gospel in this country. It is the result of work undertaken on the topic for the WCC in preparation for the World Mission and Evangelism Conference "Called to One Hope", to be held in November in Brazil.

The kitset on **Constitutional Reform** prepared by the Public Issues Group continues to sell well. It helps to open the way into discussions on constitutional matters which are not always easy for many groups.

5. **CCANZ Review Process**

The annual Forum in Hamilton last September was a time for reviewing the work and structures of the CCANZ. The process was begun but continues through the work of a small drafting group appointed by the Forum. The final results of their work will be presented to a special consultation in February 1997. The Unity Programme is a direct outcome of the Review process.

6. **World Council of Churches (WCC) Visit to Aotearoa**

The Rev Dr Konrad Raiser, General Secretary of the WCC visited in March 1996. Despite the limited time available, this was a highly successful visit. People who attended the meetings throughout the country, caught a vision once again of what it means to be ecumenical today. We were challenged to value our past ecumenical history and celebrate it, and to push on into those difficult areas where we do not all think the same. We must keep dreaming the dream, stretching it, and challenging ourselves so that we are witnessing to the oikumene - the whole household of life.

7. **WCC Living Letters Report**

The report of the WCC Living Letters team visit to this country has been received. A decisive and honest account of attitudes in this country, it will provide resource material for those working on issues related to the Ecumenical Decade of Churches in Solidarity with Women and/or programmes on violence. Copies can be made available from the Auckland Office.

(B) Looking Forward

1. **International Affairs**

(i.) The major emphasis will be a **four-week Study/Action Programme**. It will enable congregations and local ecumenical groups to focus on the reality of uprooted peoples in their midst, to learn the causes of the displacement of people from their homes, to plan practical action and to

reflect theologically on what they discover. To assist congregations and groups a kit will be prepared which will contain:

- a preamble/overview of the Ecumenical Year of Uprooted Peoples (1997)
- a definition of "uprooted"
- stories, oral and written, of a variety of experiences, which allow room for people to reflect on their own experience
- tapes
- videos
- tools for analysis of the issues
- resources to explore the Theology of the Stranger
- practical checklist

(ii.) A national consultation will be held in June on the theme,

Uprooted there/here

Stranger here/there

This consultation will provide the opportunity for Maori, the various Pacific peoples, and representatives of other uprooted groups identified by the Refugee and Migrant Service to present their concerns to representatives of the churches. Other programmes will work with the theme wherever it is possible and/or appropriate.

2. Consolidating the work of the new Programmmes

The **Evangelism Programme** will be developing a data base of agencies, churches and organisations that have a specific focus on evangelism/evangelisation; developing a two-way process of communication between key people in member churches and the Programme; preparing and publishing studies on evangelism/evangelisation based on the input to the 1995 "Mission and Message Conference"; continue to liase with "Vision New Zealand seeking to develop stronger links and more effective communication.

The **Unity Programme** will continue with the co-ordination of the Ecumenical Lectionary and the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. The first objective is to create a higher profile for the issues of unity within the member churches. A regional workshop on the theology of Unity will be planned in 1997 - possibly for use as a pilot in other areas.

3. Developing Resources.

Work will begin on producing a kit of resources for parishes to use on an ecumenical theme suitable for any time of the year. There is also interest in producing a fresh version of "*Church Profiles*".

4 CCANZ Review

This work will be completed in February.

5. CCA/SCM consultation

Discussions are continuing about the logistics of organising a combined CCA/SCM gathering in Aotearoa New Zealand to strengthen the links

between the SCM and the Church Youth. We hope this project will eventuate.

6. **Continued communication** with parishes and groups through Ecustics and Programme newsletters e.g. Programme on Racism.

Jan Cormack

General Secretary

August, 1996

JOINT METHODIST PRESBYTERIAN PUBLIC QUESTIONS COMMITTEE

TERMS OF REFERENCE

- 1 To ascertain the mind of the two churches on matters of public interest and concern in moral, social, political and industrial problems.
- 2 To give a lead to the two churches in such matters.
- 3 To assist individuals within the two churches and Presbyteries/synods where action is desirable on matters of public interest.
- 4 To speak promptly and with clarity on such issues when it is felt to be in the public interest, or in defence of the two churches' position.
- 5 To consult with leaders of Government and its departments as required.

REPORT

SECTION A - WHAT THE COMMITTEE HAS DONE

Bicultural Journey

The Committee's planning meeting in December agreed the Committee should monitor Hirangi Hui issues, intellectual property rights matters and fiscal envelope concerns. At each Committee meeting there has been a bicultural perspective briefly highlighting an issue of bicultural concern. The major focus for the year has been producing a booklet "Alternative Vision: from fiscal envelope to constitutional change - the significance of the Hirangi Hui". A leaflet summarising the booklet is also being produced. Both will be distributed at Conference and in the Methodist and Presbyterian monthly mailings. Intellectual property rights issues are being monitored pending legislation being introduced to Parliament, when the Committee may make a submission. Matters relating to Maori reserved land have also been monitored and a submission will be made to the Select Committee dealing with the legislation.

Te Whero Foundation documents challenging government policies.

This occasional paper was initially prepared for the Methodist Conference in 1994. To date almost 3000 copies have been distributed to parishes of many denominations and to individuals, including students from Victoria University studying constitutional law. Copies are also in several public and university libraries.

Crown Proposals for the Settlement of Treaty of Waitangi Claims

The contents of the Crown's fiscal envelope were made public in December 1994. The Committee has made a submission on the proposals urging their withdrawal and requesting the Government to enter into formal discussions with Maori on the whole range of Treaty issues that need to be addressed at this time, with a commitment to reaching solutions that are firmly Treaty based.

Waitangi Tribunal

There has been continuing concern about the under funding of the Waitangi Tribunal and its backlog of some 500 claims awaiting hearing. Concern has been expressed at the lack of independence of the Tribunal because it is a court of enquiry (and therefore an agency of the state) with its members appointed by the Government. It is also subject to the findings of a higher judicial body. The Tribunal can only make recommendations which the Government is free to reject except where a private owner has bought State Owned Enterprises land with a full warning of the risk of resumption if the Tribunal so orders.

There is evidence that the Tribunal will be reined in should it threaten Crown interests and that it is being marginalised by the Government in favour of direct negotiations between the Crown and Iwi. Only a well resourced and truly independent Tribunal with real decision making power can deliver justice for Maori.

Treaty of Waitangi Amendment Act 1993

In the Treaty of Waitangi Amendment Act 1993 the Government made it unlawful for the Waitangi Tribunal to make any recommendations about land held in private ownership. It was not widely recognised at the time that the amendment also prohibited the Tribunal from making any recommendations about land held by local or regional authorities. The Maori Law Society is seeking an amendment to legislation to reverse this aspect of the Act.

Treaty of Waitangi and Immigration - analysis of responses.

Twenty-one responses were received by the Committee from 7 parishes and 5 Synods/Presbyteries. Many had confused voluntary immigration with humanitarian immigration and therefore expressed concern that we should not be refusing aid to refugees. This in some cases led to a discussion about who is our neighbour. However there was also an awareness that the Treaty obliges the wider community to involve tangata whenua in determining immigration policy.

Towards a Maori Criminal Justice System - analysis of responses.

Thirteen responses were received by the Committee - 6 from individuals and 6 from Methodist and/or Presbyterian parishes. While some, particularly the individuals, were strongly opposed to the setting up of a parallel Maori Criminal Justice system almost all recognised that the present system is not working as well as it could. Many responses suggested ways in which the present system could be improved. The

suggestions received in many cases were along the lines of restorative justice rather than our present retributive system.

Poverty

The Committee continues to monitor poverty levels amongst low income New Zealanders. An analysis of the recent tax cut package revealed that it will do little for those in the bottom income deciles. Commentators have estimated that the 390,000 low income earners in New Zealand will receive less than \$10 a week from the tax cut package, while the top 5 percent of income earners (those earning over \$60,000) will get 15 percent of the total value of the tax cuts. For example a single earner household with no children on \$15,000 will only gain \$4 a week from the cuts, while the equivalent household earning \$35,000 a year will gain \$22 a week. A childless worker earning less than \$9,500 per year will get no benefit from the tax cuts.

Beneficiaries without children receive nothing from the cuts since their benefits are paid as an after tax amount. Beneficiaries with children receive only an extra \$2.50 of Family Support per child per week. They also do not receive the new Independent Family Tax Credit of \$7.50 per child per week, as this is available only to families on low and middle wages/salaries. This distinction between families on benefits and those on low wages is of special concern. The children of beneficiaries require the same food, clothing, shelter and health care as the children of low wage households. Evidence of poverty amongst beneficiary households, for example continued high use of food banks, suggests that benefits are currently inadequate to meet the needs of children.

Euthanasia

The Bill introduced to Parliament earlier this year by Michael Laws caused a great deal of concern both in the church and the wider community, and discussion continues. To assist people in our partner churches the Committee has prepared an occasional paper on this matter, which has been distributed recently. The aim was not to make a definitive statement on the topic, but to present arguments from both sides of the debate as an aid to discussion. Some comments have already been received.

Restorative Justice

A work group of the Committee prepared an occasional paper on this issue, for use as a discussion starter, and including questions for study groups. The Paper examines the concepts behind the current system, which is based on revenge, or retribution, and demonstrates how this system has failed to reduce crime and violence. The paper then examines the history of restorative justice, its place in Celtic, Maori, Pacific Island and Maori cultures and outlines the benefits a restorative justice system might have for New Zealand. The paper has been warmly received, with many appreciative comments being received.

It was pleasing to see the Government release a discussion document on restorative justice and habilitation, and the Committee will be encouraging the Government to proceed with work in this area.

Gambling

Methodist Conference asked the Committee to prepare educational material on the social effects of gambling. Surprisingly little material was found which gave a biblically based perspective on gambling. However, the Committee has prepared a discussion paper for use in churches on this issue and it was distributed recently. We look forward to receiving responses.

Intelligence and Security Agencies Bill

This Bill, covered aspects of the work of the Security Intelligence Agency, and extended the term security to include "international well being and economic well being". It also proposed the establishment of a Parliamentary Committee to have oversight, and proposed the appointment of an Inspector General. The proposed extension of the term security was a concern, as the Committee believed it threatened the activities of academics and protesters who might challenge Government policies in the two affected areas. In our submission the Committee sought more openness in the work of the Parliamentary Committee and suggested it should have the right to examine day to day activities of the security agency. We asked for greater clarity of the Inspector-General's role and for a definition of "international and economic well being". The legislation has now been enacted, with no effective change to the matters which were of concern to the Committee.

Broadsheet

Five issues have been distributed this year.

Research Officer

After the resignation of Nancy Jean Whitehead in November last year to take up a parish appointment, the Council of the Presbyterian Assembly placed a temporary moratorium on the re-appointment of the Committee's Research/Executive Officer. This made it very difficult for the committee to make any firm plans for future work. Research and policy analysis is professional work and without the services of an experienced staff person the Committee has been forced to significantly reduce its workload.

Committee Membership

Conference 1995 appointed new members Gwenda Handiside and Richard Davis to the Committee. It is with great sadness that the Committee records the death of committee member Audrey Brodie who was appointed to the Committee as an observer for the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers). The Committee records its appreciation and gratitude for Audrey's contribution over several years to its work and to its spirit.

SECTION B - LOOKING FORWARD

Funding has now been provided by the Presbyterian Church which will allow the reappointment of a Research Officer. It is hoped that an appointment will be made in early October.

In the coming year the Committee will continue to monitor bicultural concerns in our society and make appropriate responses.

Restorative justice is an issue that the Committee considers to be of significance for New Zealand and it will continue to promote discussion and debate about the justice system.

The Committee will continue to monitor issues relating to poverty, such as taxation, employment and the benefit system.

During 1997 the Committee intends to prepare material for a discussion paper on the topic of sexuality.

The Committee also hopes to work with Synod and Presbytery Public Questions Committees to run regional social justice conferences.

SUGGESTED DECISIONS

- 1 Conference urges the Government to take immediate steps to ensure that all low income households, including beneficiary households, have an income that provides adequate access to food, clothing, shelter, education, health care, recreation and social contact, without recourse to a special needs grant, and that consideration be given to deferring further tax cuts.
- 2 Conference commends the Government for developing a discussion document on restorative justice and habilitation, and urges it to develop plans for the implementation of a justice system based on restorative principles.
- 3 Conference commends the discussion papers on Euthanasia, Restorative Justice, and Gambling to Methodist and Cooperating Venture parishes and groups, and asks that comment and contributions on these issues be sent to the Joint Public Questions Committee.
4. **"The Alternative Vision"**
That the introductory leaflet and the booklet "The Alternative Vision", which deals with the Hirangi hui and matters of Constitutional change, be commended to parishes, Co-operative Ventures and Synods for study and discussion in 1977 and that feedback on the material be given to the Joint Public Questions by the 31st July, 1997.
5. **Maori Reserved Land Amendment Bill**
That Conference urge the new Parliament in 1997 to resolve the issue of Maori Reserved Land by giving serious consideration to the Maori Reserved land Amendment Bill of 1996.

6. The members of the Committee for 1997 is Richard Davis, Barry Jones, Gwenda Handyside, Graham Hulston, John Roberts, Anne Stephenson, Fletcher Thomas (Convener) and other members appointed by the President.

METHODIST MISSION AOTEAROA

1996 REPORT TO CONFERENCE

A. The Year in Retrospect

Membership

It has been a year of transition for the MMA Executive. Six of the ten members of the Executive are newly appointed, three of them newly appointed heads of the Missions. With the loss of three of the four Mission Superintendents during the year, Donald Phillipps, Alan Woodley and Brian Turner, the Executive lost an invaluable Methodist social service ministry resource backed by 25 years of hard experience. Much of the knowledge base and memory of the MMA has been gutted.

It has been good to welcome the skills and experience of new members: Mr Bruce Abbott, (Director-Dunedin Mission), Mrs Senorita Laukau, (who works for Housing New Zealand), Rev Suiva'aia Te'o, (Parish Presbyter), Mr Graham Weir, (Executive Manager-Wellington Mission), Ms Glenys Hampton, (Director-Friendship House, Manakau) and Rev Graham Whaley, (Superintendent-Auckland Mission), and to discover new learnings and perspective's with them. Much time has necessarily been spent seeking to become familiar with the distinctive tasks and responsibilities that make up the MMA agenda. It has also been good to affirm Deacon Chris Wood who takes over from Timothy Langley as Convenor.

'No Room at the Inn'

Following on from the success of the 1994 Christmas Card to the Government campaign, the Laings Rd Methodist Church last Christmas launched a series of

- events aimed at drawing public attention to the plight of the homeless in Aotearoa New Zealand.
- This campaign was run throughout December 1995 by the Lower Hutt Foodbank. The stable was erected in a Church foyer. Foodbank clients were given a paper manger to write on. Clients were encouraged to answer the questions on mangers relating to their source of income, amount of rent and size of family. In addition, they were encouraged to express in their own words what Christmas would be like for them. Without exception, all the clients filled in a manger and expressed their appreciation at having the opportunity to speak out for themselves. The mangers were gathered together just prior to Christmas and used in a service of remembrance for those who because of their financial difficulties find Christmas a very difficult time. Both the campaign and the service received widespread media attention.

Others within the MMA network also built on the theme to highlight the obscenity of record numbers of state owned houses sitting empty while families live in poverty and overcrowded conditions.

APW/MWF 'HOPE' Projects

- Congratulations to the members of the Methodist Women's Fellowship. The Executives of the MWF and the APW decided to make parentcraft programmes the focus of their special project fundraising activities. For the first time since the highly successful 'Money Tree' project created the Family Support Fund, detailed discussions were held with Christchurch representatives of MMA and Presbyterian SUPPORT to define the priority target group of potential recipients and refine the selection and distribution processes. Over \$67,000 was raised and invested in worthwhile cutting edge programmes, primarily in small towns and rural New Zealand. The monies are expected to have been fully expended by the end of 1997.

Australasian Conference: 2020 Vision for Missions

- The theme of the bi-annual Australasian Missions Conference held in Melbourne last May was '2020 Vision for Missions'. The opportunity to reflect on the future direction of social service ministry with a wider group of colleagues from Central and Parish Missions drew eighteen people, including Board members and executive staff from the Auckland, Wellington and Christchurch Missions. The timing of the

Conference reflected real concerns in both Australia and New Zealand about the new climate of contracting and tendering for services that new-right economic theories have forced upon us. In both countries there is tension as governments use their funding control to frame a type of service delivery that Churches and Missions are increasingly uncomfortable with. When do Missions say, "No thank you?"

Leadership and Management issues are also paralleled. How do the Missions arrange for leadership that will infuse with ethos and make real the inspiration for their work while simultaneously ensuring excellence in management to guarantee efficiency?

There are some significant differences, most notably the absence of a parallel in Australia to the bi-cultural partnerships being developed in New Zealand.

Some of our New Zealand concerns about the relationships between Missions and Parishes are more particularly our own. Perceptions clash when the apparently well resourced and asset rich Missions are governed by a shrinking, often struggling, parish-based church. The roots of this are worth noting. Church members, once intimately involved as volunteers in the Missions work, have seen the progressive, professionalisation of their ministry by paid staff many of whom otherwise have no connection with Christian faith. Church members wonder what happened to and grieve the loss of the 'ministry' of social services. Local parishes, many of them with shrinking memberships and struggling to pay stipends are less and less able to relate to this rapidly expanding work where additional employees seem to be taken on at will. It's almost as if Parishes and Missions live in two different worlds.

Our Connexional cultural aspirations of cooperative partnership, inclusiveness, non-competitiveness and 'small is beautiful' co-exist uncomfortably with what are now large agencies operating in a highly competitive contracting environment with rapid business decisions made by leaders with considerable executive authority. Some church leaders look on at what is arguably the most substantial expression of the churches work with the marginalised, the vulnerable and the poor and wonder how the resources could be unbolted, unpacked and taken back to be used for the revitalising of the worship and service ministries of suburban Methodist parishes.

The conference struggled with the imperative to match word, deed and spirit to ensure these Christian services made real the transforming power of Christian faith and love. Sydney Mission insists on employing only Christians. Is it enough for us to require that our employees have a sympathetic understanding of the Christian

basis of the Missions work? It was suggested there is something more to this than 'securing the ethos'. The church is for mission as fire is for burning. There is a sense in which those involved need to be prepared to be spent in the Mission's work - if this is to be a social service ministry it needs to be more than just another professional career option and if it isn't ministry, why is the Church involved?

Property Matters

Consideration was given to a wide range of property matters during the year. Issues with social service implications were referred to the Executive for comment from the Church Building & Loan Fund Committee. Regional developments within services for the elderly ranged from the proposed closure of hospitals and homes in one region to the establishment of a new 38 bed hospital, and new villas for semi-independent living in other regions. The need for good stewardship of services and property continually raises and redefines important strategic issues which are yet to be appropriately resolved by dialogue within the Methodist Church.

International Year to Eradicate Poverty

Parishes, the Missions and the MMA have worked to achieve some prominence for the eradication of poverty during this last year despite there being a spectacular lack of governmental resources and support for this International Year theme. Government's reaction has been to question whether poverty exists in New Zealand and to hold up its tax cuts, its wealth creation strategies and social policies as the answer to any hardship that exists.

Some members of the Dunedin Mission Parish formed STOP, Spend Taxes On People, to return their tax cut savings to the Government with the request that the monies be spent on health, welfare and education. Energy has been focused on the Poverty Letter prepared by the NZCCSS and the study opportunities created for parishes to become better informed for local action. The firm support from President Tavake and other connexional leaders for this initiative assured the letter and the issue of poverty had wide exposure throughout the country in the leadup to the election.

The challenge to eradicate poverty led the Executive to focus on the electoral issues addressed through the ballot box in October. Executive member Chris Wood undertook to prepare a series of questions on justice issues for aspiring political

candidates. The subsequent resources on Housing, Health, Welfare and Employment were distributed to parishes as well as being given national circulation through the help of Crosslink and sharpened the questions about the social deficit being asked by many thinking Christians. The MMA on behalf of the wider Church records our appreciation of the excellent work done by Chris Wood.

Light a Life Appeal

The Missions have for many years now maintained a "Wesley Missions Network" which meets concurrently with the MMA Executive to do the Mission's business. There are increasing opportunities for the Missions to attract significant financial backing from the corporate sector providing the Missions have a national identity. Senior fundraising and executive staff with the support of the four Boards have agreed to adopt the name 'Wesley Missions' as a vehicle for the attraction of this corporate support.

In an effort to further this national profile a 'Save 'n Share' scheme was implemented in partnership with local primary and secondary schools. 50% of the money donated went to help schools provide materials and equipment and 50% helped the Missions provide emergency relief to local families. The results of the 'Save 'n Share' scheme were related to the efforts expended in promoting it. Many Parishes and some schools chose to support the Missions by returning all the monies raised. The Missions have been grateful to the few parishes who have raised issues and concerns about the scheme as a vehicle for fund raising. The broader issues which have surfaced have been referred to the Public Questions Committee for inclusion in their wider discussion on gambling.

New Zealand Council of Christian Social Services

The NZCCSS have this year engaged in a strategic planning exercise which has clarified and redefined the purpose of the Council. Arising from this exercise, there has been a re-prioritising of the work to ensure that poverty issues and Child and Family services have a greater call on the secretariat's resources. Their excellent resource magazine Signpost is commended to all Parishes engaging in social service ministry.

A highlight early in the year was the Services for Older People Ethics Conference held in Wellington. One Methodist attender suggested the enthusiastic response to

the Minister of Health, Jenny Shipley's input, could indicate that few people are now engaging in rigorous social analysis!

During the year, Donald Phillips completed his three year term as President of the NZCCSS and Alan Woodley his term as a Council member. The new representatives are Timothy Langley, MMA Convenor, and Glenys Hampton, MMA member, Auckland Mission Board member and Director, Friendship House, Manakau.

B. Looking Ahead

Methodist Social Services Conference

The Methodist Social Services Conference which was to have been held in September was postponed. The reasons contributing to this decision were many and varied. The Conference was perceived to be unduly influenced by the Methodist Mission Aotearoa Executive and therefore lacking in independence. Through a simple administrative error the advance publicity had not been distributed widely enough to enable a fully representative Conference. Very few attenders were coming from parishes. Decisions previously taken in the life of the Church in relation to the leadership and management of the Missions had brought about significant changes and new directions and the implications of those changes had yet to fully impact, be monitored or assessed. It was believed the results of the October 12 Election could have a dramatic affect on the environment in which social services ministry is offered.

Some of these reasons for abandonment are of themselves worrying. The confused relationship between the boundaries of Missions and other Parishes is an example. The Missions are interdependent on the goodwill of parishes, yet by their presence can divert both people and financial resources away from parish work. The ground is laid for envy and also suspicion that the Missions may not be making themselves appropriately accountable to the parent church.

On the other hand many see Mission work as providing the opportunity for parishioners to be involved in significant social service work. Methodist Parishes are major stakeholders in the Missions and as such could benefit from the use of Mission resources. Perhaps the MMA has some real work to do here, to build trust,

mutual understanding and involvement. Solutions would vary Parish to Parish and could embrace our union and co-operating Parishes.

Major issues have yet to be resolved through a Methodist social services consultation planned for early 1997 which will focus on social services into the 21st century. The planning for the conference had been the joint responsibility of a Taiwi Forum and Methodist Mission Aotearoa Planning Group. The members were Geoff Hill, Margaret Hamilton, Stan West and Timothy Langley. This Group has made it's own report setting out its reasons for the change and suggestions for future action.

Timothy Langley

On behalf of the Executive.

AUCKLAND METHODIST MISSION

Report to Conference 1996

"WHAT HAS HAPPENED"

SOCIAL SERVICES

West Auckland Family Services

This innovative Family Care project got underway with the first families using the Units in April of this year. This intensive five week residential programme assists families with developing parenting skills, particularly focussing on keeping children safe. The evaluation by families who have used the programme so far has been very positive.

Pacific Centre

Pacific Centre last year was able to undertake a project under contract with the Regional Health Authority. This was to look at the community and health needs of older Pacific Island people in the Central Auckland area. This resulted in a comprehensive report to North Health in December 1995, copies are available from the Mission Office. The report indicated that for many Pacific Island people basic health needs were not being addressed. It also indicated that there was very little knowledge of the Home Care Services available to older people which is now free with a Community Services Card.

Part of the ongoing development is also ensure that people have access to the information about Home Care Services and are encouraged to use the services when they are available.

Nga Pekanga Whaanui

This small group based on a Maori kaukapa working in Papakura, has also expanded its staffing this year. The addition of two workers, one of whom works with youth, has meant that work with young people has consolidated and expanded. The second new staff member is working with families in the much needed area of budgeting and home skills.

Inner City Ministry

The Inner City Ministry continues to be called upon to deliver an increasing range and volume of basic social services to the least advantaged in Auckland City. To illustrate this point the expression of need today has seen an almost threefold increase in demand on meals than were provided in the worst year of the 1930s depression. While we can celebrate the fact that the Mission has continued to provide some relief and brief comfort to the least advantaged it is regrettable that this work is necessary within New Zealand.

Social Policy Unit

This year has seen a consolidation of the work of this Unit in a variety of ways. David Tolich, the Policy Analyst, has become much more familiar with the Mission's work and offers Social Service staff a variety of services, including an ongoing analysis of the affect of Government policy on our client group. He also actively monitors changes in Government legislation, noting where they impact on the services the Mission offers and varying client groups it serves. The Mission is committed to its advocacy role and this work contributes significantly in that area. The Mission has also been involved in working with the New Zealand Christian Council of Social Services in undertaking some research into the size and nature of the Christian Child and Family Support Services throughout New Zealand. This research will highlight important information that the NZCCSS will be able to use in lobbying Government and potential members of Parliament in the forthcoming election.

WESLEYCARE

Accreditation

Accreditation has been achieved at Everil Orr and Wesley Village and staff are working toward gaining accreditation for Orongo and Franklin.

Gaining accreditation signifies compliance and acknowledgement by an independent inspection and audit team surveying the management and delivery of all services required to successfully operate a Hospital or Rest Home with distinction.

With accreditation the fees paid by the Regional Health Authority are at their highest rate for the services provided. Auckland Methodist Mission is proud of the quality care it has attained for its clients through this process.

Home Care

Home Care Services have grown and now provide a service of home support to 500 people in the central Auckland area.

Dementia Care

Dementia Care is a focus of our work and staff have worked in a video production that is being distributed to the community as a resource.

Community Development

A community worker has been working with the Indian community and we are hopeful of a positive response from the Regional Health Authority so that this valuable community-developed project can be further developed by an ongoing funding arrangement.

Parish Development

- Utilising a social work student, work has been undertaken with a parish to identify problems relating to aged parents of Asian migrants.

PUBLIC RELATIONS AND FUNDRAISING

1. The development of a joint MMA Marketing Plan has seen the adoption of the name 'Wesley Mission' as the common name for fundraising activity nationwide. In turn this has led the Auckland Mission to adopt the name 'Wesley Mission' to describe its Family and Community Social Services and 'WesleyCare' to identify its Aged Care Services. Changing a name takes time and there are yet many implications to work through including the review of the Mission logo and slogan.

2. Joint fundraising initiatives have included the 'Light a Life' Envelope Appeal of June 1995 and the June 1996 'Save & Share' Scheme promoted through Schools and Parishes. Regrettably both campaigns have met with poor response illustrating just how difficult it is to find and develop successful fundraising methods. Experience has shown the importance of an adequate timeframe but also the efficiencies and benefits of the Missions working together.

3. This year has seen the completion of projects funded by the \$4 million grant from the ASB Charitable Trust. The capital developments and improvements made possible has in turn created increased demand for operational funding. Fortunately in the reporting year a grant of \$200,000 was received from the Carr/Davies Endowment and \$258,000 from the Ivy Williams Trust. Much to the encouragement of the Employment Generation Fund a capital grant of \$100,000 was received from the Tindall Foundation of The Warehouse.

EMPLOYMENT GENERATION FUND

Our third full year has been a very steady one. Activities were necessarily curtailed by our capital availability but nevertheless we continued to make advances. From an initial capital of \$330,000, taking into account repayments, we have made total advances of \$438,000.

We are constantly seeking to increase our capital base and thus expand our activities. The Tindall Foundation in April this year gave us a capital grant of \$100,000. This will boost our activities considerably and we expect to maintain a monthly availability of around \$90,000 for advances.

Our advances are invested in 64 ventures giving rise to 187 full time jobs, 27 part-time jobs, three family groups and 33 outworkers and seasonal workers. We extend this to be 210 full time job equivalents.

It should be recorded that of the 64 ventures funded, 11 have repaid in full and 27 have commenced repayment instalments. We have lost capital in 5 ventures, but the modest interest we have earned over the 3 years has in the main offset these losses.

Administration funding, as distinct from the capital fund, continues to be made possible with support from the Auckland Methodist Mission - \$12,000 per annum (net after contribution from the Fund); Community Employment Group, NZ Labour Department - \$45,000; Levi Strauss Community Affairs Division - \$35,000. All three support funding sources continue for the new year - our fourth year.

Fund administration includes extensive mentoring of our ventures. We are supporting ventures at the lower end of the investment market with high risk and the availability of immediate counselling from us, or direction to professional assistance, positively assists the new ventures by making available great diversity of knowledge and experience to help them be successful business operators. Additionally, we continue input into the various Enterprise Agencies' training programmes by way of course content, tutoring and assessment of some of the ventures that go through their processes.

MISSION FINANCES

The past year has been one of considerable pressure for the Mission. The tight rein held by the Regional Health Authority on our Aged Care revenue, combined with the costs of achieving Accreditation with NZ Healthcare Standards for our two major Aged Care sites, are the main contributing factors. It has only been through the postponement of debt repayment and the deferment of certain expenditure that we have been able to maintain the wide level of Social Services in the community. We were able to do so at a lower than anticipated cost due to some successful negotiating for grants, combined with a careful control of costs throughout the year.

NEW CONSTITUTION

Board members have completed a new constitution written for use by the Mission and submitted for adoption by Conference.

MANAGEMENT CHANGES

As intimated in the 1996 report to Conference the appointment of a Superintendent with a greater emphasis on the theological and resourcing facets of superintendency and the new position of General Manager to handle the administrative functions of the Mission commenced 1 February 1996. Both appointees have now settled into their assigned tasks with pleasing results and provide a balanced open style of supportive management that has offered a strong sense of purpose and leadership to both staff and service recipients alike.

"LOOKING FORWARD"

SOCIAL SERVICES

The Mission's Social Services continue to operate in a climate of political and funding uncertainty - a situation that may well be exacerbated by the coming election under MMP.

We will continue to deliver effective quality services and, since there is likely to be increased demands in our communities, develop resources to meet these as funding allows.

Inner City Ministry

Attending to the poor and the most needy, seeing the deteriorating health of children and observing the increasing level of violence and abuse while addressing poverty in the midst of conspicuous affluence suggest that more and more of our energies must be directed to advocacy.

We promote the need to continue to provide services to support the least advantaged and at the same time we must strengthen our support to those able to influence change.

WESLEYCARE

Future goals for WesleyCare include

- continual improvement in quality standards
- the further development of community-based services
- progressing services with the older Indian community
- parish-based social services for older people
- development of a volunteer programme
- cross-generational programmes for young children and older people

PUBLIC RELATIONS AND FUNDRAISING

The competitive nature of 'fundraising' points up the importance of having an agreed 'Marketing Plan'. Further profiling of 'Wesley Mission' will help establish the respective Missions as a nationwide social service provider with the attendant benefits of being seen in the public mind as one of the leading and largest Christian Social Service organisations in New Zealand. Achieving this will increase public support, bequest giving and the chance of corporate sponsorships.

MISSION FINANCES

The budget round for the coming year has been completed and indicates a further year of tight monetary controls. However, strict management will ensure that the Mission continues to provide the same level of service while maintaining its financial viability.

GENERAL COMMENT

As a Mission, we see the need to consolidate and stabilise. We see the need to offer security and reassurance rather than embarking on programmes of expansion in the way we offer service to those we care for.

Of paramount urgency is the need to diversify the income base on which the Mission is dependent to fund social service delivery. The changing social, political and economic climate suggests that less reliance can be placed on traditional funding sources and this reinforces the immediate requirement of this Mission to broaden our funding and donor base.

The way we operate in the future will swing towards a greater emphasis on partnerships with parishes and working in a complementary fashion rather than a competitive style. The valuing of volunteers, the return to basics, an unyielding stand not to compromise values and the strengthening of links with parish networks are equally vital to the work of the Mission as an expression of mission.

Finally, after almost 25 years of Auckland Mission control, we will see the establishment of a fully independent and totally separate Trust Board to operate the Kamo Village complex.

CHRISTCHURCH METHODIST MISSION

Report to Conference 1996

LOOKING BACK

The good news from the Mission is that a ministry of compassionate service and firm advocacy has been offered to thousands of people. Some were short-term or occasional users of our range of child and family services. Some of the people we work with such as Lifeline callers, we never even meet. Their appreciation of the confidential, skilled assistance received nevertheless comes filtering back to us in many different ways. Still others we work with remain reliant on the Mission for 'home' and all that goes with home. The Mission is still legal guardian for a number of young men and women who once lived in the Children's Home, and hundreds of older people prefer to turn to our residential facilities when they need services to support increasing frailty. The Mission's work is a great work; humble, magnificent in its sacrificial service, tragic in its indictment on our individual and corporate failure to love our neighbour as ourselves. We look forward to the day when the Mission is no longer necessary.

Property Matters

The Mission sold and leased back the old Durham Street South Church property housing Lifeline, Floyds Workshop and the Goodwill Distribution Centre during the year. The money realised from the sale has been reinvested in fully tenanted buildings on a very attractive property in Cambridge Terrace strategically located near the Mission's remaining Friendship House property. We have significantly altered the character and style of our second hand clothing store operation and have been able to reduce from 15 to 8 shops.

Nelson Social Services Trust

It was with dismay that the Mission Board learnt of Presbyterian SUPPORT's determination to dissolve the Nelson Social Services Trust and the Green Gables Trust Board in June this year. The Green Gables Trust Board has been operative since 1976 and administers a 21 bed hospital and 30 bed resthome in Bridge Street, downtown Nelson. SUPPORT has resolved that it is in their interests to have sole proprietorship of that service primarily for the benefits of brand recognition and local fundraising. The terms of the trust deed requires

Presbyterian SUPPORT, upon winding up, to pay to the Mission our share of the equity in the Nelson service according to an agreed formulae. Ongoing discussions have been underway between the District Synod representatives and the Mission about how to avoid the windup and, when it was confirmed, to explore what innovative responses to social needs the Methodist parishes and Mission might undertake with the capital realised.

Aldersgate Counselling Service

A consequence of the new focus on core services has been the progressive letting go of ancillary services. One of these was the low cost counselling service provided by a team of trained volunteers at Aldersgate. Established in 1992 the staff had been able to offer skilled help to a large number of people presenting with a wide range of issues. It was a great satisfaction to all involved when the systems, manuals, and many of the staff of this excellent service transferred to the newly established Petersgate Counselling Service, an ecumenical initiative between the Anglican, Methodist and Presbyterian churches of Upper Riccarton together with the Salvation Army.

LOOKING FORWARD

Strategic Direction

The Mission Board has prepared a new strategic plan to inform the work from 1996 to the year 2000. A draft plan was advertised for widespread public comment. The Board confirmed the place of children and their families and the frail elderly at the core of the Mission's services with first claim on the Mission's resources.

Methodists have long cared deeply about the wellbeing, protection and happiness of children. The first South Island Methodist Children's Home was opened in Papanui in 1914 but such was the commitment and enthusiasm for the work, it was superseded within two decades by a new 50 bed orphanage backed up by a range of supportive services for children and their families.

In the 1950's other founders of the Christchurch Methodist Mission started offering services to elderly people in need. Inspired by their Christian faith and their vision of the role the church had to play in helping others, they worked with enthusiasm and energy. They sowed the seeds for that dimension of the organisation which very quickly became a significant provider of a range of social services in the communities of Christchurch, Marlborough, Nelson and Greymouth.

In the 1990's New Zealand society is a very different place from that experienced by the men and women who opened the Mission's first rest home or who delivered firewood to the poor during the cold Christchurch winters. Social change has dramatically accelerated, the welfare state has been comprehensively dismantled, and violence, poverty, loneliness and despair are commonplace.

In the 1990's the Mission has faced a growing demand for its services from people with more urgent and more complex needs. In the sometimes overwhelming face of these needs the Mission has resisted cutting or reducing services. In the 1990s the Mission has, each year, helped more people than the year before. It has also, each year, spent more than it has earned.

It is against this background that the Mission Board agreed upon its Strategic Plan. It is a plan that addresses the Mission's need to live within its means while remaining true to the vision that has always inspired the Methodist Church's ministry of social service. At the same time the plan offers a vision and direction that continues to build on the Mission's ability to provide innovative cost-effective services and affirms the Mission's track record in the development of bicultural relationships and social services run by Maori.

The plan calls for some demanding and significant changes. It signals a more specific definition of the Mission's work and client groups and offers a way of re-focusing services without reducing the options available to the people who need and use them. It works to our Mission's strengths in social service ministry identified by us and others as our ready pragmatism and the pioneering of innovative responses to a variety of human needs. Copies of the plan are readily available upon request.

New Trusts for Governance

The Mission Board has sought Church Building & Loan Fund Committee approval to establish two subsidiary trusts. The Wesley Mission Board will be responsible for the operational oversight of all services for children and their families while the Wesley Care Board will be responsible for the operational oversight of services for older people. The ownership of all Mission property will continue to rest with the Christchurch Methodist Mission Board which will remain directly appointed by and accountable to Conference for the governance of the work. Some of the memberships of the Boards will be in common.

All Boards will work in ways consistent with Mission values. In working with policy the Boards will use consensus decision making within the framework set by the Methodist Conference. They will be open to the prompting of the divine spirit, new understandings of God and faith and modeling new ways of working as a team.

As part of its new focus on core services, the Mission has agreed to the separate incorporation and autonomy for both Lifeline Christchurch, the telephone counselling service and Floyds workshop, an arts and craft workshop for the disabled and unemployed. Work is underway on their new constitutions to establish them as independent charitable trusts.

Harewood Road Development

The Mission Board has resolved that the vacant 10 acre backland block behind the original Methodist orphanage on Harewood Road will not be required for service development in the decades ahead. The Board believe the days of the big residential institutions are past. Even though social service fashions come and go, the losses of control, independence, privacy and individuation for people resident in large institutional developments mean they will not be repeated in the future.

The Mission has entered into a contract with Suburban Estates Ltd for the creation of a quality residential development incorporating the beautiful Fairhaven hospital gardens as a civic reserve. Individual titles to the 36 sections are expected to be available by October 1997. The significant profits generated will be held in trust for the Missions work with children and their families.

Replacing Wesley Hospital

The Christchurch Mission believes it is time we stopped thinking of hospitals and resthomes as places and buildings and started to consider them as levels of service. It's a bit like talking of 'church' as a community or an experience compared with 'church' as a building. The older people in our community who need our services to support their increasing frailty have almost no desire to enter a hospital or resthome. Those same people are delighted if supportive services to resthome or even hospital level intensity can be provided for them in their own homes.

This is the rationale behind the really exciting redevelopment of Wesley Hospital. Wesley was opened in 1951 in two adjoining stately homes on Park Avenue. It has now exceeded its use-by date and is being replaced at Papanui

with 22 townhouse apartments and two large family homes each with eight bedrooms and ensuites. The townhouse apartments will function as one-person hospitals. In terms of Ministry of Health requirements, the combined facilities operate as a 38 bed hospital.

This new service model works for the residents and the Mission as the social role valorisation issue of planning services around individuals is addressed. For all those involved this reflects the Mission Statement and values in action. Significant savings are made by both the domestic scale of construction and the operational efficiencies involved. The Mission expects to have paid the whole development off within 15 years while creating significant annual operating surpluses.

Marina Cove

So many of the Marina Cove apartments are now occupied that the Mission has proceeded with the establishment of the community club. The earlier intention to create a neighbourhood shop has been modified by the Marina Cove residents who have established their own priorities for this community centre. This facility now incorporates a library, games room and sauna on the ground floor with, at street level a large lounge and cafe opening out onto open decks overlooking the Marina. Upon the sale of the last few units in Block C, the Mission will proceed with the construction of Block D which includes two three bedroomed apartments.

Timothy Langley
Superintendent

Suggested Decisions

1. That the report be received.
2. The membership of the Christchurch Methodist Mission Board for 1997 be: Allan Watson (Chairperson), Timothy Langley (Superintendent), Andrew Ferguson, Alan Gibbs, Geoff Hill, Anne Maclean, Barbara McNicol, Heather Spence, Allen Dingwall (Emeritus).

Dunedin Methodist Mission

Annual Report to Conference 1996

Sharing what has happened?

In last year's report I used the words CHANGE and ADAPT and talked about a settling down period. Looking back I think this year has been just that.

It has been a time for the Board to reflect on where they are, where the Mission is and where it should be. Compared to the other three Missions, we are quite small with very few "direct" projects. We have the long stay care facilities at Mossbrae and Ripponburn, both of which have continued to operate satisfactorily. There was a major change at Ripponburn brought about by the local CHE deciding to get out of their long stay elderly care. The Cromwell project was able to increase its licence which enabled it to pick up the extra residents from Dunstan Hospital. Since then, both facilities have remained full and have a first class name in the community for providing quality care.

Our Child Care Centre in Hillside Road is the oldest in the country and provides education and care for pre-school children. There is a high percentage of single parent users which also makes it a social service. Whilst other centres seem to struggle for attendees, we have managed to hold our numbers and we look forward to this continuing.

The Friendship Centre cafe has had a marvellous year. The usage continues to increase, including the celebration of wedding anniversaries, birthdays etc. The other growth has been in the catering for users of Trinity Hall. This is used quite regularly now by all sorts of groups, including seminars for Forsyth Barr. But the cup of tea, a place to sit and chat remain the important focus.

The other real growth area this year has been at our Southcare project. Set up some time ago, it now is just beginning to make a mark. Four sessions

are now held each week when up to ten elderly folk attend for games, outings and just a chat. A new programme is about to start called Helping Hands. It has been set up to respond to the needs of, mostly, elderly people in their own homes who need assistance with minor jobs, such as getting lamp shades down to be cleaned, fixing a stuck window or even changing light bulbs. Some of these jobs can become a real chore. It is hoped that the project will grow in the South Dunedin area first and then we will investigate other areas.

The other projects the Mission is involved in include the Approach Adult learning, Anglican Methodist Family Care Centre, Centrecare in Waimate and social work in Otautau and Invercargill.

Looking Forward

During the past year the Dunedin Mission Board has focused on its place in Social Services and future directions. For the past 20 years it has questioned involvements in aged care hospitals and homes. The Board has identified a number of future social service initiatives and has commenced one project in South Dunedin at Wesley Care. We plan to become actively involved in community based services and open to options that are keeping with the "Mission Statement" of the Dunedin Methodist Mission and Methodist Mission Aotearoa.

After careful consideration the Board reached a decision to offer for sale, by public tender, the Mossbrae Hospital in Mosgiel and the Ripponburn Hospital and Aged Care Home in Cromwell. This is a planned strategy of sale and redeployment. We are offering the two institutions for sale as going concerns and will, subject to the terms and conditions of sale, favour purchasers who intend to continue to operate them as hospitals and homes for the care of the aged. Such purchasers would fulfil the Missions objectives of continuity of care for present residents and providing ongoing options for possible new residents. It will also provide present staff with the opportunity for continued employment should a sale be successfully concluded with such a purchaser.

During the year the Dunedin Mission informed MMA and the Church Building and Loan Fund. The Board has acted in accordance with the requirements of the Church and followed processes used by the Missions in determining appropriate social service involvement. The Aged Care Hospitals and Homes were advertised in September. The Mission hopes to have sale contracts in place prior to Christmas, although take-over could be well into the new year. We expect to report further to Conference.

Martin Anderson
Chairperson

Suggested Decisions.

1. That the report be received.
2. The membership of the Dunedin Mission Board for 1997 be:
Bruce Abbott, Martin Anderson (Chairperson), Joan Carter, Aruthur Duncan, Graham Martin, Joan McDonald, Mori Pickering, Alex Smith, Shirley Ungemuth and Norman West.

Media & Communication Committee Report 1996

This past year has seen our committee taking on a larger support and facilitation role. The Methodist members of the Crosslink Board have been able to discuss the current situation with us and we have been able to reinforce the policies that are working on.

Our Churches Broadcasting Commission representative has also been able to bring discussion to this committee, regarding the Church's role on the Commission. This has enabled discussion of ideas between the Commission's quarterly meetings.

We facilitated a possible project in conjunction with the Forum of Cooperating Ventures. As their financial requirements were larger than our funding allowed we made the links to the Bi-cultural committee with recommendations and our support for this project.

We were able to provide funding for Epworth Bookshop in the way of advertising posters and also served the purpose of linking between Epworth and the wider communication of the Church. We have been able to provide support, assistance and encouragement to Epworth since their shift to the new site.

Crosslink -

Roger Wigg, Editor, resigned in January and Diane Gilliam-Weeks has served the Church very well in her acting Editor position of Crosslink. A supplementary report will be brought to Conference regarding the new Editor position.

Churches Broadcasting Commission -

Brian Turner resigned from the Commission in July and Trish Moseley was appointed, having represented Brian at previous meetings. Our committee has been the "sounding board" for the representatives, with giving extra ideas to projects being undertaken. A separate report is printed for CBC.

At the end of 1995 we lost the services of Peter West and in June Brian Turner resigned. We regret the loss of their input.

Our committee is now very small and we feel the work can be carried on through Crosslink, CBC and Epworth Boards. The time has come for the committee to be disbanded. If there is a particular communication project to be addressed, a short-term work group could be set up for that specific purpose.

Recommendations:

- * That this committee be disbanded at 31 December 1996.
- * Trish Moseley continue as CBC representative
- * Conferences notes the Crosslink Terms of Reference and Editorial position.

Churches Broadcasting Commission Summary Report from the Chair.

Ultimately, there is no shortage of opportunities to fulfil our reason for being. The greatest block are the priorities of our churches in both time and money. We can no longer claim not to be taken seriously, or to be victims of a secular and indifferent world. The question is how important is the interface of the churches with the broadcasting media over against other priorities.

My judgement is that we have more clout now than we did six years ago. In general the secular media has more positive and accurate pictures of the relevance of the Christian community than before. However, we are only at the beginning of a long attitude change process.

Lobbying programme makers to recognise both the size and importance of the broad Christian audience is certainly within the resources of the Churches Broadcasting Commission. Supporting programme makers who intend to contribute to the on air mix by reflecting some aspect of the Christian experience is also possible.

We do not have the personnel or resource for much else.

TVNZ - I met with Grant Dixon, Ron Pledger, John Harris and I met with Andy Shaw and Karen Bielecky to ensure their understanding of who we are and to pitch a proposal for a new series. Andy was interested enough in the idea to ask for a more extensive brief. What we did not know when we arrived was the good news that a proposal from Integrity TV and Rob Harley had been given the green light to screen in January for 8 weeks. They have secured NZ on Air funding.

This is a 'watch this space' question. While we may have a lot of energy for such a project, there is a problem of the time commitment required to give it the attention it clearly deserves. We are not necessarily our own masters in this regard.

SKY TV - David Ross has kindly been keeping in touch with Sky TV and the opportunities for us there. He will be reporting on this at the November meeting.

New Initiatives in Christian Media Cooperation - The Australasian Religious Press Association has taken the initiative to gather publishers and broadcasters committed to the Christian community and its message for the purposes of networking and coordination.

Vision New Zealand Conference January - Grant Bradley and I have been invited to take one of the sessions at the forthcoming second Vision New Zealand Conference in January. We will be talking about the Christian community and the media.

Fund Raising for our Christmas and Easter Ads - We have been given permission to fund raise for the Christmas & Easter ads by the Board of Crosslink. This first ad should be in September.

SDA's offer of Cooperation - We had had an offer for further cooperation from the Seventh Day Adventist in Sydney. They have some generic television messages which we might join with them to sponsor. I may have the tapes by our next meeting.

Diane Gilliam-Weeks, Chair

Report from the Crosslink Board

This hardworking Board has been meeting on many occasions during the year, more than was originally planned. It has been very time consuming for members and a special thanks needs to be said for the hardwork and results they have achieved.

The Board has spent many hours looking at:

- * Establishment of the Crosslink Board and matters of editorship.
- * The Editor's job description
- * Terms of Reference - planning & policy, financial planning, advertising, staffing, accountability, decision making membership and publisher
- * Crosslink Board's lack of consensus over Editors position
- * Boards Strategic Vision and Objectives

The Appointment of Crosslink Managing Editor, at the time of this being written, has not been resolved. It is recommend that the Joint Methodist/Presbyterian meeting scheduled for 25 September 1996 determine whether the position of Managing Editor of Crosslink should be filled by an open and transparent process or by the appointment of the acting Managing Editor, following discussion of this matter by the Council of Conference in August and the Council of Assembly in September.

Another area of interest and discussion has been the Crosslink's Analysis of Readership Surveys. The document provides an overview of the responses to two surveys of readers conducted by Verity Doak for the Board in late 1995 and early 1996, along with summaries of the main points raised in those responses, and the possible meaning and impact of those responses to Crosslink editorial decision making. Minister's were questioned in particular as they are frequently the gatekeepers of communication to the people in the pews. The Board did not have the financial resources to conduct an independent survey out of house.

In short the surveys tell us that Crosslink needs to be more "of the people" than it has been. This affects not only its content, but also its visual and attitudinal style. As well as more local and human stories, most respondents want a more Christian and more inspiring perspective, along with a more accessible visual and writing. given the extreme diversity in the church, specific expectations for Crosslink are not surprisingly very wide ranging. It is clear, however, that people want to see positive human models of mission and faith, have a voice in a publication they can "own" and be challenged on the real and practical issues of the day.

All these issues have provided the Crosslink Board with some very interesting discussions during the past year.

The Methodist Church of New Zealand
Te Hāhi Weteriana O Aotearoa
Women's Fellowship



REPORT for year ended 31 August 1996

Section A

'COME HOLY SPIRIT WEAVE US TOGETHER', the theme for the 9th Assembly of the World Federation of Methodist Women depicts much of what we have been experiencing throughout this year. Not only does it apply to the involvement within the NZMWF but also within our parishes, our communities and overseas partnerships. As we acknowledge the work of our membership we would particularly like to honour the memories of two special women who have served on previous National Executives and died during the year; **WINIFRED HONEY** and **ONA COATSWORTH**.



It was a privilege to attend the Official Opening of **TE WHARE O TE HIMI** - Seamer House at Ratana Pa in January. This was a time when we could pause to recall Father Seamer and Deaconesses, who used to stop over for hui in the early days. It was in this unique House, when the National Executive held a day retreat, that our theme for the 1996 Convention was chosen and began to flow.

Another highlight early in this year was an historic day for our **NEW ZEALAND METHODIST SAMOAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP**. At an inauguration service, which included the induction of the Superintendent of the Samoan Synod, their Women's Fellowship Officers were commissioned. After much preparation these women had reached a milestone and are now journeying into the future under the capable leadership of Vaotane Samoa Saleupolu and their Executive.

As members of our National Executive have visited all of the Districts we have been amazed at the variety of community links developing and growing through grants from the **SPECIAL PROJECT** called '**HOPE**'. Some examples . . . a Church gardening project fertiliser grows vegetables which go to a foodbank and a midday meals programme; a Church along with the Red Cross Society has a programme planned to assist people who live alone; a parenting skills programme linked with a school is able to offer counselling in homes and is proving to be a valuable support system for a number of children and their families; another grant is resourcing art and



craft training at a prison; and Fun on Friday includes activities on a fortnightly basis in a Church hall; so the list goes on. Wonderful initiatives!!

The **WORLD FEDERATION OF METHODIST WOMEN** is now recognising the changes in many countries by becoming the **WORLD FEDERATION OF METHODIST AND UNITING CHURCH WOMEN**. One of the reports to the Assembly at Rio de Janeiro highlighted the work being done by our United Nations' representative at Geneva. Renate Bloem reported that a positive paragraph on religion was included in the Platform for Action from the Conference on Women in Beijing. "The official statement underlined the powerful and liberating nature of religion in women's lives. At the same time we made it clear with reference to human rights standards, that no religion would be taken as a pretext to violate women's human rights". Our **UNITED NATIONS'** representatives are focusing on **WOMEN AND CHILDREN**, in particular the Girl Child, Health, Environment, Human Rights, as well as Peace and Justice. It was a joy to be able to take a large quantity of donated educational toys for the Brazilian women to use in their Early Childhood programmes.



We also took, from the NZ Methodist Church, \$US 1,066.61 for the work being done by the Brazilian Methodist Church for the street children of Rio. The special offering received at the World Methodist Conference totalled **\$US 204,093.00**

The Methodist Women's Fellowship raised \$37,939.88 for **WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP**, the Special Project for 1995/96. Along with money raised by the Association of Presbyterian Women 80% of this sum will go to women in the Transkei to enable them to develop self-supporting skills and 20% within Aotearoa New Zealand will benefit under privileged children through the 'Books in Homes' programme.



KURAHUNA TRUST made grants totalling \$8,250.00 to 15 Maori girls.

SMETHURST TRUST made grants totalling \$22,924.79 to 47 women.

FRIENDSHIP SCHOLARSHIP TRUST grants to 8 girls totalled \$2690.00

USED STAMPS & TEA COUPONS raised \$8,922.61

MEDICAL & EDUCATION FUND received \$3,436.75

HELENA GOLDIE HOSPITAL received \$765.00

A splendid effort with a considerable **increase in giving.**



Section B

MWF CONVENTION will be held prior to Conference. Our **OVERSEAS GUEST SPEAKER** will be the Rev Dr Elizabeth Tapia from the Philippines. Elizabeth, an ordained Methodist minister is a Professor of Theology. She writes, "I am not rich in material things, but rich in experiences, friends and loved ones. My interests include planning liturgies, teaching, preaching and poetry. My hobbies are gardening, collecting postcards, sunset watching. . . ." We believe that we are in for a stimulating experience.



The **NATIONAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN** is now 100 years old and is growing stronger and more active every year! We acknowledge the effort of NCW coordinating the post Beijing tour when the display was set up in 21 towns and cities throughout the country. At the same time, workshops were arranged so that people in the communities could be involved in the "Action for Equality, Development and Peace". We are grateful for their ongoing work.



SPECIAL PROJECT "FOR WOMEN & YOUTH" has recently been launched. 80% of funds raised will benefit youth in Aotearoa New Zealand. 40% will be given to the Diploma in Youth Ministry Training Programme. We see a valuable resource of skilled people being able to provide support to young people and to bring a message of love and hope to them. The other 40% will be divided between Turakina Maori Girls' College, Marton and Wesley College, Paerata. Both schools place great emphasis on Christian values and self esteem and plan to use their gifts to improve their schools for the girls. The overseas portion of 20% will assist women in depressed rural villages in Aklan Province in the Philippines. At present these women suffer poor health, low morale and reduced employment opportunities due to insufficient income and under developed resources.



We recognise that more congregations are becoming involved in the Special Projects. They are also using some of the programmes which are suitable for worship and/or social events.

As the 1994/96 **NATIONAL EXECUTIVE** retires from Office we invite you to join us in giving whole hearted and prayerful support for our President, Alison Kane and the other members of the National Executive.

"We are many textures, we are many colours
Each different one from the other,
But we are entwined with one another
In one great tapestry.
Weave, weave, weave us together,
Weave us together in unity and love."

Rosemary Crow.

Ruth Blundell, National President
Helen Chambers, National Secretary

Suggested Decisions:

1. The report be received.
2. Recognising that little attention has been given to the Ecumenical Decade of Churches in Solidarity with Women, we suggest that each parish explore the ways in which women can use their gifts and faith to serve the Church and Society.

COMMUNITY OF WOMEN AND MEN IN CHURCH AND SOCIETY

SECTION A

Distribution of Women's Resource Centres/ Theology in Aotearoa Funds

One of the community's major goals for the year was to distribute the funds we have been holding granted by the Prince Albert College Distribution Group. Grants had been made from the two funds in recent years, but we were keen to see the remaining total of more than \$70,000 disbursed.

We were impressed with the variety of proposals and groups seeking funding and were pleased to be able to make a grant to all 21 applicants who responded to our *Crosslink* advertising.

Grants were made as follows:

Women's Resource Centres Funds -

Hibiscus Coast Victim Support Group (seeking funds for training and recruiting new volunteers) \$5000

Flaxmere Methodist Church (resources for a divorce and separation workshop) \$260

Papotoetoe Adolescent Christian Trust (towards payment of an extra youth worker) \$6500

Central Taranaki Women's Health and Resource Centre (funding for a hui to help the healing process to promote an understanding of the issues of the current land claim settlements in Taranaki) \$5000

Christchurch East Churches Training Assistance Board (programme for young single parents) \$7500

Women's Resource Centre, Auckland \$7000

Invercargill Methodist PACT Committee \$1500

Paeroa Co-operating Parish \$3000

Take-a-Break, Auckland \$5000

Friendship House, Manakau City \$5000

Wanganui Family Counselling Service \$5000

Epworth Retreat and Recreation Centre, Cambridge \$750

One-Double-Five Whare Roopu Community House, Whangarei \$6500

Northland Urban Rural Mission, Whangarei \$5000

It was agreed that any money left in this fund could go towards the ongoing costs of the Community's sexual harassment poster production.

Theology in Aotearoa Funds

Re-Source Network Group, Auckland (to help establish a network for those interested in liberal theology) \$1000

Women's Resource Centre, Auckland (for the re-birth of feminist theology publication *Vashti's Voice*) \$500

Wendy Ward, Wanganui (to attend a conference) \$200

Northland Urban Rural Mission, Whangarei (for workshop travel) \$650

Mission Resourcing Unit, Auckland (for conference kits) \$300

Rev Eileen Shamy, Christchurch (towards typing and editing of book) \$500

Methodist Ministry Education Centre, Auckland (for lay ministry conference) \$2000

Other Church Funds

We had felt there was a need for better communication within the church about funds available. We wrote to synods seeking any information they had about resources available and have passed this on to the connexional office for inclusion in Information Leaflet 108. We have asked that application times for funds be listed.

Sisters/E Nga Tuahine booklet on sexuality and healthy relationships for young women

During the year we were approached by the YWCA, who produced this booklet, for our comments on the publication. After careful consideration of the booklet we wrote to the YWCA congratulating them on their initiative in producing the booklet and supporting its distribution. We also expressed the hope that a similar publication is done for young men soon. We gave permission for our name to be used in the acknowledgements in the next reprint of the book, but made it clear that we do not speak for the Methodist Church as a whole.

Bi-cultural Journey

In May we met for a workshop facilitated by Lynne Frith, with co-leaders Jenny Winter and Julia Morris, to look at what we understand to be bi-cultural within the context of the Church.

Among the issues looked at were the history of the bicultural journey of the church and society, the structure of the church and its operation as it relates to biculturalism, and where we fit into that, and the future.

Farewell

We are sorry to farewell Kathleen Townshend from the Community working group as she leaves for Waimate. We have appreciated her input during the Community's time in Dunedin

SECTION B

Ongoing Projects

1. People's Resource File - our attempts to get this information onto computer have been held up through some technical glitches, but we hope to overcome these soon. The file lists the talents and interests of lay people and is for use by the various church committees and boards when making appointments.
2. Booklists - The Community is selling a booklist of teenage novels on the issues of being gay. We hope to be able to produce a similar list on the issues of being lesbian, and are looking into the possibilities of lists on other topics.
3. In the New Year we are planning to have a day of workshops in Invercargill (some of which will be open to the public) on the theme "Explorations of Inclusiveness."
4. We continue work on posters which we hope will appear in each church. These would simply say that the church takes sexual harassment seriously and include a photograph and phone number of the local contact to whom complaints of sexual harassment can be directed. We are hoping these maybe produced in Maori, Tongan, Samoan and Fijian, as well as in English.

Suggested Decisions:

1. That the report be received.
2. That the membership for 1997 be: Gordon Abernethy, Olive Bain, William Elderton, Nicola Grundy, Elspeth McLean, Dorothy Pearce, Edie Pont, Fay Richardson, Rosalie Sugrue, Mary Thompson (convenor), Norman West and Jenny Winter.

WESLEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY
Annual Report for the year ending 30 June, 1996

It is with pleasure that the Wesley Historical Society presents its report to Conference.

Publications:

Our main task as a Society is to prepare and publish works connected with the history of the Methodist Church in New Zealand. Works published this year, and those in preparation for publication include:

(1) *Journal 1996*. This was published in June, and has been distributed to members. Articles in this publication relate to the history of the Primitive Methodist Church which in 1994 was the 150th. anniversary of the arrival of the Rev. Robert Ward in New Plymouth to establish the Church in New Zealand. Copies of the Journal will be available for purchase at Conference.

(2) *John Whiteley and the Land Question* by Graham Brazendale is in preparation, and all going well will be published towards the end of 1996.

(3) *Journal 1997* It is intended that major articles on the history of Methodist Affirm will form a significant portion of this publication. Preliminary work on this publication has begun.

Membership.

At present there are 275 members of the Society, and we are very grateful for their continued support. During the year a number of members have died. We regret the loss of these people. Among those who have died are two Vice Presidents of the Society, the Revs. Stan Andrews and Bill Morrison. Both made significant contributions to the Society over many years. Bill was for some years Editor. The wisdom of both will be greatly missed.

Executive.

The Executive of the Society is Verna Mossong (President), Graham Brazendale (Secretay), Phil Taylor (Treasurer), Norman Brookes, Doug Burt, Allan Davidson, Eric Laurenson, Lucy Marshall, Rua Rakena, Dave Roberts Susan Thompson, Richard Waugh, Jill Weeks, Ivan Whyte.

Corresponding members: Donald Phillipps, Marcia Baker.

Thanks

We thank Ivan Whyte who has been our Acting Editor during the past two years. Ivan will remain on the Executive. At present we are negotiating for the appointment of a permanent Editor.

Graham Brazendale.
Secretary.

WESLEY COLLEGE TRUST BOARD

REPORT TO CONFERENCE 1996

Sharing What Has Happened

COLLEGE OPERATIONS

The results for College students who sat the Combined Schools Sixth Form Examination in 1995 were generally quite pleasing with students doing particularly well in Biology and Chemistry. While School Certificate results overall were not good, the results of fourth form students entering School Certificate examinations was very pleasing.

Camp Quality, a camp for children suffering from cancer, was held at the College in January and it was a superb time for the students and their helpers during their week at Wesley. With particularly good weather, the students had all sorts of activities such as hot air ballooning, swimming, horse riding and crafts and the Camp organisers were very grateful to the College for making the facilities available.

The New Zealand Qualifications Authority Framework system is being phased in at the College over the next two years. All senior students will be able to gain credits on the Framework across a wide range of subjects, not only in school subjects like English and Mathematics but also in areas like Electrotechnology and Business Studies.

The Ministry of Education circulated, in the early part of the year, to Boards of Trustees, Chairpersons and Principals the "Draft National Guidelines for Performance Management in Schools." These guidelines are to assist Boards to comply with the relevant requirements of the National Guidelines. However, at the same time they will allow flexibility for each Board to develop a management system appropriate to its own local situation.

PRESIDENTIAL AND VICE PRESIDENTIAL VISIT

On Sunday 11th February the President and Vice President of the Methodist Church of New Zealand Te Haahi O Aotearoa visited the College. Reverend Tavake Tupou's sermon was an excellent one, pitched at just the right level for the congregation and all the adults attending, together with the students who took part in the wero, joined together in luncheon at the new Recreation Centre. The Board was gratified to welcome Jill Van de Geer, a Board Member, in her capacity as Vice President.

SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS

The College was extremely proud of the Sevens Rugby Team which won the Condor National Title at Kings College at the end of Term..

The College Volleyball Team performed with credit at the National Volleyball Championships in Christchurch. This is a new sport for the College.

The Girls Soccer Team has again done well this year.

TEACHER APPRAISAL

With the help of Mr Ron Martin, a teacher self appraisal system has been set in place which is designed to enhance the quality of education available to the students at the College. It is hoped that the effectiveness reviews put in place will enable teachers to reach their full potential.

ETHNICITY

At 24th May 1996, the College Roll totalled 388 comprising the following ethnic composition:

Maori	108
New Zealand Pakeha	112
Pacific Island & Pacific Rim	151
Other	17

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The Board has made a conscious effort to encourage more Maori Students to join the College family. The Board also has obligations under its Act of Parliament to provide education for students from the Pacific Islands

REVEREND WALTER LAWRY

A lost portrait of the Reverend Walter Lawry who is regarded as the founder of Wesley College in 1844, was discovered recently in the archives of the Auckland City Art Gallery. Long before Selwyn and Pompallier came to New Zealand, Lawry was ministering in Australia. He was the second Wesleyan Minister in the Southern Hemisphere and the first in Tonga. The College has received two copies of the portrait. The only known image of Lawry was stored following the closure of the old Colonists Museum and the painting lost for nearly sixty years.

OVERSEAS ASSOCIATION

Reverend Logopati Mata'afa, the newly appointed Principal of Wesley Methodist College in Western Samoa, has requested a sister school relationship with the College. Both the Principal and the College Boards are keen to formalise this association as soon as possible.

COLLEGE VISITS TO PARENTS

Over a number of years the Board of Governors has funded visits to the Pacific Islands to provide liaison between parents and the College and to encourage more students to enroll at Wesley.

The College Board is hopeful that a similar liaison with parents throughout New Zealand can be established in the near future to encourage more Maori students to enroll at the College.

CLOTHIER ESTATE

The Board was gratified that the High Court formally approved an application by the Board to enable Clothier Estate Funds to be applied for the benefit of girls at the College. The bulk of the money which became available was used to repay loan funding borrowed for the extension of the Girls' Hostel.

FOUR TERM YEAR

With the advent of the four term year and the revised school calendar, Saturday morning schooling has effectively been abolished.

In addition the Board has created a new category of Boarder (Five Day) as well as continuing with the seven day Boarders. A number of Boarders have now taken up this option.

BI CULTURAL JOURNEY

The Board is continuing to develop and work with Taha Maori so that in partnership it is possible to successfully shape the future of the College.

FINANCIAL

Financially the Trust Board's position is extremely sound with no long term financial debt. The Board, like other church organisations, is reviewing the structure of its investments as it is

conscious of the substantial proportion of its assets invested in property. Advice has been sought from the Investment Board and the changes in strategy should be reflected in the 1997 and 1998 Financial Reports.

LOOKING FORWARD

THE COLLEGE

Wesley College has a special obligation to provide a christian based education for students of Maori descent and orphans or otherwise disadvantaged students. The needs of the students and their learning is of paramount importance and the recognition of the College's special character is an integral part of the Board's mission. The Board recognises that it needs to achieve a balance of various ethnic groups within the College and it has an obligation to accept disadvantaged children. It is hoped that more Maori students can be enrolled at the College.

WHARE WANANGA

Following extensive consultation, particularly with Taha Maori, the Board is undertaking the construction of a Whare Wananga which will provide an appropriate place for the teaching of Maori language and culture. It is anticipated that this project will be completed by early 1997. It will provide overnight accomodation for parents visiting the College.

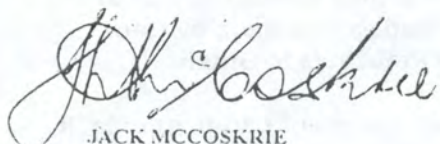
BOARD MEMBERSHIP

Andrew Caughey and Eleanor Eketone resigned as Board Members during the year and the Board records its appreciation of their service. Trustees were particularly pleased that Reverend John Murray agreed to join the Board. As a Presbyter with administrative skills, he provides further strength to the Board.

SUGGESTED DECISIONS

That the following Board Members be confirmed:

Eric Beavis, Audrey Bruce, Brian Caughey, John Hull, Heather Jack, Barbara Lawrence, Jack McCoskrie, Graeme Mathieson, John Murray, Harvey O'Loughlin, Paewhenua Nathan, Jack Paine, Jack Penman, Markus Rogers, Ripia Rountree, Vaotane Saleupolu, Jill Van de Geer and Te Rua Winiata.

 *Norman Johnston*
JACK MCCOSKRIE
CHAIRPERSON
NORMAN JOHNSTON
GENERAL SECRETARY

**NEW ZEALAND LAY PREACHERS'
ASSOCIATION
REPORT TO METHODIST CONFERENCE 1966**

SECTION A:" WHAT WAS".

The Executive, based in Christchurch, has continued its efforts to make the Association an ecumenical one, involving Preachers from each of the five Negotiating Churches. We have been assisted by Peter Williamson from Manukau and Peter Whiteside from Christchurch in the preparation of our Draft Constitution (see below).

We continue to use complementary copies of The Preacher as a vehicle for increasing membership and encouraging the formation of District Associations. " Building on our 1995 experience when we sent copies to Northland, we sent copies of the December 1995 issue to all North Canterbury Lay Preachers and copies of the June 1996 issue to Methodist Preachers in the Manukau District. The number of subscribers has increased but there are, to date, no moves to form new District Associations.

The Association values the support given by Epworth Bookshop. Lay Preachers do not qualify for discounts; instead we are able to buy selected titles at reduced rates. Gentle Rain on Parched Earth, for example, was popular in June and we look forward to Workaday Preachers by Geof Milburn telling the story of Local Preachers in Britain.

The Preacher continues to play an important part in our life. It provides us with resources for worship and preaching and newsitems which widen our awareness of lay preacher activity. Howard Farr has, during 1996, initiated a series of bicultural resources and Douglas Chisholm and Brian Smith have highlighted the 200th anniversary of Local Preaching as recognised by the British Conference. We conveyed our greetings to the British Conference through their Vice President, Jan Pickard.

We record our appreciation to Alan Birtles, our Editor, for his skills in printing and business management and his hard work as Editor. Our intention is to create two positions in 1997; Business manager and Editor.

The year has been an active one in terms of accreditations and Long Service Diplomas. These are listed as follows:

(a)Accreditations: Fepulea'i Tovia Aumua; Laauilima Lilomaiva; Isaako Kaisa; Gordon Dey; Lio Rocky Tuigamala; Ta'aseu Fa'asin; Faimoa Meki; Salesa Fonoti; Robert Finlay; Gwenda Welch; Frances Stringer; Beryl Ward ; Jennifer Phillips ; Kathi Egli; Vilma Loader; Savea T Panapa; Muaimalae Aiolutepa; Lelofi Noa; Robin Hall; Robert Arthur Emmitt; Margaret Inglis; Helen Morrow, Jan Fogg.

(b)Long Service Diplomas: Rod Brown (40 years); Peter Carter (40 years); Audrey Grounds (50 years); Noel McCarthy (40 years); Laurie Spragg (25 years).

During the year the Executive worked with Ngaruawahia Union Parish to clarify our policy with regard to Long Service Diplomas. People who are accredited as lay preachers early in life often serve the Church in a variety of other capacities. Ngaruawahia asked us to consider a Lay Preacher who was accredited in 1936 and had extended periods when he contributed to the life of the Church in other ways. Together we assessed his preaching service at 25 years: The certificate was issued by the Association of behalf of the Methodist Church and the wider contributions were recognised by the Parish.

SECTION B: " WHATEVER WILL BE".

The Draft Constitution for an ecumenical Association will be presented to the Annual Meeting and will lie on the table during Methodist Conference with a recommendation that it be sent to partner Churches, regional courts and the Co-operative Ventures Forum for comment. Comments are invited by August 1997 with a view to presenting a final version to the forum of Co-operative Ventures.

The North Canterbury/ North Otago Executive has now completed three years of operation. We have been unsuccessful in our efforts to encourage Northland or Upper Hutt/ Lower Hutt or Manukau/ South Auckland to follow in our footsteps in 1997. Offers from other regions are invited from 1997 or 1998 onwards.

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

1. The report be received.

2. The Executive for 1997 be:

3: The Draft Constitution for the New Zealand Lay Preachers' Association, as presented to its Annual General Meeting, is received by Methodist Conference for the Association to distribution to: Methodist Synods; Presbyterian Presbyteries; Anglican Dioceses; The Associated Churches of Christ; The Congregational Union; The Forum of Co-operative Ventures. Methodist Conference asks the Executive of the Lay Preachers' Association to receive responses up until August 1997 and take a final version to the Forum of Cooperative Ventures for approval.

MISSION and MINISTRY

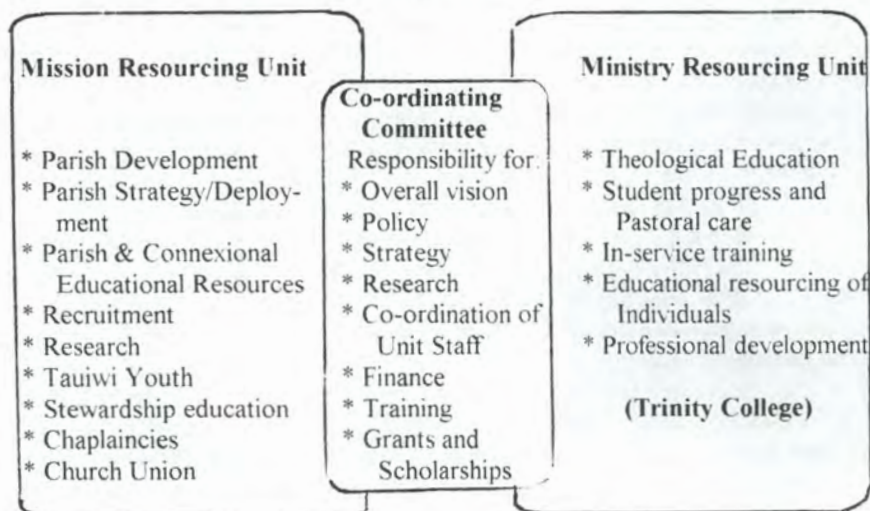
CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE

Report to Conference 1996

Introduction

The Co-ordinating Committee has met 3 times during the year.

The Committee is intended to be a dynamic interface between the Mission Resourcing Unit and the Ministry Resourcing Unit, while still recognising that each unit has its own separate tasks and focus. It can be no better shown than by the diagram from last year's Conference:



The Committee is made up of representatives from both Units, facilitated by an independent chairperson. Taha Maori can appoint up to 2 people, but have not done so this year.

1996

During this year, the Committee has only just started the task of being the bridge between the Mission Resourcing Unit and the Ministry Resourcing Unit. It is fair to say that it has not been easy for the Committee to find its place and that a substantial amount of time has been used to educate the members of the committee in the processes of each Unit.

Each Unit has reported upon progress within that Unit and been subject to some critical analysis as the visioning process starts within the Committee. The issues relating to immigration and recruitment, and candidating have been issues affecting the Mission Resourcing Unit and restructuring and finances have challenged the Ministry Resourcing Unit. During the course of this information

sharing, considerable knowledge has been gathered, particularly from the Ministry Resourcing Unit, as the Units have sought to examine their own priorities. This information gathering is important to ensure that each Unit sees that it is not operating, nor cannot operate, in isolation and that the decisions of one affect those of the other Unit. This can be seen, for example, in the Units working together over the candidating and recruitment process and the introduction of ministry supervision. Inevitably, there will be places where this co-operation must be improved.

1997

It would be frustrating if the Committee merely became the repository for information provided by each Unit, without that information being transformed into a vision for the future. This past year has been a learning period, but there is a need to move on to consider the visioning process on a more holistic basis - by taking the expectation and hopes of each individual Unit and combining them, together with any other legitimate goals, for an overall vision.

This would require each Unit to have not only a clear vision for their own future, but to come together and work through the sometimes painful process to turn their individual paths into a joint path.

Practically, this will be assisted by joint committees to consider matters such as supervision, recruitment, connexional appointments, candidates reports and strategic planning.

Inevitably, the growing costs to administer each Unit make it clear that a long-term financial commitment on behalf of the Connexion will be required. The Connexion needs to be reassured that the appropriate path is being followed, and this requires that the strategy of each Unit is not considered in isolation. This planning process must now happen promptly and efficiently, and any changes to the direction of either Unit must be properly resourced.

Peter Williamson, CONVENOR.

CODE OF PRACTICE FOR SUPERVISION

PREAMBLE

The purpose of this Code of Practice for Supervision is to establish standards of supervision and to inform and protect Presbyters, Deacons, Lay Ministers and Pastoral Workers seeking supervision.

In this Code of Practice the word **minister** applies to all people covered by the requirements of the church's Supervision Policy.

The term **supervisee** applies to all those who will be supervised, as required by the Church's Supervision Policy.

The requirement for supervision does not decline with experience or training although the type of supervision may change.

THE NATURE OF SUPERVISION

1. The purpose of supervision is to:
 - (a) enable the minister to address the needs of the parishioner or pastoral client as effectively as possible, and
 - (b) to enhance and inform the minister's competence.
2. Supervision is a formal collaborative process. It involves a great deal of mutuality and reciprocity, with influences moving both ways, consciously and unconsciously.
3. Supervision includes monitoring, developing, and supporting individuals in their role as church workers. To this end supervision is concerned with:
 - a) the relationship between supervisee and parishioner or client to enhance its effectiveness.
 - b) the relationship between supervisee and supervisor, in order to enable the supervisee to develop his/her professional identity through reflection which is both constructively critical and supportive.
 - c) clarifying the relationships between supervisee, client, the supervisor, the church, and any other involved wider systems;
 - d) ensuring that ethical standards consistent with the Methodist Church's Ethical Standards are maintained throughout.
4. Supervision may also be concerned with:
 - a) training
 - b) directing or leading the work of the supervisee but is not concerned with the personal counselling of the supervisee.

5. Because of the collaborative nature of supervision the minister should, under normal circumstances, seek supervision from somebody not in a position of management or authority over them.
6. The supervisory relationship must by its nature be confidential. (Refer Section 35).
7. A supervisee in normal circumstances should receive a minimum of one hour's supervision per month. In special circumstances, for example where a supervisee is geographically isolated from supervisors, supervision may be for longer sessions less frequently at no more than two monthly intervals. Part-time ministers (e.g. those working less than ten hours per week) should receive supervision proportional to the number of hours worked, but it should not be less than once each two months.
8. Supervision may take a number of forms and ministers may over the time experience a range of these forms. Perhaps the most popular form is one to one, face to face reflective supervision with a designated supervisor. Small groups of ministers (2 to 4) may meet regularly with their supervisor for group supervision.

Two ministers may choose to have peer supervision, where their contract includes an understanding that their roles will alternate between that of supervisor and supervisee. Peer supervision may also be conducted in small groups.

In special circumstances, such as geographical isolation from supervisors, the minister may alternate telephone supervision with face to face supervision.

RESPONSIBILITY IN SUPERVISION

9. Supervisees are responsible for ensuring that their supervisors are familiar with the Methodist Church's Code for Supervision and the Methodist Church's Ethical Standards for Ministry.
10. Supervisors are responsible for addressing all aspects of these codes in their work as supervisors.
11. Supervisees are responsible for their work with colleagues, parishioners and clients, and for presenting and exploring that work as honestly as possible with the supervisor.
12. Supervisors are responsible for helping supervisees to reflect critically

on their work with others.

13. Supervisors are responsible with supervisees for making the best possible use of supervision time.
14. Supervisors and supervisees are both responsible for setting and maintaining clear boundaries between working relationships and friendships or other relationships, and making explicit the boundaries between supervision, consultation, counselling, and training.
15. Supervisors and supervisees must be aware of the distinction between supervising, counselling, and spiritual direction. If the supervisor feels that supervision has revealed a personal issue for the supervisee which cannot adequately be dealt with in supervision, then this perception should be discussed. The supervisor should be prepared to help the supervisee in finding suitable counselling or spiritual direction, in such cases.
16. Both supervisors and supervisees are responsible for regularly reviewing the usefulness of their supervision arrangement, and considering when it is appropriate to change it.
17. Supervisors are responsible for ensuring that they do not make use of the supervisory relationship for the purpose of satisfying needs of their own. They should not exploit this relationship. Supervisors have a responsibility for being vigilant in monitoring their own processes in sessions, and in particular for avoiding the possibility of dependence, harassment, or abuse.
18. Supervisors are responsible for helping ministers monitor their fitness to practise. Ministers are responsible for taking to supervision issues concerning their fitness to practise, and for adopting an appropriate response to their own situation with regard to themselves and their parishioners and clients.

COMPETENCE IN SUPERVISION

19. Supervisors of Methodist Church of New Zealand ministers should be cogniscent of and sympathetic to the values and beliefs of those engaged in Christian Service and will have empathy with the discipline of the Methodist Church.
20. Supervisors are encouraged to undertake training courses in supervision.

21. Supervisors need to be familiar with the nature of pastoral work and ideally need to have been involved with church based services at some point.
22. Supervisors should monitor the usefulness of their work, attempt to increase their knowledge and skills in supervision, and meet with other supervisors to assist in this process.
23. Supervisors should obtain supervision of their work as supervisors.
24. Supervisors are encouraged to pursue research into supervision.

MANAGEMENT OF SUPERVISION

25. Supervisors should inform supervisees about their own training and theoretical orientations, qualifications and methods, before supervision contracts are made.
26. Practical arrangements for supervision (time, place, frequency, duration, privacy, etc) should be made by negotiation at the outset.
27. Fees and the method of payment should be agreed in advance.
28. Supervisors and supervisees should make explicit their expectations and requirements of each other at the outset.
29. Supervisors should encourage the supervisee to develop self-evaluative skills, to seek further training experiences and to develop personal coping and enrichment resources.
30. Supervisors should help ministers to appreciate the importance of cultivating a fulfilling life beyond their pastoral roles, and should be prepared to help ministers be aware of the risk of burnout.
31. Supervisors should ensure that ministers are aware of the distinction between counselling, accountability to the appropriate church courts, consultation, support, supervision, training and spiritual direction.
32. Where a professional conflict of interests between supervisor or supervisee exists and cannot be resolved, the supervisor should refer the supervisee to another supervisor.
33. Where conflict between supervisee and supervisor cannot be resolved,

the supervisor should refer the supervisee to another supervisor.

34. Supervisors should take account of the limitations to their competence, and arrange consultations and referrals when appropriate.
35. Where there is a breakdown in the supervisory relationship both the supervisor and supervisee will report the breakdown to the person with oversight of the relationship, i.e. District Superintendent or Parish Presbyter.

CONFIDENTIALITY IN SUPERVISION

36. Supervisors must maintain confidentiality with regard to personal information about ministers or clients. The only exceptions to this are:
 - a) Where it is clearly stated otherwise in a supervision contract.
 - b) When the supervisor considers it is necessary to take action in relation to a minister's client because of serious concern for the client's welfare, and the minister is unable or unwilling to do so.
 - c) When the supervisor considers the Ethical Standards or Code of Practice for Supervision are being broken consistently.

SUPERVISION POLICY

All persons with pastoral responsibility in the name of the Methodist Church of New Zealand are required to be in supervision.

District Superintendents are required to ensure all Presbyters, Deacons and Covenanted Lay Ministers (either in paid employment or acting in a voluntary capacity) receive adequate supervision.

Parish presbyters are required to ensure all pastoral and youth workers (either in paid employment or acting in a voluntary capacity) receive adequate supervision.

Those ordained people serving in a Co-operative Venture with Methodist membership will be expected to be supervised.

Responsibility for developing the supervisory relationship rests with the supervisee who may choose their own supervisor in consultation with the District Superintendent or Parish Presbyter in the case of Parish appointees.

Parishes are required to pay at least half of any supervision cost.

Districts are required to keep a register of suitably trained supervisors.

The Mission Resourcing Unit will have oversight of national standards in supervision and will review the Code of Practice and Supervision Policy at regular intervals.

Trinity College will have oversight of training for supervision and will review the need for training and the various options for training at regular

intervals.

Suggested Recommendations:

1. That the report be received.
2. That Conference adopt the Supervision Policy and Code of Practice for Supervision.
3. That the Policy and Code of Practice for Supervision be implemented as soon as possible.
4. That the Mission Resourcing Unit consult with partner churches in order to develop common standards for supervision.
5. The Law Revision Committee to insert the policy in the Ministry Section of the Lawbook.

MISSION RESOURCING UNIT

Report to Conference '96

Retrospect:

The Mission Resourcing Unit celebrates one year of existence at this Conference!

Over the past year, as a new Unit with a new Superintendent, considerable time and energy has been given to discovering and defining objectives.

As a Board:

Members have taken upon themselves the task of moving from:
history → to hope,
and from maintenance → to mission.

(We published a discussion leaflet and circulated it to Districts earlier in the year, hoping others would find our model helpful.)

Time has been given to ensuring that we evaluate matters on our meeting agendas so that we are focussed on those things which energise and move us forward in a creative and positive way. We believe resourcing is not about maintaining costly, dying structures, but is about moving forward into new faith dimensions with Jesus Christ.

Membership of the Board has been a key area of our discussion. During the year we welcomed onto the Board: Roy Alexander, as National Candidates Convenor; Valma Hallam, as a representative from the Deacons; and Ralph Vickers, as Convenor of the Evangelism Task Group. We also look forward to having representatives of the Tauwi Youth Board involved.

As a Staff Team:

During the year the staff "team" (John Murray [Superintendent], Winifred Murray and Margaret Hamilton [Co-ordinators of Educational Ministry], Matthew Roberts and Russell Fleet [English-speaking Youth Co-ordinators]) have met on several occasions. These meetings have been very worthwhile, and have enabled the staff to explore areas of mutual interest and concern, share learning experiences, encourage and resource one another, and have some fun too! The staff see themselves as having very clear areas of responsibility and leadership, but also want to move out of a compartmentalised way of functioning. As staff, they are a cohesive group who are willing to offer their collective skills to the whole Church in the best way possible.

Chaplaincies:

The responsibility for all chaplaincies comes under the brief of the Mission Resourcing Unit. During the year an informal meeting of some chaplains, Mission Resourcing Unit personnel, the President, Vice-President, General Secretary, Nga

Kaiarahi, Samoan Synod, Fiji and Tongan Advisory Committee representatives took place. For the participants it was a most rewarding encounter and enabled us to affirm the work of Methodist Chaplains and begin to raise some of the significant issues surrounding chaplaincy.

The success of this first meeting encourages us to ensure that they become a regular event. There are many areas of concern and mutual interest to be addressed - chaplains and the bi-cultural journey, accountability, funding and the nature of Connexion.

One of the important facts emerging from the time together was a need to re-word Question 15 so that Chaplains were not seen as being outside the Church, but operating with the support and blessing of Conference.

Church Union:

The Presbyterian General Assembly considered and approved a "Year of Discussion" during 1997. We welcome this opportunity. However we believe, with the Assembly's emphasis on "Unity", care needs to be exercised in coming to an understanding of what that might mean:

- a) To C-operative Ventures, who are rightly enthusiastic about union, unity will probably be quite different to that envisaged by them.
- b) Unity, a significant theological concept, embraces wider issues than denomination - issues of justice and unity within a denomination are important components.
- c) The cultural (bi-cultural as in our Treaty Partnership and multi-cultural in the life of the partners within Tau'iwi) means of dialogue and understanding of their respective views of unity will require considerable resourcing.

Development Grants:

By careful management of funds the Unit is able to fund new initiatives by existing parishes. Through the Property Fund a maximum of \$5,000 is available to each initiative. Likewise, the Board administers a fund for Ministries. This year the following grants have been made:

a) Ministries Fund:

Northland Union District Council	\$3,000.00
Botany Downs	2,500.00
Tom Hudspeth	1,500.00
St. Paul's Youth Worker	2,000.00
Bicultural Co-ordinator	2,000.00
Linwood Avenue Union Parish	1,500.00

b) Properties Fund:

Great Barrier Island	\$2,000.00
Te Atatu Union	\$2,000.00
Papatoetoe	\$3,000.00
St. James, Greerton	\$3,000.00
Papatoetoe Samoan Fellowship	\$3,000.00

Education:

The Board is pleased to endorse Margaret Hamilton and Winifred Murray as Education Co-ordinators for the next two years. They bring an energy and a sharp perspective to educational and resourcing issues which the church underestimates and possibly under-values. The material prepared by them over the past twelve months on children and language is of a very good quality. As a Board, we are well aware that their skills are used in many ways throughout the Connexion. Much of what they do is outside the brief of this report.

Evangelism Task Group:

This Group, as recommended at last Conference, replaces the Making Disciples Task Group. As part of the change, a new "home" has been found with Ralph Vickers as the Convenor. At this stage the group, through Ralph's presence on the Mission Resourcing Unit Board, is assessing its strategy and future as part of the Resourcing for the Church's mission.

Forum of Co-operative Ventures:

Through the Mission Resourcing Unit, the Methodist Church is represented on the Standing Committee of the Forum. For the Methodist Church, it is the Unit's belief that the Forum, and its Executive Officer, has a key role to play in ensuring that Co-operative Ventures adhere to the spirit and intention of the Guide to Procedures, and the Common Provisions. It is of concern that, now we share in mutuality of ministry agreements with the Presbyterian Church and the Congregational Church, some Parishes see this as a 'loop hole' by which they can avoid being part of Methodist Connexional processes.

Grant-in-Aid:

Grant-in-Aid has for many years served the Church well as we have endeavoured to support and sustain parishes which, for whatever reason, are finding it financially difficult to survive. Increasingly we are finding pressure being applied to grants - parishes needing support beyond three years and a decreasing amount of money available for distribution. This year we have become aware that there is less available for distribution from our own funds, and for Co-operative Ventures the availability is more difficult to gauge but there is less available from the Presbyterian Church, and for the Anglicans this varies from Diocese to Diocese.

This raises for us the issues of the future place for Grant-in-Aid.

Review of Parish Life and Work:

The process outlined in the Guidelines Handbook suggests that the review should happen every fifth year, whereas the Law Book suggests in the 4th + 7th years. We recommend changes to the Law Book in the suggested decisions of Conference.

Youth:

Because of the involvement of Matt and Russell in the Unit Staff Meetings, we inadvertently exposed a need to address the relationship between Youth and the Mission Resourcing Unit Board. Audrey Dickinson represented the Mission Resourcing Unit Board on the Empower Your Youth Board and the Superintendent meets with the English Speaking Youth Co-ordinators. At the present time the Mission Resourcing Unit and Youth are exploring links between the Taiwi Youth Board and the Mission Resourcing Unit Board. Budgetary constraints placed on the work of the whole unit raised questions around the duplication of some administrative tasks. The unit was also aware that questions of funding for the Taiwi Youth Co-ordinators were being raised by the Fiji and Tongan Advisory Committees, and the Samoan Synod. It is the belief of the Unit that 1997 will see a significant review of Youth structures.

The Future:

The Board and staff of the Mission Resourcing Unit believe that all our development stems from a commitment to the Mission Statement of Te Hahi Weteriana. It is out of this context that we shall evaluate the worth of a task. In using such a starting point, we will be able to move and resource different aspects of the Church's life for mission - we will become a people of hope.

- Resourcing for Mission into the 21st Century will be radically different from anything we know today.
- As a resourcing unit we are striving to discover what "resourcing" might mean for us and the Church.
- We are becoming aware that the Church does not have all the resources for all mission tasks.

In the Unit's report, and in our presentation to Conference, we hope to offer the Church some of our dreams for the future mission strategy and the ways of resourcing for that task. As a church we are too small to attempt to provide all resources. It is our intention to develop resources for Parishes/Faith Communities

which reflect our Pacific culture, Southern hemisphere seasons, our Bicultural journey; and, in order to do this, draw on resources from other parts of the Church and wider community.

Recruitment/Candidature:

In consultation with the Ministry Resourcing Unit a paper was circulated through District Synods for discussion. The aim was to share with everyone the need to introduce flexible procedures which preserved the standard and integrity of the service we offer to communities through ministry. The paper presented as part of the Co-ordinating Committee's report attempts to share a way ahead which validates the involvement of the local community and the Connexion, shifts the emphasis from individuals feeling called to a more corporate response; and encourages dialogue concerning possible future ministry options. The Mission Resourcing Unit supports the report and believes it offers a positive way forward for future recruitment and deployment into the 21st Century.

Youth:

The future of Youth resourcing is crucial. We believe it is important that we 'model' a way of empowering youth and enabling them to network in a way appropriate for youth culture. Therefore, we shall pursue the ongoing development of the Mission Resourcing Unit and Taiuiwi Youth Board working closely together and the possibility of a more viable system of National Youth Co-ordinating for Taiuiwi.

Tasks to do:

From Conference '95, the recommendation that "the Mission Resourcing Unit, in consultation with the Administration Division, examine the question of parity, status, and relationships concerning vocational lay ministries and ordained ministries" cannot be discussed by the Unit until Faith and Order complete their work.

.....and the sentence "that Conference recognise and resource Youth Ministry as a vocation for both lay and ordained is referred to the Mission Resourcing Unit for consideration", will be considered by the Mission Resourcing Unit in consultation with Youth and Faith and Order during '97

.....from the Committee on Ministry "that the Mission Resourcing Unit consider what support is available to persons exercising Lay Ministries" will also be considered by the Mission Resourcing Unit in '97.

Recommended Decisions:

1. The Report is received.
2. That the Mission Resourcing Unit Superintendent continue to explore with Methodist Chaplains issues relating to the Bicultural Journey,

accountability, and funding.

3. That Question 15A be reworded as follows:

"What Deacons or Presbyters are not available for Stationing this year? (All ministries recorded under this section shall have prepared a Ministry Covenant):

- a) Deacons
- b) Presbyters;

That Question 15B "What Deacon(s) or Presbyter(s) are appointed as Chaplains, and therefore not available for Stationing? (All ministries recorded under this section shall be for Conference approved appointments and positions):

- a) Deacons
- b). Presbyters.

4. Conference acknowledges that there will be less money available for Grant-in-Aid and suggests that the Mission Resourcing Unit enter into discussion with our Partner Churches and explore ways of enabling parishes who will be affected by the reducing availability of funds to address new ways of operating.

5. That in the Law Book, Section 3:11.1 be amended as follows:

Add "...of every fifth year"

Delete "...of the fourth and seventh year"

Section 4-(B) Guidelines for the Review of Parish Life and Work -

2(a) should read: "The Review is to take place every fifth year in each congregation or parish."

2(b) - delete.

English Speaking Tauwi Youth

Section A: The previous year

We communicate through deeds and relationships before we communicate through words.

By its nature this report is one of words, but at least the deeds and relationships developed during the previous year can be emphasised.

English Speaking Tauwi Youth Coordinators

Russell Fleet and Matthew Roberts are the English Speaking National Youth Coordinators. They job share one full time position and are based in Waitara, Taranaki and Wellington respectively.

Active Resourcing

Parish Consultations

In partnership with the Waikato Bay of Plenty Synod youth facilitators consultations about the nature and direction of youth ministry were held with the Taupo and Hillcrest, Hamilton Parishes. The youth coordinators offer this service to all parishes. See section B for more information about consultations.

Easter camps

Russell was involved in the Hawkes Bay Manuwatu Easter camp and has enjoyed the follow up activity. Matthew participated in the combined Synod/Presbytery Wellington Easter Camp. Easter Camps are a major and growing part of youth ministry activities. Please invite us to support the Easter camp in your region.

Regional Contact

An important task over the year has been more active contact with regions. Meetings were held with Synod executives in South Canterbury, Wellington Manukau and Waikato. This will lead to more follow up work and is important to supporting the grass roots of youth ministry.

In September a gathering of key regional youth workers was held to provide a forum to share with each other and plan ways the national coordinators can support their work.

Written Resourcing

Crumbs

This is a magazine produced for youth leaders. To date Crumbs has been distributed free to any one requesting it. From next year one free copy will be sent to the parish youth contact and extra copies charged for. This change will be accompanied by a revision of the style of Crumbs.

Let's Talk Youth

Six times a year Let's Talk Youth is sent out through the Connexional mailing. It has resource reviews, updates on events and other information including an informative article.

Youth Worker Employment Kit

This is a very comprehensive resource for Parishes and Synods looking to employ a youth worker. The kit has been developed in cooperation with Presbyterian youth. It is almost ready for distribution.

Resourcing through Training

Y ME

Y ME, the Youth Ministry Event is a residential training event for voluntary and employed youth workers/leaders. The theme for September's event was

Stand by me, looking at how Christ calls us to stand by young people. Contemporary and multi-media worship was exciting. The youth coordinators were involved in planning and running Y ME with Presbyterian youth.

Diploma in Youth Ministry

At Conference 1995 the Diploma was launched. It is designed for people who are actively engaged in Christian Youth Ministry. It is great to see the first people completing modules. The Diploma has been developed by the Methodist, Anglican, Catholic and Presbyterian Churches. Youth ministry is becoming increasingly professional and the diploma is part of the development of well trained youth workers. Special thanks are extended to the Methodist Women's Fellowship for their support by making the Diploma part of their special project. Matthew Roberts, Robyn Brown (Director Wellspring) and Tavita Filemoni (Samoan Youth Coordinator) are the Methodist Representatives on the Board.

Resource File

A youth ministry resource file was circulated to establish a file of people with skills in youth ministry and others available to act as youth representatives in the Church. Only two responses were received. Is this an indication of the churches commitment to youth ministry?

Empower Your Youth Board - EYY

During the year John Heberton, Regional Youth Worker in the Waikato Bay of Plenty Synod become the Convenor of the Board. It is good to have his support and sixteen years of experience in youth ministry. Much work has

English Speaking Taiwi Youth

been undertaken by EYY including reviewing Youthtrek, beginning the youth policy review, and setting some priorities of the youth coordinators.

Youth Policy Review

How do you do a review? Who should do it? These questions and others have occupied EYY's discussion of youth policy. It is the view of EYY that the review focus on the implementation of the policy. How does the church become passionate and active in youth ministry. The original vision is still felt to be valid, but this will be checked out. EYY's internal review has concluded that it exists to:

- *serve the young people of Aotearoa New Zealand by the facilitating the delivery of real life giving effective Youth ministry within the English Speaking Taiwi Methodist Church.*
- be a nurturing youth body and a voice in the business side of the church
- facilitate and enable effective youth ministry
- empower and implement the vision and policy of the youth voice.
- provide support and training for youth ministry
- "go and make disciples of all nations, teaching them to obey all I have commanded" (Matthew 28).

During next year the wider Church will be consulted.

Youthtrek Special Feature

The Empower Your Youth Board spent considerable time looking at issues associated with Youthtrek. We acknowledged the difficulty some parts of the church have had with Youthtrek and are seeking to make Youthtrek something the whole church can own.

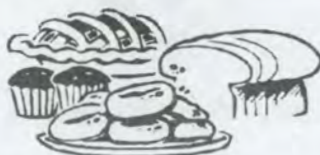
The aims of Youthtrek are:

- to produce an excellent event
- to provide young people with the opportunity for spiritual growth
- develop Methodist identity

Youthtrek is for:

- sixth formers up
- English Speaking Youth in the Methodist Church (other language groups welcome)

A key focus of Youthtrek is time spent in small discipleship based groups building trust, esteem, relationships with others and God. It is a very difficult task for one event to cater to the diverse needs of young people in the church. Please support as we try to do this.



I AM. WHO AM I? Taranaki 2-9 January 1997

Taranaki is the place to be this summer. Already confirmed to be there for Youthtrek 1997 are resource people John and Bonnie Heberton, Chris and Silvia Purdie, Ruth Bilverston, Stan West and Jacquie Lambert. The theme is I am. Who am I? This involves exploration of who God is, what makes me, me and importantly looking at who we are as a nation and church through the history of places like Parihaka and early Methodist mission work. Pre Youthtrek there is the option of tramping up Mt. Taranaki.

Mixing the Waters, Auckland 3-9 January 1996

Over 70 people young people gathered together for Youthtrek where they participated in fun times, biblical reflection, abseiling, the Tongan week of prayer and much more. People came from as far away as Invercargill. Special thanks are extended to Robyn Brown, Jill van de Geer and Tavake Tupou for their involvement, as well as all those involved in the organisation.

Youth Coordinators Management Group

This group details with the day to day management of the Youth Coordinators. In contrast EYY deals with policy issues. The Management group helps prioritise time and provides advice. Over the year the group has grown into its role and enjoyed its task.

Order of Saint Stephen

The Order provides mostly young people with an opportunity to serve God and the church for the period of a year. Over the last year a review of the order has been undertaken by a Manawatu based group. Over four hundred questionnaires were sent to parishes, Synods and other bodies with 35 responses being received. This information provides a good base for further work. Key issues raised are the need for publicity, that the Order should remain youth focused but open to all. The message from respondents is that there is clear support for the continuation of the Order with some revitalisation. The task for the Manawatu Order of St Stephen over the next year is to develop and implement strategies to revitalise the Order.



Young people are the Church's flower of hope

Being in *RELATIONSHIP* with young people

Section B: The Future

Mission in the context of youth cultures

Mission

Mission is about creating the wholeness and holiness. Mission has its origin in God. God is a missionary God, a God who crosses frontiers toward the world.

Youth Cultures

"Youth culture is a hot potato in Christian circles at the moment. Some people say that it is leading young people astray while others see youth culture as an exciting new source of energy to renew the church"

(Pete Ward 1994 Youthwork and how to do it)

It is our task to learn the culture of the people with whom we minister. The church cannot turn its back on young people. It is a gospel imperative that we reach out to all people including the young. From youth cultures can evolve a pattern of Church life which rests on the central expression of young people themselves. We need to connect with the hopes and fears of people in a language that can be understood by those outside the existing church structures.

It needs to be remembered that youth cultures are not independent from the wider culture and that there is not one youth culture but many.

"Youth feel they neither belong nor are welcome in the adult culture called Church. Whether or not they have a desire to follow Christ, they still do not feel the church has relevance to them. As a result they often reject both adult church culture and Jesus together" (Borthwick 1995:17 Transformation)



What if God was one of us,
Just a stranger on the bus

Words from the One of us tape/CD single by Joan Osborne

Relational Youth Ministry

It is commonly acknowledged that the key component to youth ministry must be relationships with young people. Our first task is to be with young people to learn their language, symbols, values social relationships etc. This all the more important in an age when there is less and less support for young people in their growth into adulthood. Relationships are the fuel that enable growth and development. It is in relationship with each other and God that we find ourselves to be who we are.

Youth ministry has traditionally relied on gathering young Christians together and encouraging them to reach out to friends on the fringe. In an age when most young people are pre-Christian, (have little knowledge about God, Jesus and the Bible) this approach is not working. The church has contact with less than 10% of young people. For the church to relate to young people it must take seriously:

- the young people of our communities
- the need for honest real relationships
- the cultures of young people.

When Christians develop relationships with young people it needs to be realised that the relationship is a sharing of our and God's spirit even if the young person does not develop a relationship with God. Youth ministry is so much more than a youth group on Sunday, though this is a very valuable component.

A Mission Orientated Youth Ministry

- enables young people to reach their full God created potential.
- focus on the world rather than the Church.
- focus on serving the needs of young people and building their esteem.
- takes seriously all the contexts in which young people live.

The aim of relational youth ministry is to support and equip young people with the skills for life and the eventual end of youth ministry should be that young people begin to develop faith within their own cultural world. A key element to this is a growing personal relationship with God, in the context of a faith community.

The seven relational laws of life

- Who is more crucial than where
- People are more important than programs
- Organisational structures must be warm
- The touch of a person is more powerful than an idea
- Results take time
- Influence is limited to a few
- Relationships are an end in themselves

When engaging in youth ministry and in fact any ministry an understanding of what makes relationships work is important. The seven laws presented are one approach to this understanding.

This section of the Conference report is meant to be about the future, but in youth ministry there is no future without grappling with the real issue of youth and faith today. Relational, contextual youth ministry is what youth ministry should be about today and everyday. The goal of the English Speaking National Youth Coordinators and the Empower Your Youth Board is for the Methodist Church to be a "place where young people are nurtured toward wholeness and brought to faith in Jesus Christ" (English Speaking Youth Mission Statement). The review in progress of the Empower Your Youth Policy is about how the Church can realise this vision. How does the church as people, resources, structures and faith build effective youth ministry? As the opening words of the report say "more through deeds and relationships than any policy". So the policy needs to support these outcomes.

"I would say that it is when we are following our call to build relationships with young people that we are being most Christian".

A practical step and an important part of the future work of the English Speaking National Youth Coordinators in the support of local contextual hands on youth ministry through a consultation process.

Youth Ministry Consultations

The English Speaking Methodist National Youth Coordinators with Regional Youth Workers offer a consultation process to help parishes explore the role and form of Youth Ministry most appropriate for them. The consultation lasts for 3 1/2 days; it is an action packed time with parish meetings, time with church youth, parents, interviews with people in the community who relate to young people. All this data including information from surveys of schools (completed earlier by the parish) is compiled giving a picture of the local community, the church community and suggesting options for the future direction of youth ministry. When the consultants leave, the parish will have objectives for youth ministry and plans to turn these into a reality.

Youth are the church of today so act now to find out more by contacting :

Methodist Youth
P O Box 9049
Wellington

In union parishes we will work with colleagues of other denominations.

Suggested Decisions

1. That the report be received
2. The relationship be affirmed as central to youth ministry

The Order of St Stephen

3. That the Order although needing revisitalisation be confirmed as an on going part of the Churches life.
4. That the Manawatu group of the Order of St Stephen in conjunction with the Empower Your Youth Board work together to find ways to revitalise the Order.

Youthtrek

5. That it be acknowledged that Youthtrek has been a point of contention in the Church and that the Empower Your Youth Board and Conference have addressed these concerns and now is the time to move forward.
6. That it be affirmed that Youthtrek is a national English Speaking Taiwi Methodist youth event.

Youth Policy Review

7. That parishes and Synods commit themselves to participation in the Empower Your Policy review.

Membership/Representatives

8. The Membership of the Empower Your Youth Board be: Gavin Clement, Audrey Dickinson, Malcom Salter, Alan Sait, Amanda Stace, Gabrielle Fawcner, John Hebenton (Convenor) and the youth coordinators Matthew Roberts and Russell Fleet. Note more names to be confirmed.
9. That the Youth Coordinators Management Group be: John Eaddy, Gabrielle Fawcner, David Baird and Kathy Clifford.
10. That the English Speaking Youth representatives to the Taiwi Youth Board be Russell Fleet, Chris Konings and Beverly Ofai.
11. That the Methodist representatives on the Diploma in Youth Ministry Board be Taviti Filemoni, Robyn Brown and Matthew Roberts.

TAUIWI YOUTH BOARD REPORT 1996

The following is a report to be presented to the New Zealand Methodist Conference 1996, on behalf of the Tauwi Youth Board.

1996 members:

Fiji: Susau Strickland, Rejieli Langi, Uluilakeba Mocevakaca

Tongan: Tevita Finau, 'Ofa Mone (Co-convenor),

John Manukia (Treasurer)

Samoa: Rev Tavita Filemoni, Terry Afa

English - speaking: Chris Konings (Co-convenor), Russell Fleet, Beverley Aufai

The Tauwi Youth Board represents four ethnic groups, each of which has three places on the Board, one National Coordinator included, one from Tongan, Fijian, Samoan and English-speaking, one convenor and one youth rep. The Board's main objective is to provide a combined voice of the Tauwi Youth and to work together as one body.

We are aware of the increasing involvement of members of the Asian community. We hope to include this ethnic group in the Board in the near future

INFORMATION

The Board meets three times annually. This year's meetings were held in February, June and August at the Methodist Church Office in Penrose, Auckland. This year we have spent most of our time evaluating our structure and how we relate to the rest of the church, including lines of accountability. (see diagram)

Each ethnic group has contributed to what TYB has decided.

"It is encouraging to be part of a group that is able to develop a vision which will benefit all Methodist youth." John Heberton (convenor EYY).

"It is good to feel supported by MRU and not be out working alone in my own ethnic group." Ofa Mone (Tongan National Youth Co-ordinator)

"In a multicultural society and church it is good to work cross culturally and learn about each other's cultures." Tavita Filemoni. (Samoan Youth Co-ordinator).

"We want to acknowledge and applaud the efforts and work that each of our Tauivi Youth partners are undertaking" Seva Naulumatua (Auckland Fiji Methodist Youth Leader.)

Each ethnic group representative provides a report on their group's activities and concerns at each meeting.

A Taha Maori and Tauivi get-together is scheduled for 18-19 October 1996. Our aims are to build relationships which will unite and consolidate the relationships of all youth. Three reps are expected from each ethnic group.

A National Youth Gathering is planned for 1998, to be held in Auckland. This is an opportunity where ethnic groups will combine in fellowship.

Financial matters. We are discussing ways of funding Youth Ministry which will be long term. Our aim is to provide ongoing longterm financial solutions for Youth Ministry. We will be working closely with the Mission Resource Unit in this task.

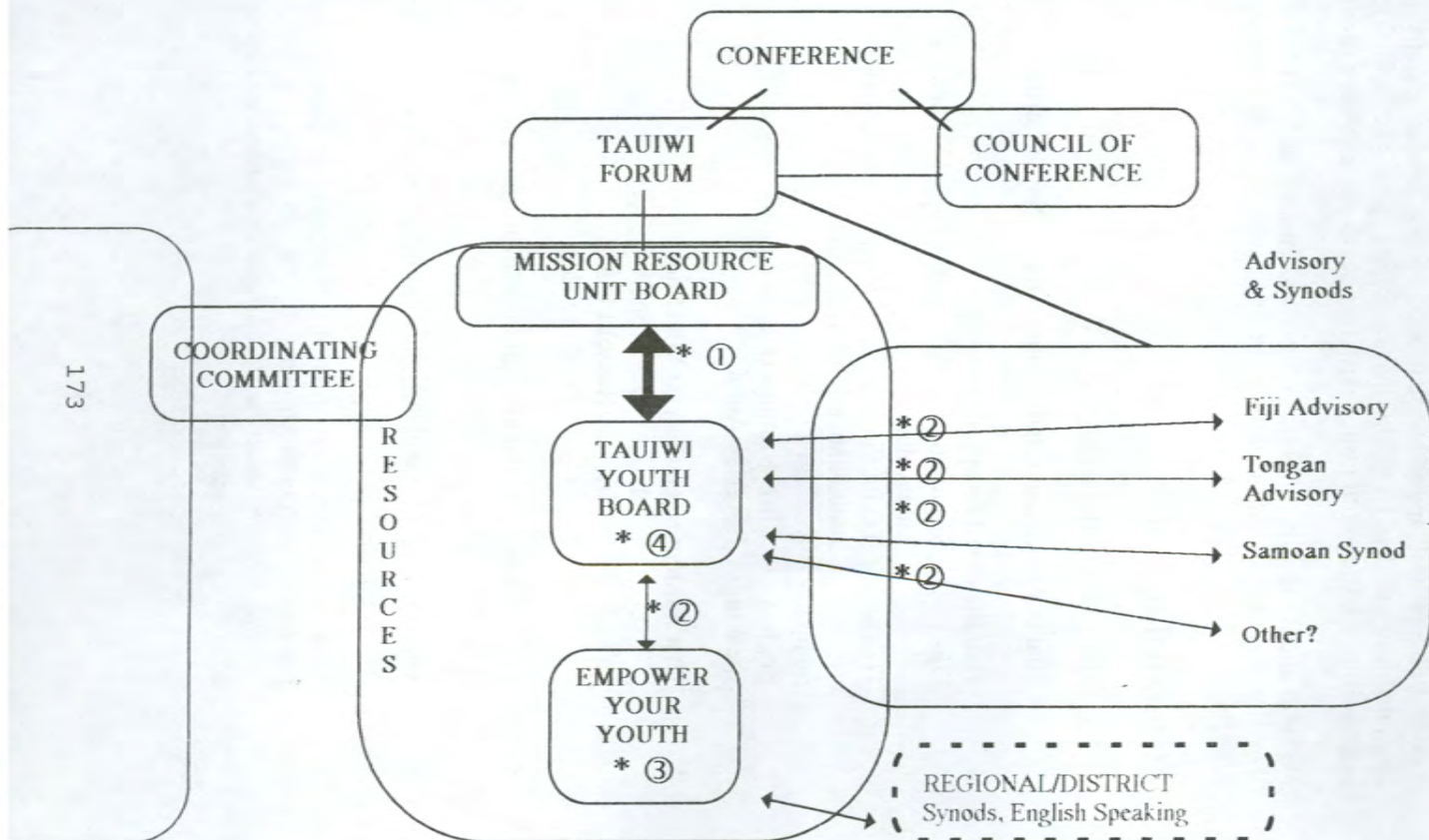
VISION

Our vision is that ministry with young people is part of the mission of the church. We also encourage young people to participate fully in the life of the church.

We have the common aim of wanting to bring young people into relationship with Christ and creating wholeness. The centrality of relationship to youth ministry cannot be denied. The challenge is how to build relationships. There are no easy answers. The most important thing is commitment. Youth Ministry structures need to aim at supporting and resourcing parishes and regions and act as advocates for young people.

The Ethnic Youth Policies are currently being revised and developed to meet present needs and standards of the Methodist Church. These

TAUIWI YOUTH BOARD STRUCTURAL RELATIONSHIPS DIAGRAM



Youth Policies will apply to members of the ethnic groups under responsibility of the TYB. In the coming year we will look at synthesising a basic youth policy with respect to our common areas.

We pray that God will continue to bless and strengthen TYB. We pray that the Board will succeed in working towards present goals and objects.

Suggested decisions

1. That our report be received
2. That our structural relationships with MRU be ratified
3. That the board be approved
 - Fiji- Susau Strickland, Rejieli Langi, Uluilakeba Mocevakaca
 - Tongan - Tevita Finau, 'Ofa Mone (Co-convenor), John Manukia (Treasurer)
 - Samoan- Rev Tavita Filemoni, Terry Afa
 - English Chris Konings (Co-convenor), Russell Fleet,
 - speaking- Beverley Aufai
4. That our representatives on MRU be
 - a) Ofa Mone
 - b) Russel Fleet
 - c) Tavita Filiemi
5. That Taiwi National Youth Co-ordinators be Resource Appointments
6. That funding of Taiwi Youth Ministry be organised through MRU
7. That conference affirms its support of the following philosophy of Youth Ministry.
"Youth Ministry must be developed, resourced and supported as an on going ministry".

KEY TO DIAGRAM

1. MRU Boards Role with Taiuiwi Board

- provides a facilitator to TYB.
- to help resource Taiuiwi Youth Ministry
- to do the administration relating to the use of the resources of Taiuiwi Youth ministry
- to facilitate Taiuiwi Youth ministry Board meetings
- to communicate/consult with TYB via 2-3 TYB members on its board and via MRU's board member on TYB eg. its provided facilitator/resource person
- to provide an overview of Church structures as they evolve and TYB's place in them

2. Representatives on TYB The National Youth Coordinators

automatically on the board plus two reps from each ethnic group (to be nominated by the Ethnic Groups' advisory or Synod).

Role of Taiuiwi National Youth Coordinators

(at present Tongan, Samoan, English-speaking)

- to be resource people to TYB, MRU and their respective Youth and policy making groups
- To help develop and advocate Taiuiwi Youth Policy from the ethnic and cultural perspective they represent in their appointments

3. English-speaking Empower Your Youth ("Youth Synod"). meets on behalf of all English-speaking Synods. One person appointed from each Synod for a three year term.

4. Taiuiwi Youth Board Role

- enabling team, to support and help resource Taiuiwi Youth Ministry
- forum for consultation and negotiation of equitable use/division of Church Youth resources eg form policy
- a coordinating group for Taiuiwi Multi-ethnic youth events or gatherings
- a youth ministry advocate for Taiuiwi Youth.

ACCOUNTABILITY & COMMUNICATION

As the diagram suggests, all the accountability is mutual. TYB in its membership relates face-to-face with each ethnic group's structure through its convenors, youth coordinators and youth reps, ie those who set youth policy for their respective cultures and who coordinate the resourcing of youth ministry and visa versa.

MRU is represented on TYB, as is TYB on MRU, which gives clear lines of accountability and communication back to Conference in two directions both through MRU, Tongan, Fiji Advisory Groups, Samoan Synod and TYB via the Youth delegation.

EDUCATIONAL MINISTRY

PART A - THE YEAR THAT HAS BEEN

Educational Ministry Task Group, has again in its four extended meetings, continued to explore appropriate theology and practice for education in Te Hāhi Weteriana o Aotearoa/The Methodist Church of New Zealand, as well as support, encourage and challenge the Educational Ministry staff, Margaret Hamilton and Winifred Murray. As in previous years, Winifred and Margaret have worked in a variety of areas responding to the requests of Synods and Parishes, as well as initiating educational projects. Their major work has been:

TRAINING:

- Sexual Harassment/Abuse: Events for existing and new Synod Trainers and new Connexional people have again been held this year. Most Synods now have trained local Contact People and have held educational events in their area.

EDUCATION:

- Bicultural education resourcing has continued in close liaison with the Bicultural Committee and Regional Work Groups.
- Correspondence with the Faith and Order Committee about the use of the wording "Father, Son and Holy Ghost" has continued.
- Developing a Language Resource - occasional papers for use in Parishes and groups throughout the Connexion, encouraging people to be aware of and able to use language that expresses our faith and life appropriately.
- Developing resource leaflets, sharing ideas for Ministry with Children - helping us put our guidelines into practice.

RELATIONSHIPS:

- Staff have contributed to the work of both the Joint Board of Christian Education and New Zealand Christian Educators Network. The 1996 module *Aroha/Love in Action* was coordinated by staff.
- Consultation with Central Complaints Committee and Synods to determine who in the future might take up responsibility for the oversight of the Sexual Harassment/Abuse Procedures has occurred. (See Suggested Decision).
- Work on a Facilitators Handbook, including in it a "theology of facilitation" has continued.

ACCOUNTABILITY:

Margaret and Winifred have regularly attended supervision for their professional activities. They have also been intentional about their continuing education. Winifred has taken papers at the Theological College in theology and pastoral work, and Margaret has attended the Lay Ministry Conference and participated regularly in an ecumenical group in Christchurch exploring such themes as Women's Leadership; Friendship; Telling our Stories; What has happened to Women in Church History; Candles, Rituals and Liturgy and The Song of Songs. Regular very useful and supportive staff meetings have been held with the other members of the Mission Resourcing Unit staff.

PART B - LOOKING FORWARD

During the coming year the Educational Ministry staff plan to:

- Produce more language resources.
- Assist people working in education in Parishes to hone their skills for nurturing Christian faith, i.e. the "how" to put it into practice. Assistance to Parishes using J.B.C.E. and MediaCom curricula materials will continue, as will production of resource leaflets.
- Parishes which have not yet done so, are encouraged to send to Education Ministry, P O Box 931, Christchurch, the name and address of a contact person to whom these resources can be sent. Please keep these contact addresses up-to-date.
- Begin to prepare members to be the church in the 21st century by going on exploring how church and faith is relevant to us and our communities.
- Prepare resources that look at how people can be helped to grow into creating relationships that enable humans to live in harmony with Godde, the world, each other, and ourselves.
- Continue education against sexual harassment/abuse.
- Further bicultural education in the church.
- With other Mission Resourcing Unit staff, continue to explore co-operative ways of being a mission resource for the Connexion.

At present the future of the Educational Ministry Task Group is being explored - an up-date will be brought to Conference. Winifred and Margaret extend heartfelt thanks to Warren Blundell, Margaret Burnett, Kathy Clifford, Audrey Dickinson, Brenda Fawcner, Jill Fleet and Russell Fleet.

APPENDIX

SEXUAL HARASSMENT/ABUSE OVERSIGHT

The Task is approximately a quarter-time, administrator for the Central Complaints Committee, appointed by the Committee. It involves overseeing the processes for dealing with sexual harassment/abuse incidents and cases by:

- ensuring there are people with up-to-date training available to be involved in the Procedures: Central Complaints Committee members, Trainers, Contact People, District Superintendents, and Connexional leaders.
- actioning the decisions of the Central Complaints Committee
- evaluating the Procedures to keep them relevant and workable
- bringing to the Church issues which arise out of experience in this work
- keeping confidential records.

The skills required are:

- administrative capability
- competence for working with relevant professional people
- ability to work independently
- proficiency in oral and written language
- knowledge of the Methodist Connexion
- ability to work sensitively and professionally in the field of sexual abuse.

Accountability:

The person appointed to this task would be employed on contract to, and paid by, the Methodist Church. They would be accountable to Conference through the Central Complaints Committee, and attend meetings of the Committee but not be one of its members.

Employment Conditions:

The Central Complaints Committee would be responsible for employment conditions, and would make provision for payment for this task in their budget.

SUGGESTED DECISION:

That the Central Complaints Committee appoint a part-time administrator, taking into account the discussion paper which was circulated to Synods and the Synods' comments.

INTERCHURCH COUNCIL FOR HOSPITAL
CHAPLAINCY
REPORT TO METHODIST CONFERENCE 1996

REPORT SECTION A:

INCORPORATION: A Trust Deed was signed by 8 of the 9 Churches which currently constitute ICHC. The Congregational Union nominated a representative to Council who is not currently a Trustee.

R.H.A. CONTRACTS: RHA North and Midland extended their contracts from 1 to 3 years. RHA South and Central from 1 to 2 years. Public funding is thus contracted until 1999 for Midland and North, until 1997 with Central and 1998 with South.

ICHC AS EMPLOYER: Following incorporation ICHC is established as the employer of all ICHC Hospital Chaplains. Service Agreements which spell out this relationship are now required of each Hospital Chaplain. Each Agreement acknowledges the primary connexion/ licenced/ authorised relationship a Hospital Chaplain has with her/his Denomination. All ethical issues related to Chaplaincy ministry will continue to be attended to by a Chaplain's Denominational Body. All employment related issues will be attended to by ICHC. ICHC holds Professional Indemnity Insurance for all Hospital Chaplains and Voluntary Assistants, each of its Council and sub Committee members and Local Service Provider Committee members who provide oversight for Hospital Chaplaincy.

LOCAL SERVICE PROVIDER COMMITTEES: Throughout NZ 18 Local Service Provider Committees provide local support and oversight of Hospital Chaplains. Such Committees are Agents to ICHC supporting the policies of ICHC which in turn provide optimal accountability and celebration of the ministry of Hospital Chaplains. The membership of such Committees includes Chaplains and CHE representatives.

CHE SUPPORT: While Crown Health Enterprises have always supported their Chaplains a significant shift is occurring whereby CHEs are contributing to the financial support of Hospital Chaplains. At ICHC's initiative CHE management are asked to be involved in the selection of their Chaplains and the establishment of appropriate job descriptions to serve the needs of Chaplaincy in their hospitals. Whenever a new Hospital Chaplain is appointed a review of Chaplaincy is conducted by the CHE management, Chaplains, ICHC and Local Service Provider Committee members.

BICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT: There are currently 5 Maori Hospital Chaplains employed in Ecumenical appointments. Their specific ministry to Maori people is stated in their Job Descriptions. Financial support has been given by a Central RHA CHE for the appointment of a Maori Chaplain. RHA Maori Health Initiatives money has facilitated the employment of one Maori Hospital Chaplain within South RHA. Dialogue is continuing between ICHC

RHA North and Te Runanga Whakawhanaunga i' Nga Hahi o Aotearoa regarding the employment of Maori Hospital Chaplains to RHA North.

PACIFIC ISLAND NATIONS CHAPLAINCY: The first Pacific Island Nations Hospital Chaplain to be specifically employed as such was commissioned to Middlemore Hospital in Feb 1996. The appointment is fully funded for one year by RHA North with very specific Quality Assurance requirements and a very demanding Job Description.

COMMUNITY FACING CHAPLAINCY: The position of Hospital Chaplains enables them to minister as part of the multi-disciplinary teams assessing patient and family needs as patients leave long term institutions for rehabilitation into the Community. The need for liaison with local parishes, networking with Community Agencies and coordinating activities for the benefit of all concerned becomes an essential role of such Chaplaincy.

THE PROPHETIC ROLE OF CHAPLAINCY: A group of Hospital Chaplains recently met with the Minister of Health, Heads of Churches and the Chairperson of ICHC. The group addressed their concerns regarding current Healthcare structures.

TRAINING AND ACCREDITATION: The N.Z. Hospital Chaplaincy Association has agreed to take over the Accreditation of Hospital Chaplains. ICHC and the Association are formulating National Standards for the training and accreditation for all Hospital Chaplains and Voluntary Chaplaincy Assistants.

VOLUNTARY CHAPLAINCY ASSISTANTS: Each Hospital Chaplain is expected to establish a Team of Voluntary Chaplaincy Assistants to assist in the ministry to the hospital. The unique ministry gifts of Voluntary Assistants are acknowledged and their ministry as an essential ministry in its own right. National Personnel Policies, Job Descriptions and Service Agreements are being evolved, together with Standardised Training and Supervisory Standards.

ITIM AND ICHC: A protocol was established as a framework for the cooperative ministry in which the two bodies may be involved within the hospitals.

THANKS : Thanks are offered to the many people serving Chaplaincy, the ministries of Chaplains, Voluntary Assistants, Local Service Provider Committees, members of ICHC and its Sub Committees. Special thanks are offered to the Revd Norman Brookes who in 1996 resigned from his position on the Council of ICHC. Norman has been a committed and energetic member of Council and its Executive and is greatly appreciated. A welcome is extended to Revd John Murray who is the new Methodist representative to Council.

REPORT SECTION B - LOOKING FORWARD:

Chaplaincy in the CHEs of Aotearoa N.Z. is clearly a valued and essential ministry. Its future depends on the essential relationship between the Churches ICHC and the RHAs continuing and developing. Today's Hospital Chaplaincy ministry commands high levels of accountability to all the organisational

Structures of RHA CHE ICHC and Denominational Bodies. This necessitates well trained, supervised and Accredited Hospital Chaplains and Chaplaincy Assistants.

Hospital Chaplains will become increasingly involved in Pastorally and Prophetically responding to and shaping Health care in N.Z.Hospital. As the walls of the Hospital disappear and Community based Health care is established, more Community facing ministry will be an imperative, education of, linking and networking with Parishes and Community Agencies will be an essential part of Hospital Chaplaincy.

Suggested Decisions:

1. That this report be received.
2. That the Methodist Church of New Zealand Te Hahi Weteriana o Aotearoa continue to support the ministry of ICHC and Hospital Chaplains in Aotearoa NZ.

TERTIARY CHAPLAINCY

Report To Conference 1996

Section One: Overview

Kia ora tatou. Thank you for this opportunity to report on the vital and challenging work that is Ecumenical Tertiary Chaplaincy, and of our national co-ordinating body, the Inter Church Tertiary Chaplaincy Committee.

We gratefully acknowledge the long and proud involvement of Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa in the development and maintenance of campus ministry in this country. Currently three Methodists serve in the tertiary sector - Lindsay Cumberpatch (University of Waikato); John Grant (Waikato Polytechnic) and Jacquie Lambert (Taranaki Polytechnic).

In this environment where funding is precarious, we appreciate the continuing commitment of our church to this ministry amongst the more than two hundred thousand New Zealanders, who work and study in twenty seven of the colleges of education; polytechnics; universities; and wananga that are currently served by the chaplaincy network.

The Inter Church Tertiary Chaplaincy Committee meets twice a year to oversee the work of ecumenical campus ministry. It receives reports from the various regional boards and local committees; disburses the available funds from the Associated Churches of Christ, Methodist, Presbyterian and Society of Friends national budgets (the Anglican and Baptist Churches give at a diocesan and regional level respectively); facilitates the sharing of resources; and initiates and encourages the development of strategies, aimed at enhancing the work of campus ministry.

At the recent Annual Meeting of the I.T.C.C. held in Christchurch, there were two significant changes in personnel. Phyllis Guthardt and John McKean, both former Waikato University chaplains, stood down as Chairperson and Secretary respectively. We place on record our gratitude to them both, for their splendid contribution and commitment to the work of the national committee. The incoming Chairperson is former Otago University chaplain Donald Phillipps and Fred Johnstone will be the new Secretary.

Section Two : Future Developments

"The wild winds of change that have swept education and society in New Zealand over the last decade have left tertiary chaplaincies also somewhat blown out. Invigorating they may perhaps be, but stressful and battering also.... Funding from the national churches continues to shrink alarmingly. Each chaplaincy is being forced to look critically at how it can be sustained and strenuous efforts are necessary to find a way of surviving". (Annual Report, I.T.C.C. 95/96)

The continuing reduction in the level of state funding to tertiary institutions is creating uncertainties for staff. The pressures of internal assessment; escalating student loans, and worries about an increasingly competitive job market, are exacerbating the stress levels for students. Such is the environment in which we work, seeking to be a "gospel presence" with and to the students and staff of the tertiary sector. At a time when arguably chaplaincy services are most needed within tertiary communities, they are seemingly under the greatest threat.

The monies donated back in 1992/93 to the M.W.F./A.P.W. 'Caring on Campus' project, have all been exhausted. These funds have helped finance a number of new initiatives throughout the country, including the development of a Maori Chaplaincy presence at the Waikato Polytechnic. We are hopeful that, given the commitment of our various institutions to bicultural development, we will see further opportunities for ministry by Maori to Maori within the tertiary sector.

With the Presbyterian Church moving to fund their contribution to campus ministry in the future through presbytery allocations, chaplaincy boards and committees will need to be more pro-active in promoting the work and needs of campus ministry in their region. Given the overall funding crisis, "each local chaplaincy will need to be innovative and diligent in acquiring new funding if it is to survive, let alone flourish" (Annual Report, 95/96). We are certainly going to have to look to the tertiary institutions themselves, church trusts, and community funding agencies for more of the funding we need.

In ecumenical ministries, the theology and practice of mission will inevitably vary, according to different personal and denominational agendas. Most campus ministries endeavour to hold together pastoral, prophetic, liturgical, faith enhancing, and community-building dimensions, as they encourage and enable staff and students to find wholeness for their lives. There has at times been a perception that chaplains are polarised between a pastoral or a prophetic ministry. Most current chaplains find that working with systems can often give expression to both poles, without compromise. This year's annual report highlights "the scope of chaplaincy activities that includes work with - ethics committees, women's issues' Treaty of Waitangi concerns' peace and justice issues; new developments in spirituality; and inter-religious encounter" to name but a few.

Another significant issue for tertiary chaplaincy is the developing of a set of national guidelines and standards for appointments, training and the practice of ministry. The institutions in which we work are committed to the implementation of quality assurance programmes and processes, and it behoves us to have our own processes in order, to ensure that the ministries being offered on campus are of the highest standards.

As our tertiary institutions accept more and more full fee-paying overseas students, the issue of providing for their spiritual needs becomes more pressing.

Many of these students and our international staff are members of other faith communities. Chaplaincy committees and boards are often giving a lead to the institutions in suggesting ways of accommodating their needs. At a number of campuses there are plans to develop Inter faith centres.

Yet another issue for ecumenical campus ministry is the discernible loss of commitment in some denominational quarters to working together to provide ministry. Some Anglican dioceses have withdrawn their funding support for ecumenical chaplaincy, in favour of their own denominational chaplaincies. This is regrettable, as we believe there is no sustainable future for denominational chaplaincies in institutions like ours.

We value very much the commitment of our Methodist haahi to working ecumenically wherever possible, and the ongoing financial support of this vital 'leading edge' ministry. The recent Mission Resourcing Unit initiative to bring Methodist chaplains from a variety of sectors together proved a very worthwhile occasion. We look forward to increasingly closer contact with others involved in chaplaincy ministry and with our own church, on whose behalf we seek to serve.

Suggested Decision:

That this report be received.

Lindsay Cumberpatch

John Grant

Jacquie Lambert

CHURCH UNION COMMITTEE

Section A: The Year in Retrospect

The decision of Conference 1995 was to encourage the Church Union Committee to further explore possibilities for a year of dialogue with the Presbyterian Church and Associated Churches of Christ. This has been our major focus during the year's discussions.

As a consequence, the Presbyterian General Assembly has now formally approached the Methodist Church in a bicultural way to make 1997 a year of dialogue on issues of unity, justice and union.

The Methodist representatives on the Committee have also met with representatives of Faith and Order Committee and the Mission Resourcing Unit to consider the theological basis for dialogue in today's terms.

The Committee wishes to acknowledge the contribution of the Rev'd Pat Jacobsen, who retires at this Conference, and of Ken Russell, Norman Brookes and David Bell at the conclusion of their work on the Committee.

Section B: Prospects for 1997

As we see it, the previous work of the Committee has been to focus on various "models" for achieving church union, particularly the federal model discussed at last year's Conference. In all of these the bicultural journey has been of much significance.

We are proposing that the year of dialogue during 1997 also needs to consider concepts of unity. Within Methodism, concepts of unity are of prime importance. The Church heeds the call and command of Jesus for those who would follow him "to be one". The ways in which this is expressed will vary according to culture and context, yet at the heart of being Christian there is always genuine *koinonia*.

Some related questions arise from recognising that the locus of *koinonia* is at the centre of Christian community. These are:

Is there an ecumenism which ensures that nothing of value is lost?

In the search for unity, what is lost and what is gained?

How do other related movements towards unity affect us, particularly that fostered by the Report of the International Commission of the Anglican Communion and the World Methodist Council?

These questions throw new light upon the long, slow process towards unity.

It is clear that there are fresh signs of hope in the moves towards re-establishing a credible basis for talk of unity among the negotiating churches. The Church Union Committee stresses the need henceforth for a stronger effort in preparing the grounds for a worthy year of dialogue.

Suggested decisions:

1. That the report be received.
2. That the Methodist representatives to the Church Union Committee be encouraged to prepare a theology of unity and justice issues from a Methodist perspective.
3. That Conference enter the "Year of Dialogue" with the Presbyterian Church and Associated Churches of Christ.
4. That Methodist representatives from Faith & Order Committee, Taha Maori, and the Fijian and Tongan Advisory Committees, and Samoan Synod, be involved with their counterparts from the Presbyterian Church and Associated Churches of Christ in the preparation of resources for the year of dialogue that are applicable to the different cultural groups.
5. That the members of the Church Union Committee in 1997 are:

FUTURES GROUP

Report to Conference 1996

"Where there is no vision, the people perish": Proverbs 29:18

A. Looking Back:

Since last Conference the Futures Group has met four times for a weekend. Three of the original members, Kathleen Townshend, Ian Barnes and Norman Brookes have retired as they felt they had made their contribution and wanted to make space for others to participate. Ka kite ano and thank you. Using the designated process, four new people were selected - Ginny Kitchingman, Richard Cannon, Ross Hendy and John Murray - and they have joined with Wendy Conwell, Warren Hudson, Winifred Murray, and John Salmon to continue to grapple with the group's task.

We describe our work as having two major perspectives: visioning and planning. Our visions of the church in the future led us to make statements like these based on portions of the P.A.C. Distribution Group report 993 which set up the Futures Group:

<p>Spiritual journeys of people in Aotearoa-New Zealand-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * acknowledging spirituality as a quest or journey * affirming diversity of paths, and significance of each * locating approaches and priorities in this context. 	<p>Uncertainty of the future-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * not being tied to the past * being open to varied possibilities, flexible * enabling and supporting frameworks for coping with uncertainty. 	<p>Rapid rate of social change faced in society-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * responding to wider society and needs * recognising and working with change * supporting and encouraging people through change.
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As we work together we attempt to model the new ways of being and doing we have envisioned in the future.

The results of our planning are:

- The research we commissioned Alan Jamieson, BEd, BA (Hons), Dip Tchg, to do into
 - * social trends and projections re values and spirituality in Aotearoa/New Zealand
 - * analysis of climates in which new groups emerge, and

* factors which enable values to change
has confirmed that the directions we were taking are appropriate. Copies of a precis of this research are available to interested people.

- A data-base of existing faith communities has been established by Rushan Sinnaduray and will be kept up-to-date by the Mission Resourcing Unit until a Resource Centre is developed.
- A Faith Communities Resource Consultant job description has been developed and advertised. It is expected the appointee will begin their task on the 1st February, 1997.
- Criteria for the groups the Consultant will work with have been developed.
- Exploration of the use of electronic communication for the church has begun.

During our work we have realised that the name "Futures Group", originally used by the P.A.C. Distribution Group, feels more appropriate than the later name "Futures Task Group". Henceforth we will be the "Futures Group" with a task to do!

"Our task is not to predict the future but to create it": Peter Ellyard

B. Looking Forward:

There are two types of shepherds - those who drive from behind and worry at the heels of the sheep, and those who go in front and call their sheep to follow. We will be the latter, exploring the way ahead and letting the church know what we find. The church can then be proactive and choose the direction in which to change rather than merely responding to the changes that happen around it.

We see our present work as:

- "You cannot have a future unless you can first imagine it." Our task continues to be doing this visioning.
- Attending The International Festival for the Future, March 1-9 1997, in Wellington.
- Examining research data that will assist us with formulating appropriate aims for the future.
- Using money for this research, and for making resources available for initiatives which assist positive change.
- Continued exploration of the use of E-mail and the Internet.

Suggested Decision:

1. That this report be received.
2. Conference affirms the work of the Futures Group and supports it in continuing its task.

EVANGELISM TASK GROUP

REPORT TO CONFERENCE 1996

SECTION A:

Conference 1995 received the Making Disciples Task Group's final report and suggested decisions. Decision 4 recommended the Mission Resourcing Unit liaise with them, with a view to relocating its work and setting up an "Evangelism Work Group" elsewhere. Following Mission Resourcing Unit and District consultation it was agreed:

- a) An Evangelism Task group be established in Waikato, Bay of Plenty District.
- b) District Synod confirmed Ralph Vickers as Convenor, and encouraged others to take part. Rev. Peter West has responded.

They look forward to meeting with the Task Group members.

Mission Internet:

In May, Ralph attended the Mission Internet (NZ) consultation - formerly N.Z. Evangelical Missionary Alliance, an umbrella organisation for approx. 80 mission agencies. A full report is available from the Mission Resourcing Unit.

Mission Resourcing Unit:

In August Ralph attended a Mission Resourcing Unit Board meeting. It is intended the Evangelism Task Group will report in this way.

SECTION B:

The Waikato/Bay of Plenty District is asking the Mission Resourcing Unit for a clear brief for the Evangelism Task Group, and job description for the Convenor. (At present, the Evangelism Task Group seems to be thought of as having a "Filtering Role").

Active proclamation of the Gospel is so important - a vital ingredient in redeveloping the Methodist Church. Going out and reaching out, challenging people about Christ is the thing that makes the difference.

We recognise there is "no one way" to evangelise, and "no one way" to be Christian. However, we believe many people are saying that Conference needs to begin a new era in evangelism.

Suggested Decisions:

1. That this report be received.

2. That the establishment of the Evangelism Task Group in Waikato/Bay of Plenty be endorsed.
3. That the Task Group prepare a study or discussion paper on Evangelism for Synods and Parishes during 1997, so that activities can be established which would take the Church into the next Century.

RALPH VICKERS

CHURCHES EDUCATION COMMISSION (C.E.C.)

Report to Conference '96

A. Sharing what has happened:

CEC offers services to schools in the name of the churches, including Methodist Churches and Co-operative Ventures.

Almost 5,000 voluntary teachers take weekly Religious Education lessons in 70% of New Zealand primary schools.

Training and accreditation is provided by 15 District Committees to a national standard. The Basic Trainin Manual was revised in 1996.

More than 50 chaplains currently offer voluntary pastoral care support in primary, intermediate and secondary state schools.

This year CARE Courses (Chaplaincy, Assessing, Resourcing Equipping) have been held in Auckland, Christchurch and Invercargill.

CEC continues to produce resources - including NZ contributions for 'Religion in Life' - the Agreed Syllabus, supplementary N.Z. resources, and the recent JBCE publication of "Investigating Common Values". This series of 4 books is offered as a resource for state school teachers to use in secondary schools. Half the content was provided by CEC.

B. Looking Forward:

A current project with the Bible Society is the production of Luke's Gospel in English and Maori - in a translation suitable for children to understand. CEC will produce a one year sullabus to accompany this.

CEC continues to explore what is appropriate Religious Education for New Zealand schools as part of its ongoing vision and direction.

CEC's Annual Conference in October 1996 provides the opportunity to evaluate the services currently offered and the future structure of the Commission.

Schools continue to request support and involvement from the churches in pastoral care and religious education.

The task sometimes seems overwhelming for a small and financially very vulnerable

organisation to continue to respond to schools' requests and to provide effective monitoring and support for a huge group of volunteers.

CEC needs to know that its member churches support its ministry. We have the opportunity to be involved in ministry with nearly all New Zealand's children - and their families.

Key people in CEC's network are Methodist. Can we be assured that the Methodist Church as a whole continues to support the vision of CEC?

Suggested Decision:

1. That this report be received
2. That the Methodist Church of New Zealand pledges its continuing enthusiastic support for the ministry of the Churches Education Commission.

Mary Petersen, GENERAL SECRETARY.

FORUM OF CO-OPERATIVE VENTURES (Report to Methodist Conference, 1996)

SECTION A

On Being the Forum

The Forum Standing Committee had its first meeting, since the inauguration of the Forum of Co-operative Ventures, in March 1996. We urgently needed to find an appropriate way of working that enabled us to work creatively and to take the work beyond the three meetings a year of Standing Committee and into the whole Forum.

After considering models of meeting we adopted the process used by Methodist Taha Maori. Each meeting has a theme. Members share their concerns, reports are received, we do theological reflection on the theme and finally do the work of the forum based on the particular theme of the meeting.

The theme of our June meeting was "Birthing the Forum". After doing some theological reflection on creation we considered how the Forum should "be" under four particular areas:

1. regional relationships
2. national relationships
3. financial structures
4. our model of participation.

We were pleasantly surprised to find that this way of working helped us clarify the issues and made it much easier to make the decisions needed on our on-going life brought to our attention in the reports from our various sub-committees. The June meeting was our first using this process and we are confident that our familiarity with it will increase in future meetings.

Methodist Representation on Forum Standing Committee

The two representatives on the Standing Committee of the Forum from the Methodist Church of New Zealand / Te Hahi Weteriana O Aotearoa are John Murray, convenor of the Mission Resourcing and Church Union Units, and Helen Hay, assistant secretary of Wellington District Synod.

Administration Changes

Over the last 6 months the administration office of the Forum of Co-operative Ventures has taken on some new activities. We now keep a complete data-base of the Co-operative Ventures, their personnel and addresses; and, at the time of writing this report, we are recording the parish and financial statistics of the Co-operative Venture parishes for the Methodist Church of New Zealand / Te Hahi Weteriana O Aotearoa and the Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand. These tasks had previously been done on our behalf by the Presbyterian office. The Forum office has managed to take on this work without increasing the number of hours our staff work.

Finance

This is an on-going area of concern for the Forum of Co-operative Ventures. However we appreciate the financial commitment of the Methodist Church of New Zealand / Te Hahi Weteriana O Aotearoa to our work. This year, on being made aware of the Forum's budget deficit problems despite our continued ability to keep our running costs low, the Methodist Church agreed to increase its grant to the Forum to 10% of their share of the Co-operative Venture Joint Mission Fund. This is the fund to which Co-operative Venture parishes pay their contributions to the Negotiating Partner's national budgets (Anglicans have a partial participation in the JMF). This should mean a \$5,000 increase in the Methodist grant to the Forum so long as the Co-operative Ventures continue their present rate of giving to the Methodist Church. We appreciate this affirmation of the work of the Forum.

Co-operative Ventures and Te Tiriti o Waitangi

The Forum of Co-operative Ventures, in conjunction with the Churches Programme on Racism of CCANZ, have held two workshops called "Letting Te Tiriti Speak: a workshop for moving beyond the denominational approach - valuing the integrity of the Church Union experience. The first was conducted at Taupo for Co-operative Venture members in the Bay of Plenty, Waikato, Gisborne and Hawkes Bay regions and the second was in Wellington. The participants in the Wellington workshop decided to become the Opting in Group and will continue to work on Te Tiriti issues in the Forum of Co-operative Ventures.

Working Together

New Cooperative Venture agreements since the 1995 Conference include the following:

- the Wairoa Union Parish Shared Ministry agreement with Wairoa Anglican Parish
- the Hutt City Uniting Congregations agreement, inaugurated in December 1995
- St James Methodist, Paekakariki became part of Kapiti Uniting Parish
- the Waihao Co-operating and Oamaru Union Shared Ministry agreement
- the Waverley-Waitotara Co-operating and St George's Anglican, Paeroa, Shared Ministry Agreement
- the Disciples of Christ (an Associated Churches of Christ community), Gisborne, and St Nicholas Anglican Parish, Gisborne, Joint Use Agreement
- Part of the former Lyttelton Union Parish signed a covenant with the Mt Herbert Anglican Parish (the other part of Lyttelton Union signed a covenant with Sumner/Redcliffs Union).

Negotiations between the Methodist, Presbyterian and Churches of Christ congregations in Onehunga have stalled at present, although co-operation continues between them.

We do still continue to get dissolutions of agreements. Over the last year these include:

- Port Chalmers Union agreement (the parish became the Port Chalmers Presbyterian Parish)
- West Harbour Union Parish (this parish was dissolved out of existence).

In total we have 161 Co-operative Venture agreements of various shapes and forms.

SECTION B

Forum Standing Committee Plans

Our June meeting came up with a Regional Forum proposal, a way to be the Forum of Co-operative Ventures locally, which was sent to Co-operative Ventures, Joint Regions and Partner Church courts for their consideration and feed back.

We also came up with a plan of work for the next year which is as follows:

- October 1996 meeting of Standing Committee, theme: "What is Church?"
- March 1997 meeting of Standing Committee, theme: "Regional Forums"
- Biennial meeting of the Forum of Co-operative Ventures, mid 1997 (date still to be set), theme: "Celebrating and Inaugurating the Regional Forums".

The Theology of Unity and the Forum of Co-operative Ventures

The Standing Committee of the Forum is excited about CCANZ's new Programme on Unity and the opportunity to have two representatives from the Forum of Co-operative Ventures on this Programme. We see this as an opportunity to wrestle with some of the theological issues of Unity which the Co-operative Venture movement has tended to deal with pragmatically or just paper over and ignore in the past. Our October Standing Committee meeting on "What is Church?" will be an ideal opportunity to high-light these issues.

Suggested Decisions

1. That this Report is received.
2. That the Forum of Co-operative Ventures be invited to make its own nominations for the Methodist Tau Iwi Forum.

Kathryn McKenzie
for the Standing Committee of the Forum of Co-operative Ventures

Discernment and Education for Taiwi Ministry

During the first half of 1996 a Task Group representative of the Mission Resourcing Unit and the Ministry Resourcing Unit has been meeting to consider the candidating and selection procedures for Taiwi ministry, embracing both ordained and lay.

In line with the 1995 Reports to Conference of the Committee on Ministry and the Interim MINESCO Group, they now bring to Conference the following proposals for approval.

This programme is for all people who seek to minister for and on behalf of the Methodist Church of New Zealand. There is no distinction between those seeking paths of lay ministry or ordination. The key factor is the intention of serving in a ministry accountable to the Methodist Church.

The local parish and congregation is the community of the faithful charged with equipping and sustaining all Christians in their daily life and ministry in the world. This programme will suit those seeking national accreditation or ordination. It needs to be noted, however, that entry to the programme or progress through its stages will not automatically offer any surety of paid employment.

Reasons for changes:

- a need to re-look at procedures in the light of the Methodist Statement of Mission
- a need for more flexibility in enabling people into ministry
- a need to attract creative, innovative, lateral thinking persons to ministry
- our church has an urgent need for skilled ministry leadership
- our church needs the capacity to respond quickly to changes in the educational climate
- we need procedures that take into account the future needs of co-operative ventures
- there is a need for some culturally specific ministry training
- there are calls for more equity in resourcing learning

- there may well be diminished funding for individual theological education from Connexional sources
- current procedures for candidating are perceived to be too narrow in their focus, and cumbersome, rigorous and sometimes demoralising in their impact

Benefits of proposed changes:

- more flexibility would meet the needs of a rapidly changing community and of individuals making short-term or mid-career changes
- they will provide elements of a discernment process which enables people to grow into ministry without pre-determining the eventual outcome
- they would encourage the learning environment within districts and regions
- they would address the broader concept of ministry - not just ordained ministry
- they would open up a greater variety of training options

Who are the people we are seeking to attract into ministry?

- People with leadership qualities
- lateral and creative thinkers
- people able and willing to work in team situations, not just as individuals

What then does this process seek to do?

- To make the procedures involved more user-friendly and less cumbersome
- to widen the base of people willing to consider ministry options
- to encourage parishes and districts or regions to identify and encourage suitable persons for ministry

Some guiding principles for the selection process:

- 1 Wider involvement by the local congregation or whanau of the ministry applicant in initial discussions about ministry possibilities and training. These discussions should clearly identify a sense of vision for ministry, and evidence of current ministry involvement and leadership capacity.
- 2 More responsibility for decision-making by Regional or Advisory Groups - eg regions will actually be able to set people along training paths and not just recommend them. This assumes that a key person in this process will be a Synod or Regional Ministry Convenor. (NB - it is proposed to draw together the current District Candidate=92s Convenors prior to Conference to enable them to assist with the creation of this part of the plan.)
- 3 The initial training path would be of up to two years duration and could take a variety of forms covering either residential, home setting or other extension-type courses. The time taken to cover all three stages could vary between two and five years.
- 4 The main points at which National Assessment Committees would be involved would be at reviews of training progress during the first or second year of training, and during the period immediately prior to possible ordination or accreditation.
- 5 The creation of a Ministry Education Support Fund is being proposed by Trinity Methodist Theological College to provide funding and/or accommodation costs on application. This funding could be available from the time of initial decisions by regions, but would be reviewed as part of the "second-year review". It may be for a shorter-term or longer-term period.
- 6 The Mission Resourcing Unit and/or the Ministry Resourcing Unit will be represented in the initial regional discussions in order to provide Connexional resource input at that stage.
- 7 The same procedures apply for those who have hopes in either ordained or lay ministries, itinerant or local ministries, Methodist or Cooperating Venture ministries, full-time or part-time ministries, and to persons of all cultures within Tauiwi. In fact the initial period could well be characterised as "training for ministry" (even if including academic theological education) and only after the second year review might the

desired outcome in terms of lay or ordained or other options be recognised.

- 8 "Programme contracts" will be established at the point of initial decision-making within the regions, and at the first national assessment mentioned in 4 above. These will outline the educational and training pathways which both applicant and "church decision-making body" agree on.
- 9 Normally a "programme contract" would extend over a period from one or two to four or five years. In exceptional circumstances the "programme contract" may be extended beyond five years to enable a more extensive programme to be entered into.
- 10 Initiatives regarding recruitment will lie with the Mission Resourcing Unit; regarding training, with the Ministry Resourcing Unit; and regarding selection, with both units acting in consultation.
- 11 Initial regional decisions and entry into initial training programmes could take place at any appropriate time of the year. However, the Connexional reviews to take place during Stage I and in the period prior to ordination or accreditation will normally occur during August-September.
- 12 In appropriate cases where because of ministry experience and/or educational background the length and extent of the above procedures would appear unjustified, there would be provision for a "fast-track" process to be agreed upon by the region, the National Assessment Panel and the Mission and Ministry Resourcing Units.

A suggested process:

**Completed
between 2 + 5 yrs.**

Applicant affirmed and supported
by Parish

Regional Dialogue (Includes
National Assessor). Initial training
programme negotiated and agreed.

Initial training programme

National assessment in 1st and 2nd
year of initial training programme to
make decisions regarding next steps

'PATH' decided

Access to further ministry training

Ministry Formation completed.
National/Regional Assessment

Ordination - for Deacons & Presbyters
Commission - Lay

Hoped-for outcomes:

- flexible enough to meet the changing needs of the church for a variety of ministries
- greater involvement of regions and districts in decision-making
- a less daunting, more user-friendly process for applicants
- a process which has adaptability for changing future needs, rather than creating a strait-jacket
- a process which will secure a supply of people offering for ministry into the new century

Implementation:

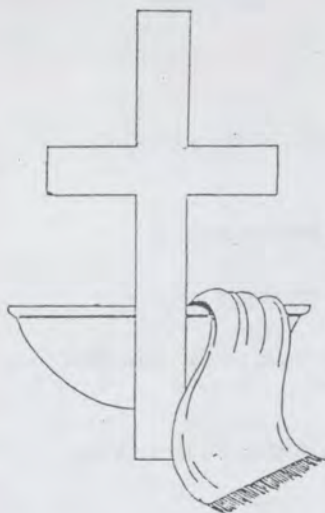
Because of the need for phasing in the process over a two year period, it is proposed

- 1 that during 1997 the National Assessment Panel will work with people in their year of supervised ministry;
- 2 that during 1997 the regions will commence making recommendations concerning new candidates for initial Stage I training

Suggested resolution:

That Conference adopts the process outlined in the report and requests the Mission and Ministry Resourcing Units to begin implementing it in 1997.

DIACONATE TASK GROUP REPORT



Diaconal ministry is in operation from Kaitaia to Invercargill and is as diverse as are the Deacons who are committed to offering it.

Conference 1996 will see 2 Deacons being ordained and 1 retiring.

Over the past 12 months, members of the Diaconate have undergone a period of self-searching and direction-finding for the future of Diaconal ministry.

18 of the 25 Deacons in current covenanted ministry gathered at Stella Maris in Wellington over June 21-23 1996 for their third 3-yearly gathering.

Under the expert leadership of Vice-President Jill van de Geer and Superintendent of the Mission Resource Unit John Murray, questions were asked, mis-information was corrected, encouragement was given and we now approach our 21st year - 1997 - with a sense of hope and optimism.

We are indicating that we will recommend to Conference 1997 that the Task Group be disbanded, believing that it will have completed the task of integrating Diaconal Ministry into the life and structure of the Church alongside the Ministry of the Presbyter and the Ministry of the Laity.

Because of the nature of Diaconal ministry, we find strength in acknowledging that "Unity in Diversity" could well be our catch-phrase.

June Higham, Convenor of the Task Group for the past six years now retires, and the new Convenor will be:

It is our intention to invite the members of Conference to celebrate with us our 21st birthday in 1997 in typical party style!

METHODIST TRAVEL AND STUDY COMMITTEE

Report to Conference 1996

While awaiting further re-structuring developments from the Co-ordinating Committee, the Travel and Study Committee continues to process applications for assistance towards Travel and Study. Those contemplating ventures are invited to consult the Committee at an early stage in their planning.

Applications are invited from lay and ordained, and guidelines are available to all interested. Normally grants are made up to 25% of costs for overseas ventures and up to 50% of travel costs and fee costs within Aotearoa New Zealand, based on super thrifty fares.

Applications are invited from those approved to study for the M.Min. Degree. These applications are considered in November and offer assistance of \$500 a year for three years. The Committee also considers applications to the J.H. Oldham Estate Scholarship Trust. The purpose of this Trust is to assist young presbyters in travelling expenses in the further pursuance of studies and the gaining of overseas experience in ministry.

The W.E.D. Beale Charitable Trust is available where a person is being prepared for a specific task identifiable within the framework of the Mission Statement of the Church. Consultation over funding takes place with COMEC or the Mission Resourcing Unit.

During the current year grants have been made as follows:

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| 1. | J. Murray
G. Welch
J. Rogers
L. Clarke
A. Bruce
A. Czerwonka | \$150
275
325
175
125
150 | Australia - N.Z. Rural Ministry
Conference, Myrtleford,
Victoria, Australia - a grant of
\$1200 was made to subsidise
travel costs |
| 2. | Paulo Ieriko | \$500p.a. | for a period of three years
M.Min degree M.C.D. |
| 3. | Matthew Roberts | | Biblical Conference in Korea.
Favourably referred to C.H.
Virtue Trust - Principal of
Trinity. |
| 4. | Jessie Kerr | \$270 | Ecumenical Board of Studies
Theological. Three papers. |

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| 5. | Geoff Tucker | \$750 | Diploma in "Not for Profit" Management. Two Year course at UNITEC. |
| 6. | Epeli Taungapeau | \$500 | Second payment of three towards M.Min. Degree. |
| 7. | Brian Turner | 1200 | Study under Prof. Walter Brueggmann, Columbia Seminary, Georgia, USA Summer School. |
| 8. | Andrea Williamson | \$275 | Attendance at Prayer Assembly of Evangelical Fellowship of South Pacific. |
| 9. | 35 National Lay persons | 3000 | Total travel subsidy for invited participants in Lay Ministry Conference in Auckland. |

Committee Membership for 1997: Jill van de Geer, Robyn Brown, Gillian Watkin, John Murray, General Secretary, and Jack Penman (Convenor).

Recommended Decisions:

1. The Report be received.
2. That the Committee for 1997 be as listed in the Report.

AUCKLAND DEAF CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Report to Conference 1996

Auckland Deaf Christian Fellowship began in 1971 when a group of Deaf Christians decided that they needed to meet together with their own language and culture.

Most of this original group were Anglican and had as their aim - to teach all Deaf how to live Christian lives. Today denominational labels have been dropped, we are simply a group of Deaf and hearing impaired Christians who meet together, to encourage one another in our Christian lives and to introduce others to Jesus, our Saviour, whom we love and serve,

At a recent retreat, the Committee set some goals. They are:

- To encourage the Deaf Church leaders, being accountable to them and asking them to be accountable to us.
- To build up the church, not just in numbers but in spiritual strength, by encouraging each other and praying for each other.
- To reach out to other Deaf, through friendship evangelism.
- To have preachers that will share from their hearts and own experience of God, so that we learn by example how to live the Christian life.
- To have regular Bible study so that we can learn for ourselves what God wants to teach us.

We are achieving these goals by:

Church Services - having a church service twice a month in which Deaf are encouraged to take an active part. Each person uses the communication mode with which they are comfortable, e.g oral/lip-reading or New Zealand Sign Language. Interpretation is available for both modes. Approximately 50 people attend. Although most of the preaching is done by the chaplain, guest speakers and groups from different denominations and missionary organisations bless and encourage us by their input.

Home Bible Study - A small group meets fortnightly and are currently studying various aspects of the Christian Life. It provides a safe place for people to learn to pray openly and to care for each other.

Pastoral Care - Involves visiting sick in their homes and hospital, counselling in bereavement, marriage and family problems, being an advocate for Deaf in institutions and workplaces and just "being there" for those who are lonely. Mixing with the Deaf community at Deaf Club, schools for Deaf and social

gatherings provides many opportunities to share the love of Jesus.

Social Gatherings - Each month a different social activity is planned. This provides opportunity to invite non-churched Deaf to join us.

God is very good to us. We have the support, prayers and interest of many Christian people. We are especially grateful to the Methodist Church for providing a place of worship at Aotea Chapel, and an office there. The Methodist Church has also, for a number of years, invested in this work financially and is still a major contributor to the Chaplain's salary and expenses. Without this commitment from Methodists, Auckland Deaf Christian Fellowship may not be in existence today. We are humbled by your love for us and rejoice that we are partners in Christ to reach the Deaf for Him. God bless you all.

Celia King, CHAPLAIN.

Christian World Service Report to Methodist Conference 1996

Christian World Service is the development, justice and aid programme of the Conference of Churches in Aotearoa New Zealand, of which the Methodist Church is a member. Each year, Te Hahi Weteriana sets aside 2% of its national budget for overseas aid and development work through CWS. This contribution enables a wide range of programmes and projects to be supported. In the financial year ended 30 June 1996, these were:

	2% fund	VASS
Asia		
India Gender Awareness Training for College Students	\$1 000	\$3 000
E.Timor Agricultural Training Programme	\$3 000	\$3 000
Sri Lanka Buddhist/ Christian Southern People's Forum	\$2 000	\$2 000
Africa		
South African Council of Churches	\$1 151	
Uganda Women's Development Programme	\$1 000	\$3 000
Middle East		
Regional Palestinian Refugees Programme	\$1 000	\$1 000
Lebanon Relief and Reconstruction	\$2 000	\$2 000
Latin America		
El Salvador Las Dignas Development Programme for Women	\$1 000	\$3 000
Nicaragua Integrated Development Programme of CEPAD (conference of churches)	\$2 000	\$2 000
Total	\$14 151	\$19 000

As shown above, Christian World Service also receives a block grant subsidy from the Government under the Voluntary Agency Support Scheme (VASS). Thus, the contributions from Te Hahi Weteriana's 2% aid fund was supplemented with \$19 000 VASS enabling a total of \$33 151 to be sent to partners and programmes.

Overall in 1995-96, Christian World Service supported 42 development projects in 22 countries, responded to 7 emergency situations, contributed to 3 overseas ecumenical organisations (such as the South African Council of Churches) and three organisations within Aotearoa.

1996 Theme "Breaking the Chains"

Following on from the 1995 Jubilee Christmas Appeal, Christian World Service is developing the Jubilee theme over the next three years, highlighting one of the sub-themes (land, debt and slavery) each year. The 1996 theme "Breaking the Chains" focuses on modern day slavery. A three part study series containing biblical material, stories from partners and a video has been produced. To date, over 73 groups have used the series and their feedback has been encouraging.

Stop Child Slavery Campaign

Christian World Service joined with other agencies in New Zealand to launch the "Stop Child Slavery" campaign in April this year. The campaign aims to alert New Zealanders to the existence of this form of slavery and to examine New Zealand's role in it. For example, over 80% of the wool used in the carpets in Nepal comes from New Zealand.

Re-Launch of Worldwatch

The magazine for children "Worldwatch" (with teachers kit) has a new look. The most recent issue focuses on child-bonded labour and we hope that it will be a useful resource for Sunday Schools throughout the country.

Christian World Service Review by Voluntary Agency Support Scheme (VASS)

Each year Christian World Service receives a "block grant" from the Government's Voluntary Agency Support Scheme (VASS). In 1995-96 this amounted to \$343 444. Block grants agencies are reviewed every three years to assess their use of VASS funds and thus Christian World Service was reviewed during 1995-96.

The outcome of the review was extremely positive. The following are extracts from the report of the review:

"The projects were addressing the causes of poverty in very fundamental ways, for example, through helping with income generation. Participants were being helped to understand their position in society and take control over their own lives".

"The structures, values and action of CWS and its staff provide an excellent model of a participatory approach".

"The agency uses excellent, transparent and straightforward financial accounting procedures which record and keep track of itemised sources of funds and expenditure".

"This review of CWS demonstrates the extent to which the agency provides a positive model of good development practice".

Copies of the Review Report are available from Christian World Service on request.

The Need for Matching Funds

Each year, Christian World Service is accessing an increasing amount of Government money through VASS and at times through a special emergency budget. However, it needs to be noted that VASS is a subsidy and relies on Christian World Service first having matching funds. More than ever, it is important that individuals and churches continue to support Christian World Service's work.

Windows on the World Programme

In recent years, groups within churches and sometimes whole parishes have asked Christian World Service if they could focus their giving by supporting a particular Christian World Service partner. Christian World Service has thus developed the "Windows on the World" programme whereby a church or group contracts to support a particular partner for a given length of time. So as not to place any extra burden on the partner group, Christian World Service maintains all the correspondence with the partner, but will provide the church or group in New Zealand with copies of reports and information received. Our hope for "Windows on the World" is that it will not only focus the fundraising activities of groups, but will also give them a greater understanding of how development programmes operate, the skill and creativity of the partner groups we fund as well as some of the difficulties they face.

A Joint Churches Approach to Emergencies

Christian World Service has been meeting with the New Zealand Anglican Board of Missions and the Council for Mission and Ecumenical Cooperation to discuss how we can cooperate when a major emergency occurs, such as the crisis in Rwanda in 1994. The group aims to have one joint appeal to the churches rather than various different church agencies competing with each other. Our next meeting will include CARITAS and the Salvation Army.

Conclusion

Christian World Service is extremely grateful for the support we receive from individuals, parishes and the national office of Te Hahi Weteriana. In particular, we thank Wendie Rosewell who represents Te Hahi Weteriana on the Christian World Service Council and Rev Stan West and David White who are always generous with their time and advice.

Jill Hawkey
Coordinator
26 August 1996

WELFARE OF THE CHURCH COMMITTEE

Report to Conference 1996

LOOKING BACK

With Welfare of the Church Committee being relocated by the 1995 Conference to the North Canterbury District, 1996 presented challenges for a fresh group of people struggling with a new role. We made mistakes along the way. Responses to our June 1996 Report to Parishes, Synods, Rohe and Circuits indicate that there is a healthy vigilance in the church, ready to challenge sloppy or provocative recommendations and inadequate processes. Chastened, this Committee has been heartened by the willingness of the Church to engage in debate and take the high ground on important issues. We have apologised to Taha Maori for a lack of consultation over the issue of the nature of the Presidency (Decision 3, 1995 Conference minutes) and publicly record here our apology for lack of adequate process and courtesy in this matter.

As well as working on the Conference decisions referred to this committee from the 1995 Conference, this committee has been considering issues relating to evangelism, recommendations concerning which we hope may be available for discussion in 1997.

The suggested decisions reflect a high degree of unanimity among the responses to our June report from nine Synods and one Connexional Committee.

LOOKING FORWARD

Wiser from our 1996 experiences, Welfare of the Church Committee expects to be able to continue to serve the Church with innovative, creative, and occasionally provocative but health giving responses to issues the Church is facing. The Committee believes it has an important ongoing role in the life of the Church.

Suggested Decisions:

1. That the Report be received.
2. **The nature of the Presidency in a bicultural Church** (Decision 3, 1995)

That the whole matter of the nature of the Presidency and the Vice-Presidency in a bicultural Church needs wide ranging discussion and therefore continues to be considered by the Welfare of the Church Committee in consultation with Taha Maori and/or the Bicultural Committee. A joint report with recommendations, or report of progress, whichever is agreed to be appropriate, to be brought to Conference 1997.

3. **Additional acknowledgment of service to the Church** (Decision 7, 1995)

- (a) All those retiring/resigning from formal ministerial service to the Connexion be appropriately 'released' to engage in new forms of ministry.
- (b) All Presbyters or Deacons concluding their ministries through incapacitating illness continue to be treated as they are presently, ie on the same basis as those who are retiring from formal ministry.
- (c) Those Presbyters or Deacons concluding their ministries through resignation:
 - (i) be acknowledged and affirmed at local and District levels.
 - (ii) be acknowledged with an appropriate record of their service being written into the Conference minutes including dates and stations.
- (d) Those Presbyters or Deacons concluding their ministries by transference to another Conference be appropriately acknowledged in a way similar to those who are retiring from formal ministry.
- (e) Those who have given significant ministry to the Church in a Lay role will usually be acknowledged at the level at which it was given.
 - (i) Those who have served significantly at a Parish Level could be listed on a 'Role of Honour' which could be kept with Parish archives, the names being also submitted to Synod for acknowledgment at District level.
 - (ii) Districts could choose to acknowledge meritorious service at Parish or District level, by written personal acknowledgment on behalf of the District by the District Superintendent. Where appropriate the District could request the President of Conference to write a personal acknowledgment on behalf of the wider Church.
 - (iii) Lay Persons who have given of themselves significantly at a Connexional level where a time of prolonged service or special period of service (perhaps in some formal office) has run its course, will, upon the initiative of the Council of Conference be formally acknowledged in the Minutes of Conference as currently happens to those Presbyters and Deacons retiring from formal

ministry. This will normally occur upon the recommendations of Taha Maori and/or the Tauwi Forum.

- (f) The contribution to the life of the Church of those retiring from Connexional appointments will be acknowledged in the early part of the business of Conference where the year that has passed is remembered and celebrated.

4. **Membership and attendance at Conference** (Decision 9, 1995)

There be no change to the rules governing representation at Conference.

5. **Change of description of "Lay Persons" to "Lay Ministers"** (Decision 10, 1995)

There be no change to the Law Book reference to "Lay Persons".

CONFERENCE REPORT:

Bicultural Committee

Theological Reflection

Thinking theologically is a vital part of the Bicultural Committee's life. Each month our meetings begin with a reflection. They are different from devotions. Generally speaking, devotions are one person offering some thoughts to help those gathered in their spiritual journey. Seldom are devotions a basis for deep theological discussion. Within the Bicultural Committee we have members who have had different experiences, read different books, visited different places and, theologically, are quite different in their perspectives. It is the sharing and the discussion which is so helpful and energising - an excellent way to begin the business of assisting the church on its bicultural journey.

Section A

Looking Back:

This year the Committee welcomed John Murray as a member. The Committee has met monthly as usual and at its annual planning day decided that members might benefit from some continuing education so a development day was provided in April. Ideas from this day are reported as tasks below. The Committee also decided it would like meetings to be less task oriented and more visionary, that no money was required from the 1996/7 budget, and that the membership of Bicultural Committee should be up to 6 Taha Maori and 6 Taiuiwi.

Conference Decisions from 1995

- **Process for the selection of President and Vice President**

DECISION 1995 Conference

That a 4+4 process at Conference be the method used for selecting the President and Vice President.

A discussion pamphlet was sent out for discussion and replies were received from Synods, (7) District Councils (2) and Parish Councils (3) the Welfare of the Church Committee and Te Taha Maori.

RESPONSES

- * Te Taha Maori favours a 4+4 process.
- * Taiuiwi who responded were not of a common mind. Only three responses received supported the general principle of a 4+4 process with some suggestions. Four wanted the status quo to remain, four could not reach a common mind, one wanted further discussion and the Welfare of the Church Committee suggested Taiuiwi/Taha Maori Co Presidency.

COMMENT

At this point there is no agreement by the Treaty Partners.

A SUGGESTED WAY FORWARD

That conversations on these issues continue within the Taiuiwi section of the Church particularly in those areas where the responses do not greatly differ.

Matters relating to the Council of Elders

Conference 1995 Decision

That recommendations 1-9 (Council of Elders as amended herewith) be referred to Synods, Taha Maori and Council of Conference discussion and response in 1996.

The recommendation 5 relating to the Council of Elders is amended as follows:

(i) Pre Conference Meetings - 2 Tauwi Elders

(ii) Tauwi Forum - 2 Tauwi Elders

Responses were received from the Council of Conference, Te Taha Maori, and 5 from Districts.

RESPONSES

Te Taha Maori - Hui Poari Responses

1. *That the Council of Elders be renamed, with a name that reflects the Connexional nature and Treaty commitment of the task.*

That the name of Council of Elders remain as is.

2. *That the Elders work with the Bicultural Committee in enabling the work of the Bicultural Journey of Te Hahi Weteriana o Aotearoa*

As written

3. *That they will be alert to trends, positive and negative, in the life of the Church which may hinder or help our bicultural journey, reporting on such trends to the Bicultural Committee and/or Conference.*

As written

4. *That their main tasks will be to reflect and comment on the lifestyle of the church's bicultural journey with a focus on process at [a] Conference [b] Pre Conference meetings; Tauwi Forum [c] Council of Conference*

As written

5. *That they attend meetings as follows:*

Annual conference - all 6 members

Pre Conference meetings - 2 Tauwi elders

Council of Conference - 1 Taha Maori; 1 Tauwi

Tauwi Forum - 2 Tauwi Elders

As written

6. *That all suggested decisions being brought to Conference be reflected on by the Elders with the exception of Hui Poari and Tauwi Forum which will be monitored by the Council of Conference.*

As written

7. *That there will be two training events for the Elders. These are to be arranged in consultation with the Bicultural Committee*

Suggest at least one training event

8. *That the process for election of the Elders remain the same*

As written

9. *That there will be handbook for all new Elders. This is to be prepared by the Bicultural Committee.*

As written

Tauwi Responses

1. *That the Council of Elders be renamed, with a name that reflects the Connexional nature and Treaty commitment of the task.*

Names suggested: Bicultural Journey Advocates; Bicultural monitors; Forum of Elders; Treaty Elders, Bi-cultural Council, or keep the present name

2. *That the Elders work with the Bicultural Committee in enabling the work of the Bicultural Journey of Te Hahi Weteriana o Aotearoa*
 - i. Remove this clause - include with 4.
 - ii. Clarify that Elders work with but not part of the Bicultural committee.
3. *That they will be alert to trends, positive and negative, in the life of the Church which may hinder or help our bicultural journey, reporting on such trends to the Bicultural Committee and/or Conference.*
 - i. Remove 3 or report to Conference; "Trend" is too broad.
 - ii. That the Elders will seek to be alert to trends, positive and negative in the life of the Church which may hinder or help our bicultural journey report to Conference and/or Bicultural Committee
4. *That their main tasks will be to reflect and comment on the lifestyle of the church's bicultural journey with a focus on process at [a] Conference [b] Pre Conference meetings; Taiwi Forum [c] Council of Conference*
 - i. Taiwi Forum does not need to be monitored
 - ii. Add Hui Poa
5. *That they attend meetings as follows:*

<i>Annual conference</i>	- all 6 members
<i>Pre Conference meetings</i>	- 2 Taiwi elders
<i>Council of Conference</i>	- 1 Taha Maori; 1 Taiwi
<i>Taiwi Forum</i>	- 2 Taiwi Elders

Monitor both partners meetings or neither
6. *That all suggested decisions being brought to Conference be reflected on by the Elders with the exception of Hui Poari and Taiwi Forum which will be monitored by the Council of Conference.*

Suggest that Conference Committees of Detail self monitor their own work. And not Elders. The task is too big.
7. *That there will be two training events for the Elders. These are to be arranged in consultation with the Bicultural Committee*

Suggestions were one training event or three training events and that it be in consultation with the Mission Resourcing Unit. Delete part 2 of the proposal. The events need to be intentional.
8. *That the process for election of the Elders remain the same*

Te Taha Maori and Taiwi Forum
9. *That there will be handbook for all new Elders. This is to be prepared by the Bicultural Committee.*

Support handbook for all Elders not just newly appointed. To be prepared by the Bicultural Committee drawing on the experience of past Elders.

Responses to the questions were collated as far as possible. Council of Conference and Taiwi responses not fitting into common categories are recorded separately.

COUNCIL OF CONFERENCE

1. Keep existing name
2. Approved
3. Report through the Bicultural Committee to Conference
- 4-5 Send back to the Bicultural Committee for more clarification what are
Pre Conference Meetings - Pakeha/Taiwi Forum;
What about Te Taha Maori?
What about meetings during the year?
Taha Maori response above to be forwarded to the Bicultural Committee.
6. Elders have a mandate to reflect on - is it before or after Conference.
Refer back
7. Yes - How often? Who pays Who goes?
8. Taiwi members be appointed by the Taiwi Forum
9. A good idea for all Elders

FURTHER QUESTIONS and COMMENTS:

Otago Southland: Why is the Council of Conference (a partnership group) choosing the Taiwi elders? If Taha Maori choose their elders then surely Taiwi Forum should choose the Taiwi elders.

Suggestion:

The Council of Elders shall be appointed annually by the Conference and shall consist of three persons nominated by Taha Maori and three persons nominated by the Taiwi Forum, in consultation with the Bicultural Committee.

Waikato Bay of Plenty

1. That Synod strongly disagrees with the assumption made by the Bicultural Committee that there should be a continuation of the Council of Elders.
2. That where such groups as Conference, Pre-Conference meetings etc think that they need facilitation on any bicultural matters then we suggest that they call on facilitators of their choice.

COMMENT

At this point there is no total agreement from Te Taha Maori and Taiwi responses on the 1995 recommendations on the Council of Elders.

There is however a Council of Conference response which reflects a common Te Taha Maori and Taiwi response.

SUGGESTIONS FOR A WAY FORWARD

1. That the Council of Conference response be that recommended as a suggested decision for Conference
- or
2. That conversations on these issues continue within the Taiwi section of the Church particularly in those areas where the responses do not greatly differ.

Further Conference Decisions

- *Explore questions of ethnicity and identify for the Taiuiwi partners and report to the Taiuiwi Forum.*
- *Consultation with Taha Maori and Taiuiwi Forum re possibility of re-ordering the Law Book to identify partnership law and each partner's law.*

Conversations on these two matters are still under discussion.

This year bicultural workshops have been held for:

- Te Atatu parish and their Presbyter from South Africa
- Bicultural Network Meeting in Wellington in June
- Otago/Southland with workshops in Invercargill and Dunedin.
- Community of Women and Men
- request was received from the Auckland Methodist Mission for a bicultural workshop for managers who are not Methodists - to be next year.

Conversations have been held with some Waikato Bay of Plenty synod members, and the Methodist Affirm Executive.

Parish reviews are being organised by the co-ordinator Warren Blundell.

The President and Vice-President elect, and the Elders, have attended a Committee meeting for consultation.

The following papers have been circulated by the Committee:

- President and Vice-President voting process discussion paper to synods
- Some suggestions for Opening Taiuiwi Gatherings New Mission Statement poster
- Council of Elders

An article for the Theological Review is being compiled.

The Video on Constitutional Reform has an exciting script. \$21,500 has so far been spent on script writing and director's fees. The Constitutional Reform studies are ready for publication.

Restructuring has raised a number of questions about identity for the Taiuiwi section of the church. Pakeha do not have a meeting where they can consult and form policy as other groups in Taiuiwi do. Or have district synods in reality become pakeha meetings?

Section B:

The Future

Membership of the Bicultural Committee is being reviewed in line with the current restructuring process.

There is a real sense now that the wider church is functioning in a bicultural mode - even in Parishes unable to acknowledge what is happening!! The future the Bicultural Committee envisions is therefore one which, while ensuring bicultural operations of power-sharing apply at all levels of the structure (eg. workshop for people in new connexional appointments) will be able to concentrate on finding creative and visionary ways of helping the church, in its Parishes, to express commitment to the bicultural process in the life of its people. Planning is well underway for the production of a docu-drama with the potential for significant impact both within the church and society in general. There is also the possibility of

Lucia Ann McSpadden from the Life and Peace Institute undertaking research into bicultural education in our Church.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT TO CONFERENCE BICULTURAL COMMITTEE

SUGGESTED DECISIONS

1. That the Report be received.
2. Membership for 1997: Co Convenors: Lynne Frith & Nga Kaiarahi, Ripia Rountree, Winifred Murray, Liz Cook, Roger Biddle, John Murray and
3. Mervyn Dine comes off the Committee. Conference acknowledges and thanks Mervyn for the work that he has done.
4. As there was no clear Tauwiwi response on the process for the selection of President and Vice President it is suggested that conversations continue within the Tauwiwi section of the church particularly in those areas where the responses do not greatly differ.
5. As there is no clear Tauwiwi response on matters relating to the Council of Elders, it is suggested that the Council of Conference response be that recommended as the suggested decision for Conference
OR that conversations on these issues continue with the Tauwiwi section of the Church particularly in those areas where the responses do not greatly differ.

CENTRAL COMPLAINTS COMMITTEE REPORT

Every pastor is the recipient of a sacred trust. A minister often becomes a symbol of the Christian faith in the eyes of many people, both in the congregation and in the wider community. As a consequence, people generally expect pastors to be models of integrity. More important, congregants entrust themselves to the minister's spiritual care.

Effective ministry can occur only within a climate of trust - only when congregants believe that their pastor will always seek their spiritual benefit. And the connection between trust and ministry means that a betrayal of this trust destroys the very conditions that make genuine ministry possible.

Perhaps no betrayal of trust has worked more devastation than clergy sexual misconduct. The time has come for the church to address this grave problem, which threatens the very foundations for Christian ministry.

We believe that sexual misconduct in the pastorate is such a debilitating problem because it marks a twofold betrayal of trust. It betrays a sacred sexual trust, and it constitutes an abuse of power.

(p9. Betrayal of Trust Sexual Misconduct in the PASTORATE. Stanley J Grenz & Roy D. Bell. InterVarsity Press 1995.)

Power is a complex term with personal, social, and religious connotations. At a personal level, all persons have some power by virtue of being alive, along with an inner drive to use this power to become all they can be. Some are denied the chance to exercise their power because of oppression. Others use their power for destructive ends. Society dictates how power is distributed. Institutions and ideologies determine who has privilege to be dominant and who must defer. Some persons are given great power to make choices for themselves and other people and are protected from the consequences of their choices. But many are denied the power to control even their own bodies and minds, and their choices are circumscribed by others. These inequities create the occasions for abusive behaviour and unjust power arrangements. Religion serves to define the nature of power and its legitimate uses.

Religious leaders must choose whether to collude with the dominant culture as sanctioning agents of abusive power or to be prophetic critics of the way power is distributed and defined. Sexual violence can serve as a test for understanding the nature of power and its destructive and creative potential in an unjust society.

(p12-13. The Abuse of Power A Theological Problem. James Newton Poling. Abingdon 1991.)

* *The damage done in an abusive act or relationship will depend on the power differential between the two persons.*

The more powerful the abusive person is, the more damage he is likely to do. The more powerful he is, the greater his responsibility to act for the good of the other person. Power also means that the abused person is likely to put greater antecedent trust in the abuser. The abused person will see the abuser as someone who may be able to help her in some problem. It is the abuse of this trust which can do great damage. Also the greater the power differential, the more difficult it will be for the abused person to

free herself from the abuse. She will feel trapped in the relationship, unable to break free.

* *Power can be of two types, personal or structural*

Personal power can be a matter of physical strength, psychological invulnerability, charisma or simply age difference. Structural power is a matter of a formal relationship which exists between the two persons, such as a parent-child, therapist-client, minister-congregant and so on. Some persons will, of course, be powerful in more than one sense.

(pxii When Ministers Sin Sexual Abuse in the Churches. Neil & Thea Ormerod. Millenium Books 1995.)

A Looking Back:

This has been a full year for the Committee. Aroha Houston, Te Taha Maori appointee, is a most welcome addition to the group. Stan West will retire from the Committee at Conference as he moves to be President. Thank you Stan for the calm and expertise you have contributed to the Committee as it has pioneered this work in our Church. The new member on the Committee, will be appointed by Pastoral Committee.

- Cases dealt with this year have basically been continuation of complaints which were notified last year. In one case there have been 4 complaints received about one Respondent. In another case a complaint, which was first made before our Procedures were instigated, has been through the appeal process and a decision has been made by Pastoral Committee.
- Committee Members attended the 1st Australian and New Zealand Conference on Sexual Exploitation by Health Professionals, Psychotherapists and Clergy in Sydney. Winifred was a co-facilitator of a very well-received workshop on sexual harassment/abuse education in church communities. There were a number of learnings from the Conference including:
 - that our Procedures are generally appropriate
 - that we need to be much more proactive in assisting Complainants when they make a complaint.
 - that the decision about the guilt or innocence of a Respondent is not the task of the Complainant.
 - guidelines for action when child sexual/abuse is discovered must be drawn up.
- Training events for new and experienced Trainers, new District Superintendents and new Connexional Appointees have been held. Shayne Mathieson's facilitation of these events was greatly appreciated.
- Two synods - Nelson/Marlborough and Wellington have, because of relocation of their Trainers, been left without trained personnel. However, they have people ready to attend next year's event. Other synods have at least one, and sometimes four Trainers who are working on selecting and training local Contact People and raising the awareness of the people in their district. Thank you Trainers for your valuable work.

- During the year a situation arose in which information about a case, which was in newspapers, was requested from the church. This caused great distress for the Complainant in the case so guidelines for the release of information have been developed.
- In the establishment of the Central Complaints Committee, it was helpful for the General Secretary to be a member of the committee. There is, however, significant role confusion and, because the General Secretary must relate to the whole church, it is considered inappropriate for that person to be a member of the Central Complaints Committee.

B Looking Forward:

- The Committee has offered to all districts the opportunity to have a sexual harassment/abuse workshop at their next School of Theology or similar gathering. The workshop will be facilitated by a team including a district Trainer, a Central Complaints Committee member and possibly Shayne Mathieson. Reflection on how theology and sexual exploitation inter-relate will be part of the workshop, along with definitions of sexual misconduct and how to keep oneself safe.
- Methodist people will work cross-denominationally to prepare guidelines for use in all Churches when child sexual abuse is discovered.
- Guidelines for President, Vice-President and General Secretary to be drafted and made available to them.
- Preparation of guidelines for employers re what signs might indicate a person is a sexual exploiter.
- Preparation of a register of approved supervisors to whom Respondents can be referred.

C Information:

Possible outcomes when a case is found to have substance:

Central Complaints Committee to decide if appropriate:

- Respondent may be required to undergo assessment by approved professional re fitness to continue in ministry.
- General Secretary to advise other denominations that a complaint has been found to have substance when a Respondent works with, or transfers to another denomination.
- District Superintendent to be asked to set up appropriate support for a Respondent.
- Central Complaints Committee recommend to Pastoral Committee when paid leave should be taken.
- Trainers be retrained and therefore reassessed after each 3 years in the position.

In the course of investigating complaints we have discovered that some **Guidelines for clergy when counselling** might be helpful and offer the following:

Counselling/therapy is a highly skilled activity and considerable damage has been caused to clients/parishioners by practitioners who did not have sufficient training or experience. A good maxim is : if in doubt refer on!

However, if on-going counselling is occurring ie. more than 3 sessions in few weeks, the counsellor should have regular clinical supervision with a person who is fully qualified, accountable to a recognised professional body, and experienced in counselling or therapy.

All clergy should have training in recognising personality disorders and mental illness. They should be aware of typical behaviour patterns of the major disorders and the indicators for referral to an appropriate professional.

Guidelines for the release of information about Methodist Church sexual harassment/abuse cases:

- **When contacted for information, *no matter how simple, or urgent, the request appears*, state that it is church policy that all enquiries for information in the sexual harassment/abuse area go through the General Secretary. These to be by letter or fax stating the purpose for which the information is required. NEVER respond verbally or immediately.**

This may seem an unnecessarily harsh and cumbersome way in which to handle what may appear to be a simple and harmless request. However, the church has discovered that inappropriate responding to requests can have far-reaching and damaging consequences. Even for the Church to supply information which is public can be seen by the Complainant and Respondent and their families as lack of care about their painful experience.

The Policy to be followed would be:

The General Secretary would, on receiving an enquiry, consult with a member of the Central Complaints Committee.

- Responses to enquiries always to be given in writing - by letter or fax and a copy kept.
- Information which is already in the public domain e.g. newspaper cuttings or court papers would not be supplied, but an enquirer would be referred to where they might be obtained and if possible given approximate dates to assist their enquiry.
- Material which has appeared in the Minutes of Conference might be copied and given to the enquirer if they had an appropriate reason for having the information - e.g.
 - * for an article to be published
 - * for research in this area
 - * for a purpose which would clearly assist Complainants
- An authorised member of another denomination who has a legitimate reason for having information may be supplied with relevant information only.
- Other information would normally not be made available.

The criteria for releasing information to be:

- The needs and feelings of the Complainant and other people involved in the case will take priority, and any release of information which has the potential to retraumatise a Complainant will be refused.
- Only information about process and procedure will be given. NO details of a complaint or its resolution will ever be released.

- When replying to a request only the requested information will be given.
- **NEVER WILL INFORMATION BE GIVEN WHICH COULD LEAD TO THE IDENTITY OF A COMPLAINANT, RESPONDENT, THEIR LOCATION, THEIR SUPPORT PEOPLE, OR THEIR FAMILY.**

D Suggested Decisions:

1. The report be received
2. The Church thank Stan West for his valuable pioneering role on the Committee.
3. That the General Secretary no longer be a member of the Central Complaints Committee.
4. That Pastoral Committee appoint a replacement member.
5. Guidelines for the release of information about Methodist Church sexual harassment/abuse cases be circulated as detailed.
6. The following changes to the Procedures be approved:
 - that Respondents automatically go on paid leave when a formal written complaint of sexual harassment/abuse is received. Leave to be reviewed when the enquiry is completed.
 - When a complaint requires further investigation the Central Complaints Committee may recommend to Pastoral Committee that paid leave be taken until the enquiry has taken place.
 - that the Contact Person who is approached about a complaint either continues to support the Complainant through the process of the complaint or finds another Contact Person to do so.
 - that Respondents have a trained supporter throughout the process.
 - that a complaint from anywhere in the country can be investigated by the District Superintendent who first is notified of the complaint.
 - that Respondents will be required to have supervision with an approved supervisor and that the Central Complaints Committee will require a 6 monthly report from that supervisor.
 - Pastoral Committee will appoint 2 members of the Central Complaints Committee.

ROBERT GIBSON TRUST BOARD **REPORT FOR YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1996**

We report another disappointing year in our dairying activities. While every endeavour was made to assist production by good management and fertilisers etc. the weather in our particular area was most unfavourable. We experienced a cold wet Winter and Spring and an unduly dry Summer and Autumn.

The result was a 13.23% drop in the production of milk solids over the three farms. This resulted in a drop of sales of milk solids of 9.8% or \$60,968 in dollar terms, therefore, our net profit dropped from \$179,102 last year to \$137,061 this year.

However we have been able to maintain the properties on a good standard. We repainted the kitchen area and all the exterior wooden areas of the Totara farm dwelling. We also did some renovating work to the interior of the Rimu farm dwelling.

We appointed a new sharemilker for the Rimu farm from a field of forty-five applicants.

We began the year with a opening credit balance amounting to \$50,702 and we close with a credit balance of \$28,405. Notwithstanding this downturn in production we met the demands made on us for grants and bursaries.

Details of these grants are as follows:

Wesley College	\$38,000
Polytechnic Students	\$7,800
Other Secondary Schools	\$4,750
University Students	\$56,150
Manaia Hall	\$5,000
Child Care	\$3,000
Development Division	<u>\$20,000</u>
Total grants	<u>\$134,700</u>

Our recommendations for grants for 1996/97 are:

Wesley College	\$40,000
Polytechnic Students	\$16,000
Other Secondary Schools	\$10,000

University Students	\$57,000
Manaia Hall	\$5,000
Methodist Mission Aotearoa	\$4,000
Development Division (2 years)	<u>\$40,000</u>
Total grants	<u>\$172,000</u>

Our recommendation for Board Members are:

Public Trustee (Secretary Administrator)
 Chairperson of Taranaki/Wanganui Synodal District
 Minister for the time being at Manaia
 Mr J P Harding
 Mr A T Hughson
 Rev. L Willing
 Mr H B Duthie
 Mr P Bulfin
 Mr V Morgan
 Mr W Yateman
 Mr G Marx
 Mrs R Hunt.

That this report be received.

J P Harding
 Chairman

JAMES AND MARTHA TROUNSON BENEVOLENT FUND

Report to Conference 1996

(A) SHARING WHAT HAS HAPPENED

This Board is empowered to make grants to persons who are under the pastoral care of the Methodist Church of New Zealand, including Union Parishes and Co-operating Parishes. During the year ended 30 June 1996, 7 people were given gifts as a result of reported pastoral need. Although the individual maximum gift is only \$200 the letters from recipients indicated that a real need is being met. In addition, 3 widows of Presbyters were sent a love gift of \$40 and Christmas gifts of \$30 were sent to 17 retired Deaconesses and other selected parishioners, making a total of \$2,030.

One Board member, Rev Bill Morrison died during the year. He will be sadly missed by other Board members. The Board consists of:

Presbyters: Audrey Dickinson, Norman Brookes, Gillian Watkin and Ted Grounds.

Mesdames: Margaret Gordon (Chair), Liz Kohlhasse,

Messrs: Bob Burton (Treasurer), Bryan Burton (Deputy Chairman), Harold Denton, Jim Steel (Secretary).

(B) LOOKING FORWARD

The Trust is also empowered to accept donations and bequests from those who may wish to join the Trounsons in the on-going love gifts. This is encouraged. Trounson Trust and its aims are unique in the Church, and because we operate through Presbyters we have a direct contact with congregations throughout New Zealand. Through us there is a network of care that clearly meets needs and brings reminders of the caring of the Church for those who are distressed. We believe that Trounson Trust exemplifies the nation-wide, yet family nature of our whole Church.

Suggested Decision:

1. That the Report be received.

THE BOARD OF THE WELLINGTON METHODIST CHARITABLE AND EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENTS

Annual Report to the 1996 Conference

The Board approved the following grants during the financial year ended 30 June.

	\$
Te Taha Maori - Moutoa Scholarship	20,000
Rangatahi worker	30,000
Educational Resource Work	10,000
Grants to Te Kura Kaupapa Maori, and Maori Immersion Programmes	42,000
Masterton Christian Childcare Programme	20,000
Camp Elsdon Children's Camp (nett)	40
Wesley Wellington Mission - Adolescent Residential Unit	20,000

Grants totalled \$142,040 - an increase of 5.8% on 1995.

In recognition of the year 'He taonga te reo' (Maori language), the Board decided to make Grants to Te Kura Kaupapa Maori (4), and Maori Immersion Units (34) within the Wellington region. Again, these unsolicited grants drew a warm response from principals and heads of Units. It has been the practice of the Board to underwrite the annual Children's Camp at Camp Elsdon - this year they were able to nearly break even.

The Board's farm at Moutoa, near Foxton, continues to be well managed.

The membership of the Board comes from both Taha Maori and Tauwiwi, being currently Owen Prior (Chairman), Christine Kershaw, Daphne Pratt, Grant Bolitho, John Roberts, Keith Taylor, Lani Tupu, Barrie Woods, and Neville Price (Secretary). We continue to be aware of the partnership, and bi-cultural journey of the Te Haahi Weteriana.

Owen Prior, Chairman
Neville Price, Secretary

Suggested Decision:

1. That the Report be received.

NEW ZEALAND METHODIST TRUST ASSOCIATION

Report to Conference for the year ended 31 March 1996

SECTION I.

Annual Accounts to 31 March 1996.

Income and Expenditure.

The Association has had another solid year of operation with results very similar to the March 1995 year even though the Association experienced a reduction in the amount deposited, largely through the repayment of the Supernumerary Fund deposits in part in the March 1995 year and the balance (of approximately \$6,000,000) in January 1996.

Gross income for the year totalled \$6,002,346 (March 1995 \$6,073,108) with expenses including property expenses totalling \$1,355,676 (\$1,340,472). This left a net sum available for distribution to depositors of \$4,646,670 compared with \$4,732,636 in the year to March 1995.

Total funds entrusted to the Association for deposit as at 31 March 1996 were \$52,041,688 (\$58,369,539) of which \$15,667,079 was invested in the Income Fund (\$15,465,367) and a further \$36,374,608 in the Growth and Income Fund (\$42,904,172).

There have been two significant matters affecting depositors funds during the year. Firstly, on a positive note the Association was able to write back to Growth and Income Fund depositors the provisional sums deducted in respect of the Grafton properties and this matter will be referred to in detail later in the report. Secondly, as noted previously, the Association repaid a further \$6,000,000 from the Growth and Income Fund deposits to the Supernumerary Fund. It will be recalled that over the last two years the Supernumerary Fund has determined that it is not a fund of the Methodist Church of New Zealand but is a fund of the members and beneficiaries of the Supernumerary Fund and accordingly as it was not under the control and direction of Conference, it could not invest with the Methodist Trust Association.

Investment Revaluations.

The Association's equity investments comprising its properties and shares in New Zealand and Australian publicly listed companies were revalued as at 31 March 1996 in accordance with the Association's normal procedures. Independent valuations from registered property valuers were obtained in respect of all properties and the share portfolios were valued on the basis of the closing sale prices on the last business day of the financial year with Australian

values converted to New Zealand dollars at the prevailing exchange rate at the end of March 1996.

The effect of the revaluations was an increase in property values of \$1,371,327 or 4.17% and in the share portfolio an increase of \$121,339 or 2.96%.

In addition to the capital revaluations the Association also realised capital gains on sale of investments of \$89,763 which meant that there was a **total of \$1,582,429 allocated to Growth and Income depositors for the year.**

The continuation of capital growth is welcomed but it is noted that capital investments may increase or decrease in value and the Association remains committed to accurately reflecting the capital value of its investments so that depositors are aware of the value of their investment with the Association at the end of each financial year.

The Income Fund has averaged in excess of 9% for the year and the Growth and Income Fund with the addition of capital accretion and realised capital gain at March 1996, has attained a return in excess of 12.3% for the year.

Property.

Commercial property is an important and major component of the investment portfolio attributed to the Growth and Income Fund within the Association.

All of the Association's properties are being maintained in a satisfactory condition and all properties (where so required) have building warrants of fitness in terms of the Building Act and fire evacuation schemes for occupants in terms of the Fire Evacuation Regulations.

Grafton Heights.

At 1 April 1995 the Association established a separate fund to hold its Grafton properties, Auckland, as the Association had been unable to achieve the removal of the sale embargo placed on the property by Conference some years subsequent to the Association's purchase of it from the Theological College as a "commercial investment".

Growth and Income Fund depositors were each debited with their proportionate share of the value of the Grafton property and their investment held in a new fund, Long Term G.

Following Conference last year the Association was able to confirm that the sale embargo for the property had been removed and the Association was once

again free to deal with the property as it saw fit and, in accordance with its own funding and timetable requirements. Accordingly as at 1 January 1996 the Long Term G fund was dismantled and Growth and Income Fund depositors were reimbursed with the amounts debited to their accounts in April 1995 plus their proportionate share of the income earned by the Grafton property during the 9 months to 31 December 1995.

The Association recognises that the formation of the Long Term G fund and the debiting of depositor's accounts with each depositor's respective interest in the Grafton property was not universally well received. In the interests of equity and fairness to Growth and Income Fund depositors however, the Association does not consider it had any alternative course of action. In any event the Association has been able to see all funds transferred back to depositors without any loss of capital or shortfall of income being incurred.

The Association expresses its appreciation to the member of the Grafton Land Committee who worked assiduously on what was a difficult matter for the Church and whose careful consideration of the various interests involved led to the recommendations finally adopted by Conference 1995. It is noted that discussions over the original purposes continue.

Board Membership.

During the year the Board was saddened to receive the resignation, because of ill health, of Mr Brian Underwood. Brian has been a member of the Board for several years and his contributions to the work of the Board have been invaluable. The Association, together with the Investment Board, wishes to record its appreciation of Brian's leadership.

SECTION II.

Investment Policy.

The Association has a commitment to reduce its exposure to commercial property over time. The Association is not looking to sell property at below what it considers to be its fair value but as circumstances permit it will move to reduce its overall exposure to commercial property. It is expected however that property will always form the greatest single investment class for the Growth and Income Fund.

The Association maintains a relatively small portfolio of Australasian "blue chip" company shares with all companies having been selected after considering the Guidelines for Socially Responsible Investment adopted by the Church.

The Association is looking at ways in which its spread of shareholding could be expanded on a geographic basis to both broaden the investment options available to the Association and the spread of risk. No firm proposals have yet been developed but the matter is one which is receiving consideration.

Fixed Interest investments continue to be carefully managed in terms of the spread of maturity dates and the interest rates available. The Association does not expect to be a trader in fixed interest stocks but rather purchases with the expectation that it will carry stocks through to their maturity date and amortises purchase premiums or discounts accordingly.

MTA; the Church's Investment Fund.

When the Association was formed in 1978 it was with the deliberate intent that the Association would undertake the majority of the commercial investments of the Methodist Church of New Zealand. This was determined for two main reasons:

1. It enabled the Church to bring its funds together to enable the Church to utilise its own capital and to gain the benefits of dealing in larger sums.
2. It enabled the Church to develop professional management systems for its investment money.

From that time the Association has developed steadily albeit with a significant check following the 1987 sharemarket crash and the resultant property market decline. In this the Association of course shared the common misfortune of most investors during that period. During the 1990's the Association's investments have shown steady growth with returns to depositors each quarter amongst the better performances available from the investment market.

The Association is mindful that there are a number of Church funds which are invested outside the Trust Association.

The Association maintains a diverse investment portfolio to provide for an appropriate spread of risk and depositors are able to choose between the Income Fund with no capital exposure and the Growth and Income Fund where they share in the movement in values of the Association's investment. Accordingly the Association believes that it continues to meet the expectations of the Church with regard to commercial investment and welcomes discussions with all Church groups holding funds for investment on behalf of the Conference leading to the investment of those funds with the Association.

Conference 1994 and 1995 affirmed the place of the Association in the life of the Church and 1995 Conference adopted the decision:

"That Conference affirms the New Zealand Methodist Trust Association as the investment organisation for the Methodist Church / Te Haahi Weteriana and commends investment with the Association to all Church groups and organisations."

The Association believes that its record of investment performance and management is such that, even without Conference affirmation, Church groups and organisations could consider investment in the Association with confidence. With Conference's affirmation and commendation the Association looks forward to the support of the Church in its work.

Suggested Decisions:

1. That the report be received.
2. That the accounts be received.
3. That Conference records its appreciation of Mr Brian Underwood's service on the Board of the New Zealand Methodist Trust Association.
4. That Conference recommend investment of Church funds with the Association to all Treasurers, Parishes and Church organisations.
5. That the Board for 1997 be:
John Chittenden, Vincent Duffy, John Fraser, Hugh Garlick, Bruce Gordon, Graham Keightley, Barbara Lawrence, Lorraine Parker, Geoff Peak, Piripi Rakena, Lloyd Riesterer, Ranjit Sinnaduray, Alan Woodley, General Secretary (acting), and the Executive Officer and such others as shall be appointed by Conference.

INVESTMENT BOARD REPORT TO CONFERENCE

SECTION I.

During the 12 months to 30 June 1996 the Investment Board has been involved in significant negotiations and actions surrounding the possible return to the Church of a large parcel of land in downtown Auckland being sold by the State.

In the end the Board on behalf of the Church, was unable to prove a sufficient nexus between the Church's former ownership of the property and the States current obligations for the property to be returned to the Church on terms sufficiently advantageous to make it beneficial for the Church to proceed.

Whilst the Board was unsuccessful on this occasion it has assisted in setting the guidelines for future endeavours should a similar situation recur.

Property Approvals.

During the year the Board under its delegated authority from the Board of Administration's Church Building and Loan Fund Committee considered and advised on several commercial property applications that were referred to it.

The Board was also involved in assisting the Board of Administration and the Supernumerary Fund in reaching a satisfactory resolution of the sale price for the transfer of the Supernumerary Fund's interest in Morley House, Christchurch to the Board of Administration. This arrangement resulted in the Board of Administration purchasing the Supernumerary Fund's share and it now owns the Morley House property.

Property Management.

The Board continues to manage commercial property on behalf of several Church groups throughout the country. The Board considers this to be an important part of its provision of advice and assistance to the Church in property and investment matters.

Socially Responsible Investment.

The Investment Board received a request from the Joint Presbyterian Public Questions Committee with regard to the appointment of proxies for shareholdings owned by the Church and the use of such proxies for speaking rights and voting purposes at companies shareholder meetings.

The Investment Board affirmed that the Church's voting and speaking rights in respect of its shareholdings in various public companies may be available to enable the Church to develop and highlight a position on matters coming before one or more of those public companies. It believed however that the nominal owner of the shares must be satisfied that the position of the Church on any particular matter has been clearly and properly established and that the proxy understands and will promote or expound the Church's established position.

Board Membership.

During the year the Board was saddened to receive the resignation of Mr Brian Underwood. Brian has had to retire because of serious health problems and the Board will miss his considered and incisive contributions to its proceedings. The Board's thoughts and prayers are with Brian and Enid at this time.

Suggested Decision:

1. That the report be received.
2. The Board is charged with assisting the Church in matters relating to investment policy and investment management. The Board looks forward to dealing with those matters referred to it by the Church in the ensuing year.
3. That the Board for 1997 be:
John Chittenden, Vincent Duffy, John Fraser, Hugh Garlick, Bruce Gordon, Graham Keightley, Barbara Lawrence, Lorraine Parker, Geoff Peak, Piripi Rakena, Lloyd Riesterer, Ranjit Sinnaduray, Alan Woodley, General Secretary (acting), and the Executive Officer and such others as shall be appointed by Conference.

PACT 2086 TRUST REPORT TO CONFERENCE

SECTION I.

During the year to March 1996 PACT 2086 Trust has continued to operate successfully.

The Trust exists to administer the church's reversionary interest in the Queen Street land and the investment funds accumulating against the expiry of the ground lease in 2086.

Annual Accounts.

Income received by the Trust for the year to March 1996 totalled \$596,455 which was somewhat reduced from the income for the previous year of \$703,112. This was because, as signalled in last year's report, a number of leases have fallen due and the new market rents negotiated on releasing or renewal are significantly below those previously applying.

Excess income over expenditure for the year was \$212,541 which was also down on the 1995 figure of \$384,139.

The Association's property investments and small share portfolio were revalued as at 31 March 1996 which resulted in increases in value of \$158,930 (3.25%) and the Association also realised capital gain on the sale of shares of \$5,948 which increased the surplus for the year to \$377,419.

This was added to accumulated funds which at the end of the financial year stood at \$5,173,119.

Properties.

The Trust's properties were fully leased as at balance date and have performed satisfactorily during the year.

Forestry.

The Trust's forest in the Kaweka range, Hawkes Bay has continued to make excellent progress during the year with the Pinus Radiata establishing very well.

Queen Street Property.

Mainzeal Group Limited the lessees of the Queen Street property moved during the financial year to carry out a subdivision of the property (which was permissible in

terms of the lease) and to sell off their leasehold interest in the various parts of the property including the unit titling of the Queen Street shops which are the subject of the Historic Places Trust Protection Notice.

The Trust has been involved in considerable negotiation with the lessee over technical details surrounding the subdivision and sale of leasehold titles and the Trust reports that the lease entered into in 1986 continues to operate satisfactorily and to meet the Church's requirements.

PAC Trust Commission.

During the year the PACT Trust, the successor in title to the Prince Albert College Model Deed Trust, responded to a request from the PAC Review Commission for its comments and understanding of the Prince Albert College Trust's history and any obligations it may have in terms of its current grants.

The PACT Trust was happy to respond to that request for its views particularly as it was.

SECTION II.

Looking Forward.

The Trust's main responsibility continues to be the management of the Church's interest in the Queen Street lease and the administration and investment of the capital funds being developed against the return of the land to the Church in the year 2086.

With this aim in view the Association is committed to a long term investment strategy (as evidenced by the Kaweka Forest investment) with the generation of income on an annual basis not necessarily a prime requisite.

The Trust remains in close contact with the ground lessee on matters relating to the lease and the development of the property.

Suggested Decisions:

That the report be received.



Report to Conference 1996

NI SA BULA VINAKA

The above committee met on the 16th and 17th March 1996 at Wesley Church, Taranaki Street, Wellington at 9.30 a.m.

President Tavake and Vice-President Jill led the day by receiving the Fijian tradition and custom ceremony, representation of whale tooth and kava, gifts of mats, tapas and materials were given to welcome them, and thank them as the leaders of the Church.

A devotion was held followed by morning tea prepared by the women folk of the Wellington district.

The business meeting commenced with the members asking that the word "*Fijian*" be replaced with "Fiji" and read as "Fiji Advisory Committee", due to the fact that there are 3 ethnic groups - Fijian, Rotuman and Fiji Indian cultures consist the Advisory Committee. This was agreed by all.

A three minute silence was observed for members of the Fiji Methodist Church in New Zealand who passed on during the year: Seru Vatucicila, Ratu Isikeli Naulumatua, Master Sumaru and Rev Stan Andrews.

SECTION A - LOOKING BACK

To see what the F.A.C. has been able to achieve in the past, we give thanks to God and praise his Holy name for His leadership and guidance to us all.

The Fellowships who are under the F.A.C.

- The Wesley Wellington
- Lower Hutt
- Palmerston North - Wanganui
- Christchurch - Nelson
- Auckland : Mt Eden, Rotuman, Fiji Indian in Dominion Rd

These groups may not be large in numbers but small - steady and sure in their faith.

The new structure of the Church did not seem to help us, but confuse us. However this will take time for us to adjust, as long as we know where to

turn, to the Mission Resourcing Unit, or to Tauivi Forum, or we go direct to Conference when we are in trouble and need more resourcing.

P.A.L.

This ministry is now towards its end - January 1997. Within the 3 years the work has been tremendous, the vision of the Ministry when it was first established was to identify people for training in the Ministry. The work has now started to pick up. The F.A.C. has noticed the difficult work, and for one person to shoulder all the responsibilities. The F.A.C. would like to express their gratitude to Rev Jione Langi for his hard work as the P.A.L.

Problem

The difficulty in raising the funds for the P.A.L. by the Fellowships. The F.A.C. support the (Chairman) President with his advice that Elders of each Fellowship would have to look after their own groups in the interim when P.A.L. ends in January 1997.

CANDIDATES TO MINISTRY

Ravar Renner is to go to the Home Setting from the Auckland Rotuman Fellowship 1996 assessment.

Tony Qalivutu from Christchurch for 1997. The F.A.C. will ask Mike Yasa to assist him.

Soro and Marica, both have started in 1996 and so far are going well. The name of Atunaisa Lagi was brought up after the F.A.C. meeting from Auckland - re candidate for General Ministry 1996.

F.A.C. EXECUTIVE and LEADERSHIP TRAINING

A date has been set for the 7th & 8th September 1996 in Auckland at Wellspring Training Centre.

The 1994 and 1995 training was also held in Auckland, and this was a great success for the incoming groups from outside Auckland. It was a poor attendance from the Auckland members. Hoping the final year of the P.A.L. will bring more members from Auckland.

THE YOUTH GROUPS

Our Youth Groups have no intention to have a Co-ordinator due to resourcing. At present the groups still rely on the F.A.C. to assist them with funds, as the members cannot raise enough funds for National Youth Camps. The Fijian Youth is represented to the Tauivi Youth Board, and the convener is still making enquiries regarding the funds allocated for Fijian Youth some 5 years ago.

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

This year the Auckland Rotuman Women's Fellowship has been affiliated with the National Body of the N.Z. Methodist Women's Fellowship. Many thanks to Mrs Rigamoto Langi and the Convener for the extra effort, to go a step forward for the Rotuman women.

SECTION B - LOOKING AHEAD

The F.A.C. is hoping to consolidate the new groups who are small in number, and also to make reconciliation with break away groups to come back to the fold of the N.Z. Methodist Conference.

The visit of Rev Tomasi Kanailagi (General Secretary) of the Fiji Methodist Conference was a surprise to the Fijian Groups.

A special meeting was called by the Vice-President, Mrs Jill van de Geer with Superintendent of the Mission Resourcing Unit, Rev John Murray, the members of F.A.C. and Rev Kanailagi on Monday 5th August 1996.

1. The Rev Kanailagi expresses the greetings from the Fiji Conference and affirmed that the Conference was wanting to renew and strengthen ties which had been a little more difficult in the past since the coup.
2. Discussion with the F.A.C., the Vice-President, Rev John Murray and the General Secretary about the future needs of Ministry for the Fiji Advisory Committee in New Zealand.
3. The request of the Auckland Rotuman Fellowship for Rev Jione Langi to remain in New Zealand for a further 2 years to work among the Rotumans.
4. The acceptance of the Khyber Pass Fijian Fellowship to the F.A.C. and N.Z. Conference.

The issue on Rev Langi's stay for the Rotumans; the F.A.C. has agreed to the Ministry after January 1997, pending on the financial package, if the Rotumans will be able to shoulder it. It was asked for members to go back to the grass root members of the Church, and do some more discussion on the package.

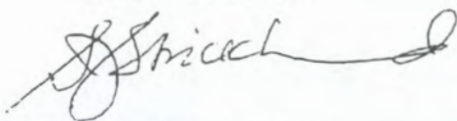
The F.A.C. agreed unanimously to accept Khyber Pass Fellowship, and a recommendation to go to Conference 1996.

Suggested Decisions:

1. The Report be received.

2. The F.A.C. meet at Auckland on the 15th and 16th March 1997.
3. The Conference approved the F.A.C. memberships as recorded - Section 5-32.3.
4. Conference approves the following F.A.C. representatives to the various committees as follows:
 - Taiwi Forum - *Rev J Langi*
 - Mission Resourcing Unit - *Susau Strickland*
 - Council of Conference - *Vane Vatucicila (substitute)*
 - *Susau Strickland (1996)*
 - Taiwi Youth Board - *Rejieli Langi*
 - *Convener*
 - to Conference 1996 - *Rev Jione Langi*
 - *Elaisa Fonmoa*
 - *Convener*
 - Youth - *Rejieli Langi*
5. Conference approves the membership of the F.A.C. Executive as follows:
 - Presbyters - *Revs Jione Langi and Mike Yasa*
 - Lay Reps - *M Reeves, Rayasi Manasa*
 - *Jioji Tikodei, Nemani-Kikau*
 - *Convener and Secretary*
 - *Susau Strickland*
 - *Vasiti Strong*
 - *Susau Strickland*
6. Convener
Secretary
Treasurer
7. The Khyber Pass Fellowship in Auckland be formally received to the Fiji Advisory and the Methodist Church in New Zealand.
8. The inclusion of 2 representatives from the Khyber Pass Fellowship to the F.A.C.
9. Conference commends the Rev Jione Langi for his support and leadership in the work of the Fiji Ministry.

Vinaka - Ni sa Moce



Susau Jane Strickland
Convener/Fiji Advisory Committee

EPWORTH BOOKSHOP

REPORT TO CONFERENCE 1996

THE YEAR IN BRIEF

Epworth Bookshop had almost a full year in its new premises which are a huge improvement over the previous ones.

The Bookshop continues to distribute a wide range of interesting and relevant books as well as educational materials which are mostly used in schools.

FINANCIAL RESULTS

For the four years to 30th June 1995 Epworth has achieved a net surplus after grants of \$52,241. In the last year, however, the Bookshop suffered a loss of \$40,701.

About \$17,000 of sales of "Religion in Life" materials fell just after the end of the financial year because it had not been possible to make the distribution before balance date. This would have been a worthwhile improvement to the sales situation.

It had been hoped that General Sales would improve with Epworth's street-front position but this has not been the case. General sales fell 10%. This emphasises the fact that Epworth Bookshop is principally a mail-order business.

The Board was of this opinion prior to the shift but it is important to note that Epworth had no option - it had to move out of its existing premises. The building on Taranaki Street was extremely suitable and a most favourable rental arrangement was offered by Wesley. However, the move increase occupancy costs by almost \$15,000. The Board took a calculated risk that the new location would improve sales. Prior to making the move the possibility of moving to a light industrial area and operating purely as a mail order-business was considered. However, it was felt that this did not compare favourably with the Wesley option.

GRANTS

In the year to 30th June 1995 the Connexional Budget grant was \$13,500. This reduced to \$13,174 in the past year.

We express our sincere appreciation for the financial support which has been received from the Hamilton Methodist Church Trust. A grant of \$9,000 was received last year. We have been advised that support will not be possible in the year ahead.

SALES LEVELS

Total sales fell from \$489,866 to \$460,841 - a reduction of 5.9%. The most significant drop was in the area of "Life Plus", the material which is used principally in Sunday School teaching. However, Epworth was granted the agency for the competing material "The Whole People of God" and sales in this category were \$19,321.

'Religion in Life', used mainly in schools, continues to sell very well indeed.

NEW PREMISES COMPLETED

While Epworth moved in to the new premises on the street-front of Taranaki Street in Wellington mid-July 1995, there was still so much to do to have the premises fully operational. We are delighted with the modern, light atmosphere in the Bookshop.

In our last report we recorded our sincere gratitude for the generous help which came from the P.A.C. Communications Fund, the Francis Parker Trust and the Properties Fund. Subsequently Methodist Mission Aotearoa contributed \$5,000 towards the shift and \$5,000 for an increase in stock.

Everyone is warmly invited to visit Epworth at 75 Taranaki Street. We would love to show you where we operate. We are proud of it and those who knew where we were previously located will undoubtedly be impressed by the improvement.

A PLACE IN THE CHURCH

The Board reviewed Annual Accounts showing a deficit of \$40,701. This, together with the small loss of \$5,700 in 1995 has almost offset the surpluses which were achieved in 1992, 1993 and 1994. The budget for the year ahead shows a deficit of \$39,000. The Board recognises that it needs to deal with the situation with urgency.

However, before doing so it feels the need to clarify the relationship of Epworth Bookshop with the Church. It needs to be made very clear to the Board whether the Bookshop is considered part of the Church mission or alternatively whether it is to be looked at as a business operation to largely stand on its own feet with perhaps a contribution from the Connexional Budget as has been the case over the last two years.

Certainly successive Church Conferences have confirmed that Epworth has a definite place within the mission of the Methodist Church of New Zealand. There are few distributors of theological material which has the type of emphasis favoured by the Methodist Church. In addition, the Bookshop has been the distributor of educational materials for use both in Church-centered education and in schools.

It has previously been said that the Church would support Epworth to the extent of the cost of one Minister - that is the cost of a stipend plus allowances. This would still appear to be the amount that is needed. This level has historically been in place through many, many years.

If this amount of support is not forthcoming it will be necessary for Epworth to operate as a stand-alone business taking its decisions totally on a financial basis.

It should be recalled that in the past support of an "unseen" kind came principally from the Education Division and the Education & Development Division. They absorbed many of the overheads of Epworth. This has changed and Epworth's costs are now fully encompassed within the operation.

APPRECIATION TO THE TEAM

Epworth is staffed by the Manager, Joy Wright, and her permanent staff Marie, Brenda and Annette. We express to them our appreciation for their work during the year and their willingness to co-operate with all the changes which have been necessary.

CONSTITUTION AND LOCATION OF BOARD

In terms of a decision of Conference, the Trust Board has been transferred from Auckland to Wellington. We have been delighted to have Kathy Stirrat, Roger Olsson, Fletcher Thomas and Ray Michelle join the Board. They all bring valuable skills. Because some have a knowledge of marketing, they are working together to formulate marketing strategies which will address the challenge to lift sales levels.

Joy Wright and Gavin Watson, our accountant, attend board meetings but are not technically members of the Trust Board.

Brian Garlick and Reverend Alan Woodley of Auckland have generously contributed to the Board through their involvement from the time of the Board's formation. Both have brought specialised experience which has been invaluable. They have been part of major decisions in restructuring the Bookshop. Both will be retiring from the Board as from the August 1996 meeting and all they have done for Epworth is acknowledged with sincere thanks. Both are extremely busy and their generosity in the giving of their time is acknowledged.

We are delighted that, following Brian Garlick's retirement as Chairman, Graeme Weir has kindly assented to take this position. Graeme brings many skills which will be of use to Epworth.

MEETINGS

The Trust Board has maintained its practice of holding quarterly meetings. These meetings have received full financial reports supplemented by monthly sales analysis reports.

Because of the need for urgent changes to the way Epworth is operating and the need for effectively sales promotion, the Board will now start meeting each month.

CONCLUSION

Epworth Bookshop offers a superb service. It has a range of intensely interesting and useful books. It is now a matter of informing potential customers of the products being offered. It is also vital that Methodists make a conscious point of supporting the Bookshop with their purchases. Every sale is a contribution to the assurance of continued service.

SUGGESTED DECISIONS

1. That the Report be received.
2. That Conference affirm the principle that Epworth Bookshop is a Ministry of Te Hahi Weteriana.
3. That the Budget Task Group make provision to fund the cost of this Ministry, that is, the equivalent of a stipend and allowance.
4. That Brian Garlick's and Alan Woodley's contribution to Epworth be noted and that they be thanked for the expertise they have brought to the Trust.
5. That the Trust for 1997 be:
Ray Michelle, Roger Olsson, Kathy Stirrat, Fletcher Thomas, Stan West and

GREY INSTITUTE TRUST ANNUAL REPORT TO CONFERENCE 1996

Section One - The Present

The Grey Institute Trust continue to meeting bimonthly in order to make decisions concerning the administration of the 90-100 acres in west New Plymouth and the land known as Rangiatea for which it has oversight.

The Trust is grateful to the firm of Coopers & Lybrand who carry out the administration, both of the properties and moneys, effectively. In the last year the total amount of money made available to Taha Maori was \$300,008 to 30 June 1995.

Some possible changes in policy concerning this administration of the Trust have had to be left in abeyance, because the Trust would wish to consult Ngati Te Whiti before any alteration of policy. Ngati Te Whiti is sorting out who their official spokes people should be and until this is resolved consultation cannot take place.

As stated above, the Grey Institute Trust Trustees administer the property known as Rangiatea.

This property is presently leased to the Taranaki Polytechnic and it houses the Maori Studies Department of the Polytechnic. Sections of the building are subleased to the Maori Radio Station, the Te Kura Tuatahi and a division of the Justice Department.

Section Two - The Future

The appropriate use of the land bought in 1995 from New Zealand Railways is a major source of discussion and options for its development are being considered.

The history of the Grey Institute Trust will be published in the coming year.

Suggest Decision.

1. That the Report be received.

PAC DISTRIBUTION GROUP

Report to Conference 1996

What makes you want to get up in the morning?

For many people, there is nothing to look forward to, no reason to welcome the day. For parts of our Church, as well as for individuals and groups, it is difficult to keep hope alive.

To help counteract this sense of despair, our distribution this year has been made on the theme of **ENABLING HOPE**.

HOPE for Church and Community
Education
the Church working with Youth and Children.

As always, we were not able to make a favourable response to all the Stories we heard.

The Allocations are:

Church and Community	\$
DrugArm	10,000
Ngati Kapo Aotearoa (Inc)	10,000
St Lukes Health & Care Centre	2,000
Link House-Teenage Self Esteem	1,010
Safe Care - Crisis Support	10,000
Psychiatric Survivors Group	1,500
Friendship House	10,000
"Te Mara Marie" Project	8,000
Habitat for Humanity	70,000
St John's Community Church	
Great Barrier Island	50,000
Tongan National Youth Rally	3,600
Youthtrek '97	3,600
P D & L Fund	60,000
Mission & Ministry Co-ordinating	
Committee	50,000
Church Legal costs	<u>200,000</u>
	<u>\$489,710</u>

Education

Tauiwi National Youth	
Co-ordinators Training	10,000
Student Christian Movement	16,000
Conference on Theology in Oceania	3,000
ARLA (Dunedin)	5,000

Parihaka design project	4,000
Barnabas Christian Trust	10,000
Westport Story Room	3,000
St Luke Creative Activities	<u>1,000</u>
	<u>\$52,000</u>

Children and Youth

Synods (include. Fiji & Tongan)

Northland	20,000
Auckland	35,000
Manukau	25,000
Waikato Waiariki	35,000
Taranaki Wanganui	25,000
Hawkes Bay Manawatu	25,000
Wellington	35,000
Nelson Marlborough West Coast	20,000
North Canterbury	35,000
South Canterbury	20,000
Otago Southland	20,000
Samoan Synod	20,000
Taha Maori	<u>35,000</u>
	<u>\$350,000</u>

We heard a number of Stories indicating a need for support for:
camping, campsites and live-in or similar facilities

Leadership development within and work with children and
young people.

In the allocations above, we saw an opportunity for Synods to pick up
these themes and share in the task of enabling hope.

RESOURCE PERSON/CHRISTIAN EDUCATION ENDOWMENT

Gottwald Visit	\$1,000.00
Trinity Church Puppeteers	<u>\$1,000.00</u>
	<u>\$2,000.00</u>

ARCHIVES

Administration Division	\$15,600.00
Trinity College, Kinder Library	<u>\$ 400.00</u>
	<u>\$16,000.00</u>

MEMBERSHIP

PAC Distribution Group 1996:

Graham Harris, Wendie Rosewell, Joan McDonald, Alison Greening, Gillian Telford, Pam Davis, Peter Grundy, Trevor Nesbit, Stan West.

We thank Trevor Nesbit and Joan McDonald who this year retire from the Committee. Gillian Telford will be replaced by Tavake Tupou for 1997, Stan West will be replaced by Donald Phillipps as Acting General Secretary.

Suggested Decision:

1. That the Report be received.

METHODIST PROVIDENT SOCIETY

Annual report to Conference 1996.

The Society has pleasure in presenting this, its seventeenth Annual Report to Conference.

The total membership at 30th June 1996 was 248 compared with 256, at the 31st March 1995. This represents a decrease in membership of slightly over 3%. The main area of movement in membership is a reduction in the Nominated Trust Advance Depositors.

NOMINATED TRUST ADVANCES

Of the total membership of the Society, 16 were members because of their desire to assist their own local parish or other local group through the Nominated Trust Advances scheme, such deposits amounted to \$111,025 compared with \$129,650 last year.

At the end of the financial year, 9 parishes or other Church-related bodies were recipients of these Nominated Trust Advance loans. In all cases the depositors have foregone their right to interest on the money they have lent to the recipient.

Individuals may deposit the desired sum in the Society (usually on an 'interest-free basis') and then the Society enters into a loan arrangement with the parish, on the understanding that if the deposit is required to be repaid, for whatever reason, the Parish will repay the loan concerned and the Society will then make the appropriate repayment to the depositor. Parishes will be aware that these arrangements provide the cheapest possible form of finance.

FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE YEAR.

The 15 month period ended 30th June 1996 saw the Society achieve a surplus of \$21,558 compared with \$9,982 last year. Total deposits, other than Nominated Trust Advances amounted to \$406,397 compared with \$401,910 last year.

INTEREST DONATED.

There are a number of members of the Society who choose to further support the Society by foregoing their right to interest on their deposits, and during the 15 month period ended 30 June 1996 \$3,951 was received from this source, compared with \$2,623 last year.

DISTRIBUTION

A resolution will be put to the Society's Annual Meeting that a distribution be made this year of up to \$20,000

INTEREST RATES

Since the end of September 1993, interest rates offered by the Society on deposits have been constant at 4%. The Board of the Society has decided to establish a policy whereby interest rates will be monitored regularly in an effort to provide members with more realistic returns on their investments, while maintaining a surplus that is available for distribution.

OTHER FACILITIES THAT ARE AVAILABLE THROUGH MEMBERSHIP OF THE SOCIETY.

Any existing or potential member of the Society can arrange insurance through National Insurance for homeowners and householders insurance cover, with the contact made direct between the insured and the insurer, thus eliminating a significant amount of work to be undertaken within the office.

The Provident Society continues to operate an arrangement with Southern Cross Healthcare, whereby we are able to offer to members Medical Insurance with the benefit of group rates. There has been considerable interest in the scheme.

The Board of the Provident Society has been aware of the need to revitalise the Society and to increase the total involvement of members of the Methodist Church of New Zealand and Co-operating Ventures in its activities.

WHAT DOES THE FUTURE HOLD?

The Board has been considering the appropriateness of the existing Society Rules and therefore has spent considerable time reflecting on the Society's purpose, and activities in an effort to make the Society more relevant.

P. M. Teague. Chairperson.
S. J. West Secretary.
R. M. Le Couteur Executive

Officer.

SUGGESTED DECISIONS.

1. That the report be received.
2. That the sum of \$20,000 be available for distribution as per recommendation to be submitted following the Annual Meeting of the Society.

SINOTI SAMOA EKALESLA METOTISI NIU SILA:

Samoan Synod:

REPORT TO CONFERENCE 1996.

INTRODUCTION:

During the last three years the Samoan Ministry has undergone major preparation towards the establishment of its own synod through which its affairs and matters concerning the Samoan people within the Church are managed. The decision to establish the Samoan Synod was finally given approval by the Church at its Conference in November 1994 and it took over a year to make final preparations before it was launched.

THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SAMOAN SYNOD.

The Samoan people wish to express their sincere thanks to the Conference and the wider Church for the decision to approve the setting up of the Samoan Synod and for their solid support which was clearly shown through their participation at the inaugural service at Mangere and during the celebrations which followed. "Malo Fa'afetai tele lava"

The first Samoan Synod was established on 27 January 1996.

An inaugural church service to mark the occasion was held at the Tongan Church, Mangere, Auckland. The President, Rev Tavake conducted the service where Rev Aso Saleupolu was inducted as its first Superintendent and Mr Lani Tupu of Wellington was commissioned as the Secretary.

The service was attended by more than 1000 people which was followed with a meal at the Papatoetoe Community hall.

STRUCTURE.

The Samoan Synod is divided into four Regions, Auckland, Manukau, Hawkes Bay, and Wellington. Each Region has a convenor who is responsible for the convening of meetings for those areas to discuss matters relating to the welfare of the Samoan people and matters which are of importance to the welfare of the Church as a whole. The Convenors of the regions then report to the Executive committee where further discussions are carried out before referring any firm recommendations to the annual Synod which meets in August.

THE EXECUTIVE.

The executive consists of the convenors from the four Regions plus one representative from each region together with the Superintendent, the Secretary, the Youth Co-ordinator, plus two of the youth representatives, the Treasurer and two representatives from the Mafutaga Tama'ita'i (Samoan Women's Fellowship).

The Executive have met three times this year.

THE SAMOAN YOUTH CO-ORDINATOR:

Rev Tavita Filemoni was appointed as the Samoan Youth Co-ordinator in February 1996. At present he is working as a part time Presbyter at Mangere East and half of his time is working for the Samoan youth.

Rev Filemoni's work amongst the Samoan youth is proving to be very successful. However, concerns have been raised regarding the volume of work Rev Filemoni is undertaking because of the demand on the needs of people, both from the Parish at Mangere East and the needs of the Samoan Youth in the various Samoan congregations around the regions. For example Rev Filemoni other briefs include the preparations and the translation of teaching materials for youth as well as for Sunday Schools. In brief there is insufficient time to meet the real pressure of the needs of people both from the Parish as well as from the wider Samoan youth and congregations in the regions.

FIRST ANNUAL SYNOD.

The first Samoan annual Synod was held at Henderson Methodist Church, Auckland, on 30/31 August 1996.

At the annual Synod, the Samoans passed a resolution that we celebrate the day the Synod was established on the Sunday nearest to the 27th of January each year. A resolution was also passed that the dates of the celebrations should be placed in the Samoan Church calendar each year. (The Samoan Church calendar is being prepared)

The celebration of such event is left entirely to the four Regions to arrange whatever they feel appropriate to suit the day.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE ISSUES RAISED AT THE ANNUAL SYNOD.

Budget: The budget task group had written to the Samoan Synod informing that their budget for the 1996/7 year is \$16,500. It also indicated that the budgets for 1997/8 will be looked at by the Task Group early in February 1997. The Budget Task Group also suggested that the Samoan Synod might look at other ways of resourcing the activities of the Synod in the future rather than depending on funding from the connexion.

The Synod decided to ask the Conference in response to the Budget Task Group's suggestion that the connexion continue to fund the Samoan Synod while the question of alternative funding is explored

The following topics were also discussed by the Synod.

- The procedures for the Samoan candidature to the Ministry
- The creation of a Ministry Education Support Fund
- The Samoan Synod Stationing Procedures
- Training of Presbyters for the Samoan Ministry
- Theology of Baptism
- Welfare of the Church
- Mission Resourcing Recruitment & Immigration
- Methodist Conference & Mission Statement

- Candidates Selecton Procedures & Training
- Methodist Mission
- Connexional & Resource Appointments
- Euthanasia
- Job description re Lecturer in Systematic Theology.
- Nominations for the President and Vice President Elect.
- Faith and Order

THE SAMOAN LANGUAGE.

The Synod also recognise the importance of the Samoan Language because they feel it is part of our family life and our culture. To mark this occasion the Synod passed a resolution to celebrate the Samoan Language on the first Sunday of June each year to coincide with the main celebration in Samoa of the National Independence Day.

MAFUTAGA TAMA'ITA'L (Samoan Women's Fellowship)

The Samoan Women's Fellowship was also established since the inception of the Samoan Synod with Mrs Vaotane Saleupolu as its President. While the Mafutaga Tama'ita'i operates independently and has its links directly to the Methodist Church's Women's Fellowship's Organisation, it does form part of the Samoan Synod in its total Ministry.

APPOINTMENT OF THE TREASURER.

Mrs Eleanor Faumuina was appointed as a Treasurer at the Annual Synod in August 1996. She will be working with Lani Tupu, the present Treasurer and will officially be taking over in March next year.

TRIBUTE TO REV FA'AOSO TUGIA.

Rev Tugia is retiring at this conference. Tributes have already been expressed to Rev Tugia at the Samoan annual Synod held in August 1996. We wish him well and his family for a deservedly earned retirement.

OTHER TRIBUTES.

The Synod also paid tributes to the following: (deceased)

Mrs Tinifu Suemai of Papakura

Mr Tuaau Tupu Robini Maea of Ponsonby

Mr Tavita Tietie of Manurewa

Mrs Irene Lolog of Masterton

and Mr Savea Lilo of Mangere East.

LOOKING TO THE FUTURE.

The Samoan people are well aware that launching into a new establishment is no easy task. However, they accept the new challenge and new responsibilities and are looking forward to work alongside with other Synods in the Connexion for the betterment of our Church in Aotearoa.

The Review of the total Samoan Ministry which was carried out in 1994, now forms the basis of our strategic plans for the life and future directions of our total Samoan Ministry.

Suggested recommendations.

1. That Conference continue to fund the Samoan Synod through the connexional budget in the meantime while the Samoan people are exploring ways of finding alternative sources of funds for its future work.
2. That the report be received.

LAW REVISION

The Standing Committee meets as necessary during the year. Its task is to draft formal amendments to the Laws & Regulations of the Church, as requested or decided by the preceding Conference, sometimes after consultation with other Standing Committees, Boards or Parishes where any changes of present law are needed, and to prepare and present to the Conference Law Revision Committee of Detail (which meets just prior to Conference), those changes which are to be made this year.

The changes which are presented this year are summarised below, and will be presented to the Conference following examination by the Committee of Detail, and work during 1997 will depend on decisions of the Conference this year, and will include continuation of work begun during 1996.

During 1996, the Committee has dealt with changes necessary to the Law regarding Ordination and reception into Full Connexion, and cessation of being in Full Connexion, (section 2), tidying of provisions relating to Conference Committees of Detail and Connexional Committees, including formation and function of the Council of Conference and some provisions regarding the Central Complaints Committee (all section 5), Conference expenses (section 8) and major new provisions in section 9 regarding Mission and Ministry, replacing the former Development Division, and various minor matters.

There are several matters being considered by the Committee which remain incomplete. One relates to the Samoan Synod, which is still in the process of clarifying its shape and purpose. It was therefore decided to defer drafting relating to that Synod until such clarification is available.

The Committee also understands that Revs. Gillian Watkin and David Murray are working on revision of the section relating to Ministry and after that material is presented to Conference it will need consideration by the Standing Committee.

A separate Committee is reviewing the provisions relating to complaint and trial procedures, and is looking to integrate those under the Central Complaints Committee along the lines of those for dealing with sexual harassment/abuse. That Committee has reported to Synods during 1996 and is still working on such procedures. The Law

Revision Standing Committee has therefore not been able, during 1996, to draft new law relating to those procedures, but will do so once they have been clarified. Conference should note that when those new procedures are presented to it, which the Committee hopes will be at the 1997 Conference, they must surely be deemed to affect the rights of the Ministry or Laity and will therefore need to be considered and passed by two consecutive Conferences before coming legally into force.

Last Conference the Committee reported that a major re-ordering of the Law Book to separately identify partnership law (applying to the whole Church) and provisions relating separately to either Tauwiwi or Taha Maori should be undertaken. That was reflected in decision 4 of the 1995 Conference, but it has simply not been possible, in the time available during 1996 to attend to that work; that is another matter which needs carrying over to 1997.

The Standing Committee notes that provisions relating to the Tauwiwi Forum also need to be drawn up and incorporated into the law. That also will be looked at in 1997.

The issue of consensus decision-making has still not been finalised, and Conference, and its Committees, continues to operate in terms of the draft guidelines previously adopted.

Members of the Standing Committee are thanked for their work during 1996. The work is exacting and time-consuming as the Church needs clear law as a back-stop for its processes. All members of the Committee are available for re-appointment and no change in the membership is therefore suggested for 1997.

G H Peak - Convener

S J West - Secretary

SUGGESTED DECISIONS

1. The report is received.
2. Conference receives the new and revised Law presented to it to be available for checking by members during the Conference.
3. Conference notes that the guidelines for consensus decision-making continue in use by Conference and its Committees until further decision of the Conference.
4. Conference asks the Bi-Cultural Committee after consultation with Taha Maori and the Tauwi Forum during 1997 to look at the possibility of re-ordering the Law Book so as to identify partnership law (things we do together) and Tauwi and Taha Maori law (things we do in separate groups or caucuses).
5. Conference notes that the Standing Committee hopes during 1997 to draw and submit to the 1997 Conference law relating to the Samoan Synod, the Tauwi Forum, the section on Ministry and general procedures for dealing with complaints and discipline, and requests the Committee to continue work on these matters.
6. Conference adopts the new and revised law received by it in terms of Decision 2.
7. Membership of the Standing Committee in 1997 is:

Norman Brookes, Edgar Hornblow, Alan Woodley, Jan Tasker, David Smith, Peter Williamson, Geoff Peak (Convenor) and the Acting General Secretary (Secretary).

Review of Overseas Mission:

Report to Conference from Rob Ferguson.

In response to the Conference resolution, David Bush and I began work to consult with the Presbyterian Working Party convened by Rev Russell Rofe in Timaru, and also with parishes. In late July David left for an exchange ministry in the USA.

I have met with the Presbyterian Working party, with Rev Michael Thawley and Stan West, with staff from CWS and with Judy Allison (COMEC), and with a secretary from CWM (Council for World Mission - a partner of the Presbyterian Church), and with Janet Teague and Ian Faulkner (COMEC Co-ordinating Committee.)

Russell Rofe and I have shared mailing and information regularly. It became clear early in the consultation process that the questions confronting the two churches regarding Missions Overseas are different, and Council of Assembly wished to proceed separately until the basic issues confronting each church are discussed, and then reconvene the joint process of Conference's resolution.

The Conference resolution asked the work group to look for "alternatives for mission engagement, ecumenical relationship and international affairs." As we began this task we soon realised that before any helpful alternatives could be put forward there needed to be some ground work done to be clearer about attitudes within the connexion, and the respective stances of Tauwi and Taha Maori.

This year has been the beginning of that task.

What is Mission?

In simple terms, "mission" is what we do in response to God.

Our rationale for doing it is theological, arising from our understanding of the Bible, our church practice over the years, and our current relationship with God.

The ways we do it arise out of our theological reflection, and will always express our deepest values.

This paper does not intend to outline in any depth what those might be, but alludes to the various ways in which "mission" is currently interpreted within the church.

Parish Survey:

From the initial questions circulated in the April 10th month mailing, 69 responses were received by the end of August, from individuals, parishes, synods, and the Council of Conference.

These were as varied as one would expect! However they clarified some important points:

1. The church in parish form still holds it important that partnership with overseas churches be maintained. There is widespread agreement that the forms of "missionary" activity which were the norm are no longer appropriate. Few responses assumed that we have it all to give to others, and have nothing to receive. Most were aware that changes in approach have been happening, and want to see those continue.
2. There is widespread disappointment that communication from COMEC to parishes has not been handled well leading to a feeling of alienation from any work that *is* being done. This makes any new understandings of what it means to be in mission without the patriarchal and oppressive forms of 19th century "missionary" activity more

difficult to convey to local people who are willing to be challenged into new ways of thinking about this.

3. There is confusion about the roles of CWS and COMEC. I have tried to address this in summary form in August 10 connexional mailing.
4. Mission at home is as important as mission abroad.

COMEC Structure:

Within COMEC there is significant restructuring already happening. There have been constant reviews of the Council for Mission and a continual diminishing of the budget grant from Conference and Assembly. The Presbyterian Church has begun a new funding process this year which may further affect the source of COMEC funds. However, COMEC has lived within these constraints, albeit at a cost in areas such as communication with parishes.

The 5 Units structure is now perceived to be top-heavy, and there are already proposals from within the Council for Mission to streamline the way COMEC works.

The report from COMEC to this Conference outlines some of the new ways of working.

I do not believe Conference needs to impose yet another structural review in the meantime. Once the issues below are clarified, any new structure will be clearer.

- **However, communication about COMEC's activity with partner churches has been too ineffective to expect support in parishes. Unless this continues to be intentionally addressed by the Council for Mission, the alienation at present felt will continue.**

The three-fold brief addressed by COMEC - ie Overseas partnerships, Ecumenical affairs, and International Affairs may be too large to be dealt with effectively by one body.

International Affairs:

Unit 5, based in Wellington was to have been the Unit which dealt with International Affairs. This has not worked well for a variety of reasons.

At the moment International Affairs is being handled primarily by Judy Allison with the help of the Units, and is contained within the issues which are important to the territories of our overseas partner churches. Thus nuclear dumping in Kiribas is picked up, whereas Bosnia is not. This limited approach keeps the task manageable.

The underlying issue to be answered by Conference is not simply organisational - ie how to access international affairs.

- **What sort of information is the church wanting, and for what purpose?**
- **Does the Methodist Church request information on international affairs wider than the sphere covered by COMEC?**

Once this is clear, the best ways of achieving that end can be addressed, along with the associated communication needs.

Ecumenical affairs:

These tend to be with existing organisations such as Conference of Churches in Aotearoa NZ, World Council of Churches, World Methodist Council, Christian Conference of Asia. In this case COMEC acts as a link between the Methodist Church of NZ, Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa, and ecumenical groups world-wide and in Aotearoa NZ.

The question of how these links are most effectively maintained is answered by being clear about the purpose of such links for Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa, Methodist

Church of NZ.

- Are they best linked to the part of our church dealing specifically with overseas work?
- Are they best linked with a body which functions jointly with another church?

Overseas Partnership:

Within our church there are several stances to the question of overseas partnerships.

- *Council of Conference and others see COMEC in its present form as irrelevant, representing a style of partnership outmoded in today's world.*

In this view, "overseas mission" is a term which implies imperialist views of mission as the powerful patronising the less powerful. For some, the answer is to transfer all "overseas" spending to Christian World Service. For others it is to hand over all control to the partner church body.

- *Many individuals and parishes choose to put their overseas focus into Voluntary Societies of various types, eg World Vision, Youth with a Mission.*

In this view, the task is primarily one of evangelistic outreach, taking the gospel message of good news to those who have yet to hear it. There is a direct relationship between the person overseas and the NZ person. In child sponsorships for example, World Vision and others use the device of a photograph and letters from the child to the sponsor. Many parishes prefer to form direct partnerships with "their" worker overseas. In some cases this represents a way of relating to organisations which have a theology acceptable to that parish or individual.

- *Other parishes and individuals give primary value to historical partnerships and several have made contributions to these by bequest over the years. For example Helena Goldie Hospital has been the focus of much Methodist work over many years.*

In this view COMEC represents the way in which our church connections are maintained, and Conference effectively honours its long-standing relationships with particular overseas churches.

There is no simple answer. All these stances have their own merits and demerits. Each raises questions which Conference needs to spend time grappling with. Each is currently found within the connexion.

Here are some of the underlying questions which have a bearing on how alternatives might be found.

- If Te Taha Maori find COMEC irrelevant, is COMEC a valid Tauwiwi response to overseas partnership?
- If COMEC is disbanded, what does this do to discussions about church union?
- Does Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa, Methodist Church of NZ have any role to play in partnership with overseas churches when money is not involved?
- What is the relationship to be between church to church partnership and development aid for community groups who are not church affiliated?
- Is it possible for our church to be a receiving church?

Mission at Home:

As part of the "Overseas Mission" clarification process, it has become clear that the word "Mission" is used within Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa to designate different parts of our

structural activity. In the responses from Parishes about Overseas Mission, many replies stressed the need for mission to begin at home.

The word is used in "The Mission Statement", Mission Resourcing Unit (MRU), Methodist Mission Aotearoa (MMA), Council for Mission and Ecumenical Co-operation (COMEC), Interchurch Trade and Industry Mission (ITIM).

Clearly only one of these uses relates very directly to Overseas work. (COMEC)

Is there a way of integrating the work of Conference so that it became more focussed, and less fragmented, reflecting a common theme of "mission"?

Where to start!

The Mission Statement:

If this is a foundational statement for our church at present - what is the relationship between its words and the deeds of the church?

The statement is followed by 11 clauses relating somewhat haphazardly to two aspects of mission - what and how. The clauses are principles - the values which are carried into actions of mission.

The Mission Statement and its principles could provide a unifying framework, and also provide a way of reporting to Conference that would relate the work of the various parts of our church to each other.

How to do this?

If each group within our church took seriously the Mission Statement and its principles, there would be some principles that each would own be enacting in a more particular way than others. For example, MMA with its focus on Social Services, would be working in particular with Justice and Healing (but not exclusively those).

At Conference, when reports are made, it would be possible to order the business in such a way that each principle became the focus of attention in turn, perhaps with an emphasis on two or three each year. In this way, the church is able to rediscover and celebrate the mission of our church as it is enacted. Thus there is a unifying factor missing at present.

It is noteworthy that one of the principles of the Mission Statement is inclusiveness, yet we still keep our Conference business in watertight boxes of reporting. It is hard to get a sense of unity or direction from such a scattered approach!

Suggested Decisions:

1. That during 1997, the following be addressed by a small group, if possible to include both Treaty partners, reporting to Conference 1997. The Group to be based in Christchurch with Tauitihi membership determined by the North Canterbury Synod with the approval of the President.
 - a) Conference be guided to resolve whether, and how, the Methodist Church of NZ, Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa pursues overseas church partnership policies independent of the Presbyterian Church of NZ.
 - b) Investigation be made into the setting up of a Committee on Ecumenical Affairs to handle all ecumenical work except Co-operating Parishes, but including Church Union.
 - c) That the Connexion's International Affairs needs be clarified, and effective ways of meeting these be considered.

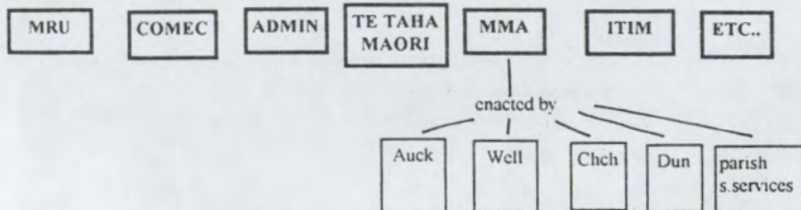
2. That Conference asks the Welfare of the Church Standing Committee to explore ways of enacting the Mission Statement through the principles within the structure of Conference reports and the life of Conference.

THE MISSION STATEMENT

expressed by

THE PRINCIPLES

each is enacted by



When read from the Mission Statement to its various enactments, it is a flow chart of intentional mission flowing from the Mission Statement into the life of every part of the church.

An interesting point of debate is where the mission of local faith groups fits in to such a scheme.

A distinction can also be made between parts of the church designed to enable mission to happen, and parts of the church directly doing various mission activities, or engaging their form of mission. Oiling the wheels is still mission - hence the Admin Division is able to claim its rightful place as an agency of our mission.

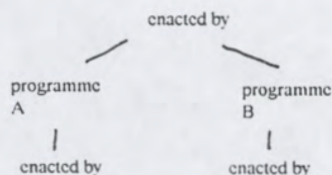
The question "What is mission?" is rather less important in this schema than whether anything is being done!

To focus our life intentionally on these principles and their enactment (or not) helps with the debates which must happen around priorities for it gives an integrated active view of what we are doing, and therefore can point to where development might take place into different areas of priority. Such an integrated view is missing at present.

Mission at home or abroad is understood clearly to arise from the same impulse summarised as the "Mission Statement" of Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa, Methodist Church of NZ.

enacted by

developing innovative responses through partnership with children, their families and the frail elderly. (Mission Statement of Chch Mission)



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PRINCE ALBERT COLLEGE

report of the Task Group to Conference 1996

Conference 1995, Minutes. Question 25 no.9 p.733

- a. *That Conference commission a special report to re-examine the history and purposes of the Prince Albert College Trust in order to keep faith with its original purposes.*
- b. (i) *That Conference appoint a small group of people with knowledge of New Zealand Methodist history to prepare such a special report on the history and purposes of the PAC Trust.*
(ii) *That the Group comprises: Norman Brookes, Gary Clover, Susan Thompson -Convener, with power to co-opt.*
- c. *That this report be available, along with the Review Report prior to any decisions being taken by the Conference on the PAC Review.*

Introduction

The Task Group has researched the origins of the Prince Albert College Trust, has traced its history, and has sought responses from a variety of Connexional committees as well as from synods and parishes. In doing so the Task Group has distinguished carefully between the land in Upper Queen Street, which is the focus of this research, and the Fitzroy Crown grants (Grafton 1844, and Three Kings 1845), along with the Grey grants made in the 1850's. The latter were for the purposes of 'Native' education. The Fitzroy Crown grants have been thoroughly researched, (see 1995 Minutes of Conference p.328-336), and are not under consideration in this report.

Early History

The Prince Albert College had its origins in land purchased in Queen Street from the Crown. Ngati Whatua were the indigenous title holders at the time of the first Crown purchase at Auckland, the "Waitemata Purchase", upon which the centre of Auckland city came to be built. On July 29, 1841, Captain Symonds, and George Clarke, the first Native Protector, on behalf of Governor Hobson, signed a deal with Ngati Whatua to purchase a wedge of land, 3,000 acres in extent, from St. Georges Bay (Parnell) in the east, south to Maungawhau (Mt Eden), and then north west to Cox's Creek at Westmere. The sum paid included an earlier deposit of six gold sovereigns, then "fifty blankets, fifty pounds, twenty trousers, twenty shirts, ten waistcoats, ten caps, four casks of tobacco, one box of pipes, 100 yards of gown pieces, ten iron pots, one bag of sugar, one bag of flour, and twenty hatchets." (A.W.Reed, Auckland; the city of the seas, 1955, pp.61,62) It was a typical land transaction of the time, and as far as we know no later claim for compensation has been made by Ngati Whatua.

In July 1848, the Rev. Walter Lawry the Superintendent of the Wesleyan Mission in New Zealand, Tonga and Fiji, purchased five allotments in Upper Queen Street for 432 pounds,

then two further adjoining blocks, bringing the total area to about eight and a half acres for a final cost of 952 pounds. This purchase was made on behalf of a number of Wesleyan European missionaries for the schooling of their children. Each missionary contributed 20 pounds. It needs to be noted that these were private purchases. A school for boys and girls was opened in 1850. In 1858, the Australasian Wesleyan Conference purchased the property from the missionaries with the intention of developing a Connexional school or college. At this point the missionary proprietors were repaid their original subscription and were later given a final dividend. The property was vested in a Connexional Trust under the Model Deed. According to the new trustees the object of the trust was "the establishment of a school or college in Auckland or elsewhere in New Zealand" (Fiebig p5-6.).

The school established was successful for a time. In 1868 it was closed and the property leased. However, the trust was still committed to promoting education. In 1876 a new opportunity arose when the Three Kings institution was opened as "Wesley College". Income from the Upper Queen Street lease was made available, as loans totalling 758 pounds to enable the repair of the Three Kings buildings. In addition, grants of 150 pounds per annum were made to support training of "English" theological students. One stipulation was that the training of such students needed to be in place for not less than seven years otherwise the repayment of this grant would be a first charge on the income of the Three Kings estate. (Wm. Kirk, June 1, 1876, correspondence in Wesleyan College Minute Book 1856 - 58)

The Three Kings experiment proved to be unsatisfactory. Therefore in 1893 Conference decided to restart a Wesleyan "English" school in Upper Queen Street; this to include a senior department for the training of theological students. The Wesleyan College (Upper Queen Street) Trustees had some strong reservations about this possibly based on past experience. Nevertheless in 1895 this institution opened under the name of Prince Albert College. At this point the Trust was renamed the Prince Albert College Trust.

The Trustees reservations proved correct. The institution faced financial difficulties and was subsequently closed in 1906. Theological training was transferred to Upper Grafton, then in succession to College Hill, Dunholme in Remuera, and to Trinity College, Grafton in 1929.

The Trust continued to administer the Upper Queen Street property for the next 80 years, signing a fifty year lease in 1907. During this period they paid back the debt, made grants towards theological and other education, and put money aside for future development. Between the years 1912 to 1940 a total sum of 3,500 pounds was given in a series of annual grants to Trinity College. In the 1930's a sum of 300 pounds was given to Wesley College. The grants were made for educational purposes in line with the Trust's declared aim expressed at various points during this period. In 1923, for example, the Trust stated that the whole of its funds were "...devoted to educational purposes...". Grants to Trinity College were recommenced on an annual basis after 1949 and continued into the 1970's. These grants assisted Trinity College to cope with the "post-war rush of theological students" (E. W. Hames,

Prince Albert College Trust, A Footnote to New Zealand Methodist History, 1979, p.25) and later the funding of a third tutor.

Recent History

The 1970's marked the beginning of a period of change. In 1974, on the recommendation of the PAC Trust, Conference agreed "that while recognising that the traditional intention of the Trust has been to assist educational purposes in the Church, the PAC Trust be authorised to broaden the areas of support for which monetary grants may be made to assist the wider work of the Church." In 1982 for example, the Trustees determined that the net income from the Hames House property of approximately \$45,000 to \$50,000 per annum be provided to the Church for its use from year to year. (see Minutes, 1982, PAC Report, p.121) Distribution of the funds was left to Conference, and in 1983 the General Purposes Committee agreed that the funds "be made available to the Finance and Stewardship Committee." (Greg Wright, Submission to Task Group, 18 June, 1996) The Finance and Stewardship Committee in turn advised the Trust that for the year ended 31 March 1983 they intended to place these funds in "a reserve with a view to it being allocated twelve months hence to work that accords with the original intentions of the Trust." (Minutes, PAC Report 1982, p.122) These grants continued through to 1986 but what the grants were used for is not always clear from the Minutes of Conference.

It has been suggested that "in the last years of the Trust's existence it did not see itself as an educational Trust." (Greg Wright, *ibid*) The Trust itself, however, continued to declare that it existed primarily "for the generation of income to provide grants for educational purposes" (PAC report, 1981 Minutes of Conference, p.286). In the 1980's educational grants continued to be made, though these were not restricted to Trinity College, or Wesley College. Two large grants were made to Trinity College, in 1982 for \$15,000, and in 1986 for \$100,000. Other sections of the Church to receive grants were: Epworth Bookroom, and the Church Archives in Auckland and Christchurch.

In 1986 an agreement to lease the land in Upper Queen Street was signed for a period of 100 years. A lump sum of \$18,950,000 was received. This money was subsequently divided by Conference 1988. It was agreed that \$16,000,000 be transferred to the General Purposes Trust Board as a perpetual deposit to be called the "PAC Trust Fund", the income of which would be made available to Conference each year. This was seen as "a continuing resource to the life of the Church" (1987 Minutes of Conference, p136). Three smaller endowment trusts were also set up to promote education work. These were: Media and Communications (\$862,000); Christian Education Lecturer and Resource (\$150,000); and Archives and Research (\$250,000). It was stated that these endowment trusts were to "carry the PAC Trust's name and be a reminder to the Church of the Trust's purposes and story". (1987 Minutes, p.136) The balance of the funds were set aside as a redevelopment fund against the expiry of the lease in 2086 when the property would return to the Church. This was designated as the "PACT 2086 Trust".

The PAC Trust Fund made available to Conference has been guided by a Distribution Group who have sought to make grants in terms of "touchstones" agreed by Conference 1988. The touchstones are: Biblical teaching in relation to the use of money; Wesley's sermons on Wealth and the use of money; Commitment to the Bicultural Church and Society. The touchstones were accompanied by a series of Guidelines, along with procedures for the formation and tasks of the Distribution Group. The "first fruits" were given to Ngati Paoa Whanau Trust. Every seventh year the money is given to meet needs beyond the Church. Grants in the intervening years have been made to a variety of groups within and beyond the Church, including the following: Parishes; Women's Refuges; Constitutional Reform (for further details see Minutes, 1995, PAC Distribution Review, p.368-380).

In 1988 Conference recommended that "the Trustees, having disposed of, transferred or arranged for the satisfactory alternative administrations of all assets of the Prince Albert College Trust Fund, be thanked for their services and the Trust be wound up".

Summary

It is clear that the original purpose of the Upper Queen Street/Prince Albert College Trust was educational, first for missionary children, and then for the Pakeha Church. When the schools closed (1868, 1906) the Trust nevertheless continued its educational focus by the making of various grants. Until the 1970's a large proportion of these grants went to support theological education. Some smaller grants were made to Wesley College.

However, Conference wound up the PAC Trust in 1987-88, as it had the right to do under the Model Deed. Thus legally the old PAC Trust with its aims ceased to exist. At the same time Conference made decisions about the future use of the funds after wide ranging consultations within the Church. Among these was the decision to set up three endowment trusts to carry on the PAC Trust's name and to be a reminder of its purposes and story. This has been interpreted as meeting all of the original Trust's outstanding obligations.

Reflection

From the above history, and summary, it is clear:

- * that the original purpose was educational
- * that this educational focus had two aspects until 1906:
 - a. the education of children
 - b. the education of theological students
- * that the educational focus largely shifted to theological training during the 20th century
- * this focus continued until 1987/8 when the Conference wound up the original Trust
- * since 1987/88 the income has been used for wider purposes guided by the

"touchstones", and within the terms of the three endowment Trusts.

The main issue as we see it is whether the Church should now return to a reaffirmation of the original intention of the Upper Queen Street/Prince Albert College Trust as set out in this report ie. to refocus on the education of children and perhaps also theological students, or whether it should reaffirm the decisions of Conference made in 1987/88. In relation to the latter we acknowledge that there is a question as to whether the the Endowment Funds set up in 1987/8 sufficiently "carry the PAC Trust's name" and act as "a reminder to the Church of the Trust's purposes and story" as was intended. Another question is whether these considerations should also be included in the Guidelines for the work of the PAC Distribution Group.

In working through these issues Conference needs to address its policy in relation to the education of children; and also needs to come to a consensus regarding the nature and form of theological education for the 21st century.

While we believe that the Fitzroy Crown grants, and the Grey grants, make provision for Maori education, nevertheless it may be appropriate to ask whether Maori may also have a claim on PAC resources.

PAC Task Group
Susan Thompson
Gary Clover
Norman Brookes

Suggested Decisions

1. The Report is received
2. Conference agrees to review the decisions of Conference 1987/8 relating to the establishment of the PAC Endowment Trusts, and the PAC Distribution Group in the light of this report.

THE PRINCE ALBERT COLLEGE TRUST, THE CROWN GRANTS, & THEOLOGICAL EDUCATION

FITZROY & GREY CROWN GRANTS, 1844 & 45, & 1854

↓
at Grafton (6 3/4 acres)
"Wesleyan Native Institution"
for training of Maori ministers & teachers
opened 1845

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1849 moved to Three Kings (192 acres)

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1869 "Native Institution" closed

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re-opened 1876 as
"Wesley College (Three Kings)
& Training Institution" ←
for schooling of Maori boys
& Maori & "English" theological training

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1895 theological training transferred to

↓
1922 "Wesley College"
moved to Paerata

LAWRY & MISSIONARIES' PRIVATE PURCHASES, July 1848

↓
at Upper Queen Street (8 1/2 acres)
"Wesleyan College & Seminary"
for schooling of missionaries' children
opened 1849

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1858 assets sold to the Connexion under a
Model Deed for "a school or college in
Auckland or elsewhere in New Zealand".
1868 school closed
"Wesleyan College Trust" continued

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1875 Wesleyan Trust voted £150/yr to Wesley College's
operating expenses for English theological training + capital
grants of £400, & £358 from sale of 3 sections

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1895 Wesleyan "English" College re-opened
as "Prince Albert College",
a secondary school for boys, & 1896, girls,
& for "English" theological students'
training & accommodation

↓
1906 boys' & girls' secondary school closed
theological training transferred to -
"Prince Albert College Trust"
continued

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1906-1910 "Pukekawa" (Upper Grafton) ←
1911 at "College Hill" (Ponsonby) ←
1912-1928 at "Dunholm" (Remuera) ←

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PAC assisted theological training

↓
1929-1973 at "Trinity College"
(Grafton Road) ←

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1973-present day in partnership
with "St. John's College",
at Meadowbank

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to 1941 PAC gave total of £3500 to TTC;
from 1949 to 1974 annual grants to TTC
were given of £150- \$400/yr;
1982 \$15,000 & 1986 \$100,000 to TTC

1974 *Conference* resolved: PAC Trust "be authorised to broaden the areas of support for which monetary grants may be made to assist the wider work of the Church. "PAC Trust continued to claim it existed primarily "to provide grants for educational purposes."

1987 *Conference* resolved:
"Prince Albert College Trust"
be wound up & replaced by:

"PACT 2086 Trust" Endowment Trusts
to administer
Upper Queen St
redevelopment

Media Communications \$862,000
Christian Education Lecturer & Resource
\$150,000
Archives & Research \$250,000

"PACT General Purposes Trust Fund"
to administer \$16 million

1987 *Conference* resolved to set up:
"PAC Strategy Planning Group"

"Touchstones" for determining distribution:
1) our current understanding & priorities of Mission
2) Biblical Teaching re the Christian use of money
3) Wesley's Sermons on Wealth & the use of money
4) commitment to the Bi-Cultural Church & Society

1988 *Conference* resolved to set up:
"PAC Distribution Group" annually
"to effect the distribution of the nett distributable income."

PAC MEDIA & COMMUNICATIONS FUND

Grant Applications 1996

Distributions, up until this year, have been the responsibility of a Dunedin based Committee. At the 1995 Conference the Dunedin Committee signified that they wished to discontinue this responsibility and accordingly the Media and Communications Committee was asked to make arrangements for the distribution to take place this year. A small sub-committee was set up and they made the following distributions of the Funds.

	\$
Lay Ministry Conference	2,000
Manukau North Circuit	4,000
Council of Christian & Jew	5,000
Joint Methodist Presbyterian PQ Committee	5,000
Dunedin Mornington Toy & Games Library	500
Youthtrek Organising Group	2,000
Mission Resourcing Unit	1,000
Otamatea Co-operating Parish	1,000
Tokomairiro Co-operating Parish	450
Buller Union Parish	1,100
Canterbury Rural Ministry Unit	1,000
Reefton Union Church	250
Mission Resourcing Unit - Youth Co-ordinators	3,000
Trinity Methodist Church	500
Oxford District Union Parish	750
Greytown Union Parish	1,500
Christian Research Assn, Wellington Group	5,000
Dunedin Methodist Parish	10,000
Tauiri 10	1,000
Dunedin Parish	2,000
Otago-Southland District Synod	1,750
Epworth Retreat Centre	2,000
Co-Director Mission Resource Team - Presbyterian Church	1,755

Suggested Decisions:

1. That the Report be received.
2. The Committee for 1997 distributions will be:
Trish Moseley (Convener), John Roberts, Doug Rogers plus one other person from Taha Maori.

Trinity Methodist Theological College
The Ministry Resourcing Unit
Report to Conference 1996

Section One: Sharing what has happened

PART I - COUNCIL REPORT

Review and planning process

Trinity College Council began a review of its structure and purpose at the February meeting of the Council, and this review has included three special meetings during the year to work through the issues involved. Extensive work had been put into the preparation of the following Statement of Mission: "The mission of the Trinity Methodist Theological College is to provide theological education and ministry training on behalf of the Methodist Church of New Zealand to persons selected or approved by the church for ordained and lay ministries", and the longer statement comprises sections on values and philosophies, commitments, programme principles, priorities and strategy. The outcomes of the review were taken to the Coordinating Committee where they have been discussed.

Ecumenical partnership

The five-yearly Trinity/St John's Partnership Review was undertaken by Dr Norman Young from Melbourne for ten days in August. His report was wide-ranging and very positive in its warm commendation of the quality of education and community life offered by the partnership. In particular he identified the distinctiveness of its contribution in this way as:

"A biblically and theologically grounded education that provides formation for lay and ordained ministries within an ecumenical and cross-cultural worshipping and learning community, enhanced by significant components of relevant supervised field education."

Liaison with the Mission Resourcing Unit

The Coordinating Committee has been functioning throughout the year to liaise between the Ministry and Mission Resourcing Units. The Principal and two other Council members have served on this committee.

Staff of Trinity College have also been involved in joint discussions with the Mission Resourcing Unit over such issues as

- selection processes for new candidates
- supervision of ministry

- the Ministry Education Support Fund

Student life

The vitality and educational development of the student community has been supported by the Council in various ways:

- Complaints, Grievance and Appeals Procedures have been considered during the year and were adopted at the October Council meeting;
- sets of ethical guidelines for both teaching staff and students have been adopted after consultation with those involved;
- a policy of post-graduate studies for residential students has been adopted which would allow the possibility of a limited number of students entering into a Master of theology programme as part of their college course.

Staff

The job description and person profile for the Lecturer in Systematic Theology was sent to August synods for comment. Discussions have also been held with representatives of Taha Maori and in the light of this consultation and synod submissions the following revised job description has been drawn up.

Position Description and Person Profile: Methodist Lecturer in Systematic Theology, St John's/Trinity Colleges

This is a full time position.

Definition

Systematic Theology is an ordered and disciplined way of thinking, talking and writing about God in relation to creation, humanity and communities. It has its beginning in western dialectical and philosophical processes, and has drawn and continues to draw from four main sources: the Bible, the Church catholic; personal religious experience and relationships, and the created world. They remain basic for all Christians and provide the framework for ongoing exploration and critical enquiry into new ways of expressing the faith.

Theology is to serve the Church in its life, thought and mission.

For the Methodist Church in Aotearoa/New Zealand the immediate context is this country and its people. However, theology and mission are also both global and ecumenical.. Therefore for Methodist students the process of reflection must directly relate to the Methodist Church's

- resolutions about the bicultural journey,
- Mission statement and support of "tino rangatiratanga", and

- encouragement of local and contextual forms of worship, ministry, church life and theology.

Theology must continue to address the reality of our history and the nature of the covenant relationships we are called to live as both citizen and Christian in Aotearoa/New Zealand.

Duties

The appointee will exercise the critical functions which are distinctively those of a theologian while remaining sympathetic to the present and future vision of the Methodist Church in Aotearoa/New Zealand, and

- A As a team member of the Joint Faculty, the appointee
 - will share responsibility for teaching, assessing and examining in Systematic Theology for students preparing for the ACTE Diploma in Theology, Bachelor of Theology (Auckland), Master of Theology (Auckland) and Doctor of Philosophy (Auckland). This will include supervision of research and graduate students and oversight of extramural students.
 - will contribute to the process of ministry formation and to the pastoral care of women and men preparing for ordained and lay ministries within the Methodist and Anglican Churches of Aotearoa/New Zealand as well as private and overseas students of St John's/Trinity Colleges;
 - will engage in research in theology, in areas relevant to teaching needs and personal interest, and in forms appropriate to the requirements of University and Church.
- B As a team member of Trinity College, the appointee
 - will contribute directly in the preparation of Methodist students for ordained and lay ministries;
 - will share in the formation of policy and the assessment of students through participation in Trinity College faculty meetings and the Board of Studies;
 - will be a theological resource person for the Connexion.

Qualifications and Experience

The appointee

- will possess the academic qualifications necessary to teach and supervise research to post graduate level;
- should have teaching experience/skills appropriate for the task required;

- will be committed to and experienced in adult educational models
- may be female or male, lay or ordained;
- will be a member of the Methodist Church of Aotearoa/New Zealand or clearly in sympathy with its ethos and theological emphases;
- should have a depth of church and ministry experience.

Personal Profile

The appointee

- will be enthusiastic about theological enquiry and be able to call forth this enthusiasm in others;
- will display a personal and spiritual maturity and will be able to encourage the development of these qualities in others;
- will be committed to the bicultural journey of the Methodist Church in Aotearoa New Zealand;
- will display an ability and commitment to the task of contextualising theology in Aotearoa/New Zealand;
- will respect the differing cultural values and theological perspectives reflected in the college community;
- will be able to work as a member of a team in a variety of ecclesiastical and academic settings;
- will be able to cope with the constant changes and tensions of an educational institution.

Auckland Consortium for Theological Education (ACTE)

ACTE is undertaking a substantial review of its constitution to take into consideration numerous changes in the development of its life and that of the constituent colleges over the past five years.

Supervision

The work on supervision requested by Conference 1995 has been taken up by the Coordinating Committee who will report to Conference.

Finance

The year was very challenging in terms of financial management. Changes to the accounting system took much longer than expected to complete and monitoring financial results was therefore very time consuming. The main sources of endowment funding produced lower returns than expected, and the reduced income threatened parts of the programmes. Fortunately tuition fees received from ACTE late in the year were higher than expected, and so the final deficit was around \$12,000.

While this is sustainable in the short term, continuing deficits mean that we do not have access to capital funding for the replacement and updating of equipment or the physical facilities needed for our programmes.

The staff of the College are to be commended for the responsible way in which they responded to the potential shortfall during the year. Without their prompt action, our financial result would have been much worse.

The Council again expresses its thanks to the Tidd Foundation who have made a contribution towards both accommodation and also this year a special grant towards additional book allowances for students. Thanks also to the Walters Trust which provides an annual grant toward the work of the college.

Council membership

Jan Leman Christiansen and Terry Wall were invited to join the Council during the year. Resignations have been received from Maureen Giles and Richard Waugh effective from 31 January 1997. Lynne Wall will act as the Chair of the Council while Douglas Pratt is on sabbatical leave from October 1996 until June 1997.

Notice of motion

Last Conference the Ministry Resourcing Unit was asked to arrange for a report to be prepared on Methodist Deaconesses and Marriage. Susan Thompson has undertaken this work and her report and its recommendations are appended.

PART II - FACULTY REPORT

Our basic purpose

The Mission Statement of the Trinity Methodist Theological College states that its basic purpose is to provide theological education and ministry training on behalf of the Methodist Church of New Zealand to persons selected or approved by the Church for ordained and lay ministries. It is clearly and constantly in the minds of those on the teaching faculty and staff of Trinity College that their major task is to prepare people for ministry. This is why such activities as worship, small group activity, field education, Methodist ministry training sessions, retreats, supervision and community and social interaction are so important and stand alongside and not subordinate to the academic programme of theological education. The latter also is beamed towards preparation for ministry. Within New Zealand there are now two distinct models of theological education: one, "the Otago model" where people are encouraged to gain their own degree in theology

through a university and then go into a two-year ministry training programme, and the other the "Auckland model" espoused by the theological colleges which comprise ACTE (the Auckland Consortium for Theological Education) which are each charged with responsibility for both teaching theology in all its aspects and in forming people for ministry. The wider church needs to be aware of this as there is a common perception that our emphasis is upon academic learning alone. Quality learning is critical to the task of providing informed and intelligent ministry but it is only a portion of the total picture in securing a holistic approach to ministry education.

Some of the year's events

Within the St John's site where Trinity College is in partnership there are currently 177 students attending lectures, of whom 68 are sponsored as ordination students by the Anglican and Methodist Churches. Forty-one of these belong to the College of the Southern Cross, 14 to Te Rau Kahikatea and 13 to Trinity College. It is anticipated that the total number of ordination students will rise in 1997.

During the year three of our Trinity students completed Bachelor of Theology degrees (Sylvia Akauola-Tongotongo and Bruce Anderson through Auckland University and Fatu Tufuga through the Melbourne College of Divinity). Rev Diana Tana was awarded the Diploma LTh Aotearoa by Te Whare Wananga o Te Rau Kahikatea.

The Rt Rev Peter Atkins left St John's College at the end of March 1996 in order to take up twelve months study leave before retiring. Since 1 April Brother Bruce-Paul of the Anglican Franciscan Order has served very acceptably as Acting Dean of the College of the Southern Cross. It is anticipated that the new Dean of the College of the Southern Cross will be named prior to Conference. A new appointment following the Anglican General Synod this year was that of the Very Rev Winston Halapua who comes on to the Joint Faculty with particular responsibility for Anglican Polynesian students.

The Co-Senior Students this year have been Sylvia Akauola-Tongotongo and Craig Forbes who have shared in the task of leadership and who appear as the "stars" in a short documentary on the residential programme which has been produced as a project by a student of the Auckland Institute of Technology and will be shown at Conference. Residential students have been involved in a number of social gatherings during the year, including a weekend family camp for about fifty of the Trinity College community at Camp Morley from 12-14 April. Of the 13 residential students (who include an exchange student, Pesi Vitale from Samoa), two are undertaking Masters degrees, eight Bachelors degrees, one

a Diploma in Theology and one a Certificate in Theological Studies, in addition to other ministry formation programmes. Three students during the year will undertake CPE courses.

A new innovation this year within the colleges on the St John's site has been the joint sponsoring of a supervision course on a fortnightly basis on a Saturday and four people are being sponsored by Trinity College to undertake this course in order to widen the pool of people available to the college for supervision.

Wesley Day, 24 May, was celebrated within the College with a 7.00am Eucharist using John Wesley's order and a Wesley dinner in the evening attended by some 70 people both from within the College and invited guests. The Selwyn Chapel has probably never heard the volume of Wesley hymns sung that evening as we celebrated "quarter-to-nine" with the ringing of the chapel bell. The guest speaker was Dr Charles Wood of Perkins Theological College in Dallas, Texas, an ordained minister of the United Methodist Church, who was fortuitously visiting the College that weekend. Wesley Day has now become a feature of Trinity College life.

New developments

Within ACTE there have been two developments which need to be reported:

- 1 From January 1997 ACTE will cease to teach on behalf of the Melbourne College of Divinity, a move recognising the shift of our courses from Melbourne to the recognition obtained through the University of Auckland.
- 2 Discussions have been carried on by Dr Adrian Burdon of Sia'atoutai Theological College in Tonga with ACTE with the aim of getting ACTE accreditation for Tongan qualifications.

This matter was discussed more thoroughly at a Pacific consultation of persons from Pacific Methodist theological colleges from Samoa, Tonga and Auckland held in Auckland on 22 and 23 August. After extensive sharing of information and programmes a number of recommendations were made about ways by which the working relationship between the colleges can be enhanced. A further consultation is planned for May 1997 but a symbol of the relationship is the fact that Rev Siotame Havea of Tonga will be travelling occasionally to Auckland to undertake studies towards a Masters degree and will be hosted by Trinity College on these occasions.

Staff matters

Three of our teaching staff were involved in helping with the running of Youth Trek over the new year, ie Robyn Brown, Gillian Watkin and Jill van de Geer. January also saw the running of a successful Summer School

at Wellspring from 20-23 January under the leadership of Rev Gillian Watkin involving home setting students and others both lay and ordained. Rev Gillian Watkin continues her Master of Ministry studies and this year has had 7½ weeks long leave which was due to her. She takes basic responsibility for organisation of the ACM (Associate in Christian Ministry) and has brought to the final stages of development the home setting course for Tongan students and the editing of *Ministry Matters*. She also keeps in close touch with the Ecumenical Board of Theological Studies which enrolled 118 students in 1995, 45 of whom were Methodist. She has also set up some student tutorials in Wellington and has written a Faith and Learning module for home setting students.

Robyn Brown has completed a Certificate in Adult Education through Auckland University and has spent three weeks on study leave during 1996. She has this year completed two papers towards post-graduate Diploma in Adult Education. She is currently organising a Lay Ministry Conference for 11-13 October. TELM courses have continued well, with four persons graduating from TELM VI in July, a new course being run in September, a South Island planned for 1997 and more registrations received than there are places available. Next year's intakes are almost full already. As a result, discussions are taking place regarding a TELM course in the Hawkes Bay/Manawatu area. She has also been involved in a variety of parish reviews and consultations, and in the development of the Diploma of Youth Ministry.

As well as having a full teaching load, Dr John Salmon has this year been Head of the Christian Thought and History Department within ACTE, and serves on the ACTE Academic Board and Post Graduate Studies Board. John attended the meeting of ANZATS (Australian and New Zealand Association of Theological Schools) in Perth in July and is currently writing the course on Christian Ethics for the Ecumenical Board of Theological Studies.

Principal Rev Frank Hanson, as well as teaching and administrative responsibilities, is currently researching the history of the Sunday School in New Zealand and then intends concentrating on researching worship and preaching in 20th century Methodism for which he has already accumulated a considerable amount of material. He plans to take long leave and research and study leave in the second half of 1997. For the first few months of this year the Principal was Dean of Common Life of the Joint Colleges and is now Dean of the Joint Faculty until the middle of 1997.

A meeting was held earlier in the year between the teaching faculty of Trinity College and Nga Kaiarahi regarding the possibility of some sharing of resources in both personnel and buildings. Consultations have also taken place by individual staff persons with Nga Kaiarahi and helpful working

relationships are being established by which we are open to contributing to each other's needs.

During the year the College Administrator, Jill van de Geer, has also been Vice President of the Methodist Church of New Zealand and we are glad for her that she has had this opportunity to serve the Church so well and so widely during this time.

FRANK HANSON
Principal

Section Two: Looking Forward

Review and planning process

As a result of the Council review and planning process a number of emphases and clear directions have emerged:

- Trinity college is basically a tertiary educational institution responsible for theological education and ministry formation.
- Such training may be either campus-based or offered through the home setting.
- Theological education is offered to church sponsored candidates, both lay and ordained, and to private students.
- Affirmation that academic theological education and ministry formation belong together, ie the Auckland model rather than the Otago model.
- Trinity College also offers continuing professional development and educational opportunities within the life of the church.
- Recommendation that lay ministry education programmes such as TELM become part of the Mission Resourcing Unit and stand alongside the work of the Educational Coordinators.

There are implications in these statements for the ongoing life and work of the Council and the wider church:

- These affirmations will be used as a basis in drawing up the job description and the person profile for the new Principal due to take up appointment on 1 February 1999.
- The recommendation that lay ministry education become part of the Mission Resourcing Unit has already been discussed with the Coordinating Committee and the Mission Resourcing Unit. Further discussions concerning the practicalities and implications of such a move will take place during 1997.

Ministry Education Support Fund

A report was distributed to August synods and a number of responses have been received, most of them affirming this development. However, enough questions have been raised to persuade the Council to do further work before a firm proposal is brought before the Conference.

Name and role definition

Trinity College Council has had to come to terms with the fact that it is now described in two different ways: as Trinity College and as the Ministry Resourcing Unit. Is the one equal to the other or is the one a part of the other? Trinity College Council has opted for the former. In some settings, eg within the partnership with St John's, in ACTE, within non-church related institutions, internationally and legally it remains Trinity College.

Within the Methodist Church it is increasingly known as the Ministry Resourcing Unit. This identification helps particularly in its relationship with the Mission Resourcing Unit and the Coordinating Committee.

The dichotomy with which the Council lives can be summed up by the fact that it can be described either as "Trinity College, the Ministry Resourcing Unit of the Methodist Church" or "The Ministry Resourcing Unit of the Methodist Church, otherwise known as Trinity college" and for the moment at least it needs to live with both of them!

Trinity College Fellows

During 1996 the council appointed five further people to serve as Fellows of Trinity college. The Fellowships will be conferred during the College Graduation Service to be held at Pitt Street Methodist Church on Sunday 3 November.

Suggested decisions:

- 1 That the report be received.
- 2 That Conference acknowledges the Review of the Partnership completed by Dr Norman Young and expresses appreciation for the clarity of his report.
- 3 That Conference acknowledges and records its appreciation of the contribution of Richard Waugh to the work of Trinity College Council.
- 4 That Conference acknowledges the hurt caused by earlier decisions requiring deaconesses to resign from their Order on marriage.
- 5 That a letter be sent by the General Secretary to those concerned informing them of this acknowledgment.
- 6 That Conference asks the Administration Division to print an "In Memoriam" list of deaconesses and deacons who have died in service, similar to the list currently printed for presbyters.

- 7 That Conference acknowledges the conclusion of the relationship with the Melbourne College of Divinity and expresses appreciation for the significance of this relationship in the development of theological education for Trinity College.
- 8 That Conference approves the job description for the position of Lecturer in Systematic Theology.
- 9 That Conference receives and acknowledges the following as Fellows of Trinity College: [to be named at Conference]
- 10 That Council membership for 1997 be: Douglas Pratt (Chairperson), Frank Claridge (Treasurer), Lynne Wall (Deputy Chairperson), Frank Hanson (Principal), Graham Cowley, Audrey Dickinson, Mervyn Dine, Charlie Fenwick, Maureen Giles, Jock Hosking, Jan Leman Christiansen, Malcolm McLeod, Vaotane Unasa Samoa-Saleupolu, Ashley Sedon, Karl Tuinukuafe, Terry Wall. In attendance: Staff Representative, Student Representative.

APPENDIX

Methodist Deaconesses and Marriage

Deaconess orders emerged in Europe in the nineteenth century as a response to increasing social and urban need. Large numbers of women were recruited, trained and dedicated to work particularly with the poor. The British Wesleyan Deaconess Order was founded in 1887, and deaconesses were soon active on an unofficial basis in Australia and New Zealand.

In 1897 the New Zealand Conference recommended "that where women are formally engaged by the Church who devote themselves entirely to Christian work, they shall be known as Deaconesses". A training institution, Deaconess House, was opened in Christchurch in 1908, and in 1912 the Order was given status in the eyes of the church when its members were listed in the Minutes of Conference.

Over the next eighty years an estimated 170 women served as Methodist deaconesses, both within and beyond New Zealand. Their work took them to "soup kitchens, orphanages, old people's homes, overseas missions, city missions, Maori missions, [and] Maori circuits", where they were involved in "preaching, teaching, rescuing and pioneering, nursing the sick, cleaning up homes, influencing State policy, peddling books, selling clothes, translating scriptures, sleeping in prisons, appearing in Courts, and writing many books." It was compassionate and costly service; in the words of Rona Collins, "always, no matter what the job, taking the love of Jesus Christ."

For much of this period it was taken for granted that when a deaconess married, she would resign from the Order. The idea that women should leave the work-force upon marriage was not confined to the church, but reflected wider social expectations. Although New Zealand women entered the work-force in steadily increasing numbers throughout the twentieth century, it was not until the late 1950s-60s that many expected to stay or return after marriage. As Chambers notes, "marriage and family responsibilities went hand in hand". A woman's duty to her family came before everything else, and with a family to nurture "the Deaconess was no longer available for appointment at the discretion of the Conference."

In 1945 what had previously been unstated was made explicit when the Methodist Conference recommended that membership of the Deaconess Order cease upon marriage. Exceptions were possible only if approved by a two-thirds majority of the Deaconess Committee, which would determine the conditions for continued membership of the Order. An earlier resolution of 1935 allowed "any trained Maori Deaconess to retain official status after

marriage provided ... she [was] fully employed in deaconess work under the Home Mission Department and that satisfactory arrangements [were] made with respect to her connection with the Retiring Fund", and this was reaffirmed in 1946. However, exceptions proved to be rare and between 1904 and 196 when the law changed some 50-60 deaconesses were obliged to leave the Order upon the prospect of their marriage.

For some deaconesses the denial of their vocation has been a source of deep and continuing hurt. In some cases a feeling of being misused by the church has been compounded by perceived discrepancies in the way individual deaconesses were treated. It has been suggested, for example, that some deaconesses were not dedicated because they were planning to marry, while others were. Upon resignation some deaconesses were thanked by resolution of Conference and received letters of acknowledgment for their service, others did not. As is also the case with presbyters, the names of deaconesses who resigned disappeared from the Minutes of Conference, erasing the formal memory of their ministries. (A list of deaconesses who had retired was kept in the Conference Minutes from the early 1920s. An "In Memoriam" list began in 1966 but is no longer maintained.)

It should be noted that after marriage many deaconesses went on to serve the church and community in other ways. Some were wholly involved with family and made significant contributions to their local churches, sometimes supporting a partner in the presbyterate. Others gave their time and energy to the local community as paid workers or volunteers. Some resumed professional careers, a number retrained in new fields, and others returned to the ordained ministry in later life. Most found ways to offer their gifts and skills, for the sense of call that had led them into the Deaconess Order continued beyond it.

The Methodist Church's policy regarding the marriage of women in ministry came under review in the 1950s-60s. In 1950 Conference asked the Deaconess Board to consider allowing deaconesses to retain their status upon marriage "subject to periodical review". However, neither the Board nor the Faith and Order Committee considered change to the law necessary, the latter noting that it did not provide an "absolute bar" to the possible reappointment of a deaconess at a later date.

Questions were asked again in the late 1950s when Conference established a special committee to consider the effect of marriage upon women presbyters. Its report of 1959 affirmed the traditional view that, for a woman, "marriage could make difficult if not impossible ... full-time service". However, the committee's initial recommendation that a woman presbyter who married should be treated as if she had resigned was not accepted by Conference. There was a feeling, expressed in Church Council, that the church should be very careful in taking away the privileges of

ordination. Unlike their counterparts in the Deaconess Order then, women presbyters who married were offered the status of ministers without pastoral charge. Officially they were not forced to resign. They could continue in active ministry only if Conference was satisfied that marriage would not interfere with their appointment, subject to a two-thirds majority of the General Purposes Committee and Conference.

A change in the policy regarding the marriage of deaconesses finally came in the 1960s, at a time when the Order was beginning to face serious decline. In his report of 1966 the Warden, Rev W A Chambers, noted the dwindling numerical strength of the Deaconess Order and paid particular attention to the rate at which deaconesses were resigning. He noted that since 1951 two-thirds of the students received for training had left the Order. Half those received on probation during that time had rendered three or less years of service. In the light of these facts and after careful consideration the Deaconess Board was ready to recommend a change in policy. Conference agreed and in 1966 amended the law to make provision both for the continuance of a deaconess in the work after marriage, and for the re-employment of deaconesses who had already married and were able to return.

For most of the women who had left deaconess work in order to marry, however, such changes were much too late and only a very few ever returned to the Order. The ordination of 21 active and retired deaconesses in 1968 proved to be a painful reminder for some former deaconesses of all they had been forced to give up in resigning. Like other attempts at improving the status and training of deaconesses in the 1960s, however, ordination did little to halt the Order's long-term decline. The creation in 1976 of a diaconate open to men and women saw the church moving in a new direction and in 1980 the Methodist Deaconess Order was disbanded.

Methodist AFFIRM

Report to Conference 1996

The work of Methodist AFFIRM continues to grow in its own right along with joint events organised with Anglican and Presbyterian AFFIRMS.

Joint activities are:

The Theological Consultation.

After a successful 1995 Consultation at St John's College, plans are coming together for a future consultation. Last years consultation raised issues that are still being discussed in many areas of our Churches. There are pragmatic issues as well. Should this be held during term time or term breaks? Is a long weekend better to maximise attendance? The last consultation left plenty of challenges all round: "One in the Spirit" has not meant complete agreement in every detail! Planning is underway for another joint Theological Consultation, possibly in July 1997.

Joint AFFIRM

Executive members of the different denominational AFFIRMS meet together regularly. This provides an opportunity to share dreams, to make plans, to encourage one another, and to participate together in areas of common interest. Each AFFIRM continues to arrange denominational events with their own distinctive flavours, but invitations are extended for each other to join.

Methodist AFFIRM Activities are:

Pre-conference Convention.

The 1995 Convention was in Hamilton. This again brought insight and enjoyment to those who attended. The Rev'd Dr Stephen May from St John's College spoke, and daily devotions were taken by the Rev'd Francis Foulkes, Warden-Emeritus of the College. The Rev Gary Clover spoke on the events in Wanganui last year and the History of the Whanganui area and land issues.

This year speakers will include Dr Beryl Howie, (of whom a feature article appears in the October Crosslink), Rev Richard Waugh of Pakuranga Methodist Church, Rev Frank Rigg, and Rev'd Dr Raymond Muller Anglican

Parish development consultant (Wellington Diocese). The theme will be "Mission - The Church Reaching Out". Registrations forms from the Secretary, (0-6-379 7090)

Queens Birthday Renewal Weekend.

This years camp was at Lake Taupo Christian Camp. The speaker was Rev Dr Paul Trebilco (a Methodist minister currently serving at Knox Theological Hall, Dunedin). Paul spoke on the subject of Prayer, both challenging and encouraging all to a richer prayer life. Through his talks many discovered new and worthwhile insights into the process of prayer in Paul's opening of the Gospel passages.

It was a privilege to have President Tavake present for part of the weekend, sharing his concerns and hopes for the Methodist Church. Music was again a highlight of the weekend with Rob Emmitt and the Youth Worship Team from Pakuranga Methodist Church leading the ministry in music.

There was fun as well, and as part of the entertainment one evening, Executive Members were invited to participate in a mock interview, and then given some near-impossible task to carry out, such as giving a complete history of AFFIRM without notice, and only using rhyming couplets!

It was interesting to note that different backgrounds yield different perceptions of reality. Just above freezing point, and while many thought of the cold, Paul Trebilco commented on the warmth! He'd left snow behind in Dunedin!

The Executive has noted how important this Annual Event has become in the life of the Methodist AFFIRM, and the same location is booked for 1997. Watch for details!

Lay Witness Weekends.

These continue to be a rewarding time for both parish and participants. AFFIRM has a feeling they are currently under-utilised throughout the Church. More details on how your Parish can share in a Lay Witness Weekend is available from the Convenor, Mike Older 0-9-576 4594. (He is also the AFFIRM Conference Representative).

Connecting Congregations.

During this year closer contact has been established with the Albanian-speaking Methodist Congregation which we support through World Methodist. The Congregation is in the province of Kosovo in former Yugoslavia. Letters have been exchanged via Switzerland. This is a way to get around language barriers as the present Pastor of the congregation lived for a time in Switzerland, and retains Christian friends there. Our special thanks to Ivan Whyte who maintains contact with Pastor Mehet in Kosovo, and maintains contact with people interested in supporting this project here.

Publications.

Several years ago Bill Clifford wrote a Thesis which covered the development of the renewal movement within New Zealand Methodism. After some discussion with the Wesley Historical Society it is hoped that this might form the basis of a future issue of their Journal.

A condensed thesis, plus supplementary background articles on the Church, personalities and issues of the day, could well have a wide appeal.

Suggested Decision:

1. That the Report be received.

COUNCIL OF CONFERENCE REPORT ON FINANCE AND STEWARDSHIP

SECTION A

1995-96 Connexional Budget

Contributions from Parishes toward the wider work of the Church through the Connexional Budget totalled \$853,998 for the year to 30 June 1996. This amount represented 97.1%, of the targets set at the beginning of the year which totalled \$879,171. This percentage achieved by parishes in the current year was the same as was achieved in the previous year when contributions for that year totalled \$876,210. This means that parish contributions for the current year have declined around 2.5% on the previous year.

The allocations from the Budget exceeded the anticipated income for the current year by \$72,481. When this was compounded with the shortfall in parish contributions, non-guaranteed recipients from the Connexional Budget received payments totalling 87.8% of their original allocations

Budget Requests 1995-96

	<u>Amount Requested</u>	<u>Net Amount Allocated</u>
Divisions/Committees	4,241,224	3,998,747
Recipients of guaranteed funding	<u>88,570</u>	<u>81,510</u>
Totals	\$ <u>4,329,794</u>	\$ <u>4,080,257</u>

To be funded from:

	<u>Net Amount Allocated</u>	<u>Actually received</u>
Connexional Budget from Parishes:		
Recipients of guaranteed funding	81,510	80,568
Divisions/Committees etc	<u>797,661</u>	<u>773,430</u>
	879,171	853,998
Special grants	21,250	21,250
Other funds etc.	3,179,836	3,179,836
Total requirements for the wider work of the Church	\$ <u>4,080,257</u>	\$ <u>4,055,084</u>

(i) Receipts from both Methodist and Union Parishes

	<u>Allocations</u>	<u>Contributions</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>%</u>
1995-96	879,171	853,998	97.1
1994-95	899,990	873,659	97.1
1993-94	924,995	877,935	94.9
1992-93	944,958	918,375	97.2
1991-92	1,004,145	940,278	93.6

(ii) Results from parishes

(a)	<u>Fully Paid</u>		<u>Not Fully</u>	
	Methodist	Union	Methodist	Union
1995-96	68	62	9	51
1994-95	66	69	15	47
1993-94	60	66	20	46
1992-93	67	73	14	40
1991-92	63	71	21	42

(b) Percentage of Budget Allocation reached from Parishes:

	<u>Methodist</u>			<u>Union</u>		
	<u>Allocation</u>	<u>Contri- bution</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>Allocation</u>	<u>Contri- bution</u>	<u>%</u>
1995-96	672,379	662,234	98.5	206,792	191,764	92.7
1994-95	704,905	678,150	96.2	211,457	195,510	92.5
1993-94	726,431	682,797	94.0	217,882	195,138	89.6
1992-93	717,652	704,688	98.2	227,306	213,687	94.0
1991-92	777,232	736,926	94.8	229,306	200,445	87.4

(iii) Payments to Divisions and Committees

<u>Guaranteed</u>	<u>Allocation</u>	<u>Payment</u>
	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>
Churches Education Commission	6,000	6,000
Forum of Cooperative Ventures	14,000	14,000
Tertiary Chaplaincies	12,500	12,500
Te Runanga Whakawhanaunha I Nga Hahi	2,720	2,720
World Council of Churches	4,500	4,500
WCC Programme to combat racism	1,075	1,075
WCC 1998 Assembly	2,500	2,500
WCC Central Committee - Travel	525	525
Christian Conference of Asia	1,100	1,100
Conference of Churches in Aotearoa	20,000	20,000
CCANZ - review	1,200	404
Programme on racism within NZ	5,000	5,000
World Methodist Council	1,090	944
Travel and Study Grants Fund	<u>9,300</u>	<u>9,300</u>
	<u>81,510</u>	<u>80,568</u>

<u>Non-Guaranteed</u>	<u>Allocation</u>	<u>Payment</u>
	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>
RESPONSE (Joint Stewardship)	9,000	7,905
Development Division	229,200	201,303
Fijian Advisory Committee	4,200	3,689
Samoan Advisory Committee	10,125	8,893

Tongan Advisory Committee	7,000	6,148	
Te Taha Maori	58,644	51,506	
Trinity Theological College	149,677	131,459	
Media & Communications Committee	1,500	1,317	
CROSSLINK	45,000	39,523	
Council for Mission Ecumenical Affairs	88,333	77,582	
Epworth Bookshop	15,000	13,174	
Connexional Expenses	255,713	226,068	
Overseas Aid-			
2% of parish contributions	<u>18,000</u>	<u>17,080</u>	
	<u>891,392</u>	<u>785,647</u>	88.1
GRAND TOTAL	\$ <u>972,902</u>	\$ <u>866,305</u>	89.0

(iv) **Payments to Divisions and Committees:**

	<u>Guaranteed</u>	<u>Non-Guaranteed</u>	<u>Percentage Paid to Non-Guaranteed</u>
	\$	\$	%
1995-96	80,568	866,305	88.1
1994-95	79,738	762,756	90.1
1993-94	90,097	834,479	94.9
1992-93	89,085	953,877	97.5
1991-92	89249	914,243	92.8

SECTION B

1996-97 Year

Members of the Connexional Budget Task Group for the current year are; Tavake Tupou, Jill van de Geer, Stan West, Paewhenua Nathan, Te Rua Winiata, David Annett, Jan Tasker, Norman Brookes and Ashley Sedon with secretarial support from David White of the Administration Division.

In establishing an initial budget for consideration by the Council of Conference the task group changed the process which had been followed for the previous three years so as to allow for a wider consultation within the Connexion. In doing so, it is acknowledged that this means there is limited time for people to consider and comment on the task group recommendations. However, in the light of the declining income available for Connexional work it is considered important that as wide a range of people as possible be given the opportunity to make comment. To assist this process, in future years the task group will publish the proposed timetable immediately following Conference. It is hoped that where necessary meetings can be scheduled into the timetable or otherwise additional meetings planned so that interested people can have an opportunity to consider the material fully.

For the 1997/98 budget the task group has scheduled to meet as follows;

- * Tuesday 3 December 1996 to finalise the material for distribution to groups requesting funding from the Connexional Budget as well as considering any issues which arose from Conference.
- * Thursday 13 March 1997 to receive the requests from spending groups and establish an initial budget recommendations from within the Connexion and circulate for discussion.
- * Thursday 15 April 1997 to receive comments and suggestions on the initial budget recommendations and finalise their report for presentation to the Council of Conference which would include a suggest budget.

The Budget which was adopted by the Council of Conference for the year for the year to 30 June 1997 was:

Contributions from Parishes

Northland	14,000	
Auckland	220,000	
Manukau	71,860	
Waikato - Bay of Plenty	130,000	
Taranaki - Wanganui	30,120	
Hawkes Bay - Manawatu	64,870	
Wellington	127,720	
Nelson	38,484	
North Canterbury	109,761	
South Canterbury	35,460	
Otago - Southland	19,932	
Samoan Synod/Parishes	0	862,207
Special Account Grant		40,000
Connexional Legacies and Other		10,000
Total Income		\$ 912,207

Allocations to Divisions & Committees

<u>Guaranteed</u>	<u>Amount requested</u>	<u>Amount allocated</u>
	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>
Churches Education Commission	6,000	6,000
Forum of Cooperative Ventures	19,100	19,100
Tertiary Chaplaincies	12,500	12,500
Te Runanga Whakawhanaunha I Nga Hahi	2,720	2,720
World Council of Churches	9,000	4,500
WCC Programme to combat racism	1,075	1,075
WCC 1998 Assembly	2,500	2,500
WCC Central Committee - Travel	525	525
Christian Conference of Asia	1,100	1,100
Conference of Churches in Aotearoa	20,000	20,000

Programme on racism within NZ	5,000	5,000
World Methodist Council	1,090	1,090
Travel and Study Grants Fund	<u>9,300</u>	<u>9,300</u>
	\$ 89,910	\$ 85,410

<u>Non-Guaranteed</u>	<u>Amount requested</u>	<u>Amount allocated</u>
	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>
Fijian Advisory Committee	7,335	5,341
Samoa Synod	10,125	16,500
Tongan Advisory Committee	30,600	12,400
Mission Resourcing Unit	261,684	267,684
Response	0	0
Te Taha Maori	0	0
Ministry Resourcing Unit	201,000	180,000
Media & Communications Committee	1,500	1,000
CROSSLINK	45,000	45,000
Council for Mission Ecumenical Affairs	83,667	83,667
Board of Administration	0	0
Epworth Bookshop	15,000	15,000
Connexional Expenses	171,853	177,468
Budget Contingency Reserve	0	5,737
Overseas Aid-		
2% of parish contributions	17,000	17,000
	\$ 844,764	\$ 826,797
Grand Total	\$ 934,674	\$ 912,207

In making this report to Conference, attention is drawn to the significant work that is made possible through the contributions made by Parishes to the Connexional Budget. For Te Hāhi Weteriana being part of the Connexion is important, and it is this Connexional Church, which includes cooperative ventures, that becomes possible through the Connexional Budget.

The Budget enables the support for the Mission and Ministry Resourcing Units, Overseas Missions and the ongoing work of the various Committees as approved by Conference. In this way the Budget enables the Church to give expression to, and the carrying out of, the Mission statement.

Connexional Budget Task Group

This task group of the Council of Conference for 1997 will consist of; President, Vice-President, Acting General Secretary, three person appointed by Taha Maori and three persons appointed by Tauīwi. The Tauīwi Council is to consider the tauīwi members of the Connexional Budget Task Group and will report to Conference.

Suggested Decision:

1. That the Report be received.

RESTRUCTURING TASK GROUP

Report to Conference 1996

Review of New Structures

The original intention of Conference was that the "new structures" would be reviewed during 1997. With most structures (Tuiwi Forum, Samoan Synod and the Mission & Ministry Resourcing Units) having only been in place for one year, the timing of the review would not serve the church or the structures well. The Task Group believes that 1997 should be used to plan a reflective process, which would begin in 1998. (We use "reflective process" because it is more able to convey the intention rather than "review".)

Future of the Regional Church

The South Island Consultation has been held. Focus was on "what is the Regional Church?" rather than on the size of Synods, etc. "The regional Church exists to resource the local Church - this is its primary function, rather than to serve Conference."

Comments:

- What is a region? Though we noted that the word "region" is used in a variety of ways, e.g. MMA regions are large. Sometimes Synods talk of regions within the Synod.
- C.Vs are a critical issue. We are sensitive of their concerns. We have sustained our financial support, for example, but we must not allow our vision to be clouded by an undue sensitivity to C.Vs.
- Encourage - Need to encourage other Synods to meet and talk together.
- Regional Pakeha Meeting - Where do Pakeha meet regionally so that the Pakeha meeting is not confused with District Synod? This question needs to be looked at by Pakeha.
- Nature of Synod - Is Synod Pakeha? Tuiwi? Or, does it belong to the whole Church? What about the Samoan Synod? Do Synods need to identify Pakeha issues and find ways to handle them so that Maori are not burdened with these. Everyone does not need to do everything together all the time. Synods need some freedom to explore the best ways for them, recognizing the different cultural constituency of each Synod, while also being committed to working at the treaty partnership. Is the challenge or each Synod to reflect and work at how it can be Treaty partnership Synod within a bi-cultural Church? Some Synods are working at this. There is a uniqueness in Districts, and there can be a regional dimension to the bicultural journey.

Pakeha Stationing

The involvement of an advocate for students leaving College is important, therefore we recommend that the Ministry Resourcing Unit annually choose a person to represent students being stationed, including attending Pakeha, Samoan, Tongan and Fiji stationing meetings when a student is being stationed by their respective group. Travel costs will be met for attendance at these meetings.

Resource Persons to Council of Conference

To assist the Church's understanding of the role and function of Resource people, we suggest that the General Secretary is the Resource Person to the whole Council. Nga Kaiarahi are resource people to the ten from Te Taha Maori and the Superintendent of the Mission Resourcing Unit is resource person to the Taiwi ten.

Samoan Synod

- a) The Samoan Superintendent is the equivalent of a District Superintendent.
- b) The Samoan Synod is the equivalent of a District Synod.
- c) A multi-racial parish may choose a Samoan person as their representative to the District Synod, in which case the person attends as the parish representative, not as a Samoan representative.
- d) The Samoan Regional Meetings - all Samoan congregations are represented on these, they in turn elect 2/3 people to represent the Samoan part of the Church on District Synods to ensure communication/discussion within the region.
- e) The Samoan Parish, of which there is only one at present, is represented on the Samoan Synod, and only indirectly through the Samoan Regional Committee on the District Synod.
- f) Samoan congregations would normally participate in and be represented on the Samoan Synod. However, if they choose to be part of a District Synod, they can only be represented on one or the other, not both. They may attend the Synod where they are not represented as observers.
- g) During the formative stage of the Samoan Synod, funding should continue to be provided by the Connexion. The 'Reflection' in 1998 is seen as an appropriate time to assess future financial needs and issues.

Suggested Decisions:

1. The report be received.
2.
 - a) That the Restructuring Task Group, representing both Taha Maori and Taiwi, initiate the setting up of the process for reflection, and report to Conference 1997. The reflection to take place in 1998.
 - b) That we should move away from "Review" to a "reflection on" how the new structures are serving the Church.
3. That discussion on the Future of Regional Church continue to be a focus for the Restructuring Task Group.
4. Conference approves the involvement of the Principal of Trinity Theological College in Pakeha Stationing.
5.
 - a) That Nga Kairahi be resource persons to the pre-council Taha Maori ten.
 - b) That the Mission Resourcing Unit Superintendent be resource person for the pre-council Taiwi ten.
6. That Conference approve the status of the Samoan Synod as outlined in the reports.

Board of Administration

Report to Conference 1996

A - LOOKING BACK

INTRODUCTION

The Administration Division has continued to undergo significant change again in this past year.

The Supernumerary Fund, the co-owner with the Administration Division of the Morley House property determined that it wished to liquidate its holding in the property and the Division arranged to purchase the Supernumerary Fund's interest in the Building. This necessitated the Board in raising a substantial mortgage but interest and principal repayments are covered by the rental payments previously made by the Board to the Supernumerary Fund and the ongoing rental payments from external tenants.

With the shifting of the reception to the first floor, it was seen that there was potential in moving the Boardroom to the ground floor where the reception area had been located, and thereby freeing the back of the first floor for lease and gaining rental income. Some minor partitioning changes have had to be made to the ground floor so that the archive area could be closed off from the new boardroom, a door was shifted on the first floor so that the rear of the first floor was fully separated from the other areas and the stairway has been upgraded and refurbished to help restore a welcoming atmosphere which had been lost through moving the receptionist from the ground floor.

At the time of writing this report all of these changes to the building had been completed and the process of advertising for a tenant has commenced.

PERSONAL

Since the last report we have experienced more changes in staff. Philip Adamson who had been appointed as Chief Accountant was sought out by an employment agency to fill a position within the industry in which he had had significant previous experience. Philip's employment concluded six months after he had commenced but even in the short time he was in the office he had developed a good rapport with staff and started to identify areas where our accounting and computer system should be updated.

After Philip left Mr John Wilson, an ex partner of the Christchurch Office of Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu, has taken over the position of chief accountant and is continuing the work started by Philip to identify more

modern computer systems to undertake our work and change our accounting and office system accordingly.

The change of emphasis in our computer requirements from an IBM System 36 machine to personal computer systems, meant that all program development work on the System 36 has been discontinued. This resulted in concluding the computer programming position which had been held by Alice Tan since June 1989. It was fortunate that Alice was making plans to return home to Malaysia and work within a family business at the same time as the decision to discontinue her position was made.

Membership of the Board of Administration has also been changing. At the end of 1995 Edgar Hornblow finished after serving for many years as a Board member. The Board was fortunate in being able to welcome Don Biggs onto the Board as well as Jeff Sanders, who returns after an absence of six years.

However, Pat Teague and Margaret Burnett, who have served on the Board for many years, have indicated that 1996 will be their last year. Pat has held the position as Chairperson since 1992 and both will be missed. The Church is indebted for the work of these two people and our gratitude and appreciation is due to them. The Board is still seeking members of the Church who have the skills necessary to serve on the Board of Administration.

The Board notes that Stan West's term as General Secretary has been extended by a further two years. The task of seeking a suitable person to be appointed from 1 February 1998 has already begun. The Board warmly supports the President's appointment of Donald Phillipps as acting Secretary of Conference for 1996 as well as acting General Secretary during Stan's term as President.

STIPENDS

Following a review of wage and salary movements in the wider community, stipend levels for other churches, as well as other statistical indicators the Stipend Review Committee considered that there were no extraneous circumstances or compelling reasons not to recommend the stipend as determined by following the formula adopted by the 1994 Conference.

Consequently, through the Board of Administration it was recommended to the President that the stipend for the year commencing 1 July 1996 be \$32,763 an increase of 2.14%. The President approved the increase in stipend in line with the Board's recommendation.

SUPERANNUATION

At the beginning of 1996 the Board put in place changes to the Supernumerary Fund Trust Deed so that it complied with the Human Rights Act. At the time of the changes all members individually were advised. The Trustees annual report to members also detailed the changes and further copies of that report are available from the Administration Division.

While the Supernumerary Fund advisers were drafting the Trust Deed changes for compliance to the Human Rights Act they noted what appeared to be an oversight in the winding up provisions in that no allowance was made on the winding up of the fund for spouses or nominated beneficiaries who were receiving a pension. Under the Superannuation Schemes legislation the approval of all members and beneficiaries was required to amend this clause. At the time of writing this report the approval of only a few members or beneficiaries is still required, mainly due to these people being out of the country, and the trustee is confident that they will receive the authority of members and beneficiaries to amend the clause.

For the year ended 31 January 1996 the Trustee considered that the financial performance of the Fund was satisfactory with a return of 12.4% on members funds. This return has enabled the Trustee to increase the annuity rate to \$297.84 for each year of membership as from 1 February 1997. This is an increase of 13.7% on the current annuity rate of \$262.05 and all pensions will be increased by 13.7% from 1 February 1997.

Despite the satisfactory financial return for the year the performance of the Supernumerary Funds investment managers, Southpac Investment Management Ltd, did not achieve the level of returns achieved by many other investment managers. For this reason, when the final Methodist Trust Association investments were realised and the Supernumerary Fund's 60% share in Morley House was sold to the Board of Administration, these funds were not automatically invested through Southpac.

Instead with the advice and assistance of Watson Wyatt the Trustee called for submissions from investment managers and following an interview process have appointed BT Funds Management (NZ) Ltd to manage the Supernumerary Fund investments.

In recent years the number of members who have resigned from ministry and then sought immediate reinstatement in order to withdraw from the Supernumerary Fund has increased. Initially this practice allowed matrimonial property settlements to be made as a result of marriage separation. However, the practice has now become more widespread and the reason more varied including the purchase of property. This increasing trend is of concern to the Trustee and therefore they placed a moratorium on withdrawals from the Fund while a complete review of the fund is made.

RETIREMENT HOUSING

In the later part of 1995 the Board distributed a questionnaire to all Presbyters and Deacons on the provisions which they had made toward a retirement home. Fifty four responses were received and of those forty four indicated that they already owned their own home. Of the ten people who did not currently own a home nine have made plans for acquiring a home and only one indicated that they did not expect to ever be in a position to buy their own home.

Of the forty four respondents who already own their own home fifteen are currently living in the home.

From the fifty four responses only six indicated that they did not expect that their home would be freehold at the time of their retirement with a further six indicating that they hoped their home would be freehold but would not be sure until nearer the time of their retirement.

The question as to whether people believed that they would have sufficient capital to provide for both housing and income needs in their retirement caused the respondents the greatest difficulty to answer. Fourteen of the respondents gave no answer or indicated that they were uncertain. Although twenty answered by saying they considered that they would have sufficient many qualified their answer with statements along the lines that it would depend upon Government Policy. Only three people attempted to quantify the shortfall of there savings which ranged from \$60,000 to \$100,000.

Most Presbyters and Deacons who responded to the question on the amount of financial assistance from the Church which they would like to help with retirement housing needs had difficulty in quantifying the amount of need. The few who did indicated that they required amounts of between \$8,000 to \$80,000.

From the responses, the Board considered that the best assistance which they could give to Presbyters and Deacons was to provide information on where resource material on planning toward retirement can be assessed. To this end the Administration Division is seeking information to enable an Information Leaflet to be prepared on courses which are available on planning for retirement.

PRESBYTERS DEACONS & LAY WORKERS LOAN FUND

For the year ended 30th June 1996 the fund made a surplus of \$1,214 following a loss of \$3,027 in the previous year. The surplus was achieved as a result of increases in grants received, up from \$5,543 last year to \$7,551 this year. Again the Thorndon Trust was a significant donor contributing \$5,344 while there was a grant of \$1,000 from the F.W. Walters Trust.

Deposits

Interest on deposits are credited monthly, but in an effort to make the fund more viable the interest rate was lowered to 3% from 4½% in January. Unfortunately, this led to a dramatic reduction in the value of deposits held which have fallen from \$166,935 last year to \$135,379 at the end of this financial year. There are now 75 depositors compared with 79 last year.

'Deposit Supported' Car Loans

At 30 June there were 41 Presbyters with car loans who were contributing to a deposit account. The total value of these loans was \$146,285 compared with \$134,068 in 1995. These loans bear interest at 5% flat or 9.155% true rate.

Interest Free Loans

At 30th June 1996 the number of interest free loans available to those leaving Theological College had fallen to 10 with a total value of \$27,350 compared with 15 last year totalling \$42,381.

Special Loans

At 30th June, 1996 there were 6 Housing Loans for those approaching retirement, totalling \$109,163 compared with 4 totalling \$119,869 last year. There has been a change of policy regarding such loans with the maximum of new loans now restricted to \$10,000 with principal and interest payable in the expectation that they will be fully paid by the time of retirement.

CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND

'Change in Balance Date

Conference 1995 approved the change in balance date of the fund from 31 May to the 30 June in the hope that the common balance date would be of assistance to parishes in the finalising of their annual returns. This decision has been actioned.

Loans and Finance.

The period ended 30 June 1996 covering a 13 month period saw 10 loans advanced to a total value of \$446,581 compared with 10 loans and a total value of \$604,077 for the year to 31 May 1995. The year has again seen several changes in the rate of interest charged on loans, as we maintain the policy of charging interest at 90% of Trustbank Floating Home Mortgage rates. The rate at the end of the financial year was 9.225%, however a change in rate was pending at Balance Date to reflect the latest move in interest rates. The policy of reduced interest during the first 2 years of a loan continues, and is

appreciated by most parishes, as a Connexional contribution to the parishes new acquisition.

The capital of the Church Building and Loan Fund at the 30th June 1996 was \$2,013,008, compared with \$1,906,106 at the 31st May 1995 an increase of 5.6%. Property Realisation Deposits from Parishes totalled \$3,311,600 at the 30 June 1996, compared with \$1,947,141 at the 31 May 1995 representing an increase of 70.1%. The Property Realisation Deposits are the major source of funds for Loans advanced. At 30 June 1996 Loans to Parishes totalled \$1,395,243 compared with \$1,357,743 at 31 May 1995 an increase of 2.76%.

Interest paid on the deposits, at 75% of the rate charged on the loans required \$207,335; while interest received from loans and investments yielded \$383,952.

During the year ended 30 June 1996 the Fund achieved a surplus of \$133,719 inclusive of grants of \$31,527 which has resulted in an addition of \$51,096 to the Development Fund - Property, of which 20% was added to the Capital and the balance is available for grants as recommended by the Mission Resourcing Unit Board.

Apart from monies on loan, the balance of the funds from Property Realisation are either deposited in the Methodist Trust Association or as bank call deposits and is therefore readily available if required for loans or repayment of deposits.

Development Funds - Properties.

Development Funds Properties continues to grow, providing a significant resource from which grants can be made on the recommendation of the Mission Resourcing Unit Board. During the past year, because of the increasing demand for grants there was a period when grants had to be delayed because the income had been fully allocated. While this situation is no doubt, rather frustrating to parishes waiting for grants, it is good to recognise that this resource is being fully utilised by the Church. Funds are dependent on the income producing capacity of the fund which now totals \$445,453 of which \$376,899 forms the capital, compared with \$384,506 in 1995 of which \$358,615 formed the capital. The increase is largely due to the significantly higher grant available from the operating surplus of the Church Building and Loan Fund.

Use of Property Realisation Funds for Parish Survival.

For many parishes the disposal of property is an indicator of lack of resources within the parish to financially maintain an effective ministry, and having disposed of the property an approach is made to the Church Building and Loan Fund for the release of funds for the day to day running of the parish. The Church Building and Loan Fund Committee has difficulty in dealing with

these situations, as on one hand they feel a need to protect the assets of the parish for hopefully better days ahead, and on the other hand to act pastorally and sensitively towards the parish concerned. The normal practise is to respond by encouraging the parish to submit budgets giving evidence of the need for the additional income. There is generally, a more ready response to the request if the property was formerly let, and therefore providing income for the parish. The maximum amount that can be considered for release in this way is 80% of the income earned.

Use of Architect.

The Church Building and Loan Fund Committee has been considering the threshold at which an Architect should be employed and anticipates being able to advise an increase in the new year.

Development Funds - Ministries.

When Methodist parishes sell redundant property they are encouraged to make a contribution of up to 25% of the proceeds to the Development Funds - Ministries which is intended to be used for development of new and innovative ministry within the Connexion and District, with the proceeds being divided equally. It is important, that Districts that have had funds made available consider ways in which funds can be utilised.

Co-operating Ventures - Use of Funds.

Co-operative Ventures are not expected to make any contributions to the Development Funds - Ministries. The Church Building and Loan Fund Committee is aware that many of these Parishes, when rationalising their investment in property, consider that facilities should be available whereby a portion (say 25%) of the proceeds from the sale of redundant properties can be placed in a separate fund in the name of the parish, possibly in the Methodist Trust Association with up to 80% of the income available to support the ongoing work of the Parish.

District Property Advisory Committees.

We again acknowledge the work being undertaken by the District Property Advisory Committees. It is important they be seen as having a two prong role - as a resource to assist Parishes in considering their property needs able to provide objective analysis of the local situation, while at the same time providing supporting information to the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee. Parishes need to liaise with both the District Property Advisory Committee and the Church Building and Loan Fund.

Donations and Bequests

The Church Building and Loan Fund acknowledges the following distributions received during the year:

	\$
Buttle Estate	1,087
F.W.Walter Estate	19,979
Cardno Estate	3,297
Woodward Estate	5,522
M.B. Gilmour	<u>1,642</u>
	<u>31,527</u>

INSURANCE FUND

The Fund has experienced a more normal year to 30 April '96, and only one claim involved the Reinsurers. As a consequence our Premium rate at Renewal rose only 2.4%, in contrast with the previous year at 21.0%. This increase covers the final phase of the transition of all Commercial (ie "non residential") property away from the Government Earthquake Commission, and onto the insurance market for Earthquake cover.

However, our loss ratio with our Reinsurers over the last four years is very high, occasioned particularly by arson claims in the property category of Churches and Church halls (or ancillary buildings). This confirms our action in promoting and subsidising approved Alarm Installations in as many Churches/Church Halls as possible, because without taking steps to cut down the physical cost of claims from this category of property we cannot contain, or even reduce, future Premiums.

At mid September, 180 quotations for Alarm Systems had been issued and 85 confirmed orders given. This is some way from the potential of 300 locations in this category, and as this leaves the majority of Churches/halls still unprotected, the insurance claims exposure remains very high.

For this reason the Board of Administration made a policy decision that differential Premiums would be changed to those with Alarms and those Churches/Halls without, on the basis of a 20% loading of Premium for those **without** Alarms. This is a strong incentive to those deciding against, while providing recognition of those who are assisting the Fund's cause, and is authorised as a permanent feature of our Premium structure from this year.

The other major change this year has been the introduction of annual premium charged in four quarterly instalments, in the manner of Rates instalments from Local Bodies. Many Parishes/Entities have indicated their appreciation of this facility, which still contains the opportunity for one payment of full premium to be made by the due date of the second instalment.

Some difficulty has been experienced in reprogramming our "System 36" Computer to handle this change, and we apologise for major delays regarding the first two instalments - problems which will be ironed out for the future.

Some Co-operating Parishes have queried our Premiums in comparison to debits they have received for Premiums on "Presbyterian-owned" buildings. Research has shown that Presbyterian insurances contain a very comprehensive range of differentials for (a) materials used in the buildings construction, (b) the "Earthquake Zone" within which it is located, (c) the extent of protection by fire equipment, detectors, or sprinklers, etc. Thus some Parishes have "low risk" Presbyterian property attracting lower Premiums than we can offer, while others have "high risk" Presbyterian property with Premiums equal to, or greater than ours. The Methodist stance has been one of Connexional mutuality since the Conference authorised "inception of the Fund in May 1979, a stance which was affirmed by Conference 1991, and is currently maintained by the Board of Administration (apart from the issue of Alarms which is seen as a "Parish choice" having direct bearing on costs and premiums). This policy of an averaged premium has not been an issue for many of our parishes, indeed it is of considerable assistance to parishes with higher risk buildings in high risk areas, which the Connexion views as being beyond their direct control and therefore should not be penalised for. However in some Union Parishes the Methodist averaged premium has proved to result in a higher premium charge than some Presbyterian counterparts.

Premiums collected during the last financial year totalled \$1,065,928 compared with \$939,925 the previous year. The cost of claims met by the Fund totalled \$135,888, and the cost of Reinsurance \$699,250.

GENERAL PURPOSES TRUST FUND

The General Purposes Trust Fund holds on behalf of the Connexion a number of deposits which have resulted from bequests, legacies and other funds of the Church. At 30 June 1996 the Fund comprised of 149 deposits, all of which have specific designated purposes and have a total capital value of \$21.2million. The majority of the deposits are invested with the Capital and Growth Fund of the Methodist Trust Association. The investments earned around \$2.3million which was distributed to the beneficiaries specified for each of the deposits.

The Winstone Memorial Fund exists to give support to Ministry, assistance to Supernumeraries or their widows and cases of special need. The assistance given this year from the Fund amounted to \$19,150 for Parishes and to Supernumeraries and their widows of \$1,200.

In accordance with the decisions of Conference the Board of Administration administers income earned by the Bradley Trust. One of the

applications was declined as it did not fit within the research criteria set down for the Trust but a \$10,000 grant was approved for the Bicultural Committee to undertake research on the bicultural journey of the Methodist Church. The one-third Connexional share of the Thorndon Trust which amounted to \$5,344 was applied to the Presbyters Deacons and Lay Workers Loan Fund which assisted in meeting the interest forgone by the fund in the interest free loans granted to students leaving college. The income from Undesignated Legacies totalling \$6,813 will again be used within the Connexional Budget.

REMOVALS

The Fund has experienced a less demanding year with 24 moves, costing \$36,374, than the previous year, when there was 35 moves costing \$70,499. The average cost of moves was \$1,516 compared with \$2,014 last year. The significant difference has been due entirely to the reduction in Inter-Island moves which this year was 1 compared with 7 the previous year. As in previous years the moves were conducted by N.Z. Van Lines with the quality of the moves, generally, being considered very satisfactory.

Contributions received from Parishes totalled \$54,004 compared with \$56,353 in the year to 30 June 1995. In the current year was a surplus of \$8,319 compared with a deficit of \$23,045 in the previous year.

It is anticipated that there will be more moves in the coming year, but a decision has been made to maintain the levy at the same rate as over recent years of \$5 per annum per member.

Last year a number of changes regarding the volume and value that would be borne by the fund when moves were undertaken, was approved by conference, and these were implemented in the past year's moves, which has been helpful to those involved in moving.

CONNEXIONAL BANKING ARRANGEMENT

The Connexional Banking arrangement has had a satisfactory year benefiting from the increased short term interest rates available.

Interest received for the year increased by \$25,800 (22%) to \$141,270 whilst expenses including interest paid on Church current accounts increased by \$900 or 1% to \$97,777. Excess income over expenses for the year therefore increased significantly by \$24,853 (133%) to a total of \$43,493.

In terms of the approved distribution formula \$38,000 will be available to the Finance and Stewardship Committee towards the Connexional Budget for the year to June 1997.

In the 18 years the Connexional Banking Arrangement has now been in operation a total of \$734,300 has been provided towards the Church's Connexional Budget, an average of \$40,794 per annum.

It is interesting to consider the contribution from the banking arrangement to the Budget in terms of the contribution relief to parishes.

For the budget year to June 1995, 197 parishes contributed a total of \$873,659, an average contribution of \$4,435. This means that the average contribution from the banking arrangement over the years is equal to the average giving of just over 9 parishes in the 1994-1995 Connexional year.

The Connexional Banking Arrangement is an excellent example of the benefits the Church can enjoy through the combined use of its resources. Simply through all parishes banking with one Bank the Church has been able to enjoy a significant financial advantage with minimal disruption to the parish's daily work. It may be that there are further Church accounts maintained outside of the Banking Arrangement and the addition of these accounts to the Connexional Banking Arrangement would further enhance the benefits available to the Church.

As the Church struggles to meet increasing demands on reducing resources, the Connexional Banking Arrangement provides an effective model for mutual support and advantage.

Direct Debit Facilities.

An increasing number of transactions between the Connexional office and parishes are being effected through the use of direct debits. Treasurers are aware of the amount to be deducted from their bank accounts on set dates and the transfers are completed without cost to the parish and changes in payment amounts can be completed without the need for parish officials to call to their contact branch of the Bank of New Zealand to complete new automatic payments or direct credit authorities.

The Connexional Office is also making increasing use of electronic funds transfers (EFT) to pay funds directly into parish and supernumerary fund beneficiary bank accounts. Deposits are made with appropriate identifying information on the bank statements and where necessary direct correspondence with the recipients.

Recipients have the advantage of immediate access to the funds without the need to physically process a receipt.

The Connexional Office is always pleased to discuss with parishes and other Church groups how electronic funds transfer and direct debits can be used to improve the efficiency of the movement of funds within the Connexion.

ARCHIVES

1996 marks the centenary of the Union of the United Methodist and Bible Christian Churches with the Wesleyan Church in New Zealand. There will be special displays at Conference to mark this event.

The amount of work being achieved in the two archival centres continues to escalate at an amazing rate. People worldwide are continually researching their roots and the history of the Church, discovering in the process more of themselves and their faith.

Gratitude is expressed to all those who give voluntary of their time in answering elusive queries, creating finding aids and preserving our story for future generations.

In particular the Archive Committee asks Conference to acknowledge with gratitude the outstanding research of the Rev John B Dawson contained in two volumes: "Thy Kingdom Come on Earth: NZ Methodist Social Concerns 1900 - 1979, with an epilogue 1980 - 1984" which are now available for reference at the Connexional Archive.

LOTTERIES COMMISSION GRANTS

During the year the Board of Administration became aware of problems being experienced by Parishes and other Church Groups who were seeking monies from Lottery Grants Boards in excess of \$5,000 for salaries or vehicle costs. The Lottery Grants Board will only make grants to legally constituted groups in such circumstances.

The Board of Administration has entered an agreement with the Lottery Grants Board whereby the Board of Administration will "stand behind" a Parish's application for lottery funds and the Lottery Grants Board will treat the parish as if it was a legally constituted body.

The consent process will be handled through the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee at its regular monthly meeting. In developing this process it is not the intention of the Board of Administration or the Church Building and Loan Fund Committee to make comment or judgement on the appropriateness or otherwise of the Church making application for the use of Lottery Board's money, rather to provide a process which controls what is happening. It is the Public Questions Committee or Welfare of the Church committee who carry a responsibility to enable Conference have a mind on such matters

Details of the process are set out in Information Leaflet No 169 dated August 1996 which is available from the Administration Division.

METHODIST BULK FUEL CARD

The Board has, over several years, looked at the possibility of providing purchase cards for Ministers and possibly other employees of the Church to enable the purchase of discount price fuel. One of the principle difficulties in concluding a satisfactory agreement was the need for the Church to accept the primary responsibility for the payment of the individual accounts each month and then recover from the cardholders. The administration costs that this entailed meant that any savings on the cost of petrol and other fuels would be largely negated for those using an average amount of fuel each month.

The Board has reviewed the matter from time to time and following the agreement by the Presbyterian Church with Mobil New Zealand Limited the Division has also concluded an agreement with Mobil for the issue of fuel purchase cards which are available to Methodist ministers and with the agreement of the employing body, other persons employed by the Methodist Church of New Zealand.

Discount rates applying will be notified on enquiry from the Connexional Office and vary from time to time. The discounts rates however are such that it is expected that a person using the card and travelling 1000 kms per month would achieve some benefit from the use of the card and those travelling greater distances would achieve significant savings.

The Board considered the question of the "ownership" of the benefits of the discounted petrol and noted that there is no difference as to the reimbursing allowance paid in respect of motor vehicles whether they use premium or unleaded petrol, diesel or CNG. The costs of the fuel does not appear to be a significant determinant of the reimbursement levels and accordingly the Division concluded that all savings made in respect of the use of the Fuel cards was personal to the cardholder.

One of the principal aspects of the arrangement is that cardholders must have in their nominated current account sufficient funds to meet their previous month's purchases on the 11th of each month as their accounts will be direct debited for those purchases on that date.

Application forms have been distributed in the 10th month mailing and it is anticipated that the cards will be issued if not prior to Conference then very shortly afterwards.

MATTERS REFERRED FROM CONFERENCE

Presbyters and Deacons Retirement Housing Fund

Following Conference 1995 this Fund was established in accordance with the Conference decisions and has advances three loans to assist Presbyters and Deacons acquire an interest in housing for their retirement.

General Secretary

The Council of Conference decision to accept the 4 + 4 Committee recommendation that Stan West's appointment be extended for a further period of two years to 31 January 1999, also included a request that the Board of Administration establish a search group independent of the Board to seek and encourage suitable candidates to either apply or be nominated for the position of General Secretary. It is intended that the recommendation for the new General Secretary will be presented to Conference 1997 so that the new person will have one year for preparation and familiarisation to the position prior to assuming the role of General Secretary from 1 February 1999.

Reports for August Synods

The Administration Division on two occasions during the year circulated a reminder amongst the Connexion of the deadline for reports which were to be considered by August Synods. The Division is aware that a number of reports still did not arrive in the hands of Synod Secretaries by the close off date. The Division considers that there is no further actions which it can take in this matter and recommends to Synods and Conference that reports which are not received in time should not be considered by August Synods and the following Conference but rather be held over and considered in the following year.

Parity, Status and Relationship of Lay Ministries

The Board of Administration asked the Faith and Order committee to share their report on the theology of the phrase "Every member a minister" in order to assist the Mission Resourcing Unit to examine the question of parity, status, and relationships concerning vocational lay ministries and ordained ministries. As the Faith and Order committee is not yet in a position to be able to prepare that report the Board of Administration is not able to consider and offer assistance to the Ministry Resourcing Unit on the parity, status and relationship issue.

Funding of Compulsory Supervision

The Board of Administration is aware that the issue of Compulsory Supervision has been under wide discussion within the connexion. The Board considered that there was little more meaningful input which it could add to this discussion and has therefore left it with the Ministry Resourcing Unit to report its finding to Conference.

Bicultural Committee Finances

The administration of the financial affairs of the bicultural Committee are now being undertaken by the Administration Division and have been

incorporated into the Connexional Expenses Fund where they will now be reported to Conference each year.

B - LOOKING TO THE FUTURE

STANDARD REIMBURSING ALLOWANCES

The Inland Revenue advised that as a result of amending legislation, the Church is now no longer required to seek approval from them to pay the standard reimbursing allowances free of tax to Ministers and Deacons.

With this change in legislation the Board recommends that the Church continue to follow the process which was adopted in 1982 to establish the amount of reimbursing allowances to be paid to Presbyters and Deacons. This process has been approved by the Inland Revenue Department between 1982 until 1995.

The process is set out below:

1. Every five years a survey be conducted amongst Presbyters and Deacons to confirm the reasonableness of the reimbursing allowances. [The next survey will be conducted during the year 1 April 1998 to 31 March 1999.]
2. Based on the survey results a notional base reimbursing allowances shall be determined.
3. The notional base reimbursing allowances shall be adjusted by the movement in the Consumer Price Index between the date when the notional base was established to 31 March in each year. The new reimbursing allowances to be effective from July each year
4. The standard reimbursing allowances are to be paid to all Presbyters and Deacons. However, Presbyters and Deacons must be in position to justify the allowance if ever asked by the Inland Revenue to do so.
5. Where a Presbyterian or Deacon is unable to justify receiving the reimbursing allowances and as a consequence Income Tax is payable, responsibility for the payment of the Income Tax shall rest with the Presbyterian or Deacon.

With the change in the Inland Revenue Department policy, the Board believes that it is an opportune time to alter the date when the Standard Reimbursing Allowances are reviewed. By having that date when the new allowances are to be paid in line with the review of stipend the work load of Parish Treasurers will be eased. Accordingly, the reimbursing allowances

effective from 1 April 1996 shall apply for a period of fifteen months ending 30 June 1997.

PRESBYTERS REMUNERATION

In response to the notice of motion which was referred from Conference, the Board of Administration prepared and distributed a discussion paper on the various aspects raised within the Notice of Motion. Eleven responses were received to that paper. These responses highlighted the diverse range of opinion which exists within the Church on what is an appropriate level of stipend and the mechanism which should be followed to determine a level of remuneration for Presbyters and other workers within the Church.

A paper prepared within the Wellington Synod highlighted the growing gap between the stipends paid by Methodist and Presbyterian Churches. The Board of Administration sent two representatives to share in the discussions within the Wellington Synod where again a diverse range of opinions were expressed.

As a result of the discussions within the Wellington Synod, a request has been made to the Forum of Cooperative Ventures asking them to facilitate a discussion within the member Churches on the possibility of determining a common stipend for use within Co-operative Ventures. At the time of preparing this report this discussion had not taken place.

The Board believes that the current stipend is in line with the original concept. In 1994 when the last detailed review of the stipend and the formula for determining it was undertaken, it was found that the Methodist Stipend had tracked in line with general wage movements, the consumer price index as well as other statistical indicators. It was also found that the Methodist Stipend was higher than the standard stipend of several other Church denominations except for the Presbyterian Church Stipend which was the highest of all of the Churches surveyed. Current information confirms that this is still the case. The Board is not aware that the Conference or the Church generally wish that the historical basis of determining the stipend should be changed. However, if a review of the basis on which the stipend is calculated is to be made, then that review should be widened to include all of aspects of a Presbyterian's remuneration and not solely the stipend and allowance payments.

If such a review is to be made then the Board would recommend that independent management consultants should be engaged to undertake that review on behalf of the Church. In following such a course the church would need to find sufficient funding in order that a firm of management consultants could carry out that review.

EMPLOYMENT STATUS OF PRESBYTERS

This matter has been in front of the Board and the Church for several years. The Board two years ago deferred further action on the matter pending the outcome of particular legal proceedings in which the Church was involved which had been commenced in the Employment Court as it was anticipated that the outcome of these actions could provide the Church with a more certain indication of the Court's view of the employment status of ministers.

Decisions on the case in question were given in the Employment Court and later those decisions were overturned in the Court of Appeal. The matters traversed in the judgements from both the Employment Court and the Court of Appeal did not specifically touch on the question of the employment status of ministers with the Methodist Church of New Zealand and the Church has no clearer indication of the Court's view on the question.

In the course of preparing for the actions however, the Church and its legal advisers had occasion to carry out considerably greater research into matters which touched on the employment position of ministers and this further information is being considered by the Board.

Currently the Board maintains the position advised to Conference 1993 that it believes the relationship between ministers and the Conference is an employee/employer relationship and advises that detailed consideration of the additional research information will be undertaken during the year and further reports prepared for distribution to the Church during 1997.

It is also germane to note that at the time this report to Conference was completed the results of the 1996 General Election were unknown. It may be that the outcome of the election could have a bearing on the scope or even retention of the Employment Contracts Act which could have a significant impact on the Board's view on the matter.

BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION FINANCES

For the last three years the cost of the running the Administration Division and the Board of Administration have exceeded its income. This deficit has been met by drawing on reserves which had been built up to enable the development and upgrading of the Administration Division mainly in the area of computer technology.

The deficit has not come about by increasing expenditure as this has been held, except for extraordinary costs relating to staff reductions, at the same level for the last three years, but by a decrease in income. The commission paid by the Methodist Trust Association has been the most significant source of income for the Board and recent large withdrawals from the Association such as Supernumerary Fund has resulted in significant decreases in commissions. The

transfer of Supernumerary Fund Investment management to an outside company has also impacted on the Board's income.

The Board has looked very carefully at the service requirements placed on it by the Connexion and its staffing levels in its various departments. Accordingly it has moved to reduce its staffing levels by the equivalent of 5 full time positions compared to March 1995 and this has resulted in the remaining staff both carrying significant increases in work load and staff becoming more skilled in a variety of tasks within the office.

To enable the Board to improve its service to the Church and maintain its significantly reduced staffing levels it is currently evaluating the Accounting and Funds Management systems it uses. There are modern P.C. based packages that will manage and report on the work under taken within the office much more effectively then the specialist programmes developed for the IBM mini mainframe computer in use for the last several years.

A change in computing systems will involve the Board in significant capital expenditure but is expected to have a short "pay back" time in terms of continued staffing reductions and improved reporting to the Church.

The Board recognises that it cannot continue to have expenditure which exceeds its income. Consequently, the Board has also completely reviewed its income and looked at possible ways to increase it. The leasing of a part of the first floor area of Morley House is one of those initiatives. However, this on its own will not bridge the gap.

The Board has also considered the actual costs of administration of the Funds under its responsibility. It will be looking to all Funds to contribute the actual costs of administration and where a Fund has the financial capacity to contribute toward some of the overhead costs of the Division some contribution towards these will also be expected.

The Board of Administration has made no direct claim on the Connexional Budget for several years. However, this situation cannot continue and the Board will need to look to the Connexion to provide some funding towards the costs of activities such as administration of the Connexional Budget, the expenses of the Connexional Archives as well as the costs associated with the General Secretary. In this regard the Board notes that the costs attributable to these three items exceed \$120,000 annually for which no direct income is available to it. There are also a significant number of other activities undertaken by the Board for which no cost recovery or income provision is available and which have to be carried as overhead costs of the Division.

Suggested Decisions:

1. That the Report be received

Standard Reimbursing Allowances

2. Conference approves the continuing use of the process which has been adopted since 1982 for the setting of the standard reimbursing allowances to be paid to Presbyters and Deacons acknowledging that it is no longer possible to obtain Inland Revenue Department approval and the allowances will be reviewed from July each year commencing from July 1997.

Parity of Stipend

3. That Conference affirms the continuing use of the existing formula to establish the Standard Stipend.

Connexional Banking Arrangement

4. That Conference affirms the Connexional Banking Arrangement and requests any Church group maintaining a bank account outside of the Connexional Banking Arrangement make early arrangements to bring the account within the Methodist Church Connexional banking arrangement.

General

5. That the Archives Committee for 1997 be:
The General Secretary, David White, Marcia Baker, Frank Paine, Olive Thompson, Esther Trim, Rae Wilson, Pat Greening, Rachel Tregurtha, John Cookson, Fred Baker, John Dawson, Stanley Barnes and corresponding member Verna Mossong.
6. That the Membership of the Board for 1997 be:
Alan Bettany, Don Biggs, Ruth Bilverstone, Murray Clark, Elaine Dell, Geoff Peak, Donald Phillipps, Jeff Sanders, Kenneth Smith, Lani Tupu, Bill Yeatman, and

**The Board of Administration
seeks nominations, applications and recommendations
for the position of**

General Secretary

The Board of Administration is seeking nominations, applications and recommendations for the position of General Secretary. Although the appointment will commence from February 1999, the process of making the appointment will take place during 1997. It is envisaged that the year between making the appointment and starting in the position will give an opportunity for familiarisation and training.

The Board will distribute the job description and person profile for the position of General Secretary early in 1997. A small group of people has been established to encourage nominations from suitable people to fill this key position within the Methodist Church.

Any nominations, applications or recommendations should be forwarded to:

The Chairperson
Board of Administration
PO Box 931
CHRISTCHURCH 8015

DISPUTE/DISCIPLINE NATIONAL CHURCH PROCESS

Preamble

The intention of these procedures is two-fold. Firstly to enable an identification of the level of concern being expressed and secondly the process to which it should be directed.

Whatever process is pursued the Church -

- (a) seeks to ensure that the person whom is the Subject(s) of a complaint receives sufficient and proper pastoral care,
- (b) also is concerned to see that the process is proceeded with and brought to a conclusion quickly with the Subject(s) of the complaint or concern being fully aware of their rights and obligations and the possible consequences at all times.

These procedures and the Sexual Harassment Abuse Procedures will complement each other and appropriate trained people will operate in both procedures.

Goals of the Procedures

- To provide appropriate processes for our Church for resolving concerns or complaints.
- To establish a formal system of providing pastoral care for those being subjected to the procedures.
- To establish a process of discipline of people accountable to the Church.

Who will be involved in the procedures?

Petitioner(s): a person or group who have a concern about, or dispute with another person or group within the Church.
Petitioner(s) may approach: a Contact Person: their District Superintendent.

Subject(s): a person or group who is the other party in a concern or dispute.

Contact Persons: people appropriate to the locality and culture selected and trained by the Church who are able to listen, inform and support Petitioner(s) as they choose which course of action is most appropriate.

Names of Contact People will be readily available in local churches, fellowships and rohe.

Contact people will also be able to support Subject(s)s - though not at the same time as supporting the Petitioner(s) of the one dispute.

Pastoral Caregiver: Person appointed by the Subject(s) to support the Subject(s) during the process of resolving the concern of dispute.

District Superintendent: An organiser of the process, not a participant.

His/her major task is to offer pastoral care to both parties in the concerns/dispute.

Go-between: An independent person, skilled in mediation, who can assist the parties to resolve their differences.

Regional Group: There will be 3 Regional Groups: 2 in the North Island and 1 in the South Island. Members will have a 3 year term of office. A panel of 15 selected trained people (5 from each area) who have the confidence of the Church will be nominated by Synods to Council of Conference who shall bring recommendations to Conference for appointment as a member of the panel. When a concern or dispute is to be heard the Central Complaints Committee will identify the three most appropriate from the panel to constitute the group. Any region may co-opt suitable people from another region's panel if necessary. Members of Regional Groups will:

- have good people skills
- have good assessment and analysis
- be able to make clear judgements

The Regional Group will meet at the place of the concern/dispute unless there is a more appropriate venue.

The Group will be responsible for:

- ☐ contacting the Subject(s)
- ☐ receiving the Subject(s) written response to the concern/dispute
- ☐ investigating the evidence relevant to the concern/dispute (including interviewing the parties involved) and determining whether it has substance.
- ☐ making a report of the case to the Central Complaints Committee, stating whether or not the concern/dispute has substance, and sending the Central Complaints Committee all original documentation received in connection with the case.

Central Complaints Committee:

This is to be a Standing Committee of the Conference. It will consist of four people, with a balance of gender and culture. At least one person, but no more than three shall be ordained.

Membership will be:

One person nominated by Taha Maori

One person nominated by Taiwi Forum

Two persons nominated by Pastoral Committee

The Committee shall be responsible to the Conference and make an annual report. It shall make application to the Budget for funding. This Committee shall have oversight of the Procedures and ensure they are carried out appropriately. All concerns/disputes in the life of the Church are to be notified to this group and confidential records kept.

The Pastoral Committee: (including the President and Vice President) will not be involved in the dispute/discipline process as their role

is to be available for pastoral care to all persons involved in the process.

The Tribunal: Each year Conference will appoint:

- * a pool of up to 6 people from which the 2 members of the Tribunal will be selected. Nomination for these positions will be sought from Synods and reported to the Council of Conference, who shall bring recommendations to Conference.
- * a Chairperson.

The Tribunal will be a group of 3 people - 2 selected from the pool appointed by Conference, and a chairperson who will be a non-Methodist with the required legal skills ie. at least 7 years practice at the Bar.

Tribunal members will be people who can

- listen
- have professional/business skills and other acumen
- have decision-making skills

The Tribunal will

- allow parties to have legal representation
- make written decisions
- operate in a similar manner to the Family Court

How will the Process Operate?

Complaints about concerns/disputes can be made verbally or in writing to the local Contact Person or the District Superintendent as in options N, S, G below, or to the District Superintendent. A verbal complaint may later become a formal complaint.

Upon receipt of a complaint about a concern/dispute the local Contact Person, if the complaint is received by that person, shall advise the District Superintendent who shall ensure that a Pastoral Caregiver is chosen by the Subject(s) before any further steps are taken.

Options for Resolution:

(A) Option N:

A person or group with a concern/dispute approaches a Contact Person, but after discussion decides either to take no action, or to take their concern through non-Church processes. No names will be disclosed by the Contact Person.

Option S:

Petitioner(s) resolves the situation with Subject(s) without assistance, or with support from a Contact Person. No names will be disclosed by the Contact Person.

(B) Option G:

The Petitioner(s) will request that the District Superintendent appoint an independent, skilled, Go-between to assist the Petitioner(s) and the Subject(s) to attempt to resolve their differences. The Go-between will be appointed within 7 days of the Petitioner's request and will report within 14 days of being appointed. A Pastoral Caregiver for the Subject(s) will be advisable. If the dispute is

resolved to the satisfaction of the Petitioner(s), no further action will be taken. A report will be made by the Go-between to the Central Complaints Committee on the outcome of the dispute. If a dispute is not resolved satisfactorily the Petitioner(s) may make a formal complaint to the District Superintendent. See Option W.

Option W:

The Petitioner(s) approaches the District Superintendent with a formal written complaint. The District Superintendent will make an assessment as to the seriousness of the complaint and refer it to the appropriate procedure.

If the matter is referred to the Regional Group the District Superintendent shall ensure that its membership contains people with attributes necessary for the issue involved. The Group will be convened within 14 days of receipt of the complaint.

Once a matter has been referred to the Regional Group the Subject(s) will be suspended but will continue to receive their stipend pay. The District Superintendent shall be responsible for ensuring adequate cover for the Subject(s)' position held within the Church.

The Regional Group will initiate an enquiry into the concern within 14 days of being convened. If it deems there is substance to the concern then it can decide the appropriate next step. Those steps may include -

- mediation,
- counselling/therapy/re-training,
- referral to the police,
- referral to the Tribunal.

At all times when a Subject(s) is approached regarding the concern, eg. addressing the Regional Group, the Pastoral Caregiver is entitled to be present unless the Subject(s) requests otherwise.

- It is recognised that there can often be more than one issue involved in a concern/complaint. It may be appropriate for mediation between the Petitioner and the Subject(s) to take place to resolve matters on a personal level between them but that it could equally be appropriate at the same time for the matter to be referred on to the Tribunal for disciplinary matters. Referral must be within 3 weeks of the previous action. In such instances care should be taken by whichever group is handling the matter whether it be, the Regional Group or the District Superintendent to ensure that the Subject(s) is advised of the identification of the various issues and the ramifications that each of them holds for the Subject(s).
- In the event that the matter is referred to the police it may be appropriate for further Church procedures to be stayed until the completion of the police enquiries and any subsequent Court matters which may arise therefrom. In the event of a charge being laid and the Subject(s) being found not guilty of a crime it is still possible for further procedures to be followed by the Church. The possibility that the matter may be proceeded further by the Church

is to be clearly explained to the Subject(s), in writing, at the time that proceedings are stayed.

- When a concern or a complaint is made involving the President, Vice President or District Superintendent, the Central Complaints Committee will organise the Regional Group to carry out the process.
- When a staff person makes a complaint about a Connexional Appointee the concern, as it affects the staff person and the organisation for which they work, shall be dealt with according to that organisations procedures and obligations. As for criminal references this does not prevent the matter still being referred further for consideration by the Tribunal for matters where there has been a breach of professional boundaries.
- A written report from the Regional Group to the Central Complaints Committee and also to both parties is to be made irrespective of which resolution or procedure is entered into. These written reports will be made available to the Tribunal should the matter then be heard there at a later stage.
- A Subject(s), the Regional Group or the Central Complaints Committee shall request a Tribunal hearing once there is a finding that the concern/complaint has substance.

Tribunal Proceedings:

The Tribunal shall be convened as expeditiously as possible. If there is any dispute as to what is appropriate a ruling shall be made on the matter by the Tribunal chairperson.

Procedure and hearings:

1. There shall be no formal notes of evidence and such notes as may be taken by the Tribunal members will be destroyed after the decision of the Tribunal has been received by the Connexional Office.
2. The Tribunal shall receive all written reports from the Regional Group and such other Church bodies as it deems appropriate.
3. The decisions of the Tribunal shall be unanimous.
4. Hearings of the Tribunal shall be at such place as deemed appropriate by the Tribunal Chairperson, but shall be a neutral venue. The costs of any venue shall be borne by the Church.

The first enquiry of the Tribunal in any instance shall be to ensure that the procedures set out herein have been followed and that an appropriate pastoral person has provided care to the Subject(s) and that all avenues for mediation, arbitration or non-formal procedures have been investigated.

Prior to any hearing of a Tribunal the Tribunal chairperson shall ensure that the issues are determined and are set out in writing to the Subject(s) at the same time as advising the date and place of the hearing of the matters in issue.

At the hearing the Subject(s) may be represented by counsel as may the Petitioner and if appropriate *amicus curia* may then be appointed by the Tribunal to assist it with any questions concerning the Church procedures and its law that may be relevant.

No person shall be present during the hearing of any proceedings except the Tribunal members, a secretary to the Tribunal, parties to the proceedings and their counsel, witnesses and any other person whom the Tribunal chairperson permits to be present. Any witness shall leave the hearing if asked to do so by the Tribunal chairperson.

In any proceedings brought before the Tribunal the Tribunal may receive any evidence that it thinks fit, whether it is otherwise admissible in a court of law or not.

Every question of fact arising in any proceedings before the Tribunal shall be decided on a balance of probabilities.

In any proceedings a document purporting to be the original or a certified copy of a certificate, entry, or record of a birth, death or marriage alleged to have taken place whether in New Zealand or any other country may be received without further proof as to the evidence of the facts stated in the document.

In any proceedings before the Tribunal a document purporting to be a decree or order of certified copy or duplicate of any decree or order made by any Court or public authority whether in New Zealand or elsewhere -

- (a) may be received without further proof of evidence of the existence, nature or purport of that decree or order; and
- (b) every such decree or order shall be presumed to be valid unless the contrary is proved.

Publication:

A written decision of the Tribunal shall be forwarded to the Central Complaints Committee, the Subject(s) and the Petitioner(s). It will not be available for publication in the news media and may only be shown to those persons involved in putting into effect its findings.

The effect of a decision as it pertains to a minister's standing in the Church is a matter which may be published and may be advised to such other bodies as are necessary e.g. Marriage Celebrants registry.

Appeal to Conference:

The Petitioner(s), or the Subject(s), as the case may be, may give notice within 30 days receipt of the decision of the Tribunal that he or she wishes to appeal the decision to Conference.

The appeal will be heard at the next Conference following the expiration of that 30 day period.

The notice of motion of appeal should be forwarded to all persons attending Conference. Unless Conference decides otherwise, as set out below, the appeal will be heard by a committee of Conference of 10. 5 of the committee shall be appointed by the appellant and 5 by the President. The President shall not form part of the committee but may attend ex-officio. He or she may not vote.

The committee of Conference shall appoint its own chairperson and shall invite the appellant to state the reason for their appeal. The committee shall determine how best to hear any other matters in relation to the appeal. The committee shall determine how best to hear any other matters in relation to the appeal and shall determine its own procedure.

The committee may either overturn the finding of the Tribunal, or overturn the penalty determined by the Tribunal in respect of any

complaint. The finding of the committee shall be reported back to the floor of the Conference.

The appellant can ask Conference to hear the appeal on the floor of Conference. That shall require a separate notice of motion to Conference. The rules of debate of the motion will be determined by the President at the time. The motion will be heard on the first sitting day of Conference.

In the event that Conference deems to hear the appeal itself and not by way of sub-committee debate shall take the following form:

The appellant shall state the reasons for the appeal and what outcome he or she wishes to effect by the appeal. The other party may then reply if he or she should so wish. There will be no restriction on time that either of these people may speak but the debate thereafter being conducted on the floor of Conference will be governed by the President and he or she may determine the length of time that any other person may speak to the matter. Nobody, without leave of the Present, may speak more than once.

When the debate is complete the decision of Conference shall be determined by a show of hands.

All statements made before Conference or the Tribunal or in any other committee in respect of any complaint are confidential and may not be repeated outside the forum in which they are made. The result or decision of whichever forum may be communicated to appropriate persons and/or bodies.

Costs:

The following costs will be the responsibility of the Church:

Procedural expenses eg. mediator's fee, reasonable travelling costs, venue costs, agreed counselling fees, accommodation, secretarial, legal chairperson costs.

Tribunal Proceedings:

1. Costs. The costs of the Tribunal Chairperson shall be negotiated with him/her at the time of appointment and met by the Church.
2. The fair and reasonable travel and accommodation costs of the non-legal members of the Tribunal shall be met by the Church.
3. The travel costs of the Petitioner(s), the Subject(s) and any witnesses shall be met by the Church.
- Other costs will be borne by the parties involved.

NOTES:

- legal counsel will be present at the Tribunal stage only.
- The Pastoral Care giver will be present in a supportive role. He or she:
 - will not be a lawyer or trained advocate.
 - will not be permitted to speak to the gathering.
- Failure to meet times as set out in the procedures shall not invalidate any decisions made or action taken subsequent to that failure.
- Co-operative Ventures will use Procedures of the Church to which the Subject(s) belongs.

- The Tribunal will have the power to make decisions re payment of costs.

COUNCIL OF CONFERENCE

Supplementary Report to Conference

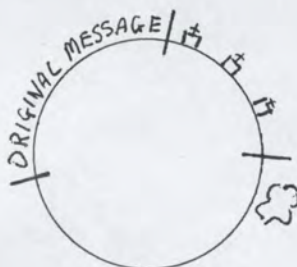
DECOLONIZATION

Council of Conference at its August meeting initiated discussion on this topic.

John Salmon was asked to run an awareness raising session on this issue at our October meeting. Included in this session was theological reflection. The Council of Conference came up with the following definitions of what the implications were and issues involved:

- (i) being aware of the positive and breaking free from negative influences, mind-sets and trappings. To find a style of being that is relevant and authentic to Aotearoa-New Zealand

(ii)



History of colonization
and Christianity

Moving beyond - remembering the
message

Colonization and decolonization

Implications:

- not imposing models of oppression
- exploring models of oppression
- exploring new ways
- re-imaging
- beyond intentional language

- (iii) Identify the impact of the Dominant Colonizing Group of the Indigenous People.

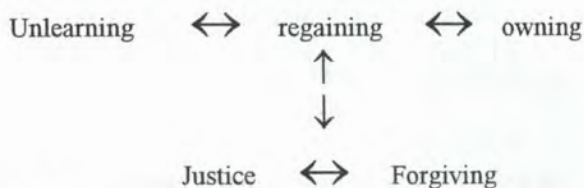
Kiriakitanga

Therefore the restoration of the culture and tikanga, then empower the people through structures that recognise Te Tino Rangatiratanga.

- (iv) Questioning structures, systems, patterns, processes, ideas, challenging and that changing what has been inherited, imposed or assimilated by power, replacing with something relevant contemporary releasing,

reclaiming what is good and liberating that has been deposed through history, Maori Culture.

- (v) Identifying the basic elements of colonization, eg power held through land, money, power, intellect and culture there are normally two partners included in the process:
- need to come to understand who colonized - what for, why? who was affected?
 - peel these layers back and pull down, letting go, and being to rebuild, reconstruct, reshape, and reopen freed mind-sets, and to remove fear, to bring about change, equity, power-sharing (takes time).
- (vi) Analysing to remove negative aspects imposed from another culture.
Bridging the chasm between two ways of thinking



Unpacked - rearranged

Implications: Everybody has to re-think to enable Tangata Whenua to change. Structures will be affected - Justice systems, Immigration, etc.

Because of the awareness raised around this particular issue it was decided that the Council of Conference continue dialogue on these issues again in 1997 as part of the ongoing life of the Council.

OVERSEAS MINISTRY/IMMIGRATION

In 1995 Council of Conference discussed an embargo on recruitment from overseas. Council of Conference in consultation with Ministry Resourcing Unit was asked by Conference to prepare a discussion paper on overseas recruitment for ministry for wide discussion in 1996. A process paper was prepared by Council of Conference and Ministry Resourcing Unit and distributed.

Taha Maori hoped Conference and the Church would look behind the issues of embargo and consider 'why' an embargo had been initiated.

At the October meeting of the Council of Conference they received responses and spent considerable time clarifying the issues:

- (a) We became aware that "Te Taha Maori wants to hold to the stance of embargo on all overseas nationals coming to fill 'ministry' positions in Aotearoa".
- (b) Taiwi are not totally opposed to overseas supplies, ie for special ministries within a bicultural process.

Taha Maori and Taiwi agreed to differ on this matter, and supported the use of the process set out on the Ministry Resourcing Unit/Council of Conference 1996 paper.

During 1997 the 1993/94 Public Questions Paper on Immigration is to be offered to the Church again in order that the 'why' embargo question can be further addressed.

PAC DISTRIBUTION GROUP NOMINATIONS

Council of Conference received 12 names for nomination to the PAC Distribution Group. After careful consideration it was agreed that our two nominations be Ashley Sedon and Kevin Connole.

CROSS LINK (Supplementary Report to Conference)

Conference last year agreed to establish a joint Crosslink Board with the Presbyterian Church.

In December 1995 the position of Editor became vacant. As an interim measure Diane Gilliam-Weeks was appointed with the understanding that the position of Editor would be advertised during 1996 using an open process. For various reasons this did not eventuate and the Methodist Board members raised their concern with the Council of Conference who supported their stance and delegated a group to meet with the Presbyterian Council of Assembly to discuss the process.

At its October meeting the Council of Conference received and agreed to the "Memorandum of Understanding (see Appendix I) between Methodist and Presbyterian Churches and authorised the General Secretary and also the Methodist members of the Crosslink Board to sign on behalf of the Methodist Church. Council of Conference has affirmed the work of the interim Editor, Diane Gilliam-Weeks, and also the Methodist Members of the Crosslink Board.

Note: That there will be an open process in 1998.

METHODIST SOCIAL SERVICES REVIEW

For some years there has been a concern that there be a review of social services. The process proposed by MMA in 1996 did not happen.

Council of Conference is concerned that the matter of a review is picked up with some urgency. The Council of Conference will continue to work on this issue and pick up the matter of the review early in 1997.

ELDERS' REPORT

Two Elders have attended each Council meeting. They report that the process has been worked at and a more relaxed working relationship exists between Taha Maori and Tauiwi within the Council. Time spent caucusing prior to the Council meeting has helped in this regard. However, although the process for consultation and reaching consensus have now become a more natural part of the decision making, differences of view arising around a particular issue can be expected. The Elders affirm the work of the Co-conveners and of members in the facilitation role in their preparation for the sessions.

Suggested Decision:

1. That the Supplementary Report be received.
2. Council of Conference reminds the Church of the 1994 resolution, page 766, No. 5 *"Immigration: Recognising that Maori Treaty rights have had no place in the development of this country's immigration policy, Conference requests the Government to place an embargo on further immigration until te iwi Maori have a partnership say in the shape of future immigration policy"*, and urges Conference to take up the matter with all the partners of Government and opposition parties.
3. That the 1993/94 Public Questions paper on Immigration be offered to the Church again in order that the "why embargo question", can be further addressed.
4. Conference ask the Ministry Resourcing Unit to initiate a positive strategy Recruitment in Aotearoa for training in Ministry.
5. That Ashley Sedon and Kevin Connole be the two new members on the PAC Distribution Group.
6. Having accepted the Memorandum of Understanding, Conference express to the Presbyterian Church our disappointment in there not being an open process in the appointment of an Editor, during 1996.
7. Conference reaffirms Alan Dine, Kathryn McKenzie, Ian Harris, Doug Rogers, as Crosslink Board Members for 1997.

APPENDIX I

Memorandum of Understanding between the Methodist Church of New Zealand and the Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand regarding the interim editorship of *Crosslink*

This memorandum confirms the agreement reached when representatives of the Presbyterian Council of Assembly and the Methodist Council of Conference met on Wednesday 25 September, 1996 to resolve an issue about the process of appointment of a new editor for *Crosslink*. We understand that this agreement is subject to the approval of the Council of Assembly and the Council of Conference.

Representatives of both churches wish it to be understood that the issue addressed was one of process and in no way reflected on the performance of the interim editor.

Both churches are committed to an open and transparent approach for appointments. This will normally entail advertising positions. Accordingly the position of permanent editor of *Crosslink* should normally be advertised.

However in the light of Presbyterian financial and employment contract obligations, the two churches recognise that it is not appropriate at this time to follow the open and transparent process which would include advertising a permanent position.

Accordingly they agree that the present interim editor should continue in terms of the agreed job description which includes provision for annual performance review.

The situation will be reconsidered in June 1998. At that time representatives of the two churches will meet to determine whether the agreed open and transparent policy for appointments, including advertising can be implemented. If it can, an appointment will be made using that process. If the two churches decide that the agreed policy cannot be implemented, then the present interim editorship arrangement will be reviewed, with due consideration being given to continuing the interim editor through to June 2000.

It is also agreed that if matters of policy or finance arise in either church in a way which may impinge on the operation of *Crosslink* the partner church will be advised as soon as possible. Full consultation and discussion will follow on the implications of such matters for *Crosslink* and the other partner.

It is also agreed that if the *Crosslink* Board see the need to call the representative group together to consult on issues of process they are free to do so.

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Stan West
General Secretary
Methodist Church of New Zealand

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Kerry Enright
Assembly Executive Secretary
Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand

Faith and Order Committee

Supplementary Report to Conference 1996

Church Union

In Section 1 of the Committee's 1996 Report, under the sub-heading *Church Union Committee*, it reported:

The Faith and Order Committee, which has representatives on the Church Union Committee, is aware that possible new directions recommended by that Committee have, in general terms, not been endorsed for several years running. This has prompted the Committee to begin thinking, in broad terms, about the possible shape of ecumenical relations in the future, especially in light of Te Haahi Weteriana's bi-cultural journey.

With the Church's encouragement, the Committee will continue working on this issue and will report in due course.

The Committee is pleased to note, in the Church Union Committee's 1996 Report, a change of emphasis from "various models for achieving church union" to "concepts of unity" and a proposal "to make 1997 a year of dialogue on issues of unity, justice and union."

The Faith and Order Committee offers the following reflections towards some of what lies ahead:

- Ecumenism remains a core commitment. There is a longstanding conviction within our Church that visible unity is the will of Christ. We could not envisage any turning back from this commitment. Today the ecumenical vision includes forms of communal activity, dialogue etc. alongside moves towards unity. We have reached the point where we recognise that the churches are not out of communion with one another; we share a real, though incomplete, communion. Despite setbacks, the ecumenical imperative is no less urgent. The challenge is to find new ways of deepening our relationships with sister communions that are relevant to the 1990s and beyond.

- In some circles there has been a tendency to see ecumenism and the bicultural journey as competing priorities in the life of our Church. But if unity and justice are both aspects of the truth of God there can be no fundamental conflict between the two. Unity that conceals injustice is not *shalom*. Unity is served by the commitment to just relationships. In these days can we see the bicultural journey as a gift to ecumenism and the ecumenical vision being a gift to the bicultural journey? The bicultural journey may prove to be the key to unlocking ecumenical possibilities beyond those arrived at in the 1970s.

- In *The Search for Unity* J.J. Lewis, A.K. Petch and R.D. Rakena, amongst other things, reflect upon why the 1970s movement towards union came so close to fulfilment and then fell back. On the final page they leave the church with a question-

".....may not the present need be for the Churches to seek acceptance of one another in the realm of the personal?"

Perhaps, in the light of the bi-cultural journey, the Church is more ready to hear this question. Is it that, in the church union movement of the recent past, non-theological factors were not taken seriously enough? Was it adequately recognised that many felt that, in a paternalistic way, a church monoculture was about to be imposed with a resultant loss of spiritual traditions and treasures? Faith and Order endorses one of the questions for the 1997 agenda- "Is there an ecumenism which ensures nothing of value is lost?"

* Ecumenism will honour the distinctiveness both of spiritual traditions and of cultural identities. There is an obligation to arrive at a notion of unity sufficiently catholic to encompass a rich diversity. The challenge we are responding to is that of engaging in the hard and difficult work of "mutually recognising" each other, and opening our lives to a reconciliation at depths not previously anticipated.

* The Faith and Order Committee hopes that the "1997 year of dialogue" can be more open-ended than the title might imply. If, rather than working towards some semi-preconceived outcome, there is going to be honest speaking and genuine listening, the Churches need to be open to the possibility that the dialogue might take longer than planned.

* In response to Recommendations 2 and 4 in the Church Union Committee's Report, the Faith and Order Committee will be pleased to have some contribution as "a theology of unity and justice.....from a Methodist perspective" is developed and to work with the Presbyterian and Associated Churches of Christ in the preparation of resources for the year of dialogue.

Probationers and administering the sacraments

Conference 1995 chose to lift the following paragraph from the section of the Faith and Order Committee's 1995 Report headed *Dispensation for Laypersons to Administer the Sacraments* and asked that "the issue raised in paragraph 6 of *Dispensation for Probationers to Administer the Sacraments* is referred back to Faith and Order Committee for consultation with the Mission/Ministry Resourcing Units on Ministry."

"The attention of District Superintendents is also drawn to the *Lawbook*, Section 2, Paragraph 6.10.¹ In accordance with this paragraph, probationers do not normally administer the sacraments. Normally provision should be made on the Circuit or Parish preaching plan for the Parish Superintendent (or some other authorised presbyter) to administer the sacraments regularly where a Probationer is stationed.

Some Synods believe that presiding at Communion is important for the relationship between a Probationer and a Parish. Hence it is maintained that it should become normative for probationers to administer the sacraments. This would be a departure from the present Law and would need to be debated by Conference."

¹Section 2, para 6.10

If the Conference is assured that members may not otherwise receive the sacraments it may, on the recommendation of the District Superintendent, grant permission to a Probationer to administer the Sacraments.

Two comments need to be made:

- The Faith and Order Report was not asking Conference to agree to anything new here; it was simply pointing out what is already in the Lawbook. Although not strictly necessary, the Committee asked Conference to "endorse" existing Church policy, as a way of drawing attention to what should be happening.
- The Faith and Order Committee would continue to maintain that probationers should not *normally* or *automatically* administer the sacraments.

Alongside the belief of some Synods that "presiding at Communion is important for the relationship between a Probationer and a Parish", is a pastoral concern for those who feel uncomfortable receiving the sacraments from someone who has not been ordained *when it is not necessary*. To the Committee's knowledge, this concern can be heightened if a probationer is appointed to a co-operative venture. The Committee has no problem (nor does it believe any Parish should have a problem) with probationers administering the sacraments under the circumstances, and following the procedures, set down in the Lawbook.

Having consulted as requested, the Faith and Order Committee endorses the changes to Section 2 para. 6.10 (see footnote), as proposed in the 1996 Law Revision Committee Report, which does not change the present Law and, helpfully, clarifies procedure:

"If the Conference is assured that members may not otherwise receive the Sacraments, it may, on the recommendation of the District Superintendent, and following consultation with the Principal, give permission to a Probationer to administer the Sacraments."

WESLEY WELLINGTON MISSION ANNUAL REPORT TO CONFERENCE 1995/96

WHAT HAS HAPPENED?

Overview

This year has seen significant changes and developments in both the structure of the Mission and the services we provide. The implementation of a new structure which re-shapes the Superintendent - Parish responsibilities took effect from February 1996, after Conference approved a formal split between the Parish and Mission.

Closer networking between the Mission and others in the region have been and will continue to be a priority. Regular meetings between the Missions' Fundraising and Public Relations Teams, Child and Family Services Teams and Services for Older People continue to provide excellent opportunities for cross fertilisation of ideas and joint sharing of resources.

The second annual "Wesley Mission" appeal, targeting regional schools through a "Save and Share" scheme was launched in June 1996. It has moved the Missions a step closer towards establishing a national identity for corporate sponsorship and publicity purposes. With greater competition for funding and a growing need for our services, acting together to make the best use of all the Missions' resources and gain maximum benefit continues to be a key priority.

A Bequests Programme, aimed at developing a greater long term funding base for the Mission has also been established. The programme so far, has been very successful in helping the Mission to make regular contact with top donors and acknowledge their ongoing support.

New Initiatives

After research identified a gap in the services available for high risk young people in the wider Wellington area, Wesley Tawa, the Mission's new Adolescent Home for young people at risk was formally opened in March of this year. The home provides 24 hour supervision and professional social work support for 7 high risk young people in the 12 to 17 year age bracket. Wesley Tawa is the first home of its kind in Wellington. There is already a clear indication that we are providing a

much needed and effective service for a challenging group of young people who have exhausted all other placement options

Services for Older People are undergoing transformation in many areas. Because society is changing the way it needs to care for older people, we are having to develop better ways to care for their individual needs. We are continuing to move away from providing just institutional care to a wider range of services. All initiatives undertaken by the Mission will be underpinned by focussed, qualitative research, so that we have the knowledge to proceed with a good degree of certainty.

Change to the Mission's Services for Older People, in line with the adoption of our five year plan, sharply raises the question of how to fund future services. Current RHA policy is to encourage change but the prices offered for the services we are providing, or may provide, are unrealistic. This inadequacy of RHA funding is giving all rest home providers significant problems.

Although Government policy does not necessarily place a priority on funding the 'socialisation' aspect of Home Care, we are committed to providing this beneficial and much needed service and will continue to lobby the RHA for change as well as investigate alternative sources of funding.

Towards the Future

The Mission continues to be concerned about poverty levels in New Zealand and is constantly developing new and innovative ways to help disadvantaged Wellingtonians.

One of the Mission's priorities is to place an emphasis on programmes that assist people in the longer term, rather than encourage dependence through short term and emergency assistance. This will be achieved through the ongoing development of educational and self help programmes that encourage people to build the skills they need to help themselves.

A Mission strategic plan for Board consideration has been prepared with a significant component being a new 5 year plan for Services for Older People. This includes an increased emphasis on the development of services from a firmer research base. Services will also focus more on work with individuals, ensuring they feel as much as possible, in control of their lives.

In addition, the continuing development of the Wesley Mission National Marketing Plan will ensure that the Missions continue to work together to secure additional funding to finance future programmes.

A sharing of Board minutes with Poneke Maori Circuit, our treaty partner, has been established in the interests of greater transparency and information.

Staffing Developments

There have been a number of Mission staffing changes during the year including the replacement of Services for Older People Manager, Mary Schumacher, who has left to manage the Mary Potter Hospice and the appointment of Stephen Jacobs to the position.

Brian Turner left the Mission after four and a half years both as Parish Superintendent and latterly as Mission Manager. Tributes to Brian's work were given at his farewell on June 5, 1996 and we wish him all the best in his new and challenging position. His replacement, Graham Weir, was welcomed to the Mission as the new Mission Executive Manager.

Three new Board members, Nik Cree, Iakopo Fa'afuata and Merlin Sansom, were also welcomed in the new year to replace retiring Board members Ian Crabtree, Lani Tupu and Rosemary Williams. Their dedication, hard work and long hours they have put into the Mission is warmly acknowledged.

Mission staff and Board members also took part in the annual MMA Central Districts regional forum held in Palmerston North on the theme "A Christian Response to Present Government Policies".

Wesley Porirua

During the annual report period, Wesley Porirua Food Bank provided 1118 food parcels to 1254 adults and 1785 children in the Porirua region. Through the Mission's programme for Youth at Risk in schools, 16 youth groups in four schools were established, providing self development and musical immersion programmes as well as programmes for young people living with violence.

Four women's groups run during the year provided training in parenting, self esteem and communication and a further two men's groups focused on anger management. In addition to group work, Wesley Porirua has provided support, advocacy, counselling and emergency assistance for a number of individual clients and one to one counselling for young people.

Wesley Tawa: Te Whare Whakapakari (‘place of growth in self esteem and empowerment’)

After two years of planning and negotiation, the doors of Wesley Wellington Mission's new Adolescent Home; Te Whare Whakapakari, for high risk young people, were officially opened on March 13th by Laurie O'Reilly, The Commissioner for Children.

Wesley Tawa is the first home of its kind in Wellington. It was developed after research identified a shortage of support services available in the region for high risk young people in the 12 to 17 year age group with a history of multiple placements in families and foster homes. The home provides 24 hour a day specialist therapeutic and social work support for the young people and is staffed by professionally trained youth workers.

Although providing a residential service for troubled adolescents is proving to be challenging, Wesley Tawa is managing to provide a stable and supportive environment for its seven young residents and a further three young people are on the home's waiting list.

Sourcing adequate funding for programmes such as Wesley Tawa continues to be critical to its success. If we are to continue to provide the kind of comprehensive service required by these young people, adequate funding for staff and ongoing operational costs must be available. The tax payer funding currently funds 70% of the programme, with the shortfall being met through trusts and grants, fundraising and Mission reserves.

Counselling Service

The Counselling service has provided advice and support to over 62 clients during the annual report period. The main reasons for referral were past relationship issues, self esteem, depression, grief and parenting. Clients attended an average number of four sessions each. This low cost service has been extremely valuable in helping improve the emotional and mental health of people in distress.

Women's Emergency Shelter

Wellington City Council have agreed to provide a rent free house for six months for this service. The recently established management committee hopes to have the Shelter operational by October 1996.

Men's Shelter

Wesley Wellington Mission continues to participate on the management committee of the Men's Shelter, which has been operating for the past 25 years. The Shelter provides around 500 bed nights a month for itinerant men.

Services for Older People

During the annual report period, the rest home and continuing care facilities were reviewed. One of Stephen Jacob's first tasks was to ensure a strong base was developed for future services and decisions. The initial step was to write a new Mission statement for Services for Older People. Health research has shown that the key indicator for people's quality of life is their sense of being in control, therefore the new Mission Statement states that the Mission's major goal is to - "work within the community with older adults to help them achieve a quality of life they control and enjoy".

A five year strategic plan with three major focuses was developed:

- ☆ To assist older people to stay within their own homes for as long as they wish and are able to do safely.

- ☆ To provide services for older people who can no longer, or no longer wish to stay in their own homes.

- ☆ To advocate within the community on behalf of older people.

Developing a service that assists people to stay in their own homes involves more than providing practical assistance, such as cleaning and bathing. Many of the older people Wesley Wellington Mission assists want to stay independent but are lonely. Providing services that address the emotional as well as physical needs of older people living alone is one of the priorities of the Mission's community services for older people.

Another priority during the annual report period has been changing the way the Mission's rest homes and hospitals operate. The model, called "Planning Services Around Individuals", involves getting rid of routines such as waking and feeding everyone at the same time each day and instead assisting residents to live to a schedule they want.

Funding services other than continuing care is an increasing problem. At the time of writing, we have not signed a new contract with the central RHA to operate our rest homes. While the RHA (the Regional Health Authority) says the right things, in practice:

- ☆ Older people who stay at home are eligible for support for practical help, but not for social assistance. Research in Auckland has shown that it is possible to deliver a full home service at 60% of the cost of putting people into a home, but the RHA pays a fraction of this amount. Therefore, Wesley Wellington Mission must fundraise to deliver social assistance support for a small proportion of the needy older people in the Wellington region. One problem we have is how to expand our home care service to deliver to all those in need in Wellington.
- ☆ It appears that the assessment of whether a person is eligible for assistance to live in a home is getting harder. The comments from nurses at Wesleyhaven is that people who six years ago would have gone straight into a continuing care hospital are now being assessed as appropriate to enter a resthome. Those who used to be eligible to enter a resthome must cope as best they can with no assistance.
- ☆ The RHA contract offer for operating the homes does not meet the cost of operating the homes.

Wesley Wellington Mission's Services for Older People has buildings which are dated. Both continuing care hospitals offer four-bedded cubicles, which most people no longer find acceptable. The exciting challenge for the near future is to plan changes to buildings enable the best service to be offered. But of course, the best care comes from the staff who provide the care, not the buildings.

In order to develop and improve the individualised care that the Mission provides, Wesleyhaven Manager Julie Cameron has taken on the additional role of Quality Assurance Manager to give staff guidelines and support.

The Wesley Newtown Centre

Wesley Newtown works with older people in the community providing them with practical assistance (household management, shopping, meals, transport to appointments, personal care and dressing etc) and support and ensuring they remain independent and have choice in their lives. This enables them to enjoy their later years and feel valued in the community.

A key priority of Wesley Newtown's programmes is to build up the confidence of lonely and isolated older people so they can once again become active and valued members of their community. Through the socialisation programme, the development of mutual trust and respect between clients and staff improves the physical as well as the mental well being of our older clients. This helps them to become more motivated and able to look after themselves. The CareRing Programme continues to offer a valuable service (with daily telephone calls) to older people living alone.

One of the major issues facing Wesley Newtown is the continued lack of funding for programmes. Current RHA funding criteria does not place priority on funding programmes that ensure the emotional, as well as physical, needs of older people are met. It has, however, become increasingly clear that this is a growing need in the community that existing services are not addressing.

Trends in the community include an increasing number of older people from ethnic groups (including Tongan, Samoan, Assyrian, Cambodian, Vietnamese and Indian) who need support while having the freedom to retain their own cultural backgrounds.

An increase of older people in general in the community, as well as an increase in the number of older people with psychiatric disabilities, will also affect the level and types of services offered by Wesley Newtown in the future.

Fundraising and Public Relations

The fundraising development department continues to develop and diversify the Mission's funding base. While some of the Mission's programmes still rely heavily on tax payer support to operate, the shortfall between the funding supplied and the extra amount needed to provide quality services that will significantly change people's lives continues to grow. This is placing an increased emphasis on the need to investigate alternative sources of funding and develop more fully, the potential of the Mission's donor database.

Trends which will affect the Mission's ability to affectively fundraise and acquire new donors include a decline in donations given "for the joy of giving" as more charities offer incentives through sweepstakes and prizes to donors.

Public confusion between programmes that are tax payer funded and those that are supported by donations from corporates or individuals will also continue to be a major challenge in the future. Current donor perceptions are that they are in many cases, subsidising a tax payer funded service, which may lead to increasing levels of resistance and anger.

One of the more significant developments during the year has been the production of a draft Wesley Mission marketing plan which outlines recommendations for further and more comprehensive collaboration between the four Missions. The marketing plan proposes the development of a corporate identity for marketing and public relations purposes under the national name "Wesley Mission". The national identity has been proposed to pool resources and cut costs as well as open up opportunities for national corporate sponsorship and increased opportunities for fundraising and donor acquisition.

The recommendations made in the marketing plan have been embraced by all the Missions in principal. Promotional items such as Wesley Mission' T shirts and calendars as well as a common format for annual reports have been undertaken during the year and we continue to explore further possibilities for joint initiatives.

Bequests Programme

The introduction of a Bequest Programme and the appointment of a Donor Liaison Officer was another significant development during the annual report period. A Bequests training day, attended by staff and management gave an excellent introduction into the principles and strategies behind the establishing of Bequests programmes and helped staff to feel more comfortable about raising money through Bequests.

Trusts and Grants

Raising income from private Trusts and Grants continues to be a challenge for the Mission as the burgeoning number of charitable organisations continue to compete for funds. However, a few new Trusts (such as the Tindall Foundation and the Capital City Television Trust) have been established and approached by us during the year.

Many trusts however, offer only small amounts of money as "seeding grants" and others do not provide funds for staff or capital items. This makes raising money for operational and human resources costs (which constitute a high proportion of the Mission's programme costs) extremely difficult. However, several trusts are regular supporters of the Mission and regularly contribute funds towards our programmes.

LOOKING FORWARD

Mission - Parish Linkages

With the re-shaping of the Superintendent - Parish responsibilities during the annual report period, it will be very important for the Mission to continue its close relationship with the Taranaki Street and other Parishes. The Mission will be looking for ways to cooperate with parishes in areas of social service delivery and general parish life so that both can continue to feel part of the other. The Mission is also committed to developing closer working relationships with regional parishes for fundraising and programme development during the 1996/97 period.

Community Services

Future services planned at **Wesley Porirua** include a parenting programme for at risk families in the Wellington region and an increased focus and the development of more specialist Child and Family Services.

Future plans for **Wesley Tawa** include an increase in the level of day programmes available with a view towards opening these programmes up to other youth at risk in the wider Wellington region.

Inadequate funding has delayed the opening of the proposed **Inner City Drop in Centre**, but the Mission hopes to explore alternatives for funding over the next twelve months. Other goals over the next twelve months include increasing the usage of the inner city counselling service and the full establishment of the **Women's Emergency Shelter**.

Services for Older People

The priority for Wesley Wellington Mission as it heads towards the new century is to develop a comprehensive service that focuses on meeting the needs of older individuals whether they are in their own homes or in an institution. Therefore, planning is under way for the rest home and continuing care facilities to function as the base for a service that extends into the community, offering individualised care for any older person in need.

Over the next year **Wesley Home** hopes to continue the move away from hospital routines towards providing more individualised care. A staff training programme has been developed to increase quality of care and staff morale. Moves will also be made to improve the hospital facilities so that more single rooms will be available for residents.

Over the next twelve months, **Deckston Home** plans to continue the development of Individual Lifestyle Plans. Rather than dictating when a client should have their breakfast or when they should go to bed, individual plans let clients retain some freedom of choice in their lives.

The Wesleyhaven Women's Auxiliary are also in the process of developing a volunteer base of people to visit residents and do odd jobs.

Major goals for the future include the introduction of a Primary Care Team, where the same team of people would look after a specific client. This will increase staff awareness of clients and lead to more anticipation of a client's needs. Staff and client relationships will be improved and built up through communication. The development of Individual Lifestyle Plans is also a major goal for Strand Home over the next twelve months, as well as the developing of a volunteer base to visit regularly with individual clients.

In addition to the move towards individualised care, **Wesley Ewart** is exploring future options including:

- ☆ The development of the Wesley Ewart building to include both 4 bed cubicles and single apartment style accommodation. While single style accommodation will give some residents more privacy and control over their own space, for other older people, the social activity of sharing a room may be beneficial for their quality of life. Once established, residents, families and staff will be consulted to see which type of accommodation they prefer.
- ☆ Combining the Wesley Newtown and Wesley Ewart services to create a comprehensive care programme for older people in the Wellington South area. This would enable older people in the Wellington South area to live in their own homes for longer. The same help would be available for someone living in their own home or in the hospital.

Major goals for **Wesley Newtown** over the next twelve months include the establishing of an educational programme and the continued development of socialisation programme. In addition, Wesley Newtown would like to work more in partnership with ethnic groups and broaden the community development programmes.

Fundraising and Public Relations

Further developments planned for 1996/97 include the organising of more special events to raise the profile of the Mission and establish it as a unique identity as well as a significant provider of social services in the Wellington region. The Mission will also continue to look for corporate partners on both a regional and national level.

During 1996/97, the continued collaboration between the four Missions on a joint **Marketing Plan** will open up further opportunities for joint ventures, including special events, publications, promotion and advertising on a more significant scale.

Further developments for the **Bequests Programme** include the expansion of the law firm partnership, where Mission donors are offered a free basic will - making service by partner law firms through the donor newsletter. In addition, more special events, targeting key donors are planned for the 1996/97 year.

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WESLEY WELLINGTON MISSION DIRECTIONS

1.0 INTRODUCTION

This paper advises of action since Conference 1995 on the directions of Wesley Wellington Mission Incorporated ("the Mission"). It proposes that Conference notes the actions taken during the last 12 months and proposes further developments which will place the Mission in a sound position to deliver effective social services to the most in need, in the context of a firm foundation of Methodist belief and action and with greater accountability to Conference.

2.0 BACKGROUND

2.1 At the November 1995 Conference the following decisions were made as a result of proposals from the Mission and Parish:

- ☆ Conference approved the separation of the Mission and Parish from 1 February 1996;
- ☆ Conference noted the directions for the operation of the Mission and agreed that the papers relating to this be referred to Synods and a 4 plus 4 consultation, for comment and report back to the Mission Board by 30 April 1996 with a view to specific recommendations being placed before Conference in 1996;
- ☆ Conference noted the intention of the Board to put in place immediately those aspects of the new directions that are within the authority of the Board so to do.

These decisions have now been carried out.

- 2.2 The decisions arose from a Review of the position of Superintendent of the Mission and Parish, by Rev. Wilf Ford and Terry Kilmister. This Review reinforced discussions of a 1994 Lay-Clergy dialogue which identified unrealistic demands on the Superintendent through his responsibilities for both the Parish and the Mission. The Mission had grown markedly, with responsibility for some 250 staff and an operating budget of \$7m. The Parish had developed to one of a cross-cultural nature with four congregations with particular needs.
- 2.3 The organisational and management separation of the Mission and Parish, as approved by the 1995 Conference, became operational on 1 February 1996. The Mission now operates separately to the Parish.
- 2.4 The Board has a commitment to ensuring that the Word/Deed principle is expressed as the foundation of its work and believes that this can be demonstrated in a range of creative ways relevant to the current and future environment, the size and scope of the Mission and the nature of the regional Connexion. Different ways of expressing the Word/Deed linkage are being developed and trialed. This includes involvement of the "Superintendent" in the Wesley Parish Ministry team on a negotiated basis as well as with other Parishes, including preaching commitments. Documentation of roles and responsibilities have been tested and modified with the Board adopting a clear role of Governance.
- 2.5 All Synods, The General Secretary, Te Taha Maori, Fijian and Tongan Advisory Committees and the Samoan Synod, were contacted early in 1996 to fulfil the requirement of the Conference decision to circulate the papers on the proposed Mission directions. Three responses were received from Synods which, in summary, emphasised:

the importance of accountability to Conference and Synods

the importance of the Word/Deed linkage

the need to have the best person for the job as the leader of the Mission

Te Taha Maori advised that they did not consider their direct involvement to be necessary at this stage. They also advised that although they found it helpful to be kept informed of procedures it was important that Wesley Wellington continue working to find the best solution for Wesley and those for whom social services are delivered.

The General Secretary responded offering support.

Our thanks to those who gave consideration to the issues as presented to them.

- 2.6 The Board has incorporated into its further deliberations, the views expressed by the consultation with the Connexion, and the experiences of 1996 with the separated Mission, trialing of the roles and responsibility documentation and exploring new ways to demonstrate the Word/Deed linkage. The Board now offers a further series of suggested decisions to Conference. These are detailed and back-grounded in the following sections of this report. The Board offers them in the firm belief that they will enable the Mission given its size, responsibilities, operating environment and regional nature, to deliver better its obligations on behalf of the Methodist Church of New Zealand (Te Hahi Weteriana o Aotearoa) ("the Church").

It recognises that what it proposes will not necessarily be appropriate for all Missions. (See also later comments about the role of the MMA in paragraph 4 below.)

3.0 PROPOSED FRAMEWORK

3.1 The Historical Framework

The Ford/Kilmister Review mentioned in para 2.2 above, recognised that within the current framework, authority is shared between the Mission Superintendent and the Mission Board, with both being responsible to Conference. In addition, the Mission Superintendent had/has dual accountability to two masters. The Mission Superintendent is directly accountable to Conference with respect to some matters and to the Mission Board with respect to other matters. The Board has largely operated in an advisory capacity with little real authority over the substantial policy decisions needing to be made in the increasingly complex social service delivery environment. There have been and there are, corresponding implications for individual liability (or non liability) on the part of both Board members and Superintendent/CEO. (*See also Section 3.4.1.*)

3.2 The Ford/Kilmister Review Proposals

To create greater certainty and clarification of responsibilities, the Review recommended that the role of the Board be one of Governance with sole authority for the Mission. The Mission Superintendent, to be known as the Chief Executive Officer, would be an employee of the Board and not a Board member. The Board would be fully accountable

to Conference for the performance of the Mission through a Charter document. Such a document would incorporate the key elements of Church law and regulations relating to the Mission, and the Constitution of the Mission.

Using the Charter as the base document, the roles and responsibilities of the Board, any specialist committees, and the CEO, would be detailed in job descriptions. A process of performance expectations, appraisal and developmental opportunity would be negotiated, annually, between the CEO and the Board. The CEO would be expected to have a skills mix of:

- abilities in advocacy and commitment to social justice from a sound theological base consistent with the Mission Statement of the Methodist Church
- abilities in the technical skills of delivering social services
- abilities in the management of people.

That person would be the most appropriate person for the job, whether ordained or lay.

3.3 Status of Directions as at November 1995

At the time of the 1995 Conference, the Board was supportive of the general thrust of the Review proposals but had not reached consensus on some specific matters. These were whether or not the dual accountability of the Superintendent/CEO to the Conference and the Mission should continue, whether the Superintendent/CEO should be a member of the Board, and just what the title of the Superintendent/CEO should be.

3.4 The Model Proposed:

3.4.1 The Board

The Board has now reached a consensus on all these issues, having heard and considered the views of the wider Church and having "practiced" the model during much of 1996. The Board confirms its view that its role should be one of Governance with a focus on adherence to the Mission's purpose, values, philosophy and theological base, policy and strategy. Also, that the accountability of the Board to Conference be through a formalised Charter expressing the nature and requirements of the partnership between the Mission and Church. The Board's role should be specified in a Job Description, *[refer to Annex B attached]*

which details its responsibilities, including those associated with Te Taha Maori.

The Board should comprise 12 persons with a mix of skills relevant to the intent and policies of the Mission. The members should include at least 9 "active" Methodists, of which two are ordained Presbyters/Deacons of the Church chosen for their theological skills and insight. That will ensure that the Board and the Mission Executive Manager have readily available to them the theological skills which may be necessary. The members should be appointed by Conference using a process yet to be determined in detail, which could include scrutiny by the revamped MMA, [see Section 4.0 of this paper] and would also involve Te Taha Maori.

From time-to-time the Board will establish special purpose committees to advance particular directions identified.

As indicated earlier, the question of the liability of Board Members is one which needs to be taken much more notice of in the current climate of legal accountability. Board Members act responsibly and with due diligence, but they have to be sure that they are fully informed and knowledgeable not only about the work of the Mission, but also about the whole environment within which the Mission operates. Their accountability therefore is to the wider community (the law) as well as the church for their stewardship of the Mission resources.

In carrying out its role, the Board must continue to be seen to be part of the whole church. With the separation from the Parish, the question becomes which parish is it appropriate to have a close relationship with? Because of the regional nature of at least some of the Mission's responsibilities, it is no longer considered appropriate to be related to just the one (physically closest) parish. It is proposed to explore the possibility of having a 'special relationship' with a number of Parishes (perhaps up to 3 at any one time) within the region. The actual parishes may change from time to time depending on the work being done or the wish of a particular Parish to become involved more closely for a time with the Mission.

3.4.2 The Person in Charge of the Mission

The Board also confirms its view that the person in charge of the Mission should be the best person for the job, whether Clergy or Laity. It is of the view that this person should be titled Mission Executive Manager ("the MEM") to reflect the range of skills required and that the MEM should be responsible to the Board. The nature of the work of the Mission is too

important and complex to be impacted on by the dual accountability which currently exists.

If the MEM is a member of the Methodist Clergy, that person would remain in full Connexion, but would have a direct and primary responsibility to the Board for the whole work and life of the Mission. Their Connexional accountability would involve only those matters to do with their ordained status as a Presbyterian or Deacon—all other matters would be dealt with by the Board.

The Board is firmly of the view that the MEM should be appointed (directly) by and be accountable to the Board. The implication of this would be to remove the appointment of the MEM from the Connexional process. However, the Board does not wish to exclude Taha Maori from the appointments process; and it recognises that the whole Connexional Appointments process is under discussion and may well change.

That leaves the problem of how to deal with any vacancy which might arise in the meantime. Because of the nature of the organisation and its operational environment, it is essential that there be no significant gap in management. It is suggested that for the meantime, the appointment of the MEM remain under the Connexional process, but that the church recognises a shortened procedure may be required where there is a need to appoint more quickly due to unexpected circumstances. The prospect of appointing a lay person also makes a shortening of the process essential. In that event, the key steps of the process would be retained including involvement of Taha Maori. However, instead of involving the Council of Conference which meets infrequently, the President of the church would be consulted prior to the Board making the final decision. Any modification of the process will be done in consultation with Taha Maori and receive the sanction of the President.

It is envisaged that the MEM would be appointed under a contract of appointment which provided for an initial term of 3 years with an option of renewal for a further 3 years. Following that the position would be advertised for competition in the usual way. The roles and responsibilities would be described in a job description reflecting the skills mix referred to in paragraph 3.2 above.

Having carefully considered whether the MEM should or should not be a full Board member, the Board has decided it is in favour of full membership. Given the nature of the position and the Mission, it is considered necessary that the MEM should be able to take a full part in all Board discussion and decisions. So far as conflicts of interest are concerned, any Board member who has a pecuniary type interest in a matter under discussion must declare that interest and absent

themselves from that discussion. The MEM would share that obligation, thus enabling the maintenance of objective decision making as well as the employer/employee relationship, between the Board and the MEM.

The MEM also takes on the same liabilities as all other Board Members, in addition to those involved in being the chief executive. This is an extra argument in favour of having the MEM accountable directly to the Board for the running of the Mission, so that any liabilities incurred (particularly major ones) are subject to Board agreement or sanction.

4.0 CONFERENCE OVERSIGHT OF MISSION

The formal relationship of the Mission to Conference would be through the Charter, which presently includes the responsibility for the Mission to report annually to Conference. However, the Church needs more than just an annual examination of Mission activity. Some of this oversight is presently undertaken by the Methodist Mission Aotearoa (MMA), the Executive of which meets several times a year; but that body tends to deal mainly with property matters and not often with overall strategic or theological issues. (Property issues are referred to MMA by the Church Building & Loan Fund Committee for the MMA to assess the strategic implications of any changes in property holdings.)

There is no formal link between the Mission Board and the MMA, apart from the Mission Executive Manager who would be an ex officio member of MMA and a member of the Board. The lines of accountability and strategic guidance from and to MMA are therefore not always clear.

In the Board's opinion, it would be more sensible and appropriate for the Conference to have in place a mechanism which provides for more than just the reception of an annual report on Mission activities. (That includes the whole range of activities undertaken by Missions and/or Parishes). It is felt that the present MMA structure is not necessarily meeting all the needs of the Conference, Missions or Parishes. In particular, the Board is concerned that the theological and strategic oversight is not being paid sufficient attention. That makes it difficult for Boards to decide on strategic direction if there is no clear guidance from the Church as a whole as to what it considers should be the overall direction for social services mission in the Church.

It is the Board's view that the MMA should either be restructured as, or replaced by a Standing Committee of Conference. That Standing Committee would have responsibility for :

- ✦ determining and promulgating the theological foundation for social services mission in the church overall;
- ✦ determining collective strategies for Methodist Social Services for up to 10 years ahead;
- ✦ determining a set of principles within which social services mission can be delivered and which is able to be expressed within different structures;
- ✦ regularly reviewing the work and ethos of the four Missions institutions (Auckland, Wellington, Christchurch and Dunedin) so that Conference may be satisfied about the theological and strategic directions being implemented and maintained;
- ✦ regularly reviewing the work and ethos of all other expressions of social services which have a relationship with the Methodist Church of New Zealand, so that Conference may be satisfied about the theological and strategic directions being implemented and maintained;
- ✦ scrutinising the membership of all Mission Boards and nominating to Conference suitable people for appointment, after consultation with the relevant Board;
- ✦ reporting annually to Synods and Conference on its work;

The membership of the Standing Committee would thus need to be widely representative of its role. It would comprise ordained Presbyters and/or Deacons (chosen for their theological skills), representatives of Parishes and Missions (chosen for their skills other than theological), with a Chair appointed by Conference. The four Missions would probably need to be formally represented in some way also, but not so that they would dominate.

The Board understands that the MMA itself may be making recommendations for a review of its structure and functions. It also understands that the current President and Vice-President have been involved in discussions about the possibility of the setting up of a group to undertake such a review. The Board suggests that the President and Vice-President be authorised to bring together a Review Team to carry out the task and report back to the 1997 Conference.

5.0 DOCUMENTATION AND THE LAW

- 5.1 Revised documentation supporting the model proposed is annexed for reference as follows:

- Charter (Annex A)
- Board Responsibility Job Description (Annex B)
- Mission Executive Manager Job Description (Annex C)

This documentation will not stay static. Each document will be reviewed not less than annually to allow for changed circumstances and environment.

- 5.2 The Board recognises that the proposed model will require some adjustment to the Methodist Church Law Book. A relatively brief examination of the Law Book suggests that there are several areas which the Law Revision Committee will need to address. However, for now, the Board seeks Conference approval to proceed with the model outlined as from 1 February 1997 and requests that the relevant sections of the Law Book be modified to reflect the various changes approved by Conference.
- 5.3 The 1994 Conference gave general approval to a revised Constitution for the Mission:

subject to incorporation of such additions or alterations either as required by the Inland Revenue Department as a condition of it approving the Constitution for a Charitable Body, or arising as the result of perusal of the draft Constitution by any Conference Member with approval on behalf of the Conference to be given by the President on the recommendation of the Legal Adviser. (1995 Conference Minutes).

This final approval was left in abeyance pending the current restructuring. Although the draft Constitution will need some further amendments to take account of the changes now proposed, the substance of the Constitution does not need to be changed. It is considered that these changes can be included in the Constitution submitted to the President for final approval. That version would also be circulated to Synods, Taha Maori and other bodies before being submitted to the President, so that he would know it had the general support of the whole Church. The final version would be reported to Conference for information.

6.0 SUGGESTED DECISIONS

Conference is asked to agree to the following suggested decisions, noting that they are made following careful deliberations and with the vision of better social service delivery to those in need, as an expression of the Methodist Christian ethos.

[Section or Paragraph numbers in italics in some Suggested Decisions refer to the body of the paper.]

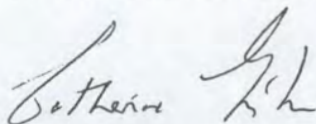
Conference is asked to:

1. note that the organisational and management separation of the Mission and Parish, as approved by the 1995 Conference, became operational on 1 February 1996;
2. note that the Board is committed to ensuring the linkage of Word and Deed in the proposed new arrangements for the Mission and accepts the challenge of expressing this in new ways relevant to the current and future environment and the size and scope of the Mission and the nature of the regional Connexion;
3. note that during 1996 the Board has operated as a Board of Governance and has tested out in practice accountabilities expressed in draft job descriptions for the person in charge of the Mission; the Board itself; the Board Committees; and that these have been found generally satisfactory;
4. endorse the role of the Mission Board as one of Governance with a focus on adherence to the Mission's purpose, values, philosophy and theological base, policy and strategy;
5. agree that the accountability of the Board to Conference be through a formalised Charter expressing the nature and the requirements of the partnership between the Mission and the Church; [3.4]
6. agree that the Board comprise 12 persons with a mix of skills relevant to the intent and policies of the Mission and that these persons:
 - a) be appointed by Conference using a process which needs to be determined following any changes made to the structure of MMA, that process also to include consultation with Te Taha Maori to determine what involvement they wish;

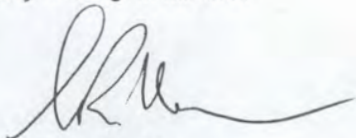
- b) include at least 9 "active" Methodists of which two are ordained Methodist Presbyters/Deacons specially chosen for their theological skills and insights;
 - c) formally accept the roles and responsibilities specified in the job description for the Board (which also specifies obligations with respect to Te Taha Maori); [3.4.1].
- 7. agree that the person in charge of the management of the Mission be titled "Mission Executive Manager" and that this person: [3.4.2]
 - a) be appointed by the Board under a contractual (3+3 year) arrangement after consultation with the President, using a process which reflects the modified Connexional appointment process outlined in Section 3.4.2.
 - b) be responsible to the Board;
 - c) be a full member of the Board with the requirement (as with other Board members) to abstain from voting, and discussion if necessary, where matters of personal interest are dealt with;
 - d) formally accept the roles and responsibilities specified in the job description;
 - e) may be either Ordained or Lay;
- 8. agree that if the Mission Executive Manager is an ordained Presbyter or Deacon of the Methodist Church, then that person would remain in full Connexion but would have a direct and primary responsibility to the Board;
- 9. note the Board's view of the need to restructure the MMA (or replace it with a Standing Committee) which would then be charged with the oversight of all social services in the Church (both parish based and Mission based), and which in particular would: [4.0]
 - a) determine and promulgate the theological foundation for social service mission in the church overall;
 - b) determine collective strategy for Methodist Social Services for up to 10 years ahead;

- c) determine a set of principles within which social service mission can be delivered and which is able to be expressed within different structures;
 - d) regularly review the work and ethos of the four Mission Institutions (Auckland, Wellington, Christchurch and Dunedin) so that the Conference may be satisfied about the theological and strategic directions being implemented and maintained;
 - e) regularly review the work and ethos of all other expressions of social services which have a relationship with the Methodist Church of New Zealand, so that the Conference may be satisfied about the theological and strategic directions being implemented and maintained;
 - f) report annually to Synods and Conference on its work;
10. agree that the (1996) President and Vice-President be authorised to bring together a Review Team to examine the role, function and membership of the MMA with a view to restructuring or replacing it to carry out the role set out in Suggested Decision 9; and report back to the 1997 Conference;
11. agree that relevant sections of the Law Book be modified to reflect the changes approved by the Conference; [5.2]
12. note that the draft Constitution for the Wesley Wellington Mission (which was given general approval by the 1994 Conference) will be amended to reflect the current changes, will be referred to Synods (and other appropriate bodies) for final comment, and be subject to final approval on behalf of the conference being given by the President on the recommendation of the Legal Adviser; [5.3]
13. agree that the changed proposals be effective from 1 February 1997.

Signed on behalf of the Board of the Wesley Wellington Mission.



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Board Chairperson



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Wesley Wellington Mission

Board Charter

(Annex A)

1. Purpose of Charter

This Charter defines the framework within which the Mission is to operate.

It defines the nature and requirements of the relationship between the Conference and the Mission.

2. Purpose of Mission

Wesley Wellington Mission Incorporated ("The Mission") is a trust under The Charitable Trusts Act 1957, within the Methodist Church of New Zealand (Te Hahi Weteriana o Aotearoa).

The Mission will work to help achieve a just and caring society in Aotearoa New Zealand. It will do this by delivering social services and undertaking social justice advocacy, consistent with the theological base expressed in Section 3 of this Charter.

The Mission operates directly within the greater Wellington area and co-operates with the parishes, synodal structures and particular social services/social justice entities of the Wellington-Wairarapa, Hawkes Bay-Manawatu and Taranaki-Wanganui districts.

3. Mission Theology

The Mission theology is founded on the Church's mission to reflect and proclaim the transforming love of God, through belief and action. In carrying out this work, the Mission will be guided by the implications of the Treaty of Waitangi.

The following are core beliefs on which the Mission bases its operations.

- ☆ Our theology is based on a Judeo-Christian and Methodist understand concepts of caring concern, justice and equity as expressed in Jewish and Christian Scriptures which will be expressed in the actions of service, advocacy and employment practices of the Mission.
- ☆ We are committed to the covenant expressed in the Treaty of Waitangi that established our nation on the basis of a power-sharing partnership and which guides how we undertake our mission.
- ☆ We believe that each person is intrinsically valuable and has the right to the basic necessities of life.

In accordance with this theology:

- ☆ We believe in social responsibility and an equitable distribution of wealth/resources, and we will actively seek to address the causes of inequity as well as its consequences.
- ☆ We believe in our clients' right to self determination, and we will assist them in determining their needs and empowering them to meet them.
- ☆ We will use our resources wisely to meet current and emerging needs.
- ☆ We will be a good employer.

4. Church Law

There are several parts of the Law Book which are relevant to the Mission. They deal with the establishment of Missions; boundaries; representation of the Mission(s) on Synods; appointment of Mission Boards by Conference; the relationship of the MMA to Missions; and some other matters.

The provisions of the Law Book as amended by Conference from time to time will apply to this Charter.

5. The Responsibilities of the Conference

1. The Conference shall receive and review the Mission's Annual Report to the Conference, and make decisions as required, or as it decides.
2. The Conference shall determine the boundaries of the Mission's activities by decisions of the Conference made from time to time in response to the Mission's Annual Reports to the Conference.
3. The Conference shall review the Mission's Charter from time to time to ensure that the Mission continues to express the Church's Mission. It may do this either by responding to recommendations made to it by the Board, or by such other procedure as the Conference shall determine.
4. The Conference shall appoint and replace the members of the Board of the Mission.
5. In the event that the Board appoints a presbyter or deacon of the Methodist Church of New Zealand to the position of Mission Executive Manager, the Conference shall maintain a relationship of pastoral care and discipline with the Executive Manager, which is consistent with the Manager's direct responsibility to the Board, for her or his management activities.

6. Responsibilities of the Mission Board

The Board:

1. ensures the Mission complies with Church philosophy, teaching and law.
2. reviews the Mission's Charter from time to time, and if necessary, makes recommendations to the Conference for change.
3. determines the Mission's vision, strategy and policy; expressing these in the Mission's Strategic Plan which the Board keeps under review and updates as necessary.
4. appoints the Mission Executive Manager.
5. monitors and reviews the Mission Executive Manager's implementation of strategy and policy.
6. reports to the Conference annually, with suggested decisions, including nominees for membership of the Board.
7. ensures that the Mission fosters effective dialogue with the wider Church; particularly its Treaty partner, synods and parishes of the Central Region, which have social service enterprises.

7. Relationships with the wider Church

In carrying out the social justice and social services responsibilities with which it is charged, the Mission will be mindful of its responsibilities towards the Conference, relevant Synods, the MMA or equivalent and individual Parishes within the Central region. The fulfilment of obligations consistent with the Treaty of Waitangi will be a paramount consideration.

The Mission will undertake to communicate with the Conference and Synods not only according to the regular requirements of these bodies but also on ongoing operational developments and activities of the

Mission which will impact on the wider Church, as they occur. It will link with MMA or equivalent with a view to sharing new directions in social justice and social service delivery and in the creative expression of the essential linkage of belief and action.

The Mission will demonstrate its leadership role in social justice and social service delivery and will promote consultation with individual Parishes ministering in this way. It will promote a partnership with Parishes, synodal structures and social service agencies recognising there are many models of social justice and social service delivery which might be developed to suit particular communities.

Wesley Wellington Mission Board

Responsibility Description

(Annex B)

Primary Purpose

Wesley Wellington Mission Incorporated ("The Mission") is a Trust under the Charitable Trusts Act 1957, within the Methodist Church of New Zealand (Te Hahi Weteriana o Aotearoa).

The Mission will work to help achieve a just and caring society in Aotearoa New Zealand. It will do this by delivering social services and undertaking social justice advocacy consistent with the philosophical base expressed in Section 3 of its Charter.

The Mission operates in ways that are consistent with the Treaty of Waitangi. It is assisted in this through its relationship with Taha Maori (Poneke).

The Mission operates directly within the greater Wellington area and co-operates with the parishes, synodal structures and particular social services/social justice entities of the Wellington-Wairarapa, Hawkes Bay-Manawatu and Taranaki-Wanganui districts.

The Board has a governance role and works strategically to ensure the purpose of the Mission is accomplished.

The Board's measure of success will, in broad terms, be determined by the Mission

1. operating on a sound theological base consistent with the Church's Mission Statement;
2. translating the Mission's purpose into achievable objectives;
3. delivering high quality service;
4. demonstrating the strength of key Church and external linkages; and
5. effectively advocating and practising social justice and related services.

Role: Membership and Support

To assist the Board to carry out its governance role, the Board membership will be made up of a good cross-section of background, experience and skills. The complement of 12 will include at least 9 "active" Methodists of which two are ordained Methodist Presbyters/Deacons specially chosen for their theological skills and insights. (These skills are detailed in Appendix A.) From this membership a Chairperson will be selected by the Board to lead it in its responsibilities. (The skills and responsibilities expected of the Chairperson are also detailed in Appendix A.)

The Board is expected to meet bi-monthly.

A number of small board committees will be established to assist the board in carrying out its role. These divide into two categories as follows:

(a) Permanent

Executive Committee
Mission Executive Manager Performance Review
Finance Committee

(b) On an as needs basis:

eg. Theological Committee

The terms of reference for such committees will be decided by the Board from time to time. They do not take over the role of the Mission management.

Relationships

To achieve the results expected the Board will, in discussion with the Mission Executive Manager, foster key relationships both inside the Church and beyond. Key contacts will include the President of the Methodist Church, Secretary of the Methodist Church, Board Chairs of other Missions and related inter-agency (eg. NZCCSS) and appropriate Government, social service or funding boards, plus Te Taha Maori (Poneke).

Key Result Areas

1. Adherence to the Mission's Purpose, Theological and Philosophical base

- (a) Review the Mission's Charter from time to time and make any recommendations for change to the Conference.
- (b) Report annually to Conference.
- (c) Monitor all Mission activities to ensure compliance with Church philosophy, teaching and law; including responsibilities with respect to the Treaty of Waitangi.
- (d) Recommend candidates for Board membership.

2. Strategic Directions

- (a) Establish vision, strategy and policy for the Mission.
- (b) Review and update the strategic plan as the Board considers necessary.

3. Leadership

- (a) Promote leadership in social justice advocacy and social service delivery through:
 - partnerships with synods, parishes and other social service agencies
 - promotion of effective models of social justice and social service ministry
 - sponsorship of effective quality assessment processes

- (b) Promote creative ways to achieve effective linkages between belief and action.
- (c) Promote relationships with key government and non government agencies.

4. Implementation Oversight

- (a) Monitor progress of management in implementing strategy and policy
- (b) Monitor and review performance and development needs of the Mission Executive Manager
- (c) Promote review processes which support management eg:
 - Human Resource Development Plan
 - Policy for staff performance and development review
 - special purpose ad hoc committees for particular needs or developments (eg Theology, Parish Liaison)
- (d) Approve an annual budget according to strategic priorities and monitor budget situation throughout the financial year.

Key Competencies

1. Adherence to the Mission's Purpose, Theological and Philosophical base.

Ensures all aspects of social service and social justice responsibilities are consistent with the Mission Statement of the Methodist Church; that constructive interfaith partnerships are developed; that Treaty responsibilities are an inherent part of the Mission's work; and that annual review and reporting requirements are met.

2. Strategic Directions

Ensures the work of the Mission is continuously challenged in the light of changing social, cultural and economic environments and that this is undertaken in the context of an ongoing strategic planning process.

3. Leadership

Encourages management, parishes, related agencies, government and non-government agencies to commit to new ideas, concepts and issues in social justice advocacy, social service delivery and to explore new ways of achieving the linkage, between belief and action.

4. Implementation

Promotes a set of policies and an environment in which those responsible for managing the Mission can undertake their responsibilities with confidence and continuing development of their skills.

Appendix A

Board Membership

The Board will consist of 12 members with a cross-section of background experience and skills to enable the Board to carry out its role successfully.

Skills and attributes which will be taken into account when determining membership are:

1. Understanding of and empathy with the Christian Faith position
2. Theological skills and insight
3. Strategic management skills/experience/knowledge
4. General management knowledge
5. Financial management knowledge
6. Public relations skills/experience/knowledge
7. Social Justice advocacy experience
8. Community Service knowledge and/or experience
9. A working relationship with the Methodist Church
10. An understanding of the Methodist bi-cultural journey in terms of Treaty responsibilities

Chairperson

The chairperson will be selected from the membership of the Board by the members and as well as having an appropriate mix of the above skills, the chairperson will be expected to have:

- a value base consistent with the purpose and value of the Mission
- strong links with, and knowledge of the Methodist Church and its bi-cultural journey
- demonstrated skills and experience in chairing a substantive body
- demonstrated skills and experience in the exercise of interpersonal relationships to achieve goals
- demonstrated skills and experience in the processes and requirements of employer/employee relationships
- demonstrated skills and experience in identifying and working with key influencers in achieving results

POSITION DESCRIPTION

MISSION EXECUTIVE MANAGER

(Annex C)

Mission

The Wesley Wellington Mission Inc. as an integral part of the Methodist Church of New Zealand (Te Hahi Weteriana o Aotearoa) works to help achieve a just and caring society through the delivery of quality social services and social justice advocacy consistent with the philosophical base expressed in Section 3 of its Charter.

Background

The Wesley Wellington Mission is an Incorporated Society within the Methodist Church of New Zealand (Te Hahi Weteriana o Aotearoa). The Mission operates directly within the greater Wellington area and co-operates with the parishes, synodal structures and particular social services/social justice entities of the Wellington-Wairarapa, Hawkes Bay-Manawatu and Taranaki-Wanganui districts.

The Mission's commitment to the Treaty of Waitangi arises directly from its relationship with Taha Maori as Treaty partners.

The success of the Mission will in broad terms be determined by:

1. The translation of the Mission's purpose into achievable objectives;
2. The delivery of high quality services;
3. The strength of key Church and external linkages;
4. The effectiveness of advocacy, social justice and related services.

The Mission Executive Manager works strategically to ensure the success of the Mission.

Relationships

The Mission Executive Manager is responsible to the Board and will foster key relationships both inside the Church and beyond, in particular (but not exclusively) with:

- Internal:*
- Chairpersons & Executives of Synods
 - Chairperson and Executive of MMA
 - President of Methodist Church
 - Secretary of Methodist Church
 - Key Regional Church social services staff
 - Taha Maori (Poneke)
- Beyond:*
- Managers of other Wellington-based Church Social Services organisations.
 - Managers of key Government social service departments and agencies
 - Key media personnel

Strategic Result Areas

- ✦ Value Base Strength
- ✦ Strategic Directions
- ✦ Service Delivery
- ✦ Advocacy
- ✦ Marketing
- ✦ Image Building
- ✦ Financial Viability
- ✦ Leadership

Key Result Areas

1. Adherence to the Mission's Purpose, Theological and Philosophical Base
 - administration and delivery monitored to ensure compliance with Church philosophy, teaching and law including responsibilities to the Treaty of Waitangi
 - partnerships identified and negotiated with national and regional deliverers of social services as well as with Parishes of the Central District synods
2. Implementation of Strategic Directions
 - The objectives set out in the current Strategic Plan successfully implemented.
3. Quality of Service Delivery
 - A programme of continuous improvement maintained. The programme assessed through:
 - ♥ regular surveys of client attitudes
 - ♥ quality control monitoring
4. Advocacy
 - A programme of advocacy and/or negotiation implemented that is consistent with the Mission's purpose, expertise and credibility.
 - Changes in official policy/legislation in priority areas reported with appropriate analysis to the Board.

5. Community Acceptance of services

- Positive image maintained of services offered. Image assessed through:
 - ♥ occupancy rate of residential services
 - ♥ usage of programmes and services provided from or facilitated by WWM centres

6. Leadership

- Effective leadership demonstrated, networks established and maintained, and productive relationships fostered and maintained in all aspects of responsibilities, including Board membership. Success assessed through surveys amongst and contacts with key groups such as :
 - ♥ Methodist Church Conference
 - ♥ Synods, parishes, and social service agencies of the central region of the Methodist church
 - ♥ wider community
 - ♥ funding agencies
 - ♥ key social policy officials
 - ♥ Mission staff

7. Financial Viability

- Financial management of the Mission undertaken (adopting best financial practices for social service organisations) so as to
 - ♥ eliminate annual deficits
 - ♥ achieve fundraising targets

Competencies

1. Philosophical/Value Base

- ~ All aspects of social service and social justice responsibilities maintained consistent with the Mission Statement of the Methodist Church.
- ~ Constructive inter-faith partnerships developed and maintained.
- ~ Treaty perspectives promoted.

2. Strategic Focus

- ~ A long term vision for the Mission, with well defined measurable objectives developed.
- ~ Strategies developed to meet objectives.
- ~ Key factors of the wider external and internal environments taken appropriately into account.

3. Leadership

- ~ Open and co-operative management environment fostered and maintained.
- ~ Individual and team commitment inspired to a common set of vision, values and goals.
- ~ A working environment fostered where staff are empowered and motivated.
- ~ High calibre staff selected and developed.
- ~ High standards demanded and achieved.
- ~ Is results focussed.

4. Interpersonal Sensitivity and Communication

- ☞ Strong relationships built, sensitivity to others evident, tact displayed.
- ☞ Internal and external networks built and maintained.
- ☞ Good oral and written communication skills evident.

5 Broad Management Skills

- ☞ A range of management tools and techniques drawn on to select that which is most appropriate in the management of the Mission and in the development of staff and continuous improvement process.

6. Exercise of Judgement

- ☞ Risk factors properly weighed up, against short, medium and long term results when making decisions.
- ☞ Inhibitions and barriers overcome.
- ☞ Previous actions learned from.

7. Problem Solving

- ☞ Resources used well to solve problems and achieve goals.
- ☞ Options analysed, and priorities set.

Ideal Person Specification

The Mission Executive Manager will

- ☆ be theologically literate
- ☆ exercise well developed strategic skills
- ☆ exercise management skills competently
- ☆ exercise well developed skills in personal relationships
- ☆ be an effective and skilled communicator
- ☆ be committed to the Church's bi-cultural journey
- ☆ have a sound working knowledge of the Treaty of Waitangi and its implications for the church and society
- ☆ have an understanding of Te Reo and Tikanga Maori
- ☆ have an ability to relate well to Taha Maori
- ☆ have proven and successful experience in:
 - ✎ the practice of social service delivery
 - ✎ effecting social justice through networking and advocacy within and beyond the Church
 - ✎ operating within a bi-cultural Treaty perspective
 - ✎ the management of people in an effective service organisation
 - ✎ the development of relationships with government and non-government organisations
 - ✎ working with the print, radio and television media
 - ✎ the establishment and use of networks to support the effectiveness of results required.

TONGAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Report to Conference 1996

'Oku tau kei mo'ui mo femamata'aki, fakafeta'i hotau malu'i 'e he Tamai Fakatangi. Greetings, Kai Ora, Ni Sa Bula, Talofa Lava and Maolo E Lelei in Christ. The Tongan Advisory Committee is pleased to submit this report on its ministry and work.

1. The TAC ANNUAL Meeting

The Tongan Advisory Committee (TAC) had its annual meeting at St Paul's Methodist Church, London Street, Hamilton during the weekend 8 - 10 March inclusively. In attendance were President Tavake Tupou, Vice-President Jill van de Geer, and some Synod representatives. This was the first TAC meeting in which all lay representatives had to be 50% female and 50% male as decided by TAC last year.

2. The Annual TAC Meeting was opened with a very moving service led by the Superintendent of the Auckland-Manukau Tongan Parish, Rev Sione Ha'angana. During the service President Tavake commissioned the elected office bearers, Rev Salesi Takau - secretary, Tevita Kilifi Heimuli - treasurer, and Tevita Finau - convener.
3. The Executive Committee of the TAC met twice this year. It is envisaged that this committee should meet more than once each year.
4. The Tongan Congregations and Fellowships (16 in Auckland / Manukau, 14 throughout the north and south islands) within the New Zealand Methodist Conference are well. Many are developing and are growing, however, there are a few which are fragile and need prayers and practical support from the church. Christian Education programmes helping lay-preachers, youth and lay-leaders, Sunday School Superintendents are ongoing still on a fragmented model. The TAC is working at consolidating and centralising this process.

Some of the Wesleyan traditions which the Tongan Sector of the Te Haahi O Weteriana finds still very applicable and effective nowadays in the ministry are Wesley Classes or Family-Clusters or Home-Groups. Another tradition is a combination of both the Tongans and Wesleys' love and believing in music. They are two of many which are supplementary to each other together with the Christian principles and the Tongan

culture. Many of the Methodist traditions are fresh spiritual tools still in use within the Tongan ministry.

5. Ministry Matters

(a) There are currently two fulltime itinerant presbyters in the General Ministry, President Tavake Tupou and Rev 'Epeli Taungapeau; one fulltime seconded presbyter from Tonga, Rev Sione Ha'angana; nine local presbyters, Rev's Vaikoloa Kilikiti, Mosese Manukia, Langi'ila Uasi, Salesi Takau, Lisiate Manu'atu, Kepu Moa, Molia Tu'itupou, Siosifa Latu and 'Inoke Siulangapo; one local presbyter on probation (ordination at this '96 Conference) Samiuela Taufa; two graduating Residential students (at end of this academic Year) for fulltime General Ministry, Sylvia 'Akau'ola-Tongotongo and Tavake Manu; two presbyters are available for stationing or awaiting clarification Revs Taniela Moala and Saula Fifita. There are also two students for fulltime General Ministry and one candidate on Supervised Local Ministry.

(b) The occasional visits by Tongan presbyters including the President and General Secretary of the Free Wesleyan Church of Tonga via Auckland to or from Tonga are always welcomed. Other Tongan presbyters and supernumeraries who sometimes visit temporarily or who are in New Zealand permanently have always contributed in a lot of ways to the Tongan ministry in New Zealand. The support and contribution received from two presbyters who were formerly on seconded ministry and are currently on special and study leave respectively, Rev Sione Saafi and Rev Tevita Talakai are always appreciated.

(c) School of Theology

One School of Theology was held for presbyters and spouses for a couple of days in Hamilton.

6. Formal Lay Ministry is also being carried out by over 100 adults and young people, both male and female.

7. Youth Ministry

The TAC is grateful for a grant from the PAC which has enabled it to employ fulltime a National Tongan Youth Coordinator Miss 'Ofa Mone since April 1995. The TAC Executive Committee has reviewed the position and has made significant changes. The Tauivi Youth Board, the Mission Resourcing Unit and the TAC are in the process of exploring and implementing ways in which the Tongan Youth Coordinator can be more securely supported and a much more practical and simple accountability process established within the TAC to the Mission Resourcing Unit and

the TAC to the Mission Resourcing Unit through the Tauwi Youth Board.

The youth coordinator has established a national youth communication network. Training events for youth leaders has been put in place as well as other youth activities and one national youth rally held in Auckland. Apart from the excellent traditional and already well established children and young people's programme prior to the appointment of the youth coordinator, the need for a national strategy and new innovative programmes and for all youth group activities to operate in a coordinated manner has always been and still a major concern. Like many organisations the youth coordinator's ministry has its teething problems. It is the TAC's wish that the youth Coordinator's ministry will continue to build bridges among generations, church leaders and everyone through young people making a lifetime commitment to Christ.

8. Social Service and Employment Training

It is anticipated that the TAC would be able to implement networking closely with the MMA and establishing or supporting a social service to help the unemployed and those requiring training for employment or further studies.

9. Public Question

The TAC is extremely concerned that its spiritual growth within and out of the Methodist Church of New Zealand is greatly affected by how some of the decisions are made. Some of the decisions are not necessarily sound even if they comply perfectly with every single clause of the Church Law Book and are also made within church policies and procedures. The church must be a place or an organisation in which its members are enabled or given opportunities to develop, and grown to be able to stand tall according to one Lord and one Faith. It seems that we are a church family of more than One Faith and more than One Lord. The TAC has made its statement several years ago that it does not approve appointing of homosexuals to leadership positions. It is time for the church to consider carefully the attitude and issues within it which are seen as "stumbling blocks" for they are breeding grounds for division and separation leading to divorce of relationship between partners of the church. It is important that the spiritual life, growth and development of a group full of potential and gifts such as the Tongans be not subject to ridicule, suppression and oppression both from within and out of the church.

10. President and Vice-President

The TAC and Tongan Congregations and Fellowships have been blessed by its special relationship with President Tavake Tupou and Vice-President Jill van de Geer this year at the TAC meeting and at other events. The presidential theme of "Go" For the Survival of the Church and for the sake of Christ was very well supported through services, camps and other activities. We are grateful that Tavake's leadership was taken by the Methodist Church of New Zealand on merit and not on tokenism, and we believe that Tavake a first Tongan and Pacific Islander to be President of Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa New Zealand is a blessing that we are thankful for to the Lord and the church.

11. The close link between the Tongan congregations and the Free Wesleyan Church of Tonga is proved by the annual invitation of members to attend its Conference and letting over twenty members from overseas have voting rights. The link us always strengthened by the secondment from Tonga of the Superintendent minister of the Auckland-Manukau Tongan parish.
12. The 1997 TAC Annual Meeting will be hosted by the Auckland-Manukau Tongan Parish from Friday 14 to Sunday 16 March.
13. We pray that the Lord will bless, lead and guide President Stan West and Vice-President Ruth Bilverstone in their year of leadership of the Methodist Church of New Zealand and also the Conference.

Suggested Decisions:

1. That the following are members of the Tongan Advisory Committee and that they be entered in the Law Book:
President; Vice-President; Convener; Secretary; Treasurer; all stationed-ordained Tongan presbyters; presbyters on secondment to the New Zealand Methodist Conference from the Conference of the Free Wesleyan Church of Tonga; two lay representatives from each Tongan congregation / fellowship out of Auckland-Manukau of which one will be male and one female, one lay representative from each of the sixteen Tongan fellowships of Auckland-Manukau of which eight will be female and eight male; youth coordinator and one other youth representative; one Synod representative from each district which there is a Tongan fellowship.
2. That the following be authorised to administer the Sacraments of Baptism and Holy Communion:

T Kilifi Heimuli
'Uha'one Metuisela
Sione Tonga

3. That as from 1st February 1997 the Tongan National Youth Coordinator be a Resource Appointment directly responsible to the Superintendent of and accountable to the Mission Resource Unit via the Tauivi Youth Board and the Tongan Advisory Committee.

RESPONSE

Report to Conference 1996

Conference and Assembly 1995 recommended that "the Mission Resourcing Unit and the Mission Resource Board review the future of RESPONSE.

The respective Boards asked Stuart Grant and Marie Preston to conduct an initial review of RESPONSE, which is available on request from the Mission Resourcing Unit. We are indebted to Marie and Stuart for the quality of their research and report to the Boards. Their report was the basis for discussion between three representatives from the Mission Resourcing Unit (John Murray, John Salmon, Kepu Moa), and three from the Mission Resource Board (Asura Amosa, Mark Chapman, and C. Atchison).

In the report the following suggestions were made:

- *"The Mission Resource Board and the Mission Resourcing Unit will need to look closely at the level of financial and personnel resources needed to put RESPONSE on an effective footing.*
- *In any renewed form of RESPONSE there would need to be vigorous and sensitive promotion of its programmes at parish, synod and presbytery UDC levels. Could some of this promotional work be done by suitable members of the synods and presbyteries UDCs, or would it be better left to RESPONSE field staff?*
- *It needs to be re-iterated that there is a definite continuing need for RESPONSE and its programmes, appropriately adapted to changing times and circumstances. The alternative would be to leave every parish to fend for itself, which the Review Team believes is not reflected in the survey.*
- *Parishes welcome the opportunity to clarify and define Mission. However, this is not developed in full by the nature of the RESPONSE process and the current printed material needs reassessing and up-dating. Any future work of RESPONSE needs facilitators who are able to assist parishes to work more in depth with their (parish's) mission goals. The follow-up process after RESPONSE is crucial, and this would need to be further developed.*
- *RESPONSE needs to be a joint venture between the two churches. It is recognised that it is a costly exercise having one full-time (Director) co-ordinator operating out of Head Office. However, if the brief of the Director includes training field staff, making initial*

contact with parishes and providing weekend consultations, promoting the unit, and developing the mission aspect of the unit then anything less than full-time would lessen the importance of the unit in the eyes of the church and the parishes. (Better co-ordination with other units such as Discovery would be helpful and consultation with Growth Evangelism.) An option of having the RESPONSE unit taken outside the church's hand and being managed by a private provider has been suggested. This needs further investigating.

- *Ways need to be found whereby stewardship education and the setting of mission goals may be integrated and developed together. Dealing with mission has been perceived as being less satisfactory.*
- *To make RESPONSE more acceptable to the bicultural and multicultural composition of our parishes, time, resources and opportunity need to be made for hui so that issues can be debated. The concept of Response may be seen to be inappropriate for Maori and Pacific Island congregations.*
- *Should the Mission Resource Board and the Mission Resourcing Unit decide that RESPONSE remain an integral unit in the life of the church then the question of resource kits will need to be addressed. The modules 'Sharing our Gifts' etc were excellent and parishes who used them found them helpful. However, "too much money has been spent on the material and most parishes have not used the material since the first publication". The resource handbook for the RESPONSE programme in parishes needs updating and made more user-friendly for parishes. The computer software is very helpful for parishes but cannot be used in every situation. The guidelines and manual format is more than adequate. More flexibility is required about the time the field staff need in a parish (6 days possibly instead of 10, and the continuing use of video presentations for introducing the programme.)"*

From these suggestions it was obvious to the meeting that Stuart and Marie believed that RESPONSE should continue, if not as a Unit in its own right, at least as a body within the Mission Resourcing Unit and the Mission Resource Board, with a specific focus on "Financial Stewardship". The group noted the strong emphasis on the shift in focus towards strategy and mission objectives, with one of the tasks being "finance". An argument borne out by the report of John Hamlin, who says: "In my experience, no parish in which I have directed RESPONSE Missions has had the benefit of the Mission Resource Board,

Development Division or Heartwood Programmes, certainly in their recent past. This would indicate that it is often the parish without a sense of mission that gets into financial difficulty and that it is only when mission is the motivation that parishes are able to discover the resources to develop vibrant life. The Directional/Strategy Seminars and long term projects being developed by Rosemary Williams held real promise in assisting Parishes to discover their mission, fund it and to develop it on a continuing basis."

The representatives of the Mission Resourcing Unit and the Mission Resource Board believe that with the Presbyterian and Methodist Churches having restructured considerably over recent years, and established MISSION RESOURCING rather than DEVELOPMENTAL Boards, there is a need to look at the way in which the tasks of RESPONSE might be carried out in the future. It was obvious that Mission strategy had become an important part of the RESPONSE programme. However, this often conflicted with the work of other resource people from within the Mission Resourcing Unit and the Mission Resource Board. To the group it seemed that parishes were saying that the work of RESPONSE needed to be integrated into the work of the Mission Units, rather than functioning independently. The outcome would, hopefully, be a more wholistic approach to mission stewardship, church ministry. The group, representing the Mission Resourcing Unit and Mission Resource Board, believe the contribution of RESPONSE, since its inception in 1987 and the various Stewardship units prior to that, has been of immeasurable value. What is significant is that RESPONSE recognised that the focus of parishes to Mission and Stewardship needed to be addressed. Hence, under Ashley Sedon and Rosemary Williams, RESPONSE began to develop resources for strategy planning, goal setting, etc. It is the belief of the group that this work should not be ignored but built on or, more correctly, incorporated into other parts of the work carried out by the Mission Resourcing Unit and Mission Resource Board staff.

If there is to be a shift from an independent RESPONSE Unit then the churches need to ensure that several things happen, and therefore the following recommendations are brought to Conference and Assembly:

Suggested Decisions:

1. The Report is received.
2. With the agreement of Conference and the Council of Assembly, that over the next year the Mission Resourcing Unit and Mission Resource Board relocate the tasks and wind-up RESPONSE, and by January 1998 RESPONSE be closed as an independent unit.

3. That no new programmes be taken on by RESPONSE and current programmes be completed during 1997.
4. The Mission Resourcing Unit and Mission Resource Board enter into discussion as to whether the development of such resources should happen independently or jointly
5. The Mission Resourcing Unit and Mission Resource Board develop new resources which focus on Mission and educate people for stewardship.
6. The skills of the existing staff of RESPONSE should be used in the development of resources nationally and regionally.
7. The churches continue to provide funds for the development of these resources.

Mission Resourcing Unit
Mission Resource Board

METHODIST SOCIAL SERVICES CONFERENCE PLANNING GROUP REPORT

Conference 95 invited the Methodist Mission Aotearoa in association with Hui Poari and Taiuiwi Forum to develop a set of national guidelines and structures for the delivery of Methodist Social Services for the next 5-10 years, through a national conference to be held in 1996.

A planning group comprised of Margaret Hamilton and Stan West from the Taiuiwi Forum and Geoff Hill and Timothy Langley from the Methodist Mission Aotearoa accepted responsibility for the Conference which was subsequently planned to be held in Hamilton in September. The format agreed upon included the pre-circulation of papers on key topics with the opportunity to hear the authors present and answer questions, followed by small group discussion and plenary sessions.

For a variety of reasons the planning group came to the conclusion that the Conference was appropriately postponed until early 1997. The Planning Group were concerned that despite the deliberately inclusive makeup of the Group the Conference was, in some quarters, seen to be inappropriately steered and directed by MMA. This led to some cynicism that the Mission's or MMA's vested interests would affect the impartiality and objectivity of the outcomes. Whether this view was widely held or simply because the pre-enrolment advanced publicity was not widely enough circulated, the level of participation from Parishes reflected in enrolments was discouraging.

The outcome of the October 12th election was expected to radically change the environment and climate in which social service ministries are provided with subsequent impact on the short and medium term priorities established. There had also been significant changes to the leadership and management structures recently implemented in three of the four Missions, the implications of which had yet to fully impact.

Although mindful of the need for the regional Missions and MMA to engage in their work empowered and mandated by a clear strategic direction and national guidelines for services, the Planning Group resolved, in the light of the constraints, to postpone the Conference. Discussions are being held with John

Murray as to whether the Mission Resourcing Unit would be able and willing to act as the host.

Recommendations

1. That the report be received.
2. That, in consultation with Te Taha Maori and Mission Resourcing Unit, the Planning Group proceed with the Methodist Social Services Conference to be held early in 1997 for report to the November 1997 Conference.
3. The Missions and Parishes and all Methodist related social service providers report to the 1998 Conference in relation to the guidelines developed.

Mission Superintendent — Position Description

Accountability

To the Conference of the Methodist Church of Aotearoa New Zealand through the Christchurch Methodist Mission Board for the strategic leadership of the Mission.

Primary Objectives

To implement the Mission Statement of Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa (and accompanying principles) by providing visionary leadership to and ensuring quality management for the prophetic, pastoral and social service ministry of the Mission.

To provide oversight for the worship, pastoral care and fellowship for Durham Street and wider Mission chaplaincies. Note: it is envisaged that the time will be shared between the Durham Street congregation and the Mission.

Key Requirements

1. To express the theological understanding of the Methodist Church.
 - To provide leadership for the worship, pastoral care and fellowship for the Durham Street and wider Mission chaplaincies.
 - As appropriate ensure pastoral care for Mission staff and Board.
 - Provide input into local, regional and national Methodist and ecumenical forums.
 - Provide direction in implementing the Methodist Church's commitment to a life in covenant under the Treaty of Waitangi.
2. To implement Conference, MMA and Mission Board policies and as appropriate consult with Synods and Te Taha Maori as Treaty partner.

3. To offer direction to the Board of the Christchurch Methodist Mission in all its activities.
 - Establish with the Board, strategic and corporate plans.
 - Identify service priorities in accordance with the Board's Mission Statement and ethos.
 - Encourage creative responses to community needs.
 - Be responsible to the Board for the achievement of the corporate goals.
 - To monitor with the Board the General Manager's efficient management of the Mission.
 - Be the spokesperson for all Mission contact with the media and the key person in all public relations exercises.
4. To establish and maintain functional relationships through appropriate consultation with, e.g. the Board and the Board chairperson, Durham Street parish council and pastoral staff and the General Manager.

Key Results

- Conference, MMA and Christchurch Methodist Mission Board policies are implemented.
- Local, regional and national Methodist and ecumenical forums receive timely reports and assistance.
- The Methodist Church's commitment to bicultural partnership is translated into action.
- Worship, pastoral care and fellowship are provided for the Durham Street congregation and wider Mission chaplaincies.
- Appropriate consultations are held.
- Good Public Relations are established.

Mission Superintendent — Personal Profile

The Job Description requires a person with the following skills, abilities and qualities:

1. Committed to the theological emphases and the policy of the Methodist Church of Aotearoa New Zealand and especially the Mission Statement and it's accompanying principles.
2. The ability to form a consultative, working partnership with the General Manager to appropriately provide for the total scope of the Mission's work.
3. A mature and experienced presbyter with a good understanding of the issues facing Methodist Mission Aotearoa in the delivery of quality social services and with a passion for social justice.
4. The ability to provide inspirational leadership to a diverse central city congregation.
5. A commitment to on-going spiritual growth and study and the ability to provide leadership through a ministry of both Word and Sacrament.
6. Ability to analyse problems and situations, offer visionary leadership and, in a team setting, find creative solutions to the needs of the community.
7. Have a sound working knowledge of the Treaty of Waitangi and its implications for the Methodist Church and society, together with a working knowledge of Te Reo and Tikanga Maori.
8. Be committed to the bicultural journey of the Methodist Church and have the ability to relate well to Te Taha Maori.
9. This job description and profile needs to be read in conjunction with that of the General Manager. The appointee will need familiarity with modern management methods, excellent interpersonal and communication skills and experience in public relations and, as well, some knowledge of property management, fund raising and administration of a large annual budget.

Background Information

Mission General Manager — Position Description

Accountability

To the Board through the Mission Superintendent for the day-to-day management of the Mission.

Primary Objective

To implement the Mission Statement and Strategic Plan of the Christchurch Mission Board by providing excellent management of the systems, processes, developments and resources of the Mission.

Key Requirement

To provide effective and efficient management of all the Mission's people, financial and property resources.

- To be accountable through the Mission Superintendent to the Board for the general management of the Mission, the Innovative Response Teams and achievement of the Strategic plan and corporate goals.
- To establish and maintain functional relationships through appropriate consultation with e.g. outside funding agencies such as CFA and RHA, the Superintendent and managers of the Innovative Response Teams.

(The Mission employs over 400 staff in its regional operation, works with a multi-million dollar budget and operates some 30 different social services. Senior staff appointments are subject to a Board protocol)

Key Results

- Reports with the Superintendent to the Board as required on the implementation of Conference, MMA and Mission Board policies.

- The Board and Superintendent are provided with all necessary information.
- The Methodist Church's commitment to bicultural partnership is evident in all work.
- The Mission's operations are carried out within its approved budget.
- Properties and social services are managed effectively and efficiently.
- The Mission is seen to care for its staff as a good employer.
- Appropriate consultations are held.

Mission General Manager — Personal Profile

The Job Description requires a person with the following skills, abilities and qualities.

1. Commitment to the Mission Statement of the Board of the Christchurch Methodist Mission.
2. The ability to form a consultative, working partnership with the Mission Superintendent to appropriately provide for the total scope of the Mission's work.
3. Proven hands-on experience with modern management methods, excellent interpersonal and communication skills and knowledge of public relations in a social service organisation.
4. Maturity and experience in management with a good understanding of the issues facing Methodist Mission Aotearoa in the delivery of quality social services.
5. A commitment to on-going spiritual growth and an ability to model consultative and empowering leadership.
6. Skills in property management, fund raising, preparation and administration of a large annual budget.

7. Ability to analyse problems and situations, to report the analysis including formulation of options and recommendations.
8. A commitment to colleagues and a willingness to work with the self-directing work teams to assist them to find creative solutions to the needs in the community.
9. Be in accord with the ethos of the Methodist Church of New Zealand — Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa.
10. Understanding of Te Reo and Tikanga Maori and the Methodist bicultural journey.

October 1996

N O M I N A T I O N S
FOR
PRESIDENT
AND
VICE-PRESIDENT

NOMINATIONS FOR PRESIDENT

PRESIDENT	NOMINATED BY
Norman Brookes	Auckland District Hawkes Bay-Manawatu District Waikato-Bay of Plenty District
Jock Hosking	Northland Union District Council
Alan Leadley	Northland Union District Council Manukau District
John Murray	Otago-Southland District
Gillian (Jill) Richards	Manukau District
John Salmon	Nelson-Marlborough West Coast District
Ashley Sedon	Taranaki-Wanganui District
Richard Waugh	Samoan Synod

NOMINATIONS FOR VICE-PRESIDENT

Robyn Brown	Hawkes Bay-Manawatu District Taranakai-Wanganui District
Jan Leman-Christiansen	Otago-Southland District
Gillian (Jill) Richards	Wellington District
Susau Strickland	Waikato Bay of Plenty District

NOMINATIONS FOR PRESIDENT

NORMAN BROOKES

Marital / Family Information:

Married to Margaret, with two sons Ken married to Danae, and Greg.

Ministry or Work Experience:

Served first three years in the Woolston-Lyttelton Circuit, the Circuit from which Norman candidated. This was followed by five years at St Albans, Rugby St. Then travelled overseas serving for six months at Moville in the Londonderry Circuit in Ireland, and a year at Cheltenham, Glos, in England, serving both the Anglican-Methodist Shared Church of St Matthews, and Whaddon, in the Cheltenham Circuit. On return to Aotearoa New Zealand served for six years as Superintendent of the Orakei Parish at St Pauls, Remuera, during which time Norman spent six months on exchange in Bendigo, Victoria at St Andrews Uniting Church. For the past eleven years served as Superintendent of the Development Division with responsibilities in the areas of: evangelism, ethnic ministries, bicultural development, church union, co-operative ventures, supply and exchange ministries, parish strategy and resourcing. He is now in the first year of parish ministry at Crossroads Church, Papakura.

General Information:

Prior to entering the ordained ministry Norman worked as a commercial traveller, and commenced university, completing a BA in history and religious studies, and then an MA hons. in religious studies which included writing a thesis on the Methodist Church and Church Union (this was in the mid-1970's). Since then he has become involved in research and is currently chairperson of the Christian Research Association in New Zealand, and Convener of the National Church Life Survey project.

Norman has a strong interest in evangelism and believes that the Church needs to constantly return to the question "how do we communicate the Good News in our current context?" He has been to a number of Conferences under the auspices of the World Council of Churches, the Uniting Church in Australia, and the World Methodist Institute for Evangelism, where key questions like this have been addressed. As time permits he enjoys music, singing, writing the occasional hymn, travel with Margaret, family outings, and video photography.

JOCK HOSKING

Marital / Family Information:

Born in 1933 to an active Methodist family, Jock is married to Dawn, a Counsellor and Tutor. They have three adult children, Cathryn, Jenny and Rachel, and six grand children.

Ministry:

Since 1991, Jock has been Organist at St John's Co-operating Parish, Whangarei. Since 1992 he has been Methodist Superintendent of the Northland District and is President-elect for 1997 of the Northland Union District Council.

He works as a Parish Consultant, specialising in the area of the stewardship of resources, in strategic planning and in conflict management. He is a Counsellor, Trainer and Supervisor for community groups; a co-facilitator with Dawn in the area of team building and grief and loss work.

Prior to his current position, he was Co-Superintendent in the Palmerston North Methodist Parish, involved in a Team Ministry 1983-1990; with the Methodist Education Division with responsibility for Stewardship 1973-82; and in Parish appointments in Porirua, Springston and Hastings Circuits from 1959 to 1972.

General:

Jock is a graduate of the University of New Zealand in Music and Classics; a Diplomate of Trinity College London, and a Doctoral graduate from San Francisco Theological Seminary, with his dissertation entitled "Secularization and New Zealand Methodist Clergy". He has been a Registered Music Teacher and a part time University lecturer.

His commitment to the Connexion has seen him serve on a wide range of Committees and Councils. He believes strongly in ecumenism and he worked in many Co-operative Ventures, Presbyterian and Anglican Parishes, and served in leadership roles on Joint Regional Committees.

He has sought to engage the Church with community issues, and was foundation Director LifeLine Hawkes Bay and President of the Hastings Marriage Guidance Council. In addition he has been involved in a wide variety of interdenominational Chaplaincy Committees.

His recreational interests have been in sport, as a Senior Rugby referee, and currently time is spent watching sport, making music, gardening, reading and family.

ALAN LEADLEY

Marital / Family Information:

Married to Muriel, Consultant Occupational Therapist. Two sons Simon (25 yrs) and Matthews (23 yrs).

Ministry or Work Experience:

Alan has been a New Zealand Methodist minister for twenty eight years, commencing with parish ministry in Christchurch, then moving to a six year term with the United Church of Papua New Guinea and the Solomon Islands (in charge of Malmaluan Christian Education Training Centre, Rabaul,) Ecumenical Hospital Chaplain at Waikato (from 1977 to 1984,) National Secretary, Council for Mission and Ecumenical Co-operation (1984-1994). Currently stationed at St Alban's Co-operating Parish, Chartwell, Hamilton. Convener of the District Bicultural Working Group.

General Information:

During his ministry Alan's strengths have been developed in pastoral care, an awareness of justice and peace issues in Aotearoa and overseas, and in teaching, nurturing and leading worship in small group and congregations. He has a wide knowledge of New Zealand Churches and Community Organisations.

His theological emphasis could be described as liberal evangelical. He encourages open honest dialogue about differences of theological and other opinions in a spirit of mutual acceptance. He has a deep desire for the health and wellbeing of our Haahi. Alan holds a BA (Auckland), BD (Otago) and MA (University PNG).

JOHN MURRAY

Family Information:

Aged 47, and is married to Susan. They have two teenage children, Suella and Jared.

Ministry or Work Experience:

John's early work experience was in the area of engineering, heavy earthmoving machinery and Forestry. He has served as a Presbyterian in Waiono Union Parish (Western Southland), Willoughby (Ashburton), Whakatane, Thames, and is the present Superintendent of the Mission Resourcing Unit. During his parish ministry, he served for a time as Convener of the Committee on Ministry, was a member of the Land Commission, and a member of the Bay of Plenty Joint Regional Committee.

General Information:

John, through a traditional evangelical conversion experience, became a Christian and subsequently a member of the Methodist Church. He brings to the church a commitment to its evangelical and justice purposes. John is passionate about the future of the church: its need for new and innovative ways of ministry towards an emphasis on prophetic ministries. The importance of community life, through parish and other groups, in a time of fragmentation and political destruction of "community caring" and offering a way to live in unity rather than polarised isolationism are seen as key gifts the church could bring to the world. Parishioners always found John's willingness to explore contemporary issues with them helpful, and his commitment to the Presbyterian as the enabler meant he encouraged strong and healthy lay leadership to emerge.

John's appreciation of Methodism in society means he is committed to a positive interaction between church and communities outside the traditional church structures. This is reflected in his involvement at levels of the church life and in his involvement in the community. He has been involved in a Family Therapy Group in Whakatane, Marriage Guidance Executive in Thames, Work Creation schemes in Ashburton, and Presbyterian Maori Synod in Whakatane. As well as work activities, he has pursued activities which give him personally a deeper sense of God's creation and the goodness of humankind through activities ranging from hockey administration and umpiring to Arts Council Committee member; from gardening to cooking; from bee-keeping to reading.

GILLIAN (JILL) RICHARDS

Marital / Family Information:

Married to John, a medical practitioner now about to retire from the Auckland Medical School, for 36 years. Three adult children, David, Simon and Mary. Three grandsons, Simon, Christopher and Sami. Born in England, resident in New Zealand since 1961.

Ministry or Work Experiences:

Background of voluntary community and family work prior to acceptance for non stipendiary ministry, Ordained in 1981 and appointed to Glen Innes Co-operating Parish, Auckland Methodist Mission and Auckland East (parish superintendent).

General Information:

Served on Faith and Order Committee.
Regional Superintendent (Auckland) for 6 years.
Auckland Methodist Mission Board
Methodist Mission Aotearoa
Development Division (chairperson for 3 years)
Also served on Church Union Committee
Special interests include womens spirituality and writings, music, gardening, reading, travel, walking and developing local church responses to community needs.

JOHN SALMON

Marital / Family Information:

John's partner is Susan Adams, who is an Anglican priest, with responsibility for ministry in the Auckland diocese. Their family comprises 6 adult children and 4 grandchildren.

Ministry or Work Experience:

John is currently Wesley Lecturer in Systematic Theology at Trinity Theological College. Prior to this he was co-ordinator of Educational Ministry in the Education Division for 9 years. He has served as presbyter in the Glenfield Co-operating Parish (1977-1982) and North Dunedin Parish (1971-1976).

Before training for ministry, John worked in accounting and management in the printing industry.

John has served on many boards and committees in the life of the church, including Welfare of the Church Committee, Committee on Ministry, Faith and Order Committee, and Bicultural Committee (which he co-Convended for several years).

His ecumenical commitment is reflected in a number of years on the North Shore Joint Regional Committee, as a member of the Methodist-Roman Catholic Dialogue, and for a time as co-Convener of Unit One for CCANZ. He was a NZ Methodist representative to the 1983 WCC Assembly in Vancouver.

General Information:

John has academic qualifications in Theology, Biblical Studies, Education and accountancy.

He is committed to helping the church express faith and life in ways which are relevant to our context in the late 20th century. He has a particular interest in how theological ideas shape our ministry and our life together.

John is concerned for issues of justice (such as the expression Te Tino Rangatiratanga in Aotearoa and the growth of partnership between women and men), as an aspect of the church's engagement in mission and evangelism.

ASHLEY SEDON

Marital / Family Information:

Ashley and partner, Peter Conaghan, have two cockatiels named Camembert and Brie and a cat called Lucy, and live in Auckland. They have a permanent committed relationship. Peter is an owner/manager of 'Lord Ponsonby's Delicatessen' in Ponsonby Road, Auckland.

Ministry or Work Experience:

Ashley is a qualified Town Planner and has brought to ministry in Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa gifts of planning and visioning, administration and care for society's common good. His first appointment was to Christchurch South Parish (Somerfield & Cashmere) in 1983, During which time he was a member of the Board of Administration, Church Building and Loan Fund Committee, and the Community of Women and Men. He became Director of RESPONSE, the Joint Methodist/Presbyterian Stewardship Unit based in Wellington in 1986 - with national responsibilities. During this time he developed a new approach to stewardship and mission education, providing local presbyters and congregations with resources to address these vital dimensions of faith and church life, including: "Sharing our gifts", "Choices", "There's a Time" and "Making Friends" themed resource packs. He was a strong advocate for ecumenical sensitivity, particularly within the Presbyterian and Methodist Churches on behalf of Cooperative Ventures. In 1992 Ashley was appointed to Pitt Street Methodist Church in Auckland and Parish Superintendent of the Auckland Methodist Central Parish and Mission. He currently serves on the Trinity College Council, the Board of the Auckland Methodist Mission and is a member of the Connexional Budget Task Group.

General Information:

Ashley knows the cost of being different. His disclosure of being gay at the 1991 Methodist Conference in Wanganui evoked a wide range of responses from people within the Church. He naturally has a sensitivity to minorities and is a strong advocate of inclusiveness and Christ-like hospitality and acceptance, resourced by a theology centred on the grace of God. He is committed to seeing the Methodist Church image Jesus Christ in its life and work. He believes we should willingly pick up creative forms of mission that will prompt others to be glad that we're around, even if that might mean radical change for our Church as we respond to God's call to mission.

RICHARD WAUGH

Marital / Family Information:

Aged 39, Richard was born in Christchurch into a long-time Methodist family. He has fond memories of Christian nurture by congregations at Hokitika, Gisborne and Stoke. Richard is married to Jane, an Architect, and they have three young children: Simon, Theresa and Kristie

Ministry or Work Experience:

Richard is currently Superintendent of the Manukau North Parish, one of the largest Parishes in New Zealand. Appointed in 1995 he has particular responsibility for Trinity Church, Howick-Pakuranga and the new Howick South congregation

He has experience working with Samoan and Tongan congregations and presently with South African and Asian peoples. Considerable experience with Church property development and strategy planning for the future.

Previous Parish appointments have been:

- * Henderson-Massey (1988-1994)
- * Ashhurst-Bunnythorpe-Pohangina (1984-1987)
- * Marton (supply 1984-85)

Connexional and District involvement past and present include:

- * Member of Tauwiwi forum
- * District Candidates Convener (Auckland and Manukau Synods)
- * Western Regional Superintendent Auckland Synod
- * Development Division Board
- * Trinity College Board
- * making Disciples Task Group
- * Community of Women and Men
- * Faith and Order Committee
- * Wesley Historical Society Executive.

Student at Trinity College 1981-1983. Candidate from Nelson Circuit 1980 (accredited lay Preacher from 1978). Prior to that spent five years as Assistant Accountant for Wrightcars Ltd.

General Information:

Academic:

- * BA in New Zealand History and Religious Studies
- * LTh and STh (thesis on ecclesiology) Diplomas

- * MBA (first ordained person to achieve this high level of New Zealand management qualification)

Community Involvement:

- * Trustee of Howick & Districts 150 (sesquicentennial) Committee involving work with wide spectrum of groups including Ngai Tai
- * Chairman elect of Howick Ministers Association
- * In 1993 appointed by Waitakere City Council as Foundation trustee of Corban Winery Estate to help develop the Estate as a community/tourism venue
- * Chairman of the Henderson Ministers Association
- * chairman of the Henderson 150 Committee 1993-94 and organiser of major community celebrations
- * Aviation Historian about to publish his fourth book on aspects of New Zealand's aviation heritage and its impact on our social history. Since 1994 Organiser of several air shows and other aviation historical events.

Theology & Ministry Emphases:

Richard comments,

"My theology is not 'issue' based but Christ centred and I take very seriously the centrality of the biblical message. I would advocate a greater appreciation of our rich Wesleyan ethos and evangelical heritage which is more important to me than the 1989 Mission Statement. I am passionate about the priority of local Church mission. Also the urgent need to plan for the future, especially encouraging youth and children's ministries and creative and bold ways of being Church. I cherish the value of the ordained ministry, the need for intentional; clergy recruitment and I expect high standards from Church leaders. I would advocate a younger style of leadership and evangelical emphases for the Methodist church as it prepares for a new century of service."

NOMINATIONS FOR VICE-PRESIDENT

ROBYN BROWN

Ministry and Work Experience:

For the past seven years Robyn has been employed by the Church to work in the area of lay ministry education through Wellspring Ministry Education Centre. She came to this work from a background in primary school teaching and (briefly) in advertising.

Two years living and teaching in American Samoa and Guam gave her an opportunity to experience life outside of Aotearoa / New Zealand and taught her a great deal about herself as well as other people.

Her commitment to education arises out of her belief that knowledge, skills and an awareness of ones own capabilities can open up new possibilities and opportunities for individuals and communities. This belief encourages her own ongoing study in the area of adult education.

Robyn appreciates the many opportunities given her by the church to work on local and connexional committees and to attend conferences, workshops and symposia both in Aotearoa and overseas.

Continuing Interests:

Some of the areas that Robyn has a sense of calling to are:

- * putting energy into finding ways of working that are life-enhancing for Maori and Tauitiwi - women and men, lay and ordained, individuals and community.
- * engaging people in learning experiences that encourage a sharing of wisdom and knowing that is already part of each individual and of their collective understanding as communities of faith.
- * working to build faith communities within and from which people work with a sense of energy and vitality because they know themselves to be gifted and called by God to ministry.

Family:

Robyn receives much practical support and encouragement for her involvement in the life of Te Haahi Weteriana from her partner David. Two adult children, their partners and two grandchildren provide plenty of challenge to see life from a broad perspective.

JAN LEMAN-CHRISTIANSEN

Marital / Family Information:

Date of birth: 19 October 1949

Married to W K (Ken) S Christiansen (lifelong member of Methodist Church and holder of various offices).

Ministry or Work Experience:

LLB(Hons). MJur (University of Auckland)

Barrister and Solicitor of the High Court of NZ with nearly 20 years experience as a practitioner in general legal practice in Auckland, Taupo, Pukekohe.

Trained Teacher's Certificate with Distinction (Auckland College of Education)

Part-time Lecturer in Building and Property Law, University of Auckland 1982-92

Part-time work for the Administration Division of the Church, 1983-84

Lay Pastor, Orakei Methodist Parish, 1992 to present day.

Member of the Methodist Church since 1965 (date of confirmation), and from a family with strong and continuing Methodist roots.

Member of St. Paul's, Remuera since approximately 1978.

Member of the Leaders' Meeting and Parish Council at St Paul's to present day.

Youth Leader at St. Paul's, 1985-92

Member of Board of Studies, Trinity Theological College, since 1994

Member of Trinity College Council, since 1996

Member of ad hoc committees of Connexion, including committee to rewrite rules re disputes procedure.

General Information:

Articulate, literate, a good communicator, and able to think quickly.

Logical and analytical intellectually with a degree of flexibility and creativity.

Intellectually honest, able to ask hard questions and make decisions.

Strong pastoral skills, with positive relationships, a good listener, a 'people-person'.

Independent thinker with leadership skills.

I believe in a life which is God-centred, demonstrated by the life and teaching of Christ, and expressed through Methodism.

I strive for a balance between the spiritual experience of faith and its practical expression, and see each as the necessary corollary of the other.

I am committed to Methodism as it is shaped by and in this country, and to ensuring its future, consistent both with its foundation and heritage, and with an imaginative vision for the next millennium.

GILLIAN (JILL) RICHARDS

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Development Division (chairperson for 3 years)

Also served on Church Union Committee

Special interests include womens spirituality and writings, music, gardening, reading, travel, walking and developing local church responses to community needs.

SUSAU STRICKLAND

Marital / Family Information:

Susau was born Oinafa, in Rotuma, North of Fiji in 1935. She was educated in Suva, Fiji. She spent 15 years nursing in the Cook Islands with her husband who was a doctor. In 1971 she separated and came to Auckland to provide better education for her family.

Earlier in 1993 Susau celebrated 40 years of Nursing, and is currently nursing the aged at St Joseph's Hospital run by the Little Sisters of the Poor in Ponsonby. Susau has five adult children and eight grandchildren.

Ministry or Work Experience:

Susau is the convener of the Fiji Advisory Committee and has held this position for the past eight years; a challenge which she enjoys. This role and its associated membership of the Development Division and now the Mission Resourcing Unit has provided her with the opportunity of involvement in the Connexional Church.

She has completed the Lay Ministry training (TELM) course, which centres on leadership, children's and youth ministry among the Fijian and Rotuman Methodists in Auckland. She is one of the first Tauivi ten of the "Council of Conference" and is at the end of a 3 year term. Susau worships at Mt Eden Fijian and the Rotuman Methodist in Auckland and Pitt St Church. Susau has played a leading role in the formation of the Auckland Rotuman Fellowship since 1988. She is the Vice-President of the Auckland Rotuman Fellowship.

Her interest beyond the church and nursing include Rotuman Cultural dancing, tennis and netball.

General Information:

Susau is very keen to encourage and promote culture and Christian education among young people, and especially Pacific Island young people in Aotearoa.

**TRIBUTES TO DECEASED
PRESBYTERS, DEACONS
AND LAYPERSONS**

STANLEY GEORGE ANDREWS MA, DipEd

Stan Andrews was one of those competent and yet quiet and unassuming servants of God who used his considerable gifts and graces as a teacher and presbyter in both Fiji and Aotearoa New Zealand over a long period.

He was born at Carterton and educated in the Wairarapa and at Wellington. Stan studied at Victoria and Canterbury Universities from which he graduated in 1938. In that year he went to Fiji to serve as first Assistant at Suva Methodist Boys' School, and he married Phyllis, a daughter of the Rev and Mrs Hedley White. Phyllis and Stan were a good team, using their gifts in many areas of service.

After a distinguished teaching career in Fiji, Stan felt the call to ministry, and after theological training was ordained in 1947. The following year he became Superintendent of Davuilevu and was appointed to be in charge of the Theological Institution.

In 1951 owing to illness and withdrawal of the Australian Chairman, Stan became Acting Chairman of the District as well as Secretary of Education.

The following year, owing to family reasons, Stan and Phyllis returned to New Zealand where Stan was appointed General Secretary of Overseas Missions following the retirement of the Rev A H Scrivin. This most important responsibility in New Zealand continued for 13 years.

This task required keeping in touch with circuits throughout the Connexion, being in close contact with the developing mission churches in the Solomon Islands and New Guinea, and being Chief Executive Officer in New Zealand. He was also a most effective editor of the Open Door.

In 1965 Stan received permission to transfer to the Fijian Conference. After four years as Principal of Ratu Sukuna Memorial School he was appointed Connexional Secretary of the Fijian Church, serving the limit time of seven years. During this time he also served the Connexional limit for three years as President of the Methodist Church in Fiji.

As a result of developing Parkinson's Disease Stan was granted permission to superannuate at the 1976 Conference. Although he was increasingly limited in many of his activities Stan refused to give in. For many years he continued preaching and teaching and giving a ministerial supply. He rejoiced in listening to the music of the local Choral Society.

Through the written word Stan and Phyllis communicated to the wider Church and community. Towards the end of his life, although often frustrated, Stan felt he had found his last ministry through intercessory prayer for others.

His funeral service held in the Papatoetoe Methodist Church was conducted by his minister Rev Steve Emery-Wright. Tributes paid by his

brother-in-law, his son David and Rev Jione Langi of the Fijian Advisory Committee. It was a triumph of grace.

Now we remember especially Phyllis who suffered some minor strokes not long before Stan died. She is now cared for in St Christopher's Christian Hospital Trust.

Thanks be to God for their lives of Service.

ALLAN JAMES HANDYSIDE

1917-1996

Allan grew up in Masterton, where encouraged by his family he was actively involved in the Methodist Bible Class and activities of the church. Masterton people remember Allan for his fun and light heartedness but also for his deep faith and conviction which was fostered in the Bible Class movement of the 1930's.

After a period of employment with the Bank of New Zealand Allan commenced ministry as a Home Missionary serving at Murchison until stopped by the call to military service.

With many Methodist men of the day Allan was detained as a conscientious objector on Christian Pacifist grounds. This period of detention extended to four and a half years and was a lasting influence throughout his life. A positive aspect of this period was the strong relationships formed with other conscientious objectors who Allan remained in regular contact with up to the time of his death.

Following the war Allan married Edith who he had known since Masterton Sunday School days. Together they commenced Home Missionary work on the Hauriki Plains in 1947. Allan was accepted for theological training at Trinity College in 1949 and concurrently worked in Mt Albert Circuit, stationed at Glen Eden, while attending college.

Following ordination Allan was stationed at Mt Roskill, Dundas Street and Corstorphine Union Parishes, Dunedin, Henderson, Nelson South Union and Te Puke.

For just over a year he served as an associate member at Riverside community in the Nelson district, helping to establish a residential training centre, and for nearly a year as an aid at the Ngawhatu Psychiatric Hospital in Stoke.

Throughout his ministry Allan enthusiastically participated in social and peace issue debates. Recognising the potential for these to be divisive within the worshipping community he also placed importance on pastoral ministry encouraging commitment together even when views may not be

shared in common. Allan was a strong advocate for church union, a campaigner for social justice and a leader within the peace movement.

During his ministry he served in many administrative positions, a District Financial Secretary, District Secretary, convener of the Welfare of the Church Committee in Otago and chairperson of NZ Methodist Peace Fellowship for two years.

In retirement Allan continued to be actively involved in many aspects of church life. He undertook supply ministry at Greytown, Masterton and Ipswich, Australia. Until recently he led worship services and attended all church gatherings.

Allan's vast reading knowledge will be greatly missed as will his willingness to share reviews and extracts from books he had recently read.

Allan was a man of integrity and conviction. He has been a person with an agile, lively mind full of innovative ideas that kept him abreast, if not ahead of the thinking of the day. He will be missed not just for his scholarship but his great sense of humour and fun. Allan has served Methodism well and challenged us to put what we preach into practice in the social arena.

LORNA MAVIS HODDER

1899-1995

Here was a long life, lived to the full, and one of extraordinary quality. Lorna Hodder was the produce both of fine family tradition founded by Thomas and Emma Hodder of Manawatu and of the New Zealand Methodist Church family. So family, faith and mutually warm and widespread friendships flourished in this life that became a legend among us.

Lorna's home church was Cuba Street, Palmerston North; followed by Wesley, Taranaki Street, Wellington; and Trinity, Wanganui. In each she contributed greatly to the quality of the life and worship and social outreach of the congregation. Her influence spread throughout the Connexion.

She was Travelling Secretary to the Methodist Young Women's Bible Class Union 1924-1928 and subsequently the first employed Secretary of the Methodist Youth Office which preceded the Youth Department, Christian Education Department and Epworth Bookroom. The motto of the Methodist Bible Class Union, "The Utmost for the Highest", remained Lorna's life-long guiding star.

When, in the late 1930's, the Child Welfare Division of the Education Department was extending the range and quality of its services.

Lorna responded to its call for case workers. She rose to the position of Senior Woman in the Division and left her mark on the standard of child care throughout New Zealand. Lorna retired in 1963.

The home which Lorna and her long-standing friend, Mavis Brewin, established in Wanganui, was an oasis of sensitive love and caring, beauty, peace and culture. It was a benediction to enter the ever welcoming door.

Lorna Hodder's funeral was led by the Rev Dr Phyllis Guthardt, 27 December 1995 in Trinity Church, Wanganui. Long before Phyllis became the first woman to be ordained in New Zealand, Lorna had quietly but persistently advocated that change. She took a personal interest in sponsoring Phyllis' preparation for ministry.

We honour and remember gratefully Lorna Hodder. Her commitment to family and church; her loyalty and generosity to causes for peace and social justice; her deep spirituality and strong desire for quality in the content and presentation of public worship; her warm friendship, fun and enjoyment of life have left their mark on all who had the privilege of knowing her.

SISTER OLIVE MADELINE HOLLAND

Sister Madeline was born on the 8 November 1909 in Dunedin and died in Auckland on the 8 September 1996, after suffering severe injuries a few weeks before when she was knocked over by a car.

As a young woman she felt the call of God to serve Him. Accordingly when she was twentytwo she left her home in Invercargill and after acceptance by the Methodist Conference began training in Deaconess House, Christchurch. When she finished two years later there was no appointment available for several of the deaconesses because of the depression. Madeline was one of those.

Wisely it was suggested that she do further training. This was accomplished over the next two years at her home city of Invercargill. She did general nursing training for a year followed by maternity training at St Helens.

A crisis arose at the time of her dedication when it was realised two senior deaconess already bore the name of Olive and another would be too much.

Rather insensitively she was asked to change her name. This she did by taking her second name Madeline. As it happened, many of the younger Maori women called her Sister Holland as a mark of respect while those closest to her continued to call her Olive.

Sister Madeline as most of us knew her, spent almost her entire service amongst the Maori people in the North Island.

Her first appointment was to the great Ratana Pa near Wanganui where she served for three years.

A similar period was spent at Okaiawa, a Maori Church in Taranaki. From there the appointment was to Rangiata School in New Plymouth for a couple of years and then a first taste for only a year at Kurahuna.

Then it was to Deaconess House in Christchurch, but this time as Acting-Matron. Students and Staff of the time spoke of her coming as a breath of freedom and fresh air.

She was needed again, however, in the field and returned to Kurahuna Maori Girls' Hostel in Onehunga, Auckland. for the longest appointment of her ministry - eighteen years.

The official record declares that Madeline retired in 1971 but who of us ever thought of Madeline as retired.

Indeed, she was on the way to the supermarket to buy cooking ingredients when she was knocked over.

Madeline was dedicated at the Conference of 1936 and ordained in New Plymouth at the Conference of 1968. In 1959-60 she was President of the Deaconess Association.

Wherever she served, Madeline developed a deep spirituality and a caring concern for people. Any who were in trouble or need knew that with her they would find understanding and help.

At the beginning of her ministry and for many years she cared for young women and later after retirement she lived at a flat within the Everil Orr Village in Auckland - where she was a key member and helper in the Chapel ??

Many of those who knew and loved her, packed Bond Chapel for her Funeral Service.

"Her girls" many of whom are now grandmothers watched over her all through the night of her tangi and shared together their memories.

We have all lost a great friend who over the years gave herself unreservedly to Church.

Farewell Sister, enter into the joy of your Lord.

Haere Haere Haere

WINIFRED BEATRICE HONEY

(nee Poole) 1917-1995

Winifred was born in Burnie, Tasmania on 28 July 1917 into a family with strong Methodist connections. Sunday School and Church played a big part in her early life and, following a severe illness she determined to serve in the Church, becoming a lay preacher aged 15. Her love of people led her to work in a children's home for three years.

Winifred then followed her nursing vocation completing her training at Devon Hospital at Latrobe, Tasmania in 1941. Her nursing certificate contained the usual comments, but "Behaviour" was graded "Satisfactory". Given Win's wit and liveliness I'm sure she would have been surprised to see the word "Exemplary" in that space!

Winifred's parents emigrated to New Zealand and she followed during the second World War. In 1943 she trained at Deaconess House and, in the following two years, she completed further hospital training.

Following the end of the war, Winifred was appointed to the Solomon Island Mission as a nurse, in 1946. In those war-ravaged islands, conditions were less than ideal, with accommodation and resources, including food and equipment, barely adequate. Winifred served in this Mission until 1954 during which time she established a leper Station, funded by the Leprosy Trust Board, on the island of Ozama. This was a solo nursing position with the nearest doctor at Roviana some distance away.

On her return to New Zealand, Winifred was appointed Matron at the Wairoa Hospital in Hawke's Bay.

Winifred married Roland Venis on the 27 August 1955. Two children were born, Jane and Richard who died in infancy.

On coming to Nelson Winifred and Roland were contracted to provide the catering service at the Golden Downs Forestry Camp and lived there for a number of years.

Winifred's love of nursing drew her back to that occupation. Her return saw her take up the position of Sister-in-Charge of the Maternity Annexe at Nelson Public Hospital where she had a special interest in premature babies. A change of emphasis saw her tutoring student nurses at the hospital. Another change occurred when the training of student nurses came under the auspices of the Nelson Polytechnic, where Winifred became the tutor in Obstetrics.

It is noted that Winifred was well qualified in the nursing field, being a Registered General Nurse, a Registered Midwife, a Registered Plunket Nurse and the holder of a Diploma in Nursing. Her love of people and concern for their well being earned her admiration and respect.

Winifred's interests were wide - her church commitment included forty years as a Lay Preacher for which she received a long service Diploma.

The Methodist Women's Fellowship held a special place in Winifred's life and her loyalty to the local Fellowship was greatly appreciated. Her interest extended beyond the local group and she held the offices of President of Nelson Marlborough District Council and Vice-President of the National Executive 1980 to 1982.

For a number of years Winifred was a counsellor for Life Line.

In 1979 Winifred married Bob Honey at the Stoke Methodist Church. This marriage was an inspiration to all and the loving support given by Bob to Winifred during her illness had to be admired. This illness affected her physical abilities, but her wonderful faith, her spirit and her keen sense of humour remained.

Winifred died on the 5th October, 1995. We thank God for her life, lived in service to her Lord.

GEORGE AUGUSTUS HUTTON

George Hutton was born in Christchurch in 1914. His father was a Bank Manager, so that home for George meant different places - Ohura, Inglewood, Opunake and then New Plymouth. After leaving school George entered the Bank of New Zealand at Waitara. During the week he boarded in Waitara, cycling home to New Plymouth at weekends.

Tennis and golf were two sporting interests in which George became quite proficient. Latterly he was a member of the New Plymouth Methodist Indoor Bowling Club. He was also interested in music, and at the time of his death belonged to the New Plymouth branch of Chamber Music New Zealand. He very rarely missed a concert. Another enjoyment was his garden which was always a credit to his care and attention.

When the Bank sent him to Kaponga he quickly became part of that community. It was here that he became a Methodist - he had been brought up an Anglican. The bank was right next door to Andrews General Store, so it was not surprising that in 1943 George married Lorraine Andrews. George then served in the army and was sent to Guadalcanal.

On returning to New Zealand the Bank placed him in Levin and then Wellington. Because Lorraine's ageing parents needed her help a transfer to New Plymouth was sought and granted in 1962.

George served the Church he loved in many capacities. In each Parish he was always ready to take on the tasks that needed to be done: Sunday School, Bible Class, pastoral visiting, Parish Steward, Financial Secretary, trustee and choir. He became an accredited Lay Preacher and received a Long Service Award. He was a member of Synod for many years, becoming District financial Secretary, was Lay Representative to Church

Council and represented the Parish at Church Conferences. As an accountant he was much in demand for auditing the books for Church groups and others. In all that he did George was ably supported by Lorraine until her death in 1991.

As in all he undertook, each task was meticulously and faithfully carried out - but he never forgot that people were important. The warmth and care he had for those about him endeared him to so many, and we are proud and privileged to call him friend. He was always ready with a helping hand, a kindly word and of course a "George" joke.

On June 7, 1996, George died. This unassuming, gentle man, the friend of so many, will be remembered for all his kindly attributes including his dry humour and ready wit. Our lives are the richer for having known him.

We thank God for his life.

HOWARD CHARLES MATTHEWS

Howard C Matthews was born in Waimate in 1910 and died in Tauranga in 1995. He received his formal education at Mt Roskill Primary and Auckland Grammar schools and graduated BA, from Auckland University.

He entered Trinity Theological College in 1931 and ordained was in 1938. The same year he married Flora J Hastings of Palmerston North. Howard brought many gifts and talents to the Church and the Church recognised the gifts of leadership, both in Parish appointments and Connexional responsibilities. For a time Chairman of the North Canterbury District, Convener of the Spiritual Advance Committee, Chairman of the Deaconess Board, Chairman of the South Island Children's Home, Member of the Trinity Council, a member of the Board of Studies, and for 12 years Secretary of the Examination Committee. He maintained a high standard of work, discipline and devotion to duty. This made him dependable and reliable. He was a faithful preacher and a conscientious Pastor. These two things went together.

There were 8 ministerial appointments in his active ministry. Such appointments as Hamilton, Napier, Papanui and Ashburton. During World War II he was commissioned Chaplain to the Forces. Howard was a busy active man right up to the time of his death, quick to make decisions and quick to take action.

Throughout his life and ministry there were three things that belonged together, commitment to Jesus meant commitment to the Church and that in turn meant commitment to people. He was always a people's

man who was a real friend and Pastor, respected and beloved by Church and community.

WILLIAM JAMES MORRISON MA

The sudden death of Bill Morrison on May 1st left a widening impact on a very large circle of family, colleagues, congregations and Churches. Although he retired in 1982 after distinguished service through the Methodist Church and ecumenically, his ministry did not ever cease. Warm humanity, integrity, loyalty, ability to relate quickly to all kinds of people in varied situations, his love of sport in good company, delicious wit and robust humour readily come to mind. He enjoyed a wealth of friendship and respect amongst colleagues lay and ordained and in the community.

In his Conference address on the 75th Anniversary of united Methodism in Aotearoa-New Zealand, he affirmed: 'We need the modern experience of what it means to fall into the hands of the living God'. So much of his ministry found here motivation, strength and growing understanding.

After training at Trinity College, he served as Probationer in Taihape, then in the Johnsonville-Ngaio Circuit. He married Mary Hammond from Blenheim in 1944 and together they continued their effective ministry in Brooklyn, Woodlands Street Timaru, Dunedin South, Te Awamutu, and for 13 years in what became the Cooperating Parish of Hillcrest in Hamilton.

In 1956 Bill and Mary and the family sailed to England for overseas experience and study, serving in the Midlands for three years in the Dudley Circuit. He greatly valued the opportunity to join in the World Council of Churches meetings, especially on the Island of Rhodes.

Judged by a former Principal, E W Hames, to be the theologian of the generation, Bill had a deep, probing and perceptive mind. He quickly came to leadership in student days, in the Councils of the Church, in District Superintendency, as President of the Conference. For years he led the Methodist representation in Church Union negotiations in search for that unity waiting to be manifested for universal mission.

In retirement, he gave three years to the Connexional Department, his long experience and wisdom making a valuable contribution. For the Wesley Historical Society he looked after publications and also arranged the significant S.W. Pacific Regional Conference for the World Methodist Historical Society.

A true pastor, his concern was always for people. In retirement he helped with Meals on Wheels, driving Hospital visitors to visit patients, taking others to meetings, or using a good pair of hands to assist with

gardening or renovating furniture. As a good listener he made himself available to Queen Street pedestrians coming into the Aotea City Mission Chapel.

The love and support of very many gather around Mary, Janice, Shirley and Brenda with all the family their bereavement and in their thanksgiving for the faith, ministry and service of Bill Morrison.

DOUGLAS HOWELL PAYNE

1910-1996

Doug Payne's death, 4th February 1996, marked the end of a long and very active leadership in Methodism, especially in the Waikato-Bay of Plenty District. He was born in Matapu, Taranaki, but had his schooling in Kihikihi and Te Awamutu.

Doug had a life-long association with the Methodist Church and was deeply committed to its fellowship and activities. For many years he was Sunday School Superintendent at Lower Hutt and Te Kuiti. He was an enthusiast for several temperance movements such as the "New Zealand Alliance", "Focus on Alcohol", and "Group opposed to Advertising Liquor".

He became a member of the Hamilton Methodist Trust in 1963 and remained very active in its affairs to the time of his death. The fine Methodist Eventide Home at Tamahere can be seen as a memorial to Doug's values and commitment to the Church. He was a foundation member of the Board, became its Secretary/Manager in 1968, retiring from Board membership in 1995. These years of service were marked by enthusiasm, energy, professional experience and a personal interest and concern for each resident and staff member.

Doug developed an important role as resident-historian for Methodism in the Waikato and was a valued member of the Waikato Historical Society.

Anglican-Methodist "Week Away Camps" for Senior Citizens benefited from Doug's regular attendance and leadership. His last days were spent at "Week Away". He relished Christian fellowship.

His professional life was spent in several branches of the Public Service - particularly the Lands and Survey Department. When he retired he was the Regional Commissioner of Crown Lands, which involved him also in the Historic Places Trust.

"Whatsoever your hand finds to do, do it with all your might" (Ecclesiastes 9:10) summarises Doug Payne's long service to Church and community.

NGAIRE PAULINE SLINN

Ngaire Pauline Slinn was born in Christchurch in 1932, and was involved in church life all of her life. At the time of her death she was employed in the role of second Minister with the Greymouth District Uniting Parish.

When Ngaire candidated for Ministry she was offered the opportunity to train as a Presbyterian but chose the diaconate and found working with people very fulfilling, from this came her Christian community service.

Her work in Canterbury, Wairarapa, Waikato, Bay of Plenty and Nelson, Marlborough, West Coast Synodal areas will be remembered especially her work with young children. Her love and enthusiasm brought many to know the Lord. Ngaire share her musical skills and trained singing voice with many, she was a member of church choirs, the Christchurch Harmonic Choir and the Christchurch Operatic Society.

Ngaire was an ordained Deacon, an Industrial Chaplain, a member of the Tauranga Cancer Society Support Group and the Greymouth Volunteer Cancer Society, an Accredited Hospital Chaplain's Assistance at Tauranga, an Accredited Hospital Church Visitor and a Tutor of Church Hospital Visitors in Greymouth, a Counsellor in many fields, Grief and Family, Life Line, Samaritans, Child Protection, Rape Crisis and Adult Adoption, a Lay Preacher and much, much more.

Within all of these she was a brilliant teacher and preacher, but it was Ngaire's compassion for others, her wisdom, her humour, her musical and artistic talents, her sincerity, her genuine empathy for others and her absolute faith in Jesus Christ as her Lord and Saviour that brought so much to the people who knew her.

Ngaire had an ecumenical nature and vision related to all people in all walks of life and all faiths. The Union Church setting was fitting for one with such long ecumenical links. Her submission to the Lord she loved gave her the gift of compassion and generosity that flowed from Him to her, to be poured out to all people.

Ngaire had a tremendous need to have everything colour coordinated, even to the flowers in her garden. She could visualise and picture wonderful things and her dramatic services, especially at Easter and Christmas times will always be remembered. She had amazing enthusiasm, when she felt something needed to be done, she put all her energies into it and spent many hours making sure that everything was done exactly right.

Few people will ever know of the real generosity of Ngaire. Many people that we don't know about will have better lives because they were touched by Ngaire. She didn't just supply needy people with a box of food, she counselled and encouraged. She didn't just visit the sick or the

bereaved, she prayed with them, she stayed with them, sometimes for many hours and her calming presence was felt by all who were involved.

The church enabled Ngaire to use her God given gifts to lead worship, to teach and to preach, to conduct weddings and funerals, to do pastoral visitation and social services work and to encourage the ministry of women.

Two of the written comments received after Ngaire's death were "a powerful ambassador for the Lord" and "Ngaire has been an important part of our life. A faithful and loving person who exercised a very special ministry and who was a good friend and a good encourager to those alongside her".

We give thanks for this gifted and gracious servant of the Lord and express our love and sympathy to Stuart, Sandra, Tania, Bruce, Susan, Richard, Vickie and Ariana.

ROBERT EDGAR SULLIVAN

Born in Cromwell in 1921 Bob moved to Wellington when he was 17 and worked for 40 years in the Health Department where he showed his concern for the well being of people in his working relationships.

In his early years in Wellington he attended Trinity Church in Newtown and then in the early fifties moved to Laings Road, Lower Hutt, where he was an active member for the rest of his life. He was Circuit Steward 1967-83 and a member of various committees relating to finance, property and worship, a Bible Class leader and involved in the youth camp at Elsdon, and was secretary of the District Youth Council 1948-56. For 40 years he was a Lay Preacher, known for his forthright presentation of the gospel in a challenging yet sensitive manner, and he also organised studies for preachers.

Involvements beyond the local scene included his major commitment to Wesley Social Services Trust Board, Wellington, as a member 1977-87 and as Administrator 1977-81, and chairperson of the Wesleyhaven Management Committee. With a special interest in the needy he gave much service in Goodwill Shops in the 80s and early 90s and facilitated a course on pastoral care for voluntary workers. In all these areas he worked tirelessly and efficiently, members and associates holding him in high regard.

Bob served with enthusiasm on the Public Questions committee for nearly 20 years, on the Hospital Chaplaincy Committee, led Stewardship programmes in twelve parishes between 1981-90 and took an effective role at Synod and Conference with his keen mind and strong concerns.

His wide interests included support for and helping to re-settle refugees, took an active and practical role in the Age Concern Committee, the Adult Literacy Scheme and was treasurer for the Waiwhetu-Lower Hutt Peace Group.

Bob's life was synonymous with 'service'. His commitment to the Church was a deep and strong one, involved especially in justice and welfare areas, prepared to stand with people in sympathy and continuing practical concern, positive in response to areas of need.

We extend good wishes and love to Helen and family members.

HIVAPEA'ULU VAKALAHU

Hivapea'ulu Vakalahi was born in 1948 at a village called Fahefa, Tonga. He was raised in a Christian Family as his father is one of the Free Wesleyan Church supernumeraries, rev Sione Fonokalafi Vakalahi.

Hiva was educated at the Free Wesleyan Church's College, Tupou College the Grand Father of all the Colleges (130 years) Toloa, Tonga. Hiva was graduated with success in the Tonga Higher Leaving Examination and the Victorian Intermediate Certificate at Tupou High School.

Hiva then migrated to New Zealand in 1972 with the prospect of better life opportunities for him and also for his extended family in Tonga.

Hiva met and married a Niuen lady, Laumahoi Vakalaha (Sione Pulu Niu). They were blessed with three children.

Since 1977 till his death in 1994, Hiva was a committed and dedicated worshipper of his Lord. As he was Lay Preacher for 17 years, he was a District Chief Steward for 3 years, Parish Steward for 17 years and Trust member for 11 years. He was selected as a Tongan Advisory Committee Delegate for 10 years, New Zealand Conference and Tonga Conference Delegate for 8 years.

Hiva was an active, strong faith, influential and instrumental person of the life of the Church. When he preached, he made the Gospel relevant to living today. In action, his wise and challenging leadership helped build the \$3.5 million Beautiful Church at Grey Lynn, Auckland in 1994 (Vaine Mo'onia, True Vine named by His Majesty Taufa'ahau Tupou IV, King of Tonga). The most vital place for the Tongan Christians in the Grey Lynn/Ponsonby area.

It was a great loss for the Tongan Church and Community as a whole and the family when Hiva passed away. However, the Lord gave and Lord has taken away. Blessed by the name of the Lord.

Everytime we are thinking of Hiva, we praise the Lord and thank God.

Our love and sympathy to the widow, Laumahoi Vakalahi and the three children. May God bless us all.

REGINALD ALBERT WOODHAMS

1913-1996

Reg Woodhams live all his life on the North Shore of Auckland and was connected with the Zion Hill Methodist church in Birkenhead for eighty years. He died very suddenly in harness, as it were, as he would have wished, on the morning of Sunday, 7th January, as he arrived for morning worship at the Church where he had carried out such a large part of his life's work.

Born and bred in Birkenhead, Reg came from a family of Congregationalists who for a time attended the former Beresford Street Congregational Church in down town Auckland where Reg gave his life to be a servant of his Lord. When Reg's family settled in Birkenhead, there being no Congregational church, Reg became involved in Bible Class and Easter Camp activities and joined the Zion Hill church.

At Zion Hill there were not many positions which Reg did not fill at some time, and fill them with distinction. He was a Sunday School teacher and had several periods of Superintendent, both before and after his war service. he was a long serving choir member, serving as Assistant Conductor, and later as Conductor, until the choir was disbanded just a few years ago. He served as a Trustee for forty years and was a long-standing Parish Steward. He remained a Minister's Steward until his death.

For twenty five years Reg was an organiser of Zion Hill's Save The Children's' Fund sponsorships.

An attention to detail and preparation for his responsibilities, marked his life and service in the Church. For many years he desired to train for the ordained ministry. But family difficulties and economic pressures during the Great Depression prevented his candidating. Nevertheless, Reg will long be remembered by a former generation of student ministers as he shared weekends with them while driving them in a car lent by his boss to outlying preaching posts like Port Albert and Wellsford in mid-Northland.

In 1941 Reg was accredited as a Lay Preacher. He was a more than competent and widely read lay student of theology who preached with distinction for more than fifty years, giving his listeners much deep thought and good counsel. He took his last service only a few months before his death.

Reg was a long-serving Synod representative (where he was a member of the Pastoral Visitation Committee) and Conference delegate.

His desire to serve his Church full time was fulfilled when in 1965 Reg was appointed Manager of the Auckland Epworth Bookroom. He held this position for twelve and half years until his retirement in 1977. During this time he was a member of the Methodist Board of Publications. He was an enthusiast about books and encouraged many to expand their theological horizons from the resources Epworth often struggled to provide through its cash flow crises and severe under-capitalisation.

After his retirement, Reg served as Secretary of the Christian Booksellers Association of New Zealand for a number of years.

To quote a now retired former Zion Hill presbyter, "We all have much to thank God for that Reg was Birkenhead boy - and a Birkenhead man - who served his community and church and family with Christian integrity and love".

Reg is survived by his wife, Joan, and by his three children.

HINEUIRA JEAN WIKIRIWHI

*Ko tenei tetahi wahine. Tino u ki tona Haahi. Ka tu ia
ki runga i nga taumata o te matauranga o nga ao e
rua.*

Born in Kawhia, 14th April 1926 and laid to rest on 28th August 1996, Jean was the daughter of Paahi and Kiti Moke.

Growing up with deaconesses such as Sister Atawhai, Sister Hobbs, Sister Nicholls, Grace Clements and Heeni Taylor helped her growth and nurture of Methodism. Another factor which assisted this was her father's missionary work around the Taranaki and Waikato areas. She was very proud of her father, loved him dearly and spoke of him often.

Jean qualified as a teacher in 1946. She taught in Ruatahuna, Ruatoki, Rotoiti and relieved in Wellington and Northland. She taught at Queen Victoria School from 1963-1976 and took the full Maori programme for the whole school.

In 1989 Jean became a Justice of the Peace and received the New Zealand Commendation Medal in 1990. She was the Chairperson at the Northcote Community House (since its inception) and also a licensed interpreter in Maori.

For many years Jean was a Kaikarakia at Te Kopua Wairua. Here she took services once Barbara Miller retired. Her aim was to be recognised as a Minita-a-iwi and this was achieved at September Hui Poari.

Jean was married to Matarehua (Monty) Wikiriwhi. Our love and sympathy to their whanau

Hine, Eruera and Audrey, Mamae and Ole, James,
Nicholas, Nina and Turongo.

*E te whaea, moe mai ra i nga uma o maatua tuupuna.
E kore koe e warewaretia.*

AUDREY MARY GROUNDS

Audrey Mary Grounds who died in the Auckland Public Hospital on August 8th, 1996 gave significant leadership in the Methodist Women's Fellowship as part of her contribution to the Methodist and wider Church wherever she lived. The story was the same in Northland and Wanganui in earlier Ladies Guild/Missionary/Union/Fireside Club era, Timaru (including the Presbytery), Auckland, Waitemata, and Auckland again. She was usually a District Officer, participated in numerous Conventions, and rarely missed a Fellowship meeting at her local Church. She never lost the early work and service discipline of being private secretary to the founder of John Court Ltd, requiring much of herself and hoping for the same of others. In 1946 she was the Conference typist and for some time did some of the secretarial work for Rev E T Olds when he was Chairman of the Auckland District. Prior to the formation of the CYMM Audrey was president of the Young Women's Bibleclass Union. She, along with George Briggs presided at the first Methodist Youth Conference at Massey 1946/7. She was not afraid to stand alone, yet was warm and accepting of other people -- a point often recognised with thanksgiving by the Samoan, Tongan, Fijian, Rotuman and Indian women in Auckland. As one from Marchwiell has written "Audrey was not only willing to suggest something new but also to be the first to have a go at it".

Audrey's understanding of the Christian Faith led her into constant community service. She is remembered as secretary of the Far North Federation of the Country Women's Institutes and the founding secretary of the Mangonui Hospital Board's Women's committee, and for her involvement in such things as Red Cross, Girls' Brigade, Schools, Business Assns and the Artificial Limb Centre. She was recently elected an Honoured Member of the Lloyd Morgan Lions Club Charitable Trust of New Zealand. All these things, along with her MWF, were but part of her wider activities in Methodist congregations, Synods and Conferences, and home and family. Audrey has been both Synod and Conference representative on a number of occasions. It was her Faith that sustained her through long years of ill health occasioned by diabetes. We thank God for her and for the promised rest into which she has now entered.

Audrey was a woman of grace, lively interests she shared with the Women's Fellowship she loved. In every part of her life she committed herself entirely to all she was involved in and at her post until the end.

Audrey had been the Auckland District Womens Fellowship's secretary for two terms and an extra year. We had seen her enthusiasms, her faithfulness and tireless work to enhance the life of the women's group. Audrey is now resting in peace in the arms of her Lord she served faithfully.

We praise and give Thanks to God for her life, the work she had done and the friendships she gave us, will be always remembered and treasured in our hearts.

A TRULY LOYAL SERVANT OF GOD.

Farewell, Ni Samoce, Toka, Haere ra, TofainaAUDREY.

SERU MOLIVUGALEI VATUCICILA

Seru was born on 18th January, 1949, in Fiji. His village is Nasesara on the island of Moturiki in Lomaiviti. His father was a minister of the Methodist Church in Fiji and so Seru started his early life and schooling in many parts of Fiji where his parents got appointed to. His secondary education was at one of the two top government boarding schools for boys called Ratu Kadavulevu in Tailevu. Because of his family's strong Methodist connections, Seru had a solid Christian foundation in his upbringing which was shown later in his adult life.

As a career Seru devoted his entire adult life to aviation and gave his best to it. He was loved and respected by his colleagues as a hard worker who was never ashamed to let people know of his Christian principles. This was evident by the many messages of condolence the Civil Aviation Authority received from the airlines and operators with whom he worked.

Seru started his career after leaving Ratu Kadavulevu School at the end of 1966 and became an apprentice aircraft maintenance engineer in Fiji in 1967. He came to New Zealand for the first time in 1974 to join the Royal New Zealand Air Force as an aircrew sergeant. In 1982 he returned to Fiji to join the Civil Aviation Authority of Fiji.

He came to New Zealand again in 1987 and joined the Ministry of Transport as an airworthiness officer transferring to the Civil Aviation Authority at its formation in 1992. Seru worked his way up with commitment and dedication. When he died on January 2nd, 1996, just 16 days before his 47th birthday, Seru was a Civil Aviation Authority Auditor.

He was very much a community leader too. The New Zealand Fijian community remembers him for his tireless work as a lay preacher in the Methodist Church, radio announcer in the Fijian programme, community worker in his spare time, the Wellington Fijian Community founder and Ministry of Pacific Island Affairs Advisory Council member. He was also a member of the Fijian Community National Council, chairman of the Wesley Wellington Fijian Congregation and member of the Fijian Advisory Council

of the Methodist Church of New Zealand. He attended the last five Methodist Conferences.

Seru is survived by his wife Vane, his daughter Fipi who is a second year medical student at Otago University and his sons Josevata who is at the Massey School of Aviation in Palmerston North and Jese who is at the Brooklyn Primary School in Wellington.

At his own request Seru Molivugalei Vatucicila was returned to Fiji and laid to rest beside his father at the family burial ground on his beloved island of Moturiki.

We thank God for a life of commitment and witness of his Christian faith.

"Na tamata vinaka ka dina Curu ki na marau ni nomu Turaga."

RECORD OF SERVICE
RETIRING PRESBYTERS
AND DEACONS

DAVID HEATH ANSELL

David was born in Lower Hutt in 1933, 2nd in a family of 5. Early schooling was in Levin and later he attended Palmerston North Boys High School.

David showed an early interest in sports in preference to academic achievement - majoring particularly in harriers and tennis.

David was involved in significant leadership in his Church from age 16 as he taught Sunday School, Youth Group and Bible Class and then as Lay Preacher.

David married Shirley Senter in 1955 and for several years worked for Hodder and Tolley.

In 1960 with son Paul, they moved to Kamo to begin David's time of ministry as a Home Missionary Supply - his only training being as a Lay Preacher and lots of common sense. Barbara was born during the four years spent there.

Then to Whakatane/Kawerau in 1965 to work with and encourage a small group there. Community involvement in Marriage Guidance and Prisoner's Aid.

1969/77 in Te Awamutu proved a time of good ministry and David was also Choir Conductor. He was instrumental in setting up the Community Advisory Bureau.

A move to Chartwell Co-operating Parish and Wesley, Fairfield changed ministry focus from rural-urban to city-based and David found many rich experiences working in co-operation.

Then finally to Tauranga - where David concludes his 11 years of successful and enriching ministry at Wesley.

David has always found relaxation and fulfilment in making music, whether by singing or playing the Tenor Horn. Encouraged by his musical father, David joined the Brass Band movement at age 13. A noted bandsman, he toured with NZ National Bands in 1970 and 1976, also achieving distinction in competitive work, and for 8 years was conductor of Hamilton Citizens Band.

A person of clear thinking, insight and sensitivity, David has offered both a pastoral and preaching ministry. He has always had a commitment to the wider Church which has seen involvement in District Education Committee, JRC, Candidates Convener and Connexional Committees - in particular the last 8 years as District Superintendent.

David and Shirley have served the Church for 37 years - service willingly given - often sacrificial - but that is the nature of ministry.

Retirement will be in Tauranga.

*"We'll praise Him for all that is past -
and trust Him for all that's to come."*

MARGARET BURNETT

Margaret Burnett was born in India, the daughter of a Methodist missionary family, hence her Methodist roots.

Prior to school age she returned to England, where in 1956 she completed her education and professional training as a social worker.

Her first career lasted seven years.

In 1963 she commenced her second career as a University Lecturer.

In 1975 in her early 40's she decided to venture aboard. It was either Canada or New Zealand. A post became vacant for a position in the Anglican Diocese of Christchurch Social Services and the destination became New Zealand.

In 1981 she commenced her third career by candidature for the Methodist Ministry.

She has served in the Waiwhetu (Lower Hutt), Invercargill and New Plymouth Parishes.

Margaret was President of the Conference in 1991/92.

While seeking to be loyal to the Church she has always enjoyed exploring new issues and ideas. This has allowed her to grapple with the needs of a changing world and the need for the Church to change with it.

Margaret has a strong but intensely caring sense of social justice.

While demonstrating superb leadership skills, these are not in the traditional mould which seeks authority, if anything Margaret uses just the opposite, which allows her to accept people as they are and to support them in the use of their gifts.

As a pastor this allows others to grow, to stretch, and to find their own freedom in God, through an individual faith journey.

Perhaps the New Plymouth Parish profile for her replacement is a fitting testimony to leadership. Theological emphasis - largely accepting to diversity; interested in exploring fresh concepts, ideas and challenges. Encouragement to develop individual faith journeys - thus as wide as the base of Mount Taranaki. Breath taking vision allowing people to have greater freedom in their journeys, each contribution being valued. New worship experiences, explored and tried with high acceptance levels. Traditions valued but do not dominate or control.

Other service includes: Board of Wesley Wellington 1984-1988; Public Questions Committee of Conference 1983-1988; Education and Charities Endowment Trust 1984-1988; Welfare of the Church Committee 1990-1993; Board of Administration 1988-; Educational Ministries Taskgroup 1994 -; Grey Institute Trust 1996 -.

Margaret retires to Christchurch.

AIRDRE COCHRANE

Airdre Cochrane was born in Stratford in 1930. Airdre's family moved to Auckland when she was three years old where the family attended the local Methodist Church in Northcote. Here Airdre attended Sunday School, Bible Class and Girl's Brigade. During these years music was important to her especially singing. Her parents Victor and Mavis Hampton encouraged their large family in all aspects of Church involvement, Sunday School anniversaries and concerts.

Airdre married Bruce in 1957 setting up home on his farm in Pirongia where they had three children. Along with Bruce's three older children this made a large family to care for. During her time in Pirongia she was an active member of Women's fellowship, also when they moved to Whangaparaoa and finally at Kaitaia.

Throughout her life Airdre has always been fully involved in the life of the Church, with a keen interest in Church union. Arriving in Kaitaia she was thrilled to become a member of the newly formed Union Parish.

Airdre's care for children and people led her to candidate for the diaconate in 1985. Her first covenant as a deacon in training was taken up a little over ten years ago. This period of Airdre's life has been most rewarding. During her training her husband died knowing she had her feet on a new path. The stimulation of study and its practical application have brought much enrichment to her and the people she loves to help.

Airdre has worked in a variety of situations, amongst people of all ages. Children have been a priority, especially Bible in School. She has extended the care of the parish into the community through visiting fringe and non-members where needs have arisen. Currently Airdre is chairperson of the Kaitaia Social Services Council, which administers and runs the community food bank, Pop In centre and the local Samaritans. She is also president of the Kaitaia branch of The Society for the Protection of the Unborn Child and a member of The Order of Saint Luke The Physician.

Airdre's part-time ministry of the past ten years, has been a continuation of those things already present in her life: a deep trust in God, faith in His guidance, and a reliance on prayer, throughout her ministry. It has been a joy for her to see people come to know Jesus as their friend and saviour through the leading of the Holy Spirit.

Airdre has been a faithful servant of God, the wider Church and the local parish. We wish her all God's blessing in her retirement, with more time to travel and enjoy her eleven grandchildren, and her hobbies.

JUNE FULLER

June has served the Church as Deaconess, Laywoman and Deacon.

As a young person June Peters came into the life of the Church in Papanui through Girls' Brigade and Youth Group. Then she worked alongside Sister Rona Collins in the Boys' Wing at Papanui Children's Home. Rona remembers vividly: "If there was a job to be done, June got stuck in and did it. If June Peters did a job it was done properly!"

June trained at Deaconess House in 1954-55. Her contemporary Joyce Rushton describes her: "June worked hard and kept out of the limelight; more than any of us June was good at understanding people."

Training completed June was appointed Deaconess in the Hamilton Maori Mission in 1956. She worked with young women at Te Rahui Wahine and young men at Te Rahui Tane. Outside the hostels she took worship services and Sunday School at Tauwhare and visited Maori families in city and suburbs.

Her appointment to Bay of Islands in 1958 was memorable. She was given a brand new car to visit Maori families in the not so well roaded North; Soon after June arrived, electricity arrived; after that the hurricane; then the Methodist Youth Conference bus tour. June was deeply involved in the pastoral work of Maori Mission, taught Sunday School and Bible Class, looked after Fellowship Groups. Then she met and fell in love with a young man called Chas Fuller.

Life as a Deaconess ended; Christian discipleship continued. Marriage and family brought June and Chas back to Christchurch. June and Chas, Garry, Denise, Lee-Ann and Stephen were part of the Upper Riccarton Congregation. In 1986, family grown up, June served as Lay Supply then covenanted with the Parish to become a Deacon. Her task "to exercise a pastoral and practical ministry to families with young children" and "a pastoral and caring ministry to elderly people". Alongside all that, June convened Cradle Roll and Pastoral Committee, taught Sunday School and provided a home away from home for Asian students.

Everything that June has done has been done with careful planning, creativity and love. She has been friend, encourager and strong support for us all. Her Covenant is completed but her ministry of friendship continues. The Church welcomes June and Chas into a new stage of their life together.

WARWICK GUST

Following a call to the ordained ministry, Warwick was accepted as a candidate at the 1956 Conference. After three years training at Trinity Methodist Theological College (Grafton) he was appointed as a probationer to the Morrinsville Circuit (Waitoa) in 1960. Ordination at the 1962 Conference in Christchurch was followed a year later by four years ministry in Lower Hutt Circuit (Naenae/Stokes Valley) - 1964-1967. He and Beverley then moved to the former Takapuna Circuit (East Coast Bays) and served there from 1968 to June 1973, after they spent three years in England (South Shields Circuit - Newcastle - upon Tyne District). During these years Warwick also worked with Rev Dr C K Barrett, of Durham University, as a private student in New Testament studies.

Returning to New Zealand in August 1976, he was appointed Superintendent of the Napier circuit, 1976-1983. For the last four years of his time at Napier he was also Superintendent of the Hawkes Bay-Manawatu District. Moving to Auckland in 1984, two years at Pakuranga (Manukau North parish), five years at Pitt Street (Central Parish) one year at Mission Bay (Orakei Parish) and four years at Glen Eden as Superintendent of the Waitakere Parish followed. For health reasons, his ministry concluded in March 1996.

Warwick was a long serving member of the Faith and Order Committee, also serving on the Development Division Board, and acting as chairperson of the Hawkes Bay JRC during his time there. In Auckland he was closely involved in the development of the Deaf Ministry.

Throughout his ministry, Warwick has had the whole-hearted support of his wife Beverley.

Warwick wishes to place on record his deeply-felt belief that the presbyteral ministry of Word, Sacrament and Pastoral Care is a great privilege. He is grateful for the opportunity of serving God in this way through the Methodist Church. He also wants to record his thanks to colleagues in ministry and the people of many parishes for all that he has learned from and experienced with them during the last thirty six years.

Thanks be to God.

SETON HORRILL

Seton's home and schooling was in New Plymouth. Whiteley Memorial Church nurtured his early spiritual development. It was here that the Rev Tom Olds had significant influence on Seton. This led him to candidate for the ministry of the Methodist Church Aotearoa New Zealand in 1956 (Auckland Conference).

Following three years at Trinity Theological College (1957-1959) and three years as a p[ro]bationer in Ashburton under Rev Arthiur Witheford, Seton was ordained in 1962 (Christchurch Conference).

After ordination Seton remained a further year in the Ashburton circuit. Later appointments were to circuits at Kaeo, 1964-65; Teop, Bougainville, 1966-67; Raglan Union Parish, 1968-71; and Addington, 1972-73.

It was while at the Raglan Union Parish in 1971 that Seton trained to be an industrial chaplain. The Industrial Mission was to shape his ministry from that time on.

Seton was appointed Director of ITIM (Inter-Church Trade and Industry Mission) Canterbury/Westland in 1974. He has remained in that position for 22 years.

During this time Seton has been the national chairperson of ITIM NZ, for two periods, 1980-81 and 1987-91 as well as writing an extensive history of 25 years of ITIM of New Zealand.

While parish ministry was a meaningful role Seton found it too isolated from the working community where people spent the bulk of their life. He and others of like mind, set upon a road of discovery that led them into work places and the lives of many everyday New Zealanders.

Seton's ministry has facilitated many others to become involved in ITIM as carriers of the Gospel into the world of the work place.

PATRICIA M JACOBSON

Pat's life began in Methodism; she was the fifth child in her, deeply committed Christiana family, born at Waiwhetu and baptised there by Rev Bob Thornley. A year later the family moved to Auckland, to Mt Albert Methodist Church. Pat's early church memories begin there - especially the anniversary services. Four years on the family moved to Petone, and later to Karokaro. While there, family life revolved round the Methodist Church. Her secondary education ended with a successful 6th form year, which included a pre-nursing course.

Following the death of her father on Good Friday 1949, the family began to disperse. Pat went to Home Craft teacher training at Dunedin and Christchurch, certificating in 1956; taught at Featherston-Martinborough Manual Centre, then Tauranga Girls College.

The early family pattern of prayers at breakfast and encouragement to share life with other families ensured, along with her own commitment, that Pat involved herself in church life wherever she went. It was at a mission, led by Rev Len Schroeder, where she rededicated her life; this was followed up by a challenge from Mary Astley to apply for a job in Papua New Guinea. Pat was commissioned in December 1961, and in two months on her way to Bougainville to the Kihili District Girl's School. Initially in her ten years there she worked under Sister Ada, and then became Principal of the what had become, a Vocational Training Centre. Furlough in 1973 was spent as a private student at the just formed Trinity/St Johns Theological College.

As the year progressed, Pat was accepted as a student for Ordination. It was during this time that her strength of character showed through, as those two years were not easy for Methodists or women! She was the fourth Methodist woman to be ordained, this at the Conference of 1975 on Turangawaewae marae

Pat's first parish was St John's Bryndwr (Christchurch); while there she completed her BA in Anthropology. In 1979 she was capped and Chaplain to Rev Ian Ramage in his Presidential year.

This was followed by Birkdale-Beachhaven Union Parish; Wanganui Parish and South Kaipara Co-operating Parish.

Pat has served her church well, in parish and as a member of the Church Union Committee, Faith and Order, Community of Women and Men and two JRC's.

We thank her for her loyal service, both lay and ordained and wish her well in what will likely be a busy retirement with her sister Olga, who has been a loyal support for Pat in her time of ministry.

IAN MILLAR

An interest in people, a practical concern for human welfare, an easy conversational manner, good humour, warmth and humility are characteristic of Ian and marks of his ministry.

Born in Timaru, Ian grew up in South Canterbury and completed his schooling in Temuka.

Following completion of an apprenticeship in carpentry and joinery, Ian commenced his own business as a builder in Orari and was subsequently employed in farm work at Clandeboye.

Ian and Dorothy married in 1954 and made their home at Orari. The next 14 years were very busy ones caring for a family of three children and with growing involvement in community service. Ian was active as a youth leader and also accepted administrative roles within his local parish. In 1968 the Millar family moved to Dunedin where Ian commenced studies at the Theological Hall, Knox College. During the Dunedin years, he served as a session member at the Northeast Valley Presbyterian Church.

Graduating in 1972 with the Baxter Prize for Speech, Ian was ordained and inducted into the Mangonui County Union Parish, Kaitaia, in 1973. His eight years there included 12 months exchange in Maynard in the midst of the flat cropping land of Iowa, United States of America.

From Kaitaia, other appointments were St Pauls Co-operating Parish, Opunake 1981-85, St Andrews Presbyterian Parish, Te Kuiti 1986-91, and the Timaru/Temuka Methodist Parish 1992-96.

From Kaitaia onwards, Ian has maintained involvement in the Lions Club as an avenue of wider community service and has held the offices of Lion Tamer and Bulletin Editor at various times. He has also pursued his interest in woodwork and gardening.

While in Te Kuiti, Ian spent three months study leave in Canada, the USA and UK, taking time to touch his Irish roots with St Columba on Iona.

Although growing up in the Presbyterian tradition, Ian has been warmly sympathetic to Methodism in two union parishes and in the Methodist appointment. In Timaru he has served as joint superintendent of the South Canterbury Methodist district where he has devoted himself wholeheartedly and sensitively to helping parishes work through a range of pastoral and administrative issues. His attention to detail, planning, perception and ability to listen have been very much appreciated and have contributed to the effectiveness of district operations.

Dorothy and Ian are true helpmates and enjoy an amicable relationship with John (Australia), Catherine (Kaitaia) and Susanne (Dunedin) and their six grandchildren. Their faith is practical and their hospitality warm. Upon completion of their time in Timaru, they plan to make their home in Hamilton where they will be free from a demanding appointment diary. We may be sure, however, that they will continue to be useful and caring members of their community.

DAVID S MULLAN

Dave was born in 1935. In his own words he had "the significant advantage of deep involvement in a very lively congregation for the whole of my life prior to joining the Forest Service". This happened in 1953 and from that additional perspective, he offered for and was accepted for ministerial training. He was at Trinity College from 1956 to 1958. Along with that study, he also attended University and after many years duly graduated MA, DipEd.

Dave and Bev Taylor were married in 1959 - they now have two children and four grandchildren. One family living at Red Beach, Whanagaparaoa and the other in Sydney, Australia.

The career path followed after their marriage saw Dave and Bev serving in ministries at Hauraki Plains, Panmure and at Taumarunui. Then to Dunedin in 1972 where Dave was Superintendent of the Methodist Mission and for a time also of the Otago-Southland District. In 1982 they moved to Auckland where Dave joined the staff of Trinity College as Fieldworker in Ministry. Their last major move was to the Bay of Islands in 1991 where they are now living in retirement. While at the Bay of Islands they have served other parishes for short terms - Takapuna Wesley in Wellington and at Waitakere in New Zealand, while four places in New South Wales and Victoria also had short terms of their assistance. A true itinerant ministry.

While in Dunedin, Dave was suddenly embroiled in the traumatic events he later described in his "The Trinity Fortune Affair". This led to a part-time ministry spread over 4 years with a newly evolved small intimate congregation using non-traditional forms of worship in the "Good News Room" set up in the Mission building. It afforded him first hand experience with a small unit of the church.

A larger opportunity came along when he joined the Trinity College staff. There Dave had the task of training students in their home setting for acceptance as self-supporting local presbyters or deacons. He travelled far and wide, encouraging, supporting and resourcing his students, all the while giving ministerial skills distilled from his experience and innovative thinking. He and Bev travelled in the USA and in Australia, bringing back more resources from the storehouses of the Church in those countries and added them to the rich diet Dave offered his students to nourish their growth in their capacity to minister. The Episcopalian Bishop of Nevada deserves mention here as does for example the Covenant Discipleship programme. The beneficiaries of this were the small units of the Church whose life was sustained by this ministry mediated through his students and ultimately it was the whole Church who was enriched.

Dave took his concern for small causes even further. In the Bay of Islands he has shepherded in the working model of the "Ministry Team" where local members chosen by the membership at large are appointed to roles in the team which collectively now does the whole work of ministry in the parish.

Dave is a man of many talents and interests. Two of them are especially prominent and have been harnessed to his major tasks of ministry. Video production is one. He has made some 75 low budget videos for Church use and completed several commercial commissions. Book publishing is the other. Over 80 small run books have been brought into being by his efforts, at reasonable cost to purchasers and the delight of many authors. He has even written a few himself.

Dave served as a Territorial Force chaplain for 8 years and was prominent in Family Budgeting Services, becoming National President of the New Zealand Federation. In that same field he was appointed to an advisory committee to the Minister of Social Welfare 1978-1988 and was chair of that "Small Qango" in 1988.

Like the writer of Hebrews chapter 11, who lists the heroes of the faith and then finds there is so much material available but not enough time to tell it all - so it is with Dave Mullan. Short of a full scale biography it cannot all be told. There is one matter that must be mentioned. Dave is a first rate cook.

MARGARET SPRINGETT

Born in England, in the area county of Cheshire, Margaret came to New Zealand in 1965 with family and continued to farm. With her first husband, Bob, and young family, she spent seven years in Tonga working for Overseas Missions. Bob managed the Methodist agricultural lands there, being based at Tupou College. Margaret became involved in teaching English, and pre-school education.

While in Tonga, Bob and their young daughter were tragically killed in a boating accident, and Margaret returned to Dunedin, New Zealand, twelve months later with her two other children.

Margaret felt a call to the ministry, and entered Theological College in 1981. She has ably served at Mt Roskill (1 year), Hawera (7 years), and currently Patea (4 years). While at College she became involved in the Rugby protests, which was a real eye-opener, as to what goes on, and how the 'other side' of people are brought out in such situations. In 1985 Margaret married her present husband Roger, and her retirement years will be spent working in the family plant nursery they have fairly recently established a few miles out from Hawera.

During her ministry she has enjoyed the variety of tasks that come with the territory, and also the privilege of being allowed into peoples lives, often when they are the most vulnerable. There is an acknowledgment that women in ministry often have open doors that men don't get, and that too has been a privilege. There has been a real sense of freedom to be involved in change, not simply because she is a woman in ministry, but because change has been needed. On the other side of this, there is a sense of frustration at the tendency of people to 'label' others, even within the church, which can make it difficult to move on, and grow.

As one who has worked alongside Margaret here in Taranaki, I have been impressed with the way she is able to work with all sorts of people, and cross different boundaries to make positive relational contacts, and how her creative nature has worked with her ministry to bring positive change and growth.

We wish her well in her retirement.

FA'AOSO L TUGIA

Fa'aoso was born and bred in Samoa. As a son of a Methodist Minister, Fa'aoso had carried the family expectations that he would one day become a minister. As expected Fa'aoso was educated at the church schools in Samoa, and finally studied at Piula, the Methodist Theological College for five years.

Opportunities for further education and employment brought him to New Zealand in 1955. His first employment in New Zealand was with Velva Dry Cleaning at Ponsonby, working as a presser. Next he worked with the Blind Institute at Parnell for 5 years. He then took up his own self employed Weaving Company and later entered the taxi industry.

Fa'aoso became attracted to a beautiful daughter of a prominent Methodist minister, and in 1959 Fa'aoso and La'amauga were married at Pitt Street Methodist Church which was to become their family home Church. They raised four children, 2 girls and 2 boys.

At the point of coming back to the Church Ministry, Fa'aoso took up study at Trinity College doing the School for Christian Workers Course under Dr William. Fa'aoso was a founding member and leader of the Pitt Street Church Samoan Community. In 1978 he was called to Ponsonby to assist the late Rev Si'auala Amituana'i in the Samoan Ministry. Fa'aoso was instrumental to the establishment of the Auckland Samoan Parish at St John's Ponsonby.

Fa'aoso candidate for ministry in 1978 and was ordained in 1981. He was first appointed as Self Supporting presbyter to the Henderson Samoan congregation in 1983. His next appointment was to Hastings in 1989, and then to Papakura in 1995.

For four years Fa'aoso was Convener of the Samoan Lay Preachers Studies, Examiner in Lay Preacher Worship & Homiletics, and Chairperson of Samoan Ministers Meeting. During this time, La'amauga was President of the Samoan Women's Fellowship.

Fa'aoso's emphasis in ministry is on Sunday School and Youth as these, he says, are vital areas of ministry in order to retain young people in the Church.

Fa'aoso feels excited about the formation of the Samoan Synod. It gives him a sense of fulfilment as his dream has always been that the Samoan membership would participate fully in the life of Conference, and that their voice would be heard in the decision making of the Church.

His only regret in retirement is that he got into the ordained ministry too late to have a longer period of service. As he retires, Fa'aoso remains open to any opportunity for service that the church might need of him.

In thanksgiving to God we acknowledge the service of Fa'aoso and La'amauga to the Church, and especially in the Samoan Ministry. We pray God's blessing on them as they retire.

Fa'afetai mo lo oulua soifua tautua. la fa'amanuia atu le Atua ia te oulua. Soifua.

STATISTICS

NORTHLAND DISTRICT

Ref. No.	Parish's Name	Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	Confir- mations	30 June 1996		Total Member- ship 30/6/95
					Method- dist Member- ship	OR Union Member- ship	
	1010	Mangonui County Union					150
	1020	Kaikohe Union	2	4		46	63
	1030	Bay of Islands Co-op.	1			54	57
	1040	Kaeo-Kerikeri Union	4			98	109
	1050	North Hokianga Community					
	1060	South Hokianga Co-op.					115
	1070	Hikurangi Union				9	19
491	1086	Onerahi	1	1		61	66
	1087	St Andrews		5		96	248
	1088	Ngunguru	3			98	100
	1090	Dargaville	1		169		122
	1100	Ruawai Co-op.					68
	1120	Wellsford				62	74
	1130	St Johns/Raumanga Co-op	1			203	223
	1140	Kamo St Paul's Co-op	5			90	92
	1150	Otamatea Co-op	4			34	18
	Totals	22	1	10	169	831	1179

AUCKLAND DISTRICT

Ref. No.	Parishes Name	Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	Confir- mations	30th June 1996		Total Member- ship 30/6/95
					Metho- dist Member- ship	OR Union Member- ship	
2010	Auckland Central Parish and Mission	8			334		334
2030	Roskill	2	5				44
2040	Auckland East	8			176		181
2060	Orakei *	9			176		181
2070	Glen Innes Co-op.						129
2080	Mt Albert				136		141
2090	Avondale Union						144
2100	Waitakere	20	22	4	350		285
2120	Te Atatu Union	5	3			78	78
2130	Devonport	1			59		63
2140	Takapuna	1		3	214		282
2150	Birkenhead				144		180
2160	Glenfield-Albany Co						272
2180	Northcote				81		84
2270	South Kaipara Co-op						52
2280	Whangaparaoa	2	3		162		186
2290	Mahurangi	1	1		85		85
2300	St Austells Co-op.	9		3		72	62
2310	Waterview	1			62		56
2320	East Coast Bays	2		2	171		173
2340	Auckland-Manukau Tongan Meth.						1,916
2370	Auckland Samoan Methodist	5			124		120
	Totals	74	29	17	2,326	150	3159

MANUKAU DISTRICT

Ref. No.	Parishes' Name	Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	Confir- mations	30 June 1996		Total Member- ship 30/6/95
					Method- ist Member- ship	OR Union Member- ship	
2410	Manukau North						997
2420	Manurewa	6			88		100
2430	Papakura	2	2		233		231
2440	Pukekohe						123
2450	Tuakau Union		2			30	29
2460	Franklin West Co-op.	7		1		78	81
2470	Bucklands Beach Co-op.						280
	Totals	15	4	1	321	108	1,841

WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY DISTRICT

Ref. No.	Parishes' Name	Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	Confir- mations	30 June 1996		Total Member- ship 30/6/95
					Method- dist Member- ship	OR Union Member- ship	
3010	Thames Union	10				157	180
3020	Hauraki Plains Co-op.	4				499	460
3030	Paeroa	8		1		96	102
3050	Te Aroha Co-op.	5				146	162
3060	Morrinsville	5			91		97
3070	Cambridge Union						294
3080	Hamilton	1			178		276
3090	Raglan Union						63
3100	Hamilton East	3			107		108
3110	Chartwell Co-op.	9				642	646
3120	Ngaruawahia Union	12	2	5		62	68
3130	Huntly Co-op.	2	2	2		97	98
3140	Matamata Union						89
3150	Putaruru Co-op.						339
3160	Tokoroa						45
3170	Rotorua	8	1	3	140		166
3180	Taupo Union	7		7		201	146
3190	Western Bay of Plenty	6			356		332

WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY DISTRICT continued.

Ref. No.	Parishes' Name	Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	Confir- mations	30 June 1996		Total Member- ship 30/6/95
					Method- ist Member- ship	OR Union Member- ship	
3200	St James Union Parish Greerton		1	2		77	85
3210	Te Puke/Mt Maunganui	1		3	114		102
3220	Whakatane Co-op.						896
3230	Kawerau				9		9
3240	Opotiki Union	1				117	114
3250	Te Awamutu	1			108		128
3260	Otorohanga						50
3280	Taumarunui St Paul's Co-op.						104
3290	Turangi Co-op.	7					85
3330	Hillcrest Co-op.	13				544	287
3340	Pio Pio-Aria Mokau Co-op. *					95	
3350	Omokoroa Co-op.					209	190
3360	Dinsdale, Parish of St Clare Co-op.						
3380	Welcome Bay		3			98	140
3390	Bryant Park Co-op.						
3400	Whangamata Co-op	1		1		95	141
	Totals	104	9	24	1,103	3,135	2,331

TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT

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Ref. No.	Parishes' Name	Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	Confir- mations	30 June 1996 Metho- dist Member- ship	OR Union Member- ship	Total Member- ship 30/6/95
4010	New Plymouth	4			268		270
4017	Brooklyn						200
4020	Waitara	2			96		77
4030	Stratford	3			68		62
4040	Eltham-Kaponga Co-op.					95	113
4050	Hawera	5			88		89
4060	Manaia Union						59
4070	Opunake Co-op.						119
4080	Okato Co-op.	5				137	222
4090	Wanganui	6	1	1	189		180
4110	Inglewood Union	3	1			76	82
4120	Patea Co-op.						35
4130	Bellblock Lepperton Co-op	3	2			89	113
	Totals	31	4	1	709	397	1,621

HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU DISTRICT

Ref. No.	Parishes' Name	Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	Confir- mations	30 June 1996		Total Member- ship 30/6/95
					Method- dist Member- ship	OR Union Member- ship	
5010	Napier	6	2		232		220
5020	Hastings	2			190		199
5040	Gisborne	12			141		156
5050	Mangapapa Union	2	13			120	121
5060	Wairoa, Presbyterian- Methodist Parish of		3			89	95
5070	Dannevirke-Norsewood		2		63		59
5080	Woodville Union	2				63	60
5090	Pahiatua Union	1				65	67
5100	Palmerston North	9			346		319
5110	Ashhurst-Bunnythorpe	1			47		46
5120	Feilding-Oroua	2			90		98
5130	Marton						37
5140	Rongotea-Sanson Co-op.	6				125	116
5150	Foxton-Shannon Co-op					155	119
5160	Tamatea Community						63
5170	Waipawa Co-op.	5				70	70
5180	Milson Community	3		2		68	78
	Totals	54	17	2	1,109	755	1,923

WELLINGTON DISTRICT

Ref. No.	Parishes' Name	Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	Confir- mations	30 June 1996		Total Member- ship 30/6/95
					Metho- dist Member- ship	OR Union Member- ship	
6010	Wellington Central	20		11	334		204
6030	Wellington South-Lyall Bay Union						
6050	Miramar Uniting	1				64	90
6060	Ngaio Union	2				80	77
6070	Johnsonville Union						213
6080	Newlands Union	2	1	2			43
6100	Mana Methodist						83
6110	Tawa Union	8				260	259
6120	Hutt City Uniting Congregations						386
6140	Upper Hutt Co-op	4					268
6150	Wainuiomata Union					50	56
6160	Greytown St Andrews Union	3				40	51
6170	Featherston Union	2				26	44
6180	Carterton Union	3				118	121
6190	Masterton St Lukes Un.	3				186	187
6200	Masterton, St James Un.					160	
6210	Eketahuna Union						24
6220	Levin	1			154		158
6240	Kapiti Co-op.	11				314	580
6250	Hataitai-Kilbirnie Co.						580
6270	Brooklyn Co-op.						380
6280	Karori-Northland Union						267
	Totals	60	1	13	488	1,298	4,071

NELSON DISTRICT

Ref. No.	Parishes' Name	Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	Confir- mations	30 June 1996		Total Member- ship 30/6/95
					Metho- dist Member- ship	OR Union Member- ship	
7011	Nelson (St Johns)				103		110
7012	Stoke	2			121		124
7020	Nelson, St Luke's Un.						40
7030	Waimea	1			99		142
7040	Motueka-Moutere Hills						
499	Regional Co-op.	3	3			219	136
	Murchison						15
7060	Blenheim	10			198		210
7080	Picton Union					84	89
7090	Reefton District Union						53
7100	Buller Union		2			47	50
7110	Greymouth District Union	7				179	178
7120	Hokitika Union	6				106	122
	Totals	29	5		521	635	1,269

NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT:

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Ref. No.	Parishes' Name	Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	Confir- mations	30 June 1996 Metho- dist Member- ship	OR Union Member- ship	Total Member- ship 30/6/95
8010	Christchurch Mission	2		1	167		165
8020	Christchurch South	7			132		122
8030	Christchurch East	7	1		288		299
8040	New Brighton Union					65	
8050	Sumner-Redcliffs Lyttelton Union	1				171	160
8060	South East Christchurch Union	1	2	2			90
8080	Opawa	1	19		490		542
8090	Beckenham-Sydenham	2			127		130
8110	Halswell Union	2				43	
8120	Christchurch (Riccarton)	5			301		307
8130	Christchurch (St Albans)	1		3	200		199
8140	Christchurch North	5	1		201		201
8160	Lincoln Union	3				115	117
8170	Ellesmere Co-op.						225
8180	Kaiapoi Co-operating	4				79	85
8190	Rangiora	6			153		180
8200	Malvern Co-op.	8	1			140	138
8210	Oxford District Union	6		3		71	60
8220	Parklands Co-op.					20	
	Totals	61	24	9	2,059	704	3,072

SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

Ref. No.	Parishes' Name	Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	Confir- mations	30 June 1996		Total Member- ship 30/6/95
					Method- ist Member- ship	OR Union Member- ship	
8310	Timaru-Temuka	2			150		160
8330	St David's Marchviel Union					68	98
8350	Waimate	1			47		47
8360	Geraldine Co-op.						172
8380	Ashburton	6			157		161
8390	Allenton Union	5	1	3		290	293
8400	Oamaru Union						74
	Totals	14	1	3	354	358	1,005

OTAGO-SOUTHLAND DISTRICT

Ref. No.	Parishes' Name	Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	Confir- mations	30 June 1996		Total Member- ship 30/6/95
					Metho- dist Member- ship	OR Union Member- ship	
9020	Dunedin Mission	5			314		374
9060	Corstorphine-Concord Un						54
9070	Grants Braes Union	6				71	75
9080	Tokomairiro Co-op.	2		1		117	134
9090	Balclutha				33		33
9110	Invercargill	7		1	228		238
9120	Riverton Union						83
9130	Otautau-Waiono Union					83	91
9150	Bluff-Greenhills Co-op.	3				78	80
9160	Teviot Union					56	53
9170	Alexander-Clyde-Lauder Un.	4				310	308
9190	Flagstaff Co-op.	4				163	178
9220	Blueskin Co-op.						16
9230	Lawrence				9		10
9240	Kaikorai Union	4	4			75	74
9250	Brockville Union						29
9260	Otatara Community Church	1	1			69	
	Totals	36	5	2	584	1,022	1,522

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CONNEXIONAL TOTALS:

Ref. No.	Parishes' Name	Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	Confir- mations	30 June 1996		Total Member- ship 30/6/95
					Metho- dist Member- ship	OR Union Member- ship	
1000	Northland	22	1	10	169	831	1,179
2000	Auckland	74	29	17	2,326	150	3,159
2400	Manukau	15	4	1	321	108	1,841
3000	Waikato-Bay of Plenty	104	9	24	1,103	3,135	2,331
4000	Taranaki-Wanganui	31	4	1	709	397	1,621
5000	Hawkes Bay-Manawatu	54	17	2	1,109	755	1,923
6000	Wellington	60	1	13	488	1,298	4,071
7000	Nelson	29	5		521	635	1,269
8000	North Canterbury	61	24	9	2,059	704	3,072
8300	South Canterbury	14	1	3	354	358	1,005
9000	Otago-Southland	36	5	2	584	1,022	1,522
	Totals	500	100	82	9,743	9,393	22,993

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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**The Methodist Church of New Zealand
Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa**

SUPERNUMERARY FUND

For the Year Ended 31 January 1996.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The Supernumerary Fund is a registered Superannuation Scheme under the Superannuation Schemes Act 1989.

The Fund is a Defined Benefit Scheme to provide retirement benefits to Ministers of the Methodist Church.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

REPORTING ENTITY:

The reporting entity is the Supernumerary Fund of the Methodist Church of New Zealand.

GENERAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

The measurement base adopted is that of historical cost modified by the revaluation of Property Assets, investments with Methodist Trust Association and investments managed by Southpac Investment Management Limited. Reliance is based on the fact that the Fund is a going concern. Accrual accounting is used to match expenses and revenue.

PARTICULAR ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

- | | |
|------------------------------|--|
| Sundry Debtors | - have been valued at Expected Realisable Value. |
| Property Valuations | - Properties are valued annually by Independent Valuers at net current value. The policy of the Trustee is to credit or debit any revaluation surpluses or losses arising direct to Revaluation Reserve. |
| Financial Instruments | - are valued at the lower of Cost or Net Realisable Value. |
| Actuarial Review | - Actuarial Valuations are performed every 3 years. |
| Investments | - Those with Trust Bank Canterbury Limited, Methodist Trust Association and Southpac Investment Management Limited are valued at current realisable value. Other investments have been valued at the lower of Cost or Market Value. Unrealised gains and losses are shown in the Statement of Financial Performance. |

CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

There have been no changes in accounting policies. All policies have been applied on a basis consistent with those of previous years.



SUPERNUMERARY FUND
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE
for the Year Ended 31 January 1996

	Note	1996 \$	1995 \$
INCOME:			
Investment Income			
Company Dividends		-	6,741
Money Market Dealers,			
Government Stock and Others		55,735	27,308
Methodist Trust Association		560,028	786,916
Southpac Investment Limited - Interest		425,154	107,860
- Realised Gains on			
Sale of Investments		<u>109,200</u>	<u>(16,231)</u>
		1,150,117	912,594
Sundry Income			
Grants and Bequests		5,445	681
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		1,155,562	913,275
EXPENDITURE:			
Administration Fee		40,290	39,771
Advisory Fees		25,688	-
Actuarial Fee		29,539	36,570
Audit Fee		5,285	4,250
Computer Processing		32,901	31,773
General Expenses		2,789	4,163
Commission Paid		1,392	1,879
Management Fee Southpac		17,895	7,184
Interest distributed to Members Accounts		1,910	7,156
Legal Costs		<u>750</u>	<u>3,806</u>
		<u>158,439</u>	<u>136,552</u>
		997,123	776,723
INVESTMENT PROPERTY:			
Income			
- Demeter House		30,134	193,012
- Morley House		78,880	78,880
- Ryan Place		<u>34,529</u>	<u>103,414</u>
		143,543	375,306
Expenses			
- Demeter House		35,104	21,403
- Morley House		750	340
- Ryan Place		<u>7,678</u>	<u>11,092</u>
		<u>43,532</u>	<u>32,835</u>
Net Property Income		100,011	342,471
Unrealised Gain/(Loss) on Southpac Investments		182,711	(79,408)
Gain on Sale of Shares		-	252,889
Capital Accretion			
- Methodist Trust Association		84,339	9,210
Gain on Sale of Properties		63,768	-
Revaluation Reserve Written Back on Sale of Properties		409,344	-
Abnormal Gain -			
- Tax Provision written back		-	1,928,570
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Net Surplus for year		<u>1,837,296</u>	<u>3,230,455</u>

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts.



SUPERNUMERARY FUND

CONTRIBUTION AND DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT

for the Year Ended 31 January 1996

	<u>Note</u>	1996 \$	1995 \$
Contributions:			
Members and Employers Contributions		661,462	680,768
Less Disbursements:			
Annuities Paid		480,769	463,469
Annuities Commuted on Retirement		9,823	176,724
Contributions Refunded on Resignation		355,718	167,918
Death in Service cost		<u>70,050</u>	<u>70,050</u>
		916,360	878,161
Transfer to Accumulated Funds		<u>(254,898)</u>	<u>(197,393)</u>

STATEMENT OF MOVEMENTS IN EQUITY

For the Year Ended 31 January 1996

Opening Balance 1 February 1995	13,589,971	10,444,567
Net Surplus for year	1,837,296	3,230,455
Increase / (Reduction) Property Revaluation Reserve 4	(356,745)	112,342
Deficit, Contribution and Disbursement Account	<u>(254,898)</u>	<u>(197,393)</u>
Closing Balance 31 January 1996	<u>14,815,624</u>	<u>13,589,971</u>

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts.



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SUPERNUMERARY FUND

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

as at 31 January 1996

	<u>Note</u>	1996 \$	1995 \$
MEMBERS FUNDS:			
Accumulated Funds	1	14,792,944	13,210,546
Property Revaluation Reserve	2	22,680	379,425
		<u>14,815,624</u>	<u>13,589,971</u>
REPRESENTED BY:			
Current Assets:			
Bank of New Zealand - Current Account		37,229	1,096
Deposit - Trustbank Canterbury Ltd		6,939,312	-
Deposit - Methodist Trust Association and Others		-	127
Interest Accrued		14,373	61,177
Contributions Due		6,857	3,736
Sundry Debtors		-	1,551
		<u>6,997,771</u>	<u>67,687</u>
Less Current Liabilities:			
Sundry Creditors		14,167	49,341
Retirement and Withdrawal Accruals		44,466	366,954
		<u>58,633</u>	<u>416,295</u>
		6,939,138	(348,608)
Investments:			
Managed by Southpac Investment Management Ltd	9	7,290,286	3,086,221
Methodist Trust Association	6	-	8,374,416
Methodist Trust Association - Special Advances	3	-	120,030
		<u>7,290,286</u>	<u>11,580,667</u>
Property Assets	4	586,200	2,357,912
		<u>14,815,624</u>	<u>13,589,971</u>

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts.

On behalf of the Board:

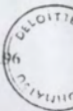
Chairperson:

B. Bogue

Secretary:

Stan J. West

Date: 20 June 1996



SUPERNUMERARY FUND
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

for the Year Ended 31 January 1996

OPERATING ACTIVITIES:	<u>Note</u>	1996	1995
Cash was provided from:		\$	\$
Property Income		145,094	375,349
Interest		1,196,921	930,230
Dividend		-	6,741
Grants and Donations		<u>5,445</u>	<u>681</u>
		1,347,460	1,313,001
Cash was applied to:			
Payment to Suppliers		<u>237,145</u>	<u>176,268</u>
NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	8	<u>1,110,315</u>	<u>1,136,733</u>
INVESTING ACTIVITIES:			
Cash was provided from:			
Property Sales		1,888,080	19,000
Loans Repaid		120,030	-
Deposits - Bank and MTA (Short Term)		-	5,601,650
Deposits - MTA (Long Term)		9,059,440	426,542
Southpac Investment Management Limited		551,000	-
New Zealand Government Stock		-	223,679
Shares		<u>-</u>	<u>359,471</u>
		11,618,550	6,630,342
Cash was applied to:			
Deposits - Bank		6,939,312	3,561,000
Deposits - Methodist Trust Association		600,558	756,151
Deposit - Southpac Investment Management Limited		4,572,354	3,165,629
Loan Advanced		<u>-</u>	<u>10,000</u>
		12,112,224	7,492,780
NET CASH OUTFLOW FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		<u>(493,674)</u>	<u>(862,438)</u>
FINANCING ACTIVITIES:			
Cash was provided from:			
Contributions Received		658,340	678,065
Cash was applied to:			
Annuities Paid		475,931	459,840
Annuities Commuted on Retirement		186,547	24,309
Contributions Refunded on Resignation		436,270	457,327
Death in Service		<u>140,100</u>	<u>10,338</u>
		1,238,848	951,814
NET CASH OUTFLOW FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		<u>(580,508)</u>	<u>(273,749)</u>
TOTAL NET CASH FLOWS		36,133	546
Add Opening Cash Balance		<u>1,096</u>	<u>550</u>
Closing Cash Balance		<u>37,229</u>	<u>1,096</u>

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts.



NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

	Note	1996 \$	1995 \$				
Note 1. Accumulated Funds:							
Opening Balance 1 February 1995		13,210,546	10,167,484				
Net Surplus for year		1,837,296	3,230,455				
Transfer from Investment Fluctuation Reserve		-	10,000				
Net Balance from Contribution and Disbursement Account		(254,898)	(197,393)				
Closing Balance 31 January 1996		<u>14,792,944</u>	<u>13,210,546</u>				
Note 2. Property Revaluation Reserve:							
Opening Balance 1 February 1995		379,425	267,083				
Property Revaluations (Devaluation):							
Demeter House		(619,715)	109,312				
Morley House		52,600	(9,220)				
Ryan Place		<u>210,370</u>	<u>12,250</u>				
Closing Balance 31 January 1996		<u>22,680</u>	<u>379,425</u>				
Note 3. Methodist Trust Association - Special Advances.							
These represent monies advanced to the Presbyters Deacons and Layworkers Loan Fund via the Methodist Trust Association for purposes of making loans to Presbyters and Deacons of the Church nearing retirement to purchase homes. Interest rates on the loans range from 10.25% to 11.0% (1995 7.8% to 9.3%). Interest earned for the year amounted to \$12,516 (1995 \$8,902). As a result of a 1995 Conference decision financing of these loans is now through the Retiring Ministers Housing Fund.							
Note 4. Property Assets:							
	Cost	Revalu- ation Reserve 1995	Valuation 1995	Sales	Revalu- ation Reserve 1996	Valuation 1996	Govern- ment Valuation
Land.							
Demeter House	143,200	213,519	356,719	(356,719)			
Morley House	52,870	138,530	191,400		145,130	198,000	216,000
Ryan Place	132,500	(14,900)	117,600	(117,600)			
Buildings.							
Demeter House	385,197	406,196	791,393	(791,393)			
Morley House	510,650	(168,450)	342,200		(122,450)	388,200	414,000
Ryan Place	<u>754,070</u>	<u>(195,470)</u>	<u>558,600</u>	<u>(558,600)</u>			
	<u>1,978,487</u>	<u>379,425</u>	<u>2,357,912</u>	<u>(1,824,312)</u>	<u>22,680</u>	<u>586,200</u>	<u>630,000</u>
Government Valuation as at:							
1995 Morley House							
Morley House Property is a joint venture, with the Board of Administration owning 40% and the Supernumerary Fund 60%.							
Morley House was revalued at 31 January 1996 by an independent valuer.							
Note 5. Related Party Transactions:							
The Fund had monies on deposit during the year with the Methodist Trust Association. The total sum held at Balance Date by the Methodist Trust Association amounted to nil (1995 \$8,494,446). Interest earned during the year with respect to these deposits was \$560,028 (1995 \$786,916).							



SUPERNUMERARY FUND

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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Note 6. Methodist Trust Association Investments Portfolio:

In 1995 the Methodist Trust Association resolved to freeze 6.40% of their Long Term Deposits. This was the investment value of the Grafton Heights property. As a result of a 1995 Conference decision the Grafton Heights property may now be sold by the Methodist Trust Association if considered appropriate. The deposit that was frozen has been returned to the original deposit along with income earned during the period when it was re-classified.

Note 7. Segment Information:

The Fund operates in one area for the investment of Members' contributions. All operations in this activity are carried out within New Zealand, but include Southpac's management of international investments.

Note 8. Reconciliation of Excess Income over Expenditure with Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities:

	1996	1995
	\$	\$
Excess Income over Expenditure	1,837,296	3,230,455
Non Cash Items:		
Interest and Dividends Received	-	(4,834)
(Gain) Loss on Investment - Southpac Investment Management Limited	(182,711)	79,408
Gain on Disposal of Shares	-	(252,889)
Gain on Sale of Properties	(63,768)	(9,210)
Gain on MTA Accretion	(84,339)	-
Revaluation Reserve Written Back	(409,344)	-
Changes in Working Capital:		
Interest Accruals	46,804	29,210
Sundry Debtors	1,551	558
Sundry Creditors	(35,174)	(7,396)
Provision for Tax	-	(1,928,569)
Net Cash Flow From Operating Activities:	<u>1,110,315</u>	<u>1,136,733</u>

Note 9. Investments Managed by Southpac Investment Management Ltd.

	1996	1995
	\$	\$
Fixed Interest - Onshore	2,114,021	1,011,758
Fixed Interest - Offshore	664,516	279,379
Equities - Onshore	1,510,683	522,869
Equities - Offshore	2,085,062	330,138
Short Term Investments	291,085	220,909
Cash at Bank	510,590	695,716
Debtors	189,329	28,087
Creditors	<u>(75,000)</u>	<u>(2,635)</u>
	<u>7,290,286</u>	<u>3,086,221</u>

**Note 10. Financial Instruments:
Credit Risk**

Financial instruments which potentially subject the Fund to credit risk principally consist of bank balances, deposits, other receivables and investments.

The Fund's investments are now placed with Southpac Investment Management Limited and Trustbank Canterbury Limited.

Fair Values

The carrying amounts of bank balances, other receivables, payables and investments are considered to be fair value for these financial instruments.



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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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Note 11. Commitments:

Commitments at 31 January 1996 amounted to Nil. (1995-Nil).

Note 12. Contingent Liabilities:

There were no contingent liabilities for 1996.

The 1995 financial report disclosed a contingent liability concerning the case Presbyterian Church v Inland Revenue Department. No liability eventuated from this matter.

Note 13. Contributions and Disbursement Account:

	1996	1995
The contributions refunded were made to:		
Permanently retired members	71,188	167,918
Other retirements	<u>284,530</u>	<u> -</u>
	<u>\$355,718</u>	<u>\$167,918</u>



AUDIT REPORT

TO THE MEMBERS OF SUPERNUMERARY FUND

We have audited the financial report on pages 1 to 8. The financial report provides information about the past financial performance of the fund and its financial position as at 31 January 1996. This information is stated in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page 1.

Trustee's Responsibilities

The trustee is responsible for the preparation of a financial report which fairly reflects the financial position of the fund as at 31 January 1996 and of the results of its operations and cash flows for the year ended on that date.

Auditors' Responsibilities

It is our responsibility to express an independent opinion on the financial report presented by the trustee and report our opinion to you.

Basis of Opinion

An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. It also includes assessing:

- the significant estimates and judgements made by the trustee in the preparation of the financial report, and
- whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the fund's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards in New Zealand. We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial report is free from material misstatements, whether caused by fraud or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial report.

Other than in our capacity as auditors we have no relationship with or interests in the fund.

Unqualified Opinion

We have obtained all the information and explanations we have required.

In our opinion the financial report on pages 1 to 8 fairly reflects the financial position of the fund as at 31 January 1996 and the results of its operations and cash flows for the year ended on that date.

Our audit was completed on 20 June 1996 and our unqualified opinion is expressed as at that date.

Chartered Accountants
Christchurch, New Zealand.

**The Methodist Church of New Zealand
Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa**

LAY WORKERS' RETIRING FUND

for the Year Ended 31 January 1996.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The Layworkers' Retiring Fund is a registered Superannuation Scheme under the Superannuation Schemes Act 1989.

The Fund is a Cash Accumulation Superannuation Scheme to provide retirement benefits to Layworkers of the Church who are Members of the Fund.

REPORTING ENTITY

The reporting entity is the Layworkers' Retiring Fund of the Methodist Church of New Zealand.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

GENERAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

The measurement base adopted is that of historical cost modified by the revaluation of investments with Methodist Trust Association and investments managed by Southpac Investments Limited. Reliance is based on the fact that the Fund is a going concern. Accrual accounting is used to match expenses and revenue.

PARTICULAR ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

- | | |
|------------------------------|--|
| Investments | - Those managed by Southpac Investment Management Limited are valued at current realisable value. Other investments have been valued at the lower of Cost or Market Value. |
| Contributions | - are brought to account on a cash basis. |
| Financial Instruments | - are valued at the lower of Cost or Net Realisable Value. |

CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

There have been no changes in accounting policies. All policies have been applied on a basis consistent with those of previous years.

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LAY WORKERS' RETIRING FUND

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

for the Year Ended 31 January 1996

	<u>Note</u>	1996 \$	1995 \$
INCOME:			
Interest Received and Distribution			
- Methodist Trust Association		-	15,377
- Southpac Investment Management Ltd		47,434	19,298
- Other Interest		<u>569</u>	<u>-</u>
		48,003	34,675
EXPENDITURE:			
Administration and Management Fees	4,003		4,339
Stationery and General Expenses	2,651		2,591
Audit Fees:			
- Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu	594		726
- Southpac Investment Management	<u>1,170</u>	<u>1,764</u>	<u>-</u>
		8,418	7,656
Excess Income over Expenditure		39,585	27,019
Plus Unrealised Profit on Investment		<u>35,817</u>	<u>-</u>
		75,402	-
Less			
- Unrealised Loss on Investments		-	24,370
- Life Insurance Premiums Paid		6,043	6,204
		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net Surplus / (Deficit) before Taxation		69,359	(3,555)
Provision for Taxation	2	13,063	8,916
		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Amount available for Distribution			
- to Members Account		<u>56,296</u>	<u>(12,471)</u>
MEMBERS ACCOUNTS			
Opening Balance 1 February		602,105	608,056
Undistributed Surplus 1994-1995		8,041	-
Contributions - Members		40,601	55,254
- Employers		25,855	35,612
Transfer to General Reserve	1	(23,070)	27,530
Surplus (Deficit) from Income and Expenditure Account		56,296	(12,471)
Retirements		(180,738)	(16,046)
Resignations		<u>(60,525)</u>	<u>(95,830)</u>
Closing Balance 31 January		<u>468,565</u>	<u>602,105</u>

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts.



LAY WORKERS' RETIRING FUND

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

as at 31 January 1996.

	<u>Note</u>	1996 \$	1995 \$
MEMBERS FUNDS:			
Members Accounts		468,565	602,105
Capital Reserve		601	601
General Reserve	1	69,020	42,011
		<u>538,186</u>	<u>644,717</u>
REPRESENTED BY:			
Current Assets			
Bank of New Zealand			
- Current Account	6,881		770
Interest Accrued and Sundry Debtors	38		1,282
Trustbank Deposit at Call	<u>8,545</u>		-
		15,464	2,052
Current Liabilities			
Creditors	(1,764)		(1,134)
Provision for Taxation	2	<u>(91,993)</u>	<u>(78,930)</u>
		(93,757)	(80,064)
		(78,293)	(78,012)
Investments			
Southpac Investment Management Limited		<u>616,479</u>	<u>722,729</u>
		<u>538,186</u>	<u>644,717</u>

STATEMENT OF MOVEMENTS IN EQUITY

For the Year ended 31 January 1996

Accumulated Funds at start of year	644,717	660,371
Net Surplus for the Year	56,296	(12,471)
Resignation Surplus	11,980	17,827
Contributions Received	66,456	90,866
Refunds on Retirement / Resignation	<u>(241,263)</u>	<u>(111,876)</u>
	<u>538,186</u>	<u>644,717</u>

On behalf of the Board:

Chairperson:

B. Blagov

Secretary:

Simon West

Date:

20 June 1996

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts.



LAY WORKERS' RETIRING FUND

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

for the Year Ended 31 January 1996

	Note	1996 \$	1995 \$
OPERATING ACTIVITIES:			
Cash was provided from:			
Interest Received		<u>48,003</u>	<u>38,843</u>
		48,003	38,843
Cash was applied to:			
Payments to Suppliers		<u>12,587</u>	<u>14,704</u>
Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities	3	35,416	24,139
INVESTING ACTIVITIES:			
Cash was provided from:			
Investment withdrawals		-	738,980
- Methodist Trust Association		-	<u>29,500</u>
- Investment Managers		<u>209,501</u>	<u>768,480</u>
		209,501	768,480
Cash was applied to:			
Deposits with			
- Methodist Trust Association		-	13,000
- Deposit with Investment Managers		67,434	<u>776,598</u>
- Increase in Money Market		<u>8,545</u>	-
		75,979	<u>789,598</u>
Net Cash Flow from Investing Activities		133,522	(21,118)
FINANCING ACTIVITIES:			
Cash was provided from:			
Members Contributions		40,601	55,254
Employers Contributions		<u>25,855</u>	<u>35,612</u>
		66,456	90,866
Cash was applied to:			
Members' Retirements		180,738	94,037
Members' Resignations		<u>48,545</u>	-
		229,283	<u>94,037</u>
Net Cash Flow from Financing Activities		(162,827)	(3,171)
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Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash Held		6,111	(150)
Add Opening Cash Balance 1 February		770	920
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Closing Cash Balance 31 January		<u>6,881</u>	<u>770</u>

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts.



LAY WORKERS' RETIRING FUND

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

	1996	1995
	\$	\$
Note 1. General Reserve		
Opening Balance 1 February	42,011	51,714
Resignation Surplus	11,980	17,827
Transfer from Distribution Received	23,070	-
Transfer to Continuing Members	-	(27,530)
Undistributed Surplus 1994/1995	<u>(8,041)</u>	<u>-</u>
Closing Balance 31 January	<u>69,020</u>	<u>42,011</u>

Resignation Surplus' represent that portion of the Employers Contribution which Members who resigned during the year were not entitled to receive.

	1996	1995
	\$	\$
Note 2. Taxation		
Opening Balance 1 February	78,930	70,014
Provision for Taxation Current Year	<u>13,063</u>	<u>8,916</u>
Closing Balance 31 January	<u>91,993</u>	<u>78,930</u>

Whilst the recent court case brought by the Presbyterian Church suggests that the requirement for registered Superannuation Funds to provide for Income Tax in terms of the Income Tax Amendment Act 1989 may not apply to the Superannuation Funds of Churches which, under the Income Tax Act 1976, Section 61 Subsection 25 and 27 are exempt as designated Charitable Bodies, the Trustee has made a provision for Income Tax in these Accounts.

Note 3. Reconciliation of Excess Income over Expenditure with Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities

	1996	1995
	\$	\$
Excess Income over Expenditure after Providing for Taxation	56,296	(12,471)
Non Cash Items:		
Unrealised Loss (Gain) on Investment	(35,817)	24,370
Changes in Working Capital		
Interest Accrued and Sundry Debtors	1,244	2,980
Increase in Income Tax	13,063	8,916
Increase in Creditors	<u>620</u>	<u>344</u>
Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities	35,416	24,139

Note 4. Related Party Disclosure

During the year ended 31 January 1995 the fund held a deposit with the Methodist Trust Association. Interest earned on this deposit was \$15,394. There was no such deposit held in the year ended 31 January 1996.

Note 5. Segment Information

The Fund operates in one area for the investment of member's Contributions. All operations in this activity are carried out within New Zealand, but include Southpac's management of international investments.



LAY WORKERS' RETIRING FUND
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Continued

Note 6. Financial Instruments

Credit Risk

Financial instruments which potentially subject the Fund to credit risk principally consist of bank balance, other receivables and investments.

The Fund no longer places its investments with the Methodist Trust Association. All investments are now with Southpac Management Services Limited.

Fair Values

The carrying amounts of bank balances, other receivables, payables and investments are considered to be fair value for these financial instruments.

Note 7. Contingent Liabilities / Commitments

There were no contingent liabilities or commitments as at 31 January 1996 (1995- Nil).





AUDIT REPORT

TO THE MEMBERS OF LAY WORKERS' RETIRING FUND

We have audited the financial report on pages 1 to 6. The financial report provides information about the past financial performance of the fund and its financial position as at 31 January 1996. This information is stated in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page 1.

Trustee's Responsibilities

The trustee is responsible for the preparation of a financial report which gives a true and fair view of the financial position of the fund as at 31 January 1996 and of the results of its operations and cash flows for the year ended on that date.

Auditors' Responsibilities

It is our responsibility to express an independent opinion on the financial report presented by the trustee and report our opinion to you.

Basis of Opinion

An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. It also includes assessing;

- the significant estimates and judgements made by the trustee in the preparation of the financial report, and
- whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the fund's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards in New Zealand. We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial report is free from material misstatements, whether caused by fraud or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial report.

Other than in our capacity as auditors we have no relationship with or interests in the fund.

Unqualified Opinion

We have obtained all the information and explanations we have required.

In our opinion:

- proper accounting records have been kept by the fund as far as appears from our examination of those records; and
- the financial report on pages 1 to 6:
 - complies with generally accepted accounting practice;
 - gives a true and fair view of the financial position of the fund as at 31 January 1996 and the results of its operations and cash flows for the year ended on that date.

Our audit was completed on 20 June 1996 and our unqualified opinion is expressed as at that date.

Chartered Accountants
Christchurch, New Zealand.

**The Methodist Church of New Zealand
Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa**

PRESBYTERS AND DEACONS RETIREMENT HOUSING FUND

For the Year Ended 31 January 1996

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The Fund provides limited assistance to Presbyters at retirement for their housing requirements.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

REPORTING ENTITY:

The reporting entity is the Presbyters and Deacons Retirement Housing Fund of the Methodist Church of New Zealand.

GENERAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

The measurement base adopted is that of historical cost modified by the revaluation of investments with Methodist Trust Association and reliance is based on the fact that the Fund is a going concern. Accrual accounting is used to match expenses and revenue.

PARTICULAR ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

- | | |
|--------------------------------|---|
| Investments - | Investments other than Special Loans are valued at Current Realisable Value. |
| Special Loans - | These interest-free loans relate to the financing of retired Ministers to assist in their housing requirements. |
| Financial Instruments - | Are valued at the lower of cost or net realisable value. |

CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

There have been no changes in accounting policies. All policies have been applied on a basis consistent with those of previous years.



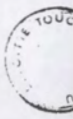
PRESBYTERS AND DEACONS RETIREMENT HOUSING FUND
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE
for the Year Ended 31 January 1996

	1996 \$	1995 \$
INCOME:		
Interest Received - Methodist Trust Association, Bank and Loans	20,566	18,536
EXPENDITURE:		
Administration Fee	1,450	1,431
Office and General Expenses	2,715	1,911
Audit Fee	180	180
	<u>4,345</u>	<u>3,522</u>
Excess Income Over Expenditure	16,221	15,014
Plus Capital Accretion Distribution - Methodist Trust Association 31/3/1995	1,438	163
	<u>17,659</u>	<u>15,177</u>
Amount available for Distribution		

STATEMENT OF MOVEMENTS IN EQUITY
For the Year Ended 31 January 1996

	1996 \$	1995 \$
Accumulated deposits at start of year	224,238	203,161
Net Surplus for the Year	16,221	15,014
Loans Advanced during year	(850)	-
Loans repaid during year	3,150	5,900
MTA Capital Accretion Distribution	<u>1,438</u>	<u>163</u>
Accumulated deposits at end of year	<u>244,197</u>	<u>224,238</u>

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts.



PRESBYTERS AND DEACONS RETIREMENT HOUSING FUND

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

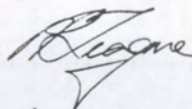
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	Note	1996 \$	1995 \$
ACCUMULATED DEPOSITS	1	<u>244,197</u>	<u>224,238</u>
Represented By:			
Current Assets			
Bank of New Zealand			
- Current Account	2	909	596
Interest Accrued		1,781	1,481
Sundry Debtors		<u>36,000</u>	<u>-</u>
		38,690	2,077
Current Liabilities			
Sundry Creditors		(380)	(201)
		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
		38,310	1,876
Investments			
Deposit - Methodist Trust			
Association	4	124,307	222,362
Pre Retirement Housing Loans	5	<u>81,580</u>	<u>205,887</u>
		<u>244,197</u>	<u>224,238</u>

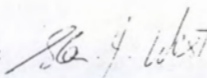
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On behalf of the Board:

Chairperson:



Secretary:



Date:

20 June 1996



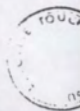
PRESBYTERS AND DEACONS RETIREMENT HOUSING FUND

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

for the Year Ended 31 January 1996

	<u>Note</u>	1996 \$	1995 \$
OPERATING ACTIVITIES:			
Cash was provided from:			
Interest Received		20,266	18,485
Cash was applied to:			
Payment to Suppliers		4,166	3,854
		<hr/>	<hr/>
Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities	3	16,100	14,631
INVESTING ACTIVITIES:			
Cash was provided from:			
Drawing on Investments with Methodist Trust Association		119,100	2,500
Loans Repaid		<u>3,150</u>	<u>5,600</u>
		122,250	8,100
Cash was applied to:			
Deposits with Methodist Trust Association		19,607	22,601
Loans Advanced		<u>118,430</u>	<u>-</u>
		138,037	22,601
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Net Cash Flows From Investing Activities		(15,787)	(14,501)
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH HELD		313	130
Add Opening Cash Balance 1 February 1995		596	466
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Closing Cash Balance 31 January 1996		<u>909</u>	<u>596</u>

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts.



PRESBYTERS AND DEACONS RETIREMENT HOUSING FUND

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 1. Accumulated Deposits

Conference 1995 resolved that the Retiring Ministers Housing Fund and the Ministers Retirement Housing Appeal Fund should be amalgamated to form the Presbyters and Deacons Retirement Housing Fund. Comparative figures have been amalgamated to reflect these decisions.

Presbyters and Deacons Retirement Housing Fund

	1996	1995
	\$	\$
Opening Balance 1 February 1995	376,951	361,774
Capital Accretion		
Methodist Trust Association	1,438	163
Interest	<u>16,221</u>	<u>15,014</u>
	17,659	15,177
	394,610	376,951
Special Loans to Supernumeraries		
on Retirement	(152,713)	(158,613)
- Advanced	(850)	-
- Repaid	<u>3,150</u>	<u>5,900</u>
	(150,413)	(152,713)
Closing Balance 31 January 1996	<u>244,197</u>	<u>224,238</u>

Note 2. Bank of New Zealand - Current Account:

The Bank of New Zealand Current Account of this Fund forms part of the banking arrangement of the Board of Administration - Special Account being an investment fund of the Methodist Church of New Zealand. The arrangement gives the Bank of New Zealand the right of offset over any balance. The Bank interest received by this Fund through that banking arrangement is included in Interest Received in the Statement of Financial Performance for the year.

Note 3. Reconciliation of Excess Income over Expenditure with Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities.

	1996	1995
	\$	\$
Excess Income over Expenditure	16,221	15,014
Non Cash - Legal Expenses	-	300
Changes in working Capital:		
Increase (Decrease) in Sundry Creditors	179	(632)
Increase in Interest Receivables	<u>(300)</u>	<u>(51)</u>
Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities	16,100	14,631

Note 4. Related Party Transactions.

The Fund placed monies during the year on deposit with the Methodist Trust Association. The total sum held at Balance Date by the Methodist Trust Association amounted to \$124,307 (1995 \$222,362). Interest earned during the year with respect to these deposits was \$19,610 (1995 \$17,651).

Note 5. Pre Retirement Housing Loans.

The pre-retirement housing loans issued to Presbyters over 50 years of age are now financed by this fund as a result of a 1995 Conference decision.

Note 6. Segment Information.

The Fund operates in only one area - investment. All operations in this activity are carried out within New Zealand.



PRESBYTERS AND DEACONS RETIREMENT HOUSING FUND**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

continued.

Note 7. Methodist Trust Association Investment Portfolio.

In 1995 the Methodist Trust Association resolved to freeze 6.40% of their Long Term Deposits. This was the investment value of the Grafton Heights property.

As a result of a 1995 Conference decision the Grafton Heights property may now be sold by the Methodist Trust Association if considered appropriate. The deposit that was frozen has been returned to the original deposit along with income earned during the period when it was re-classified.

Note 8. Financial Instruments.**Credit Risk**

Financial instruments which potentially subject the Fund to credit risk principally consist of bank balances, other receivables and investments.

The Fund has placed all its investments with the Methodist Trust Association.

Fair Values

The carrying amounts of bank balances, other receivables, payables and investments are considered to be fair value for these financial instruments.





AUDIT REPORT

TO THE MEMBERS OF PRESBYTERS AND DEACONS RETIREMENT HOUSING FUND

We have audited the financial report on pages 1 to 6. The financial report provides information about the past financial performance of the fund and its financial position as at 31 January 1996. This information is stated in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page 1.

Board of Administration's Responsibilities

The Board is responsible for the preparation of a financial report which gives a true and fair view of the financial position of the fund as at 31 January 1996 and of the results of its operations and cash flows for the year ended on that date.

Auditors' Responsibilities

It is our responsibility to express an independent opinion on the financial report presented by the Board and report our opinion to you.

Basis of Opinion

An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. It also includes assessing:

- the significant estimates and judgements made by the Board in the preparation of the financial report, and
- whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the fund's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards in New Zealand. We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial report is free from material misstatements, whether caused by fraud or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial report.

Other than in our capacity as auditors we have no relationship with or interests in the fund.

Unqualified Opinion

We have obtained all the information and explanations we have required.

In our opinion:

- proper accounting records have been kept by the fund as far as appears from our examination of those records; and
- the financial report on pages 1 to 6:
 - complies with generally accepted accounting practice;
 - gives a true and fair view of the financial position of the fund as at 31 January 1996 and the results of its operations and cash flows for the year ended on that date.

Our audit was completed on 20 June 1996 and our unqualified opinion is expressed as at that date.

Chartered Accountants
Christchurch, New Zealand.

**The Methodist Church of New Zealand
Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa**

HOME ACQUIREMENT FUND

for the Year Ended 31 January 1996.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The Fund provides limited assistance to Presbyters and Lay Workers for their retirement housing needs.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

REPORTING ENTITY:

The reporting entity is the Home Acquisition Fund of the Methodist Church of New Zealand.

GENERAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

The measurement base adopted is that of historical cost and reliance is based on the fact that the Fund is a going concern. Accrual accounting is used to match expenses and revenue.

PARTICULAR ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

Investments - are valued at Cost.

Financial Instruments - are valued at the lower of cost or net realisable value

CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

There have been no changes in accounting policies. All policies have been applied on a basis consistent with those of previous years.



HOME ACQUIREMENT FUND

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

For the Year Ended 31 January 1996

	1996 \$	1995 \$
INCOME:		
Interest Received - Methodist Trust Association and Bank	10,728	9,423
EXPENDITURE:		
Administration Fee	1,330	1,312
Stationery and General Expenses	1,351	1,304
Audit Fee	180	180
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	2,861	2,796
	<hr/>	<hr/>
Amount Available for Distribution		
- Transferred as Interest to Contributors Deposits	<u>7,867</u>	<u>6,627</u>

STATEMENT OF MOVEMENT IN EQUITY

For the Year Ended 31 January 1996

CONTRIBUTORS DEPOSITS -		
Opening Balance 1 February 1995	116,095	140,855
Interest Received - Depositors	7,867	6,627
Resident Withholding Tax	<u>(1,888)</u>	<u>(1,591)</u>
	5,979	5,036
Contributions Refunded	(1,178)	(29,796)
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Closing Balance 31 January 1996	<u>120,896</u>	<u>116,095</u>

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts.



HOME ACQUIREMENT FUND

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

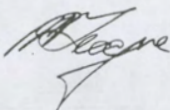
as at 31 January 1996

	Note	1996 \$	1995 \$
CONTRIBUTORS EQUITY:		<u>120,896</u>	<u>116,095</u>
REPRESENTED BY:			
Current Assets:			
Bank of New Zealand			
- Current Account	1	425	673
Accrued Interest		<u>896</u>	<u>818</u>
		1,321	1,491
Current Liabilities:			
Sundry Creditors		(2,268)	(1,791)
		<u>(947)</u>	<u>(300)</u>
Investments			
Deposit - Methodist Trust Association	3	121,843	116,395
		<u>120,896</u>	<u>116,095</u>

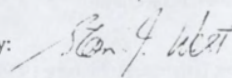
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On behalf of the Board:

Chairperson:



Secretary:



Date:

20/June 1996



HOME ACQUIREMENT FUND

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

for the Year Ended 31 January 1996

	Note	1996 \$	1995 \$
OPERATING ACTIVITIES:			
Cash was provided from:			
Interest Received		10,650	9,165
Cash was applied to:			
Payment to Suppliers		2,681	2,816
Resident Withholding Tax on Interest		<u>1,590</u>	<u>1,689</u>
		4,271	4,505
NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	2	<u>6,379</u>	<u>4,660</u>
INVESTING ACTIVITIES:			
Cash was provided from:			
Drawing on Investments with Methodist Trust Association		5,200	34,100
Cash was applied to:			
Deposits with Methodist Trust Association		10,648	9,160
NET CASH FLOW (DEFICIT) FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		<u>(5,448)</u>	<u>24,940</u>
FINANCING ACTIVITIES:			
Cash was applied to:			
Contributions Refunded		1,179	29,796
NET CASH FLOW (DEFICIT) FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		<u>(1,179)</u>	<u>(29,796)</u>
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash Held		(248)	(196)
Add Opening Cash Balance		673	869
Closing Cash Balance		<u>425</u>	<u>673</u>

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts.



HOME ACQUIREMENT FUND

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 1. Bank of New Zealand - Current Account.

The Bank of New Zealand Current Account of this Fund forms part of the banking arrangement of the Board of Administration - Special Account being an investment fund of the Methodist Church of New Zealand. The arrangement gives the Bank of New Zealand the right of offset over any balance. The Bank interest received by this Fund through that banking arrangement is included in Interest Received in the Statement of Financial Performance for the year.

Note 2. Reconciliation of Excess Income over Expenditure with Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities.

	1996	1995
	\$	\$
Excess Income over Expenditure before		
Distribution to Depositors	7,867	6,627
Resident Withholding Tax Deducted from Depositor's Interest	(1,888)	(1,591)
Changes in Working Capital Items.		
Accruals	(78)	(118)
Interest Receivable	478	(258)
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Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities	<u>6,379</u>	<u>4,660</u>

Note 3. Related Party Transactions.

The Fund placed monies during the year on deposit with the Methodist Trust Association. The total sum held at Balance Date by the Methodist Trust Association amounted to \$121,843 (1995 \$116,395). Interest earned during the year with respect to these deposits was \$10,725 (1995 \$9,418).

Note 4. Segment Information.

The Fund operates predominantly in one area of investment. All operations in this activity are carried out within New Zealand.

Note 5. Financial Instruments.**Credit Risk**

Financial instruments which potentially subject the Fund to credit risk principally consist of bank balances, other receivables and investments.

The Fund has placed all its investments with the Methodist Trust Association.

Fair Values

The carrying amounts of bank balances, other receivables, payables and investments are considered to be fair value for these financial instruments





AUDIT REPORT

TO THE MEMBERS OF HOME ACQUIREMENT FUND

We have audited the financial report on pages 1 to 5. The financial report provides information about the past financial performance of the fund and its financial position as at 31 January 1996. This information is stated in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page 1.

Board of Administration's Responsibilities

The Board is responsible for the preparation of a financial report which gives a true and fair view of the financial position of the fund as at 31 January 1996 and of the results of its operations and cash flows for the year ended on that date.

Auditors' Responsibilities

It is our responsibility to express an independent opinion on the financial report presented by the Board and report our opinion to you.

Basis of Opinion

An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. It also includes assessing:

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Other than in our capacity as auditors we have no relationship with or interests in the fund.

Unqualified Opinion

We have obtained all the information and explanations we have required.

In our opinion:

- proper accounting records have been kept by the fund as far as appears from our examination of those records; and
- the financial report on pages 1 to 5:
 - complies with generally accepted accounting practice;
 - gives a true and fair view of the financial position of the fund as at 31 January 1996 and the results of its operations and cash flows for the year ended on that date.

Our audit was completed on 20 June 1996 and our unqualified opinion is expressed as at that date.

Chartered Accountants
Christchurch, New Zealand.

**The Methodist Church of New Zealand
Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa**

NEW ZEALAND METHODIST TRUST ASSOCIATION (INC).

for the Year Ended 31 March 1996

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The New Zealand Methodist Trust Association (Inc) was founded to receive funds from groups under the general direction of the Conference of the Methodist Church of New Zealand/Aotearoa and to on invest these funds in selected commercial investments for the benefit of its depositors.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES.

REPORTING ENTITY.

The reporting entity is the New Zealand Methodist Trust Association (Inc) of the Methodist Church of New Zealand.

GENERAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES.

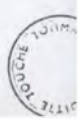
Investment properties and development properties intended to be held as investment properties have been valued at independent valuation; revaluation gains or losses and development margins have been included in reserves for the year and the income statement does not include a charge for depreciation on investment properties. Shares are stated at Market Value. In all other respects the measurement base adopted is that of historical cost. Reliance is based on the fact that the Association is a going concern. Accrual accounting is used to match expenses and revenue.

PARTICULAR ACCOUNTING POLICIES.

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|---|---|---|
| Investments | - | shares are stated at Market Value, all other investments are stated at the lower of cost or expected realisable value. |
| | - | government, local body and other debenture stock is stated at purchase price with premiums and discounts being amortised over the term of the investment. |
| Investment Properties | - | are valued by independent valuers at open market value. |
| Maintenance | - | a provision for maintenance has been calculated at 1% per annum on original cost of the buildings, but not commencing until the expiry of three years from the completion of new buildings. |
| Revaluation Capital Distribution | - | all properties and shares are revalued on an annual basis. It is the Association's policy to distribute such revaluations or devaluations to the accounts of the long term depositors. In the event of a deposit being withdrawn, in total, net accretion distributions are reversed to deferred capital distributions and redistributed from realised capital profits as available. Realised capital profits are distributed as credits to long term depositors and previous accretion revaluations thus realised are reversed from deferred capital distribution. |
| Financial Instruments | - | are valued at Cost or net realisable value. Government stock and other bonds are valued at cost adjusted where appropriate for the amortisation of premiums or discounts. |

CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES.

There have been no changes in accounting policies. All accounting policies have been applied on bases consistent with those of previous years.



NEW ZEALAND METHODIST TRUST ASSOCIATION (INC)

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE
for the year ended 31 March 1996

	Note	1996 \$	1995 \$
INCOME.			
Excess Property Income Over Expenditure		3,171,384	3,195,272
Dividend Received		193,148	150,187
Interest Received on Investments		<u>1,760,328</u>	<u>1,868,715</u>
		5,124,860	5,214,174
EXPENDITURE.			
Administration Fee	1	390,146	394,752
Audit Fee		4,770	4,630
Doubtful Debts		64,943	25,872
Interest Paid		43,861	42,350
Legal Fees		22,022	2,702
Stationery, Postage and General Expenses		4,690	5,440
Telephone and Tolls		1,205	1,659
Travelling Expenses and Investigation Items		<u>32,764</u>	<u>7,179</u>
		564,401	484,584
Write back of Doubtful Debt and Tenancy Contingency Provisions		<u>86,210</u>	<u>226,580</u>
EXCESS INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE		4,646,669	4,956,170
LESS AMOUNTS DISTRIBUTED 2			
Income Fund		1,325,039	1,126,909
Growth and Income Fund		3,321,609	3,602,677
Special Distribution (to Growth and Income Fund)		<u>-</u>	<u>226,580</u>
		(4,646,648)	(4,956,166)
TRANSFERRED TO GENERAL RESERVE		<u>21</u>	<u>4</u>
MOVEMENTS IN GENERAL RESERVE			
Opening Balance 1 April		15	11
Plus Under distributed Income		21	4
Less Written Off Debit Balances		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Closing Balance 31 March		<u>36</u>	<u>15</u>

This Statement should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts.

NEW ZEALAND METHODIST TRUST ASSOCIATION (INC)

PROPERTY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

for the Year Ended 31 March 1996

	1996 \$	1995 \$
PROPERTY INCOME.		
Rent Received	3,483,746	3,482,632
Property Expenses Recovered	<u>565,123</u>	<u>571,574</u>
	4,048,869	4,054,206
PROPERTY RELATED EXPENDITURE.		
Air Conditioning	32,678	25,272
Cleaning and Caretaking	88,918	90,028
Electricity	56,453	45,611
Fire Appliance Servicing	8,041	9,079
Insurance	110,479	100,592
Legal Fees	9,153	6,296
Lift Maintenance	34,369	37,359
Miscellaneous Expenses	954	3,483
Rates	267,987	279,528
Rent Collection	5,061	5,075
Repairs and Maintenance	234,045	237,688
Security Services	14,092	11,307
Valuation Fees	<u>15,255</u>	<u>7,616</u>
	877,485	858,934
EXCESS PROPERTY INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE	<u>3,171,384</u>	<u>3,195,272</u>

STATEMENT OF MOVEMENTS IN EQUITY

For the Year Ended 31 March 1996

Opening Balance 1 April 1995	59,365,753	58,441,376
Excess Income over Expenditure	4,646,669	4,956,170
Amounts distributed	(4,646,648)	(4,956,166)
Revaluation of Property and Shares	1,492,666	421,549
Capital Accretion Distributed	(1,492,667)	(421,616)
Realised Gain / (Loss) on Sale of Investments	91,733	(9,013)
Realised Gain Distributed	(89,761)	-
Increase / (Decrease) in Depositor's Funds	(6,327,852)	855,879
Increase in Building Maintenance Provision	<u>55,941</u>	<u>77,574</u>
Closing Balance 31 March 1996	<u>53,095,834</u>	<u>59,365,753</u>

This Statement should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts

NEW ZEALAND METHODIST TRUST ASSOCIATION (INC)
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

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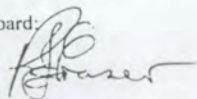
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		1996 \$	1995 \$
DEPOSITORS FUNDS:			
Income Fund		15,667,080	15,465,368
Growth and Income Fund		36,374,608	40,164,174
Growth and Income - Grafton Heights	3	<u>-</u>	<u>2,739,998</u>
		52,041,688	58,369,540
PLUS PROVISIONS AND RESERVES:			
Building Maintenance Provision		1,054,106	998,165
Property and Share Revaluation Reserves	4 & 5	2	3
Realised Capital Reserve	6	2	(1,970)
General Reserve		<u>36</u>	<u>15</u>
Total Depositors Fund		<u>\$53,095,834</u>	<u>\$59,365,753</u>
REPRESENTED BY:			
Current Assets			
Bank of New Zealand Current Account	7	7,066	16,500
Interest Accrued		320,492	542,528
Sundry Debtors	8	105,630	44,000
Less Provision for Doubtful Debts		<u>(72,044)</u>	<u>(17,276)</u>
		33,586	26,724
		361,144	585,752
Less Current Liabilities:			
Sundry Creditors and Provisions		<u>(199,514)</u>	<u>(321,195)</u>
		161,630	264,557
Investments:			
Deposits at Call		787,143	2,235,999
Deposits at Bank		1,000,000	3,000,000
Savings Bank Deposits		490,300	490,300
Shares at Market Value		4,220,029	4,068,865
Debentures, Government, Local Body Stock - valuation		11,638,634	15,930,531
Loans to Trusts	9	-	120,030
Mortgages		<u>1,000,000</u>	<u>1,000,000</u>
Total Financial Investments		19,136,106	26,845,725
Less - Special Terms Deposits	10	<u>(536,194)</u>	<u>(662,535)</u>
Net Financial Investments		18,599,912	26,183,190
Investment Properties:	11	34,334,292	32,918,006
		<u>53,095,834</u>	<u>59,365,753</u>

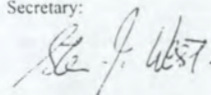
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On behalf of the Board:

Chairperson:



Secretary:



Date: 22 August 1996

NEW ZEALAND METHODIST TRUST ASSOCIATION (INC).

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

for year ended 31 March 1996

	Note	1996 \$	1995 \$
OPERATING ACTIVITIES:			
Cash was provided from:			
Property Income		3,886,296	4,189,638
Interest Received		1,839,547	1,873,326
Dividends Received		<u>193,148</u>	<u>150,187</u>
		5,918,991	6,213,151
Cash was applied to:			
Property Expenses		826,636	794,682
Operating Expenses		395,208	502,153
Interest Paid		<u>43,861</u>	<u>40,675</u>
		(1,265,705)	(1,337,510)
Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities	14	4,653,286	4,875,641
INVESTING ACTIVITIES:			
Cash was provided from:			
Sale of Property		-	1,657,053
Withdrawal of Term Deposits		11,000,000	6,000,000
Sale of Stocks and Shares		7,124,200	4,771,777
Loans Repaid		120,030	-
Increase in Call Deposits		<u>1,448,856</u>	<u>-</u>
		19,693,086	12,428,830
Cash was applied to:			
Investment Properties		44,959	82,067
Term Deposits		9,000,000	6,089,145
Purchase of Stocks and Shares		<u>2,627,578</u>	<u>6,622,796</u>
		(11,672,537)	(12,794,008)
Net Cash Flow from Investing Activities		8,020,549	(365,178)
FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Cash was provided from:			
Members Deposits (net of withdrawals)		-	434,263
Special Term Deposits		-	11,709
		-	<u>445,972</u>
Cash was applied to:			
Decrease in Members Deposits		7,820,519	-
Repayment of Special Term Deposits		126,341	1,900
Dividends Paid		<u>4,736,409</u>	<u>4,965,645</u>
		(12,683,269)	4,967,545
Net Cash Flow from Financing Activities		12,683,239	(4,521,573)
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash Held		(9,434)	(11,110)
Add Opening Cash Balance		16,500	27,610
Closing Cash Balance		<u>7,066</u>	<u>16,500</u>

These accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts.

NEW ZEALAND METHODIST TRUST ASSOCIATION (INC).

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

Year Ended 31 March 1996

Note 1. Administration Fee.

The Administration fee charged is charged at 6.5% of rental and other investment income.

Note 2. Distributions.

Distributions have been calculated on the basis of income derived from investments made by the Income Fund and the Growth and Income Funds less expenses, allocated equally over the participants in these funds by using both days and amounts of the investments in respective funds.

Note 3. Growth and Income Fund - Grafton Heights - "LTG".

The Association moved at 31 March 1995 to set up a further Growth and Income Fund known as Long Term G into which was transferred the value of the Association's investments in the Grafton properties, Grafton Heights and numbers 4 and 6 Carlton Gore Road.

The two properties were subject to the Conference - imposed moratorium on sale and the Association considered that the properties could not continue to be treated as non-tagged investments, however Conference 1995 lifted the moratorium, enabling the properties to be sold if considered prudent.

As a result of the Conference decision on the future of the properties and their availability or otherwise for sale by the Association the long term depositors' share in LTG and the income that had been credited to the depositors have been returned to the Long Term Funds from which they had previously been removed.

Note 4. Property Revaluation Reserve

	1996	1995
	\$	\$
Opening Balance 1 April	3	70
Net Increase / (Decrease) in Valuations (Note 11)	1,371,327	982,933
Amount of (Increase) / Decrease in Valuations allocated to Growth and Income Funds	(1,371,328)	(983,000)
Closing Balance 31 March	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>

Note 5. Share Revaluation Reserve.

Opening Balance 1 April	-	-
Net Increase / (Decrease) in Valuations	121,339	(561,384)
Amount of (Increase) / Decrease in Valuations allocated to Growth and Income Funds	(121,339)	561,384
Closing Balance 31 March	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

Note 6. Realised Capital Reserve.

Opening Balance 1 April	(1,970)	7,043
(Loss) / gain on sale of stocks and shares	91,733	(69,198)
	89,763	(62,155)
Profit / (Loss) on sale of properties	-	60,185
Distributed to depositors	(89,761)	-
Closing Balance 31 March	<u>2</u>	<u>(1,970)</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

Continued.

Note 7. Bank of New Zealand - Current Account.

The Bank of New Zealand Current Account of this Fund forms part of the banking arrangement of the Board of Administration - Special Account being an investment fund of the Methodist Church of New Zealand. The Bank interest received by this Fund through that banking arrangement is included in Interest Received in the Statement of Income for the year.

Note 8. Sundry Debtors.

Sundry Debtors have been valued at expected realisable value.

Note 9. Loans to Trusts.

Monies advanced to the Presbyters Deacons and Layworkers Loan Fund for purposes of making loans to Presbyters and Deacons of the Church nearing retirement to purchase homes have been repaid in full.

Interest rates on the loans range from 10.25% to 11% (1995 7.4% to 10.3%). Interest earned for the year amounted to \$10,381 (1995 \$9,659).

Note 10. Special Terms Deposits.

- Represent funds invested with the Association for specific on-investment at fixed rates of return. They do not take part in the quarterly dividend distributions.

- 1995 included a sum of \$120,030, deposited by the Supernumerary Fund for on-advancing to the Presbyters, Deacons and Layworkers Loan fund - (see Note 9).

Note 11. Investment Properties: See Separate Schedule.**Note 12. Related Party Transactions.**

The Association was constituted by resolution of the Conference of the Methodist Church of New Zealand to accept deposits from groups and organisations within the Methodist Church of New Zealand and to invest these funds in appropriate commercial investments. The Association operates equitably on behalf of all depositors with all annual net income paid to depositors by quarterly distribution.

Note 13. Segment Information.

The Association operates predominantly in the one area being the management of investment funds. All operations in this activity are carried out within New Zealand, but includes managing Australian investments.

Note 14. Reconciliation of Cashflow from Operating Activities To Excess Income Over

Expenditure Before Abnormal Items:	1996	1995
Reported Excess Income Over Expenditure	4,646,669	4,729,590
Adjust for Non Cash Items:		
Doubtful Debts	63,444	25,872
Repairs and Maintenance	212,903	77,574
Investment and Development Investigation Provision	22,500	-
Tenancy Contingency Reserve Written Back	(86,210)	-
Write-up on Government Stock and Debentures	(142,817)	26,413
Building Alterations and Computer Costs Expended	-	26,470
Adjusted Excess Income over Expenditure	4,716,489	4,885,919
Changes in Working Capital Items:		
Interest Accrued	222,036	(21,802)
Sundry Debtors	(6,862)	12,444
Sundry Creditors	(83,400)	(2,595)
Investment and Development Investigation Provision	(38,281)	-
Building and Maintenance Provision after non-cash portion deducted	(156,696)	-
Interest Payable	-	1,675
Operating Cash Flows	4,653,286	4,875,641

NEW ZEALAND METHODIST TRUST ASSOCIATION (INC)

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended 31 March 1996 continued

Note 15. Financial Instruments.

Credit Risk.

Financial instruments which potentially subject the Association to credit risk principally consist of bank balances, investments and other receivables.

Interest Rate Risk.

The Association's financial instruments are subject to the following interest rate fluctuations:

	<u>Interest Rate Yield</u>	<u>Interest Rate Review Period</u>
Assets	1996 (1995)	
Cash at Bank	1.5% (1.5%)	1.4.96
Deposits at Call	9.15% (9%)	1.4.96
Deposits at Bank	8.7% (9.4% to 9.65%)	22.4.96
Savings Bank Deposits	6.75% to 9% (5.25% to 8.25%)	18.6.96 to 29.7.97
Debentures	7.7% to 10.3% (7.7% to 10.3%)	15.10.98 to 30.11.03
Government Stock	9.56% to 10.47% (9.86% to 11.84%)	15.7.97 to 15.3.02
Local Body Stock	8.4% to 11.62% (7.26% to 17.3%)	15.4.96 to 15.3.02
Mortgages	0% (-)	1.4.96
Liabilities		
Special Term Deposits	6% to 7.5% (6% to 7.5%)	1.4.96
Income Fund	(9% to 9.2%) 8.525% to 8.3%	1.4.96
Growth and Income Fund	8.6% (9%)	1.4.96
Growth and Income Fund - Grafton Heights	0% (0%)	

Fair Values.

The carrying amounts are considered to be fair value for all the Association's financial instruments.

Note 16. There were no capital commitments at 31 March 1996 (1995 Nil).

Note 17. There were no contingent liabilities at 31 March 1996 (1995 Nil).

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - Continued

Note 11. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES at Cost or Valuation.

	Cost	Date of Latest Revaluation or Purchase	Current Book Value 1996	Book Value 1995	Movement = Property Valuations at 31.3.96
	\$		\$	\$	\$
Riddiford St Property, Wellington	1,462,990	31/3/96	1,570,000	1,570,000	
Hinemoa St Property, Rotorua	606,405	31/3/96	1,275,000	1,300,000	-25,000
Great North and Newton Road Property, Auckland	2,990,422	31/3/96	6,050,000	5,650,000	+400,000
132 Kilmore Street Property, Christchurch	255,040	31/3/96	450,000	400,000	+50,000
Cambridge Terrace Property, Christchurch	3,440,295	31/3/96	5,360,000	5,250,000	+110,000
Bainbridge Property, Rotorua	1,030,595	31/3/96	1,050,000	1,050,000	-
Grafton Heights Property, Auckland	1,454,522	31/3/96	2,220,000	2,090,000	+130,000
Victoria Street Property, Christchurch	2,100,247	31/3/96	1,505,000	1,730,000	-225,000
Laings Road Property, Lower Hutt	2,326,325	31/3/96	495,000	475,000	+20,000
Carlton Gore Road Property, Auckland	52,419	31/3/96	745,000	650,000	+95,000
126-132 High Street Property, Lower Hutt	1,504,147	31/3/96	600,000	500,000	+100,000
Ryan Place Property, Manukau City	1,986,004	31/3/96	1,600,000	1,400,000	+200,000
142 Kilmore Street Property, Christchurch	310,000	31/3/96	375,000	350,000	+25,000
Mayoral Drive Property, Auckland	17,100,450	31/3/96	11,000,000	10,500,000	+500,000
Property Development Cost					
Bainbridge Property			-	3,006	-3,006
Lychgate Centre Tenancy Fitout			39,292	-	+39,292
			<u>\$34,334,292</u>	<u>\$32,918,006</u>	<u>+1,416,286</u>

≈ Includes additions, disposals and write-offs for the year, as well as re-valuations and de-valuations.

Capital Commitment.

The Association does not have any property development projects under way at balance date.

Valuations have been provided by:

Darroch and Co Limited

Simes Limited

Wall Arlidge Limited

Reid and Reynolds

Mahoney Gardner Churton Limited



AUDIT REPORT

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE METHODIST TRUST ASSOCIATION (INC).

We have audited the financial report on pages 1 to 9. The financial report provides information about the past financial performance of the association and its financial position as at 31 March 1996. This information is stated in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page 1.

Board of New Zealand Methodist Trust Association (Inc)'s Responsibilities

The Board is responsible for the preparation of a financial report which fairly reflects the financial position of the association as at 31 March 1996 and of the results of its operations and cash flows for the year ended on that date.

Auditors' Responsibilities

It is our responsibility to express an independent opinion on the financial report presented by the Board and report our opinion to you.

Basis of Opinion

An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. It also includes assessing:

- the significant estimates and judgements made by the Board in the preparation of the financial report, and
- whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the association's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards in New Zealand. We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial report is free from material misstatements, whether caused by fraud or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial report.

Other than in our capacity as auditors we have no relationship with or interests in the association.

Unqualified Opinion

We have obtained all the information and explanations we have required.

In our opinion the financial report on pages 1 to 9 fairly reflects the financial position of the association as at 31 March 1996 and the results of its operations and cash flows for the year ended on that date.

Our audit was completed on 22 August 1996 and our unqualified opinion is expressed as at that date.

Chartered Accountants
Christchurch, New Zealand.

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**The Methodist Church of New Zealand
Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa**

PACT 2086 TRUST

For the Year Ended 31 March 1996

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

PACT 2086 Trust is a charitable trust incorporated under The Charitable Trusts Act 1957.

The purpose of the PACT 2086 Trust is to hold and accumulate investments so as to provide for redevelopment of the Queen Street, Auckland property when this reverts to the Church in the year 2086 at the end of the 100 year lease.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

REPORTING ENTITY:

The reporting entity is PACT 2086 Trust of the Methodist Church of New Zealand.

GENERAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

The measurement base adopted is that of historical cost modified by the revaluation of investment assets. Reliance is based on the fact that the Fund is a going concern. Accrual accounting is used to match expenses and revenues.

PARTICULAR ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

Sundry Debtors -	have been valued at expected realisable value. A provision for Doubtful Debts totalling \$5,877 is held at 31 March 1996.
Investments -	government, local body and other debenture stock is valued at cost with adjustment made for premiums and discounts being amortised over the term of the investment.
Investment Properties -	are valued at cost or valuation (net current value).
Company Shares -	are valued at market value. Share portfolio revaluation gains or losses are taken to the Income and Expenditure Account.
Depreciation -	no depreciation has been provided on buildings.
Property Valuation: - Rental Properties -	Rental investment properties have been valued at net current value by independent valuers. Property revaluation gains or losses are taken to the Income and Expenditure Account. The Board resolved that the lessor's residual interest in the Queen Street, Auckland property should be revalued at 10 year intervals from March 1987.
- Kaweka Forest -	The Board resolved that the Kaweka Forest Project be revalued at 5 year intervals from March 1995.
Financial Instruments -	are valued at the lower of cost or net realisable value.

CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES.

There have been no changes in accounting policies.

PACT 2086 TRUST

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

for the Year Ended 31 March 1996.

	1996	1995
PROPERTY INCOME:	\$	\$
Gross Rentals	385,770	504,887
Recovered Property Expenses	<u>43,691</u>	<u>37,275</u>
	429,461	542,162
PROPERTY EXPENDITURE:		
General Property Expenses	65	1,945
Insurance	18,372	15,865
Legal Expenses	751	3,823
Rates	49,095	34,274
Rent Collection and Leasing Commission	41,136	40,662
Repairs and Maintenance	41,507	11,393
Valuation Fees	920	3,000
Fire Safety Appliance Servicing	<u>256</u>	<u>-</u>
	152,102	110,962
Net Income From Property	277,359	431,200
Interest and Dividends Received	<u>166,994</u>	<u>160,950</u>
	444,353	592,150
GENERAL EXPENDITURE:		
Administration Fee	6,620	6,588
Audit Fee	600	660
Bad and Doubtful Debts	2,592	-
Commission on Interest Received	12,525	12,008
Computer Processing	8,230	8,062
Interest Paid	185,913	172,367
Legal Expenses	-	-
Office and General Expenses	6,971	1,114
Travelling Expenses	<u>8,361</u>	<u>7,212</u>
	231,812	208,011
Excess Income Over Expenditure	212,541	384,139
Unrealised Change in Value of Investments and Investment Properties	158,930	(4,857)
Realised Gain on sale shares (property)	5,948	45,800
Net Surplus (Deficit)	<u>377,419</u>	<u>425,082</u>

STATEMENT OF MOVEMENTS IN EQUITY

For the Year Ended 31 March 1996

Opening Balance	4,795,700	4,370,618
Excess Income Over Expenditure	<u>377,419</u>	<u>425,082</u>
Closing Balance	<u>5,173,119</u>	<u>4,795,700</u>

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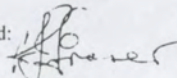


STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

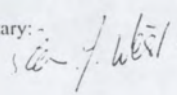
as at 31 March 1996

	Note	1996 \$	1995 \$
ACCUMULATED FUNDS		5,173,119	4,795,700
		<u>5,173,119</u>	<u>4,795,700</u>
REPRESENTED BY:			
Current Assets:			
Bank of New Zealand -			
Current Account (1)		9,487	8,633
Call Deposits - Money Market		45,610	104,738
Short Term Deposits		-	-
Sundry Debtors		22,781	44,748
Less Provision for Doubtful Debts		(5,877)	(3,285)
		16,904	41,463
Interest Accrued		28,029	37,026
		100,030	191,860
Less Current Liabilities:			
Sundry Creditors		20,811	37,562
Accrued Bank Interest		7,730	8,793
PAC History &			
Research Provision (2)		9,954	9,954
Rent Received in Advance		15,188	8,006
Bank of New Zealand			
(Secured Loan) (3)		1,500,000	1,800,000
		1,553,683	1,864,315
		<u>(1,453,653)</u>	<u>(1,672,455)</u>
Investments:			
Government, Local Body & S.O.E. Stock		1,151,119	1,161,632
Fletcher Challenge Capital Notes		367,378	369,332
Company Shares		135,675	167,933
Investment Properties:			
Land and Improvements (4/5)		4,972,600	4,769,258
		6,626,772	6,468,155
		<u>5,173,119</u>	<u>4,795,700</u>

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts.

On Behalf Of The Board:
Chairperson:

Secretary:



Date:

PACT 2086 TRUST

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

for the Year Ended 31 March 1996

	<u>Note</u>	1996 \$	1995 \$
OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Cash was provided from:			
Property Income		452,651	530,271
Interest / Dividends Received		173,687	181,026
Net Movement in GST		<u>(2,554)</u>	<u>92,851</u>
		623,784	804,148
Cash was applied to:			
Property Expenditure		166,299	73,464
Other Expenditure		43,307	70,810
Interest Paid		<u>186,976</u>	<u>169,668</u>
		<u>396,582</u>	<u>313,942</u>
Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities (7)		227,202	490,206
INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Cash was provided from:			
Sale of Stocks and Shares		602,015	1,596,095
Sale of Investment Properties		-	345,941
Decrease in Call Deposit		<u>59,128</u>	<u>-</u>
		661,143	1,942,036
Cash was applied to:			
Purchase of Stocks and Shares		553,108	1,172,250
Purchase of Investment Properties		34,383	906,314
Increase in Call Deposits		<u>-</u>	<u>47,731</u>
		<u>587,491</u>	<u>2,126,295</u>
Net Cash Flow from Investing Activities		73,652	(184,259)
FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Cash was applied to:			
Repayment of Loans		(300,000)	(300,000)
Net Cash Flow from Financing Activities		<u>(300,000)</u>	<u>(300,000)</u>
NET INCREASE (DECREASE)		854	5,947
Opening Cash Balance (7)		8,633	2,686
Closing Cash Balance		<u>9,437</u>	<u>8,633</u>

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts.



NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

Note 1. Bank of New Zealand - Current Account:

The Bank of New Zealand Current Account of this Fund forms part of the banking arrangement of the Board of Administration - Special Account being an investment fund of the Methodist Church of New Zealand. The Bank interest received by this Fund through that banking arrangement is included in Interest Received in the Statement of Financial Performance for the year.

Note 2. P.A.C. History & Research Provision:

1996 1995

9,954 9,954

Following a request from the Trustees of the Prince Albert College Trust for funding of a companion volume to the earlier history of the Prince Albert College institution and site the Trust Board set aside \$15,554 to cover such a work. The volume was completed and published in early 1990 and the balance of the provision is retained for future research, publication or promotion of the history of the Prince Albert College Trust to assure that the Church in the future, when considering the PAC site or PACT 2086 Trust, will be aware of the history and significance of the property in the life of the Church.

Note 3. Bank of New Zealand - Secured Loan

1996 1995

1,500,000 1,800,000

The loan is secured by way of mortgage of properties due 15 December 1996 at an interest rate fixed to 12 July 1996 of 9.90% per annum.

Note 4. Investment Properties

1996 1995

	Cost	Book Value	Book Value
Land and Improvements:		<u>31/3/96</u>	<u>31/3/95</u>
258 Taranaki St, Wgtn.	2,807,076	845,000	700,000
161 Karangahape Rd, Auck.	1,309,656	655,000	730,000
165 Karangahape Rd, Auck.	977,000	580,000	650,000
171 Karangahape Rd, Auck.	1,275,857	728,000	680,000
21 Poynton Terrace, Auck.	649,778	125,000	125,000
43 Mahunga Drive, Auck.	1,701,957	1,070,000	955,000
Queen Street, Auckland			
Lessor's Residual Interest	<u>25,359</u>	<u>25,359</u>	<u>25,359</u>
	8,746,683	4,028,359	3,865,359
Kaweka Forest Project land	764,403	713,992	715,085
Forestry costs Capitalised	<u>188,814</u>	<u>230,249</u>	<u>188,814</u>
31 March 1996	<u>\$9,699,900</u>	<u>4,972,600</u>	<u>\$4,769,258</u>
31 March 1995	<u>\$10,041,175</u>		

(Kaweka Forest land cost reduced by the further proceeds from the sale of farm buildings for removal during the year).



PACT 2086 TRUST

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS continued.

Note 5. Property Revaluation.

The Trust rental investment properties were revalued by independent valuers as at 31 March 1996. The Taranaki Street property was revalued by Wall Aldridge Limited and all other properties revalued by Darroch and Partners.

The Board determined a policy that the lessor's residual interest in the Queen Street, Auckland property should be revalued at 10 year intervals, the first such revaluation falling due to be made in the year ended 31 March 1997, and that the Kaweka Forest Project be revalued at 5 year intervals from 31 March 1995.

Note 6. Segment Information.

The Trust operates predominantly in the area of investment in property. All operations in this activity are carried out within New Zealand.

Note 7. Reconciliation of Operating Cashflows:

Excess Income Over Expenditure	212,541	384,139
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Non Cash Items.

Interest Amortised to Investments	(2,304)	34,984
Adjust for Costs re Property Sold	-	(3,719)

Movements in Working Capital.

Sundry Debtors	24,559	53,564
- Portion Relating to Property Sold	<u>(5,959)</u>	<u>14,896</u>
	18,600	68,460
Interest Accrued	8,997	(14,908)
Sundry Creditors	(16,751)	10,680
Interest Payable	(1,063)	2,699
Rent in Advance	7,182	8,006
PAC History Provision	-	(135)
	<u>227,202</u>	<u>490,206</u>

Note 8. Capital Commitments.

There were no capital commitments at 31 March 1996 (1995 Nil).

Note 9. Contingent Liabilities.

There were no contingent liabilities at 31 March 1996 (1995 Nil).

Note 10. Financial Instruments.**Credit Risk:**

Financial instruments which potentially subject the Trust to credit risk principally consist of bank balances, call and short-term deposits, other receivables and investments.



PACT 2086 TRUST

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
continued.**Note 11. Interest Rate Risk:**

(continued) Cash, call and short-term deposits, Bank of New Zealand loan, government stock and Fletcher Challenge Capital Notes are subject to the following interest rate fluctuations:

	<u>Current Rate</u> (1995)	<u>Interest Rate</u> <u>Review Period</u>
Cash at Bank	1.5% (1.5%)	Set six-monthly, February and August.
Call Deposits	9.05% (9.0%)	To April 1996 then floating daily.
Government Local Body	8.75% to 10% (8.75% to 10%)	Fixed to Maturity, 15 June 1996 to 15 Oct' 2001.
Stock and SOE Stock		
Fletcher Challenge Capital Notes	11.25% (11.25%)	Fixed to Maturity, 15 Dec 2002.
Bank of New Zealand loan	9.90% (10.7% - 11.7%)	Fixed to 12 June 1996.

Fair Values:

The carrying amounts of bank balances, call and short-term deposits, investments, other receivables and payables, and Bank of New Zealand loan, are considered to be fair value for these financial instruments.



AUDIT REPORT

TO THE MEMBERS OF PACT 2086 TRUST

We have audited the financial report on pages 1 to 7. The financial report provides information about the past financial performance of the trust and its financial position as at 31 March 1996. This information is stated in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page 1.

Board of PACT 2086's Responsibilities

The Board is responsible for the preparation of a financial report which fairly reflects the financial position of the trust as at 31 March 1996 and of the results of its operations and cash flows for the year ended on that date.

Auditors' Responsibilities

It is our responsibility to express an independent opinion on the financial report presented by the Board and report our opinion to you.

Basis of Opinion

An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. It also includes assessing:

- the significant estimates and judgements made by the Board in the preparation of the financial report, and
- whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the trust's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards in New Zealand. We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial report is free from material misstatements, whether caused by fraud or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial report.

Other than in our capacity as auditors we have no relationship with or interests in the trust.

Unqualified Opinion

We have obtained all the information and explanations we have required.

In our opinion the financial report on pages 1 to 7 fairly reflects the financial position of the trust as at 31 March 1996 and the results of its operations and cash flows for the year ended on that date.

Our audit was completed on 23 August 1996 and our unqualified opinion is expressed as at that date.

Chartered Accountants
Christchurch, New Zealand.

The Methodist Church of New Zealand
Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa

BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION INSURANCE ACCOUNT

for the Year Ended 30 April 1996

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The prime intention of the Board of Administration Insurance Account is to provide insurance cover for all Church Property against calamity, general material loss, damage, and other risks.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

REPORTING ENTITY:

The reporting entity is the Board of Administration Insurance Account of the Methodist Church of New Zealand.

GENERAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

Measurement Base.

The measurement base adopted is that of historical cost and reliance is placed on the fact that the Account is a going concern.

Accrual accounting is used to match expenses and revenue.

PARTICULAR ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

Sundry Debtors - have been valued at expected realisable value.

Investments - have been valued at cost or market value.

Financial Instruments - have been valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

There have been no changes in accounting policies. All policies have been applied on a basis consistent with those of previous years.

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BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION INSURANCE ACCOUNT

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

for the Year Ended 30 April 1996

	Note	1996 \$	1995 \$
INCOME:			
Insurance Premiums Received		1,065,928	939,925
Interest		51,962	22,052
Methodist Trust Association Distributions		<u>3,200</u>	<u>11,933</u>
		1,121,090	973,910
EXPENDITURE:			
Administration Fee		31,140	32,346
Audit Fee		1,669	1,712
Computer Processing		19,280	19,016
General Office Expenses		2,314	2,533
Insurance Claims - Church Property		135,888	138,693
Re-Insurance - Church Property		699,250	684,899
Video Promotion		<u>233</u>	<u>21,811</u>
		890,474	901,010
Excess Income over Expenditure	4	<u>230,616</u>	<u>72,900</u>

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts.

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BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION INSURANCE ACCOUNT

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

as at 30 April 1996

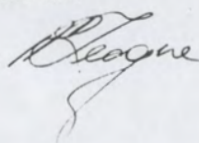
<u>Note</u>	1996 \$	1995 \$
ACCUMULATED FUNDS	<u>545,607</u>	<u>314,991</u>
REPRESENTED BY:		
Current Assets:		
Bank of New Zealand		
- Current Account	1 2,724	1,002
Deposits at Call	232,145	69,710
Short Term Deposits - Methodist Trust Association	37,655	34,492
Sundry Debtors	355,632	502,693
Premiums Paid in Advance	5 359,437	330,753
Interest Accrued	<u>278</u>	<u>241</u>
	987,871	938,891
Current Liabilities:		
Sundry Creditors		
- Ordinary	(386,002)	(563,040)
- Unexpired Insurance Premiums	<u>(56,262)</u>	<u>(52,880)</u>
	<u>(442,264)</u>	<u>(615,920)</u>
	545,607	322,971
Provisions:		
- Insurance Incentives	-	(7,980)
	-	(7,980)
	<u>545,607</u>	<u>314,991</u>

STATEMENT OF MOVEMENTS IN EQUITY
for the year ended 30 April 96

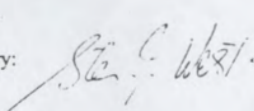
	1996 \$	1995 \$
Opening Balance 1 May 1995	314,991	236,891
Excess Income over Expenditure	230,616	72,900
	545,607	309,791
Plus provision for Insurance Claims Written Back	<u>-</u>	<u>5,200</u>
	<u>545,607</u>	<u>314,991</u>

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts.

On behalf of the Board:

Chairperson: 

Date:

Secretary: 

BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION INSURANCE ACCOUNT

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
for Year Ended 30 April 1996

	Note	1996 \$	1995 \$
OPERATING ACTIVITIES:			
Cash was provided from:			
Insurance Premiums Received		1,082,696	958,575
Interest and Methodist Trust Association Distribution		<u>55,125</u>	<u>31,750</u>
		1,137,821	990,325
Cash was applied to:			
Re-Insurance	733,330		632,462
Insurance Claims	104,900		103,872
Payments to Suppliers	<u>132,271</u>		<u>79,726</u>
		970,501	816,060
Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities	4	<u>167,320</u>	<u>174,265</u>
INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES:			
Cash was provided from / (applied to)			
Deposits at Call		(162,435)	(66,040)
Deposit Methodist Trust Association		<u>(3,163)</u>	<u>(34,492)</u>
Net Cash Flow from Investment Activities		(165,598)	(100,532)
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES:			
Cash was applied to			
Repayment of Advance from Connexional Fire Insurance Fund		<u>-</u>	<u>74,000</u>
Net Cash Flow from Financial Activities			<u>(74,000)</u>
TOTAL NET CASH FLOWS		1,722	(267)
Opening Cash Balance		<u>1,002</u>	<u>1,269</u>
Closing Cash Balance		<u><u>2,724</u></u>	<u><u>1,002</u></u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 1. Bank of New Zealand - Current Account.

The Bank of New Zealand Current Account of this Fund forms part of the banking arrangement of the Board of Administration - Special Account being an investment fund of the Methodist Church of New Zealand. The arrangement gives the Bank of New Zealand the right of offset over any balance. The Bank interest received by this Fund through that banking arrangement is included in Interest Received in the Statement of Financial Performance.

Note 2. Related Party Disclosure:

This Account receives monies from Methodist Church Parishes, Co-operating Parishes and Divisions within the Church for the purpose of insuring their property. All funds received and balances existing at balance date are detailed in the financial statements. Included in Sundry Debtors is an amount of \$30,702 which is owing to the Insurance Account from the Connexional Fire Insurance Fund. The money is for subsidising the fire alarm installation scheme offered to parishes. The subsidy is calculated at the lower of \$1,800 or 80% of the actual cost of installation.

Note 3. Segment Information:

The Insurance Account operates predominantly in the one area. All operations in this activity are carried out within New Zealand.

Note 4. Reconciliation of Excess Income over Expenditure to Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities:

	1996	1995
	\$	\$
Excess Income over Expenditure	230,616	72,900
Plus Non Cash items	(7,980)	-
Movement in Working Capital		
Sundry Debtors	147,061	(461,791)
Interest Accrued	(37)	(149)
Sundry Creditors	(177,038)	541,334
Unexpired Insurance	3,382	3,735
Unexpired Re-Insurance	(28,684)	18,236
Net Cash flow from Operating Activities	167,320	174,265

Note 5. Premiums Paid in Advance.

For the current year the re-insurance premiums were prepaid to 16 November 1996.

Note 6. Financial Instruments.**Credit Risk**

Financial instruments which potentially subject the Account to Credit Risk principally consist of bank balances, deposits, and other receivables.

Fair Values

The carrying amounts are considered to be fair value for the Account's financial instruments.

Interest Rate Risk.

The current interest rates on the bank call deposits is 9.05% (1995 - 9.00%) floating daily.

Note 7. Contingent Liabilities.

There are no contingent liabilities at 30 April 1996 (1995 - nil).

Note 8. Commitments.

There are no commitments at 30 April 1996 (1995 - nil).

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AUDIT REPORT

TO THE MEMBERS OF BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION INSURANCE ACCOUNT

We have audited the financial report on pages 1 to 5. The financial report provides information about the past financial performance of the Fund and its financial position as at 30 April 1996. This information is stated in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page 1.

Board of Administration's Responsibilities

The Board is responsible for the preparation of a financial report which fairly reflects the financial position of the Fund as at 30 April 1996 and of the results of its operations and cash flows for the year ended on that date.

Auditors' Responsibilities

It is our responsibility to express an independent opinion on the financial report presented by the Board and report our opinion to you.

Basis of Opinion

An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. It also includes assessing:

- the significant estimates and judgements made by the Board in the preparation of the financial report, and
- whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Fund's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards in New Zealand. We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial report is free from material misstatements, whether caused by fraud or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial report.

Other than in our capacity as auditors we have no relationship with or interests in the Fund.

Unqualified Opinion

We have obtained all the information and explanations we have required.

In our opinion the financial report on pages 1 to 5 fairly reflects the financial position of the Fund as at 30 April 1996 and the results of its operations and cash flows for the year ended on that date.

Our audit was completed on 26 August 1996 and our unqualified opinion is expressed as at that date.

Chartered Accountants
Christchurch, New Zealand

**The Methodist Church of New Zealand
Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa**

BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION - SPECIAL ACCOUNT

For the Year Ended 31 March 1996

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The purpose of the Board of Administration - Special Account is to provide an Investment Fund of the Methodist Church of New Zealand. Under the Connexional Banking Arrangement with the Bank of New Zealand, an offset account is held at favourable terms making funds available for investment within the Church on temporary or short-term loans to Parishes or Church Funds and in various other short-term deposits as funds permit. Net Income generated is made available towards the wider work of the Church through the Connexional Budget.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

REPORTING ENTITY:

The reporting entity is the Board of Administration - Special Account of the Methodist Church of New Zealand.

GENERAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

The measurement base adopted is that of historical cost. Reliance is based on the fact that the Fund is a going concern. Accrual accounting is used to match expenses and revenues.

PARTICULAR ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

- | | |
|------------------------------|--|
| Investments | - are valued at cost. |
| Sundry Debtors | - are valued at expected realisable value. |
| Financial Instruments | - are valued at the lower of cost or net realisable value. |

CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

There have been no changes in accounting policies. All policies have been applied on a basis consistent with those of previous years.

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BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION - SPECIAL ACCOUNT

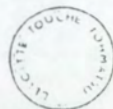
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

for the Year Ended 31 March 1996

	1996 \$	1995 \$
INCOME:		
Interest Received	141,270	115,467
EXPENDITURE:		
Administration Fee	7,063	5,773
Audit Fee	361	369
Computer Processing	8,150	7,983
General Expenses	1,015	262
Interest Paid and Bank Charges	<u>81,188</u>	<u>82,440</u>
	97,777	96,827
Excess of Income Over Expenditure	43,493	18,640
PROVISION FOR DISTRIBUTION:		
Opening Balance 1 April 1995	20,000	20,000
Grant Paid - Connexional Budget	(11,250)	(20,000)
	<u>8,750</u>	<u>-</u>
Transfer from Appropriation Account	38,000	20,000
	<u>46,750</u>	<u>20,000</u>
Closing Balance 31 March 1996	<u>46,750</u>	<u>20,000</u>

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts.

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BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION - SPECIAL ACCOUNT

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STATEMENT OF MOVEMENT IN EQUITY

For the Year Ended 31 March 1996

	1996	1995
	\$	\$
Opening Balance 1 April 1995	7,304	8,664
Excess of Income over Expenditure	<u>43,493</u>	<u>18,640</u>
	50,797	27,304
Less Transfer to Provision for Distribution	<u>38,000</u>	<u>20,000</u>
Closing Balance 31 March 1996	<u>12,797</u>	<u>7,304</u>

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

as at 31 March 1996

	Note	1996	1995
		\$	\$
FUND EQUITY		<u>12,797</u>	<u>7,304</u>
REPRESENTED BY:			
Current Assets:			
Call Deposits - Money Market		404,677	74,008
Short Term Bank Deposits		500,000	1,125,000
Sundry Debtors		2,913	2,674
Interest Accrued		8,342	14,621
Short Term Investments:			
Advances - Local Parishes and Church Funds		347,600	5,000
Advances - Methodist Trust Association	1	<u>488,000</u>	<u>488,000</u>
		1,751,532	1,709,303
Current Liabilities:			
Bank of New Zealand - (Offset Account)		(1,673,728)	(1,677,461)
Sundry Creditors		(18,257)	(4,538)
Provision for Distribution		<u>(46,750)</u>	<u>(20,000)</u>
		(1,738,735)	(1,701,999)
		<u>12,797</u>	<u>7,304</u>

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts.

On Behalf Of The Board:

Chairperson:

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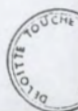
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Date:

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

for the Year Ended 31 March 1996

	Note	1996 \$	1995 \$
OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Cash was provided from:			
Interest Received		147,310	112,923
Bank Charges Recovered		<u>2,857</u>	<u>3,032</u>
		150,167	115,955
Cash was applied to:			
Interest Paid and Bank Charges		71,594	85,245
Other Operating Expenses		15,321	14,160
Grants Paid		<u>11,250</u>	<u>20,000</u>
		98,165	119,405
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Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities 3		52,002	(3,450)
INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Cash was provided from:			
Advances from Parishes and Church Funds		58,500	58,000
Short Term Withdrawals		2,975,000	2,243,200
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		3,033,500	2,301,200
Cash was applied to:			
Advances to Parishes and Church Funds		401,100	63,000
Bank Deposits			
Short Term Bank Deposits		2,350,000	2,225,000
Increase in On Call Bank Deposits		330,669	9,645
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		3,081,769	2,297,645
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Net Cash Flow (Outflow) from Investing Activities		(48,269)	3,555
Net Cash Flow from Financing Activities		Nil	Nil
NET INCREASE IN CASH HELD		3,733	105
Opening Cash Balance		(1,677,461)	(1,677,566)
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Closing Cash Balance		<u>(1,673,728)</u>	<u>(1,677,461)</u>

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts.



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**BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION - SPECIAL ACCOUNT
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

Note 1. Related Party Transactions:

Interest was earned from investments and advances to related parties as follows:

<u>Interest</u>	<u>(1995)</u>	<u>Source</u>
\$29,360	(30,464)	- \$488,000 special terms deposit with New Zealand Methodist Trust Association.
\$1,543	-	- \$22,500 advance to Connexional Expenses Fund (repaid March 1996).
\$2,593	-	- \$50,000 loan to Tamahere Eventide Home.
\$8,448	-	- \$250,000 loan to Dunedin Methodist Mission.
\$ 65	-	- \$12,100 loan to Presbyters, Deacons and Layworkers Fund.
-	(1,167)	- \$50,000 loan to Board of Administration. Repaid March 1995.

Note 2. Segment Information:

The Fund operates predominantly in one area of activity. All operations in this activity are carried out within New Zealand.

Note 3. Reconciliation of Excess Income over Expenditure with Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities.

	1996	1995
Excess Income over Expenditure	43,493	18,640
Changes in Working Capital:		
- Interest Accrued	6,279	(2,523)
- Debtors	(239)	(2,662)
- Creditors	13,719	3,095
- Provision for Distributions	<u>(11,250)</u>	<u>(20,000)</u>
Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities	<u>52,002</u>	<u>(3,450)</u>

Note 4. Financial Instruments:

Credit Risk

Financial instruments which potentially subject the fund to credit risk principally consist of bank balances, call and short-term deposits, investments as advances to the New Zealand Methodist Trust Association and other receivables.

Interest Rate Risk

The Special Account's financial instruments are subject to the following interest rate fluctuations:

	<u>Interest Rate (1995)</u>	<u>Reviewed</u>
Call Bank Deposits	9.05% (9.00%)	Daily
Short Term Bank Deposits - - Trustbank	8.7% (9.55% 9.89%)	April 1996
Overdraft - Bank of New Zealand	1.50% (1.5%)	

Fair Values.

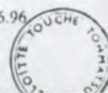
The carrying amounts of bank balances, call and short term deposits, investments by way of advances to Parishes and Church Funds and the New Zealand Methodist Trust Association, the outstanding balance for the Bank of New Zealand - Offset Account, and other receivables and other payables, are considered to be fair value for these financial instruments.

Note 5. Contingent Liabilities:

There are no contingent liabilities at 31 March 1996 (1995 - Nil).

Note 6. Commitments:

There are no commitments at 31 March 1996 (1995 - Nil).





AUDIT REPORT

TO THE MEMBERS OF BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION - SPECIAL ACCOUNT

We have audited the financial report on pages 1 to 5. The financial report provides information about the past financial performance of the Fund and its financial position as at 31 March 1996. This information is stated in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page 1.

Board of Administration's Responsibilities

The Board is responsible for the preparation of a financial report which fairly reflects the financial position of the Fund as at 31 March 1996 and of the results of its operations and cash flows for the year ended on that date.

Auditors' Responsibilities

It is our responsibility to express an independent opinion on the financial report presented by the Board and report our opinion to you.

Basis of Opinion

An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. It also includes assessing:

- the significant estimates and judgements made by the Board in the preparation of the financial report, and
- whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Fund's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards in New Zealand. We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial report is free from material misstatements, whether caused by fraud or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial report.

Other than in our capacity as auditors we have no relationship with or interests in the Fund.

Unqualified Opinion

We have obtained all the information and explanations we have required.

In our opinion the financial report on pages 1 to 5 fairly reflects the financial position of the Fund as at 31 March 1996 and the results of its operations and cash flows for the year ended on that date.

Our audit was completed on 26 August 1996 and our unqualified opinion is expressed as at that date.

Chartered Accountants
Christchurch, New Zealand.

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**The Methodist Church of New Zealand
Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa**

CONNEXIONAL FIRE INSURANCE FUND

For the Year Ended 30 April 1996.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The Methodist Church Fire and Insurance Board is incorporated under the provisions of the "Religious Charitable and Educational Trust Act 1957."

The Fund's purpose is to give financial support to the Board of Administration Insurance Account when needed.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

REPORTING ENTITY:

The reporting entity is the Connexional Fire Insurance Fund of the Methodist Church of New Zealand

GENERAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

The measurement base adopted is that of historical cost modified by the revaluation of investments with Methodist Trust Association. Reliance is based on the fact that the Fund is a going concern. Accrual accounting is used to match expenses and revenue.

PARTICULAR ACCOUNTING POLICES:

Investments - are valued at Current Realisable value.

Sundry Debtors - are valued at expected realisable value.

CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

There have been no changes in accounting policies. All policies have been applied on a basis consistent with those of previous years.

CONNEXIONAL FIRE INSURANCE FUND

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

for Year Ended 30 April 1996

	Note	1996 \$	1995 \$
INCOME:			
Interest Received - Deposits		92,639	76,532
EXPENDITURE:			
Administration Fee	5,360		5,332
Audit Fee	258		281
Computer Processing Costs	7,090		6,993
Stationery and General Expenses	57		58
Valuation Fees / Costs - Theological College Loan	—		<u>4,382</u>
		12,765	17,046
		<hr/>	<hr/>
Excess Income over Expenditure		79,874	59,486
Grant to Insurance Fund - Subsidy Alarm Systems	8	<u>(30,702)</u>	<hr/>
		<u>49,172</u>	<u>59,486</u>

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts.



CONNEXIONAL FIRE INSURANCE FUND

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

as at 30 April 1996.

	Note	1996 \$	1995 \$
Accumulated Funds		<u>1,718,249</u>	<u>1,649,453</u>
Represented by:			
Current Assets:			
Bank of New Zealand Current Account	1	118	36
Interest Accrued		<u>8,116</u>	<u>6,403</u>
		8,234	6,439
Current Liabilities:			
Sundry Creditors		(30,960)	(250)
Removal Expenses Fund	9	<u>(43,327)</u>	-
		(74,287)	(250)
Provision:			
Removal Fund Insurance		-	(43,327)
Investments:			
Methodist Trust Association	2	1,108,138	1,010,427
Loan - Methodist Theological College Council	2	<u>676,164</u>	<u>676,164</u>
		1,784,302	1,686,591
		<u>1,718,249</u>	<u>1,649,453</u>

STATEMENT OF MOVEMENTS IN EQUITY
For The Year Ended 30 April 1996

	1996 \$	1995 \$
Opening Balance 1 May 1995	1,649,453	1,585,340
Excess Income over Expenditure	<u>49,172</u>	<u>59,486</u>
	1,698,625	1,644,826
Plus Capital Accretion	<u>19,624</u>	<u>4,627</u>
Closing Balance 30 April 1996	<u>1,718,249</u>	<u>1,649,453</u>

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts.

On behalf of the Board:

Chairperson:

Date:

Secretary:

CONNEXIONAL FIRE INSURANCE FUND

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

for Year Ended 30 April 1996

	<u>Notes</u>	1996 \$	1995 \$
OPERATING ACTIVITIES:			
Cash was provided from:			
Interest Received		90,926	74,439
Cash was applied to:			
Payments to Suppliers		12,757	13,119
		<hr/>	<hr/>
Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities	5	78,169	61,320
INVESTING ACTIVITIES:			
Cash was provided from:			
Loan Repayments			
- Theological College		-	221,000
- Board of Administration - Insurance Fund		-	74,000
- MTA Withdrawals		14,550	-
		<hr/>	<hr/>
		14,550	295,000
Cash was applied to:			
Investment - Methodist Trust Association		92,637	356,415
		<hr/>	<hr/>
Net Cash Flow from Investing Activities		(78,087)	(61,415)
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES:			
Total Net Cash Flows		82	(95)
Add Opening Cash Balance 1 May 1995		36	131
Closing Cash Balance 30 April 1996		<u>118</u>	<u>36</u>

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts.

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**CONNEXIONAL FIRE INSURANCE FUND
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

Note 1. Bank of New Zealand - Current Account:

The Bank of New Zealand Current Account of this Fund forms part of the banking arrangement of the Board of Administration - Special Account being an investment Fund of the Methodist Church of New Zealand. The arrangement gives the Bank of New Zealand the right of offset over any balance. The Bank interest received by this Fund through that banking arrangement is included in Interest Received in the Statement of Financial Performance for the year.

Note 2. Related Party Transactions:

In 1991 the Connexional Fire Insurance Fund advanced to the Methodist Theological College Council an amount of \$1million interest free, to assist in the purchase of student housing. This loan is secured over five properties owned by the Trinity Methodist Theological College. These properties have a combined book value of approximately \$654,000. At 30 April 1996 the balance of this loan has been reduced to \$676,164.

The Fund held investments during the year on deposit with the Methodist Trust Association. The total sum held at Balance Date by the Methodist Trust Association amounted to \$1,108,138. Interest earned during the year from these deposits was \$92,637.

Note 3. Methodist Trust Association Investments Portfolio:

The Methodist Trust Association investment portfolio was again reviewed resulting in a capital accretion of \$19,624 in unrealised gains being allocated to this Fund at 31/3/96.

In 1995 the Methodist Trust Association resolved to freeze 6.40% of their Long Term Deposits. This was the investment value of the Grafton Heights property.

As a result of a 1995 Conference decision the Grafton Heights property may now be sold by the Methodist Trust Association if considered appropriate. The deposit that was frozen has been returned to the original deposit along with income earned during the period when it was re-classified.

Note 4. Segment Information.

The Fund operates predominantly in the one area of investment. All operations in this activity are carried out within New Zealand.

Note 5. Reconciliation of Excess Income and Expenditure Account with Net Cash Flow From Operating Activities.

	1996	1995
	\$	\$
Excess Income over Expenditure	49,172	59,486
Non Cash Item - Valuation Fees		3,932
Changes in Working Capital:		
Interest Accruals	(1,713)	(2,093)
Accounts Payable	<u>30,710</u>	<u>(5)</u>
Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities	78,169	61,320

Note 6. Financial Instruments.

Credit Risk.

Financial instruments which potentially subject the Fund to credit risk principally consists of Bank deposits, deposits in the Methodist Trust Association and advances to Theological College and Board of Administration Insurance Funds.

Fair Values.

The carrying amounts of bank balances, other receivables, payables and investments are considered to be fair value for these financial instruments.

Note 7. Contingent Liabilities.

There are no contingent liabilities at 30 April 1996 (1995 - Nil).

CONNEXIONAL FIRE INSURANCE FUND
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS continued

Note 8. Commitments.

(1995 - Nil).

The Connexional Fire Insurance Fund has committed to subsidising the Board of Administration Insurance Fund for the fire alarm installation scheme offered to parishes. The subsidy is calculated at the lower of \$1,800 or 80% of the actual cost of installation. The maximum commitment is approximately \$500,000.

Note 9. Removal Expenses Fund

In 1995 this liability was disclosed as a provision (\$43,327). It has been determined that the provision is no longer required and that the balance be transferred to the Removal Expenses Fund.





AUDIT REPORT

TO THE MEMBERS OF CONNEXIONAL FIRE INSURANCE FUND

We have audited the financial report on pages 1 to 6. The financial report provides information about the past financial performance of the Fund and its financial position as at 30 April 1996. This information is stated in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page 1.

Board of Administration's Responsibilities

The Board is responsible for the preparation of a financial report which fairly reflects the financial position of the Fund as at 30 April 1996 and of the results of its operations and cash flows for the year ended on that date.

Auditors' Responsibilities

It is our responsibility to express an independent opinion on the financial report presented by the Board and report our opinion to you.

Basis of Opinion

An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. It also includes assessing:

- the significant estimates and judgements made by the Board in the preparation of the financial report, and
- whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Fund's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards in New Zealand. We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial report is free from material misstatements, whether caused by fraud or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial report.

Other than in our capacity as auditors we have no relationship with or interests in the Fund.

Unqualified Opinion

We have obtained all the information and explanations we have required.

In our opinion the financial report on pages 1 to 6 fairly reflects the financial position of the Fund as at 30 April 1996 and the results of its operations and cash flows for the year ended on that date.

Our audit was completed on 26 August 1996 and our unqualified opinion is expressed as at that date.

Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu

Chartered Accountants
Christchurch, New Zealand

**The Methodist Church of New Zealand
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REMOVAL EXPENSES FUND

for the Year Ended 30 June 1996

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The Removal Expenses Fund is set up to meet the cost of shifting household and personal effects of Presbyters, Minita-a-Iwi, Deacons, Lay Supply and Students to College.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

GENERAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

- (a) Reporting Entity.
The financial statements presented here are for the Reporting Entity Removal Expenses Fund. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable Financial Reporting Standards.
- (b) Measurement Base.
The measurement base adopted is that of historical cost and reliance is placed on the fact that the Fund is a going concern.

Accrual accounting is used to match expenses and revenue.

PARTICULAR ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

- Deposits at Call - have been valued at cost.
- Sundry Debtors - have been valued at expected realisable value.

CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

There have been no changes in accounting policies. All policies have been applied on a basis consistent with those of previous years.

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REMOVAL EXPENSES FUND

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

for the Year Ended 30 June 1996

	Note	1996 \$	1995 \$
INCOME:			
Contributions from Parishes		54,004	56,353
Interest		<u>3,064</u>	<u>3,870</u>
		57,068	60,223
EXPENDITURE:			
Administration Fee		3,090	3,090
Audit Fee		258	250
Stationery and General Expenses		387	789
Computer Processing		8,640	8,640
Removal Costs for Methodist Stationing	1	<u>36,374</u>	<u>70,499</u>
		48,749	83,268
Distribution from Connexional Fire Insurance Fund	9	<u>43,327</u>	<u>-</u>
Excess Income over Expenditure	5	<u>51,646</u>	<u>(23,045)</u>

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts.

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REMOVAL EXPENSES FUND

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

as at 30 June 1996

	Note	1996 \$	1995 \$
CONTRIBUTORS FUNDS		<u>77,237</u>	<u>25,591</u>

REPRESENTED BY:

Current Assets:

Bank of New Zealand - Current Account	2	615	100
Deposits at Call		32,135	37,076
Sundry Debtors	9	<u>44,827</u>	<u>41</u>
		77,577	37,217

Current Liabilities:

Sundry Creditors		(340)	(11,626)
		<u>77,237</u>	<u>25,591</u>

STATEMENT OF MOVEMENTS IN EQUITY

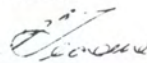
For the Year Ended 30 June 1996

	1996 \$	1995 \$
Opening Balance 1 July 1995	25,591	48,636
Excess Income Over Expenditure	<u>51,646</u>	<u>(23,045)</u>
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>77,237</u>	<u>25,591</u>

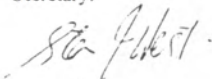
These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts.

On behalf of the Board.

Chairperson:



Secretary:



Date:

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REMOVAL EXPENSES FUND
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
for the Year Ended 30 June 1996

	<u>Notes</u>	1996 \$	1995 \$
OPERATING ACTIVITIES:			
Cash was provided from:			
Contributions		54,004	56,353
Interest Received		<u>3,064</u>	<u>3,870</u>
		57,068	60,223
Cash was applied to:			
Payment to Suppliers		61,494	77,322
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Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities	5	(4,426)	(17,099)
INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES:			
Cash was provided from/(applied to)			
Deposits at Call (Net)		4,941	17,138
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Net Cash Flow from Investment Activities		4,941	17,138
TOTAL NET CASH FLOWS		515	39
Opening Cash Balance		100	61
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Closing Cash Balance		<u>615</u>	<u>100</u>

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts.

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REMOVAL EXPENSES FUND

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 1. Analysis Of Removal Costs:

	1996	Total Cost	Average Cost	1995	Total Costs	Average Cost
		\$	\$		\$	\$
North Island	18	24,551	1,364	18	24,361	1,353
South Island	3	6,624	2,208	6	12,193	2,032
Inter Island	1	3,313	3,313	7	24,671	3,524
Students to College	2	<u>1,886</u>	943	4	<u>9,274</u>	2,318
	24	36,374		35	70,499	

Note 2. Bank of New Zealand - Current Account:

The Bank of New Zealand Current Account of this Fund forms part of the banking arrangement of the Board of Administration - Special Account being an investment fund of the Methodist Church of New Zealand. The arrangement gives the Bank of New Zealand the right of offset over any balance. The Bank interest received by this Fund through that banking arrangement is included in Interest Received in the Statement of Financial Performance for the year.

Note 3. Segment Information:

The Fund operates predominantly in one area of investment. All operations in this activity are carried out within New Zealand.

Note 4. Related Party Disclosure:

This Fund received monies from Methodist Church Parishes for the purpose of meeting the costs of removals of Presbyters, Students entering Theological College, and those involved in providing Supply Ministry.

Note 5. Reconciliation of Excess Income Over Expenditure with Net Cash Flows from Operating Activities:

	1996 \$	1995 \$
Excess Income over Expenditure	51,646	(23,045)
Movement in Working Capital -		
Sundry Creditors	(11,286)	5,987
Sundry Debtors	<u>(44,786)</u>	<u>(41)</u>
Net Cashflow from Operating Activities	(4,426)	(17,099)

Note 6. Financial Instruments
Credit Risk

Financial instruments which potentially subject the Fund to credit risks principally consist of bank balance, deposits and receivables.

Interest Rate Risk.

The current interest rates on the bank call deposits is 9.75% (1995 9%) floating daily.

Note 7. Commitments.

Commitments at 30 June 1996 amounted to nil (1995-nil).

Note 8. Contingent Liability.

There are no contingent liabilities at 30 June 1996 (1995-nil).

Note 9. Distribution from Connexional Fire Insurance Fund. Sundry debtors includes \$43,827 receivable from the Fire Insurance Fund. This was previously disclosed as a provision by the Connexional Fire Insurance Fund but it has been determined that the provision is no longer required and so the balance is to be paid to the Removal Expenses Fund.

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AUDIT REPORT

TO THE MEMBERS OF REMOVAL EXPENSES FUND

We have audited the financial report on pages 1 to 5. The financial report provides information about the past financial performance of the Fund and its financial position as at 30 June 1996. This information is stated in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page 1.

Board of Administration's Responsibilities

The Board is responsible for the preparation of a financial report which fairly reflects the financial position of the Fund as at 30 June 1996 and of the results of its operations and cash flows for the year ended on that date.

Auditors' Responsibilities

It is our responsibility to express an independent opinion on the financial report presented by the Board and report our opinion to you.

Basis of Opinion

An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. It also includes assessing:

- the significant estimates and judgements made by the Board in the preparation of the financial report, and
- whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Fund circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards in New Zealand. We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial report is free from material misstatements, whether caused by fraud or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial report.

Other than in our capacity as auditors we have no relationship with or interests in the Fund.

Unqualified Opinion

We have obtained all the information and explanations we have required.

In our opinion the financial report on pages 1 to 5 fairly reflects the financial position of the Fund as at 30 June 1996 and the results of its operations and cash flows for the year ended on that date.

Our audit was completed on 27 September 1996 and our unqualified opinion is expressed as at that date.

Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu

Chartered Accountants
Christchurch, New Zealand.

**The Methodist Church of New Zealand
Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa**

METHODIST PROVIDENT SOCIETY LTD

for the 15 Months Ended 30 June 1996

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The Society accepts interest bearing and non-interest bearing cash deposits from Church Parishioners which provides financial assistance to the wider work of the Church.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

REPORTING ENTITY:

Methodist Provident Society Limited is a company incorporated under the Industrial and Provident Societies Act 1908. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable financial reporting standards.

MEASUREMENT BASE.

The measurement base adopted is that of historical cost. Reliance is placed on the fact that the Fund is a going concern. Accrual accounting is used to match expenses and revenue.

PARTICULAR ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

- Investments** - have been valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.
- Sundry Debtors** - have been valued at expected realisable value.
- Financial Instruments** - have been valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

There have been no changes in accounting policies. All policies have been applied on bases consistent with those of previous years.



METHODIST PROVIDENT SOCIETY LTD

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

for the 15 Months Ended 30 June 1996

	<u>Note</u>	15 Month Period 1996 \$	12 Month Period 1995 \$
INCOME:			
Interest Received and Distribution			
Received - Methodist Trust Association		50,393	30,539
Commission Received		2,788	2,124
Donations Received		1,012	3,179
Interest Donated by Members		<u>3,951</u>	<u>2,623</u>
		58,144	38,465
EXPENDITURE:			
Administration Fee		5,963	4,770
Audit Fee		1,365	1,327
Computer Processing		8,075	6,460
General Office Expenses		633	339
Printing, Stationery and Postage		497	608
Interest		<u>20,053</u>	<u>14,979</u>
		36,586	28,483
Excess Income over Expenditure	2	<u>21,558</u>	<u>9,982</u>

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts.

METHODIST PROVIDENT SOCIETY LTD

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION as at 30 June 1996

	Note	1996 \$	1995 \$
MEMBERS DEPOSITS:			
Interest Bearing -			
Advances		327,285	323,078
		327,285	323,078
Non Interest Bearing -			
Advances	79,112		78,832
Nominated Trusts	111,025		129,650
		190,137	208,482
		517,422	531,560
Share Capital	3	248	256
Appropriated Funds		43,757	30,199
		<u>561,427</u>	<u>562,015</u>
Represented by:			
Current Assets -			
Bank of New Zealand - Current Account	1	1,824	366
Sundry Debtors		135	381
		1,959	747
Current Liabilities -			
Sundry Creditors		(1,706)	(1,698)
		253	(951)
Investments:			
Deposits - Methodist Trust Association	450,017		433,133
Loans - Nominated Trust Advances	111,157		129,833
		561,174	562,966
		<u>561,427</u>	<u>562,015</u>

STATEMENT OF MOVEMENTS IN EQUITY For the Period Ended 30 June 1996

	1996	1995
Opening Balance	562,015	475,914
Increase (decrease) in Members Deposits	(14,138)	76,106
New Shares Issued	14	30
Shares Redeemed upon Termination of Deposits	(22)	(17)
Excess Income over Expenditure	21,558	9,982
Grants Paid	(8,000)	—
	<u>561,427</u>	<u>562,015</u>

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts.

On behalf of the Board:

Chairperson:

Date:

Secretary:



METHODIST PROVIDENT SOCIETY LTD

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS for the 15 Months ended 30 June 1996

	Note	15 Months 1996 \$	12 Months 1995 \$
OPERATING ACTIVITIES:			
Cash was provided from:			
Commission Received		3,034	1,944
Donations		4,963	5,802
Interest Received and Distribution Methodist Trust Assn		50,393	30,539
		<hr/>	<hr/>
		58,390	38,285
Cash was applied to:			
Suppliers	16,525		13,528
Interest Paid	20,053		14,979
Grants Paid	<u>8,000</u>		<hr/>
		44,578	28,507
		<hr/>	<hr/>
Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities	2	13,812	9,778
INVESTING ACTIVITIES:			
Cash was provided from:			
Nominated Trust Loans Repaid	<u>18,676</u>		<u>22,850</u>
		18,676	22,850
Cash was applied to:			
Increase in Investment Deposit - Methodist Trust Association	16,884		84,512
Nominated Trust Loans Advanced	<hr/>		<u>23,000</u>
		<u>16,884</u>	<u>107,512</u>
Net Cash Flow from Investing Activities		1,792	(84,662)
FINANCING ACTIVITIES:			
Cash was provided from:			
Share Capital	14		30
Nominated Trust Deposits	-		69,500
Increase in Contributors' Advances	<u>4,487</u>		<u>31,444</u>
		4,501	100,974
Cash was applied to:			
Share Capital Repaid	22		18
Nominated Trust Deposits Repaid	<u>18,625</u>		<u>25,850</u>
		<u>18,647</u>	<u>25,868</u>
Net Cash Flows from Financing Activities		(14,146)	75,106
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TOTAL NET CASH FLOWS		1,458	222
Opening Cash Balance		366	144
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Closing Cash Balance		<u>1,824</u>	<u>366</u>

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts.



NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 1. Bank of New Zealand - Current Account:
The Bank of New Zealand Current Account of this Fund forms part of the banking arrangement of the Board of Administration - Special Account being an investment fund of the Methodist Church of New Zealand. The arrangement gives the Bank of New Zealand the right of offset over any balances. The Bank interest received by this Fund through that banking arrangement is included in Interest Received in the Statement of Financial Performance for the period.

Note 2. Reconciliation of Excess Income Over Expenditure With Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities.

	1996	1995
	\$	\$
Excess Income over Expenditure	21,558	9,982
Plus Movements in Working Capital		
Sundry Debtors	246	(181)
Sundry Creditors	8	(23)
Less Grants Paid - Not Included In Statement of Financial Performance	(8,000)	-
Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities	<u>13,812</u>	<u>9,778</u>

Note 3. Share Capital: (\$1 Ordinary Shares fully paid)

	1996	1995
Brought forward	256	243
New Shares issued to new depositors	14	30
Shares redeemed upon termination of deposits	(22)	(17)
Share Capital carried forward	<u>248</u>	<u>256</u>

Note 4. Related Party Transactions:

The Society placed monies during the year on deposit with the Methodist Trust Association and received income from those deposits. Details of income received and deposits held at Balance Date are as shown in the Financial Statements.

Note 5. Segment Information:

The Society operates predominantly in one area of Investment activity. All operations in this activity are carried out within New Zealand.

Note 6. Financial Instruments.

Credit Risk

Financial instruments which potentially subject the Fund to credit risk principally consist of bank balances, other receivables and investments.

The Fund has placed the majority of its investments with the Methodist Trust Association.

Fair Values

The carrying amounts of bank balances, other receivables, investments and payables are considered to be fair value for these financial instruments.

Note 7. Contingent Liabilities.

There are no contingent liabilities at 30 June 1996 (1995 - Nil).

Note 8. Commitments.

There are no commitments at 30 June 1996 (1995 - Nil).





AUDIT REPORT

TO THE MEMBERS OF METHODIST PROVIDENT SOCIETY LIMITED

We have audited the financial report on pages 1 to 5. The financial report provides information about the past financial performance of the company and its financial position as at 30 June 1996. This information is stated in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page 1.

Board of Methodist Provident Society Limited's Responsibilities

The Board is responsible for the preparation of a financial report which gives a true and fair view of the financial position of the company as at 30 June 1996 and of the results of its operations and cash flows for the period ended on that date.

Auditors' Responsibilities

It is our responsibility to express an independent opinion on the financial report presented by the Board and report our opinion to you.

Basis of Opinion

An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. It also includes assessing:

- the significant estimates and judgements made by the Board in the preparation of the financial report, and
- whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards in New Zealand. We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial report is free from material misstatements, whether caused by fraud or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial report.

Other than in our capacity as auditors we have no relationship with or interests in the company.

Unqualified Opinion

We have obtained all the information and explanations we have required.

In our opinion:

- proper accounting records have been kept by the company as far as appears from our examination of those records; and
- the financial report on pages 1 to 5:
 - complies with generally accepted accounting practice;
 - gives a true and fair view of the financial position of the company as at 30 June 1996 and the results of its operations and cash flows for the period ended on that date.

Our audit was completed on 27 September 1996 and our unqualified opinion is expressed as at that date.

Chartered Accountants
Christchurch, New Zealand.

COUNCIL FOR MISSION & ECUMENICAL CO-OPERATION
STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS 1995 - 96

Last Year 1994-95

BUDGET ACCOUNT

Income was contributed by:-

\$82,530		Methodist Church Parish giving	\$77,582	
\$97,596		Methodist Church Trust Income	\$67,663	
<u>\$56,042</u>		Methodist Church for ecumenical grants	<u>\$62,024</u>	
	\$236,168			\$207,269
\$405,267		Presbyterian Church Parish giving	\$325,000	
\$8,932		Presbyterian Church other giving	\$24,230	
\$112,395		Presbyterian Church Trust income	\$126,204	
<u>\$129,718</u>		Presbyterian Church for ecumenical grants	<u>\$122,338</u>	
	<u>\$658,312</u>			<u>\$597,770</u>
	<u>\$892,480</u>	Total Income		\$805,039

Expenditure was incurred for:-

Overseas Staff

\$158,871		Stipend, Allowances, Superannuation	\$168,350	
<u>\$33,407</u>		Furlough & Travel	<u>\$8,854</u>	
	\$192,278			\$175,204

Grants & Scholarships for work of Partner Churches

\$5,000		Taiwan	\$5,000	
\$5,000		Myanmar	\$11,882	
\$15,000		Indonesia	\$15,000	
\$32,500		India	\$28,000	
\$2,000		Sri Lanka	\$2,000	
\$25,000		Papua New Guinea & Solomon Islands	\$25,000	
\$18,600		Solomon Islands - Medical	\$18,600	
\$40,000		Vanuatu	\$40,000	
\$34,445		Pacific Theological College	\$5,000	
\$2,000		Bougainville Students at Rarongo	\$2,000	
\$9,000		Philippines	\$15,000	
\$5,867		CLTC Seghe, Solomon Islands	0	
\$10,000		West Buka Training Centre	0	
\$10,000		Irian Jaya Leadership Development	\$10,000	
<u>\$2,000</u>		Rarongo Theo. College equipment	0	
		Hindi Literature Programme	\$5,000	
		House of Love, Korea	\$3,000	
		Scholarship Rev P Etuata at PTC	\$20,000	
	\$214,412	Scholarship Rev J Nual at PTC	<u>\$19,358</u>	\$222,838

Projects supported:-

\$3,000		Bethune House, Hong Kong	\$3,000	
\$3,000		Amity Foundation	\$3,000	
\$8,497		Ecumenical Relations	\$4,436	
\$5,508		Volunteer Service	\$8,262	
\$1,353		Asian Ministry in New Zealand		
		Pacific Area projects	\$4,505	
\$1,360		Kanak Language Training in NZ		
<u>\$2,000</u>		Cambodian projects	<u>\$5,000</u>	\$28,203
	\$24,718			

Promotion & Education in New Zealand

		Preparation & production of literature and for meetings & deputation. Recruitment & preparation of overseas co-workers; Synod, Presbytery & parish meetings		
<u>\$88,174</u>	\$88,174		<u>\$57,182</u>	\$57,182

Administration

\$14,000		Accounting Services at Wellington	\$14,000	
\$87,646		Secretary & office secretaries salaries	\$37,712	
\$30,320		Office rent & supplies/Council meetings	\$36,327	
		Office equipment	\$12,232	
	<u>\$131,966</u>			<u>\$100,271</u>
	<u>\$651,548</u>			<u>\$683,698</u>

Methodist Ecumenical Grants		
\$4,500	World Council of Churches	\$4,500
\$300	World Council of Churches 1998 Assembly	\$2,500
\$525	World Council of Churches Central Committee Trav	\$525
\$1,075	Programme to Combat Racism	\$1,075
\$1,100	Christian Conference of Asia	\$1,100
\$20,000	Conference of Churches in Aotearoa New Zealand	\$20,000
\$5,000	Programme on Racism - CCANZ	\$5,000
\$5,000	Travel & Study Grant	\$9,300
\$1,018	World Methodist Council	\$944
<u>\$17,524</u>	CWS - Overseas Aid 2%	<u>\$17,080</u>
\$58,042		\$62,024 *
Presbyterian Ecumenical Grants		
\$13,500	Council for World Mission	\$13,500
\$1,250	Pacific Conference of Churches	\$1,350
\$1,050	World Alliance of Reformed Churches	\$1,050
	CCANZ Programme on Racism	\$7,950
\$8,350	World Council of Churches	\$8,350
\$2,100	Christian Conference of Asia	\$2,100
\$39,660	Conference of Churches in Aotearoa New Zealand	\$39,660
<u>\$63,808</u>	Overseas Development & Disaster Relief Fund	<u>\$60,526</u>
\$129,718		\$122,336
\$837,308	Total Expenditure	\$768,046
(\$55,172)	Income was greater (less) than Expenditure	\$36,981
\$95,874	Balance at beginning of year	\$151,046
\$151,046	Balance at end of year	\$188,027
Other Council for Mission Receipts		
Second Mile Giving to:-		
	Rarongo Theological College	\$2,175
	Pacific Youth Exchange	\$875
	Soweto, South Africa	\$786
	Tabaka Bay, Solomon Islands	\$1,148
\$4,471	Bougainville Rehabilitation	\$2,896
\$25,768	St Thomas' School Scholarships	\$7,027
\$176	General Gifts	\$397
\$2,000	Silliman University, Philippines	\$180
\$1,506	Pacific Theological College, Womens' Programme	\$308
<u>\$1,506</u>	Peace Monitoring in South Africa	\$383
	Land Mine Clearance, Cambodia	\$937
	Fish Farming, Irian Jaya	<u>\$843</u>
\$35,427		\$17,755
FUNDS HELD IN COUNCIL FOR MISSION OFFICES		
\$4,224	at Christchurch: Office Fund	(\$0.50)
\$2,748	at Hamilton: Office Fund	\$1,890.94
\$2,819	Donations: specified	\$1,378.00
<u>\$1,585</u>	general	<u>\$205.50</u>
\$7,152		\$3,471.94
\$11,376		\$3,471.94

COUNCIL FOR MISSION & ECUMENICAL CO-OPERATION
BANK ACCOUNT BNZ CHRISTCHURCH 02.800.0193752.00

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR 12 MONTHS ENDED 31 JULY 1996

Receipts	Payments
Sales book Little Feet in a Big Room \$643.25	Pres Church of Aotearoa New Zealand
Edendale Pres Church - HG Hospital \$694.00	transfer of funds
Gifts to Helena Goldie Hospital \$1,900.00	26 September 1995 \$4,263.78
Gifts to St Thomas' School S/ship \$120.00	11 December \$23,322.91
Gifts to Rehabilitation, Cambodia \$290.00	16 May 1996 \$6,029.17
Gifts to Landmine Clearance, Cambodia \$885.00	16 July 1996 \$1,881.81
General gifts & Donations \$1,758.05	31 July 1996 \$1,781.00
R.Yates, Tabaka Bay project \$150.00	
W.Walters Trust	
Community Nurses Training,HGH \$3,000.00	BNZ Remit to Solomon IS \$650.00
Rarongo Theo. College \$2,500.00	R Yates travel refund \$94.00
Work in South Pacific \$6,000.00	C Pirie - change \$15.00
St Andrews APW Waipukurau for work in Karo Batak Church \$120.00	Petty Cash \$30.00
Oxford Union for Cambodia/Fish Farms \$100.00	Rubber Stamp \$25.00
MWF National Executive	BNZ Bank Charges \$44.00
Helena Goldie Hospital \$2,251.00	
Chiang Mai Prison Ministry \$1,000.00	Total Payments \$38,136.67
Rehab Craft, Cambodia \$2,000.00	
Dr P Zabel, Cholsel, SI \$2,141.91	
MCNZ transfer Trust Income \$2,815.77	
Christchurch Scouts, Rehab Indonesia \$202.15	
St Andrew's Guild Student Nurses HGH \$50.00	
Napier Meth Parish, Landmine clearance \$1,000.00	
LH Weston, Rehab, Cambodia \$150.00	
Calder & Lawson Refund travel \$115.00	
MCNZ Waikato/BOP Synod Sri Lanka	
Peacemaking \$846.00	
PCANZ - Petty cash \$30.00	
Aldred MWF Donation \$150.00	
Gordon Trust General purposes \$3,000.00	
Total Receipts \$33,912.13	
Balance 1 August 1995 \$4,224.04	
add Receipts <u>\$33,912.13</u>	
\$38,136.17	
deduct Payments <u>\$38,136.67</u>	
Balance at 31 July 1996 \$(0.50)	

COUNCIL OF MISSION & ECUMENICAL CO-OPERATION UNIT 2
RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 1996

SPECIFIED DONATIONS	Balance 31/7/95	Receipts	Total	Paid Credit	Paid to PCANZ	Balance 31/7/96
Bouganville Rehab	257.15	543.40	800.55	-	800.55	Nil
Dr. R. Brown	87.00	494.00	581.00	100.00	481.00	Nil
H.G.Hospital	1720.00	6152.50	7872.50		6496.50	1376.00
Rabaul Appeal	150.00	-	150.00		150.00	Nil
Prayer Handbook	20.00	-	20.00		20.00	Nil
Levy Family	50.00		50.00		50.00	Nil
Zazala Hostel	425.00	1130.00	1555.00		1555.00	Nil
Solomon Islands	110.00	1000.00	1110.00		1110.00	Nil
St Thomas School		401.00	401.00		401.00	Nil
Little Feet		75.00	75.00		75.00	Nil
Doreen Riddell		50.00	50.00		50.00	Nil
K McDaniels Prison min.		262.00	262.00		262.00	Nil
Green Earth		8.00	8.00		8.00	Nil
Dr.J Mein, Airfare		500.00	500.00		500.00	Nil
Martin Miniore		150.00	150.00		150.00	Nil
Kathy Brown		300.00	300.00	300.00		Nil
Tabaka Bay		20.00	20.00		20.00	Nil
TOTALS	2819.15	11085.90	13905.05	400.00	12129.00	1376.00
J.P.I.C.	372.95		372.95	42.80	330.15	Nil
S.W.I.F.T. Trust	5192.63	6000.00	11192.63	1192.63		Nil

GENERAL DONATIONS

Balance 31/7/95	1584.65				
Receipts					
-Mission Boxes	1193.80				
-General	2437.36	5215.81	5215.81	5010.31	205.50

GENERAL OFFICE RUNNING EXPENSES

Balance 31.7.95	2748.07Cr			
Less Expenses	1681.06			
	1067.01Cr			
Plus Receipts				
- Interest	124.51			
- Stationery sold	43.36			
- Expenses re-imb PCANZ	1681.06			
Total Receipts	1848.93Cr			
	2915.94Cr			
Less Expenses to 31/7/96 (refundable by PCANZ)				
-Freight Honiara Dr.Thomas	244.86			
-Postage	20.00			
-Freight Chch.Office records	118.13	382.99		
	2532.95Cr			
Less Expenses David Alley	1025.00			
Balance Carried Forward				1507.95
TOTAL CASH FUNDS				3089.45

STATEMENT OF FUNDS AT 31 JULY 1996

SPECIAL FUNDS SUMMARY	Balance 1/8/95	Receipts	Payments	Balance 31/7/96
Specified Donations	2819.15	11085.90	125298.05	1376.00Cr
J.P.I.C	372.95		372.95	Nil
General Donations	1584.65	3631.16	5010.31	205.50Cr
Office Running Exes	2748.07	1848.93	3089.05	1507.95
Plus claimable Exes				382.99
S.W.I.F.T. Trust	5192.63	6000.00	11192.63	Nil
TOTALS	12717.45	22948.98	32193.63	3472.44Cr

Represented by:

CURRENT ASSETS

Trust Bank Waikato - Current Account	3089.45	
PCANZ - Office Expenses refund	382.99	
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		3472.44

AUDITOR'S REPORT

I have examined the Accounts of the Council for Mission & Ecumenical Co-operation, Hamilton, for the year ended 31 July 1996, and have prepared the above Statement of Funds. I hereby certify that the Cash Funds totalling \$3089.45 credit are held in the Bank A/c listed and that the Special Funds total of \$3472.44 correctly states the position of the Funds at 31 July 1996.

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SIGNED..... 31 Sept 1996



THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND

Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa

MISSION RESOURCING UNIT / DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the year ended 30 June, 1996

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THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND

Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa

MISSION RESOURCING UNIT / DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

for the year ended 30 June 1996

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>1996</u> \$	<u>1995</u> \$
<u>INCOME:</u>			
Connexional Budget		201,303	206,300
<u>Connexional Funding</u>			
Ministries Fund	3.	12,500	21,049
Winstone Fund (See Parish Grants)		24,500	10,000
Administration Division - Budget Support		10,000	10,000
<u>Distributions Received</u>			
Blackwell Trust		12,586	13,918
Investment Funds Board		10,000	10,000
Interest Received	4.	22,245	25,307
Sundry Recoveries		40	328
Total Income		\$293,174	\$296,902
<u>EXPENDITURE</u>			
<u>Unit Costs</u>			
Superintendent	5.	49,895	48,648
Accident Compensation Levy		1,439	936
Sundry Expenses	6.	3,574	1,824
Total Unit Costs		\$54,908	\$51,408
<u>Mission Initiatives</u>			
Bicultural Church Budget	12. (a)	6,720	13,050
Church Union Costs		597	1,339
Making Disciples Task Group Budget	19. (a)	2,400	-
Educational Ministry		49,570	53,690
Youth Ministry & EYY Board Funding		51,180	48,600
Total Mission Initiatives		\$110,467	\$116,679
<u>Grants Shared Support Other Ministries</u>			
Hospital Chaplaincies	7.	15,701	24,924
Parishes (Includes Winstone Fund Distributions)		38,808	24,654
Ministries Fund Grants	3.	12,500	21,049
Total Grants Shared Support Other Ministries		\$67,009	\$70,627
<u>Carried Forward</u>		\$232,384	\$238,714

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts

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MISSION RESOURCING UNIT / DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

Statement of Financial Performance Continued.

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>1996</u> \$	<u>1995</u> \$
<u>Brought Forward</u>		\$232,384	\$238,714
<u>Pacific Ministries</u>			
Arrivals and Return Costs	23. (a)	1,200	3,000
Establishment Costs	23. (b)	-	996
Furlough Costs	23. (c)	300	1,500
Fijian Ministry	8.	11,481	12,644
Total Pacific Ministries		<u>\$12,981</u>	<u>\$18,140</u>
<u>Office and General Costs</u>			
Accountancy		9,083	7,555
Audit Fee		1,369	1,120
Bank Charges and Interest		424	594
Computer Processing		2,004	2,004
Office Expenses		3,721	3,187
Office Rent and Operating Costs		13,716	13,716
Office Salaries		35,824	34,460
Postages		1,261	1,286
Printing and Stationery		5,534	3,422
Repairs and Servicing Equipment		-	455
Telephones		2,874	2,883
Total Office and General Costs		<u>\$75,810</u>	<u>\$70,682</u>
Total All Expenditure		<u>\$321,175</u>	<u>\$327,536</u>
<u>NET SURPLUS (DEFICIT) FOR YEAR</u>		<u>(\$28,001)</u>	<u>(\$30,634)</u>
Transfer from Designated Funds	9.	12,500	-
Transfer from Legacies Fund	34	10,000	10,000
NET SURPLUS (DEFICIT) TO ACCUMULATED FUNDS	35.	<u>(\$5,501)</u>	<u>(\$20,634)</u>

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts

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Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa

MISSION RESOURCING UNIT - EDUCATIONAL MINISTRY

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

for the year ended 30 June 1996

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>1996</u>	<u>1995</u>
<u>EDUCATIONAL MINISTRY</u>		\$	\$
<u>INCOME</u>			
Connexional Budget Allocation		49,570	53,690
Grants and Other Income		600	3,338
Resource Sales		16	114
Total Income		<u>\$50,186</u>	<u>\$57,142</u>
<u>EXPENDITURE</u>			
<u>Employment Costs</u>			
Salaries and Allowances		40,595	38,491
Accident Compensation Levy		899	609
Car Expenses		<u>3,680</u>	<u>3,680</u>
Total Employment Costs		<u>\$45,174</u>	<u>\$42,780</u>
<u>Other Expenses</u>			
Accountancy		600	600
Office Expenses		739	555
Office Rent		3,180	3,180
Postage and Couriers		382	366
Printing and Stationery		923	681
Resource Purchases		670	349
Sundry Expenses		615	597
Special Projects		34	875
Supervision Costs		800	900
Telephone Tolls		1,252	1,931
Travel		7,289	10,674
Training Expenses		116	625
Total Other Expenses		<u>\$16,600</u>	<u>\$21,333</u>
Total Expenditure		<u>\$61,774</u>	<u>\$64,113</u>
<u>Excess Income over Expenditure (Deficit) carried forward</u>			
<u>to Education Ministry Fund</u>	16 (a)	<u>(\$11,588)</u>	<u>(\$6,971)</u>

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts

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THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND

Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa

MISSION RESOURCING UNIT - YOUTH MINISTRY

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

for the year ended 30 June 1996

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>1996</u>	<u>1995</u>
<u>YOUTH MINISTRY</u>		\$	\$
<u>INCOME</u>			
Connexional Budget Allocation		42,400	48,600
Grant - Doris Swadling Trust		2,500	4,000
Grants and Other Income		25,857	22,000
Total Income		\$70,757	\$74,600
<u>EXPENDITURE</u>			
<u>Employment Costs</u>			
Salaries and Allowances		38,530	42,385
Accident Compensation Levy		922	691
Car Expenses		1,250	1,592
Total Employment Costs		\$40,702	\$44,668
<u>Other Expenses</u>			
Accountancy		600	600
Depreciation		1,068	-
Office Expenses		1,436	3,285
Office Rent		1,899	2,457
Postage and Couriers		1,128	1,395
Printing and Stationery		1,746	1,755
Resource Purchases		204	340
Sundry Expenses		2,805	1,105
Special Projects		4,092	5,240
Supervision Costs		1,050	-
Telephone Tolls		3,503	4,579
Training Expenses		1,019	-
Travel		12,617	10,261
Youth Event Fees		1,260	-
Youth Co-Ordinators Appointment Expenses		-	2,039
Total Other Expenses		\$34,427	\$33,056
Total Expenditure		\$75,129	\$77,724
<u>Excess Income over Expenditure (Deficit) carried forward</u>			
<u>to Youth Ministry Fund</u>	33. (a)	(\$4,372)	(\$3,124)

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts

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THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND

Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa

MISSION RESOURCING UNIT / DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

as at 30 June 1996

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>1996</u> \$	<u>1995</u> \$
<u>CURRENT ASSETS:</u>			
Accrued Blackwell Trust		3,358	3,274
Accrued Connexional Budget		33,223	37,780
Accrued Sundries		28,505	27,165
Bank Current Account		4,078	(7,725)
Bank Youth Connexion Accounts		(468)	-
Petty Cash		100	100
Sundry Debtors, Reimbursements, Prepayments		21,452	17,061
Total Current Assets		<u>\$90,248</u>	<u>\$77,855</u>
<u>INVESTMENTS AT COST/CAPITAL ACCRETIONS:</u>			
M.T.A. Deposits	10	1,113,462	1,111,922
Joint Office Capital Deposit		1,300	1,300
Development Division I.F.B. - YM Fixed Assets Loan		3,679	5,351
Total Investments		<u>\$1,118,441</u>	<u>\$1,118,573</u>
TOTAL ALL ASSETS		<u>\$1,208,689</u>	<u>\$1,196,228</u>
<u>LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</u>			
Sundry Creditors / Provisions	11.	17,202	14,366
Total Current Liabilities		<u>\$17,202</u>	<u>\$14,366</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>\$1,191,487</u>	<u>\$1,181,862</u>

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts

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MISSION RESOURCING UNIT / DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

Statement of Financial Position Continued

	Notes	1996 \$	1995 \$
<u>Total Net Assets brought forward</u>		<u>\$1,191,487</u>	<u>\$1,181,862</u>

Represented by: -

DESIGNATED FUNDS

Bicultural Church Funds	12. (c)	50,178	43,843
Deaf Ministry Fund	13.	2,025	8,000
Ministries Fund	14. (c)	321,675	245,781
Training Fund	15. (c)	12,755	11,376
Educational Ministry Fund	16.	(10,698)	8,004
Future Task Group Fund	17. (c)	512,599	479,916
Hospital Chaplaincies Fund	18.	5,000	15,000
Making Disciples Task Group Fund	19. (c)	4,931	1,834
Membership Research Fund	20.	3,394	4,567
Needy Parishes Fund	21.	4,303	5,303
NZ Carols Project Fund	22.	1,500	3,000
Pacific Ministries Fund	23. (d)	8,337	6,837
Parish Consultancy Fund	24.	4,335	4,335
Pastor at Large Fund - S.I. Ministry	25.	4,140	9,140
Small Church Publication Fund		1,000	1,000
Special Social Justice Ministry Fund	26	-	4,000
Superintendent Overseas Travel Fund	27	1,908	3,601
Supply and Special Grants Fund	28	4,240	4,740
Armed Services Chaplaincy Fund	29	129	-
Tertiary Chaplaincies Grants Fund	30	1,000	3,000
Tongan Ministries Fund - S.I. Pastor		7,525	7,525
Video Connexion Fund	31	644	1,000
Writers' Guild Publication Fund	32	814	(245)
Youth Ministry Funds	33. (d)	68,472	72,539
Total Designated Funds		<u>\$1,010,206</u>	<u>\$944,096</u>

CAPITAL AND ACCUMULATED FUNDS

Capital Funds			
Legacies Fund	34	143,894	194,878
Office Space Fund		36,303	36,303
Accumulated General Funds	35.	1,084	6,585
Total Capital and Accumulated Funds		<u>\$181,281</u>	<u>\$237,766</u>
TOTAL ALL FUNDS EQUAL TO NET ASSETS		<u>\$1,191,487</u>	<u>\$1,181,862</u>

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MISSION RESOURCING UNIT / DEVELOPMENT DIVISION
STATEMENT OF DESIGNATED FUNDS
for the year ended 30 June 1996

This statement is provided for additional information. It sets out a consolidated overview of the movement in Designated Funds during the year.

For details of the opening and closing balance of the particular Funds concerned, refer to the preceding Statement of Financial Position and for details of the movement in the particular Funds refer to the following Notes 12 to 33.

	Notes	1996	1995
Funds Received During Year			
Bicultural Church Promotion	12. (a)	6,738	15,022
Bicultural Church Video Fund	12. (b)	3,276	2,541
Deaf Ministry Fund	13.	9,058	8,000
Ministries Fund - Capital	14. (a)	65,136	4,488
Ministries Fund - Revenue	14. (b)	23,258	22,660
Training Fund - Capital	15. (a)	343	87
Training Fund - Revenue	15. (b)	1,036	1,034
Educational Ministry Fund	16.	51,072	65,142
Future Task Group Fund	18.	44,444	35,048
Making Disciples Task Group Fund	19. (a)	13,721	59
Membership Research Fund	20.	327	292
N.Z. Carols Project Fund	22.	-	3,000
Pacific Ministries Arrival/Return Fund	23. (a)	1,200	3,000
Pacific Ministries Establishment Fund	23. (b)	-	996
Pacific Ministries Furlough Fund	23. (c)	300	1,500
Superintendent Overseas Travel Fund	27	-	1,000
Armed Services Chaplaincy Fund	29	129	-
Video Connexion Fund	31	-	1,000
Writers' Guild Publication Fund	32	2,320	314
Youth Ministry Fund	33	88,975	151,100
Total Funds Received		\$311,333	\$316,283
Funds Expended or Revalued During Year			
Bicultural Church Promotion	12. (a)	3,679	10,708
Deaf Ministry Fund	13.	15,033	-
Ministries Fund - Revenue	14. (b)	12,500	21,049
Training Fund - Revenue	15. (b)	-	850
Educational Ministry Fund	16.	69,774	64,113
Future Task Group Fund	18.	11,761	5,531
Hospital Chaplaincies Fund	18.	10,000	3,000
Making Disciples Task Group Fund	19. (a)	10,624	9,545
Membership Research Fund	20.	1,500	100
Needy Parishes Fund	21.	1,000	5,000
N.Z. Carols Project Fund	22.	1,500	-
Parish Consultancy Fund	24.	-	3
Pastor at Large Fund - S.I. Ministry	25.	5,000	-
Special Social Justice Ministry Fund	26	4,000	-
Superintendent Overseas Travel Fund	27	1,693	689
Supply and Special Grants Fund	28	500	2,750
Tertiary Chaplaincies Grants Fund	30	2,000	-
Video Connexion Fund	31	356	-
Writers' Guild Publication Fund	32	1,261	1,271
Youth Ministry Fund	33	93,042	80,401
Total Funds Expended or Revalued		\$245,223	\$205,010
Net Excess of Receipts Over Expenditure		\$86,110	\$111,273
Designated Funds			
Opening Balance 1 July 1995		944,096	832,823
Net Excess of Receipts Over Expenditure		66,110	111,273
Closing Balances 30 June 1996		\$1,010,206	\$944,096

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MISSION RESOURCING UNIT / DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

NOTES TO ACCOUNTS for the year ended 30 June 1996

Note 1. STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Reporting Entity: The Mission Resourcing Unit is constituted under the laws and regulations of the Methodist Church of New Zealand. The financial statements of the Mission Resourcing Unit are a general purpose report which has been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting practices. The Mission Resourcing Unit commenced on 1 February 1996 taking over the existing Budget of the Development Division as from that date. These accounts include the operations of the Development Division to 31 January 1996 and those of the Mission Resourcing Unit from 1 February to 30 June 1996.

Measurement Base: These Financial Statements have been prepared on the basis of historical cost accounting. Accrual accounting has been used to match revenues earned with expenses incurred. Reliance has been placed on the fact that the Division is a going concern.

Specific Accounting Policies: The following specific accounting policies which materially effect the measurement of financial performance and financial position have been applied:

Debtors - are stated at expected realisable value after allowance for all bad debts.

Goods and Services Tax: - These Financial Statements have been prepared on a GST exclusive basis.

Changes in Accounting Policies: There have been no changes in accounting policies which have been applied on basis consistent with those used in previous years.

Note 2. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES:

There are no material or significant contingent liabilities known of as at balance date.

Note 3. Details of Ministries Fund Grants

(These grants are paid from the Ministries Revenue Fund see Note 14b)

	<u>1996</u>	<u>1995</u>
	\$	\$
Bicultural Co-ordinator Grant	2,000	1,968
Botany Downs - Shopping Mall Ministry	2,500	5,000
Christchurch North Youth Worker	-	1,000
Christian Research Association	-	880
Deaf Ministry - Chaplaincy Appointment	-	238
Lincoln University Chaplaincy	-	1,500
Linwood Avenue Parish	1,500	-
Lower Hutt - Petone Parish - T Hudspeth	1,500	-
Methodist Ordained Women's Conference	-	1,000
Methodist Korean Ministry	-	463
Manukau North Parish	-	1,000
Murchison Parish	-	1,000
Northland District	3,000	-
Samoan Advisory Committee - Review Process	-	1,000
Rev Margaret Springett	-	500
Taupo Union Parish - A Oliver	2,000	-
Tongan Cultural Centre - Translation	-	1,000
Waitakere Parish	-	2,500
Youth Co-ordinators Appointments	-	2,000
	<u>\$12,500</u>	<u>\$21,048</u>

Mission Resourcing Unit / Development DivisionNotes to the Accounts continued

	1,996	1,995
Note 4. <u>Details of Interest Received</u>		
Bank Current Account	28	184
Bulk Air New Zealand Deposits	-	1,917
I.F.B. - Building Loan	-	1,080
M.T.A. - General Deposits	5,279	8,771
M.T.A. - Legacies Deposits	18,940	15,355
	<u>\$22,245</u>	<u>\$25,307</u>
Note 5. <u>Details of Superintendent's Stipends etc.</u>		
Stipend	32,078	30,822
Car Expenses	3,468	3,468
Expense Allowance	2,881	2,774
Housing Subsidy	2,916	2,802
Superannuation Subsidy	2,916	2,802
Sundry Expenses	1,728	1,018
Travel Costs - Local	3,910	3,982
Travel Costs - Overseas (Provision)	-	1,000
	<u>\$49,895</u>	<u>\$48,648</u>
Note 6. <u>Details of Sundry Expenses</u>		
Board Meals - net costs	435	311
Lay Representatives Conference Costs	358	202
Subscriptions and Sundries	161	88
Sundry Travel	2,820	1,243
	<u>\$3,574</u>	<u>\$1,824</u>
Note 7. <u>Details of Hospital Chaplaincy Grants</u>		
Grants Paid	27,801	\$27,924
Less: Grant from Methodist Provident Society	(2,100)	-
Transfer from Hospital Chaplaincy Fund	(10,000)	(3,000)
Net Grants paid by Mission Resourcing Unit	<u>\$15,701</u>	<u>\$24,924</u>
Note 8. <u>Details of Fijian Pastor-at-Large</u>		
Budget Allocation	11,481	12,844
Grant - Wesley Fijian Wellington	-	4,500
- Fijian Advisory Committee	32,705	25,270
- Fijian Indian Fellowship	-	85
- Papakura Methodist Church	-	2,000
- North Canterbury Ministries Fund	1,000	-
- Kingswood Trust	1,000	-
	<u>46,186</u>	<u>44,499</u>
<u>Expenditure Incurred</u>		
Stipend, Allowances and Expenses	(44,575)	(42,230)
Travel	(1,811)	(2,289)
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

		<u>1996</u>	<u>1995</u>
		\$	\$
Note 9.	<u>Transfers from Designated Funds</u>		
	Research Fund (See Note 20)	1,500	-
	Pastor at Large S.I. Fund (See Note 25)	5,000	-
	Special Ministries Social Justice Fund (See Note 26)	4,000	-
	Tertiary Chaplaincy Fund (See Note 30)	2,000	-
		<u>\$12,500</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Note 10	<u>Details of M.T.A. Deposits</u> (Including accrued dividends)		
	Bicultural Video Funds	38,264	34,988
	Ministries Fund	321,878	249,712
	Training Fund	12,754	11,378
	General Funds	36,033	71,833
	Legacies Capital Funds	132,851	200,119
	Future Task Group Fund	510,394	478,949
	Youth Ministry Funds	61,490	66,945
		<u>\$1,113,462</u>	<u>\$1,111,922</u>
Note 11.	<u>Details of Sundry Creditors and Provisions</u>		
	Sundry Creditors	17,202	6,975
	Air New Zealand Flightcard Account	-	7,391
		<u>\$17,202</u>	<u>\$14,366</u>
Note 12. (a)	<u>Bicultural Church Promotion Fund</u>		
	Opening Balance 1 July 1995	8,855	4,541
	Budget Allocations	6,720	13,050
	Sales of Resources etc.	18	4
	Ministries Fund Grant - re Bicultural Co-ordinator	-	1,968
		<u>15,593</u>	<u>19,563</u>
	<u>Less Expenditure:</u>		
	Bicultural Co-ordinator	-	(4,840)
	Training Events - Costs	(574)	(1,123)
	Training Events - Travel	-	(2,757)
	General Travel Costs	(2,154)	(664)
	Postage and Tolls	(322)	(325)
	Printing, Stationery and Resources	(439)	(552)
	Working Committee Costs	(190)	(447)
		<u>\$11,914</u>	<u>\$8,855</u>
	Closing Balance 30 June 1996		
Note 12. (b)	<u>Bicultural Church Video Funds</u>		
	Opening Balance 1 July 1995	34,988	32,447
	M.T.A Dividends	3,276	2,541
		<u>\$38,264</u>	<u>\$34,988</u>
	Closing Balance 30 June 1996		
Note 12. (c)	<u>Combined Total of 12. (a) and 12. (b)</u>	<u>\$50,178</u>	<u>\$43,843</u>

	1,996	1,995
	\$	\$
Note 13. <u>Deaf Ministry Fund</u>		
Opening Balance 1 July 1995	8,000	-
Grant Received	9,058	8,000
	17,058	8,000
Less: Salary	(11,925)	-
Expenses	(3,108)	-
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	\$2,025	\$8,000
Note 14. (a) <u>Ministries Fund - Capital Fund</u>		
Opening Balance 1 July 1995	207,204	202,716
Parish Contribution to Fund	5,000	1,925
Grant from Legacies Fund	50,000	-
M.T.A. Accretions - Property Revaluations	10,136	2,563
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	\$272,340	\$207,204
Note 14. (b) <u>Ministries Fund - Revenue Fund</u>		
Opening Balance 1 July 1995	38,577	36,966
M.T.A. Dividends	23,258	22,660
	\$61,835	\$59,626
Grants made as per Note 3.	(12,500)	(21,049)
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	\$49,335	\$38,577
Note 14. (c) Combined Total of 14. (a) and 14. (b).	\$321,875	\$245,781
Note 15. (a) <u>Training Fund - Capital Fund</u>		
Opening Balance 1 July 1995	8,435	8,348
M.T.A. Property Revaluation	343	87
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	\$8,778	\$8,435
Note 15. (b) <u>Training Fund - Revenue Fund</u>		
Opening Balance 1 July 1995	2,941	2,757
M.T.A. Dividends	1,036	1,034
	\$3,977	\$3,791
Grants Made	-	(850)
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	\$3,977	\$2,941
Note 15. (c) Combined Total of 15. (a) and 15. (b)	\$12,755	\$11,376
Note 16. <u>Educational Ministry Fund</u>		
16. (a) <u>General Fund</u>		
Opening Balance 1 July 1995	4	8,975
Funds ex Education Division	888	-
Surplus (Deficit) as per Income & Expenditure Account	(11,588)	(8,971)
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	(\$10,898)	\$4
Note 16. (b) <u>Educational Ministry Video Fund</u>		
Opening Balance 1 July 1995	8,000	-
Grant Received	-	8,000
Fund Disbursed	(8,000)	-
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	\$0	\$8,000
Total Educational Ministry Funds	(\$10,898)	\$8,004

	1,996	1,995
	\$	\$
Note 17. (a) <u>Future Task Group - Bulk Grant Fund</u>		
Opening Balance 1 July 1995	449,353	447,901
M.T.A. Dividends	42,072	31,452
	<u>\$491,425</u>	<u>\$479,353</u>
Transfer to Future Task Group Expenditure Fund	-	(30,000)
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$491,425</u>	<u>\$449,353</u>
Note 17. (b) <u>Future Task Group - Expenditure Fund</u>		
Opening Balance 1 July 1995	30,563	2,498
Transfer from Bulk Grant Fund - Administration Grant	-	30,000
M.T.A. Dividends	2,372	3,598
	<u>\$32,935</u>	<u>\$38,094</u>
Expenditure Incurred	(11,781)	(5,531)
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$21,174</u>	<u>\$30,563</u>
Note 17. (c) Combined Total of 17. (a) and 17. (b)	<u>\$512,599</u>	<u>\$479,916</u>
Note 18. <u>Hospital Chaplaincies Fund</u>		
Opening Balance 1 July 1995	15,000	18,000
Grant to Hospital Chaplaincies	(10,000)	(3,000)
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$5,000</u>	<u>\$15,000</u>
Note 19. (a) <u>Making Disciples Task Group Fund</u>		
Opening Balance 1 July 1995	(1,188)	8,320
Budget Allocation	2,400	-
Donations and Koha Received	5,395	-
Grant from Legacies Fund	5,000	-
Sales of Resources etc.	928	59
	<u>12,555</u>	<u>8,379</u>
Less Expenditure		
Training Events - Costs	(1,038)	(853)
Training Events - Travel	(8,030)	(212)
Postage, Tolls and Expenses	(2)	(128)
Printing, Stationery and Resources	(1,439)	(79)
Task Group Travel Costs	(2,114)	(1,119)
Advance Airfare - John Drane Visit	-	(7,154)
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$1,931</u>	<u>(\$1,186)</u>
Note 19. (b) <u>Making Disciples Ministries Depressed Areas Fund</u>		
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$3,000</u>	<u>\$3,000</u>
Note 19. (c) Combined Total of 19. (a) and 19. (b)	<u>\$4,931</u>	<u>\$1,834</u>

	1,996	1,995
	\$	\$
Note 20. <u>Membership Research Fund</u>		
Opening Balance 1 July 1995	4,567	4,375
Sales - Methodism at the Crossroads	27	292
Grant Received	300	-
	4,894	4,667
Total Research Costs During Year	-	(100)
Surplus	4,894	4,567
Transfer to Income	(1,500)	-
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	\$3,394	\$4,567
Note 21. <u>Needy Parishes Fund</u>		
Opening Balance 1 July 1995	5,303	10,303
Grant - Glen Innes Co-op Parish	-	(1,000)
- Greymouth Parish	-	(2,000)
- Wainuiomata Parish	-	(1,000)
- Waitakere Parish	(1,000)	(1,000)
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	\$4,303	\$5,303
Note 22. <u>N.Z. Carols Project Fund</u>		
Opening Balance 1 July 1995	3,000	-
Grant Received	-	3,000
Grant to Ars Nova Choir	(1,500)	-
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	\$1,500	\$3,000
Note 23. (a) <u>Pacific Ministries Arrival / Return Fund</u>		
Opening Balance 1 July 1995	2,899	(101)
Budget Allocation	1,200	3,000
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	\$4,099	\$2,899
Note 23. (b) <u>Pacific Ministries Establishment Fund</u>		
Opening Balance 1 July 1995	2,030	1,034
Budget Allocation	-	996
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	\$2,030	\$2,030
Note 23. (c) <u>Pacific Ministries Furlough Fund</u>		
Opening Balance 1 July 1995	1,908	408
Budget Allocation	300	1,500
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	\$2,208	\$1,908
Note 23. (d) Combined Total of 24.(a), 24. (b) and 24. (c)	\$8,337	\$8,837

		1,398	1,995
		\$	\$
Note 24.	<u>Parish Consultancy Fund</u>		
	Opening Balance 1 July 1995	4,335	4,338
	Net consultancy Costs	-	(3)
	Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$4,335</u>	<u>\$4,335</u>
Note 25.	<u>Pastor at Large Fund - S.I. Ministry</u>		
	Opening Balance 1 July 1995	9,140	9,140
	Transfer to Income	(5,000)	-
	Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$4,140</u>	<u>\$9,140</u>
Note 26	<u>Special Social Justice Ministry Fund</u>		
	Opening Balance 1 July 1995	4,000	4,000
	Transfer to Income	(4,000)	-
	Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$4,000</u>
Note 27	<u>Superintendent's Overseas Travel Fund</u>		
	Opening Balance 1 July 1995	3,801	3,290
	Budget Allocation	-	1,000
	Various Travel Expenditures	(1,893)	(689)
	Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$1,908</u>	<u>\$3,601</u>
Note 28	<u>Supply and Special Grants Fund</u>		
	(Illness, Long Service Leave, Overseas Supply, etc.)		
	Opening Balance 1 July 1995	4,740	7,490
	Various Expenditures	(500)	(2,750)
	Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$4,240</u>	<u>\$4,740</u>
Note 29	<u>Armed Services Chaplaincy Fund</u>		
	Funds Received	129	-
	Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$129</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Note 30	<u>Tertiary Chaplaincies Grants Fund</u>		
	Opening Balance 1 July 1995	3,000	3,000
	Transfer to Income	(2,000)	-
	Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$1,000</u>	<u>\$3,000</u>
Note 31	<u>Video Connexion Fund</u>		
	Opening Balance 1 July 1995	1,000	-
	Grant Received	-	1,000
	Various Expenditures	(356)	-
	Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$644</u>	<u>\$1,000</u>

	1,996	1,995
	\$	\$
Note 32 <u>Writers' Guild Publication Fund</u>		
Opening Balance 1 July 1995	(245)	712
PAC Communications Grant Received	2,000	-
"Lifespartks" Subscriptions and Sales	320	314
	<u>2,075</u>	<u>1,028</u>
Production Costs - "Lifespartks"	(1,281)	(1,271)
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$814</u>	<u>(\$245)</u>
Note 33 <u>Youth Ministry Funds</u>		
33. (a) <u>General Funds</u>		
Opening Balance 1 July 1995	(2,131)	993
Funds ex Education Division	2,893	-
Depreciation of Assets to 30/6/95	(804)	-
Surplus (Deficit) as per Income & Expenditure Account	<u>(4,372)</u>	<u>(3,124)</u>
	<u>(4,214)</u>	<u>(2,131)</u>
<u>Investments</u>		
Opening Balance 1 July 1995	\$88,945	-
Funds ex Education Division	-	63,858
Interest Received	6,545	3,089
Less: Funds transferred - Diploma in Youth Ministry	<u>(12,000)</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>\$81,490</u>	<u>\$6,945</u>
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$57,278</u>	<u>\$84,814</u>
Note 33. (b) <u>Youth Ministry Youthtrek Fund</u>		
Opening Balance 1 July 1995	1,000	1,000
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$1,000</u>	<u>\$1,000</u>
Note 33. (c) <u>Youth Ministry E.Y.Y. Fund</u>		
Opening Balance 1 July 1995	\$8,725	(\$153)
Connexional Budget Allocation	8,780	\$8,065
Grants Received	-	1,490
	<u>15,505</u>	<u>9,402</u>
Less E.Y.Y. Travel Costs	<u>(5,309)</u>	<u>(2,877)</u>
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$10,196</u>	<u>\$8,725</u>
Note 33. (d) Combined Total of 33. (a), 33. (b) and 33. (c)	<u>\$68,472</u>	<u>\$72,539</u>
Note 34 <u>Capital Fund - Legacies Fund</u>		
Opening Balance 1 July 1995	194,878	193,258
Legacies Received	<u>14,016</u>	<u>11,820</u>
	<u>208,894</u>	<u>204,878</u>
Transfer to Income and Expenditure Account	(10,000)	(10,000)
Transfer to Ministries Fund	(50,000)	-
Transfer to Making Disciples Task Group Fund	<u>(5,000)</u>	<u>-</u>
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$143,894</u>	<u>\$194,878</u>

	1,996	1,995
	\$	\$
Note 35. <u>Accumulated General Funds</u>		
Opening Balance 1 July 1995	6,585	27,219
Net Surplus (Deficit) from Income and Expenditure Account	(5,501)	(20,634)
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$1,084</u>	<u>\$6,585</u>

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4/10/1996

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To the Methodist Church of New Zealand Conference

We have audited the financial statements on pages 1 to 16. The financial statements provide information about the past financial performance of the Mission Resourcing Unit and its financial position as at 30 June 1996. This information is stated in accordance with the accounting policies set out in Note 1 on page 8.

The Board's Responsibilities

The Board is responsible for the preparation of financial statements which fairly reflect the financial position of the Unit as at 30 June 1996 and the results of its operations for the year ended on that date.

Auditor's Responsibilities

It is our responsibility to express an independent opinion on the financial statements presented by the Unit and report our opinion to you.

Basis of Opinion

An audit includes examining on a test basis, evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes assessing:

- the significant estimates and judgements made by the Unit in the preparation of the financial statements; and
- whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Unit's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards in New Zealand. We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatements, whether caused by fraud or error in forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

Other than in our capacity as auditor we have no relationship with, or interest in, the Division.

Unqualified Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements on pages 1 to 16 fairly reflect the financial position of the Unit as at 30 June 1996 and the results of its operations for the year ended on that date.

Our Audit was completed on 3 October 1996 and our unqualified opinion is expressed as at that date.

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THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND

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INVESTMENT FUNDS BOARD - MISSION RESOURCING UNIT

(FORMERLY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION INVESTMENT FUNDS BOARD)

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the year ended 30 June, 1996

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INVESTMENT FUNDS BOARD - MISSION RESOURCING UNIT
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE
for the year ended 30 June 1996

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>1996</u> \$	<u>1995</u> \$
<u>INCOME</u>			
Distributions Received			
- Blackwell Trust		13,047	13,457
- Building Partnership Rental		19,200	19,200
Interest Received	3.	3,320	2,697
Sundry Income		1,610	2,080
Total All Income		\$37,177	\$37,434
<u>EXPENDITURE</u>			
<u>Property Costs</u>			
Depreciation	4.	3,953	3,529
Insurances		19	82
Interest		-	1,080
Legal Expenses		-	2,451
Rates and Water		-	94
Vehicle Costs (Recoveries)	9. (b)	1,527	(210)
Total Property Costs		\$5,499	\$7,026
<u>Office and General Costs</u>			
Accountancy		5,246	4,680
Audit Fee		624	605
Bank Charges and Interest		95	31
Computer Processing		720	720
Office Rents and Costs		6,065	6,117
Postages, Printing, Stationery, Telephones, Sundry Expenses etc.		362	497
Repairs and Maintenance		225	-
Total Office and General Costs		\$13,337	\$12,650
Total All Expenditure		\$18,836	\$19,676
NET SURPLUS FOR YEAR TO ACCUMULATED FUNDS	21.	\$18,341	\$17,758

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts.

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THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND

Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa

INVESTMENT FUNDS BOARD - MISSION RESOURCING UNIT

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As At 30 June 1996

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>1996</u> \$	<u>1995</u> \$
<u>CURRENT ASSETS:</u>			
Accrued Blackwell Trust		3,359	2,814
Bank Current Account		9,350	39,791
Joint Office Partners		5,740	7,311
Petty Cash		100	100
Sundry Debtors / Reimbursements		43,053	1,994
Vehicle Loan		6,000	-
Total Current Assets		\$67,602	\$52,010
<u>INVESTMENTS:</u>			
Auckland Office Building Partnership	5.	226,000	226,000
M.T.A. Blackwell Trust Deposits	13.	950,487	911,423
M.T.A. General Deposits		30,692	30,637
M.T.A. Trust Deposits	18.	26,933	26,551
Total Investments		\$1,234,112	\$1,194,611
<u>FIXED ASSETS:</u>			
Land and Buildings	6.	320,000	320,000
Office Equipment	7.	9,591	9,397
Computer Equipment	8.	7,412	8,217
Motor Vehicles	9. (c)	5,153	5,352
Mangungu Mission Station Trust Property	14.	106,000	92,000
Office Equipment - Copier Fund	16.	29,999	29,999
YM Fixed Assets	10.	3,679	4,747
Total Fixed Assets		\$481,834	\$469,712
TOTAL ALL ASSETS		\$1,783,548	\$1,716,333
<u>LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES:</u>			
Joint Office Partners Deposit	11	5,175	5,175
Sundry Creditors/Provisions		840	1,215
Mission Resourcing Unit - Building Loan	12.	-	-
Total Current Liabilities		\$6,015	\$6,390
NET ASSETS		\$1,777,533	\$1,709,943

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts

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INVESTMENT FUNDS BOARD - MISSION RESOURCING UNIT

Statement of Financial Position Continued

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>1996</u> \$	<u>1995</u> \$
<u>Total Net Assets brought forward</u>		<u>\$1,777,533</u>	<u>\$1,709,943</u>
Represented By:-			
<u>DESIGNATED FUNDS:</u>			
Capital and Revenue Funds E.W Blackwell Trust	13.	950,487	911,423
Capital Fund Mangungu Historic Mission	14.	106,000	92,000
Copier Sinking Fund	15.	10,257	2,735
Copier (Office Equipment) Fund	16.	29,999	29,999
Parsonages Suspense Accounts	17.	7,842	9,292
Specific Trust Funds	18.	51,211	50,030
Mission Resourcing Unit Advance - YM Fixed Assets	19.	3,679	4,747
Total Designated Funds		<u>\$1,159,475</u>	<u>\$1,100,226</u>
<u>CAPITAL AND ACCUMULATED FUNDS:</u>			
Properties Reserve	20.	464,898	464,898
Accumulated General Funds	21.	153,160	144,819
Total Capital and Designated Funds		<u>\$618,058</u>	<u>\$609,717</u>
<u>TOTAL ALL FUNDS EQUAL TO NET ASSETS</u>		<u>\$1,777,533</u>	<u>\$1,709,943</u>

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MISSION RESOURCING UNIT INVESTMENT FUNDS BOARD
STATEMENT OF DESIGNATED FUNDS
for the year ended 30 June 1996

This statement is provided for additional information. It sets out a consolidated overview of the movement in Designated Funds during the year.

For details of the opening and closing balances of the particular Funds concerned, refer to the preceding Statement of Financial Position and for details of the movement in particular Funds refer to the following Notes 13 - 19

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>1996</u> \$	<u>1995</u> \$
<u>FUNDS RECEIVED DURING THE YEAR</u>			
E.W. Blackwell Trust	13.	114,078	89,984
Capital Fund Mangungu Historic Mission	14.	14,000	-
Copier Sinking Fund	15.	7,522	8,498
Copier (Office Equipment) Fund	16.	-	24,999
Parsonage Suspense Accounts	17.	5,832	5,604
Specific Trust Funds	18.	2,011	26,113
Development Division Advance - YM Fixed Assets	19.	-	5,352
Total Funds Received		<u>\$143,443</u>	<u>\$160,550</u>
<u>FUNDS EXPENDED DURING YEAR</u>			
E.W. Blackwell Trust	13.	75,014	84,156
Copier Sinking Fund	15.	-	24,999
Copier (Office Equipment) Fund	16.	-	13,687
Parsonage Suspense Accounts	17.	7,282	1,864
Specific Trust Funds	18.	830	2,200
Mission Resourcing Unit Advance - YM Fixed Assets	19.	1,068	604
Total Funds Expended		<u>\$84,194</u>	<u>\$127,510</u>
<u>NET SURPLUS (DEFICIT) OF FUNDS RECEIVED.</u>		<u>\$59,249</u>	<u>\$33,040</u>
<u>Designated Funds</u>			
Opening Balance 1 July 1995		\$1,100,226	\$1,067,187
Net Surplus (Deficit) of Funds Received		59,249	33,040
Closing Balance 30 June 1996		<u>\$1,159,475</u>	<u>\$1,100,227</u>

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INVESTMENT FUNDS BOARD - MISSION RESOURCING UNIT

NOTES TO ACCOUNTS for the year ended 30 June 1996

Note 1. STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Reporting Entity: The Investment Funds Board Mission Resourcing Unit is a charitable organisation registered under the Charitable Trusts Act 1957. The financial statements of the Investment Funds Board Mission Resourcing Unit are a general purpose report which has been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting practices with the exception that Properties are valued at the most recent Government Valuation. The former Development Division Investment Funds Board became the Investment Funds Board - Mission Resourcing Unit with the establishment of the Mission Resourcing Unit on 1 February 1996.

Measurement Base: These Financial Statements have been prepared on the basis of historical cost accounting. Accrual accounting has been used to match revenues earned with expenses incurred. Reliance has been placed on the fact that the Board is a going concern.

Specific Accounting Policies: The following specific accounting policies which materially effect the measurement of financial performance and financial position have been applied:

Fixed Assets:

- **Property** - As noted above property is in the books at the latest available Government Valuation. The property is insured for replacement value.
- **Other Fixed Assets** - are stated at cost less aggregate depreciation. Depreciation has been provided on a diminishing value basis calculated to allocate the asset's cost less residual value over their estimated useful lives. Major depreciation rates are:

Motor Vehicles	20%
Office Equipment	10%
Computer Equipment	20%

Debtors - are stated at expected realisable value after allowance for all bad debts.

Goods and Services Tax: - These Financial Statements have been prepared on a GST exclusive basis.

Changes in Accounting Policies: There have been no changes in accounting policies which have been applied

Note 2. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES:

There are no material or significant contingent liabilities known of as at balance date.

	<u>1996</u>	<u>1995</u>
	\$	\$
Note 3. <u>Details of Interest Received</u>		
Bank Current Account	604	406
M.T.A. General Deposits	2,716	2,283
Motor Cars - Overseas Ministers - See Note 9 (a) and (b)	-	8
Total Interest Received	<u>\$3,320</u>	<u>\$2,697</u>
Note 4. <u>Depreciation</u>		
Office Equipment - Note 7.	1,067	1,013
Computer Equipment - Note 8.	1,733	1,524
Motor Vehicles - Note 9 (a)	1,153	992
Total Depreciation	<u>\$3,953</u>	<u>\$3,529</u>

		1996	1995
		\$	\$
Note 5.	Auckland Office Building Partnership	\$228,000	\$228,000

This represents a third interest in the capital of the above partnership which owns the property at 409 Great South Road, Penrose. The other two partners who equally own the other two thirds are the Administration Division and the Investment Funds Board Te Taha Maori, of the Methodist Church of New Zealand.

Note 6.	<u>Land and Buildings</u>	(at Government Valuation)			
		G.V. 1/09/94	Revalued / Additions	(Disposal) Acquired	G.V. 1/09/94
		\$	\$	\$	\$
	Parsonage- 3 Steele Street	320,000	-	-	320,000
	Total Land & Buildings	<u>\$ 320,000</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$320,000</u>

		1996	1995
		\$	\$
Note 7.	<u>Office Equipment</u>		
	Original Cost	20,742	20,168
	Accumulated Depreciation	(11,345)	(10,332)
	<u>Book Value 1 July 1995</u>	<u>9,397</u>	<u>9,836</u>
	Additions to 30 June, 1996	1,261	574
	Depreciation at 10% Diminishing Value	(1,067)	(1,013)
	<u>Book Value 30 June 1996</u>	<u>9,591</u>	<u>9,397</u>

Note 8.	<u>Computer Equipment</u>		
	Original Cost	18,317	14,078
	Accumulated Depreciation	(10,100)	(8,576)
	<u>Book Value 1 July 1995</u>	<u>8,217</u>	<u>5,502</u>
	Additions to 30 June, 1996	928	4,239
	Depreciation at 20% Diminishing Value	(1,733)	(1,524)
	<u>Book Value 30 June 1996</u>	<u>7,412</u>	<u>8,217</u>

Note 9. (a) Motor Vehicles (Leased to Overseas Supply Ministers)

	<u>Cost Price</u> <u>1/07/95</u>	<u>Accumulated</u> <u>Depreciation</u>	<u>(Sold)</u> <u>30/06/96</u>	<u>Depreciation</u> <u>20% DV</u>	<u>Book Value</u> <u>30/06/96</u>
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Mazda Capella	8,222	(5,898)	-	(505)	2,021
Toyota Liteace Van *	4,000	(760)	-	(648)	2,592
Total Motor Vehicles	<u>\$12,222</u>	<u>(\$6,456)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(\$1,153)</u>	<u>\$4,613</u>

*Toyota Liteace Van This vehicle was purchased jointly with the Fijian Pastor-at-Large for his use during the term of his appointment in New Zealand. The total cost of the vehicle was \$14000 of which the Board provided funds of \$4500. It has been agreed between the joint owners that upon sale of the vehicle the proceeds will be shared in the same proportions as the original funds provided.

	1996	1995
	\$	\$
<u>Allocation</u>		
Depreciation - Note 4.	1,153	992
Vehicle Cost Provision (Depreciation recovered on Sale)	-	(506)
	<u>\$1,153</u>	<u>\$486</u>

Note 9. (b) Motor Vehicles Cost/Recovery Provisions

These Accounts represent the net of Lease Rentals (Excluding the interest factor on the original cost of the Vehicle - see Note 3.) received from Overseas Supply Ministers for the Motor Vehicle they are provided with less direct costs paid by the Unit. e.g. Insurance, Registrations, Share of Maintenance Costs where justified. When a vehicle is sold the balance in its account will be offset against the appropriate balance remaining in the Motor Vehicle Account and the profit or loss on disposal will be transferred to the Income and Expenditure Account in the year of sale.

	<u>Opening Balance 1/07/95</u>	<u>Rental Received 30/06/96</u>	<u>Costs Paid to 30/06/96</u>	<u>Excess to L & E 30/06/96</u>	<u>Closing Balance 30/06/96</u>
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Mazda Capella	(414)	-	2,481	1,527	540
Total Motor Vehicle Cost/ Recovery Provisions	<u>(\$414)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$2,481</u>	<u>\$1,527</u>	<u>\$540</u>

	<u>1996</u>	<u>1995</u>
	\$	\$
Note 9. (c) <u>Summary of Motor Vehicles and Provisions:</u>		
Motor Vehicles 30 June 1996. (Note 9.a)	4,613	5,766
Motor Vehicles Cost / Recovery Provision 30 June 1996 Note 9.b)	540	(414)
	<u>\$5,153</u>	<u>\$5,352</u>

	<u>1996</u>	<u>1995</u>
	\$	\$
Note 10. <u>Youth Ministry Fixed Assets</u>		
(a) <u>Office Equipment</u>		
Fax Machines (cost)	1,468	1,468
Accumulated Depreciation to 30/6/95	<u>(147)</u>	<u>-</u>
	1,321	1,468
Less Depreciation 20% DV	<u>(265)</u>	<u>(147)</u>
	<u>1,056</u>	<u>1,321</u>
(b) <u>Office Furniture</u>		
Office Desk, Chair & Filing Cabinet	377	377
Accumulated Depreciation to 30/6/95	<u>(19)</u>	<u>-</u>
	358	377
Less Depreciation 10% DV	<u>(36)</u>	<u>(19)</u>
	<u>322</u>	<u>358</u>
(c) <u>Computer Equipment</u>		
Computer and Printer	3,506	3,506
Accumulated Depreciation to 30/6/95	<u>(438)</u>	<u>-</u>
	3,068	3,506
Less Depreciation 25% DV	<u>(767)</u>	<u>(438)</u>
	<u>2,301</u>	<u>3,068</u>
Total Youth Ministry Fixed Assets 30 June 1996	<u>\$3,679</u>	<u>\$4,747</u>

These assets in Note 10. were purchased with monies advanced by Mission Resourcing Unit from Youth Ministry funds. Refer Note 19.

		1996	1995
		\$	\$
Note 11	<u>Joint Office Partners Deposits</u>		
	Methodist Mission Resourcing Unit	1,300	1,300
	Methodist Te Taha Maori	1,050	1,050
	Methodist Education Ministry	275	275
	Conference of Churches in Aotearoa N.Z.	1,000	1,000
	C.C.A.N.Z. - Programme on Racism	950	950
	Women's Resource Centre	300	300
	Te Runanga	300	300
		<u>\$5,175</u>	<u>\$5,175</u>
Note 12	<u>Mission Resourcing Unit - Building Loan</u>		
	Opening Balance 1 July 1995	-	36,000
	Loan repaid	-	<u>(36,000)</u>
	Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Note 13.	<u>E.W.Blackwell Trust Funds</u>		
(a)	<u>Capital Funds</u>		
	Opening Balance 1 July 1995	894,542	885,302
	M.T.A. Capital Accretions (Devaluations) for year	35,794	9,240
	<u>Closing Balance 30 June 1996</u>	<u>\$930,336</u>	<u>\$894,542</u>
(b)	<u>Revenue Funds</u>		
	Opening Balance 1 July 1995	16,881	20,293
	M.T.A. Dividends to 31 March 1996	58,133	63,863
	M.T.A. Accrued Dividend to 30 June 1996	<u>20,151</u>	<u>16,881</u>
		95,165	101,037
	Less Distributions -		
	Te Taha Maori	(25,005)	(28,052)
	I.F.B. Te Taha Maori	(25,005)	(28,052)
	Mission Resourcing Unit	(12,502)	(14,026)
	I.F.B. Mission Resourcing Unit	<u>(12,502)</u>	<u>(14,026)</u>
	<u>Closing Balance 30 June 1996</u>	<u>\$20,151</u>	<u>\$16,881</u>
	Combined Total of (a) and (b)	<u>\$950,487</u>	<u>\$911,423</u>
Note 14.	<u>Capital Fund Mangungu Historic Mission</u>		
	Government Valuation 1/10/92	92,000	92,000
	Revaluation GV 1/9/95	14,000	-
	Government Valuation 1/9/95	<u>\$108,000</u>	<u>\$92,000</u>
	This property is leased to the Historic Places trust from 1 May 1972 for 99 years.		
Note 15.	<u>Copier Sinking Fund</u>		
	Opening Balance 1 July 1995	2,735	19,236
	Recoveries from Joint Users - on usage basis	7,522	8,498
		<u>10,257</u>	<u>27,734</u>
	Purchase Canon Photocopier	-	<u>(24,999)</u>
	Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$10,257</u>	<u>\$2,735</u>

	1996	1995
	\$	\$
Note 16. <u>Copier (Office Equipment) Fund</u>		
Opening Balance 1 July 1995	\$29,999	18,687
Revalue Mita Copier to trade-in value		(13,887)
Mita Copier	5,000	5,000
Canon NP6080 Copier	24,999	24,999
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$29,999</u>	<u>\$29,999</u>

The assets represented by this fund are not subject to depreciation as the Copier Sinking Fund provides for their replacement.

Note 17. Movement in Parsonage Suspense Account

<u>3 Steele Street Auckland</u>		
Opening Balance 1 July 1995	9,292	5,552
Presbyter's Rent and Unit's Subsidy	5,832	5,604
	15,124	11,156
Less: Insurances	(106)	(440)
Rates	(1,562)	(1,424)
Repairs and Maintenance	(5,614)	-
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$7,842</u>	<u>\$9,292</u>

Note 18. Specific Trust Funds

(a) Thomas Brooke Memorial Trust Fund

Opening Balance 1 July 1995	19,224	20,019
Interest Received	1,507	1,405
Grants Paid	(830)	(2,200)
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$19,901</u>	<u>\$19,224</u>

(b) Gerard Grounds Legacy Trust Fund

Opening Balance 1 July 1995	4,174	3,899
Interest Received	322	275
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$4,496</u>	<u>\$4,174</u>

(c) Emily Rishworth Trust Fund

Opening Balance 1 July 1995	2,354	2,199
Interest Received	182	155
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$2,536</u>	<u>\$2,354</u>

(d) R. D. Griffiths Trust Fund

Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$24,278</u>	<u>\$24,278</u>
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Total Closing Balances 30 June 1996 (a-d)

<u>\$51,211</u>	<u>\$50,030</u>
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Note 19. Mission Resourcing Unit Advance - YM Fixed Assets

This is an advance from Mission Resourcing Unit of funds to enable I.F.B.M.R.U. to acquire specific assets, (refer to Note 10.) for the benefit of Youth Ministry. The advance is to be reduced each year by the annual depreciation written off the assets involved. The only obligation I.F.B.M.R.U. has to repay any part of this loan is in the event of the assets being sold, traded or otherwise realising a determined value. Such repayment is to be no more nor less than the net amount received by or credited to I.F.B.M.R.U.

	<u>1996</u>	<u>1995</u>
	\$	\$
Opening Balance 1 July 1995	4,747	5,351
Less Depreciation written off assets	<u>(1,068)</u>	<u>(604)</u>
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$3,679</u>	<u>\$4,747</u>

Note 20. Properties Revaluation Reserve

Opening Balance 1 July 1995	464,898	385,898
Increase in Govt Valn - 3 Steele St.	-	70,000
Profit on Sale of Mangawhai Land	-	9,000
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$464,898</u>	<u>\$464,898</u>

Note 21. Movement in Accumulated General Funds:

Opening Balance 1 July 1995	144,819	137,061
Income & Expenditure Account Net (Deficit) Surplus for year.	<u>18,341</u>	<u>17,758</u>
	163,160	154,819
Distribution to Mission Resourcing Unit	<u>(10,000)</u>	<u>(10,000)</u>
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$153,160</u>	<u>\$144,819</u>

J.S. Murray

Superintendent

D.W. Annett

Accountant

4/10/96, 1996

THE METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND

Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa

INVESTMENT FUNDS BOARD - MISSION RESOURCING UNIT

AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Methodist Church of New Zealand Conference

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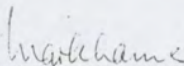
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Other than in our capacity as auditor we have no relationship with, or interest in, the Board.

Unqualified Opinion

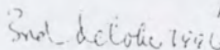
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Our Audit was completed on 3 October 1996 and our unqualified opinion is expressed as at that date.



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TE HAAHI WETERIANA O AOTEAROA

The Methodist Church of New Zealand

TE TAHA MAORI
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE
for the year ended 30 June 1996

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>1996</u>	<u>1995</u>
<u>INCOME</u>		\$	\$
Circuit Contributions	3	8,330	13,220
Connexional Budget		51,506	70,740
Administration Division - Budget Support		10,000	10,000
Distributions Received-			
Blackwell Trust		26,095	26,915
Grey Institute		165,004	106,569
Hamilton Trust		12,000	12,000
Investment Funds Board		50,000	60,000
Kai Iwi Trust		8,569	8,000
General Donations & Kohas		20	650
Interest Received	4	28,506	26,910
Special Income -			
Educators	5. (a)	19,688	19,755
Rangatahi	6. (a)	38,500	20,000
Total Income		<u>\$418,218</u>	<u>\$372,759</u>
<u>EXPENDITURE:</u>			
<u>Divisional Costs</u>			
Tumuaki / Nga Kaiarahi Costs	7.	92,292	62,190
Presbyters Costs	8.	102,385	125,414
Educators Costs	5. (b)	21,607	25,434
Rangatahi Costs	6. (b)	47,084	25,204
Accident Compensation Levy		5,878	3,196
General Travel Costs		11,209	10,286
Sundry Expenses		2,643	590
Hui, Staff Meeting Costs	13.	-	1,527
Total Divisional Costs		<u>\$283,098</u>	<u>\$253,841</u>
<u>Office & General Costs</u>			
Accountancy		9,288	8,789
Audit Fee		1,190	1,120
Bank Charges and Interest		296	174
Computer Processing		1,800	1,800
Office Expenses		2,433	2,720
Office Rent & Operating Costs		20,412	20,412
Office Salaries		39,394	50,530
Postages		1,445	1,679
Printing & Stationery		8,442	6,926
Repairs and Maintenance Equipment		396	287
Telephones		3,493	3,111
Total Office & General Costs		<u>\$88,589</u>	<u>\$97,548</u>
Total All Expenditure		<u>\$371,687</u>	<u>\$351,389</u>
Surplus (Deficit) for year to Accumulated funds	28	<u>\$46,531</u>	<u>\$21,370</u>

These accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts

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TE HAAHI WETERIANA O AOTEAROA
The Methodist Church of New Zealand

TE TAHA MAORI
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
as at 30 June 1996.

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>1996</u> \$	<u>1995</u> \$
<u>CURRENT ASSETS:</u>			
Accrued Blackwell Trust		6,717	5,627
Accrued Connexional Budget		8,496	13,100
Accrued Sundry		100,892	94,497
Bank Current Account		63,719	11,427
Sundry Debtors/Reimbursements		<u>16,662</u>	<u>17,502</u>
Total Current Assets		<u>\$196,486</u>	<u>\$142,153</u>
<u>INVESTMENTS AT COST/CAPITAL ACCRETIONS</u>			
M.T.A. Deposits	9.	1,036,554	1,058,236
I.F.B. Advance - P.A.C. Aotearoa Theology Fund	10. (a)	12,562	6,279
I.F.B. Advance- P.A.C. Youth Ventures Fund	10. (b)	31,741	37,017
Joint Office Capital Deposit		<u>1,050</u>	<u>1,050</u>
Total Investments		<u>\$1,081,907</u>	<u>\$1,102,582</u>
<u>TOTAL ALL ASSETS</u>		<u>\$1,278,393</u>	<u>\$1,244,735</u>
<u>Less CURRENT LIABILITIES:</u>			
Sundry Creditors / Provisions		<u>32,016</u>	<u>19,169</u>
Total Current Liabilities		<u>\$32,016</u>	<u>\$19,169</u>
<u>NETT ASSETS</u>		<u>\$1,246,377</u>	<u>\$1,225,566</u>

These accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts

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TE TAHA MAORI

Statement of Financial Position continued

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>1996</u> \$	<u>1995</u> \$
<u>Net Assets brought forward</u>		\$1,246,377	\$1,225,566

Represented by:

DESIGNATED FUNDS:

Betty Yearbury Bequest Fund		3,450	3,450
Christian Education Materials Fund	11.	(142)	930
Evangelism Training M.D.T.G. Fund		3,538	3,538
Ella Tahere Memorial Fund	12.	590	555
Hui, Staff Meetings Fund	13.	2,583	-
Kaikaraka Training Fund	14.	46,203	47,261
Koroneihana Scholarship Fund	15.	561	27,252
Liturgies Reserve Fund		20,000	20,000
Maori Hymn Books Fund	16.	1,536	1,536
Moutoa Educational Scholarship Fund	17.	24,309	26,078
M & B Gordon Fund (Tane Education)	18.	17,505	12,505
N.Z.M.W.F. Kurahuna Scholarship Fund	19.	2,884	3,275
N.Z.M.W.F. Smethurst Fund	20.	5,380	5,487
N.Z.M.W.F. Stamp Fund	21.	14,324	15,746
P.A.C. Aotearoa Theology Fund	22.	280,392	262,840
P.A.C. Youth Venture Fund	23.	388,251	397,325
Restructuring Reserve Fund	24.	42,009	44,567
Research Fund	25.	2,678	3,856
Year of the Family Fund	26.	75,401	82,254
Total Designated Funds		<u>\$931,452</u>	<u>\$958,455</u>

CAPITAL AND ACCUMULATED FUNDS

Capital Fund -			
- Legacies Fund	27.	72,457	65,174
- Office Space Fund		36,058	36,058
Accumulated General Funds	28	208,410	165,879
Total Capital and Accumulated Funds		<u>314,925</u>	<u>267,111</u>
<u>TOTAL ALL FUNDS</u>		<u>\$1,246,377</u>	<u>\$1,225,566</u>

These accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts

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TE TAHA MAORI

STATEMENT OF DESIGNATED FUNDS

For the Year ended 30 June 1995.

This statement is provided for additional information. It sets out a consolidated overview of the movement in Designated Funds during the year.

For details of the opening and closing balances of the particular Funds concerned, refer to the preceding Statement of Financial Position and for details of the movement in particular Funds refer to the following Notes 11 to 26.

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>1996</u>	<u>1995</u>
		\$	\$
<u>FUNDS RECEIVED DURING YEAR:</u>			
Ella Tahere Memorial Fund	12.	35	35
Hui, Staff Meetings Fund	13.	6,750	517
Kaikarakia Training Fund	14.	2,500	-
Koroneihana Scholarship Fund	15.	2,309	1,979
Moutoa Education Scholarship Fund	17.	21,231	20,479
M & B Gordon Fund	18.	5,000	5,000
N.Z.M.W.F. Kurahuna Scholarship Fund	19.	8,069	8,025
N.Z.M.W.F. Smethurst Fund	20.	577	841
P.A.C. Aotearoa Theology Fund	22.	23,669	18,655
P.A.C. Youth Venture Fund	23.	24,856	28,860
Research Fund	25.	12	5,000
Year of the Family Fund	26.	7,559	82,254
Total Funds Received		<u>\$102,567</u>	<u>\$171,645</u>

FUNDS EXPENDED DURING YEAR

Christian Education Materials Fund	11.	1,072	-
Hui, Staff Meetings Fund	13.	4,167	876
Kaikarakia Training Fund	14.	3,558	1,844
Koroneihana Scholarship Fund	15.	29,000	-
Maori Hymn Books Fund	16.	-	125
Moutoa Education Scholarship Fund	17.	23,000	25,108
M & B Gordon Fund	18.	-	140
N.Z.M.W.F. Kurahuna Scholarship Fund	19.	8,460	6,500
N.Z.M.W.F. Smethurst Fund	20.	684	2,027
N.Z.M.W.F. Stamp Fund	21.	1,422	-
P.A.C. Aotearoa Theology Fund	22.	6,117	4,524
P.A.C. Youth Ventures Fund	23.	33,930	36,818
Restructuring Reserve Fund/Resourcing Fund	24.	2,558	9,546
Research Fund	25.	1,190	3,260
Year of the Family Fund	26.	14,412	-
Total Funds Expended		<u>\$129,570</u>	<u>\$90,766</u>

<u>Net Surplus of Funds Received Over Funds Expended</u>	<u>(\$27,003)</u>	<u>\$80,879</u>
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DESIGNATED FUNDS

Opening Balance 1 July 1995	958,455	877,578
Net Surpluses for Year	<u>(27,003)</u>	<u>80,879</u>
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$931,452</u>	<u>\$958,455</u>

These accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts

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TE TAHA MAORI

NOTES TO ACCOUNTS for the year ended 30 June 1998

Note 1. STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Reporting Entity: Te Taha Maori is constituted under the laws and regulations of the Methodist Church of New Zealand. The financial statements of Te Taha Maori are a general purpose report which has been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting practices.

Measurement Base: These Financial Statements have been prepared on the basis of historical cost accounting. Accrual accounting has been used to match revenues earned with expenses incurred. Reliance has been placed on the fact that the Division is a going concern.

Specific Accounting Policies: The following specific accounting policies which materially effect the measurement of financial performance and financial position have been applied:

Debtors - are stated at expected realisable value after allowance for all bad debts.

Goods and Services Tax - These Financial Statements have been prepared on a GST exclusive basis.

Changes in Accounting Policies: There have been no changes in accounting policies which have been applied on basis consistent with those used in previous years.

Note 2. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES:

There are no material or significant contingent liabilities known of as at balance date.

	<u>1996</u>	<u>1995</u>
	\$	\$
Note 3		
<u>Details of Circuit's Contributions</u>		
Tai Tokerau	1,450	2,220
Tamaki	2,300	4,090
Waikato	-	-
Rohe Potae	500	-
Taranaki	580	1,410
Poneke	3,500	5,500
	<u>\$8,330</u>	<u>\$13,220</u>
Note 4		
<u>Details of Interest Received</u>		
Bank Current Account	247	498
M.T.A. - General Deposits	22,222	21,359
M.T.A. - Legacies Deposits	6,037	5,053
	<u>\$28,506</u>	<u>\$26,910</u>
Note 5. (a)		
<u>Details of Educators' Special Income</u>		
Wellington Methodist Chantable and Educational Endowments Trust	10,000	10,000
Grey Trust - Kia Neke Ake	9,688	9,755
	<u>\$19,688</u>	<u>\$19,755</u>

	1998	1995
	\$	\$
Note 5. (b) <u>Details of Educators' Salaries Etc</u>		
Salaries	17,259	16,578
Expenses/ Travel Costs	2,890	2,614
Superannuation Subsidy	1,458	1,401
Bicultural Co-ordinator Funding	-	4,841
	<u>\$21,607</u>	<u>\$25,434</u>
Note 6. (a) <u>Details of Rangatahi Special Income</u>		
Wellington Methodist Charitable and Educational Endowments Trust	30,000	20,000
Grant from PAC Youth Venture Fund	8,500	-
	<u>\$38,500</u>	<u>\$20,000</u>
6. (b) <u>Details of Rangatahi Salaries etc.</u>		
Salaries	33,153	17,496
Expense Allowance	2,140	-
Car Costs	4,945	2,178
Expenses	3,930	2,728
Housing Subsidy	2,916	2,802
	<u>\$47,084</u>	<u>\$25,204</u>
Note 7. <u>Details of Nga Kaiarahi Salaries Etc.</u>		
Stipend	68,734	44,637
Car Allowance	6,803	5,213
Expenses Allowance	4,336	3,988
Housing Subsidy	2,916	2,802
Superannuation Subsidy	5,832	2,606
Sundry Expenses	316	50
Travel Costs	3,355	2,894
	<u>\$92,292</u>	<u>\$62,190</u>
Note 8. <u>Details of Presbyters' Stipends Etc.</u>		
Stipends	64,152	79,624
Car Allowances	7,233	9,507
Expenses Allowances	5,763	7,179
Housing Subsidies	5,832	7,239
Superannuation Subsidies	5,832	7,085
Circuit Ministry Costs		
- Tai Tokerau	123	977
- Tamaki	3,337	3,202
- Waikato	3,335	3,383
- Rohe Potae	-	250
- Taranaki	3,288	3,395
- Poneke	52	298
- Otago	3,438	3,275
	<u>\$102,385</u>	<u>\$125,414</u>
Note 9. <u>Details of M.T.A. Deposits. (Including Accrued Dividends)</u>		
General Deposits	238,375	258,377
Koroneihana Scholarship Fund	561	27,252
Legacies Deposit	66,710	66,604
Moutoa Scholarship Fund	13,711	17,479
P.A.C. Aotearoa Theology Fund	267,382	256,907
P.A.C. Youth Ventures Fund	371,956	349,363
Year of the Family Fund	77,859	82,254
	<u>\$1,036,554</u>	<u>\$1,058,236</u>

	1996	1995
	\$	\$
Note 10. (a) <u>I.F.B. - P.A.C. Theology Fund Advance</u>		
Opening Balance 1 July 1995	6,279	9,095
Advance re Purchase of Computers	11,194	-
	17,473	9,095
Less Depreciation written off computers	(4,911)	(2,816)
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	\$12,562	\$6,279
10. (b) <u>I.F.B. - P.A.C. Youth Ventures Fund Advance</u>		
Opening Balance 1 July 1995	37,017	33,110
Advance re Computer Purchase	-	13,950
Interest on Car Loan	763	-
Less Depreciation written off Assets	(6,039)	(10,043)
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	\$31,741	\$37,017
Note 11. <u>Christian Education Materials Fund</u>		
Opening Balance 1 July 1995	930	930
Literature/Teaching Aids	(1,072)	-
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	(\$142)	\$930
Note 12. <u>Ella Tahere Memorial Fund</u> (For benefit of Mangamuka Marae & Church)		
Opening Balance 1 July 1995	555	520
Interest Allowance	35	35
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	\$590	\$555
Note 13. <u>Hui, Staff Meetings Fund</u>		
Opening Balance 1 July 1995	-	359
Transfer from Accumulated Funds	6,000	-
Koha Poari Hui	750	517
	6,750	876
Enabling Tean Hui Costs	(461)	-
Poari Hui Costs (Board)	(3,110)	(2,262)
Various other Wananga Costs	(596)	(141)
	2,583	(1,527)
Transfer Balance to Income & Expenditure	-	1,527
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	\$2,583	\$0
Note 14. <u>Kaikaraka Training Programme Fund</u>		
Opening Balance 1 July 1995	47,261	49,105
Trinity College Grant	2,500	-
	49,761	49,105
Resource Materials/Other Costs/Grants	(738)	(737)
Travel Costs/Grants	(2,820)	(1,107)
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	\$46,203	\$47,261
Note 15. <u>Koroneihana Scholarship Fund</u>		
Opening Balance 1 July 1995	27,252	25,273
M.T.A. Interest	2,309	1,979
Scholarship Fund handed over	(29,000)	-
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	\$581	\$27,252

	1996	1995
	\$	\$
Note 16. <u>Maori Hymn Books Fund</u>		
Opening Balance 1 July 1995	1,536	1,661
Books purchased	-	(125)
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$1,536</u>	<u>\$1,536</u>
Note 17. <u>Moutoa Education Scholarship Fund</u>		
Opening Balance 1 July 1995	26,078	30,705
Grant - Wellington Methodist Charitable & Educational Endowments Trust	20,000	20,000
M.T.A. Interest	1,231	479
	47,309	51,184
Awards made:	(23,000)	(25,106)
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$24,309</u>	<u>\$26,078</u>
Note 18. <u>M & B Gordon Fund - Tane Education</u>		
Opening Balance 1 July 1995	12,505	7,645
Donation Received	5,000	5,000
	17,505	12,645
Grants made	-	(140)
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$17,505</u>	<u>\$12,505</u>
Note 19. <u>N.Z.M.W.F. Kurahuna Scholarship Fund</u>		
Opening Balance 1 July 1995	3,275	1,750
Distribution Received	8,069	8,025
	11,344	9,775
Grants made	(8,460)	(6,500)
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$2,884</u>	<u>\$3,275</u>
Note 20. <u>N.Z.M.W.F. Smethurst Fund</u>		
Opening Balance 1 July 1995	5,487	6,673
Smethurst Interest received	577	841
	6,064	7,514
Contribution towards Women Delegates Conference Costs- local & overseas	(684)	(2,027)
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$5,380</u>	<u>\$5,487</u>
Note 21. <u>N.Z.M.W.F. Stamp Fund</u>		
Opening Balance 1 July 1995	15,746	15,746
Grant made	(1,422)	-
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$14,324</u>	<u>\$15,746</u>

	1998	1995
	\$	\$
Note 22. <u>P.A.C. Aotearoa Theology Fund</u>		
(a) <u>Opening Balance 1 July 1995</u>	263,186	247,347
M.T.A. Interest	23,669	18,655
	286,855	266,002
Transfer to Minor Expenses Fund	(2,000)	-
Depreciation on Computers	(4,911)	(2,816)
Closing Balance 30 June 1998	<u>\$279,944</u>	<u>\$263,186</u>
(b) <u>P.A.C. Aotearoa Theology Fund - Minor Expenses</u>		
<u>Opening Balance 1 July 1995</u>	(346)	1,362
Transfer from Main Fund	2,000	-
	1,654	1,362
Computer Maintenance and Upgrades	(503)	(415)
Other Expenditure	(703)	(1,293)
Closing Balance 30 June 1998	<u>\$448</u>	<u>(\$346)</u>
Total 22. (a) and 22. (b)	<u>\$280,392</u>	<u>\$262,840</u>
Note 23. <u>P.A.C. Youth Ventures Fund</u>		
(a) <u>Opening Balance 1 July 1995</u>	386,380	408,613
M.T.A. Interest	32,593	28,860
Interest on Car Loan	763	-
Grant to Rangatahi Income	(8,500)	-
	411,236	437,473
Transfer to Minor Expense Float	(10,000)	(41,050)
Depreciation on Assets	(6,039)	(10,043)
Closing Balance 30 June 1998	<u>\$395,197</u>	<u>\$386,380</u>
(b) <u>P.A.C. Youth Ventures Fund - Minor Expenses</u>		
<u>Opening Balance 1 July 1995</u>	10,945	(3,330)
Transfer from Principal Fund	10,000	41,050
Conference Cost	(1,637)	(1,703)
Hui Costs (includes travel)	(21,761)	(19,910)
Vehicle Costs	(3,267)	(2,376)
Sports Equipment, Uniform etc.	(652)	(744)
Office Equipment and Sundry Expenses	(574)	(2,042)
Closing Balance 30 June 1998	<u>(\$8,946)</u>	<u>\$10,945</u>
Total 23. (a) and 23. (b)	<u>\$386,251</u>	<u>\$397,325</u>
Note 24. <u>Restructuring Reserve Fund/Resourcing Fund</u>		
<u>Opening Balance 1 July 1995</u>	44,567	54,113
Travel and other Costs	(2,558)	(9,546)
Closing Balance 30 June 1998	<u>\$42,009</u>	<u>\$44,567</u>

	1996	1995
	\$	\$
Note 25. <u>Research Fund</u>		
<u>Opening Balance 1 July 1995</u>	3,856	2,116
PAC Archive Research Grant & Donations	12	5,000
	3,868	7,116
Archive Research Costs	(1,190)	(3,260)
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$2,678</u>	<u>\$3,856</u>
Note 26. <u>Year of the Family Fund</u>		
<u>Opening Balance 1 July 1995</u>	82,254	-
Grant Received	-	80,000
M.T.A. Interest	7,559	2,254
	89,813	82,254
Grants made	(14,412)	-
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$75,401</u>	<u>\$82,254</u>
Note 27. <u>Capital Fund - Legacies Fund</u>		
<u>Opening Balance 1 July 1995</u>	65,174	62,059
Legacies Received	7,283	3,115
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$72,457</u>	<u>\$65,174</u>
Note 28. <u>Accumulated General Funds</u>		
<u>Opening Balance 1 July 1995</u>	165,879	144,509
<u>Less Transfer to Hui Fund</u>	(6,000)	-
Surplus (Deficit) Income for Year	46,531	21,370
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$206,410</u>	<u>\$165,879</u>

Te R. G. Winiata
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D.W. Arnett
 D.W. Arnett Accountant

4/10/1 1996

AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Methodist Church of New Zealand Conference

We have audited the financial statements on pages 1 to 10. The financial statements provide information about the past financial performance of Te Taha Maori and its financial position as at 30 June 1996. This information is stated in accordance with the accounting policies set out in Note 1 on page 5

The Board's Responsibilities

The Board is responsible for the preparation of financial statements which fairly reflect the financial position of Te Taha Maori as at 30 June 1996 and the results of its operations for the year ended on that date.

Auditor's Responsibilities

It is our responsibility to express an independent opinion on the financial statements presented by Te Taha Maori and report our opinion to you.

Basis of Opinion

An audit includes examining on a test basis, evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes assessing:

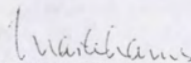
- the significant estimates and judgements made by Te Taha Maori in the preparation of the financial statements; and
- whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Te Taha Maori's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards in New Zealand. We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatements, whether caused by fraud or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

Other than in our capacity as auditor we have no relationship with, or interest in, Te Taha Maori.

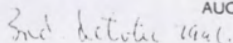
Unqualified Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements on pages 1 to 10 fairly reflect the financial position of Te Taha Maori as at 30 June 1996 and the results of its operations for the year ended on that date. Our Audit was completed on 3 October 1996 and our unqualified opinion is expressed as at that date.


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MARKHAMS AUCKLAND

Chartered Accountants

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TE HAAHI WETERIANA O AOTEAROA

The Methodist Church of New Zealand

INVESTMENT FUNDS BOARD TE TAHA MAORI

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the year ended 30 June, 1996

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The Methodist Church of New Zealand

INVESTMENT FUNDS BOARD TE TAHA MAORI
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE
for the year ended 30 June 1996

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>1996</u> \$	<u>1995</u> \$
<u>INCOME</u>			
Distribution Received -			
Building Partnership		19,200	19,200
Blackwell Trust		26,095	26,915
Interest Received	3.	109,756	87,778
Maungawhare Farm Net Income (Deficit)	4.	(1,923)	(5,458)
Rents Received		<u>49,874</u>	<u>48,037</u>
Total All Income		<u>\$203,002</u>	<u>\$176,472</u>
<u>EXPENDITURE</u>			
<u>Property Costs</u>			
Depreciation of Equipment	16.	606	621
Insurances		3,441	12,916
Land Research		-	322
Legal Expenses		5,059	-
Rates and Water		13,495	12,516
Rentals Paid		181	181
Rental Costs (Brougham)		4,500	4,500
Repairs and Maintenance		69,194	28,287
Valuations		<u>5,357</u>	<u>369</u>
Total Property Costs		<u>\$101,833</u>	<u>\$59,712</u>
<u>Office and General Costs</u>			
Accountancy		13,492	11,426
Audit Fee		924	905
Bank Charges and Interest		171	29
Computer Processing		2,004	2,004
Office Rents and Costs		6,318	6,058
Postages, Printing, Stationery, Telephone, Sundry Expenses etc.		<u>788</u>	<u>363</u>
Total Office and General Costs		<u>\$23,697</u>	<u>\$20,785</u>
<u>Total All Expenditure</u>		<u>\$125,530</u>	<u>\$80,497</u>
<u>NET SURPLUS FOR YEAR TO ACCUMULATED FUND:</u>	34	<u>\$77,472</u>	<u>\$95,975</u>

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TE HAAHI WETERIANA O AOTEAROA

The Methodist Church of New Zealand

INVESTMENT FUNDS BOARD TE TAHA MAORI
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
as at 30 June 1996

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>1996</u> \$	<u>1995</u> \$
<u>CURRENT ASSETS:</u>			
Accrued Blackwell Trust		6,717	5,627
Bank Current Account		32,565	119,113
Kaeo Committee Bank Imprest		169	169
Maungawhare Committee Bank Imprest		2,328	879
Maungawhare Livestock	4.	11,500	12,250
Sundry Debtors / Reimbursements		18,416	46,817
Total Current Assets		\$71,695	\$184,855
<u>INVESTMENTS</u>			
Auckland Office Building Partnership	5.	226,000	226,000
M.T.A. General Funds Deposits		1,329,987	1,291,886
M.T.A. Ngati Paoa Whanau Trust Deposits		595,626	618,243
M.T.A. Specified Deposits	6.	1,064,590	649,119
Brougham House Loan	7.	54,000	58,500
Rangatahi Worker Car Loan	15(c)	7,627	-
Total Investments		\$3,277,830	\$2,843,748
<u>FIXED ASSETS</u>			
<u>Property</u>			
Land Properties	8.	529,550	420,550
Centres	9.	1,272,200	1,215,200
Churches	10.	136,000	135,000
Residential Homes	11.	840,800	760,800
Parsonages	12.	660,000	410,000
Houses and Cottages	13.	638,000	611,500
Total Property		\$4,076,550	\$3,553,050
<u>Other Fixed Assets</u>			
Farm Equipment	14.	1,535	1,919
Motor Vehicles - Youth Venture Funds	15. (a)	13,468	26,222
Computer Equipment - Youth Venture Funds	15. (b)	8,015	10,687
Office Furniture Equipment	16.	5,451	5,585
Computer Equipment - Aotearoa Theology Fund	17.	14,732	8,449
Total Other Fixed Assets		\$43,201	\$52,862
Total Property & Other Fixed Assets		\$4,119,751	\$3,605,912
<u>TOTAL ALL ASSETS</u>		<u>\$7,469,276</u>	<u>\$6,634,515</u>

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INVESTMENT FUNDS BOARD TE TAHA MAORI

Statement of Financial Position Continued

	Notes	1996 \$	1995 \$
Total All Assets brought forward		\$7,469,276	\$6,634,515
Less CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Sundry Creditors and Provisions		124,601	94,286
Total Current Liabilities		\$124,601	\$94,286
NET ASSETS		\$7,344,675	\$6,540,229

Represented By:-

DESIGNATED FUNDS

Grey Trust Specific Funds and Grants for Distributions	18	664,646	548,862
Hamilton Trust for Distributions	19	44,839	36,839
Kaeo Land Sales Capital Reserve	20	66,278	63,728
Kaeo Land Sales Revenue Reserve	21	102,802	88,741
Kai Iwi Fund	22	371,251	-
Te Taha Maori Advances	23		
- P.A.C. Aotearoa Theology Fund	24	12,562	6,279
- P.A.C. Youth Ventures Fund	25	31,741	37,017
Ngati Paoa Whanau Trust Deposit	26	595,626	618,243
Ngati Te Whiti Reserve	27	81,877	72,189
Otauhahi Building Replacement Fund	28	27,978	25,583
Parsonages Suspense Accounts	29	44,984	56,731
Specific Trust Funds	30	13,771	32,598
Whanau Units - Seamer Fund	31	351,064	325,892
Womens Resource Fund	32	135,278	128,521
Total Designated Funds		\$2,544,697	\$2,041,223

CAPITAL AND ACCUMULATED FUNDS:

Properties Capital Reserves	33	3,696,036	3,422,536
Accumulated General Funds	34	1,103,942	1,076,470
Total Capital & Accumulated Funds		\$4,799,978	\$4,499,006
TOTAL ALL FUNDS EQUAL TO NET ASSETS		\$7,344,675	\$6,540,229

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts.

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INVESTMENT FUNDS BOARD TE TAHA MAORI

STATEMENT OF DESIGNATED FUNDS
for the year ended 30 June 1996

This statement is provided for additional information. It sets out a consolidated overview of the movement in Designated Funds during the year.

For details of the opening and closing balances of the particular Funds concerned, refer to the preceding Statement of Financial Position and for details of the movement in particular Funds refer to the following notes 18 to 32.

	Notes	1996 \$	1995 \$
FUNDS RECEIVED DURING THE YEAR			
Grey Trust Specific Funds	18	311,155	182,614
Hamilton Trust	19	25,000	27,100
Kaeo Land Sales Capital Reserve	20	2,550	658
Kaeo Land Sales Revenue Reserve	21	14,061	11,961
Kai Iwi Fund	22	380,543	-
Te Taha Maori Advances			
- P.A.C. Aotearoa Theology Fund	24	11,194	-
- P.A.C. Youth Ventures Fund	25	763	13,950
Ngati Paoa Whanau Trust Deposit	26	73,981	63,511
Ngati Te Whiti Reserve	27	9,688	9,755
Otauhahi Building Replacement Fund	28	2,395	1,857
Parsonage Suspense Accounts	29	23,038	20,060
Specific Trust Funds	30	3,969	4,077
Whanau Units - Seamer Fund	31	29,425	23,445
Women's Resource Fund	32	12,018	128,521
Total Funds Received		\$899,780	\$487,509
FUNDS EXPENDED / DEBITED DURING YEAR			
Grey Trust Specific Funds	18	195,371	143,078
Hamilton Trust Fund	19	17,000	17,040
Kai Iwi Fund	22	9,292	-
Te Taha Maori Advances			
- P.A.C. Aotearoa Theology Fund	24	4,911	2,816
- P.A.C. Youth Ventures Fund	25	6,039	10,043
Ngati Paoa Whanau Trust Deposit	26	96,598	220,633
Parsonage Suspense Accounts	29	34,785	35,641
Specific Trust Funds	30	22,796	831
Whanau Units - Seamer Fund	31	4,253	1,914
Women's Resource Fund	32	5,261	-
Total Funds Expended		\$396,306	\$434,996
Net Surplus of Funds Received Over Funds Expended		\$503,474	\$52,513
Designated Funds			
Opening Balance 1 July 1995		2,041,223	1,988,710
Net Surplus (Deficit) of Funds Received		503,474	52,513
Closing Balance 30 June 1996		\$2,544,697	\$2,041,223

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts.

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INVESTMENT FUNDS BOARD TE TAHA MAORI

NOTES TO ACCOUNTS for the year ended 30 June 1996

Note 1. STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Reporting Entity: The Investment Funds Board Te Taha Maori is a charitable organisation registered under the Charitable Trusts Act 1957. The financial statements of the Investment Funds Board Te Taha Maori are a general purpose report which has been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting practices with the exception that Properties are valued at the most recent Government Valuation.

Measurement Base: These Financial Statements have been prepared on the basis of historical cost accounting. Accrual accounting has been used to match revenues earned with expenses incurred. Reliance has been placed on the fact that the Partnership is a going concern.

Specific Accounting Policies: The following specific accounting policies which materially effect the measurement of financial performance and financial position have been applied:

Fixed Assets:

- **Property** - As noted above all properties are in the books at the latest available Government Valuation. All properties are insured for replacement value except where in the event of a loss no replacement is contemplated in which cases the properties are insured for indemnity value.
- **Other Fixed Assets** - are stated at cost less aggregate depreciation. Depreciation has been provided on a diminishing value basis calculated to allocate the asset's cost less residual value over their estimated useful lives. Major depreciation rates are:

Motor Vehicles	20%
Office Equipment	10%
Computer Equipment	25%

Debtors - are stated at expected realisable value after allowance for all bad debts.

Goods and Services Tax - These Financial Statements have been prepared on a GST exclusive basis.

Changes in Accounting Policies: There have been no changes in accounting policies which have been applied on basis consistent with those used in previous years.

Note 2. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES:

There are no material or significant contingent liabilities known of as at balance date

Note 3. Details of Interest Received

Bank Current Account
M.T.A. General Deposits

1996	1995
\$	\$
1,731	3,049
108,025	84,729
<u>\$109,756</u>	<u>\$87,778</u>

Note 4.

Maungawhare FarmIncome and Expenditure for the year ended 30 June 1996

	<u>1996</u>		<u>1995</u>	
	<u>Stock</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>Stock</u>	<u>\$</u>
INCOME				
Sale of Heifers and Cattle	51	12,796	45	12,575
Livestock on Hand 30.6.96 - Cattle	46	11,500	49	12,250
Stock losses -(stolen or died)	2	-	-	-
	<u>99</u>	<u>\$24,296</u>	<u>94</u>	<u>\$24,825</u>
EXPENDITURE				
Livestock on Hand 1.7.95 - Cattle	49	12,250	56	14,000
Purchase of Heifers & Cattle	50	6,469	38	9,461
Cartage		155		358
Depreciation		384		480
Grazing Fees		-		131
Weed Control		84		-
Farm Rates / Insurance		1,555		950
Fertiliser and Vet Supplies		2,759		2,888
Repairs, Fencing & Drainage		2,563		2,015
	<u>99</u>	<u>\$26,219</u>	<u>94</u>	<u>\$30,283</u>
Net (Deficit)/Income to Statement of Income & Expenditure		<u>(\$1,923)</u>		<u>(\$5,458)</u>
		<u>\$24,296</u>		<u>\$24,825</u>

Note 5.

Auckland Office Building Partnership\$228,000 \$228,000

This represents a third interest in the capital of the above partnership which owns the property at 409 Great South Road, Penrose. The other two partners who equally own the other two-thirds are the Administration Division and the Investment Funds Board Mission Resourcing Unit, of the Methodist Church of New Zealand.

Note 6.

Details of M.T.A. Specified Deposits

	<u>1996</u>	<u>1995</u>
	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>
Specific Trusts Funds	13,872	28,973
Kaeo Land Sales Capital Reserves	66,278	63,728
Kaeo Land Sales Revenue Reserves	102,802	88,741
Kai Iwi Fund Deposit	364,120	
Whanau Units - Seamer Fund	351,064	313,573
Otautahi Building Replacement Fund	27,979	25,583
Womens Resource Fund	138,475	128,521
Total Balances 30 June 1995	<u>\$1,064,580</u>	<u>\$649,119</u>

Note 7.

Brougham House Alterations Loan

Advance Wesley Social Services Trust (ex Grant from Kai Iwi Trust)

10 years interest free to 15 Jan 1998

90,000 90,000

LESS Annual Amount Forgiven in Lieu of Rent

to 1994

(31,500) (27,000)

1995

(4,500) (4,500)

Closing Balance 30 June 1998

\$54,000 \$58,500

SCHEDULE OF PROPERTIES 30 JUNE 1995.

	G.V. YEAR	G.V. LAND	G.V. IMPROVEMENTS	G.V. TOTAL
Note 8. LAND				
Kaeo, Hospital Road	1995	124,000	12,000	136,000
Te Poinga, Waimea Valley Road	1995	50,000	-	50,000
Waimea, State Highway 12	1995	9,500	-	9,500
Pakanae, Opononi-Newark	1995	96,000	Not House	96,000
Pakanae, Koutu Point Road	1995	22,000	Not House	22,000
Maungawhare, Mt Wesley	1993	110,000	7,000	117,000
Tuakau, 21-23 Gibson Road	1995	51,000	-	51,000
Ngaruawahia, River Road	1994	23,000	Not Flats	23,000
Te Kopua, Cannons Road (Cemetery)	1995	50	-	50
Raglan, Tutchen Avenue	1994	14,000	-	14,000
Kawhia, Te Waitere Road (Cemetery)	1994	5,000	500	5,500
Opunake, 21 Longfellow Street	1994	3,200	2,300	5,500
		<u>\$507,750</u>	<u>\$21,800</u>	<u>\$529,550</u>
Note 9. CENTRES				
	G.V. YEAR	G.V. LAND	G.V. BUILDINGS	G.V. TOTAL
Te Rongopai, Kaikohe	1995	35,000	115,000	150,000
Te Atawhai, Kawakawa	1995	12,000	16,000	28,000
James Butler Memorial, Dargaville	1993	14,000	14,000	28,000
Whakatuona, Mangere	1993	56,000	218,200	274,200
Te Rahui Tane, Hamilton	1995	180,000	375,000	555,000
Te Piringa, Otorohanga	1995	11,000	44,000	55,000
Te Huinga, Te Kuiti	1994	19,000	16,000	35,000
Patea	1994	1,400	5,600	7,000
Tahupotiki Haddon Memorial, Hawera	1994	Not Owned	140,000	140,000
		<u>\$328,400</u>	<u>\$943,800</u>	<u>\$1,272,200</u>
Note 10. CHURCHES				
Te Patunga (Kaeo) Pupuke Road	1995	1,500	3,500	5,000
Taheke, State Highway 12	1992	12,000	48,000	60,000
Otaua, Mangatawa Road	1995	3,000	8,000	11,000
Kawhia, Tainui Street	1995	32,500	27,500	60,000
		<u>\$49,000</u>	<u>\$87,000</u>	<u>\$136,000</u>
Note 11. RESIDENTIAL HOMES				
Te Rahui Wahine, Hamilton	1995	160,000	140,000	300,000
Whanau Units, Mangere	1993	58,100	482,700	540,800
		<u>\$218,100</u>	<u>\$622,700</u>	<u>\$840,800</u>
Note 12. PARSONAGES				
28 Mount Albert Road, Auckland	1994	260,000	150,000	410,000
36 Delamare Rd, Hamilton (at cost 20/7/95)		75,000	175,000	250,000
		<u>\$335,000</u>	<u>\$325,000</u>	<u>\$660,000</u>

		G.V. YEAR	G.V. LAND	G.V. BUILDINGS	G.V. TOTAL
Note 13.	<u>HOUSES AND COTTAGES</u>				
	296 Massey Road, Mangere	1993	81,100	78,900	160,000
	298 Massey Road, Mangere	1993	39,000	102,000	141,000
	19 Gibson Road, Tuakau	1995	17,000	-	17,000
	11 Union Street, Hamilton	1995	88,000	92,000	180,000
	Tairua Street, Kawhia	1995	18,000	42,000	60,000
	175 Waihi Road, Hawera	1994	41,000	27,000	68,000
	Longfellow Street, Opunake	1994	3,200	8,800	12,000
			<u>\$287,300</u>	<u>\$350,700</u>	<u>\$638,000</u>
	<u>TOTAL PROPERTIES</u> 30 June 1996		\$1,725,550	\$2,351,000	\$4,076,550
	30 June 1995		\$1,466,550	\$2,086,500	\$3,553,050
				<u>1996</u>	<u>1995</u>
				\$	\$
Note 14.	<u>Farm Equipment - Maungawhare</u>				
	<u>Total Original Cost to 1 July 1995</u>			\$3,332	\$3,332
	Book Value 1 July 1995			1,919	2,399
	Less Depreciation 20% D.V.			(384)	(480)
	<u>Book Value 30 June 1996</u>			<u>\$1,535</u>	<u>\$1,919</u>
Note 15. (a)	<u>Motor Vehicles - Youth Venture Funds</u>				
	These vehicles and the computer equipment in Note 15 (b) were purchased with monies advanced by Te Taha Maori from funds held specifically for Youth Ventures. Refer to Note 23				
		Original Cost	Book Value 30 June 1995	Depreciation 20% D.V.	Book Value 30 June 1996
	Isuzu Elf Van - PW 8064	21,500	8,807	1,761	7,045
	Isuzu Fargo Van - PW 8065	19,600	8,028	1,606	6,423
	Nissan Sentra Car - RT 2758	14,667	9,387	(Sold \$9387)	-
	<u>Total Motor Vehicles</u>	<u>\$55,767</u>	<u>\$26,222</u>	<u>\$3,367</u>	<u>\$13,468</u>
15. (b)	<u>Computer Equipment - Youth Venture Funds</u>				
	Computer Equipment	14,175	10,687	2,672	8,015
	<u>Total Youth Venture Assets</u>	<u>\$69,942</u>	<u>\$36,909</u>	<u>\$6,039</u>	<u>\$21,483</u>
15 (c)	<u>Rangatahi Worker Car Loan - Youth Venture Funds</u>				
				<u>1996</u>	<u>1995</u>
				\$	\$
	Advance			10,560	-
	Interest Received			763	-
				11,323	0
	Repayments Received			(3,696)	-
	<u>Closing Balance 30 June 1996</u>			<u>\$7,827</u>	<u>\$0</u>

	1996	1995
	\$	\$
Note 16. <u>Office Furniture & Equipment</u>		
Book value 1 July 1995	5,585	4,807
Additions: Workstation	472	1,399
Less Depreciation at 10% Diminishing Value	(606)	(621)
Book value 30 June 1996	<u>\$5,451</u>	<u>\$5,585</u>
Note 17. <u>Computer Equipment - Aotearoa Theology Fund</u>		
This Computer Equipment was purchased with monies advanced by Te Taha Maori from funds held for assisting in the development of the Division's mission (Also refer to Note 23)		
Total Original Cost to 1 July 1995	\$26,379	\$26,379
Book value 1 July 1995	8,449	11,265
Additions: Computers and Printers	11,194	-
	19,643	11,265
Depreciation at 25% Diminishing Value	(4,911)	(2,816)
Book value 30 June 1995	<u>\$14,732</u>	<u>\$8,449</u>
Note 18. <u>Grey Institute Distributions</u>		
(a) <u>General Funds</u>		
Opening Balance 1 July 1995	82,176	109,296
Less Distributed:		
Grey Trust Development Fund	(29,064)	(29,264)
Grey Trust Education Fund	(38,752)	(39,019)
Ngati Te Whiti Reserve	(9,688)	(9,755)
Te Taha Maori - Kia Neke Ake	(9,688)	(9,755)
	(5,016)	21,503
Grant Received	311,155	182,614
Less Distributed Te Taha Maori	(171,136)	(121,941)
General Funds for Distribution 30 June 1996	<u>\$135,003</u>	<u>\$82,176</u>
(b) <u>Grey Trust Bicultural Church Fund</u>		
Opening Balance 1 July 1995 (From Distribution 1984/85)	2,466	2,466
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$2,466</u>	<u>\$2,466</u>
(c) <u>Grey Trust Development Fund</u>		
Opening Balance 1 July 1995	195,434	167,797
Distribution as Above	29,064	29,264
	224,498	197,061
Less Costs Disbursed (Air fares)	(1,859)	(1,627)
Grant to Tahupotiki Centre	(3,000)	-
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$219,639</u>	<u>\$195,434</u>
(d) <u>Grey Trust Education Fund</u>		
Opening Balance 1 July 1995	268,786	229,767
Distribution As Above	38,752	39,019
	307,538	268,786
Less Costs Disbursed	-	-
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$307,538</u>	<u>\$268,786</u>
Combined Total of (a) (b) (c) & (d)	<u>\$684,646</u>	<u>\$548,862</u>

		1996 \$	1995 \$
Note 19	<u>Hamilton Trust Distributions</u>		
	Opening Balance 1 July 1995	36,839	26,779
	Grant Received	25,000	27,100
		61,839	53,879
	Less Te Taha Maori Grant	(12,000)	(12,000)
	Koha Koroneihana	(5,000)	(5,040)
	Closing Balance 30 June 1996	\$44,839	\$36,839
Note 20	<u>Kaero Land Sales Capital Reserve</u>		
	Opening Balance 1 July 1995	63,728	63,070
	M.T.A. Capital- Property Revaluation	2,550	658
	Closing Balance 30 June 1996	\$66,278	\$63,728
Note 21	<u>Kaero Land Sales Revenue Reserve</u>		
	Opening Balance 1 July 1995	88,741	76,780
	M.T.A. Revenue & Capital Reserves Dividends	14,061	11,961
	Closing Balance 30 June 1996	\$102,802	\$88,741
Note 22	<u>Kai Iwi Fund</u>		
	<u>Kai Iwi Fund Capital</u>		
	Funds received from Kai Iwi Trust	356,000	-
	Closing Balance 30 June 1996	\$356,000	\$0
	<u>Kai Iwi Fund - Distribution Reserve</u>		
	MTA Dividends Received	24,543	-
	Less: Distribution to Te Taha Maori	(8,569)	-
	Costs Paid (Airmiles)	(723)	-
	Closing Balance 30 June 1996	\$15,251	\$0
	Total Balance Kai Iwi Fund 30 June 1996	\$371,251	\$0
Note 23	<u>Te Taha Maori Advances - Notes 24 and 25</u>		
	These advances from Te Taha Maori of special funds to enable the I.F.B. to acquire specific assets. (refer to Notes 15 and 17) for the benefit of Maori "Mission". The advances are to be reduced each year by the annual depreciation written off the assets involved. The only obligation I.F.B. has to repay any part of these loans is in the event of assets being sold, traded or otherwise realising a determined value. Such repayment is to be no more nor less than the amount received by or credited to I.F.B.		
		1996 \$	1995 \$
Note 24	<u>Te Taha Maori Advance-P.A.C. Aotearoa Theology Fund</u>		
	Opening Balance 1 July 1995	6,279	9,095
	Additional Advance to purchase Computers	11,194	-
	Depreciation on Computer (Note 17)	(4,911)	(2,816)
	Closing Balance 30 June 1996	\$12,562	\$6,279
Note 25	<u>Te Taha Maori Advance - P.A.C. Youth Ventures Fund</u>		
	Opening Balance 1 July 1995	37,017	33,110
	Advances Received	-	13,950
	Interest on Car Loan	763	-
	Depreciation on Assets (Note 15)	(6,039)	(10,043)
	Closing Balance 30 June 1996	\$31,741	\$37,017

		1996	1995
		\$	\$
Note 26	<u>M.T.A. Deposit, Held as Agent for Ngati Paoa Whanau Trust</u>		
	Opening Balance 1 July 1995	618,243	775,365
	Capital Accretions (Decrements) during year	23,395	6,869
	Dividends Received During Year	50,586	56,642
	Less Remitted to Trust	(96,598)	(220,633)
	Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$595,626</u>	<u>\$818,243</u>
Note 27	<u>Ngati Te Whiti Reserve</u>		
	Opening Balance 1 July 1995	72,189	62,434
	Grey Distribution for year	9,688	9,755
	Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$81,877</u>	<u>\$72,189</u>
Note 28	<u>Otautahi Building Replacement Fund</u>		
	Opening Balance 1 July 1995	25,583	23,726
	M.T.A. Dividends received	2,395	1,857
	Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$27,978</u>	<u>\$25,583</u>
Note 29	<u>Parsonages Suspense Accounts</u>		
	Opening Balance 1 July 1995	56,731	72,312
	Presbyters' Rents & Division's Subsidies	23,038	20,060
		79,769	92,372
	<u>Less</u> 38 Three Mile Bush Rd - tsfd to Accumulated Funds on Sale	-	(21,442)
	Insurances	(831)	(1,210)
	Legal	(603)	(1,638)
	Rates	(4,144)	(2,568)
	Rentals Parsonages	-	(1,613)
	Repairs, Maintenance & Upgrades	(26,743)	(6,595)
	Security & Monitoring	(2,464)	(575)
	Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$44,984</u>	<u>\$56,731</u>
	<u>Individual Parsonages Suspense Account</u>		
	<u>Balances 30 June 1996</u>		
	28 Mount Albert Road Auckland	17,736	16,738
	296 Massey Road Mangere	(13,757)	2,360
	4 Bryce Street Hamilton (Let)	15,237	17,622
	36 Delamare Road Hamilton	1,981	-
	11 Brougham Street, Wellington (Rented)	23,787	20,011
	Total Balances 30 June 1996	<u>\$44,984</u>	<u>\$56,731</u>

Note 30	<u>Specific Trust Funds</u>	1996	1995
		\$	\$
(a)	<u>Thomas Buddle Memorial Trust Fund</u>		
	Opening Balance 1 July 1995	1,231	1,150
	Interest Received	95	81
	Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$1,326</u>	<u>\$1,231</u>
	(b) <u>George Buttle Centennial Trust Fund</u>		
	Opening Balance 1 July 1995	6,154	5,749
	Interest Received	476	405
	Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$6,630</u>	<u>\$6,154</u>
	(c) <u>R.T. Haddon Legacy Trust Fund</u>		
	Opening Balance 1 July 1995	21,521	19,004
	Further Estate Distribution	2,097	2,170
	Interest Received	1,015	1,178
	Grants Made	(22,796)	(831)
	Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$1,837</u>	<u>\$21,521</u>
	(d) <u>A.J. Seamer Legacy Trust Fund</u>		
	Opening Balance 1 July 1995	3,692	3,449
	Interest Received	286	243
	Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$3,978</u>	<u>\$3,692</u>
Total Specific Trust Fund Balances at 30 June 1996 (a-d)		<u>\$13,771</u>	<u>\$32,598</u>
Note 31	<u>Whanau Units - Seamer Fund (Whanau Units Projects)</u>		
	Opening Balance 1 July 1995	325,892	304,361
	M.T.A. Dividends	29,425	23,445
		<u>355,317</u>	<u>327,806</u>
	Less Project Costs		
	Gates	(4,253)	-
	Mower and Weedsprayer	-	(898)
	Water Heater	-	(1,016)
	Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$351,064</u>	<u>\$325,892</u>
Note 32	<u>Womens Resource Fund</u>		
	Opening Balance 1 July 1995	128,521	-
	PAC Grant received	-	125,000
	M.T.A. Dividends	12,018	3,521
		<u>140,539</u>	<u>128,521</u>
	Less Hui Wahine Net Costs	(5,261)	-
	Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$135,278</u>	<u>\$128,521</u>

	1996 \$	1995 \$
Note 33		
<u>Properties Capital Reserve</u>		
Opening Balance 1 July 1995	3,422,536	3,586,736
<u>Increase (Decrease) in Government Valuation</u>		
Kaeo, Hospital Road	46,000	-
Te Poinga, Waima Valley Road	17,000	-
Waima, State Highway 12	(2,500)	-
Pakanae, Opononi-Newark	41,000	-
Pakanae, Koutu Point Road	3,000	-
Land Tuakau, 21-23 Gibson Road	4,500	-
House Tuakau, 19 Gibson Road,	(3,500)	-
Te Atawhai, Kawakawa	(3,000)	-
Te Rahui Tane, Hamilton	60,000	-
Te Patunga (Kaeo) Pupuke Road	1,000	-
Te Rahui Wahine, Hamilton	80,000	-
11 Union Street, Hamilton	30,000	-
Mt Wesley Land	-	(5,000)
Cottage 175 Waihi Rd Hawera	-	18,000
Cottage Opunake	-	(800)
Centre Land Opunake	-	2,300
Land Tutchen Avenue Raglan	-	1,000
Centre Te Kuiti	-	9,000
Parsonage Mt Albert	-	180,000
Centre Hawera	-	50,000
Church Taheke	-	10,000
Land Ngaruawahia	-	3,000
Whanau Units, Mangere	-	(389,200)
	3,696,036	3,465,036
Loss on Sale 38 Three Mile Bush Rd	-	(4,000)
Loss on Sale Mt Wesley House	-	(38,500)
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$3,696,036</u>	<u>\$3,422,536</u>
Note 34		
<u>Accumulated General Funds</u>		
Opening Balance 1 July 1995	1,076,470	1,016,053
<u>Less Distributions -</u>		
To Te Taha Maori	(50,000)	(60,000)
	1,026,470	956,053
<u>Add Funds from Parsonage Suspense transferred</u> on sale of 38 Three Mile Bush Rd Property	-	21,442
<u>Add Funds from Te Patunga Church Repair Fund</u> - Provision no longer required	-	3,000
<u>Add Net Income for year</u>	77,472	95,975
Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>\$1,103,942</u>	<u>\$1,076,470</u>

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4/10/1996
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AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Methodist Church of New Zealand Conference

We have audited the financial statements on pages 1 to 13. The financial statements provide information about the past financial performance of the Maori Division Investment Funds Board and its financial position as at 30 June 1996. This information is stated in accordance with the accounting policies set out in Note 1 on page 5

The Board's Responsibilities

The Board is responsible for the preparation of financial statements which fairly reflect the financial position of the Board as at 30 June 1996 and the results of its operations for the year ended on that date.

Auditor's Responsibilities

It is our responsibility to express an independent opinion on the financial statements presented by the Board and report our opinion to you.

Basis of Opinion

An audit includes examining on a test basis, evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes assessing:

- the significant estimates and judgements made by the Board in the preparation of the financial statements; and
- whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Board's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards in New Zealand. We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatements, whether caused by fraud or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

Other than in our capacity as auditor we have no relationship with, or interest in, the Board.

Unqualified Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements on pages 1 to 13 fairly reflect the financial position of the Board as at 30 June 1996 and the results of its operations for the year ended on that date.

Our Audit was completed on 3 October 1996 and our unqualified opinion is expressed as at that date.

MARKHAMS AUCKLAND

Chartered Accountants

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**The Methodist Church of New Zealand
Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa**

**METHODIST THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE
For the Year Ended 30 June 1996**

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Reporting Entity.

The reporting entity is the Methodist Theological College constituted under Section 10D (5.1) of the Laws and Regulations of the Methodist Church of New Zealand. It is incorporated under "The Charitable Trust Act 1957".

The Council provides Theological Education and Ministerial Training.

GENERAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

Measurement Base.

The measurement base adopted is that of historical cost.

Accrual accounting is used to match expenses with revenue except as noted under the accounting policies below.

PARTICULAR ACCOUNTING POLICIES

- | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|------------------------|--|-----------|--------------|------------------------|--------------|------------------------|---------------|------------------|---------------|------------------|-----|-------|-----|
| Investments | - Investments have been valued at Cost or market value. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sundry Debtors | - Sundry Debtors have been valued at Expected Realisable Value. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Depreciation | - Straight line method for Depreciation has been adopted to recover the cost of the assets over their useful life. <table border="0" style="margin-left: 20px;"><tr><td>Buildings</td><td>2% per annum</td></tr><tr><td>Wellspring Development</td><td>2% per annum</td></tr><tr><td>Furniture and Fittings</td><td>10% per annum</td></tr><tr><td>Office Equipment</td><td>20% per annum</td></tr><tr><td>Library Contents</td><td>Nil</td></tr><tr><td>Organ</td><td>Nil</td></tr></table> | Buildings | 2% per annum | Wellspring Development | 2% per annum | Furniture and Fittings | 10% per annum | Office Equipment | 20% per annum | Library Contents | Nil | Organ | Nil |
| Buildings | 2% per annum | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Wellspring Development | 2% per annum | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Furniture and Fittings | 10% per annum | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Office Equipment | 20% per annum | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Library Contents | Nil | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Organ | Nil | | | | | | | | | | | | |

Income from Specific Fund Investments

- Income from the Grafton Heights Fund and the Probert Trust Fund is credited to the revenue account on a cash received basis.
- Income from other specific investment funds is credited to the capital of each fund on an accrual basis. It does not appear in the revenue account.
- Capital accretions and decrections from deposits with the Methodist Trust Association are applied directly to the capital of the fund concerned. They do not appear in the revenue account.

- Financial Instruments** - Are valued at the lower of cost or net realisable value.

CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Income from Donations and Grants is now recognised on an accrual basis where previously it was recognised on a cash basis. The effect on the financial statements is immaterial. There have been no other changes in accounting policies.



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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

for the Year Ended 30 June 1996

	1996	1995
	\$	\$
INCOME:		
College:		
Connexional Budget	131,459	133,740
Donations and Grants	9,500	9,000
Income Received - Buttle House	4,114	4,785
Methodist Trust Association -		
- General	7,763	6,402
- Grafton Heights	105,164	117,592
- Probert Trust Fund	157,502	176,115
Interest Received	33	30
Rent Received - Parsonages	2,916	2,802
Tuition Fees	<u>50,686</u>	<u>16,999</u>
	469,137	467,465
Wellspring Ministry Education Centre:		
Hospitality - Use of Wellspring	22,879	24,075
Donations and Grants	<u>30</u>	<u>-</u>
	22,909	24,075
Homesetting Programme:		
Morley Grant	12 12,686	10,667
Donation and Grants	12 <u>12,724</u>	<u>-</u>
	25,410	10,667
Lay Ministry:		
Course Fees	432	198
Laos Fees	516	208
Donations and Grants	<u>141</u>	<u>804</u>
	1,089	1,210
	<u>518,545</u>	<u>503,417</u>

EXPENDITURE:

College:

Administration Expenses	56,035	39,885
Audit fee	773	750
Depreciation	18,080	19,263
Field Education	8,601	5,178
Interest Paid	4,368	4,366
Grant Paid - Taha Maori	2,500	-
Office Rent	20,018	18,153
Property Expenses - Buttle House	14,760	5,764
Rent and Maintenance - Staff Housing	10,140	9,143
Stipends, Salaries and Allowances	147,100	144,371
Student Allowances and Expenses	54,931	66,488
Teaching Aids and Resources	2,581	3,444
Travel	<u>2,052</u>	<u>6,437</u>
	341,939	323,242

Wellspring Ministry Education Centre:

Administration	18,289	14,245
Depreciation	11,537	9,277
Hospitality Costs	17,485	14,524
Property Expenses - Wellsprings	11,345	14,371
Stipends, Salaries and Allowances	<u>380</u>	<u>368</u>
	59,036	52,785



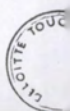
METHODIST THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

for the Year Ended 30 June 1996 (continued)

	Note	1996 \$	1995 \$
Homesetting Programme:			
Course Costs	336		3,027
Stipends, Salaries and Allowances	56,378		55,330
Student Allowances and Expenses	8,669		9,282
Grants	-		219
Travel Fieldworker	<u>2,735</u>		<u>3,467</u>
		68,118	71,325
Layministry:			
Course Costs	8,150		6,637
Laos Expenses	12		65
Stipends, Salaries and Allowances	45,285		56,553
Travel - Director	<u>2,162</u>		<u>1,267</u>
		55,609	64,522
		<u>524,702</u>	<u>511,874</u>
Excess Expenditure over Income before Student Accommodation		(6,157)	(8,457)
Excess Expenditure over Income from Student Accommodation		(11,039)	6,531
EXCESS EXPENDITURE OVER INCOME		<u>(17,196)</u>	<u>(1,926)</u>

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METHODIST THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

for Student Accommodation
for the year ended 30 June 1996

	Note	1996 \$	1995 \$
INCOME:			
Properties		3,750	8,942
Donations		4,347	10,000
Grants		<u>18,000</u>	<u>23,932</u>
		26,097	42,874
EXPENDITURE:			
Depreciation		11,364	11,353
Property Expenses		23,372	20,938
Single Student Rentals		<u>2,400</u>	<u>4,052</u>
		37,136	36,343
EXCESS EXPENDITURE OVER INCOME		(11,039)	6,531
ACCUMULATED FUNDS - STUDENT ACCOMMODATION:			
Balance brought forward 1 July 1995		253,480	246,949
Closing Balance 30 June 1996		<u>242,441</u>	<u>253,480</u>

STATEMENT OF MOVEMENTS IN EQUITY
For the Year Ended 30 June 1996

Opening Accumulated Funds 1 July 1995		4,228,948	4,201,331
Excess Income over Expenditure		(17,196)	(1,926)
MTA Investments Administered:			
Income	7,572		6,192
Capital Accretions and Realised Gains	125,356		32,249
Contributions paid out	(5,495)		(6,447)
Reimbursements	<u>2,971</u>		<u>(2,451)</u>
		130,404	29,543
Closing Accumulated Funds 30 June 1996		<u>4,342,156</u>	<u>4,228,948</u>

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION as at 30 June 1996

	Note	1996 \$	1995 \$
ACCUMULATED FUNDS:			
Balance Brought Forward 1 July 1995		762,721	771,178
Excess Expenditure over Income		<u>(6,157)</u>	<u>(8,457)</u>
		756,564	762,721
Student Accommodation		242,441	253,480
Funds Administered:			
New Organ Fund	27,256		30,404
Student Library Fund	16,358		14,947
Staff and Student Bursary Fund	27,716		22,527
Probert Trust Fund	1,947,199		1,872,032
Grafton Heights Fund	1,300,151		1,249,962
Wallis Family Trust	3,601		3,758
Samoan Exchange Fund	<u>20,870</u>		<u>19,117</u>
		<u>3,343,151</u>	<u>3,212,747</u>
		<u>4,342,156</u>	<u>4,228,948</u>
REPRESENTED BY:			
Current Assets:			
Bank of New Zealand - Current Account	2	17,527	3,626
Sundry Debtors		<u>27,060</u>	<u>35,559</u>
		44,587	39,185
Current Liabilities:			
Sundry Creditors		(24,265)	(29,392)
		<u>20,322</u>	<u>9,793</u>
Investments:			
Methodist Trust Association	59,934		56,322
Loans	<u>8,000</u>		<u>8,000</u>
		67,934	64,322
Specific Investments for Funds Administered:	3	3,343,151	3,212,747
Fixed Assets:			
Accumulated Depreciation	13	1,787,308	1,784,170
		<u>(157,685)</u>	<u>(116,705)</u>
		1,629,623	1,667,465
Term Liabilities:			
Connexional Fire Insurance Fund	4.1	(676,164)	(676,164)
Church Building & Loan Fund	4.2	<u>(42,710)</u>	<u>(49,215)</u>
		(718,874)	(725,379)
		<u>4,342,156</u>	<u>4,228,948</u>

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On behalf of the Methodist Theological College Council:

Chairperson:

[Signature]

Treasurer:

[Signature]

Date:

7/10/96

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the Year Ended 30 June 1996

	1996 \$	1995 \$
OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Cash was Provided from:		
Connexional Budget	134,510	138,192
Methodist Trust Association Distributions	270,429	302,683
Interest	33	30
Donations and Grants	52,761	54,184
Fees	51,634	15,008
Rents	<u>33,659</u>	<u>40,606</u>
	543,026	550,703
Cash was Applied to:		
Stipends, Salaries and Allowances	249,143	256,622
Students Allowances	58,406	75,770
Property Expenses	62,017	72,376
Other Operating Expenses	<u>151,326</u>	<u>107,474</u>
	520,892	512,242
Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities	<u>22,134</u>	<u>38,461</u>
INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		
Cash was Provided from:		
Methodist Trust Association Deposits - Decrease	1,411	-
Bank Deposits	<u>1,411</u>	<u>221,000</u>
	1,411	221,000
Cash was Applied to:		
Deposits, Methodist Trust Association - Increase	-	28,145
Furniture and Equipment	<u>3,139</u>	<u>5,500</u>
	3,139	33,645
Net Cash Flow from Investing Activities:	<u>(1,728)</u>	<u>187,355</u>
FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		
Cash was Applied to:		
Loan Repayments	6,505	231,046
Net Cash Flow from Financing Activities:	<u>(6,505)</u>	<u>(231,046)</u>
TOTAL NET CASH FLOWS	<u>13,901</u>	<u>(5,230)</u>
Opening Cash Balance	3,626	8,856
Closing Cash Balance	<u>17,527</u>	<u>3,626</u>

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**METHODIST THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

NOTE 1. The Financial Statements have been prepared by the Board of Administration on information and instructions supplied by the Trinity Methodist Theological Council.

NOTE 2. Bank of New Zealand - Current Account.

The Bank of New Zealand Current Account of this Fund forms part of the banking arrangement of the Board of Administration - Special Account being an investment fund of the Methodist Church of New Zealand. The arrangement gives the Bank of New Zealand the right of offset over any balance. The Bank interest received by this Fund through that banking arrangement is included in Interest Received in the Statement of Financial Performance for the year.

NOTE 3. Specific Trust Funds and Investments:	1996	1995
New Organ Fund:		
Methodist Trust Association Investment		
Opening Balance	18,404	20,243
Contributions Paid Out	(5,000)	(3,500)
Income	<u>1,852</u>	<u>1,661</u>
Closing Balance	15,256	18,404
Loan - The Ecumenical Board of Studies	<u>12,000</u>	<u>12,000</u>
	27,256	30,404
Student Library Fund:		
Methodist Trust Association Investment.		
Opening Balance	13,579	12,561
Income	<u>1,410</u>	<u>1,017</u>
Closing Balance	14,989	13,578
Shares at cost	<u>1,369</u>	<u>1,369</u>
(Market Value 1996 \$4,279, 1995 \$4,703)	16,358	14,947
Staff and Student Bursary Fund:		
Methodist Trust Association Investment		
Opening Balance	22,527	23,144
Reimbursement	5,040	(1,523)
Grants Paid	(2,069)	(928)
Income	<u>2,218</u>	<u>1,834</u>
Closing Balance	27,716	22,527
Probert Trust Fund:		
Methodist Trust Association Investment	1,872,032	1,852,695
Capital Accretion and Realised		
Capital Gain	<u>75,167</u>	<u>19,337</u>
	1,947,199	1,872,032
Grafton Heights Fund:		
Methodist Trust Association	1,249,962	1,237,050
Capital Accretion	<u>50,189</u>	<u>12,912</u>
	1,300,151	1,249,962
Wallis Family Trust:		
Methodist Trust Association		
Opening Balance	3,758	3,501
Contribution Paid Out	(495)	-
	3,263	3,501
Income	<u>338</u>	<u>257</u>
	3,601	3,758
Samean Exchange Fund:		
Methodist Trust Association		
Opening Balance	19,117	20,641
Contribution Paid	-	(2,947)
		17,694
Income	<u>1,753</u>	<u>1,423</u>
	20,870	19,117
	<u>3,343,151</u>	<u>3,212,747</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
Continued.**NOTE 4. Term Liabilities:****4.1. Loan - Connexional Fire Insurance Fund (Interest Free).**

In accordance with normal Church policy the following property titles supporting the loan are registered in the name of the Board of Administration:

63 Castledine Crescent, Glen Innes

10 Jefferson Avenue, Glendowie

31 Bonnie Brae Crescent, Meadowbank

3 Kapua Street, Meadowbank

3A Kapua Street, Meadowbank

The balance of this interest free loan was \$676,164 at 30 June 1996. No further repayment terms have been established.

4.2. Loan - Church Building and Loan Fund.

The current rate of interest charged is 9.225%. Loan principal is repaid in monthly instalments. The outstanding principal at Balance Date is repayable as follows:

Current	7,080
Non Current	<u>35,630</u>
	42,710

NOTE 5. Segment Information:

The Fund operates predominantly in the one area, to provide Theological Education and Ministerial Training. All operations in this activity are carried out within New Zealand.

NOTE 6. Related Party Transactions:

The Fund placed monies during the year on deposit with the Methodist Trust Association. The total sum held at Balance Date by the Methodist Trust Association amounted to \$3,389,716 (1995 \$3,260,723). Interest earned during the year with respect to these deposits was \$278,000 (1995 \$309,394). The Fund has loaned funds from the Connexional Fire Insurance Fund and the Church Building and Loan Fund as detailed in Note 4. Interest paid on the latter was \$4,368 (1995 \$4,366).

NOTE 7. Methodist Trust Association Investments Portfolio:

The restrictions over part of the Grafton Height deposit that were in effect at 30 June 1995 were removed during the year, following a decision of Conference.

NOTE 8. Reconciliation of Excess Expenditure over Income with Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities.

	1996	1995
	\$	\$
Excess Expenditure over Income	(17,196)	(1,926)
Movements of Working Capital		
Sundry Debtors	8,499	
Less Non Operating Item	(5,023)	
Sundry Creditors	(5,127)	431
Interest Accrued	-	2,574
Non Cash Item:		
Depreciation	40,981	39,893
Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities	<u>22,134</u>	<u>38,461</u>

NOTE 9. Financial Instruments:**Credit Risk**

Financial instruments which potentially subject the Fund to credit risk principally consist of bank balances, deposits, other receivables and investments.

The Fund has placed a majority of its deposits in the long term deposits with the Methodist Trust Association.



METHODIST THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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Interest Rate Risk

Term Deposits and loans are subject to the following interest rates:

	<u>Current Rate</u>	<u>Review</u>
Loan - Methodist Church Building and Loan Fund (1995: 9.9%)	9.225%	Subject to movement of Trust Bank first home Mortgage Rates
Loan - Connexional Fire Insurance Fund	Nil	See Note 4
Loans - Other	Nil	At Call

Fair Values

The carrying amounts of bank balances, other receivables, investments and payables are considered to be fair value for these financial instruments.

Note 10. Commitments.

Commitments at 30 June 1996 amounted to Nil. (1995: Nil).

Note 11. Contingent Liabilities.

There are no contingent liabilities at 30 June 1996 (1995: nil).

Note 12. Homesetting Donations and Grants.

Homesetting Donations and Grants includes both 1995 and 1996 income. This is due to the College changing from a cash basis to an accrual basis of accounting for this income. The effect on the financial statements is immaterial.

METHODIST THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
Continued

NOTE 13. Fixed Assets:

	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Accumulated Depreciation</u>	<u>Book Value 1996</u>	<u>Book Value 1995</u>	<u>Government Valuation 1994</u>
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Library Contents	8,000		8,000	8,000	
New Organ	13,778		13,778	13,778	
Furniture and Fittings	71,501	27,999	43,502	49,658	
Office Equipment	<u>66,855</u>	<u>50,065</u>	<u>16,790</u>	<u>28,555</u>	
	160,134	78,064	82,070	99,991	
Buildings:					
Wellspring	185,215	14,821	170,394	174,102	260,000
Wellspring Redevelopment	125,165	10,018	115,147	117,655	
Buttle House	117,068	9,364	107,704	110,044	90,000
Student Accommodation:					
Housing:					
1/31 Bonnie Brae Road	82,550	6,609	75,941	77,597	98,000
3 Kapua Street	83,628	6,685	76,943	78,611)
3A Kapua Street	98,951	7,917	91,034	93,014	195,000)
1 Epping Street	74,311	5,947	68,364	69,852	57,500
1/3 Epping Street	56,874	4,552	52,322	53,462	37,500
63 Castledine Street	59,236	4,741	54,495	55,683	41,000
10 Jefferson Street	53,984	4,318	49,666	50,746	120,000
12 Lintaine Place	<u>58,099</u>	<u>4,649</u>	<u>53,450</u>	<u>54,615</u>	<u>91,000</u>
	995,081	79,621	915,460	935,381	990,000
Land:					
Wellspring	121,129	-	121,129	121,129	220,000
Buttle House	68,880	-	68,880	68,880	100,000
1/31 Bonnie Brae Road	49,530	-	49,530	49,530	62,000
3 Kapua Street	49,023	-	49,023	49,023)
3A Kapua Street	58,006	-	58,006	58,006	115,000)
1 Epping Street	54,925	-	54,925	54,925	42,500
1/3 Epping Street	30,333	-	30,333	30,333	20,000
63 Castledine Street	59,236	-	59,236	59,236	49,000
10 Jefferson Street	89,974	-	89,974	89,974	55,000
12 Lintaine Place	<u>51,057</u>	<u> </u>	<u>51,057</u>	<u>51,057</u>	<u>84,000</u>
	632,093		632,093	632,093	747,500
	<u>1,787,308</u>	<u>157,685</u>	<u>1,629,623</u>	<u>1,667,465</u>	<u>1,737,500</u>
1995:	<u>1,784,170</u>	<u>116,705</u>			





AUDIT REPORT

TO THE MEMBERS OF METHODIST THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

We have audited the financial report on pages 1 to 10. The financial report provides information about the past financial performance of the College and its financial position as at 30 June 1996. This information is stated in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page 1.

The Methodist Theological College Council's Responsibilities

The Council is responsible for the preparation of a financial report which fairly reflects the financial position of the College as at 30 June 1996 and of the results of its operations and cash flows for the year ended on that date.

Auditors' Responsibilities

It is our responsibility to express an independent opinion on the financial report presented by the Council and report our opinion to you.

Basis of Opinion

An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. It also includes assessing:

- the significant estimates and judgements made by the Council in the preparation of the financial report, and
- whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the College's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards in New Zealand. We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial report is free from material misstatements, whether caused by fraud or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial report.

Other than in our capacity as auditors we have no relationship with or interests in the College.

Unqualified Opinion

We have obtained all the information and explanations we have required.

In our opinion the financial report on pages 1 to 10 fairly reflects the financial position of the College as at 30 June 1996 and the results of its operations and cash flows for the year ended on that date.

Our audit was completed on 7 October 1996 and our unqualified opinion is expressed as at that date.

Chartered Accountants
Christchurch, New Zealand.

**The Methodist Church of New Zealand
Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa**

CONNEXIONAL BUDGET ACCOUNT

For the Year ended 30 June 1996

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The Connexional Budget Account is supported by monetary commitment by Parishes to service the wider outreach of the Church.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

GENERAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

- (a) **Reporting Entity.**
The financial statements presented here are for the Reporting Entity Connexional Budget Account. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable Financial Reporting Standards.
- (b) **Measurement Base.**
The measurement base adopted is that of historical cost and reliance is placed on the fact that the Account is a going concern.

Accrual accounting is used to match expenses and revenue.

PARTICULAR ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

- | | |
|-----------------------|--|
| Deposits at Call | - have been valued at expected realisable value. |
| Sundry Debtors | - have been valued at expected realisable value. |
| Financial Instruments | - are valued at the lower of cost or net realisable value. |

CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

There have been no changes in accounting policies. All policies have been applied on a basis consistent with previous years.



CONNEXIONAL BUDGET ACCOUNT

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

for the Year Ended 30th June 1996

	Note	1996 \$	1995 \$
INCOME:			
Contributions from Parishes		853,998	876,210
Grants			
- Board of Administration - Special Account		11,250	20,000
- Connexional - Legacies and Donations		11,020	6,857
Interest		3,763	5,238
		<u>880,031</u>	<u>908,305</u>
EXPENDITURE:			
Funds Distributed	1	866,215	893,939
Administration Costs		13,352	13,916
Audit Fee		464	450
		<u>880,031</u>	<u>908,305</u>
EXCESS INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE		<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts.

Tabled BOA 22.8.96



CONNEXIONAL BUDGET ACCOUNT

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

as at 30th June 1996

	Note	1996 \$	1995 \$
CURRENT ASSETS:			
Bank of New Zealand - Current Account	2	9,392	763
Deposits at Call		75,203	71,749
Sundry Debtors		1,190	1,687
Contributions Due		29,080	29,641
Advance to Connexional Expenses Fund	6	-	15,000
		<u>114,865</u>	<u>118,840</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES:			
Sundry Creditors		464	483
Distributions Due		114,401	118,357
		<u>114,865</u>	<u>118,840</u>

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts.

On behalf of the Board

Chairperson:

L. Brown

Secretary:

S. J. ibet

Date:

27/9/96

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CONNEXIONAL BUDGET ACCOUNT

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

for the Year Ended 30th June 1996

	Note	1996 \$	1995 \$
OPERATING ACTIVITIES:			
Cash was Provided from:			
Contributions from Parishes		854,559	880,665
Grants and Donations		22,270	26,857
Interest Received		3,762	5,238
		<u>880,591</u>	<u>912,760</u>
Cash Was Applied To:			
Distribution of Funds		869,674	962,807
Suppliers		13,834	15,304
		<u>883,508</u>	<u>978,111</u>
Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities	5	(2,917)	(65,351)
INVESTING ACTIVITIES:			
Cash was Provided from:			
Call Deposits Withdrawn		-	77,775
Advance - Connexional Expense Repaid		15,000	-
Cash was Applied to:			
Advance - Connexional Expenses		-	15,000
Deposit Call Account		3,454	-
		<u>11,546</u>	<u>62,775</u>
Net Cash Flow from Investing Activities		11,546	62,775
TOTAL NET CASH FLOWS		<u>8,629</u>	<u>(2,576)</u>
Opening Cash Balance		763	3,339
Closing Cash Balance		<u>9,392</u>	<u>763</u>

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts.

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CONNEXIONAL BUDGET ACCOUNT

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

Note 1. Funds Distributed.

	1996	1995
	\$	\$
Guaranteed Distribution		
Churches Education Commission	6,000	12,000
Negotiating Churches Unity Council	14,000	14,000
Tertiary Chaplaincies	12,500	12,500
Te Runanga Whakawhanaunga	2,720	2,720
World Council of Churches	4,500	4,500
WCC Programme to Combat Racism	1,075	1,075
Christian Conference of Asia	1,100	1,100
WCC Central Committee Travel	525	525
Prog. to Combat Racism in NZ	5,000	5,000
World Methodist Council	944	1,018
Travel and Study Grant Fund	9,300	5,000
Conf. of Churches in Aotearoa NZ	20,000	20,000
WCC Assembly 1998	<u>2,500</u>	<u>300</u>
	<u>80,164</u>	<u>79,738</u>
Non-Guaranteed Distribution		
"Response" (Joint S'ship)	7,905	12,150
Development Division	201,303	206,300
Fijian Fellowships	3,689	3,780
Samoan Advisory Committee	8,893	8,100
Tongan Advisory Committee	6,148	6,300
Te Taha Maori	51,506	70,740
Trinity Theological College	131,459	133,740
Council for Mission	77,582	82,530
Media and Communications	1,317	1,530
Epworth Bookrooms	13,174	13,500
Crosslink	39,523	40,125
Conference of Churches in ANZ Review	404	-
Connexional Expenses	226,068	217,882
Overseas Aid -		
2% amount received from Parishes	<u>17,080</u>	<u>17,524</u>
	786,051	814,201
Total Funds Distributed	<u>866,215</u>	<u>893,939</u>

Note 2. Bank of New Zealand - Current Account:

The Bank of New Zealand Current Account of this Fund forms part of the banking arrangement of the Board of Administration - Special Account being an investment fund of the Methodist Church of New Zealand. The arrangement gives the Bank of New Zealand the right of offset over any balances. The Bank interest received by this Fund through that banking arrangement is included in Interest Received in the Statement of Financial Performance for the year.

Note 3. Segment Information.

The fund operates predominantly in one area of investment. All operations in this activity are carried out within New Zealand.

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CONNEXIONAL BUDGET ACCOUNT

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Continued

Note 4. Financial Instruments.**Credit Risk.**

Financial instruments which potentially subject the Fund to Credit Risk principally consist of Bank balances and other receivables.

Interest Rate Risk.

Cash at Bank and money market call deposits are subject to the following interest rate fluctuations:

	<u>Current Rate</u> (1995)	<u>Interest Rate</u> <u>Review Period</u>
Cash at Bank	1.5% (1.5%)	1.7.96
Call Deposits	9.75% (9.0%)	1.7.96

Fair Values.

The carrying amounts of Bank balances, other receivables and payables are considered to be fair value for these financial instruments.

Note 5. Reconciliation of Statement of Financial Performance to Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities.

	1996	1995
	\$	\$
Income and Expenditure Account	Nil	Nil
Increase (Decrease) in Working Capital:		
Sundry Creditors	(19)	(706)
Distributions Due	(3,956)	(68,827)
Sundry Debtors	497	(273)
Contributions Due	561	4,455
	<hr/>	<hr/>
Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities	<u>(2,917)</u>	<u>(65,351)</u>

Note 6. Advance to Connexional Expenses Fund.

This advance was unsecured and was repaid during the current year.

Note 7. Commitments.

Commitments at 30 June 1996 amounted to nil (1995-nil).

Note 8. Contingent Liabilities.

In 1995 there was a contingent liability in relation to future costs of the Court case involving Robin Gray. The contingency was not quantified. Although the issue is not yet resolved there is no outstanding contingency with respect to the Connexional Budget Account in 1996.





AUDIT REPORT

TO THE MEMBERS OF CONNEXIONAL BUDGET ACCOUNT

We have audited the financial report on pages 1 to 6. The financial report provides information about the past financial performance of the Fund and its financial position as at 30 June 1996. This information is stated in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page 1.

Board of Administration's Responsibilities

The Board is responsible for the preparation of a financial report which fairly reflects the financial position of the Fund as at 30 June 1996 and of the results of its operations and cash flows for the year ended on that date.

Auditors' Responsibilities

It is our responsibility to express an independent opinion on the financial report presented by the Board and report our opinion to you.

Basis of Opinion

An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. It also includes assessing:

- the significant estimates and judgements made by the Board in the preparation of the financial report, and
- whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Fund's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards in New Zealand. We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial report is free from material misstatements, whether caused by fraud or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial report.

Other than in our capacity as auditors we have no relationship with or interests in the Fund.

Unqualified Opinion

We have obtained all the information and explanations we have required.

In our opinion the financial report on pages 1 to 6 fairly reflects the financial position of the Fund as at 30 June 1996 and the results of its operations and cash flows for the year ended on that date.

Our audit was completed on 27 September 1996 and our unqualified opinion is expressed as at that date.

Chartered Accountants
Christchurch, New Zealand.

**The Methodist Church of New Zealand
Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa**

PRESBYTERS DEACONS AND LAYWORKERS LOAN FUND

for the Year Ended 30 June 1996

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The purpose of the Fund is to provide a limited source of finance available for loans to Presbyters Deacons and Layworkers of the Church in the course of which it also provides the facility to accept interest-bearing deposits from Presbyters Deacons and Layworkers. The Methodist Church of New Zealand Transport Trust Board (registered under the Charitable Trusts Act 1957) is the Trustee of this Fund.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

GENERAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

- (a) Reporting Entity.
The financial statements presented here are for the Reporting Entity Presbyters Deacons and Layworkers Loan Fund. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable Financial Reporting Standards.
- (b) Measurement Base.
The measurement base adopted is that of historical cost. Reliance is placed on the fact that the Fund is a going concern.

Accrual accounting is used to match expense and revenue.

PARTICULAR ACCOUNTING POLICIES

- | | |
|-----------------------|--|
| Loans Advanced | - are valued at the lower of cost or net realisable value. |
| Investments | - are valued at the lower of cost or net realisable value. |
| Financial Instruments | - are valued at the lower of cost or net realisable value. |

CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES

There have been no changes in accounting policies. All policies have been applied on a basis consistent with those of previous years.



PRESBYTERS DEACONS AND LAYWORKERS LOAN FUND

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

for the Year Ended 30 June 1996

	Note	1996 \$	1995 \$
INCOME:			
Interest Received		24,716	24,111
Grants Received	1	<u>7,551</u>	<u>5,543</u>
		32,267	29,654
EXPENDITURE:			
Administration Fees		2,670	2,670
Computer Processing		10,170	10,170
Interest Paid		17,426	18,080
Audit Fee		227	313
General Office Expenses		<u>560</u>	<u>447</u>
		31,053	31,680
Excess Income over Expenditure		<u>1,214</u>	<u>(2,026)</u>

STATEMENT OF MOVEMENTS IN EQUITY

For the Year Ended 30 June 1996

	1996	1995
Opening Balance 1 July 1995	55,720	57,746
Excess Income Over Expenditure	<u>1,214</u>	<u>(2,026)</u>
	<u>56,934</u>	<u>55,720</u>

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts.



PRESBYTERS DEACONS AND LAYWORKERS LOAN FUND

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

as at 30 June 1996

	Note	1996 \$	1995 \$
ACCUMULATED FUNDS		<u>56,934</u>	<u>55,720</u>
REPRESENTED BY:			
Current Assets:			
Bank of New Zealand - Current Account	2	2,362	1,125
Short Term Investments:			
- Bank Deposits at Call		1,157	27,172
- Methodist Trust Association		897	4,712
		<hr/>	<hr/>
		4,416	33,009
Current Liabilities:			
Sundry Creditors		(410)	(583)
		<hr/>	<hr/>
		4,006	32,426
Investments:			
Methodist Provident Society		1	1
Loans Advanced		297,615	310,258
		<hr/>	<hr/>
		301,622	342,685
Loans and Deposits Received:			
Special Loans - Methodist Trust Association	3	-	(120,030)
Special Loans - Retiring Ministers		(109,379)	-
Deposits - Vehicle Replacement		(135,309)	(166,935)
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		(244,688)	(286,965)
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		<u>56,934</u>	<u>55,720</u>

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts.

On behalf of the Board:

Chairperson:

M. B. Stone

Secretary:

G. J. W. S.

Date:

11/1/96

PRESBYTERS DEACONS AND LAYWORKERS LOAN FUND

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

for the Year Ended 30 June 1996

	Note	1996 \$	1995 \$
OPERATING ACTIVITIES:			
Cash was provided from:			
Interest Received	24,716		24,111
Grants Received	<u>7,551</u>		<u>5,543</u>
		32,267	29,654
Cash was applied to:			
Interest Paid	17,426		18,083
Other Operating Expenses	<u>13,800</u>		<u>13,457</u>
		31,226	31,540
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Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities	6	1,041	(1,886)
INVESTING ACTIVITIES:			
Cash was provided from:			
Loan Repayments	118,493		80,181
Methodist Trust Association Deposit	3,815		139
Trust Bank Call Account (net)	<u>26,015</u>		<u>-</u>
		148,323	80,320
Cash was applied to:			
New Loans Advanced	105,850		77,750
Trust Bank Call Account	<u>-</u>		<u>3,583</u>
		105,850	81,333
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Net Cash Flow from Investing Activities		42,473	(1,013)
FINANCING ACTIVITIES:			
Cash was provided from:			
Vehicle Replacement Deposits		-	2,804
Inter Fund Loan Advanced		<u>109,379</u>	<u>-</u>
		109,379	-
Cash was applied to:			
Repayment of Inter Fund Loans	120,030		-
Net Repayment of Vehicle Replacement Deposits	<u>31,626</u>		<u>-</u>
		151,656	-
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Net Cash Flow from Financing Activities		(42,277)	2,804
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TOTAL NET CASH FLOWS		1,237	(95)
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Opening Cash Balance		1,125	1,220
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Closing Cash Balance		<u>2,362</u>	<u>1,125</u>

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts.



PRESBYTERS DEACONS AND LAYWORKERS LOAN FUND

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

- Note 1. Grants Received:**
- | | | |
|-------------------|--------------|--------------|
| | <u>1996</u> | <u>1995</u> |
| Thorndon Trust | 6,551 | 5,043 |
| W F Walters Trust | <u>1,000</u> | <u>500</u> |
| | <u>7,551</u> | <u>5,543</u> |
- Note 2. Bank of New Zealand - Current Account:**
The Bank of New Zealand Current Account of this Fund forms part of the banking arrangement of the Board of Administration - Special Account being an investment fund of the Methodist Church of New Zealand. The arrangement gives the Bank of New Zealand the right of offset over any balance. The Bank interest received by this Fund through that banking arrangement is included in Interest Received in the Statement of Financial Performance for the year.
- Note 3. Related Party Transactions:**
A short term investment with the Methodist Trust Association totalled \$897 at balance date (1995 \$4,712). Distributions received from this investment for the year to 30 June 1996 were \$247 (1995: \$361). Special loans from the Methodist Trust Association had been repaid in full at balance date (1995: \$120,030). The special loans are now financed by the Presbyters and Deacons Retirement Housing Fund totalling \$109,379 (1995 Nil). These funds are advanced to Presbyters and Deacons of the Church nearing retirement to assist in purchasing homes. Interest Rates on the loans ranged from 8.71% to 10.9% (1995: 7.4% to 11%). Interest paid from 1 July 1995 to the date of change 22 January 1996 to the Methodist Trust Association was \$7,089 (1995: \$10,920). Interest paid from the date of change to balance date to the Presbyters and Deacons Retirement Housing Fund was \$4,690 (1995: Nil).
- Note 4. Segment Information:**
The Fund operates predominantly in one area of activity. All operations in this activity are carried out within New Zealand.
- Note 5. Financial Instruments.**
Credit Risk
Financial instruments which potentially subject the fund to credit risk principally consist of bank balances, bank call deposits, short-term deposits with the Methodist Trust Association and loans to Presbyters Deacons and Layworkers.
- Interest Rate Risk**
The Fund's financial instruments are subject to the following interest rate fluctuations:
- | | <u>Current Rate</u> | <u>Interest Rate Review Period</u> |
|--|--|------------------------------------|
| Cash at Bank | 1.5% | 1.7.96 |
| Bank Call Deposits- Money Market | 9.75% | 1.7.96 |
| Methodist Trust Association | 9% | 1.7.96 |
| Car Loans to Presbyters Deacons and Layworkers | Range from 5.0% Flat (equals 9.155% True), to 12% (equals 20.30% True) | 1.7.96 |
| Special Loans Advanced | 9.27% | 1.7.96 |
| Deposits from Presbyters | | |
| Deacons and Layworkers | 3% | 1.7.96 |
| Special Loans from Retiring Ministers Housing Fund | 9.27% | 1.7.96 |



PRESBYTERS DEACONS AND LAYWORKERS LOAN FUND

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS continued.

Fair Values

The carrying amounts of bank balances and call deposits, loans to presbyters deacons and layworkers and deposits received from them, deposits with and loans from Methodist Trust Association and other receivables and payables are considered to be fair value for these financial instruments.

Note 6. Reconciliation of Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities with Excess Income over Expenditure.

	1996	1995
	\$	\$
Excess Income over Expenditure	1,214	(2,026)
Movement in Working Capital:		
Sundry Creditors	(173)	140
Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities	1,041	·(1,886)

Methodist Trust Association and Bank Deposits at call have been excluded from the Cash balance reported. Cash Balance comprises only the Bank of New Zealand Current Account.

Note 7. Commitments.
Commitments at 30 June 1996 amounted to nil (1995-nil).

Note 8. Contingent Liabilities.
There are no contingent liabilities at 30 June 1996 (1995-nil).



AUDIT REPORT

TO THE MEMBERS OF PRESBYTERS DEACONS AND LAYWORKERS LOAN FUND

We have audited the financial report on pages 1 to 6. The financial report provides information about the past financial performance of the Fund and its financial position as at 30 June 1996. This information is stated in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page 1.

Board of Administration's Responsibilities

The Board is responsible for the preparation of a financial report which fairly reflects the financial position of the Fund as at 30 June 1996 and of the results of its operations and cash flows for the year ended on that date.

Auditors' Responsibilities

It is our responsibility to express an independent opinion on the financial report presented by the Board and report our opinion to you.

Basis of Opinion

An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. It also includes assessing:

- the significant estimates and judgements made by the Board in the preparation of the financial report, and
- whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Fund's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards in New Zealand. We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial report is free from material misstatements, whether caused by fraud or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial report.

Other than in our capacity as auditors we have no relationship with or interests in the Fund.

Unqualified Opinion

We have obtained all the information and explanations we have required.

In our opinion the financial report on pages 1 to 6 fairly reflects the financial position of the Fund as at 30 June 1996 and the results of its operations and cash flows for the year ended on that date.

Our audit was completed on 11 October 1996 and our unqualified opinion is expressed as at that date.

Chartered Accountants
Christchurch, New Zealand.

METHODIST CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND

For the 13 Months Ended 30 June 1996.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The Methodist Church Building and Loan Fund is an activity of the Board of Administration.

The Board of Administration is incorporated under the "Charitable Trust Act 1957."

The purpose of the Fund is to hold funds from the realisation of properties and to provide loan facilities and development grants for financial assistance to Parishes and Divisions of the Church for approved building projects.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

GENERAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

(a) Reporting Entity.

The financial statements presented here are for the Reporting Entity Methodist Church Building and Loan Fund. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable Financial Reporting Standards.

(b) Measurement Base.

The measurement base adopted is that of historical cost. Reliance is placed on the fact that the Fund is a going concern.

Accrual accounting is used to match expenses and revenue.

PARTICULAR ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

Investments

Loans to Parishes

Sundry Debtors

Financial Instruments

Development Fund - Properties

- have been valued at the lower of cost or market value.

- have been valued at expected realisable value.

- have been valued at expected realisable value.

- are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

- Conference decisions 1989 resolved that fifty per cent of the annual excess of Income over Expenditure of the Methodist Church Building and Loan Fund be available for the Development Fund - Properties.

All income pertaining to this Fund is credited direct.

All grants are made on the recommendation of the Mission Resourcing Unit, formerly the Development Division Board. 20% of income received is added to capital each year.

CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

There have been no changes in accounting policies. All policies have been applied on bases consistent with previous years. There has been a change in balance date therefore this period is 13 months.



METHODIST CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE AND ACCUMULATED FUNDS

For the 13 Months Ended 30 June 1996.

	Note	13 Months 1996 \$	12 Months 1995 \$
INCOME:			
Interest Received - Loans		81,173	71,147
Interest Received - Methodist Trust Association and Bank		302,779	173,596
Dividend Received		-	84
		<u>383,952</u>	<u>244,827</u>
EXPENDITURE:			
Administration Fee	43,442		39,997
Audit Fee	1,581		1,515
Computer Processing	24,592		22,545
Interest Paid on Property Deposits and Bank	207,335		121,449
Office and General Expenses	2,783		3,614
Printing and Stationery	-		351
Travelling Expenses	748		194
Legal Expenses	1,279		439
		<u>281,760</u>	<u>190,104</u>
		102,192	54,723
Grants, Donations and Bequests Received	1	31,527	48,044
Profit on Realisation of Shares		-	<u>2,921</u>
Excess Income over Expenditure		133,719	105,688
ACCUMULATED FUNDS:			
Opening Balance 1 June		1,906,106	1,825,860
Capital Accretion on Methodist Trust Association Investments		22,902	1,920
Real Capital Gain on Methodist Trust Association Investments		1,377	-
Capital Grant to Development Fund Properties	2	(51,096)	(27,362)
		<u>2,013,008</u>	<u>1,906,106</u>
Closing Balance		2,013,008	1,906,106

These accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts.

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METHODIST CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

as at 30 June 1996

	Note	1996 \$	1995 \$
ACCUMULATED FUNDS		2,013,008	1,906,106
DEVELOPMENT FUND - PROPERTIES	2	445,453	384,506
		<u>2,458,461</u>	<u>2,290,612</u>
REPRESENTED BY:			
Current Assets:			
Bank of New Zealand - Current Account	3	4,848	618
Deposits at Call		40,282	4,424
Interest Accrued and Sundry Debtors		<u>7,663</u>	<u>38,121</u>
		52,793	43,163
Current Liabilities:			
Sundry Creditors		(2,763)	(1,700)
		<u>50,030</u>	<u>41,463</u>
Investments:			
Methodist Trust Association	4	3,879,335	2,485,715
Methodist Trust Association - Development Fund-Properties	5	445,453	352,832
Loans to Parishes	6	<u>1,395,243</u>	<u>1,357,743</u>
		5,720,031	4,196,290
Advances:			
Parish Deposits Held		(3,311,600)	(1,947,141)
		<u>2,458,461</u>	<u>2,290,612</u>

STATEMENT OF MOVEMENTS IN EQUITY For the 13 Months Ended 30 June 1996

Opening Balance 1 July 1995	2,290,612	2,205,285
Excess Income over Expenditure	133,719	105,688
Interest and Donations Received - Development Fund	38,353	27,041
Development Funds Grants	(28,502)	(49,322)
Capital Accretion of Methodist Trust Association Investment	22,902	1,920
Realised Capital Gain on Methodist Trust Association Investment	<u>1,377</u>	<u>-</u>
Closing Balance	<u>2,458,461</u>	<u>2,290,612</u>

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts.

On behalf of the Board

Chairperson:

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Secretary:

[Signature]

Date:

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METHODIST CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For The 13 Months Ended 30 June 1996.

	13 Months 1996 \$	12 Months 1995 \$
OPERATING ACTIVITIES.		
Cash was provided from:		
Interest	379,253	184,589
Interest from Borrowers	81,173	71,147
Dividends Received	-	84
Grant, Bequests Received	23,864	48,044
	<u>484,290</u>	<u>303,864</u>
Cash was applied to:		
Grants paid	28,502	49,322
Payments to Suppliers	73,362	68,886
Interest Paid	<u>207,335</u>	<u>121,449</u>
	<u>309,199</u>	<u>239,657</u>
Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities	175,091	64,207
INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES.		
Cash was provided from:		
Loan Repayments	409,081	918,465
Property Realisation Deposits Received	2,211,692	879,011
Withdrawals - Short Term Money Market	-	52,534
Sales of Shares	<u>-</u>	<u>3,923</u>
	2,620,773	1,853,933
Cash was applied to:		
Loans Advanced	446,581	604,077
Investment - Methodist Trust Association	1,461,962	612,309
Deposit - Short Term Money Market	35,858	-
Property Realisation Deposits Withdrawn	<u>847,233</u>	<u>701,903</u>
	2,791,634	1,918,289
Net Cash Flow from Investment Activities	(170,861)	(64,356)
TOTAL NET CASH FLOWS	4,230	(149)
Opening Cash Balance	<u>618</u>	<u>767</u>
Closing Cash Balance	<u><u>4,848</u></u>	<u><u>618</u></u>

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the notes to the Accounts.

METHODIST CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

	1996	1995
Note 1. Grants Legacies and Donations Received:	\$	\$
Buttle Estate	1,087	464
F W Walters Estate	19,979	8,503
Cardno Estate	3,297	1,408
Woodward Estate	5,522	2,343
M B Gilmour Estate	1,642	702
E Wall Estate	-	9,189
	31,527	22,609
Grant Received - General Purposes Trust Board		
Gain on Sale of Property	-	25,435
	<u>31,527</u>	<u>48,044</u>
Note 2. Development Fund - Properties:		
Opening Balance 1 June		
Capital Fund	358,615	348,235
Income Fund	25,891	31,190
	384,506	379,425
Interest Received - Methodist Trust Assn	38,353	26,841
Donation Received	-	200
Grant Received from Income and Expenditure	51,096	27,362
Grants Paid to Parishes for Development	(28,502)	(49,322)
	<u>445,453</u>	<u>384,506</u>
Closing Balance 30 June 1996		
Capital Fund	376,899	358,615
Income Fund	68,554	25,891
	<u>445,453</u>	<u>384,506</u>
Note 3. Bank of New Zealand - Current Account:		
The Bank of New Zealand Current Account of this Fund forms part of the banking arrangement of the Board of Administration - Special Account being an investment fund of the Methodist Church of New Zealand. The arrangement gives the Bank of New Zealand the right of offset over any balances. The Bank interest received by this Fund through that banking arrangement is included in Interest Received in the Statement of Financial Performance for the period.		
Note 4. Investment: Methodist Trust Association:		
Held for the general purposes of the Fund		
In the Short Term Fund	3,223,690	1,917,343
In the Long Term Fund	655,645	568,372
	<u>3,879,335</u>	<u>2,485,715</u>
Note 5. Investment: Methodist Trust Association:		
Development Fund - Properties	445,453	352,832
Held for the general purposes of the Development Fund - Properties.		
Interest received is credited to the Development Fund - Properties.		

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METHODIST CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Continued

	1996	1995
Note 6. Investment - Loans to Parishes: (See Note 7)	\$	\$
Loans at the Beginning of the Year	1,357,743	1,672,131
New Loans Advanced	446,581	604,077
Working Expenses and Interest Charged	<u>83,200</u>	<u>68,617</u>
	1,887,524	2,344,825
Repayments of Principal, Working Expenses and Interest	<u>492,281</u>	<u>987,082</u>
	<u>1,395,243</u>	<u>1,357,743</u>

There were no approved loans to be uplifted at Balance Date (1995 Nil).

Note 7. Related Party Transactions:

The Fund has placed monies on deposit with the Methodist Trust Association during the period and has received income from these deposits. Details of income received and deposits existing at balance date are shown in the financial statements.

Note 8. Segment Information:

The Fund operates predominantly in one Investment area of activity. All operations in this activity are carried out within New Zealand.

Note 9. Reconciliation of Excess Income over Expenditure to Net Cash Flow from

Operating Activities:	1996	1995
Excess Income over Expenditure	133,719	105,688
Non Cash Item:		
Profit on Sale of Shares		(2,921)
Items Not Included in Statement of Financial Performance:		
Development Fund Grant	(28,502)	(49,322)
Interest Received on Development Fund	38,353	27,041
Movement in Working Capital:		
Sundry Creditors	1,063	(231)
Interest Accrued	<u>30,458</u>	<u>(16,048)</u>
Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities	<u>175,091</u>	<u>64,207</u>

Note 10. Financial Instruments.

Credit Risk

Financial instruments which potentially subject the Fund to credit risk principally consist of bank balances, other receivables and investments.

The Fund has placed a significant amount of its deposits in both short term and long term deposits with the Methodist Trust Association.

Interest Rate Risk.

The Fund's financial instruments are subject to the following interest rate fluctuations:

	<u>Current Rate</u> (1995)	<u>Interest Rate</u> <u>Review Period.</u>
Cash at Bank	1.5% (1.5%)	1.7.96
Bank Call Deposits	9.75% (9.0%)	1.7.96
Loans to Parishes	9.225% (9.9%)	1.7.96
Parish Deposits held	6.919% (7.425%)	1.7.96

Fair Values

The carrying amounts are considered to be fair value for the Fund's financial instruments.

Note 11. Contingent Liabilities.

There are no contingent liabilities at 30 June 1996 (1995 - nil).

Note 12. Commitments.

There are no commitments at 30 June 1996 (1995 - nil).





AUDIT REPORT

TO THE MEMBERS OF METHODIST CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND

We have audited the financial report on pages 1 to 6. The financial report provides information about the past financial performance of the Fund and its financial position as at 30 June 1996. This information is stated in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page 1.

Board of Administration's Responsibilities

The Board is responsible for the preparation of a financial report which fairly reflects the financial position of the Fund as at 30 June 1996 and of the results of its operations and cash flows for the period ended on that date.

Auditors' Responsibilities

It is our responsibility to express an independent opinion on the financial report presented by the Board and report our opinion to you.

Basis of Opinion

An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. It also includes assessing;

- the significant estimates and judgements made by the Board in the preparation of the financial report, and
- whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Fund circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards in New Zealand. We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial report is free from material misstatements, whether caused by fraud or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial report.

Other than in our capacity as auditors we have no relationship with or interests in the Fund.

Unqualified Opinion

We have obtained all the information and explanations we have required.

In our opinion the financial report on pages 1 to 6 fairly reflects the financial position of the Fund as at 30 June 1996 and the results of its operations and cash flows for the period ended on that date.

Our audit was completed on 11 October 1996 and our unqualified opinion is expressed as at that date.

Chartered Accountants
Christchurch, New Zealand.

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**The Methodist Church of New Zealand
Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa**

**BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION
For the Year Ended 30 June 1996**

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The Board of Administration of the Methodist Church of New Zealand is incorporated under the provisions of the "Charitable Trust Act 1957".

The Board of Administration's purpose is to implement such policies of Conference entrusted to it and to serve the interests of the various Boards and Committees appointed by Conference to administer the Funds located in the Central Office.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICES

GENERAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

- (a) Reporting Entity.
The financial statements presented here are for the Reporting Entity Board of Administration. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable Financial Reporting Standards.
- (b) Measurement Base.
The measurement base adopted is that of historical cost. Reliance is placed on the fact that the Board is a going concern.

Accrual accounting is used to match expenses with revenue.

PARTICULAR ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

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|-----------------------|---|--|
| Depreciation | - | Straight line depreciation has been adopted to expend the cost of the assets over their useful lives. Depreciation is calculated at the following rates: |
| | | - Buildings 2% |
| | | - Vehicles 20% |
| | | - Computer Equipment 20% |
| | | - Office Equipment 15% |
| | | - Printing Plant 15% |
| Sundry Debtors | - | Debtors have been valued at Expected Realisable Value. |
| Investments | - | Those with the Methodist Trust Association are valued at current realisable value. Other investments are valued at cost. |
| Fixed Assets | - | Fixed Assets have been valued at Cost. |
| Financial Instruments | - | Are valued at the lower of cost or net realisable value. |

CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES.

There have been no changes in accounting policies. All policies have been applied on a basis consistent with the prior period.



BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE
for the Year ended 30 June 1996

	<u>Note</u>	1996 \$	1995 \$
INCOME:			
Management Fees	2	974,075	1,040,910
Methodist Trust Association - Distribution		69,828	109,323
- Accretion		31,264	10,090
- Realised Gains		1,880	-
Interest		6,614	4,721
Printing Receipts		33,153	35,439
Rent Received (Net)		53,844	47,363
Research Fees and Grants - Archives		13,817	11,840
Sundry Income		7,950	-
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		1,192,425	1,259,686
EXPENDITURE:			
Archival Material		2,274	5,287
Audit Fee		1,288	1,250
Cleaning		12,344	11,230
Depreciation	3	84,856	97,654
General Expenses and Stationery		47,489	47,255
Grant Paid		28,000	28,000
Legal		395	2,733
Light and Heat		10,524	9,750
Office Rent (Net)		120,726	116,213
Repairs and Maintenance		31,022	46,289
Salaries and Wages		843,572	987,677
Staff Recruitment and Training		17,029	21,611
Telephones, Tolls and Postage		24,837	22,005
Travel and Vehicle Costs		29,536	31,427
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		1,253,892	1,428,381
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Excess Depreciation Adjustment		(61,467)	(168,695)
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Excess Expenditure over Income		<u>(61,467)</u>	<u>(48,912)</u>

STATEMENT OF MOVEMENTS IN EQUITY
for year ended 30 June 1996

Opening Balance	1,834,858	1,883,770
Excess Income Over Expenditure	(61,467)	(48,912)
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Closing Balance	<u>1,773,391</u>	<u>1,834,858</u>

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts.

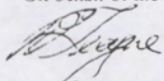


BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
as at 30 June 1996

	<u>Note</u>	1996 \$	1995 \$
Accumulated Funds:		1,417,441	1,478,908
Provisions and Reserves:			
Staff Training		6,233	6,233
Staff Overseas Travel		13,005	13,005
Building Development		66,279	66,279
Archives - Finding & Catalogue Aids		35,000	35,000
Asset Replacement Reserve		<u>235,433</u>	<u>235,433</u>
		355,950	355,950
		<u>1,773,391</u>	<u>1,834,858</u>
REPRESENTED BY:			
Current Assets:			
Cash on Hand		1,050	1,050
Bank - Current Account	1	22,263	894
Deposit at Call		20,917	177
Sundry Debtors		212,730	187,696
Stock on Hand		<u>4,650</u>	<u>6,455</u>
		261,610	196,272
Current Liabilities:			
Sundry Creditors		(52,752)	(46,970)
Holiday Pay Provision		<u>(56,751)</u>	<u>(61,106)</u>
		<u>(109,503)</u>	<u>(108,076)</u>
Investments:			
Methodist Trust Association	6		
- Parsonage Investment		209,732	212,528
- General Deposits		592,276	658,508
Methodist Provident Society		<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
		802,009	871,037
Fixed Assets:			
Provision for Depreciation	4 3	1,488,700 <u>(669,425)</u>	1,599,978 <u>(724,353)</u>
		819,275	875,625
		<u>1,773,391</u>	<u>1,834,858</u>

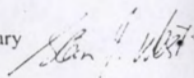
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On behalf of the Board:



Chairperson.

Secretary



Date: 15. 10. 96

BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the Year Ended 30 June 1996

	1996 \$	1995 \$
OPERATING ACTIVITIES.		
Cash was provided from:		
Management Fees	943,335	923,387
Sales and Sundry Receipts	42,983	40,160
Rent	53,844	47,363
Grant - Historical Records	13,817	11,840
Interest	<u>76,442</u>	<u>119,413</u>
	1,130,421	1,142,163
Cash was applied to:		
Wages and Salaries	847,927	920,180
Payments to Suppliers	<u>312,171</u>	<u>355,947</u>
	1,160,098	1,276,127
Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities	(29,677)	(133,964)
INVESTING ACTIVITIES.		
Cash was provided from:		
Proceeds from Disposal of Fixed Assets	-	17,685
Decrease in Methodist Trust Association Investments	100,292	92,956
Decrease in Trustbank - Call Deposit	<u>-</u>	<u>96,336</u>
	100,292	206,977
Cash was applied to:		
Purchase of Fixed Assets	28,506	74,468
Increase in Trustbank - Call Deposit	<u>20,740</u>	<u>-</u>
	49,246	74,468
Net Cash Flow from Investing Activities	51,046	132,509
TOTAL NET CASH FLOWS	21,369	(1,455)
Opening Cash Balance	<u>1,944</u>	<u>3,399</u>
Closing Cash Balance	<u>23,313</u>	<u>1,944</u>

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the notes to the Accounts.



BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1. Bank of New Zealand - Current Account.

The Bank of New Zealand Current Account of this Fund forms part of the banking arrangement of the Board of Administration - Special Account being an investment fund of the Methodist Church of New Zealand. The arrangement gives the Bank of New Zealand the right of offset over any balance. The Bank interest received by this Fund through that banking arrangement is included in the Statement of Financial Performance.

NOTE 2. Management Fees.

	Total 1996 \$	Total 1995 \$
Auckland Church Offices	4,452	4,452
Board of Administration-		
- Insurance Account	50,420	50,420
- Special Account	14,884	14,285
Church Building and Loan Fund	62,800	62,800
Connexional Fire Insurance Fund	12,450	12,450
Connexional Expenses Fund	5,990	5,990
Connexional Expenses Budget Account	12,230	12,230
Co-operative Ventures Removal Fund	6,006	6,006
Development Division	18,820	18,820
General Purposes Trust Fund	85,889	158,347
Home Acquisition Fund	2,610	2,610
Layworkers Retiring Fund	4,330	4,330
Methodist Provident Society	11,230	11,230
Methodist Theological College	15,501	15,500
Methodist Trust Association	449,393	386,811
Maori Division	21,004	21,004
PACT 2086 Trust	46,915	70,687
Papakura Trust	26,161	22,370
Presbyters Deacons and Layworkers Fund	12,840	12,840
Pitt Street Trust	24,918	23,674
Removals Fund	11,730	11,730
Retiring Ministers' Fund	3,000	3,000
Wesley College	1,571	1,979
Supernumerary Fund	<u>68,931</u>	<u>107,346</u>
	<u>974,075</u>	<u>1,040,910</u>

NOTE 3. Depreciation:

	1996 \$	1995 \$
Depreciation Provision - Balance 1 July	724,353	796,452
Adjustment for Asset Disposals	(139,784)	(80,673)
Depreciation Expense:		
- Buildings	12,172	12,172
- Other	72,684	85,482
Excess Depreciation Adjustment	-	(89,080)
Closing Balance 30 June	669,425	724,353

At 30 June 1996 assets scrapped of \$139,783 which were depreciated in full were written out of cost and accumulated depreciation.



BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION

Notes to the Financial Statements continued.

NOTE 4. Fixed Assets: (a)

	Cost	Purch.	Displ	Provn for	Book Value	
		Proceeds	Deprec.		1996	1995
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Morley House						
- Christchurch Pty	478,679	-	-	(15,304)	463,375	471,027
Great South Road						
- Auckland Pty	226,000	-	-	(9,040)	216,960	221,480
Office Equipment, Computer						
Equipment, Furnishings,						
Printing Plant	685,812	28,507	(704)	(588,412)	97,400	126,387
Vehicles	<u>98,209</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(56,669)</u>	<u>41,540</u>	<u>56,731</u>
	1,488,700	28,507	(704)	(669,425)	819,275	875,625
	(d)	(d)				

- (b) The Morley House Property is a joint venture with the Supernumerary Fund.
Government Valuation 1995

	Board of Administration <u>40% Share</u>
Improvements	690,000
Land	<u>360,000</u>
Capital Value	<u>\$1,050,000</u>

- (c) The Great South Road Property is a joint venture with the Maori and Development Divisions to provide office accommodation for these Divisions.
Government Valuation 1994

	Board of Administrations <u>33.3% Share</u>
Improvements	630,000
Land	<u>220,000</u>
Capital Value	<u>\$850,000</u>

- (d) Asset Additions 1996.

Office Equipment	13,681
Computer Equipment	<u>14,826</u>
	<u>\$28,507</u>

Asset Sales 1996.

Office Equipment	\$704
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NOTE 5. Board of Administration Expenditure Analysed by Activity:

	1996	1995
	\$	\$
General Secretary	58,200	57,116
Administration	210,867	180,073
Accounting Services	297,048	405,513
Computer Operations	159,223	159,435
Financial Investment Board	92,256	164,632
Property Management Board	195,543	196,962
Auckland Office	130,434	150,858
Printery	38,826	47,241
Archives - Christchurch	53,208	46,951
- Auckland	<u>18,287</u>	<u>12,600</u>
	1,253,892	1,428,381



BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION

Notes to the Financial Statements continued

NOTE 6. Related Party Transactions.

The Fund placed monies during the year on deposit with the Methodist Trust Association. The total sum held at Balance Date by the Methodist Trust Association amounted to \$802,009 (\$871,037 - 1995). Interest earned during the year with respect to these deposits was \$69,828 (\$109,323 - 1995).

NOTE 7. Segment Information.

The Fund operates predominantly in one area to administer the various funds located in the Connexional Office. All operations in this activity are carried out within New Zealand.

NOTE 8. Financial Instruments.

Credit Risk

Financial Instruments which potentially subject the Fund to credit risk principally consist of bank balances, other receivables and investments.

Interest Rate Risk.

Interest is paid on call deposits at a rate of 9.75% floating daily.

Fair Value

The carrying amounts of bank balances, other receivables, investments and payables are considered to be fair value for those financial instruments.

NOTE 9. Reconciliation of Excess Income over Expenditure with Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities.

	1996	1995
	\$	\$
Excess Income over Expenditure	(61,467)	(48,912)
Movements of Working Capital Increase (Decrease)		
Sundry Debtors	(25,034)	(149,983)
Sundry Creditors	5,782	29,402
Stock	1,805	(3,448)
Holiday Pay Provisions	(4,355)	61,106
Non Cash Item:		
Capital Accretion	(31,264)	-
Depreciation	<u>84,856</u>	<u>(22,129)</u>
Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities	(29,677)	(133,964)

Note 10. Commitments.

Commitments at 30 June 1996 amounted to nil (1995-nil).

Note 11. Contingent Liabilities.

The court case involving the Methodist Church and Robin Gray has not yet been settled. At 30 June 1996 no provision has been made for any future litigation and associated costs.

The Church has also indemnified the General Secretary against a separate action filed by Mr Gray. The outcome of this action is unknown and no provision has been made in these accounts.

Note 12. Subsequent Event.

Subsequent to balance date the Board purchased the Supernumerary Fund's share of Morley House for \$557,000. The financial effect of the purchase has not been recognised in the Financial Statements.

Note 13. Board of Administration GST Fund.

During the period under review the Board of Administration GST Fund was amalgamated into the Board of Administration.





AUDIT REPORT

TO THE MEMBERS OF BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION

We have audited the financial report on pages 1 to 7. The financial report provides information about the past financial performance of the Fund and its financial position as at 30 June 1996. This information is stated in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page 1.

Board of Administration's Responsibilities

The Board is responsible for the preparation of a financial report which fairly reflects the financial position of the Fund as at 30 June 1996 and of the results of its operations and cash flows for the year ended on that date.

Auditors' Responsibilities

It is our responsibility to express an independent opinion on the financial report presented by the Board and report our opinion to you.

Basis of Opinion

An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. It also includes assessing;

- the significant estimates and judgements made by the Board in the preparation of the financial report, and
- whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Fund's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards in New Zealand. We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial report is free from material misstatements, whether caused by fraud or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial report.

Other than in our capacity as auditors we have no relationship with or interests in the Fund.

Unqualified Opinion

We have obtained all the information and explanations we have required.

In our opinion the financial report on pages 1 to 7 fairly reflects the financial position of the Fund as at 30 June 1996 and the results of its operations and cash flows for the year ended on that date.

Our audit was completed on 15 October 1996 and our unqualified opinion is expressed as at that date.

Chartered Accountants
Christchurch, New Zealand.

METHODIST GENERAL PURPOSES TRUST BOARD (INC)
For the Year Ended 30 June 1996

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The Methodist General Purposes Trust Board is incorporated under the provisions of "The Charitable Trust Act 1957".

The Methodist General Purposes Trust Board acts as Trustee for individual Trusts and administers these Funds in accordance with the terms of each Trust.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

GENERAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

- (a) Reporting Entity.
The financial statements presented here are for the Reporting Entity Methodist General Purposes Trust Board (Inc). The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable Financial Reporting Standards.
- (b) Measurement Base.
The measurement base adopted is that of historical cost and reliance is placed on the fact that the Fund is a going concern.

Accrual accounting is used to match expenses and revenue of the Methodist General Purposes Trust Board.

PARTICULAR ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

- Sundry Debtors - have been valued at expected realisable value.
- Investments - have been valued at cost or market value.
- Capitalised Income - in the absence of provisions to the contrary in the terms of the Trust, 20% of income received is added to capital.
- Financial Instruments - are valued at the lower of cost or net realisable value.

CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

There have been no changes in accounting policies. All policies have been applied on a basis consistent with those of the previous year. Commencing 1 July 1994, distributions and any gains and losses from investment in the Methodist Trust Association held by the individual trusts were accounted for on an accruals basis. Consequently the distributions and gains were for the 15 months to 30 June 1995.



STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE
for the Year Ended 30 June 1996

	1996 \$	1995 \$
INCOME:		
Income Earned on Trust Investments	2,024,079	2,518,299
Distribution - Methodist Trust Association	76,576	68,571
Commission	-	31,227
Dividends and Interest	246	366
	<u>2,100,901</u>	<u>2,618,463</u>
EXPENDITURE:		
Administration Fees	-	24,500
General Office Expenses	-	2,465
Commission Paid to Board of Administration	85,889	-
	<u>85,889</u>	<u>26,965</u>
	2,015,012	2,591,498
Distribution Credited to Trusts	2,015,057	2,591,498
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Excess Income Over Expenditure	<u><u>(45)</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts.



STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
as at 30 June 1996

	Note	1996 \$	1995 \$
INVESTMENTS (Held on Behalf of Trusts)			
Assets held on behalf of Trusts		22,232,240	22,570,623
Sundry Loans to Parishes		15,964	15,963
Deposits at Call - Methodist Trust Association		<u>1,562,841</u>	<u>902,421</u>
		<u>23,811,045</u>	<u>23,489,007</u>
REPRESENTED BY THE FOLLOWING:			
Trust Deposits		4,918,511	5,344,063
Prince Albert College Endowment Trusts		16,514,603	15,873,743
Walters Family Trusts		687,370	669,091
Winstone Memorial Fund		377,600	358,735
Deposits Held on Behalf of Parishes		116,829	113,005
Council for Mission and Ecumenical Co-operation		<u>1,196,132</u>	<u>1,130,370</u>
		<u>23,811,045</u>	<u>23,489,007</u>
CURRENT ASSETS:			
Bank of New Zealand - Current Account		1,814	2,732
Deposits at Call - Methodist Trust Association		112,375	18,055
Sundry Debtors		<u>5,006</u>	<u>110,222</u>
		119,195	131,009
CURRENT LIABILITIES:			
Sundry Creditors		<u>(82,231)</u>	<u>(94,000)</u>
		36,964	37,009
INVESTMENTS:			
Shares In Public Companies	1	1,562	1,562
		<u>38,526</u>	<u>38,571</u>
REPRESENTED BY:			
Accumulated Funds		30,942	30,987
General Reserve		7,584	7,584
		<u>38,526</u>	<u>38,571</u>

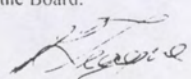
STATEMENT OF MOVEMENTS IN EQUITY
for Year Ended 30 June 1996

Opening Balance	38,571	38,571
Excess Income over Expenditure	(45)	—
Closing Balance	<u>38,526</u>	<u>38,571</u>

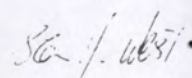
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On behalf of the Board:

Chairperson:



Secretary:



Date:

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METHODIST GENERAL PURPOSES TRUST BOARD (INC.)

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
for the Year Ended 30 June 1996

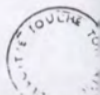
	Note	1996 \$	1995 \$
OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Cash was provided from:			
Methodist Trust Association Distributions		2,205,871	2,461,844
Commissions		-	31,227
Other Investment Income		<u>246</u>	<u>28,908</u>
		2,206,117	2,521,979
Cash was applied to:			
Payments to Suppliers		97,658	3,183
Distributions from Trusts		<u>1,225,649</u>	<u>1,833,702</u>
		<u>1,323,307</u>	<u>1,836,885</u>
Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities	5	882,810	685,094
INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Cash was provided from:			
Withdrawals of Call Account Investments		-	73,924
Disposal of Trust Assets		<u>-</u>	<u>121,596</u>
		-	195,520
Cash was applied to:			
Methodist Trust Association Investments		789,408	879,392
Call Account Investments		<u>94,320</u>	<u>-</u>
		883,728	879,392
Net Cash Flow from Investing Activities		(883,728)	(683,872)
TOTAL NET CASH FLOWS		(918)	1,222
Opening Cash Balance		<u>2,732</u>	<u>1,510</u>
Closing Cash Balance		<u>1,814</u>	<u>2,732</u>

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the notes to the Accounts.



NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
for the Year Ended 30 June 1996.

- Note 1. Investment - Company Shares.**
- | | 1996 | 1995 |
|--|---------|---------|
| The Market Value of Company shares at balance date | \$1,952 | \$2,808 |
- Note 2. Methodist Trust Association Investments Portfolio.**
Income received on behalf of Trusts includes a capital accretion of \$701,492 (1995, \$199,467).
- Note 3. Related Party Transactions.**
The Fund placed monies during the year on deposit with the Methodist Trust Association. The total sum held at Balance Date by the Methodist Trust Association amounted to \$23,439,278 (1995 \$22,555,551). Interest earned during the year with respect to these deposits was \$2,100,655 (1995 \$2,357,395).
- Note 4. Commissions.**
From 1 July 1995 the Board of Administration assumed financial responsibility for all indirect costs of the General Purposes Trust.
A commission on income collections is paid to the Board of Administration. For the year ended 30 June 1996 Commission paid to the Board of Administration was \$85,889 (1995 \$92,749).
In the 1995 accounts part of the commission payments to the Board of Administration were deducted from income earned on Trust investments.
- Note 5. Reconciliation of Excess Income over Expenditure with Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities.**
- | | 1996 | 1995 |
|--|-----------------|----------------|
| | \$ | \$ |
| Excess Income over Expenditure | (45) | Nil |
| Add non cash item - Mortgage forgiven | 467,370 | - |
|
Movement in Working Capital - | | |
| Sundry Debtors | 105,216 | (96,484) |
| Sundry Creditors | <u>(11,769)</u> | <u>23,782</u> |
| | 93,447 | (72,702) |
| Increase in Trust Assets | <u>322,038</u> | <u>757,796</u> |
|
Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities |
882,810 |
685,094 |
- Note 6. Segment Information.**
The Fund operates predominantly in one area of investment. All operations in this activity are carried out within New Zealand.
- Note 7. Financial Instruments.**
- Credit Risk**
Financial instruments which potentially subject the Fund to credit risk principally consist of bank balances, deposits, other receivables and investments.
The Fund has placed a majority of its deposits in the long term deposits with the Methodist Trust Association.
- Fair Values**
The carrying amounts of bank balances, deposits, other receivables, investments and payables are considered to be fair value for these financial instruments.
- Note 8. Commitments.**
There were no commitments at 30 June 1996 (1995 Nil).



NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS continued
for the Year Ended 30 June 1996.

Note 9. Contingent Liabilities.

There were no contingent liabilities at 30 June 1996 (1995 Nil).

Note 10. Subsequent Events.

Subsequent to balance date the farm investment held in the Barnett Estate was sold for \$488,000. The carrying value of the farm included in assets held on behalf of Trusts was \$214,000.





AUDIT REPORT

TO THE MEMBERS OF GENERAL PURPOSES TRUST BOARD (INC)

We have audited the financial report on pages 1 to 6. The financial report provides information about the past financial performance of the Fund and its financial position as at 30 June 1996. This information is stated in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page 1.

The General Purposes Trust Board's Responsibilities

The Board is responsible for the preparation of a financial report which fairly reflects the financial position of the Fund as at 30 June 1996 and of the results of its operations and cash flows for the year ended on that date.

Auditors' Responsibilities

It is our responsibility to express an independent opinion on the financial report presented by the Board and report our opinion to you.

Basis of Opinion

An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. It also includes assessing:

- the significant estimates and judgements made by the Board in the preparation of the financial report, and
- whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Fund's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards in New Zealand. We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial report is free from material misstatements, whether caused by fraud or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial report.

Other than in our capacity as auditors we have no relationship with or interests in the Fund.

Unqualified Opinion

We have obtained all the information and explanations we have required.

In our opinion the financial report on pages 1 to 6 fairly reflects the financial position of the Fund as at 30 June 1996 and the results of its operations and cash flows for the year ended on that date.

Our audit was completed on 15 October 1996 and our unqualified opinion is expressed as at that date.

Chartered Accountants
Christchurch, New Zealand.

**The Methodist Church of New Zealand
Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa**

CONNEXIONAL EXPENSES FUND

for the Year Ended 30 June 1996

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The Connexional Expenses Fund is financed from the Connexional Budget Account to administer the various Connexional commitments.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

GENERAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

- (a) Reporting Entity.
The financial statements presented here are for the Reporting Entity Connexional Expenses Fund. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable Financial Reporting Standards.
- (b) Measurement Base.
The measurement base adopted is that of historical cost and reliance is placed on the fact that the Fund is a going concern.

Accrual accounting is used to match expenses and revenue.

PARTICULAR ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

- | | |
|-----------------------|--|
| Sundry Debtors | - have been valued at expected realisable value. |
| Financial Instruments | - are valued at the lower of cost or net realisable value. |

CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

There have been no changes in accounting policies. All policies have been applied on a basis consistent with those of previous years.

CONNEXIONAL EXPENSES FUND

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

for the Year Ended 30 June 1996

	<u>Note</u>	1996	1995
INCOME:		\$	\$
Connexional Budget	226,068		217,881
Interest Received	11,279		1,712
Bi Cultural Committee Grant	2,000		-
PAC Fund Grant			
-Presbyter Dispute Costs	226,427		-
-Central Complaints Training	37,543		-
		503,317	219,593
EXPENDITURE:			
President	36,719		28,468
Vice President	12,788		10,712
Councils of Conference	17,519		13,174
Tauiti Strategy Council	12,348		10,136
District Superintendents	23,322		24,044
Committees of Conference	2	69,737	47,185
Legal and Court Costs - Robin Gray	122,352		104,919
- Less Grant from Special Purposes Fund	-		(17,293)
A K Woodley - Compensation Payments and Legal Costs	8	102,552	-
		397,337	221,345
Administration			
Interest Expense	1,543		17
Audit Fee	361		350
Other Administration Costs	14,905		10,467
		16,809	10,834
		414,146	232,179
Excess of Income over Expenditure		89,171	(12,586)
Excess of Expenditure over Income Conference		(21,705)	(28,836)
TOTAL NET INCOME		<u>67,466</u>	<u>(41,422)</u>
Transfer (to) / from Provisions			
- President's Ministerial Supply		-	5,066
- Contingencies		-	18,910
- Supply Ministries		(344)	(1,644)
- Central Complaints Committee Training		(26,173)	-
- Presbyters Disputes Cost		(1,523)	-
- Interchurch Taxation Committee		291	-
Transfer to Accumulated Funds		<u>39,717</u>	<u>(19,090)</u>

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the notes to the accounts.

CONNEXIONAL EXPENSES FUND
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE
CONFERENCE
for the 13 Months Ended 30 June 1996

		1996	1995
INCOME		\$	\$
Conference Registration and Meals	48,682		45,331
Offerings, Donation and Kohas	898		1,122
Interest Received	1,233		699
Net Sales - Souvenirs / Photographs	<u>402</u>		<u>452</u>
		51,215	47,604
EXPENDITURE			
Audit Fee	258		250
Accommodation	3,266		3,105
Administration	2,137		6,860
Catering	29,997		24,231
Gifts and Kohas	1,500		175
Hire Cost of Venue and Equipment	5,780		3,787
Promotional Costs	767		1,445
Travel	8,210		19,132
Printing	20,593		15,303
Secretarial / Other Costs	<u>412</u>		<u>2,152</u>
		<u>72,920</u>	<u>76,440</u>
Excess of Expenditure Over Income Transferred to Connexional Expenses Statement of Financial Performance		<u>(21,705)</u>	<u>(28,836)</u>

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts.

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CONNEXIONAL EXPENSES FUND
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
as at 30 June 1996

	<u>Note</u>	1996 \$	1995 \$
Provisions:			
Supply Ministries		16,382	16,038
Central Complaints Committee Training		26,173	-
Interchurch Taxation Committee		7,473	7,764
Presbyters Disputes Costs		<u>1,523</u>	<u>-</u>
		51,551	23,802
 Accumulated Fund	 1	 20,236	 (19,481)
 Total Accumulated Funds and Provisions		 <u>71,787</u>	 <u>4,321</u>
 REPRESENTED BY:			
Current Assets:			
Bank of New Zealand - Current Account	4	3,527	330
Advance - Conference Arrangements Committee		500	3,200
Deposits at Call		79,749	23,188
Sundry Debtors		36,973	10,042
Methodist Trust Association	5	<u>37,543</u>	<u>-</u>
		158,292	36,760
 Current Liabilities:			
Sundry Creditors		(86,505)	(17,439)
Advance - Connexional Budget Account		<u>-</u>	<u>(15,000)</u>
		(86,505)	(32,439)
		<u>71,787</u>	<u>4,321</u>

STATEMENT OF MOVEMENTS IN EQUITY
for the period ended 30 June 1996

	1996	1995
Opening Balance 1 July 1995	4,321	45,743
Net Income for the Period	67,466	(41,422)
 Closing Balance 30 June 1996	<u>71,787</u>	<u>4,321</u>

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts.

On behalf of the Board:

Chairperson:

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Secretary:

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Date:

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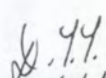
CONNEXIONAL EXPENSES FUND

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

for the Year Ended 30th June 1996

	Note	1996 \$	1995 \$
OPERATING ACTIVITIES:			
Cash was provided from:			
Connexional Budget		212,230	259,293
Conference Arrangements Income		56,913	3,900
Interest Received		11,279	1,712
Sales of Printed Matter		-	2,425
Grants		2,000	17,293
PAC Grant		226,427	-
Central Complaints Committee		<u>37,543</u>	<u>-</u>
		546,392	284,623
Cash was applied to:			
Conference Arrangements Expenditure		81,427	31,036
Connexional Committees and District Expenses		121,398	100,555
Legal and Court Costs		167,337	104,919
President and Vice President		47,306	39,180
Payment to Suppliers		16,623	18,228
Supply Ministry		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
		434,091	293,918
Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities	7	112,301	(9,295)
INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES:			
Cash was provided from:			
Withdrawals from Methodist Trust Association		<u>-</u>	3,752
		-	3,752
Cash was applied to:			
Advance - Conference Arrangement Committee		-	1,000
Deposits to Call Account		56,561	9,388
Deposits to MTA Account		<u>37,543</u>	<u>-</u>
		94,104	10,388
Net Cash Flow from Investment Activities		(94,104)	(6,636)
FINANCING ACTIVITIES:			
Cash was provided from:			
Advance from Connexional Budget Fund		-	15,000
Cash was applied to:			
Repayment of Advance from Budget Fund		<u>15,000</u>	<u>-</u>
Net Cash Flow from Financing Activities		(15,000)	15,000
TOTAL NET CASH FLOWS		3,197	(931)
Opening Cash Balance		330	1,261
Closing Cash Balance		<u>3,527</u>	<u>330</u>

These Accounts should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts.


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CONNEXIONAL EXPENSES FUND

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

	1996	1995
	\$	\$
Note 1. Accumulated Fund:	20,236	(19,481)
The state of the Fund, either deficit or credit, reflects the capacity of the Connexion to accurately budget for the year's activities.		
Note 2. Committees of Conference - Expenditure:		
Commission on Ministerial/Theological Training	-	307
Committee on Ministry	8,249	9,398
Conference of Churches in Aotearoa - Travel	2,177	1,760
Council of Elders	1,934	2,015
Diaconate Task Group	1,500	-
Faith and Order Committee	-	-
Land Commission	41	-
Law Revision Committee	1,308	-
MINESCO (Interim)	1,490	3,623
Negotiating Churches Unity Council - Travel	2,016	1,794
Pastoral Committee	1,436	65
Public Questions Committee	9,943	7,364
Review of Connexional Structures	2,985	4,226
Special Committees of Conference	6,662	6,301
Stationing Consultations	3,192	7,950
Superintendents' Consultations	854	596
Bi-Cultural Committee	2,702	-
The Community of Women and Men in Church and Society	497	876
Welfare of the Church Committee	96	-
Central Complaints / Committee Training & Expenses	<u>22,655</u>	<u>910</u>
	69,737	47,185
Note 3. Segment Information:		
The Fund operates predominantly in one area of activity. All operations in this activity are carried out within New Zealand.		
Note 4. Bank of New Zealand - Current Account:		
The Bank of New Zealand Current Account of this Fund forms part of the banking arrangement of the Board of Administration - Special Account being an investment fund of the Methodist Church of New Zealand. The arrangement gives the Bank of New Zealand the right of offset over any balances. The Bank interest received by this Fund through that banking arrangement is included in Interest Received in the Statement of Financial Performance for the year.		
Note 5. Related Party Transactions:		
(a) The Fund placed monies during the year on deposit with the Methodist Trust Association. The total sum held at Balance Date by the Methodist Trust Association amounted to \$37,543 (1995 \$Nil). Interest earned during the year with respect to these deposits was \$3,363 (1995 \$Nil).		
(b) Legal Fees amounting to \$88,916 (1995 \$91,185) were paid to a firm in which one of the partners is also a member of the Board of Administration of the Methodist Church of New Zealand.		
(c) Sundry debtors includes \$18,839 owing from the Connexional Budget Fund.		

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CONNEXIONAL EXPENSES FUND

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS continued

Note 6. Financial Instruments.**Credit Risk.**

Financial Instruments which potentially subject the Fund to credit risk principally consist of Bank balances and other receivables.

Fair Value.

The carrying amounts of Bank balances, other receivables and payables are considered to be fair value for those financial instruments. It is not practical to estimate fair value of the deposit with the Methodist Trust Association, as there are no quoted market prices for similar investment.

Note 7. Reconciliation of Excess Income over Expenditure with Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities.

	1996	1995
	\$	\$
Excess Income over Expenditure	67,466	(41,422)
Increase (Decrease) in Working Capital		
Sundry Debtors	(26,931)	36,443
Sundry Creditors	69,066	(6,016)
Advance - Conference Arrangements	2,700	1,700
	<hr/>	<hr/>
Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities	112,301	(9,295)

Note 8. A K Woodley Compensation Payments and Legal Costs.

All costs in settling this matter, including payments yet to be made. \$102,552 (1995 \$Nil).

Note 9. Commitments.

Commitments at 30 June 1996 amounted to nil (1995-nil).

Note 10. Contingent Liabilities.

The court case involving the Methodist Church and Robin Gray has not yet been settled. At 30 June 1996 no provision has been made for any future litigation and associated costs.

The Church has also indemnified the General Secretary against a separate action filed by Mr Gray. The outcome of this action is unknown and no provision has been made in these accounts.

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AUDIT REPORT

TO THE MEMBERS OF CONNEXIONAL EXPENSES FUND

We have audited the financial report on pages 1 to 7. The financial report provides information about the past financial performance of the Fund and its financial position as at 30 June 1996. This information is stated in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page 1.

Board of Administration's Responsibilities

The Board is responsible for the preparation of a financial report which fairly reflects the financial position of the Fund as at 30 June 1996 and of the results of its operations and cash flows for the year ended on that date.

Auditors' Responsibilities

It is our responsibility to express an independent opinion on the financial report presented by the Board and report our opinion to you.

Basis of Opinion

An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. It also includes assessing:

- the significant estimates and judgements made by the Board in the preparation of the financial report, and
- whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Fund's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards in New Zealand. We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial report is free from material misstatements, whether caused by fraud or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial report.

Other than in our capacity as auditors we have no relationship with or interests in the Fund.

Unqualified Opinion

We have obtained all the information and explanations we have required.

In our opinion the financial report on pages 1 to 7 fairly reflects the financial position of the Fund as at 30 June 1996 and the results of its operations and cash flows for the year ended on that date.

Our audit was completed on 11 October 1996 and our unqualified opinion is expressed as at that date.

Chartered Accountants
Christchurch, New Zealand.

EPWORTH BOOKSHOP

ANNUAL ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

30TH JUNE 1996

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11 November, 1996

TO: EPWORTH MANAGEMENT TRUST BOARD

FINAL ANNUAL ACCOUNTS

We are pleased to enclose the revised Annual Accounts of Epworth Bookshop for the 12 months to 30th June, 1996.

OVERVIEW

The shift from premises at the back of the Wesley Wellington Church to a street-front site was made in July 1995.

The Bookshop, in spite of the improved location, suffered reductions in sales in most categories. At the same time greater occupancy costs had to be faced.

NET RESULT

The following summary produces a useful comparison:

	<u>1996</u>	<u>1995</u>	<u>1994</u>	<u>1993</u>
Net loss before grants	75,727	31,250	17,817	33,002
Support from				
- Connexional Budget	13,174	13,500	23,738	39,010
- Hamilton Trust	9,000	12,000	12,000	10,000
- Mission Aotearoa	5,000	-	-	-
Prior year Adjustment	10,548	-	-	-
Net Surplus (Deficit)	<u>\$(38,005)</u>	<u>\$(5,750)</u>	<u>\$17,921</u>	<u>\$16,008</u>

It is disappointing to see such a major deficit for 1996. One reason for this is the reducing allocation from the Connexional Budget.

SALES

The following sales levels were achieved:

	<u>1996</u>	<u>1995</u>	<u>1994</u>	<u>1993</u>
General (after discounts)	185,080	206,520	234,702	198,917
Wholesale	6,825	7,488	10,394	12,566
Living Faith/Life Plus	24,335	49,574	69,573	108,642
Whole People of God	19,321	-	-	-
Religion in Life	<u>220,413</u>	<u>220,746</u>	<u>238,695</u>	<u>227,145</u>
Total	<u>\$455,974</u>	<u>\$484,328</u>	<u>\$553,364</u>	<u>\$547,270</u>

We draw your attention to the following:

1. Total sales have reduced \$28,354 or 5.9%. Reductions in each category were:

General	10.4%
Wholesale	8.9%
Life Plus	50.9%
Whole People of God	N/A
Religion in Life	0.2%

2. It can be seen that "Religion in Life" sales have held up well. About \$17,000 of RIL sales were invoiced in July but could have fallen in 1995/96 if earlier mailing could have been arranged.
3. "Life Plus" has fallen away drastically but Epworth secured the right to distribute "Whole People of God". However, this line produces a low gross profit rate - about half the margin earned on "Life Plus".
4. General sales are probably the ones which can be best controlled and therefore deserve greatest attention.

GROSS PROFIT RATES

The gross profit rates achieved were:

	<u>1996</u>	<u>1995</u>	<u>1994</u>
General and Wholesale (after discounts)	26.7%	32.1%	30.3%
Life Plus	29.3%	30.8%	24.7%
Religion in Life	28.4%	26.4%	25.1%
Whole People of God	12.9%	-	-

EXPENSES AND OVERHEADS

Total overheads increased \$24,233. This was principally accounted for by greater rental (\$9,723), additional premises outgoings (\$4,756), higher depreciation (\$5,336) and higher advertising costs (\$4,151).

With the gross profit having fallen approximately \$21,000 and expenses having risen \$24,000 it can be readily seen how the net result has fallen so markedly.

We comment on individual expenses as follows:

1. Advertising and Promotions

Expenditure on "Capital Times" at \$2,280 was significantly higher than the year before. Advertising was placed in a range of leaflets and magazines which accounted for approximately \$4,000.

Also included in this expense item is the cost of photocopying the monthly broadsheets. These cost \$3,376.

2. Bad Debts

We have written off totally the account of \$802 owing by Mr Graeme McDonald of Auckland.

3. Car Park

This is a new cost which has now been running for a year. The cost was \$928.

4. Depreciation on Assets

The increase in this cost to \$6,725 recognises the additional purchases of assets totalling \$48,711. The rates of depreciation are those approved by the Inland Revenue Department and are calculated on diminishing values.

5. Freight Out

The net of expenses and recoveries is \$4,357, slightly less than for the previous year. It should be noted that about 50% of this is administrative postage and the balance relates to advertising.

6. Legal Expenses

These amounted to \$679 and relate to the new lease.

7. Power

We note a reduction of the power cost from \$1,435 to \$648.

8. Printing and Stationery

We notice a significant reduction from \$7,319 to \$4,174. There was a substantial reduction in the amount spent with Apollo from whom Epworth purchase system stationery.

9. Rent

Of a total of \$25,040 (an increase over 1995 of \$9,723) \$6,805 related to the Holland Street store (\$567.11 per month) and the balance of \$18,235 to the Taranaki Street premises.

10. Rented Premises Outgoings

This is a new cost of \$4,756.

11. Salaries and Wages

This cost has been kept slightly under the figure for the previous year.

12. Telephone and Tolls

This item of \$4,544 represents an increase of \$1,331. It includes a new fax line (cost approximately \$750 per year) and an 0800 line on which the charges are running at about \$85 per month.

SUNDRY INCOME

1. Connexional Budget

Of the \$15,000 allocation we received \$13,174.

2. Hamilton Methodist Trust

The amount received from the Trust reduced from \$12,000 the previous year to \$9,000.

3. Mission Aotearoa

This \$5,000 grant was specifically tagged as being for the increase in stocks of a particular range of books.

BALANCE SHEET

a) Capital

With a loss of \$38,005 the funds of Epworth have reduced from \$180,909 to \$142,824.

b) Reserves

Reserves totalling \$48,000 recognise injections of capital funds for fittings etc. required at the time of the move to new premises.

c) Term Liabilities

At 30th June 1995 Epworth owed \$25,000 to the Methodist Church. This loan was cleared early in the year under review.

d) Trade Creditors

These increased by \$5,237.

e) Cash on Hand

Cash funds available at call reduced from \$109,908 to \$65,301. This is a reduction of \$44,607.

f) Stock on Hand

Stocks have remained reasonably constant, having increased by approximately \$5,000.

Epworth has maintained a consistent valuation policy. Once stock has reached 2 years old, one third of the cost is written off. Once the third year is reached the stock is written off totally. We have on hand some "Religion in Life" material which is unlikely to sell and this has been written off. Its cost was about \$3,000.

BUDGET

We have prepared a tentative 1996/97 budget and wish to comment on the following:

1. Sales levels have been suggested by the Manager. The 1996 results compared with budget as follows:

	1997	1996
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>
General	198,000	189,947
Wholesale	8,000	6,825
Religion in Life	236,000	220,413
Life Plus	24,000	24,335
Whole People of God	<u>28,000</u>	<u>19,321</u>
	<u>\$ 494,000</u>	<u>\$ 460,841</u>

2. Total overheads are shown at \$185,841 compared with 1996 actual of \$205,195.

The major reductions shown in the Accounts are:

- a) Accounting Fees - \$3,000. We have made a gesture towards Epworth in this way.
- b) Advertising - This is reduced by \$3,294. We feel that the emphasis in the future could be less on formal advertising and more on imaginative promotions.
- c) Depreciation. With the reduction in the value of assets there is a reduction in the write-off for the year of \$545.
- d) Stationery. A reduction of \$1,714 to \$3,075 has been allowed for.
- e) Salaries and Wages. These have been reduced \$1,073. This excludes bonuses which were paid at the time of the shift.
- f) Travelling. This represents a reduction of \$2,138. We have shown airfare costs for Alan and Brian in September for that Board meeting and \$100 for each of the remaining 11 months. This is to cover Joy's travelling costs.
- g) Other Income. We have shown only the Connexional Budget and have netted it to \$13,280 rather than the gross amount of \$15,000. Incidentally, should we be looking to find a donor for a grant to replace the one from the Hamilton Methodist Trust?
- h) The final deficit is \$39,521.

THE FUTURE

The budgeted loss is presumably an unacceptable one. Epworth might be able to continue for a further year with these losses and still be able to meet its commitments on time but we would not expect that it could do this beyond about June 1997.

If one was to try to reduce overheads it would be appropriate to address the largest items which are salaries and wages (\$84,000), rents and outgoings (\$30,000) and accountancy and secretarial costs (\$33,000).

Possibly a more fruitful exploration would be in the area of sales. The market is a difficult one. Other religious bookshops have found it impossible to go on. If we follow the same policies as those ventures we can expect the same results. Therefore we must look to operate differently.

New approaches to marketing need not be expensive but they do involve an investment of time. It is important that arrangements be made in the bookshop for marketing efforts to be put into effect. These really must be attended to with urgency. Assistance from members of the Board would, we would think, be a good deal of help to Joy.

Fixed expenses represent more than 85% of total expenses. Therefore, less than 15% of expenses are going to change in response to higher sales levels.

The current trend in retailing (and almost all other businesses) is to focus on the customer and to constantly improve service. Perhaps we should start with a survey of a sample of current customers to see how well we are meeting their needs.

There are groups in the community which offer new sales opportunities. There is a resurgence of interest in spirituality. Could we link in with churches which are predominantly Polynesian and see what their needs are?

We conclude with an emphasis on the urgency of the situation.

Yours faithfully,
WATSON & McCARROLL

G.E. WATSON

EPWORTH BOOKSHOP

NOTES TO ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1996

1. STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

GENERAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

- (a) The measurement base adopted is that of historical cost. Reliance is placed on the fact that the business is a going concern.
- (b) Accrual accounting is used to match expenses and revenues.

PARTICULAR ACCOUNTING POLICIES

- (a) FIXED ASSETS are valued at cost less accumulated depreciation to date.
- (b) DEPRECIATION has been written off at those rates approved for tax purposes.
- (c) STOCKS have been valued at the lower of cost (on a First In First Out basis) or net realisable value after due allowance for damage and obsolescence.

Stock which is in excess of one year old has been valued at 20% below cost while stock which is over two years old has been written off completely.

- (d) DEBTORS are valued at expected realisable value.
- (e) GOODS AND SERVICES TAX has been excluded from the Accounts other than to show the liability to the Inland Revenue Department at balance date.

CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES

There have been no changes in accounting policies. All policies have been applied on bases consistent with those used in previous years.

EPWORTH BOOKSHOP
OPERATING STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1996

<u>1995</u>	<u>GENERAL</u>	<u>1996</u>
	SALES	
212,058	General	189,947
7,488	Wholesale	6,825
<u>219,546</u>		<u>196,772</u>
	LESS COST OF SALES	
62,822	Stock at Beginning	64,864
145,677	Purchases	138,280
208,499		203,144
64,864	<u>Less</u> Stock at End	<u>62,027</u>
<u>143,635</u>		<u>141,117</u>
<u>\$ 75,911</u>	GROSS PROFIT	<u>\$ 55,655</u>

	<u>LIFE PLUS</u>	
49,574	SALES	24,335
	LESS COST OF SALES	
34,319	Purchases	17,189
<u>\$ 15,255</u>	GROSS PROFIT	<u>\$ 7,146</u>

	<u>RELIGION IN LIFE</u>	
220,746	SALES	220,413
	LESS COST OF SALES	
60,147	Stock at Beginning	53,100
155,309	Purchases	165,186
215,456		218,286
53,100	<u>Less</u> Stock at End	<u>60,496</u>
<u>162,356</u>		<u>157,790</u>
<u>\$ 58,390</u>	GROSS PROFIT	<u>\$ 62,623</u>

EPWORTH BOOKSHOP
OPERATING STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1996

<u>1995</u>	<u>WHOLE PEOPLE OF GOD</u>	<u>1996</u>
-	SALES	19,321
-	LESS COST OF SALES	
-	Stock at Beginning	-
-	Purchases	17,723
		<hr/> 17,723
-	Less Stock at End	907
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-		16,816
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\$ -	GROSS PROFIT	\$ 2,505
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EPWORTH BOOKSHOP
TRADING ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1996

1995

1996

SALES

212,058	General	189,947
49,574	Life Plus	24,335
220,746	Religion in Life	220,413
7,488	Wholesale	6,825
-	Whole People of God	19,321
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\$ 489,866		\$ 460,841
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GROSS PROFIT ON SALES

75,911	General & Wholesale	55,655
5,538	<u>Less</u> Discount Allowed	4,867
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70,373	32.1%	50,788
15,255	30.8% Life Plus	7,146
58,390	26.4% Religion in Life	62,623
-	Whole People of God	2,505
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\$ 144,018		\$ 123,062
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EPWORTH BOOKSHOP
PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

WATSON & CARROLL
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS
 LOWER HUTT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1996

<u>1995</u>		<u>1996</u>
144,018	GROSS PROFIT	123,062
	LESS DIRECT AND OVERHEAD EXPENSES	
1,219	Accident Compensation Levies	1,447
36,000	Accountancy	36,000
8,028	Advertising & Promotions	12,179
1,500	Audit	2,000
143	Bad Debts	859
(124)	Bad Debts Recovered	-
1,661	Bank Charges	1,675
154	Car Park	928
1,597	Cleaning	897
1,691	Commission on Sales	1,256
436	Computer Software & Expenses	105
1,389	Depreciation on Assets	6,725
21,467	Freight Out - Postage	23,621
(16,899)	Freight Out - Recoveries	(19,264)
2,852	General Expenses	3,268
386	Insurance	457
104	Interest	208
-	Legal	679
1,341	Packing Materials	2,206
466	Photocopying	420
1,435	Power	648
7,319	Printing & Stationery	4,174
15,317	Rent	25,040
-	Rented Premises Outgoings	4,756
522	Repairs & Maintenance	1,140
85,906	Salaries & Wages	84,634
40	Staff Costs	96
3,213	Telephone & Tolls	4,544
3,240	Travelling - Local	3,938
<hr/> 180,403		<hr/> 204,636
(36,385)	TRADING PROFIT (LOSS) FOR YEAR	(81,574)
	PLUS SUNDRY INCOME	
5,028	Interest Received	5,299
107	Sundry Income	548
	Grants Received	
13,500	Connexional Budget	13,174
12,000	Hamilton Methodist Trust	9,000
-	Mission Aotearoa	5,000
<hr/> 30,635		<hr/> 33,021
-	Prior year adjustment Religion In Life	10,548
<hr/> \$ (5,750)	NET PROFIT (LOSS) FOR PERIOD	<hr/> \$ (38,005)

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 30TH JUNE, 1996

LIABILITIES

CAPITAL

186,659	Accumulated Funds		
-	Funds at Beginning	180,909	
(5,750)	Stamp Duty	(80)	
	Net Profit (Loss) for Period	(38,005)	
<u>180,909</u>			<u>142,824</u>

RESERVES (NEW PREMISES)

7,500	Francis Parker Trust	7,500	
10,500	Properties Fund	10,500	
-	P.A.C. Media Communications	25,000	
-	Methodist Mission Aotearoa	5,000	
<u>18,000</u>			<u>48,000</u>

TERM LIABILITIES

25,104	The Methodist Church of NZ	-	
<u>25,104</u>			

CURRENT LIABILITIES

98,359	Trade Creditors	103,596	
1,500	Sundry Creditors & Accruals	2,023	
4,718	Subscriptions in Advance	4,894	
<u>104,577</u>			<u>110,513</u>

<u>\$ 328,590</u>	<u>TOTAL LIABILITIES</u>	<u>\$ 301,337</u>
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EPWORTH BOOKSHOP
BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 30TH JUNE, 1996

WATSON & CARROLL
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS
 LOWER HUTT

ASSETS

<u>1995</u>			
	<u>FIXED ASSETS</u>	at Book Value	
1,218	Office Furniture - Wellington	6,313	
305	Office Furniture - Wellspring	244	
3,805	Computer	3,044	
689	New Premises	38,402	
<u>6,017</u>			<u>48,003</u>
	<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>		
68	Cash on Hand	3	
15,258	Cash at Bank	34,298	
94,582	BNZ Finance Ltd Call Account	31,000	
74,826	Trade Debtors	53,903	
747	Trade Debtors - Wholesale	1,259	
(5,000)	Provision for Bad Debts	(5,000)	
5,220	Sundry Debtors and Prepayments	4,407	
119,396	Stock on Hand	124,268	
7,476	Goods and Services Tax	9,196	
10,000	Progress Payment - New Premises	-	
<u>322,573</u>			<u>246,058</u>
<u>\$ 328,590</u>	TOTAL ASSETS		<u>\$ 301,337</u>

EPWORTH BOOKSHOP
SCHEDULE OF ASSETS AND DEPRECIATION
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 JUNE 1996

		1.7.95		Movements		30.6.96	
	Dep'n	Cost	Book	Purchases	Dep'n	Cost	Book
	Rate DV	Price	Value	(Sales)	for Year	Price	Value
• <u>FIXTURES & FITTINGS</u>							
Wellington							
Sundry	20.0%	8,375	1,218	(909)	62	7,466	247
Minolta Copier	33.0%			2,250	681	2,250	1,569
• Office Chairs	12.0%			598	66	598	532
Office Desk	15.0%			265	36	265	229
File Cabinet	12.0%			316	35	316	281
Panasonic PABX	26.0%			2,990	713	2,990	2,277
Answer Phone	50.0%			90	38	90	52
Cash Register	33.0%			1,395	269	1,395	1,126
		8,375	1,218	6,995	1,900	15,370	6,313
Computer							
MacIntosh	20.0%	5,990	1,766		353	5,990	1,413
H.Disk CMSPJ Base	20.0%	3,928	1,158		232	3,928	926
Apple Keyboard	20.0%	310	91		18	310	73
H.P.Deskwriter Printer	20.0%	3,680	790		158	3,680	632
		13,908	3,805	0	761	13,908	3,044
Auckland							
Cupboard (Wellspring)	20.0%	930	305		61	930	244
		930	305	0	61	930	244
New Premises							
Sundry Painting	18.0%	745	689		124	745	565
Walls & Joinery	9.5%			12,186	1,158	12,186	11,028
Shelving Shutterwall	9.5%			1,471	140	1,471	1,331
Shelving System	9.5%			12,530	1,190	12,530	11,340
Service Counter	9.5%			3,160	300	3,160	2,860
4 Gondolas 2 Podiums	9.5%			6,537	621	6,537	5,916
Interior Signage	9.5%			873	83	873	790
Pin Boards	9.5%			321	30	321	291
Security Lights	9.5%			585	56	585	529
Shelving	9.5%			249	24	249	225
Electrical	7.5%			281	21	281	260
Display Bookstand	18.0%			285	43	285	242
B/case Cupboard	9.5%			466	44	466	422
Sign (Nth side Building)	9.5%			368	23	368	345
Solar Window Film	9.5%			1,724	96	1,724	1,628
Drapes	22.0%			473	35	473	438
Pleated Blind	22.0%			207	15	207	192
		745	689	41,716	4,003	42,461	38,402
		23,958	6,017	\$ 48,711	6,725	\$ 72,669	48,003

FIXED ASSETS SUMMARY

Total Costs	\$	72,669
Less Depreciation to Date	\$	24,666
Total Net Book Value	\$	48,003

To the Board of Management
EPWORTH BOOKSHOP

We have audited the financial report for the year to 30 June 1996. The financial report provides information about the past performance of the Bookshop and its financial position as at 30 June 1996. This information is stated in accordance with the accounting policies.

THE BOARD'S RESPONSIBILITIES

The Board is responsible for the preparation of a financial report which fairly reflects the financial position of the Bookshop as at 30 June 1996 and of the results of operations for the year ended 30 June 1996.

AUDITORS RESPONSIBILITIES

It is our responsibility to express an independent opinion on the financial report presented by the Board and report our opinion to you.

BASIS OF OPINION

An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. It also includes assessing:

- the significant estimates and judgements made by the Board in the preparation of the financial report, and
- whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Bookshop's circumstances and are consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We have conducted the audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards in New Zealand except our work limited as explained below. We planned and performed the audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial report is free from material misstatements, whether caused by fraud or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial report.

Other than in our capacity as auditor, we have no relationship with or interests in the Bookshop.

FUNDAMENTAL UNCERTAINTY

In forming our unqualified opinion, we have considered the financial position of the Bookshop relative to its continued unprofitable trading, and the support that it received from Grants. The validity of the going concern assumption on which the financial report is prepared is dependent on the continued support of the Methodist Church. If this support was not to continue for the foreseeable future, adjustments may have to be made to reflect the situation that assets may need to be realised other than in the amounts at which they are currently recorded in the Balance Sheet. In addition, the entity may have to provide for further liabilities that may arise and reclassify fixed assets as current assets.

UNQUALIFIED OPINION

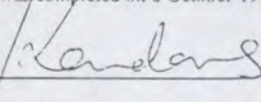
We have obtained all the information and explanations we have required.

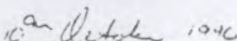
In our opinion:

- proper accounting records have been kept by the Epworth Bookshop as far as appears from our examination of those records; and
- the financial report attached hereto fairly reflects the financial position of the Bookshop as at 30 June 1996 and the results of its operations for the year ended on that date.

The audit report was completed on 8 October 1996 and our unqualified opinion is expressed as at that date.

Auditor


Kendons, Chartered Accountants
Lower Hutt


10 October 1996



RESOLUTIONS

1996

CONFERENCE

AUCKLAND

The Methodist Church of New Zealand
Te Hāhi Weteriana o Aotearoa

QUESTION 1--Who are Members of this Conference?

- (a) Presbyters in Full Connexion with the Conference and Ordained Deacons. Ministers of other denominations who are appointed to Union and Co-operating Parishes or other Co-operative Ventures serving with the Conference and whose names are printed in the Report on pp31f
- (b) **Representatives:** As printed in the Reports, pp23f together with such substitute and additional Representatives as shall be advised by the District Superintendent of each Synod and are recorded in the Journal.

QUESTION 2--What members from other Conferences and Churches are associated with this Conference?

Those listed in the Report on p32 together with any additions or deletions as recorded in the Journal.

QUESTION 3--What Candidates are now received for training?

(a) **Deacon:**

None

(b) **Presbyter:**

Anne Dargaville (Ramsay)	Stationed on probation
Nigel Hanscamp	Residential
Vilma Loader	Home Setting
Val Nicholls	Home Setting
Ravai Rennel	Home Setting
Kathryn Walters	Residential

QUESTION 4--Who continues in training for ordained ministry?

(a) **Deacon:**

Richard Williams	Fourth Year	Home Setting
Marcia Reeves	Second Year	Home Setting

(b) **Presbyter:**

Bruce Anderson	Third Year	Residential
Craig Forbes	Third Year	Residential
Dan-Mark Gibson	Third Year	Residential
Alalafaga Palelei	Third Year	Home Setting
Tovia Aumua	Second Year	Residential
Elizabeth Hopner	Second Year	Residential
Soroveli Ramacake	Second Year	Residential
Hausia Taufu'i	Second Year	Residential

QUESTION 5--Who are stationed by Conference as Probationers?

(a) Deacon:

Nil

(b) Presbyter:

Fatuatia Tufuga	Second Year
Gordon Abernethy	First Year
Sylvia 'Akau'ola-Tongotongo	First Year
Anne Dargaville (Ramsay)	First Year
Tavake Manu	First Year
Christina Morunga	First Year
Sani Vaeluaga	First Year
Kenneth Williams	First Year

QUESTION 6--Who are now admitted as Presbyters in Full Connexion with the Conference?

(a) George Bryant

Jessie Kerr

Beverley Osborn

Anne Stephenson

Samiuela Taufa

Uesifili Unasa

Ralph Vickers

(b) from another Church?

None

QUESTION 7--Who are now ordained Deacon or Presbyter?

(a) Deacon:

Francis Westaway

Malcolm McLeod

(b) Presbyter:

George Bryant

Jessie Kerr

Beverley Osborn

Anne Stephenson

Samiuela Taufa

Uesifili Unasa

Ralph Vickers

QUESTION 8:

- (a) **What Deacon(s) is reinstated into the Diaconate?**
None
- (b) **What Presbyterian(s) is reinstated into Full Connexion?**
None

QUESTION 9:

- (a) **What Deacon(s) now cease to be recognised as a Deacon(s) of the Conference?**

None

- (b) **What Presbyterian(s) now cease to be recognised as in Full Connexion with the Conference?**

Geoffrey G E Harding (returning to the Presbyterian Church after completion of his mutual exchange of ministry)

- (c) **What Presbyterian(s) now cease to be recognised as a Probationer with the Conference?**

Peter J Aislabie

QUESTION 10:

What appointments are authorised to provide remuneration at a rate less than Standard Stipend?

- A. For full-time Ministers requesting not to receive a full stipend. (the balance to be paid to Supply Ministry Fund).

- (a) **Deacons**

None

- (b) **Presbyters**

None

- B. For full-time or part-time Local Ministries (with no remuneration) with Ministry Covenant. (*Indicate full or part-time*):

- (a) **Deacons**

Shirley-Joy Barrow (Part-time)
David M Bryant (Part-time)
Margaret I Bryant (Part-time)
R Harvey Dalton (Part-time)
Brenda R N Fawcner (Part-time)
Lorna Goodwin (Part-time)

Margaret G Hames (Part-time)
 Valma E Hallam (Part-time)
 B June Higham (Part-time)
 Dianne C Hight (Part-time)
 Stan Hunt (Part-time)
 Malcom McLeod (Part-time)
 Piula A Unasa-Su (Full-time)
 Rita J Reid (Part-time)
 Elva M J Sulzberger (Part-time)
 Rachel A Tregurtha (Part-time)
 Edna E Webster (Part-time)
 Francis Westaway (Part-time)
 Kay Wicks (Part-time)

(b) **Presbyters**

Mavis Ambler (Part-time)
 Ruth Boswell (Part-time)
 David Rolinson (Part-time)
 William A Chessum (Part-time)
 Liz Cook (Part-time)
 Vaikoloa Kilikiti (Part-time)
 Mosese Manukia (Part-time)
 Lisiate Manu'atu (Part-time)
 M Anne Millar (Part-time)
 Kepu Moa (Part-time)
 Christina Morunga (Part-time)
 John Oh (Full-time)
 Judith R Parkes (Part-time)
 Loraine J Reid (Part-time)
 Gillian M Richards (Part-time)
 'Inoke Siulangapo (Part-time)
 Salesi Takau (Part-time)
 Molia Tu'itupou (Part-time)
 Langi'ila Uasi (Part-time)
 Siosifa Latu Uhi (Part-time)
 Robyn E Westaway (Part-time)

C. For part-time ministries (remuneration pro rata) with a ministry covenant:

(a) **Deacons**

None

(b) **Presbyters**

Gordon Abernethy
 Robyn Allen Goudge (75%)
 Lois R H Clark
 Paul H Grant

William D Griffiths
Barry G Harkness
John D Meredith
Brian C Peterson
Marion J Peterson
Joan Ross (90%)
Brian N Small
Shirley V Ungemuth
Lynne J Wall
Terry W Wall

QUESTION 11:

What Deacon(s) or Presbyterian(s) is designated for service through the Council for Mission and Ecumenical Co-operation?

None

QUESTION 12:

What Deacon(s) or Presbyterian(s) is transferred to or received from another Conference?

(a) Deacons

None

(b) Presbyters

Susan E Paterson to the British Conference

QUESTION 13:

A. What Deacon(s) or Presbyterian(s) formerly member(s) of the Conference is now exercising ministry in another Church(es) overseas, and has the right to return to the Conference on the completion of their overseas service?

(a) Deacons

None

(b) Presbyters

None

B. What Deacon(s) or Presbyterian(s) has Conference released to exercise ministry in another Church(es) within New Zealand, to have the right to return to the Conference on the completion of their service?

(a) Deacons

None

(b) Presbyters

Mary E Caygill, DMin(SFTS), DipSocWork, LTh, (St John's Theological College)

Edwin B Clarke, MA, BD(Hons)(Melb.), (Presbyterian Church,
Palmerston North)

Rosalie J Hoddinott (Christchurch Anglican Cathedral)

Michael W Greer, LTh, (Cashmere Hills, Presbyterian Church)

C. What Deacon(s) or Presbyter(s) has been received on secondment from another Church, to serve under the Conference, and after the completion of the secondment to return to the Church of their origin?

(a) Deacons

None

(b) Presbyters

Theresa Angert-Quilter (serving as Anglican Lecturer St John's
College)

Jione Lang, one year Rotuman Fellowship

Sione F Ha'angana

QUESTION 14:

For what Deacon(s) or Presbyter(s) there is no appointment available?

(a) Deacon

None

(b) Presbyter

John A Stringer (awaiting clarification)

QUESTION 15:

What Deacon(s) or Presbyter(s) are not available for stationing this year?

(All ministries recorded under this Question shall have prepared a Ministry Covenant)

(a) Deacons

Raewyn F Cubin, Personal Assistant

(b) Presbyters

Robert A Allan, stated Supply Presbyterian Church

Roy M Alexander, Ecumenical Hospital Chaplain, North Shore

Glenys R Anderson-Carter (being clarified)

Donald F Biggs, Bible Reading Ministries, S.U.(NZ)

Clive H Chandler, in a Covenant relationship with his Parish

Ashley I Corlett, LTh, Community Corrections Officer
(Probation)

Lindsay E Cumberpatch, BA, LTh, Director, Workplace
Chaplaincy Services Waikato

John B Currie, BA, I.T.I.M. Central

Mervyn J Dickinson, BA, BD, PhD, Management Consultant

Brian R J Eagle, Educator-Facilitator Taha Maori & Community Health Worker
 I W Les Ferguson
 Saula Fifita,
 Henk Gerritsen,
 Peter C Glensor, BA, Hutt Union Health Service
 John M Grant, BSocSci, LTh, Part-time Ecumenical Chaplain,
 Waikato Polytech, Counsellor & Consultant in the
 Health Field
 Gwenda J Handyside, I.T.I.M. Central
 Sifa Hingano, training in USA
 John S Hosking, MA, DipMus, LTCL, DMin(SFTS), Organist,
 St John's/Raumamanga, Parish Consultant, Teacher
 Bruce E Mackie, Lifeline
 Brian J Malcournon, BA, Celebrant/Conunseller
 Graeme M McIver
 Taniela T Moala, JP, LTh, DipRE, volunteer service for Tongan
 Community Trust
 Ian C Norwell
 F Anne Olsen, BA, Chaplain, Chilton St James School, Lower
 Hutt
 David C Pratt, Christian Social Services, Wanganui
 G Douglas Pratt, MA, BD, LTh(Hons), ASB,
 PhD,(StAnd)University of Waikato
 Donald F Prince, MNZAP, Hospital Chaplain, Christchurch
 B Anne Ramsay, Hospital Chaplain Hastings
 Kenneth H Russell,
 Anthony D Stroobant
 Paul R Trebilco, BSc(Hons), BD, PhD, Senior Lecturer in New
 Testament Studies - Otago University
 W Geoffrey Tucker, Peoples Centre
 Brian H Turner, Trade Aid
 Alan K Woodley, BA (on leave)

QUESTION 16:

What Deacon(s), and Presbyter(s) retire at this Conference?

(a) **Deacon**

Airdre Cochrane
 June Fuller

(b) **Presbyters**

David H Ansell	Ian Millar
Margaret E Burnett	David S Mullan
Warwick Gust	Margaret Springett
C Seton Horrill	A Fa'aoso Tugia
Patricia M Jacobson	
John C F Mabon (at the request of the President)	

QUESTION 17:

What Deacons, Home Missionaries, and Presbyters continue in retirement?

(a) Deacons (Deaconesses)

Lesley H Bowen
Rona W Collins
Grace M Clement
Evelyn Ellemore
June L Gibson
Desmond A Hill
A Joan Lawry

Jean I McInnes
Lucy H Money
Dorothy Pointon
Elva M Reynolds
Constance Sage
Rita F Snowden
Heeni Wharemaru

(b) Home Missionaries

None

(C) Presbyters

William K Abbott
 Robert S Andrews
 David Armstrong
 H Mary Astley
 Edward Baker
 Frederick J K Baker
 Marcia J Baker
 Niven G Ball
 G Basil W Bell
 Enid J Bennett, MA, BD, DipEd
 George L Bennett
 John E Bennett
 Trevor L Bennett
 T Ralph Benny
 Noel D Billinghamurst
 Blundell, Warren
 Lewis A Bowen, DipRE
 Edward P Boyd
 Graham Brazendale, MA
 Amos W Burrough
 Douglas H Burt
 Restel A Burton, JP
 Wilfred J Cable
 M Jackson Campbell
 Colin D Clark, MA
 Ian L Clarke, ACA
 Ivan J Clucas
 Gordon A R Cornwell
 Moke A G Couch, BA
 Hughan M Craig
 John B Dawson, BA
 W Selwyn Dawson, MA
 Arthur W Dickie, MIPENZ
 Audrey N Dickinson, LTh
 Wilfred G Eisner, BA
 Wilfred E Falkingham, MBE
 Ludwig Felderhof
 Wilfred F Ford, CMG, BA
 Irwin J Fowler
 Edna J Garner
 Loyal J Gibson

Geoffrey T Gilbert
 Wilfred S Gilbert
 D Bruce Gordon, CBE, MA
 (Fellow of Trinity College)
 Norman J Goreham, BA(B'ham),
 BD(Lond)
 Stanley R Goudge, BA
 Ian D Grant
 Keith C Griffith, MBE
 Edmund D Grounds
 Phyllis M Guthardt, DBE, MA,
 PhD(Camb), HonD(Waik)
 Allen H Hall, MA, DipTch, (NZ)
 MA, PhD, (Qld) DipTheol, ATCL
 John R Hall
 R John Hamlin
 George M Hammond
 Hana P Hauraki
 Ernest Heppelthwaite
 C Brice Herbert
 Basil J Hilder
 George C Hopkins
 H Ian K Hopper, BA
 Edgar R Hornblow, LLB
 Maxwell A Hornblow
 Russell E James
 Colin G Jamieson
 Alexander C Johnston
 Clifford J Keightley
 Henry W Kitchingman
 John E Langley
 Derek G Laws
 E Clarence Leadley
 A Gordon Leary, MA, DipEd, JP
 Evan R Lewis, MSc, BA
 John J Lewis, MA, BD(Melb),
 PhD(Lond), (Fellow of Trinity
 College)
 Edith J Little, JP
 Campbell P Lucas, LTh(Melb)

A Alexander McDowell, DD
 (Mt.Union U.S.A.)
 Archibald W McKay
 C Russell Marshall
 Edward M Marshall, BA, DipEd
 Barbara I Miller
 John B Nesbit
 A Roger Nuttall, BA
 Norman W Olds
 O McLennan Olds
 John H Osborne, MA
 Francis H Parker
 Gordon Parker, MA, PhD(Lond)
 J Wesley Parker, ED, MA, BD
 Henry Heremia Pate
 John A Penman, BA (Fellow of
 Trinity College)
 Athol R Penn
 Frederick D Peterson
 David H Pond
 Beverley Pullar
 Ruawai D Rakena, BA
 Frank S Rigg
 Percy P Rushton, BA, BD
 Elia Samusamuvodre
 Bruce Scammell
 Leonard P Schroeder, BA, BD(Melb)
 Eileen L Shamy
 Leonard Shapcott
 Harry I Shaw

Trevor Shepherd
 Donald G Sherson, BA
 Brian W Sides
 Sydney J Spindler
 Peter A Stead, BA
 David G Stubbs
 Lane M Tauroa, BA
 Peni Maf'i Ta'ufo'ou
 Philip F Taylor
 Gordon V Thomas, BA
 Neville Thornicroft
 Robert Thornley, MA, DipSocSc
 David L Trebilco
 Fisiga Tuimaseve
 William L Wallace, BA
 Alexander C Watson
 Jean M Waugh
 Alan C Webster, MA,MDiv,EdD,PhD
 P Joan Wedding
 Raymond G Wicks
 Robert W Widdup
 Leonard V Willing, BA
 Frank H Woodfield
 Owen T Woodfield, BA
 Jack Wright

QUESTION 18:

What Deacons, Home Missionaries, Minita-a-iwi and Presbyters have died since last Conference?

- (a) **Deacons/Deaconess**
Lorna M Hodder
O Madeline Holland
Ngaire P Slinn recorded in 1995 Minutes
- (b) **Minita-a-iwi**
None
- (c) **Presbyters**
Stanley G Andrews
Allan J Handyside
Howard C Matthews
William J Morrison

QUESTION 19:

What Laypersons who have given leadership in the Conference have died since last Conference?

Taha Maori: Hineuiria Jean Wikiriwhi

Tauwiwi: Audrey M Grounds
Winifred B Honey
George A Hutton
Douglas H Payne
Robert E Sullivan
Hivapea'ulu Vakalahi
Seru Molivugalei Vatucicila
Reginald A Woodhams

QUESTION 20:

- (a) Are there any congregation where through unavailability of Presbyters. the sacraments are not being provided?
- (b) Who are now given special authority to administer the Sacraments during the ensuing year?

Taha Maori:

Tamaki ki te Rerenga Wairua - Timaru Rogers

- Matiu Rakena
- Te Uru Heta
- Waha Wiki
- Winiata Morunga
- Rex Nathan
- Mere Cassidy
- Huia Martin (retired)
- Heemi Rauwhero

Waikato/Te Rohe Potae

- Whati Rountree
- Ripia Rountree
- Markus Rogers
- John M K Kopa
- Tiaki Hoani Wereta Taiawa
- Hao Erueti
- Sunnah R P P Thompson
- Mate Ngaro Te Ruta Grace (Sam)
- Phillip Te Uira
- Barney Winikerei
- Mara Tupaea
- Tata Keepa
- Hoani Heremaia (John) (Retired)
- Riripeti Polwart
- Te Waihoroi Tana (to the sick and dying)

Taranaki/Poneke/Otautahi-
Te Waipounamu

Tauwi:

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|----------------------------|------------------------------------|
| North Hokianga | - Christina Morunga |
| South Hokianga | - John Askew |
| Bay of Islands | - George Barke |
| Ruawai Co-operating | - Ken Williams |
| Otamatea Co-operating | - Diana Hamilton |
| Aotea Chapel | - Charlie Fenwick |
| Auckland East | - Sylvia 'Akau'ola-Tongotongo |
| Waitakere (Glen Eden) | - Sani Vaeluaga |
| Auckland Manakau Tongan | - T Kilifi Heimuli |
| | - Uhaone Metuifela |
| | - Sione Tonga |
| Manurewa Samoan Fellowship | - Alalafaga Palelei (H.S. student) |
| Tokoroa | - Alesana Letoa |
| Otorohanga | - Arthur Walters |
| Ohura | - Hazel Wilson |
| Reporoa | - Ian Faulkner |
| New Plymouth | - Fatu Tufuga |
| Waitara | - David Baird |
| Stratford | - Tavake Manu |
| Okato Co-operating | - Desmond A Hill |
| Patea Co-operting | - Harvey Watt |
| Gisborne Samoan | - Piula Unasa Su |
| Hastings Hospital | - Anne Ramsay |
| Marton | - Helen Brazendale |
| Wesley-Wellington (Fijian) | - Manasa Rayasi |
| Wider Nelson | - Graham A Harris |
| Waimate | - D Ian MacLeod |
| Oamaru | - Melesitina Kaufana |
| Dunedin (St Kilda) | - Gordon Abernethy |
| Otautau-Waiono Union | - Judith Day |
| Alexandra-Clyde-Lauder Un | - Alan Graves |

QUESTION 21--

- (a) **Does the Conference sanction the amalgamation or Division of any District, Parish or does it originate any proposal having reference thereto.**

Whangamata Union Parish boundaries be extended to include the communities of Tairua and Pauanui.

Manukau North Parish be divided into three parishes:

- (i) Mangere, Mangere East and Otahuhu.
- (ii) Papatoetoe, Otara and Otara East
- (iii) Trinity Howick/Pakuranga, Howick South and East Tamaki Corridor. This to take effect from 1 July 1997.

Onehunga Co-operating Parish (incorporating Onehunga Church of Christ (Associated); Onehunga Methodist Congregation (Auckland East Methodist Parish) Onehunga Presbyterian Church - English Speaking Group, and Niuean and Cook Island groups. The Presbyterian Samoan Group will continue as a separate group in association with the Co-operating Parish.

St John's Bryndwr [part of the Christchurch (St Albans) Parish] now becomes part of the Christchurch North Parish.

Christchurch (St Albans) now combines with St Albans Presbyterian to form the new St Albans Uniting Parish

Conference notes:

- * the establishment of the Hutt City Uniting Congregation's agreement
- * the establishment of the Waihao Co-operative Venture and Oamaru Union Shared Ministry Agreement.
- * part of the former Lyttelton Union Parish signed a covenant with Mt Herbert Anglican Parish (the other part of Lyttelton Union signed a covenant with Sumner/Redcliffs Union) and becomes the Sumner/Redcliffs/Lyttelton Union Parish.

- (b) **What other Agreements affecting Parishes and/or Use of Buildings are approved by Conference?**

Dissolution of West Harbour Union Parish

QUESTION 22--To what Parishes are additional Deacons, Minita-a-Iwi or Presbyters appointed?

Taiwi: Christchurch North - 1 additional Presbyter
QUESTION 23--From what Parishes are Deacons, Minita-a-Iwi or Presbyters withdrawn?

Taiwi: Bay of Islands Co-operating Parish - Lay Minisry Team

Wanganui Parish reducing to one Presbyter

Mana Parish to a part-time Presbyter

Levin Parish to a part-time Presbyter

QUESTION 24

How are the Presbyters, Presbyters in training, Deacons, Deacons in training, Minita-a-Iwi stationed for the ensuing year?

LIST OF STATIONS of the METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND

President---Stan West
Vice-President---Ruth Silverstone
Secretary---Donald Phillipps

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PRESBYTERS, DEACONS AND MINITA-A-IWI 1997

INTRODUCTION

The List of Stations is divided into two sections.

- A. Te Taha Maori:** Records the appointments for Liaison People, Minita-a-iwi and Ministry Team.
- B. Tauwiwi:** Records each Station and the Presbyter/Deacons appointed to them.

- Note:**
- 1. Supply Appointments**
Recorded in italics are the names of the Supply Appointments that relate to this year's Stationing. The names are advised by the Mission Resourcing Unit and recorded in this List of Stations for information.
 - 2. Without Appointment**
Presbyters/Deacons Without Appointment and Supernumeraries are recorded under the appropriate Conference Question and not on the Station Sheet.

A. TE TAHA MAORI

1510 TAMAKI KI TE RERENGA WAIRUA

Liaison People:

Mere Cassidy

Kiri Haretuku

Minita-a-iwi:

Mere Cassidy
Matiu Rakena
Timaru Rogers
Waha Wiki
Winiata Morunga
Te Uru Heta
Rex Nathan
Huia Martin (Retired)
Heemi Rauwhero

3510 WAIKATO/ROHE POTAE

Liaison People:

Paringahau Waaka
Barney Winikerei

Minita-a-iwi:

Hao Erueti
Sam Grace
John Kopa
Tiaki Taiawa
Phillip Te Uira
Sunnah Thompson

4510 TARANAKI/PONEKE/OTAUTAHU

Liaison People:

Rita Bublitz
Christine Kershaw
Huia Tahere

Minita-a-iwi:

Hoani Heremaia (Retired)
Riripeti Polwart

ENABLING MINISTRY TEAM:

Nga Kaiarahi:

Te Rua Winiata
Paewhenua Nathan

Minita-i-tohia:

Diana Tana
John Roberts

Rangatahi Worker:

Markus Rogers

Educator (Part time):

Brian Eagle

B. TAUIWI

1000 NORTHLAND DISTRICT

1010 MANGONUI COUNTY UNION PARISH

Kevin R Connole, BTheol (Melb)

1020 KAIKOHE UNION PARISH

Presbyterian Appt:

1030 BAY OF ISLANDS CO-OPERATING PARISH

Lay Ministry Team

1040 KAEO-KERIKERI UNION PARISH

Presbyterian Appt: Eric S Mattock, BTheol

1050 NORTH HOKIANGA COMMUNITY CHURCH

Christina Morunga (Probationer) (Local Part-time) See Q10B(b)

1060 SOUTH HOKIANGA CO-OPERATING PARISH

Mavis Ambler (Local Presbyter) See Q10B(b)

Anglican Appts:

1070 HIKURANGI UNION PARISH

Presbyterian Appt:

1080 WHANGAREI UNITING CHURCH

William (Bill) J Clifford, BTh (Melb) ACA (St James, Onerahi)

Presbyterian Appts:

P Wayne Matheson, BA, BTh, DipMin, (St Andrew's
Uniting)

Geoffrey Skilton, BTh (Trinity Uniting)

1090 DARGAVILLE

Uesifili Unasa, MA, BD(Otago), CertMinStudies

- 1100 RUAWAI CO-OPERATING PARISH
Ken Williams, BEd, BMin. (Probationer)
- 1120 WELLSFORD CO-OPERATING PARISH
Presbyterian Appt: Fredrick W Bealing, BA, BD
- 1130 ST JOHN'S/RAUMANGA CO-OPERATING PARISH
Presbyterian Appt: Robert R Te Whaiti, BTh
- 1140 ST PAUL'S CO-OPERATING (KAMO)
Presbyterian Appt: Edward W Body, BCom, ACA
- 1150 OTAMATEA CO-OPERATING PARISH
One Wanted (Part-time): *Supply: Diana Hamilton*
Margaret G Hames (Deacon) See Q10B(a)

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT

John S Hosking, MA, DipMus, LTCL, DMin(SFTS)

2000 AUCKLAND DISTRICT

- 2002 AUCKLAND HOSPITAL CHAPLAIN
Wendie Rosewell
- 2004 MINISTRY TO THE DEAF
Ecumenical Appt:
- 2007 ROTUMAN MINISTRY
Jione Langi See Q13b(c)
- 2600 MISSION RESOURCING UNIT
John S Murray
Winifred Murray, MA (Hons), DipTchg - Co-ordinator Educational
Ministry
- 2820 MINISTRY RESOURCING UNIT (Trinity College)
Methodist Staff:
E Francis I Hanson, BA, BD, TheolM (Melbourne), Principal
John B Salmon, MA, ThM(Princeton), PhD, LTh, STh, CA(Retired),
ACCM, Lecturer in Systematic Theology
Gillian M Watkin, LTh (2nd Class Hon), Fieldworker, Ordained
Ministry
Robyn Brown: Director, Lay Ministry Education and Training

- 2010 AUCKLAND CENTRAL PARISH AND MISSION
Auckland Mission
 Graham H Whaley, BA, BD Mission Superintendent
- Auckland Central Parish**
 Ashley J Sedon, BTP, LTh (Hons) - Parish Superintendent (Pitt Street)
 Barry W Neal, MA, DipEd (Kingsland/Dominion Rd)
 David T H Rolinson, MA, DipTchg (Local, part-time) (Mt Eden)
 Roger J E Hey. Aged Care Chaplain
 Gillian M Richards (with a Covenant)
- 2030 ROSKILL
 Audrey P Ancrum, LTh.,
- 2040 AUCKLAND EAST
 Sylvia 'Akauola-Tongotongo (Probationer) (Onehunga/St Stephens/Epsom)
 Nomani Noa, (Samoan Appt) (Panmure)
- 2060 ORAKEI
 T Wesley Jeyaseelan
- 2070 GLEN INNES CO-OPERATING PARISH - St Marys (**Part time**)
 One Wanted: *Supply: Percy P Rushton, BA, BD (Sup)*
- 2080 MT ALBERT
 Mervyn L Dine
- 2090 AVONDALE UNION PARISH
 Anthony (Tony) N Bell, Lth
 Shirley-Joy Barrow, MNZSWA (Deacon) (See Q10B(a))
 Presbyterian Appt: Leao T Si'itia, LTh
- 2100 WAITAKERE
 Kenneth W Olsen, BTh(Melb) (Henderson)
 Sani Vaeluaga (Probationer) (Glen Eden)
 T Tanielu Sa'o (Samoan Ministry)
 Liz Cook (Local Presbyter)
- 2120 TE ATATU UNION PARISH
Supply: Andrew P Bell
- 2130 DEVONPORT
 J Cedric Hay

- 2140 TAKAPUNA
Lynne J Wall, BA, BD, PhD (part-time shared ministry)
Terence W Wall, MA, BSc, STM (part-time shared ministry)
Kyoung-Soo Oh (Self-Supporting Korean Ministry)
- 2150 BIRKENHEAD
Gary A M Clover, MA, BD, DipNZLS
Malcolm McLeod, (Deacon) See Q10B(a)
- 2160 GLENFIELD ANGLICAN/METHODIST COMMUNITY CHURCH
Appointment not required
- 2180 NORTHCOTE
Susan J Thompson, MA(Hons), BTheol(Melb)
- 2270 SOUTH KAIPARA CO-OPERATING PARISH
Awaiting clarification
- 2280 WHANGAPARAOA
Graeme R White, LTh
- 2290 MAHURANGI
Warwick J Hambleton, BE
- 2300 ST AUSTELL'S CO-OPERATING PARISH -New Lynn
Presbyterian Appt: Elizabeth M Mansill
- 2310 WATERVIEW (Part-time)
William D Griffiths
- 2320 EAST COAST BAYS
David S Bell, BA,BD, MTh(Distinction), PhD
- 2330 LYNFIELD COMMUNITY CHURCH
Anglican Appt:
- 2340 AUCKLAND-MANUKAU TONGAN PARISH
Sione F Ha'angana See Q13C(b)
Vaikola Kilikiti (Local Presbyter) See Q10B(b)
Kepu Moa (Local Presbyter) See Q10B(b)
Molia Tu'itupou (Local Presbyter) See Q10B(b)
Mosese Manukia (Local Presbyter, New Lynn Fellowship)
See Q10B(b)
Langi'ila Uasi (Local Presbyter, Otahuhu Fellowship) See Q10B(b)
Taniela T Moala, LTh, DipRE See Q15(b)
- 2370 AUCKLAND-SAMOAN PARISH
Paulo Ieriko, BMus(Auckland), BD(Otago)

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT

Mervyn L Dine

Regional Superintendents

Northern: Jan Tasker AdvDipTchg, JP

Central: Jill van de Geer

West: Tony Bell

2400 MANUKAU DISTRICT

2830 WESLEY COLLEGE

George Bryant, JP, MA(Hons), DipEd, DipTchg, AFNZIM, ATCL,

2410 MANUKAU NORTH

Richard J Waugh, BA, LTh, STh, MBA, (Howick-Pakuranga)

One Wanted: *Part-time Supply: Audrey Dickinson* (Mangere Central)

J Allan Oliver, MSc, LTh (Papatoetoe)

Aso T Samoa Saleupolu, DipTropAgr, LTh (Otara)

Ruth Boswell, NZROT, LTh(Hons); (Local Presbyterian)

(Local Presbyterian) See Q10B(b)

William A Chessum, MusB (Local Presbyterian) See Q10B(b)

Tavita Filemoni (Mangere East, Samoan) (Half-time)

2420 MANUREWA

Alan R Upson

2430 PAPAKURA

Norman E Brookes, MA

Fereti Fa'afuata (Samoan Ministry)

2440 PUKEKOHE

Lynne O Frith, BTheol, PGDipTheol.(Otago)

2450 TUAKAU UNION PARISH

Presbyterian Appt:

Kay Wicks (Deacon) See Q10B(a)

2460 FRANKLIN WEST CO-OPERATING

David R Alley

2470 BUCKLANDS BEACH CO-OPERATING

Anglican Appt: Jim Thornburrow, BA, LTh

2340 AUCKLAND-MANUKAU TONGAN PARISH (See Auckland District)

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT (Team)

Norman E Brookes, MA

Barbara Lawrence

3000 WAIKATO-BAY OF PLENTY DISTRICT

- 3700 COUNCIL FOR MISSION AND ECUMENICAL CO-OPERATION
One Wanted:
- 3010 THAMES UNION PARISH
Presbyterian appt:
R Harvey Dalton (Deacon) See Q10B(a)
- 3020 HAURAKI PLAINS CO-OPERATING PARISH
Presbyterian appt. David A G North, BA, BD
- 3030 PAEROA CO-OPERATING PARISH
Presbyterian Appt: Stanley J Stewart
- 3040 WAIHI BEACH CONGREGATION LEP
Presbyterian appt: Lester Simpson (Waihi)
- 3050 TE AROHA CO-OPERATING PARISH
Bryant S L Abbott
Dianne Hight Deacon See Q10B(a)
- 3060 MORRINSVILLE
Paul F Sinclair
- 3070 CAMBRIDGE UNION PARISH
Russell G Rigby
- 3080 HAMILTON
K Desmond Cooper
Gillian A Telford, MAND (Melville)
Lisiate F T Manu'atu (Local Presbyter - Tongan Ministry) See
Q10B(b)
- 3090 RAGLAN UNION PARISH
Congregational: Peter Kennett
- 3100 HAMILTON EAST
Stuart J Bowring, LTh.
- 3110 CHARTWELL CO-OPERATING PARISH
Alan J Leadley, MA, BD
Anglican Appt: Florence Chambers
- 3120 NGARUAWAHIA UNION PARISH
Robert D Short

- 3130 HUNTLY CO-OPERATING PARISH
Presbyterian Appt: Murray J Lambert, BTh
- 3140 MATAMATA UNION PARISH
Dianne L Le Pine, BTh(Melb)
- 3150 PUTARURU CO-OPERATING PARISH
Anglican Appt: Gary Husband
- 3160 TOKOROA **(Part-time)**
One Wanted: *Extended Supply: Harry I Shaw (Sup)*
- 3170 ROTORUA
One Wanted: *Supply: Ian Millar*
- 3180 TAUPO UNION PARISH
Presbyterian appt:
- 3190 WESTERN BAY OF PLENTY
Neil R Keesing, LTh(Melb), STh (Wesley Tauranga)
S Tavake Tupou, ThDip, DipMin(Sydney), LTh (St Stephens)
Valma E Hallam (Deacon) See Q10B(a)
Edna E Webster (Deacon) See Q10B(a)
- 3200 ST JAMES UNION PARISH, GREERTON
Presbyterian Appt: Stephen G Horton, LTh
- 3210 TE PUKE/MT MAUNGANUI
Ralph Vickers, LTh, ACM
- 3220 WHAKATANE CO-OPERATING PARISH
One Wanted:
Anglican Appt: Alexander H Czerwonka
- 3230 KAWERAU
- 3240 OPOTIKI UNION PARISH
Presbyterian appt.
- 3250 TE AWAMUTU
Gloria J Zanders, BTheol(Melb)
B June Higham (Deacon) See Q10B(a)
- 3260 OTOROHANGA
Part-time Supply One Wanted:

- 3270 TE KUITI
See 3260
- 3280 ST PAUL'S CO-OPERATING PARISH (TAUMARUNUI)
One Wanted: *Extended Supply: Robert T Murphy, BA, PhD,*
- 3290 TURANGI CO-OPERATING PARISH
Anglican Appt: Kevin J Tarry
- 3300 OHURA (See 3280)
- 3320 COROMANDEL (See 3030)
- 3330 HILLCREST CO-OPERATING PARISH
Presbyterian appt:
Anglican Appt: Ross Falconer
- 3340 PIO PIO-ARIA MOKAU CO-OPERATING PARISH
Presbyterian Appt: Brian E Cavit, MSc, BD
- 3350 OMOKOROA CO-OPERATING PARISH
Presbyterian Appt: Anthony N Hepburn
- 3360 CO-OPERATING PARISH OF ST CLARE, DINSDALE
Presbyterian Appt: Nancy-Jean M Whitehead
- 3390 ALL SAINTS (BRYANT PARK) CO-OPERATING PARISH
Peter J L West
- 3400 WHANGAMATA CO-OPERATING PARISH
Presbyterian Appt.

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT

K Desmond Cooper

Associate Superintendent:

B June Higham

4000 TARANAKI-WANGANUI DISTRICT

- 4010 NEW PLYMOUTH
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|---|--|-----------------|
| * | Doris J Elphick, DipTheol(Otago) | * Team Ministry |
| | Fatu'atia Tufuga, (Probationer) | * Team Ministry |
| * | Brenda R N Fawcner (Deacon) See Q10B(a) | |
| | Elva M J Sulzburger (Deacon) See Q10B(a) | |
| | Brooklands Cooperating | |
| | Anglican Appt: David Pearce | |

- 4020 WAITARA
One Wanted: *Extended Supply part-time: David Baird*
- 4030 STRATFORD
Tavake Manu (Probationer)
- 4040 ELTHAM-KAPONGA CO-OPERATING PARISH
Presbyterian Appt: Alan D Hawsworth, BA, BTh
- 4050 HAWERA
Kathy Clifford, LTh
- 4060 MANAIA UNION PARISH
Presbyterian Appt: Peter M Kirkpatrick, BCom,LLB, MTh
- 4070 OPUNAKE CO-OPERATING PARISH
Presbyterian: Sione L J Faitala, BTh, DipMin
- 4080 OKATO CO-OPERATING PARISH
Anglican appt: Ian Campbell
- 4090 WANGANUI
Norma J George
- 4110 INGLEWOOD UNION PARISH
Chris T Burgin, DipAg, BSW, BD
- 4120 PATEA CO-OPERATING PARISH (**Part-time**)
One Wanted: *Supply*
- 4130 BELL BLOCK LEPPERTON CO-OPERATING PARISH
Presbyterian Appt. Bruce A T Hellyer, LTh

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS (Team)
Doris J Elphick, DipTheol(Otago)

5000 HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU DISTRICT

- 5010 NAPIER
'Epeli Taungapeau, BTh (Melb.), LTh, (Trinity)
Marion J Peterson, BTh (Greenmeadows - St Marks) See Q10C(b)
Brian C Peterson, LTh, MinDip (Greenmeadows - St Marks) See Q10C(b)

- 5020 HASTINGS
Bruno W Egli
Faiva Alaelua, LTh, DipMin(ACTE) (Samoan Ministry)
Paul H Grant (part-time Havelock North)
Anne Dargaville (Ramsay) (Probationer) (Ecumenical Chaplain,
Hastings Memorial Hospital)
- 5040 GISBORNE
Greg A Hughson, ATCL, MSc(Hons), BD
Piula Unasa-Su, QSM, JP (Deacon) (Ministry to Samoan
congregation) See Q10B(a)
- 5050 MANGAPAPA UNION PARISH
Presbyterian Appt: Bruce Mounsey (Parish Co-ordinator)
- 5060 PRESBYTERIAN-METHODIST PARISH OF WAIROA
Presbyterian Appt: Richard J Gray, TTC, BA, BTh
- 5070 DANNEVIRKE
Mark D Cooper
- 5080 WOODVILLE ST JAMES UNION PARISH
One Wanted: *Supply Shared with Holy Trinity Parish, Woodville*
- 5090 PAHIATUA UNION PARISH
Presbyterian Appt: James E Soper
- 5100 PALMERSTON NORTH
Stuart C Grant, BA, LLB, LTh
Salesi Takau, DipAcc, NZCC (Local Presbyter, Palmerston North
Tongan Fellowship) See Q10B(b)
Lorna J Goodwin (Deacon) See Q10B(a)
- 5110 ASHHURST-BUNNYTHORPE-POHANGINA (**Part time**)
Lois R H Clarke, BA, LTCL, LTh (See Q10C(b))
- 5120 FEILDING-OROUA
W J Douglas Wakeling
- 5130 MARTON (Part-time)
One Wanted: *Part-time Supply: Helen Brazendale*
- 5140 RONGOTEA-SANSON CO-OPERATING PARISH
Presbyterian Appt: Edward A Brash
- 5150 FOXTON/SHANNON CO-OPERATING PARISH
Christopher R Dombroski, LTh

5160 TAMATEA COMMUNITY CHURCH
Brian N Small, DipTh(Otago) See Q10C(b)

5170 WAIPAWA CO-OPERATING PARISH
Presbyterian Appt: Nio M Daniela

5180 MILSON COMBINED CHURCH
Anglican Appt: (Part-time) David J Kettle

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT

Bruno W Egli

Deputy Superintendent:

Stuart C Grant

6000 WELLINGTON DISTRICT

6700 COUNCIL FOR MISSION & ECUMENICAL CO-OPERATION

6800 RESPONSE

MISSION RESOURCING UNIT

Youth Ministry Co-ordinators:

Matthew Roberts

Russell Fleet (New Plymouth)

6010 WESLEY WELLINGTON
Wesley Wellington Mission
Awaiting clarification

Wesley Wellington Parish

Iakopo P Fa'afuata, LTh, MinDip (Samoan Ministry) *

One Wanted: *Supply:*

* *Shared Superintendency*

Samiuela Taufa (Local) (Tongan Ministry)

6030 WELLINGTON SOUTH-LYALL BAY UNION
Church of Christ Appt: Barbara Stephens

6050 MIRAMAR UNITING PARISH
Presbyterian Appt: Ria A Sporry

6060 NGAIO UNION PARISH
Joan Ross, BA (Hons), BD (Hons), MCD

6070 JOHNSONVILLE UNION PARISH
Keith J Taylor, BA

- 6080 NEWLANDS UNION PARISH
Barry E Jones, B.A.
- 6100 MANA PARISH
One Wanted: *Part-time Supply: Alison Molineux*
- 6110 TAWA UNION PARISH
Robyn D Allen Goudge, BSc, BD
Presbyterian Appt: Tom Etuata, BTh, NZCC
- 6120 HUTT CITY UNITING CONGREGATIONS
Douglas I Rogers, LLB(Hons), BD (Hons), MTh
Suiva'aia Te'o
One Wanted (Not seeking an appointment
Neil G Churcher, FTCL
Gillian M Woodward
Siosifa Latu Uhi (Local Presbyterian)
Margaret I Bryant (Deacon) See Q10B(a)
David M Bryant (Deacon) See Q10B(a)
Chris Wood (Deacon)
- 6140 UPPER HUTT UNITING PARISH
P Anne Stephenson, SRN, LTh, CertChristian Min. (Probationer)
- 6150 WAINUIOMATA UNION PARISH
Awaiting clarification
- 6160 GREYTOWN ST ANDREWS UNION PARISH
One Wanted *Supply in mind* (See 6170)
- 6170 FEATHERSTON UNION PARISH
One Wanted: *Supply in mind* (See 6160)
- 6180 CARTERTON UNION PARISH
Presbyterian appt: Ruth D Caughley, BSc, BTh, DipTchg
- 6190 MASTERTON ST LUKES UNION PARISH
Presbyterian Appt: J Scott Thomson, BA
- 6200 ST JAMES, MASTERTON UNION PARISH
Awaiting clarification
- 6210 EKETAHUNA UNION PARISH
Interim Moderator: Ian Hewson

- 6220 LEVIN
One Wanted: *Part-time Supply: Lew Bowen*
- 6230 OTAKI
Co-operative Agreement with the Otaki Anglican Parish - Methodist
Liaison, Anglican appt. Jenny Chalmers
Oversight by Levin Minister
- 6240 KAPITI CO-OPERATING
I Marie Greenwood, BA, BTheol, PGDipTheol
- 6250 HATAITAI-KILBIRNIE CO-OPERATING PARISH
Anglican Appt: Paul Williamson
- 6260 NORTH WAIRARAPA RURAL SUPPORT MINISTRY
Being clarified
- 6270 BROOKLYN CO-OPERATING PARISH
Being clarified
- 6280 KARORI-NORTHLAND UNITING PARISH
Presbyterian Appt: Pamela J Tankersley, BSc, DipTchg, BD

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS (Team)

Barry E Jones, BA
Barbara Halliwell

7000 NELSON DISTRICT

- 7010 NELSON
Derek V McNicol (St John's)
Graham A Kane (Stoke)
- 7020 NELSON, ST LUKE'S UNION PARISH
Presbyterian Appt: W Bruce Murray
- 7030 WAIMEA
Jessie S Kerr, CertTh(Otago)
- 7040 MOTUEKA UNITING
Presbyterian Appt: *Stated Supply: Maxwell A Hornblow*
- 7060 MURCHISON (Part-time)
Anglican appt: Ross Turner

- 7070 BLENHEIM
James F Cropp
Judith R Parkes (Local Presbyterian) See Q10B(b)
- 7080 PICTON UNION PARISH
No Appointment sought
- 7090 REEFTON DISTRICT UNION PARISH
Presbyterian Appt: Graham M Gillespie (Lay Supply)
- 7100 BULLER UNION PARISH
Beverley L Osborn, MA, CertSocWkrs, DipTheol
- 7110 GREYMOUTH DISTRICT UNITING PARISH
Presbyterian Appt: I Douglas Grierson, BA
- 7120 HOKITIKA UNION PARISH
John F Drylie, LLB
- DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT
Derek V McNicol

Deputy District Superintendent:

8000 NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

'PASTOR-AT-LARGE' Presbyterian Appt:
Christchurch Tongan Fellowship: 'Inoke Siulangapo (Local
Presbyter) See 10B(b)
M Anne Millar, LTh (Local Presbyterian) See 10B(b)

- 8700 COUNCIL FOR MISSION & ECUMENICAL CO-OPERATION
Judy Allison

MISSION RESOURCING UNIT
Margaret E Hamilton, Co-ordinator Educational Ministry

- 8900 CONNEXIONAL OFFICE and ADMINISTRATION DIVISION
Stan J West, General Secretary, (See 9020) and Authorised
Representative.

- 8010 CHRISTCHURCH MISSION
Timothy J Langley, BTheol
One Wanted: *Supply until January 1998: David Bromell (Durham
St)*
Lorraine J Reid (Local Presbyterian) See Q10B(b)

- 8020 CHRISTCHURCH SOUTH
Joanne A (Jo) Durrant, LTh
- 8030 CHRISTCHURCH EAST
G Clive Smith, LTh (Wainoni/Richmond)
One Wanted: *Supply: Brian Booth until January 1998* (Shirley)
- 8040 NEW BRIGHTON UNION PARISH
Presbyterian Appt: Samoa Mavaega, LTh
- 8050 SUMNER-REDCLIFFS/LYTTELTON HARBOUR UNION PARISH
Presbyterian Appt:
- 8060 SOUTH EAST CHRISTCHURCH UNION PARISH
Presbyterian Appt: M Lyndsey McKay, BA, BTh
- 8070 MT HERBERT
Anglican Pastoral Ministry
- 8080 CHRISTCHURCH (OPAWA)
Andrew D Doubleday, BTheol(Melb)
- 8090 BECKENHAM-SYDENHAM
R Andrew Ferguson, MA, LTh
- 8110 HALSWELL UNION PARISH
Barry G Harkness, BA, BD
- 8120 CHRISTCHURCH (HORNBY/RICCARTON)
John Bilverstone (Upper Riccarton)
Mikaele Yasa (Clarence St & St Stephens)
Rita J Reid (Deacon) See Q10B(a)
- 8130 CHRISTCHURCH (ST ALBANS) UNITING
Stanley J Barnes, BA (Rhodes)
Presbyterian Appt: Leonard J Pierce, BA, MDiv
- 8140 CHRISTCHURCH NORTH
Kenneth R Smith, LTh
William R Rice
- 8160 LINCOLN UNION PARISH
Presbyterian Appt: Colin F Hay
- 8170 ELLESMERE CO-OPERATING PARISH
Marian Emslie, MSR(T), LTh

- 8180 KAIAPOI CO-OPERATING PARISH
Presbyterian Appt. Brian E Metherell
- 8190 RANGIORA
David J Bush, BSc
Rachel A Tregurtha (Deacon) See Q10B(a)
- 8200 MALVERN CO-OPERATING PARISH
Presbyterian Appt: D Bruce Hamill, BA, BD, PhD.
- 8210 OXFORD DISTRICT UNION PARISH (**Part-time**)
Presbyterian appt:
- 8220 PARKLANDS CO-OPERATING PARISH
Presbyterian Appt:
- 8230 ROLLESTON COMBINED CHURCH
Presbyterian Appt:

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS (Team)
John Bilverstone
Heather Wall

8300 SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

- 8310 TIMARU-TEMUKA
Stuart G Slinn
- 8330 ST DAVID'S MARCHWIEL UNION PARISH (**Part-time**)
John D Meredith See Q10C(b)
- 8350 WAIMATE (**Part-time**)
One Wanted: *Part-time Supply: Ian D McLeod*
- 8360 GERALDINE CO-OPERATING PARISH
Presbyterian Appt: Ian G Hyslop, BD, BEd, DipTchg,
- 8380 ASHBURTON
G Jean Bruce, BTh
- 8390 ALLENTON UNION PARISH
Presbyterian appt: Martin J Stewart, BA, BD
- 8400 OAMARU UNION PARISH (**Part-time**)
Church of Christ Appt: Karima Fai'ai

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS

Stuart G Slinn

Betty Watson

9000 OTAGO-SOUTHLAND DISTRICT

9020 DUNEDIN MISSION

Dunedin Mission

One Wanted

Shirley V Ungemuth (Part-time) (Trinity Hall)

Dunedin Parish

Norman J West (Mornington/Glenaven)

Donald Phillipps, BA, BD, (Fellow of Trinity College)
(Mosgiel/Dunedin South) Acting General Secretary;
Conference Secretary (See 8900)

Gordon Abernethy (Probationer) (St Kilda)

One Wanted *Supply (Part-time 1/6th)* (Broad Bay)

9070 GRANTS BRAES UNION PARISH

Awaiting clarification

9080 TOKOMAIRIRO CO-OPERATING PARISH

Paul Tregurtha, BTheol(Otago)

9090 BALCLUTHA

Anglican Pastoral Ministry

9100 GORE

9110 INVERCARGILL

William E Elderton, MA, ANZIA, Dip,NZLS, LTh

Colin S Leadley (part-time See Bluff Co-operating Parish 9150)

Stan Hunt (Deacon) See Q10B(a)

9120 RIVERTON UNION PARISH

Presbyterian Appt:

9130 OTAUTAU-WAIONO UNION PARISH (Part time)

One Wanted: *Part-time Supply: Judith Day*

9150 BLUFF CO-OPERATING PARISH

Colin S Leadley (part-time See Invercargill 9110)

9160 TEVIOT UNION PARISH

Presbyterian Appt: *Supply: Bettie Lawson*

9170 ALEXANDRA-CLYDE-LAUDER UNION PARISH
Graham E Hawkey
2nd Appointment being clarified

9190 FLAGSTAFF CO-OPERATING PARISH
Presbyterian Appt: Brett J Walker, BA,BTh, PGDip

9220 BLUESKIN CO-OPERATING
Presbyterian *Supply: Arthur J Templeton, MA*

9230 LAWRENCE
Robyn E Westaway (Local Presbyter) See Q10B(b)
Francis Westaway (Deacon)

9240 KAIKORAI UNION
Presbyterian Appt: W Donald Hegan, BA, Bd

9250 BROCKVILLE UNION
Awaiting clarification

9260 OTATARA (**Part-time**)
Presbyterian Appt: Stephen Lindsay, BA, BD

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS

Norman J West
Judith Day

QUESTION 25--What are the decisions of Conference relating to the Council of Conference?

COUNCIL OF CONFERENCE

Report pp 41-44, 328-332

Decisions:

CROSSLINK

For decisions on this matter, see Question 30.

COUNCIL OF CONFERENCE

1. The balance of the Reports pages 41-44 and pages 325-332 are received.
2. (a) Council of Conference reminds the Church of the 1994 Conference decision, page 766, No.5:
"Immigration: Recognising that Maori Treaty rights have had no place in the development of this country's immigration policy, Conference requests the Government to place an embargo on further immigration until te iwi Maori have a partnership say on the shape of future immigration policy."
(b) Conference reaffirms that decision and requests the General Secretary to write to the partners of whatever Government Coalition is formed, and all opposition parties, drawing the content of the decision to their attention.
3. Conference reaffirms the 1993/94 Public Questions paper on Immigration and asks that it be again discussed by Parishes, Synods and Advisory Groups in order that the "why" question can be further addressed.
4. Conference asks the Mission Resourcing Unit to initiate a positive strategy of recruitment in Aotearoa for training for ministry.
5. Ashley Sedon and Kevin Connoles are appointed to be the new members joining the PAC Distribution Group.
6. The membership of the Council is as printed in the Year Book on page 3:

QUESTION 26 - What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Mission and Ministry Co-ordinating Committee?

MISSION AND MINISTRY CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE

Report pp 149-156

Matters relating to Confidentiality and Supervision, and Discernment and Education for Tauwi Ministry did not come under discussion

QUESTION 27--What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Welfare of the Church?

WELFARE OF THE CHURCH

Report pp213-215

Decisions:

1. The Report is received.
2. **The Presidency**
 - (a) Considering that the whole issue of the nature of the Presidency and Vice-Presidency in a bicultural church needs wide-ranging discussion, the Welfare of the Church Committee is asked to continue consideration of the matter during 1997 and to further report to Conference 1997. It is expected that an interim Report will be made through the Tauui Forum for consideration by Council of Conference.
 - (b) Conference notes that at this particular time, Tauui do not have a clear view on the nature of the Presidency and Vice-Presidency in a Bicultural Church; this is affecting any new perspectives on this matter.

NOTICE OF MOTION

We would like a discussion on the process of selection of President and Vice-President, to take place before the actual voting for the 1997 Presidency and Vice-Presidency, recognising that this wil not affect the voting process for this year.

3. (a) The Conference recognises the importance of selecting the President and Vice-President in a way that is appropriate to both Treaty Partners.
- (b) Tauui Caucus has commitment to discussing seriously among Tauui at all levels a possible selection process and Conference asks Tauui Forum to guide the process during 1997.
- (c) Caucus commits itself to working with Taha Maori through the Council of Conference towards bringing a recommendation to Conference 1997.

Additional acknowledgment of service to the Church.

- 4(i) (a) All Presbyters or Deacons concluding their ministries through incapacitating illness are to be treated on the same basis as those who are retiring from formal ministry.
- (b) Those Presbyters or Deacons in good standing concluding their ministries through resignation are to:
 - (i) be acknowledged and affirmed at local and District levels;

- (ii) be acknowledged with an appropriate record of their service being written into the Conference record, including dates and stations.
- (c) Those Presbyters or Deacons in good standing being transferred to another Conference shall be appropriately acknowledged.
- (ii) Those who have given significant lay ministry to the Church are to be appropriately acknowledged. For example:
 - (a) Those who have served significantly at a Parish Level could be listed on a 'Roll of Honour' kept with Parish archives, the names being also submitted to Synod for acknowledgment at District level.
 - (b) Districts could choose to acknowledge meritorious service at Parish or District level, eg by written personal acknowledgment on behalf of the District by the District Superintendent. The District could also request the President of Conference to write a personal acknowledgment on behalf of the Church.
 - (c) Lay Persons who have given of themselves significantly at a Connexional level where a time of prolonged service or a special period of service (perhaps in some formal office) has been concluded, will, be formally acknowledged in the Minutes of Conference, as currently happens with those Presbyters and Deacons retiring from formal ministry. This will normally occur upon the recommendation of Taha Maori and/or the Tauwiwi Forum, and on the initiative of the Council of Conference..
- 5. The contribution to the life of the Church of those retiring from Connexional appointments will be acknowledged by the Conference where the "year that has passed" is remembered and celebrated.

General

- 6. No change is made to the rules governing representation at Conference.
- 7. No change is made from the term "Lay Persons".
- 8. That in relation to Presbyters and Deacons who are requested or required to resign or to retire, Conference notes that appropriate procedures are being considered and prepared, and that the Welfare of the Church Committee is happy to be involved in the process if needed.
- 9. Recognising that many Standing Committees of the Church are Tauwiwi in membership, the Bicultural Committee is asked to examine how Standing Committees can reflect the Bicultural partnership and how the Church can critique the life and processes of its Standing Committees.
- 10. Conference asks the Tauwiwi Forum at its March 1997 meeting to reflect on the Tauwiwi Stationing Processes of 1996 in order that it might find

better ways to co-ordinate Taiuiwi Stationing in 1997. The Mission Resourcing Unit is asked to provide resource material for this reflection, the Taiuiwi Forum to reflect each year on the process of Stationing.

11. (a) Conference approves the use of a common process in 1997 for the appointments of Taiuiwi members of the Taiuiwi Forum and of the Council of Conference, the General Secretary to inform Synods, Advisory Committees, U.D.C's and TYB Board that they need to make their nominations in August.
- (b) The Taiuiwi Nominations Committee shall be convened by the Nominations Committee member of the Synod where Conference is being held. (N.B. in 1997 this will be the member from Wellington Synod.)
- (c) This process, adopted for 1997 shall be referred to the Restructuring Task Group, which will prepare guidelines for presentation to Conference 1997 for its future
12. (a) Conference notes that in order for the Auckland District Synod to fulfil Section 4 of the Law Book it will-
 - * meet on four occasions during the year for a full day
 - * Interest Groups will deal with particular items during the year
 - * The district will be divided into three regions (North, West and Central) each with their own Regional Liaison Person (or whatever title the Synod may wish to give them). The regions will meet during the Synod meetings to transact business related to that region.
 - * The Regional Liaison Persons will work with the District Superintendent in the pastoral Care of the District.
 - * An executive made up of the District Superintendent, the Regional Liaison Persons, the District Secretary, the District Property Secretary, the Interest Group Convenors will meet monthly.
 - * There are no extra Connexional expenses involved in this format.
- (b) The Law Revision Committee is asked to revise the Sections of the Law Book in relation to District Leadership to recognise the diversity of practice in the Church.

NOTICE OF MOTION

We are aware there are a number of issues which appear on the floor of Conference which are not strictly Conference matters, but rather should be dealt with by eg Taiuiwi or the English speaking part of the Church. We do not believe it is fair to ask the other partner and even

at times other partners within Taiuiwi, to spend Conference time on matters that should be considered within a different context.

Conference requests the Restructuring Committee to consult with the wider church and report back to Conference 1997 with a suggested process for ensuring only Conference matters are brought to Conference and that other issues have an appropriate place to go to.

13. This is referred to the Welfare of the Church Committee for consideration and to report to the May Meeting of Council of Conference and Conference 1997. This could mean significant change for the 1997 Conference.
14. The Membership of the Committee is as printed in the Year Book on page 23.

RESTRUCTURING TASK GROUP

Report pps 297-299

Decisions:

1. The Report is received subject to the correction noted in Decision 7.
2. That the Restructuring Task Group, representing both Taha Maori and Taiuiwi, shall initiate the setting up of a process for evaluation of the effectiveness of the new structures, and report to Conference 1997. The evaluation shall take place in 1998.
3. The Restructuring Task Group shall continue to focus on the Future of the Regional Church.
4. Conference approves the involvement of the Principal of Trinity Theological College in Pakeha Stationing.
5. (a) That Nga Kaiarahi be resource people to the pre-Council of Conference Taha Maori caucus meeting.
(b) That each of the Mission Resourcing Unit Superintendent and the Ministry Resourcing Unit Superintendent be resource people for the Pre-Council of Conference Taiuiwi caucus meeting.
6. Conference notes that the Restructuring Report, Page 298 needs correction to provide: Resource Persons to Council of Conference shall be the General Secretary, the President and Vice-President.
(Note: The General Secretary is a resource person to the whole Church, the President and Vice-President are Chief Pastors of the Church and in attendance at Council of Conference Meetings.)
7. The Restructuring Task Group is asked to look at Section (f) Page 298 Reports, to clarify the meaning and intention, and to report to Conference 1997. Subject to such clarification, Conference gives general approval to the provisions relating to the Samoan Synod (a) to (g) on page 298.

NOTICE OF MOTION

That District Synods report annually to the Conference, as the Samoan Synod has done in 1996.

Note: This would enable Districts to identify major trends and events within the District, and to report the District strategy.

8. The Notice of Motion is referred to the Restructuring Task Group for consideration including the preparation of Guidelines for reporting in the future.
9. The Membership of the Committee is as printed in the Year Book on page 22.

CENTRAL COMPLAINTS COMMITTEE -

Report pp 222-226

Decisions:

1. The Report is received.
2. The Church thanks Stan West for his valuable pioneering role on the Committee.
3. (a) The General Secretary ceases to be a member of the Central Complaints Committee.
(b) The President, on the nomination of the Pastoral Committee is asked to appoint a replacement member.
4. The Guidelines regarding the release of information in respect of Methodist Church harassment/abuse cases on page 225-226 of the Reports are adopted.
5. The following changes to the Procedures for dealing with sexual harassment/abuse are approved:
 - * the Respondent(s) will normally go on paid leave when a formal written complaint of sexual harassment/abuse is received; leave to be reviewed when the enquiry is completed; payment for leave to be made by the Connexion.
 - * when a complaint requires further investigation the Central Complaints Committee may recommend to Pastoral Committee that paid leave be taken by the Respondent until the inquiry has taken place.
 - * that the Contact Person who is approached about a complaint either continues to support the Complainant through the process of the complaint or arranges for another Contact Person to do so.
 - * that Respondents have a trained supporter throughout the process.
 - * that a complaint from anywhere in the country can be investigated by the District Superintendent who is first notified of the complaint.

- * that Respondents will be required to have supervision with an approved supervisor and that the Central Complaints Committee will require a report at least 6 monthly from that supervisor.
 - * Pastoral Committee will appoint 2 members of the Central Complaints Committee.
6. Conference acknowledges the costly service given by Lynne Frith, Aroha Houston and Winifred Murray who have been members of the Central Complaints Committee.

DISPUTE/DISCIPLINE -

Report pp320-327

Decisions:

1. The Report is received.
2. Conference gives general approval to the directions taken in the Dispute/Discipline - National Church process report, noting that this report has already been received by Conference 1995 and is at the end of the 1st year of the 2 year process. Conference, noting the suggested amendments in Decision 3, refers the report to Synods, Advisory Groups and Taha Maori for further discussion and response by 31 August 1997, with a view to final adoption, subject to any appropriate amendments, at Conference 1997.
3. The following amends to the report are noted:
 - (i) pg: 321 Central Complaints Committee.
(add - The maximum term of office for the Central Complaints Committee be four years, with one person retiring each year.)
 - (ii) pg: 324 Option W (point 3)
(change - enlarged to include President-elect and Vice-President-Elect)
 - (iii) pg: 325 Appeal to Conference : (paragraph 3)
(add - in the event that the President is the appellant, his or her powers in this respect shall be exercised by the past President.)
 - (iv) pg: 326 Appeal to Conference: (paragraph 6)
(change - The Rules of debate by the President or Vice-President as appropriate at the time.
 - (v) pg: 326 Appeal to Conference (paragraph 8)
(change - There will be no restriction governed by the President or Vice-President as appropriate, and he or she)
(change - Nobody, without leave of the President or Vice-President, may speak.)

REVIEW OF OVERSEAS MISSION

Report pp261 - 265

Decisions:

1. The Report is received.
2. Conference notes that the Council for Mission continues to function and that this has contractual and funding implications for the Methodist Church of New Zealand, Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa.
- 3.1 During 1997, the following be addressed by a small group, if possible to include both Treaty partners, reporting to Conference 1997. The Group shall be based in Christchurch with Tauivi membership nominated by the North Canterbury Synod and Taha Maori membership nominated by Taha Maori. The group shall be appointed by the President.
- 3.2 The issues to be addressed by the group are:
 - (a) Whether, and how, the Methodist Church of New Zealand, Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa pursues overseas church partnership policies independent of the Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand.
 - (b) Investigation be made into the setting up of a Committee on Ecumenical Affairs to handle all ecumenical work except Co-operating Parishes, but including Church Union.
 - (c) How the Church considers and responds effectively to International Affairs and issues.
4. Conference urges Reports to future annual Conferences to take seriously the principles of our Mission Statement.
5. Conference affirms Judy Allison's position as Secretary of Council for Mission

QUESTION 28-What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Lay Preachers' Association?

LAY PREACHERS' ASSOCIATION

pp146-148

Decisions:

1. The Report is received.
2. The draft Constitution for the New Zealand Lay Preachers' Association, as presented to its Annual General Meeting is received by the Conference.
3. Conference requests the Association to distribute copies of the draft Constitution for comment to Methodist Synods, Presbyterian

Presbyteries, Anglican Dioceses, The Associated Churches of Christ and The Forum of Cooperative Ventures.

4. Conference asks the Executive of the Lay Preachers' Association to receive responses up until August 31, 1997 and to prepare and forward a copy, incorporating whatever changes are made, to The Forum of Cooperative Ventures and after approval by it, to report to Conference.

5. The Officers and Executive for 1997 are:

Jayne Alexander (President), Brian Smith (Vice-President), Aubrey Stevenson (Secretary), Elizabeth Cant (Treasurer), Alan Birtles (The Preacher, Business Manager), Garth Cant (The Preacher, Editor), Ian McGowan (Registrar), Norman McPherson (Auditor).

Executive: Judy Allison, Helen Buxton, Jackie Langdale Hunt, Gladys Larkin, Jennifer Newton, Catherine Owers, Tim Pettingell and Arthur Taylor, together with the Secretary and President of the North Canterbury Lay Preachers Association.

QUESTION 29--What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Womens Fellowship?

WOMENS FELLOWSHIP

Report pp135-138

Decisions:

1. The Report is received.
2. Recognising the significance of the World Council of Churches' Ecumenical Decade of Churches in Solidarity with Women, Conference commends the Church where it does affirm the ways in which women are using and developing their gifts and faith and asks all Parishes and Church departments to be more intentional in incorporating the skills of women.
3. Conference congratulates Ailsa Bailey on becoming National Life Member of The National Council of Women.
4. Conference notes the appointments by the World Federation of Methodist and Uniting Church Women: Ruth Le Couteur, Treasurer, and Judith Parkes, Vice-President of the South Pacific Area.

QUESTION 30--What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Media?

MEDIA AND COMMUNICATIONS

Report pp 132-134

Decisions:

1. The Report is received.
2. The Committee is disbanded, effective 31 December 1996.
3. The General Secretary in consultation with the President and the Wellington District is asked to appoint special Task Groups as from time to time may be necessary to work on communications issues.
4. Wellington District is requested to nominate for appointment any new members needed for either the Churches Broadcasting Commission or the Crosslink Board.
5. Conference notes that Trish Moseley continues as a Methodist Member of the Churches' Broadcasting Commission and that she will report to Conference annually through the Council for Mission and Ecumenical Co-operation.
6. Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa/the Methodist Church of New Zealand recognises the inaccessibility of public services to the deaf. For the deaf to access such services as Courts, hospitals etc, a certified interpreter is needed. However, any person needing a Sign Language interpreter has to pay for these services (\$40 per hour is the certified interpreter's rate). In Leviticus 19:14 society is called upon not to "curse the deaf". Having to pay for services which are freely accessible to the hearing population is a curse to the deaf. Accordingly, Conference urges:
 - (a) the Government to recognise Sign Language as an official language, and
 - (b) Government and businesses to provide interpreters in the workplace, in order to allow equal access for deaf employees/employers, and
 - (c) Telecom to make available a national relay service, free of charge to all users, and
 - (d) Telecom to make available, upon request, TTY/TDD to its customers, and
 - (e) that all television broadcasts in New Zealand be subtitled.

Crosslink

pp132-134 & 330

6. Conference notes the Memorandum of Understanding between the Methodist Church of New Zealand and the Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand regarding continuing the appointment of Diane Gilliam-Weeks as Interim Editor of Crosslink.
7. (a) Conference asks the President and/or the Vice-President to hold discussions with the Crosslink Board, expressing its concerns about inter-church decision-making processes; how Crosslink could become more biculturally user-friendly, especially in its expression of Methodist biculturalism; how the paper will maintain a politically sharp edge and how the paper intends to

remain relevant to today's society. In the light of responses on these matters Conference 1997 will consider its continued resourcing of the paper.

- (b) The President and/or Vice-President are asked to share the Methodist concerns and Crosslink Board response in writing with the Council of Conference and the Council of Assembly.
- 8. The Council of Conference Report is received.
- 9. Having accepted the Memorandum of Understanding, Conference expresses to the Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand its disappointment at there not having been an open process in the appointment of an Editor, during 1996.
- 10. Conference reaffirms Alan Dine, Ian Harris, Kathryn McKenzie and Doug Rogers as Crosslink Board members for 1997.
- 11. Conference affirms the work of Diane Gilliam-Weeks.

Epworth Bookshop

Report pp 244 - 247

Decisions:

- 1. The Report is received.
- 2. Brian Garlick's and Alan Woodley's contribution to Epworth is noted by Conference which expresses its appreciation for the expertise they have each brought to the Trust.
- 3. Conference affirms the principle that Epworth Bookshop is a ministry of Te Haahi Weteriana.
- 4. The Budget Task Group consider the provision of funding the cost of this Ministry at the level of the equivalent of a stipend and allowances.
- 5. The Membership of the Trust is as printed in the Year Book on page 16.

PAC MEDIA AND COMMUNICATIONS FUND p274

Decisions:

- 1. The Report is received.
- 2. Membership of the Allocations Committee for 1997 is: Trish Moseley (Convener), John Roberts, Doug Rogers, plus one other person appointed by Taha Maori.

QUESTION 31--What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Chaplaincies?

Decisions:

Forum of Cooperative Ventures - pp 195-197

1. The Report is received.

Hospital Chaplaincies - pp 180-182

1. The Report is received.
2. The Methodist Church of New Zealand Te Hahi Weteriana o Aotearoa continues to support the ministry of ICHC, and Hospital Chaplains in Aotearoa New Zealand.

Tertiary Chaplaincies - pp183-185

1. The Report is received.

Deaf Christian Fellowship - pp 207-208

1. The Report is received.

QUESTION 32--What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Wesley Historical Society?

WESLEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Report pp142

Decisions:

1. The Report is received.
2. Conference recognises the appointment of Verna Mossong as Vice-President, World Methodist Historical Society, Oceania Region.

QUESTION 33-What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Community on Women and Men in Church and Society?

COMMUNITY ON WOMEN AND MEN

Report pp 139-141

Decisions:

1. The Report is received.
2. The Membership of the Committee is as printed in the Year Book on page 14.

QUESTION 34--What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Methodist AFFIRM?

Methodist AFFIRM

Report pp 289-291

Decision:

1. The Report is received.

QUESTION 35 - What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Faith & Order?

FAITH & ORDER

Report pp 54-74

Decisions:

1. The Report is received.
2. The Infant Baptism liturgy shall continue in trial use during 1997. Parishes are invited to send comments to the Committee by June 30, 1997.
3. (a) The Adult Baptism liturgy, with minor amendments to the preamble, is approved for trial use during 1997 and 1998; responses to be sent to the Committee by Easter 1998.
(b) One copy of the liturgy, in a form that can be photocopied, is to be sent to each Presbyterian through the Connexional mailing.
4. Conference encourages the Faith and Order Committee to continue to explore a theology of ecumenism in the light of the bicultural journey.
5. A Presbyterian, to be ordained by prayer and the laying-on of hands according to the form approved by Conference, shall thereafter be received into Full Connexion with the Conference. The President, Vice-President, General Secretary and District Superintendent, together with two Presbyters chosen by the ordinand, plus representatives of our partner Churches, (Presbyterian and Associated Churches of Christ), shall take part in the act of ordination.
(a) Faith and Order Committee is to initiate conversations with the Presbyterian Church and the Associated Churches of Christ to achieve some continuity of practice
(b) Faith and Order Committee is to look at the way in which the Fiji and Tongan Advisory Committees and the Samoan Synod are involved in the Laying on of Hands.
6. The ordination of a Deacon shall be by prayer and the laying-on of hands according to the form approved by Conference. The President, Vice-President, General Secretary and District Superintendent, together with two Deacons chosen by the ordinand, plus representatives of our partner Churches (Presbyterian and Associated Churches of Christ) shall take part in the act of ordination.
7. The Law Revision Committee is requested to amend the Laws and Regulations to incorporate the content of decisions 5 and 6.

8. The Parish Presbyter, together with two lay members chosen by the confirm and, shall take part in the confirmation and also where possible the District Superintendent or nominee.
9. (a) The Ministry Resourcing Unit be asked to forward prepared resources and training to lay persons given authority to administer the Sacraments.
- (b) The Superintendent of the Mission Resourcing Unit is asked to provide a list of names and addresses to the Ministry Resourcing Unit, after Conference each year.

Theology of Aotearoa

10. (a) Conference recognises the importance of the matter raised in the Notice of Motion and refers the content to the Faith and Order Standing Committee for consideration, and
- (b) Conference asks the bicultural network to provide the Faith and Order Committee with guidelines as to the specific issues that it believes need to be considered.

NOTICE OF MOTION

Conference asks the Faith and Order Committee to give urgent priority to a Theology of Aotearoa for the Taiwi church. After twelve years of Bi-cultural journey the Taiwi church needs to begin its own theology.

11. Conference
 - (a) recognises the importance of the matter raised in the Notice of Motion and refers the content to the Faith and Order Standing Committee for consideration, and
 - (b) asks the bicultural network to provide the Faith and Order Committee with guidelines as to the specific issues that it believes need to be considered.
12. The Membership of the Committee is as printed in the Year Book on page 16.

QUESTION 36--What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Law Revision?

LAW REVISION

Report pp 258-260

Decisions:

1. The Report is received.
2. Conference receives the new and revised Law presented to it to be available for checking by members during the Conference.

3. Conference notes that the guidelines for Consensus decision-making continue in use by Conference and its Committees until further decision of the Conference.
4. Conference notes that the work revising Section 2 - The Ordained Ministry - which came direct to the Conference Law Revision Committee of Detail, was considered by that Committee to raise many questions and to need careful editing. Conference refers the material received to the Law Revision Standing Committee, if necessary in consultation with the Mission Resourcing Unit, for consideration and report to Conference 1997.
5. Conference asks the Bicultural Committee, after consultation with Taha Maori and the Tauwi Forum during 1997, to look at the possibility of re-ordering the Law Book so as to identify partnership law (things we do together) and Tauwi and Taha Maori law (things we do in separate groups or caucuses).
6. Conference notes that the Standing Committee hopes during 1997 to draw and submit to the 1997 Conference laws relating to the Samoan Synod, the Tauwi Forum, the section on Ministry, the general procedures for dealing with complaints and discipline, and requests the Committee to continue work on these matters.
7. Conference adopts the new and revised law received by it in terms of Decision 2, noting that in view of questions raised by members of Conference on checking of the new Law, the new Section 2-7.1.1 is to be looked at again by the Law Revision Standing Committee during 1997.

SECTION 2

ORDINATION & RECEPTION into FULL CONNEXION

Change the Heading of Section 2-7.1 to:

ORDINATION OF PRESBYTERS

Replace Section 2-7.1 - 7.8 with the following:

Section 2-

7.1.1 *A Candidate who:*

- (a) *has been tested in their Call.*
- (b) *has undergone a required process of training as determined by Conference.*
- (c) *and is acceptable to the Conference*
shall be ordained by the Conference with prayer and the laying on of hands.

7.1.2 *The basic elements of the service and practice shall be from time to time decided by Conference.*

RECEPTION INTO FULL CONNEXION

- 7. 2. 1 Reception of a Presbyterian into Full Connexion with the Conference confers membership of the Conference and involves acceptance of its polity and discipline with responsible mutuality within the Laws and Regulations of the Church
- 7. 2. 2 *A Presbyterian ordained at Conference shall usually, by that Conference, be received into Full Connexion with the Conference.*
- 7. 2. 3 *Presbyters ordained by another Church, while stationed by the Conference under a Mutual Availability of Ministry Agreement, shall be received into Full Connexion with the Conference. (See also Section 2-27.1ff)*
- 7. 2. 4 *Every ordained Presbyterian admitted into Full Connexion shall have the date of their admission and ordination recorded in the Conference records.*

CEASING TO BE IN FULL CONNEXION

- 7. 3. 1 *A Presbyterian in Full Connexion shall cease to be recognised as such by the Conference upon either:*
 - (a) *Conference accepting the resignation of such Presbyterian, or*
 - (b) *Conference resolving that it ceases to so recognise such Presbyterian, or*
 - (c) *the Presbyterian transferring from the Conference, or*
 - (d) *the Presbyterian ceasing to serve with the Conference under a Mutual Recognition of Ministry.*
- 7. 3. 2 *Before acting in terms of 7. 3. 1(b) the appropriate Conference disciplinary procedures shall be followed.*
- 7. 3. 3 *A Presbyterian who ceases to be in Full Connexion shall have the date of cessation recorded in the Conference Records.*

Section 2-2.1 A Presbyterian is called to a life-long commitment; to the study of the Word of God through the Bible and in history, to the practice of Christian devotion, to preaching and teaching the Christian message, to administering the sacraments, to pastoral care and to witness and service in the community.

SECTION 5

THE CONFERENCE

MEMBERSHIP

2. 1. 4 Each person who is *a member of the Council of Conference or the Tau'iwi Forum* shall be a member of the Conference in that year, if such person is not already appointed as a member of Conference in any other capacity. No substitute may be appointed to attend Conference under this *provision*.

COMMITTEES OF DETAIL

11. 1 The present list of Committees of Detail be:
- (A) Administration, Connexional Properties and Funds
 - (B) Communication and Organisations
 - (C) Faith and Order
 - (D) Fiji-Samoan-Tongan
 - (E) Law Revision
 - (F) Mission and Ecumenical
 - (G) Mission and Ministry
 - (H) Public Questions
 - (I) Social Services
 - (J) Te Taha Maori
 - (K) Welfare of the Church
11. 2 Delete Clause
11. 3 Delete Clause
11. 4 Now becomes 11. 2.

CONNEXIONAL COMMITTEE

13. 1 In view of its specific tasks, function and membership, the Council of Conference is recognised as a Connexional Committee of Conference:
14. 1 to 14.3.3 Delete (removes Section relating to General Purposes Committee)

PAKEHA STATIONING

heading should read *PAKEHA STATIONING COMMITTEE*

MEMBERSHIP

17. 3. 1 The membership of the Committee shall be:

- (a) *the Pakeha Members of the Tauwi Forum*
- (b) *one District Superintendent from each District where a District Superintendent is not a member of the Tauwi Forum.*
- (c) *The Principal of the Theological College*

17. 3. 2 *Delete*

17.3.3 *now becomes 17. 3. 2*

18. 1 to 18. 4 *Delete (removes section relating to Finance and Stewardship Committee.)*

COUNCIL OF CONFERENCE

13. 2 There shall be a Council of Conference which shall meet at least annually.

FUNCTIONS

13. 2. 1 *The Council of Conference has a visioning, decision-making and processing role. Specifically, the Council shall:*

- (a) *engage in visioning and the setting of broad policy and direction for Hui Poari and Tauwi Forum.*
- (b) *work within the terms of the Church's Mission Statement.*
- (c) *give direction to the Bicultural Partnership.*
- (d) *receive a report from the Budget Task Group, attend to the sharing of Connexional resources and finalise the Budget.*
- (e) *consider Connexional Appointments and make recommendations on these to Conference.*
- (f) *attend to other matters as from time to time requested by Conference.*
- (g) *report annually to Conference.*

13. 2. 2 *The Council of Conference shall recommend membership of a Budget Task Group who shall be appointed annually by Conference. The Budget Task Group shall:*

- (a) *prepare the Connexional Budget according to the priority and policies established by the Conference.*
- (b) *report to and recommend the proposed budget to the Council of Conference for approval.*
- (c) *raise with the Council of Conference issues of policy that have arisen out of their work.*

MEMBERSHIP

The Membership of the Council shall be:

13. 3. 1 Ten members appointed by Te Taha Maori according to its own procedures.
13. 3. 2 Ten members appointed by the Taiuiwi section of the Church according to its own procedures.
13. 3. 3 The President, Vice-President, General Secretary and Nga Kaiarahi should attend. Their role is to act as resource persons. They shall not participate in final decision-making.

CENTRAL COMPLAINTS COMMITTEE

36. 1 *There shall be a Central Complaints Committee which shall be responsible to Conference for dealing with complaints of Sexual Harassment/Abuse.*

FUNCTIONS

36. 2. 1 *The Committee shall have oversight of the Procedures as from time to time determined by Conference for dealing with complaints of sexual harassment/abuse. The Committee shall ensure that the procedures as approved by Conference are followed.*
36. 2. 2 *In the Committee's absolute discretion, it may determine such additional procedures as may it be required to deal with a particular matter.*

MEMBERSHIP

36. 3 *Membership shall consist of four people who will have training in regard to dealing with sexual harassment/abuse and take account of gender balance, lay and ordained:*
 - (i) *one person appointed by the Community of Women and Men in Church and Society.*
 - (ii) *one person appointed by Te Taha Maori.*
 - (iii) *one person appointed by the Pastoral Committee.*
 - (iv) *the General Secretary.*

NOTE: GENERAL PROVISIONS renumber 36.1 - 36.11 (iii)
becomes 37.1 - 37.11(iii).

SECTION 6

3. 2

Questions

- 9 (a) What Deacon(s) now cease to be recognised as a Deacon(s) of the Conference?
- (b) What Presbyter(s) now cease to be recognised as in Full Connexion with the Conference?
- (c) What Presbyter(s) now cease to be recognised as a Probationer with the Conference?
- (d) What Students are discontinued in their training?

SECTION 8

TRAVEL COSTS

1. 3. 1 Disbursements from the fund, limited to the maximum provision for each category are:

- (a) The expenses of the Conference.
- (b) The Travel costs to Conference of:
President and Vice-President
President-Elect and Vice-President-Elect
Secretary of Conference
Legal Adviser
Ordinands
Facilitator Ordinands Retreat
Members of Taiwi Forum
Hui Poari Representative to Conference
Members of Council of Conference
Council of Elders
Office Staff
One District Superintendent from each District shall have their travel cost met, in the event that no District Superintendent from that District is having travel paid for in any other capacity set out above.
- (c) *Travel costs for members to attend:*
Taiwi Forum
Council of Conference
Pakeha Stationing
- (d) President's travel, supply, incidental expenses.
- (e) Vice-President's travel and incidental expenses.
- (f) District Superintendents' travel and incidental expenses.
- (g) *Travel costs for one District Superintendent from each District to attend their yearly meeting.*

- (h) Travel costs to provisional matching meeting of the Stationing Committee and Stationing consultations approved by the Stationing Committee.
- (i) Standing Committees of the Conference costs.
- (j) The costs of Supply Ministries.
- (k) Connexional Stationery.
- (l) The travel costs of representatives of the Conference to the annual meetings of the CCANZ, and NCUC.
- (m) Expenses of such Special Committees as set up by the Conference.
- (n) Incidental expenses of Synod.
- (o) Travel expenses of the Council of Elders
- (p) Incidental expenses of the Deacons Task Group.
- (q) Other disbursements as may from time to time be authorised.

SECTION 9

(Replaces Development Division Section 9-2.1 to 2.6; NOTE: COMEC - moves 9-4.1ff to 9-6.1ff)

MISSION AND MINISTRY

- 1. 1 *The Church shall undertake Mission and Ministry through a Co-ordinating Committee. The Co-ordinating Committee shall have oversight of and coordinate the Mission Resourcing Unit and Ministry Resourcing Unit, including Trinity College, under the control and direction of Conference.*

THE CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE

- 2. 1 *The purpose of the Co-ordinating Committee is to ensure that the Mission Resourcing and Ministry Resourcing Units, while distinct in their focus, work in close consultation and in accordance with the Mission Statement for the benefit of the whole Church.*
- 2. 2 *The functions of the Co-ordinating Committee are to:*
 - 2. 2. 1 *envision and create an overall policy for Mission and Ministry in the life of the Church.*
 - 2. 2. 2 *develop, in consultation with the units, practical strategies for implementing that policy.*
 - 2. 2. 3 *facilitate research that will help shape future Mission and Ministry policy and strategy.*

- 2. 2. 4 *receive, consider, and respond as appropriate to the reports of the Ministry and Mission Resourcing Units.*
- 2. 2. 5 *Ensure that adequate job descriptions and where appropriate Employment Contracts are in place or the staff of both Units.*
- 2. 2. 6 *oversee training grants and scholarships.*
- 2. 2. 7 *consult with the Resourcing Units in the formulation of their respective Budgets and make any necessary application for funding to the Budget Task Group.*
- 2. 2. 8 *report annually to Conference.*
- 2. 3 *The Co-ordinating Committee will comprise:*
a Chairperson, the Superintendent and two people appointed by the Mission Resourcing Unit; the Principal and two people appointed by the Ministry Resourcing Unit; up to two people appointed by Te Taha Maori; two people appointed by the Conference. The Chairperson shall not be a member of either of the Resourcing Units and shall be appointed annually by Conference.

MISSION RESOURCING UNIT

- 3. 1 *The purpose of the Mission Resourcing Unit is to assist the Church to engage in Christ's mission in Aotearoa New Zealand.*
- 3. 2 *The functions of the Unit are to:*
 - 3. 2. 1 *develop resources for the Church, nationally, regionally and locally, by*
 - (a) *strengthening the present churches, parishes and faith communities, and*
 - (b) *encouraging the development of new ventures.*
 - 3. 2. 2 *recruit people offering ministry skills appropriate for the future Church.*
 - 3. 2. 3 *arrange "supply" ministries for parishes without appointments, or whose presbyters who are ill, arrange "long leave", and if necessary "supply" for the President.*
 - 3. 2. 4 *guide the Church in the deployment of all those who are ordained or in covenanted ministries.*

3. 2. 5 *maintain regular contact with Districts/Regions and Parishes so that ministry and service can be adequately reviewed and developed in each place.*
3. 2. 6 *encourage and enable the Church's policy and programme:*
 - *of evangelism.*
 - *for ministry recruitment and assessment.*
 - *for Educational Ministry.*
 - *for Taiwi Youth Ministry.*
 - *for Stewardship.*
 - *relating to the Order of St Stephen.*
3. 2. 7 *be responsible for:*
 - (a) *ensuring that stewardship education and leadership is available to parishes.*
 - (b) *all matters relating to Parish and District boundaries.*
 - (c) *the carrying out of research projects which enhance the mission of the Church.*
3. 2. 8 *provide general oversight of Co-operative Ventures, and give a lead in Church Union matters.*
3. 2. 9 *provide direction and support in chaplaincy matters.*
3. 2.10 *facilitate the provision of ministries for ethnic groups.*
3. 2.11 *maintain liaison with Methodist Mission Aotearoa and encourage the development and extension of social services.*
3. 2.12 *ensure that Te Taha Maori and Taiwi are informed, and are involved in discussion, relating to questions of Church Union, Parish and District Boundaries, and Chaplaincies.*
3. 2.13 *report regularly to the Co-ordinating Committee, and annually through the Co-ordinating Committee to Conference.*
3. 3 *The Mission Resourcing Unit will have a Board responsible to the Co-ordinating Committee and through it to Conference. The Board shall consist of the Superintendent, National Assessment Convener, one Deacon representative, up to two people appointed by the Taiwi Youth Board, up to six people appointed by Conference, two people appointed by Te Taha Maori, and one member appointed by*

each of, the Samoan Synod, and the Fiji and Tongan Advisory Committees.

3. 3. 1 *The Board shall appoint one of its members as Chairperson/Facilitator.*

THE MINISTRY RESOURCING UNIT)

4. 1. *The purpose of the Ministry Resourcing Unit, including Trinity Methodist Theological College, is to provide theological education and ministry training on behalf of the Methodist Church for persons selected and approved by the Church for ordained and lay ministries. The Unit may also provide theological education for private fee paying students.*
4. 2 *The Ministry Resourcing Unit shall exercise the following functions:*
4. 2. 1 *provide theological education and ministry formation, for lay and ordained ministries, as from time to time recommended by Conference [for detailed provisions refer to Appendix 10(D)].*
4. 2. 2 *guide and assess student progress by means of the Board of Studies. (See Appendix 10D-6.1ff)*
4. 2. 3 *ensure student pastoral care is provided.*
4. 2. . *provide in-service training as recommended from time to time by Conference.*
4. 2. 5 *provide educational resourcing for individuals and their associated parish.*
4. 2. 6 *provide professional development of ministry career paths.*
4. 2. 7 *work in partnership with the College of St John the Evangelist as provided for in the Partnership Agreement negotiated between the Anglican and Methodist Churches.*
4. 2 8 *participate in the Auckland Consortium for Theological Education (A.C.T.E.) and the wider theological college arena.*
4. 2. 9 *provide theological educational opportunities for private students.*

4. 2.10 *report regularly to the Co-ordinating Committee, and annually through the Co-ordinating Committee to Conference.*

4. 3 *The Ministry Resourcing Unit will have a Council, which will also function as Trinity Methodist Theological College Council, responsible to the Co-ordinating Committee and through it to Conference. The Council shall consist of a chairperson appointed by Conference, seven lay people, and seven ordained presbyters or deacons, the Principal ex-officio. A representative of the Trinity College faculty and a Trinity College student may be in attendance.*

8. The Membership of the Committee is as printed in the Year Book on page 17.

QUESTION 37--What are the decisions of Conference respecting the Laws of the Church including the Rulings of the President during the Year?

There are none

Question 38--What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Public Questions?

PUBLIC QUESTIONS

Report pp 104-109

Errata: Note that the last para of p104, all of p105 and the top two lines of 106 are to be omitted. These were part of the 1995 Agenda.

Decisions:

1. The Report is received.
2. Wherever in the decisions under Public Questions, Conference asks for something to be done, the General Secretary is requested to write to the Prime Minister, the appropriate Cabinet Minister(s) and/or Members of Parliament conveying the matters which Conference wishes to draw to the attention of Government.
3. Conference urges the Government to take immediate steps to ensure that all low income households, including beneficiary households, have an income that provides adequate access to food, clothing, shelter, education, health care, recreation and social contact, without recourse to a special needs grant.
4. Conference:
 - (a) notes that the tax reductions made in July 1996 conferred minimum benefit to those on the lowest 10% of incomes, and that

the highest benefits were gained by those on incomes of over \$35,000 a year.

- (b) urges the Government to ensure that future tax cuts are designed to provide a proportionally greater benefit to those on lower incomes.
5. Conference
- (a) expresses its concern to Government about the high proportion of income expended on the cost of housing by many on low incomes, particularly as a result of the institution of market rental policy for Government housing;
 - (b) asks the government to take action to introduce a policy of income related rentals for Government housing.
6. Conference commends the Government for developing a discussion document on restorative justice and habilitation, and urges it to develop plans for the implementation of a justice system based on restorative principles.
7. Conference commends the discussion papers on Euthanasia, Restorative Justice, and Gambling to Methodist and Co-operating Venture Parishes and groups, and asks that comment and contributions on these issues be sent to the Joint Public Questions Committee.
8. Conference commends to Parishes, Co-operative Ventures and Synods the introductory leaflet and the booklet "The Alternative Vision", (which deal with the Hirangi hui and matters of Constitutional change) for study and discussion in 1997 and that feedback on the material be passed to the Joint Public Questions by the 31st July 1997.
9. Conference urges Parliament in 1997 to resolve the issue of Maori Reserved Land by giving serious consideration to the Maori Reserved Land Amendment Bill of 1996.
10. Conference
- (a) notes that in 1993 it urged the New Zealand Government to support the Draft United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples at the UN Human Rights Commission;
 - (b) notes that the Inter-Sessional Work Group of the UN Human Rights Commission has allowed representatives of indigenous people only very limited opportunities to participate in its meetings;
 - (c) requests the N Z Government to:
 - (i) adopt the view that the draft declaration represents the final expression of the minimum international standards for the protection and promotion of indigenous peoples' fundamental rights and that the current text of the draft should be adopted without change or deletions.

- (ii) support a change in the rules and processes of the Inter-Sessional Work Group of the Human Rights Commission to ensure the full and meaningful participation of indigenous peoples in any further consideration of the draft declaration.

11. The Membership of the Committee is as printed in the Year Book on page 22.

QUESTION 39 - What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Methodist Mission Aotearoa and Regional Missions?

SOCIAL SERVICES

Decisions:

Methodist Mission Aotearoa

pp 110-116

1. The Report is received.
2. Conference notes the new directions MMA intends to pursue during 1997.
3. MMA is to compile an in-depth report on social services being provided by Methodist Parishes or Missions throughout New Zealand, and report to Conference 1997.

NOTICE OF MOTION

That MMA be asked to respond to the following questions and shares its responses with the Council of Conference before May 1997:

- (i) *In the light of the re-shaping of MMA what consideration will be given to the strategy for the Bicultural delivery of Social Services?*
- (ii) *In the following review of Social Services how will the bicultural dimensions of Social Services be addressed?*
4. The content of the Notice of Motion is referred to MMA for consideration and discussion during 1997.

Auckland Methodist Mission

pp 117-122

5. The Report is received.
6. Conference accepts the change of name to "Methodist Mission Northern".
7. Conference receives and approves the revised Constitution, subject to:
 - (a) Section 4.2. being altered to 'Te Tiriti o Waitangi', rather than 'Treaty of Waitangi'.
 - (b) final formal approval by the President.

Christchurch Methodist Mission

pp 124-128

8. The Report is received.

Dunedin Methodist Mission

pp 129-131

9. The Report is received.

Wesley Wellington Mission

pp 336-378

10. The Report is received.
11. Conference notes that the Committee of Detail was not prepared to recommend all the suggested Decisions on pp 357-358 of the Report (particularly Decisions 7 and 8) and considered that suggested Decisions 9 and 10 were the business of the Methodist Mission Aotearoa, not of Wesley Wellington Mission.
It therefore refers the suggested Decisions back to Wesley Wellington Mission and Methodist Mission Aotearoa for further discussion and report, with specific Decisions, to Conference 1997.
12. The Membership of the Regional Mission Boards and the MMA Executive for 1997 is as printed on page 18.

QUESTION 40 - What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Ministry Resourcing Unit (Trinity College)?

MINISTRY RESOURCING UNIT (TRINITY COLLEGE)

Report pp 275-285

Decisions:

1. The Report is received.
2. Matters relating to the definition "Lay Ministry Training" are referred to the Co-ordinating Committee of the Mission and Ministry Resourcing Units for further consultation with Taha Maori, Tauwi Youth Board and the Restructuring Committee, and for report to Synods, UDC's and Conference 1997.
3. Conference acknowledges the Review of the Partnership completed by Dr Norman Young and expresses appreciation for the clarity of his report, affirming also the vision of those who pioneered the partnership of St John's/Trinity Theological Colleges.
4. Conference acknowledges and records its appreciation of the contribution of Richard Waugh and Maureen Giles to the work of Trinity College Council.

5. Conference:
 - (a) acknowledges the hurt caused by earlier decisions requiring Deaconesses to resign from their Order on marriage.
 - (b) agrees that a letter be sent (or delivered) from the Conference to those concerned, informing them of this acknowledgement.
 - (c) asks the Administration Division to print an "In Memoriam" list of Deaconesses and Deacons who have died in service, similar to the list currently printed for Presbyters.
6. Conference acknowledges the conclusion of the relationship with the Melbourne College of Divinity and expresses appreciation for the significance of this relationship in the development of theological education for Trinity College.
7. Conference approves the job description for the position of Lecturer in Systematic Theology.
8. Conference receives and acknowledges as Fellows of Trinity College: Bruce Gordon, Jack Penman, Donald Phillipps, Wilfred Winstone, and Joan Young noting that Jack Lewis and Keith Rowe are current Fellows.
9. The Membership of the Council is as printed in the Year Book on page 19.

QUESTION 41-What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Wesley College?

WESLEY COLLEGE

Report pp143-145

Decisions:

1. The Report is received.
2. Conference notes the 30 years of service to the Board by each of Brian Caughey and Eric Beavis.
3. The Membership of the Trust Board is as printed in the Year Book on page 24.

QUESTION 42 - What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Council for Mission & Ecumenical Co-operation?

COUNCIL FOR MISSION

Report pp 75-99, 100-103, 209-212

Errata:

Conference notes the following corrections in the Reports:
 p 76, para. 4 from the New Guinea Highlands and the Solomon Islands where ...

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| p 77, para 2 | Tamil Elam |
| p 77, para 3 | (1) mistrust among the people. |
| | (2) 10 April 1995, the Interim Government , and ... |
| | (3) Bougainville people. |
| p 83, para 2 | The Karen are the indigenous (Omit 'in') |
| p 84 | (e) 30 years |
| | (4) country |

Decisions:

1. The Report is received.
2. Conference requests the President to send greetings to:
 - (a) Rev Robert Patterson (STT Intim, Ujung Pandang, Indonesia), Dr Roger & Mrs Kathy Brown (Helena Goldie Hospital, Solomon Islands), Deacon Lucy Money (Translation work, Choiseul, Solomon Islands), New Zealanders serving with the Council for Mission.
 - (b) Rev Martin Manses (Navota Farm, Vanuatu), Rev Dr Herman Shastri (STM Malaysia), Mrs Kamla Singh (St Thomas' School, India) and Dr Cecil Harrison (Christian Hospital, Jagadhri), indigenous staff of the Council for Mission.
 - (c) Rev John & Myrtle Rough (Tangintebu Theological College, Kiribati), Dr Terry Cowland (Goldie College, Solomon Islands), as they return to Aotearoa New Zealand in December.
 - (d) Mr Colin McLennan (Rehab Craft, Cambodia), Mrs Katherine McDaniel (Chiang Mai Church of Christ in Thailand, Prison Ministry) and Rev Winston Baker (Kowloon Union Church, Hong Kong), Ms Pauline McKay (World Council of Churches), Overseas Associate Workers with the Council for Mission.
 - (e) The Rev Bruce & Mrs Gwen Deverell (twenty years in Fiji) recently returned to New Zealand; the Rev Seru & Mrs Wati Beraki of Fiji, who have retired after serving first the Joint Board and then Council for Mission for 30 years in the New Guinea Highlands and the Solomon Islands; Miss Kath Kerr, who has served five years at Goldie College, Solomon Islands and is preparing to return after a year at home.
 - (f) Mr Dick Yates who voluntarily continues to serve the Council for Mission & Ecumenical Co-operation as Finance Advisor.
 - (g) Mrs Judith Williams and Mr Melvan Driscoll, both former office staff of the Council for Mission & Ecumenical Co-operation.
3. Conference records its appreciation to Dr Garth Cant for his service to and leadership within the Council for Mission & Ecumenical Co-operation.

4. Conference requests the President to convey warm greetings to Dr Feliciano V. Carino, the new General Secretary of the Christian Conference of Asia.
5. Conference conveys greetings to the National Council of Churches in Sri Lanka and commend the peace-making initiatives taken during the difficult civil war being waged in their country.
6. Conference supports the application of Taiwan for membership of United Nations and conveys this support to the Presbyterian Church of Taiwan - the General Secretary to notify the Presbyterian Church of Taiwan of the Conference decision.
7. Conference commends Government for
 - (a) its stance against French nuclear testing in the Pacific.
 - (b) its support of a total personnel land mine ban.
 - (c) on taking urgency on extra-territorial legislation relating to child prostitution.
 - (d) its continued support of the United Nations.
8. Conference calls on Government to facilitate an enquiry into the death of Kamal Bamadhaj at Dili on November 12, 1991.
9. Conference continues to be aware of the suffering of the Bougainville people, and urges the New Zealand Government to press for United Nations intervention through a peace-keeping force and a referendum, the ultimate goal being a peaceful political self-determination.
10. Conference:
 - (a) commends the Bangladesh Government for its action banning child labour and requiring children to attend school, and notes children are being paid to compensate for the loss of their wages.
 - (b) commends the Government of the United States of America through the Embassy for their action in banning the import of goods made by child labour.
11. Conference affirms the appointments of Terry Wall and Nicola Grundy as Te Haahi Weteriana's representatives on CCANZ Forum.
12. Conference affirms the principles of the Extra Commitment Missionary Support proposal and encourages the Council for Mission & Ecumenical Co-operation to initiate its implementation.
13. Conference encourages congregations to prepare for the World Council of Churches Assembly in Harare in 1998 through study of the *Theology of Life and Gospel and Culture* papers available from the Council for Mission.
14. Conference, through the Council for Mission & Ecumenical Co-operation, should continue to respond to invitations from the World Council of Churches to nominate people to attend the various conferences and courses they organise.

15. Conference affirms the membership of the Methodist Church of New Zealand, Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa, in the World Methodist Council.
16. Conference urges groups and individuals within the Church to work with Unit 4 of the Council for Mission & Ecumenical Co-operation in raising concerns with and preparing papers for presentation to the World Methodist Council.
17. Conference encourages all Parishes to observe the following:

12 December	Human Rights Day
7 March 1997	World Day of Prayer
18 May 1997	Asia Sunday
Ascension-Pentecost	Week of Prayer for Christian Unity
15 June 1997	Disability Awareness
6 July	Refugee Sunday
20 July	Bible Sunday
3 August	Peace Sunday
5 October	World Communion/World Mission Sunday
19-26 October	Week of Prayer for World Peace/Asia Youth Week
18. The membership of the Co-ordinating Committee and of the Units for 1997 is as printed in the Year Book on page 15.

QUESTIONS 43- What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Mission Resourcing Unit?

MISSION RESOURCING UNIT

Response

Report pp384-387

1. The Report is received.
2. Subject to the Council of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of New Zealand also so deciding, over the next year the Mission Resourcing Unit and Mission Resource Board relocate the tasks of and close RESPONSE, by January 1998.
3. That no new programmes be taken on by RESPONSE and current programmes be completed during 1997.
4. This Conference recommends that the Mission Resourcing Unit and Mission Resource Board continue to work jointly on the development of Mission and Stewardship resources.
5. That the Methodist church continue to provide funds for the development of Mission and Stewardship resources.

Decisions:

1. The Report is received.
2. The Mission Resourcing Unit Superintendent is asked to continue to explore with Methodist Chaplains issues relating to the Bicultural Journey, accountability, and funding.
3. (a) That Question 15A be reworded as follows:
 "What Deacons or Presbyters are not available for Stationing this year? (All ministers whose names are recorded under this question shall enter into a Ministry Covenant with the Church):
 (a) Deacons
 (b) Presbyters.
- (b) That there be Question 15(B) "What Deacon(s) or Presbyter(s) are appointed as Chaplains, and therefore are not available for Stationing? (All ministers whose names are recorded under this question shall be in respect of Conference-approved appointments and positions):
 (a) Deacons
 (b) Presbyters.
4. Acknowledging that there will be less money available for Grants-in-Aid, Conference suggests that the Mission Resourcing Unit enters into discussion with our Partner Churches and explores ways of enabling parishes which will be affected by the reducing availability of funds to address new ways of operating.
5. The Laws and Regulations
 (a) Section 3:11.1 of the laws and Regulations is amended to read:
 During the first quarter of every fifth year of every ministerial appointment, there shall normally be a consultation to review the life, work and future of the pastorate. Such consultation shall take place in terms of Section 4-13.1 to 13.3
 (b) The Appendix to Section 4-(B) (Guidelines for the Review of Parish Life and Work) - 2(a) shall read "The Review is to take place during the first quarter of every fifth year in each congregation or parish."
6. Conference approves Grants-in-Aid, 1996/97, as follows:

PARISH	Methodist Last Year	Total Application	Allocations	Methodist Contribution		Denomination.
				Budget	Winstone	
New Lynn C.V.	75	6,000	3,000	833		M/P
Botany Downs		45,000	?	3,300		A/M/P
Avondale U.P	1,17	4,000	2,400		1,000	A/M/P
Turangi C.P.	81	10,114	10,110	1,260		A/M/P

Tamatea C.P.		3,000	2,400		300	M/P
Bell Block C.P.		3,500	2,800	350		A/M/P
St Lukes U.P.	3,00	7,000	6,250		1,750	M/P
Nelson						
Greymouth U.P.	1,75	10,000	8,000	2,000		M/P
Otatara C.V.		5,500	2,400		600	M/P
Bluff C.P.		6,000	6,000		750	A/M/P
Lower Hutt- Petone		7,000			6,000	M
Dannevirke	3,00	4,500			3,000	M
Waimea	6,00	4,000			3,000	M
Glen Innes	3,00	3,000	3,000		3,000	A/M
TOTAL METHODIST ALLOCATIONS				\$7,743	19,400	

7. Conference commends the 'Alpha Course' to the Mission Resourcing Unit as one means of Church growth and evangelism for Parishes.

NOTICE OF MOTION"

That 'supply ministries' should follow the process set down for stationing and that we affirm the role of connexionally ordained presbyters and the Connexional nature of the church.

The Lawbook states in Section 2-17.16 "The appointment of a person working under a Lay Ministry Covenant shall not preclude the right of the Conference to station an ordained Presbyter in the Parish concerned." There appears to be nothing in the Lawbook which prevents a "Supply Ministry" being put in place while available ordained itinerant presbyters effectively become unemployed.

8. The Notice of Motion is referred to the Mission Resourcing Unit for study and report Synods by August 1997.

NOTICE OF MOTION

In order to accommodate applicants for ministry from the Co-operating Ventures, when assessing such applicants that a representative from The Forum of Cooperative Ventures be included.

9. "The Methodist Church of New Zealand encourages the the Mission Resourcing Unit to continue dialogue with the appropriate groups in the Partner Churches and invites participation from the Standing Committee of the Forum of Cooperative Ventures in matters relating to Ministry selection criteria and process, especially for applicants - candidates for Ordained Ministry offering from Cooperating Parishes.

10. The Membership of the Mission Resource Unit Board for 1997 is as printed in the Year Book on pages 21.

Evangelism Task Group

pp 191-192

1. The Report is received.
2. The establishment of the Evangelism Task Group in Waikato is endorsed.

Deacons' Task Group

pp 191-192

Decisions:

1. The Report is received.
2. Conference notes that the Convener is Valma Hallam.

Futures Group

pp 188-190

Decisions:

1. The Report is received.
2. Conference affirms the work of the Futures Group and supports it in continuing its task.

Travel & Study Committee

pp 205-206

Decisions:

1. The Report is received.
2. The Committee for 1997 is: Robyn Brown, John Murray, Jack Penman (Convener), Jill van de Geer, Gillian Watkin.

QUESTION 44 - What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Fiji Advisory Committee?

FIJI ADVISORY COMMITTEE

pp 240-243

Decisions:

1. The Report is received.
2. Conference commends the Rev. Jione Langi for his support and leadership in the work of the Fiji Ministry in New Zealand.
3. Conference notes that the Fiji Advisory Committee will meet at Auckland.
4. Conference notes the following Advisory Committee representatives:

Tauiwi Forum	- Rev J Langi
Mission Resourcing Unit	- Susau Strickland
Council of Conference	- Vane Vatucicila
Tauiwi Youth Board	- Rejieli Langi
Youth	- Rejieli Langi

5. (a) The Khyber Pass Fellowship is formally received into the Fiji Advisory Committee and the Methodist Church of New Zealand.
 (b) Two representatives from the Khyber Pass Fellowship are to be members of the Fiji Advisory Committee.
 (c) The law Book to be altered accordingly.
6. The Membership of the Fiji Executive is as printed in the Year Book on page 16.

QUESTION 45 - What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Samoan Synod?

SAMOAN SYNOD

pp 254-257

Decisions:

1. The Report is received.
2. Conference agrees to continue to fund the Samoan Synod through the Connexional Budget.
3. Conference asks the Samoan Synod to undertake a review of its financial needs during 1998.
4. Conference acknowledges the need to give priority to the placement of Samoan Ministers who are working in Palagi Parishes to fill vacancies in Samoan ministry positions if and when required. This matter is referred to the Mission Resourcing Unit and the Taiwi Forum.

QUESTION 46 - What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Tongan Advisory Committee?

TONGAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Report pp 379-383

Decisions:

1. The Report is received.
2. (a) Conference approves membership of the Tongan Advisory Committee as: President and Vice-President of the Church, Convener, Secretary, Treasurer, all ordained Tongan Presbyters stationed in New Zealand and Presbyters on secondment to the New Zealand Methodist Conference from the Conference of the Free Wesleyan Church of Tonga; two lay representatives (of whom one will be male and one female) from each Tongan congregation/fellowship not in the Auckland-Manukau Parishes, one lay representative from each of the sixteen Tongan Fellowships

of Auckland-Manukau (of which eight representatives will be female and eight male); the Tongan youth co-ordinator and one other youth representative; one Synod representative from each District in which there is a Tongan Fellowship.

- (b) The Laws and Regulations, Section 5.31.3, are amended accordingly.
- 3. Conference notes that
 - (a) nominations for election in 1997 to the Council of Conference are: Tevita Finau, Kilifi Heimuli, Kalolina Hafu, Langi'ila Uasi.
 - (b) nominations for election in 1997 to the Taiuiwi Forum are: Viliami Finau, Valeti Finau, 'Epeli Taungapeau, Niselu Uesi.
 - (c) the representative to the Mission Resourcing Unit is: Sione Ha'angana
 - (d) representatives to the Taiuiwi Youth Board are: Tevita Finau, Des Manukia, 'Ofa Mone, Langi'ila Uasi (substitute).
 - (e) the representative on the Faith and Order Committee is: Kepu Moa, Sione Ha'angana (substitute).
- 4. The Membership of the Tongan Advisory Committee is as printed in the Year Book on page 23

FIJI / SAMOAN / TONGAN

Decisions:

- 1. Noting the suggested Decision 5 under Taiuiwi Youth Board Report, (p174), that Taiuiwi National Youth Co-ordinators be Resource Appointments, and noting the decisions of the Samoan Synod and the Tongan Advisory Committee that the positions of each of the Samoan and Tongan Youth Co-ordinators shall also be Resource Appointments; and that each position should receive the same degree of funding as the Pakeha Youth Co-ordinators:
 - (a) Conference affirms the principle of equitable funding for Taiuiwi Youth Ministry.
 - (b) Conference asks the Mission Resourcing Unit in consultation with the Budget Task Group is to seek to find a way of equitably funding all Taiuiwi Youth Ministries for 1997/98, noting that extra funding may be needed for the Mission Resourcing Unit.
 - (c) Conference asks the Mission Resourcing Unit in consultation with the Taiuiwi Youth Board to consider the positions of National Youth Co-ordinators over the next twelve months, with the intention of better serving the ministry needs and the resourcing of Taiuiwi Youth, including the matter of their being Resource Appointments, and to bring recommendations for action to Conference 1997.

2. Conference acknowledges the contributions made
 - (a) by Rev. Tavake Tupou, during his Presidential year, to the life and work of the Samoan, Tongan and Fiji ministries of the Church in New Zealand, and
 - (b) by Aso Saleupolu as Superintendent of the Samoan Synod, and
 - (c) by Susau Strickland to both Church and community.

QUESTION 47--What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Church Union?

CHURCH UNION

pp158; 186f

Decisions:

1. The Report is received.
2. Reaffirming our commitment to unity and acknowledging the invitation of the Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa/New Zealand to a year of dialogue:
 - (a) Te Haahi Weteriana as a first step commits itself to comprehensive conversations within our own life, and requests the Mission Resourcing Unit and the Faith and Order Committee to consult along with the Standing Committee of the Forum of Cooperative Ventures in the preparation of a suitable Study/Discussion Paper as an aid to the Church. This discussion paper shall cover the issues surrounding Unity, Justice and Shalom..
 - (b) Acknowledges the place of Co-operative Ventures and affirm the continuing threads of dialogue and initiatives taking place in them.
3. Conference notes that the Church Union Committee during 1996 has operated as a Committee of the Mission Resourcing Unit, and resolves that until further decision, the Mission Resourcing Unit have responsibility for matters relating to Church Union, with power to convene a sub-committee to handle Church Union issues as necessary.

QUESTION 48--What are the decision of Conference on matters relating to Statistics?

None.

QUESTION 49--What are the decisions of Conference relating to becoming a Bicultural Church?

BICULTURAL CHURCH

Report pp 216-221

Decisions:

1. The Report is received.
2. Conference acknowledges and thanks Mervyn Dine for his 6 years of service on the Bicultural Committee.
3. Conference recognises the importance of selecting the President and Vice-President in a way that is appropriate to both Treaty Partners. Tauíwi has a commitment to discussing seriously among Tauíwi at all levels a possible selection process and asks Tauíwi Form to guide the process during 1997.
Tauíwi commits itself to working with Te Taha Maori through Council of Conference towards bringing a recommendation to the 1997.
4. Representatives of Council of Elders will attend the following meetings:

Annual Conference	all 6 members
Council of Conference	1 Taha Maori, 1 Tauíwi Elder
5. Conference asks the Tauíwi Forum at its March 1997 meeting to reflect on the Tauíwi Stationing Processes of 1996 in order that it might find better ways to co-ordinate Tauíwi Stationing in 1997. The Mission Resourcing Unit is asked to provide resource material for this reflection, the Tauíwi Forum to reflect each year on the process of Stationing.
6.
 - (a) Conference approves the use of a common process in 1997 for the appointments of Tauíwi members of the Tauíwi Forum and of the Council of Conference, the General Secretary to inform Synods, Advisory Committees, U.D.C's and EYY Board that they need to make their nominations in August.
 - (b) The Tauíwi Nominations Committee shall be convened by the Nominations Committee member of the Synod where Conference is being held. (N.B. in 1997 this will be the member from Wellington Synod.)
 - (c) This process, adopted for 1997 shall be referred to the Restructuring Task Group, which will prepare guidelines for presentation to Conference 1997 for its future implementation.

NOTICE OF MOTION

That District Synods report annually to the Conference, as the Samoan Synod has done in 1996.

Note: This would enable Districts to identify major trends and events within the District, and to report the District strategy.

7. Conference refers this matter to the Restructuring Task Group for consideration including the preparation of Guidelines for reporting in the future.
8. Conference notes that in order for the Auckland District Synod to fulfil Section of the Law Book it will-
 - * meet on four occasions during the year for a full day
 - * Interest Groups will deal with particular items during the year
 - * The district will be divided into three regions (North, West and Central) each with their own Regional Liaison Person (or whatever title the Synod may wish to give them). The regions will meet during the Synod meetings to transact business related to that region.
 - * The Regional Liaison Persons will work with the District Superintendent in the pastoral Care of the District.
 - * An executive made up of the District Superintendent, the Regional Liaison Person, the District Secretary, the District Property Secretary, the Interest Group Convenors will meet monthly.
 - * There are not extra Connexional expenses involved in this format.
9. The Law Revision Committee is asked to revise the Sections of the Law Book in relation to District Leadership to recognise the diversity of practice in the Church.

NOTICE OF MOTION

We are aware there are a number of issues which appear on the floor of Conference which are not strictly Conference matters, but rather should be dealt with by eg Tauwiwi or the English speaking part of the Church. We do not believe it is fair to ask the other partner and even at times other partners within Tauwiwi, to spend Conference time on matters that should be considered within a different context.

Conference requests the Restructuring Committee to consult with the wider church and report back to Conference 1997 with a suggested process for ensuring only Conference matters are brought to Conference and that other issues have an appropriate place to go to.

10. Conference refers this Notice of Motion to the Welfare of the Church Committee for consideration and to report to the May Meeting of Council of Conference and Conference 1997. This could mean significant change for the 1997 Conference.
11. Membership of the Committee for 1997 is as printed in the Year Book on page 2.

NOTICE OF MOTION

The Samoan Synod requests this Conference to put in place a policy whereby ordained practising homosexual ministers are not to be

appointed to position of responsibility/leadership within our Methodist Church.

NO RECOMMENDATION, Conference noted Resolution 7, page 696 of the 1993 Conference Minutes.

Question 50--What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Te Taha Maori?

TE TAHA MAORI

pp 45-53

Decisions:

1. The Report is received.
2. Hui Poari membership for 1997 is as printed in the Year Book on page xxx
3. Te Runanga Whakawhanaunga I Nga Haahi o Aotearoa for 1997 is as printed in the Year Book on page 5.

Grey Institute Trust

p248

Decisions:

1. The Report is received.
2. The membership of the Trust is: Dugan Te Awhe, Juanita Bishop, Moke Couch, Doris Elphick (chairperson), Doreen Erueti, Ruby Fenton, John Honeyfield, Aroha Houston, Raima Kingi, Heremia Pate, John Roberts, Ted Tamiti.

Board of the Wellington Methodist Charitable And Educational Endowments

p230

Decisions:

1. The Report is received.
2. The membership of the Board for 1997 is: Grant Bolitho, Kiriini Gordon, Christine Kershaw, Daphne Pratt, Neville Price (Secretary), Owen Prior (Chairperson), John Roberts, Keith Taylor, Lani Tupu, Barrie Woods.

QUESTION 51--What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Education?

**YOUTH MINISTRY
EMPOWER YOUR YOUTH BOARD**

pp 163-170

Decisions:

1. The Report is received.
2. Conference supports and affirms the statement in the report on 'Relational Youth Ministry' (pp 167-169) and sees it as central to the development of youth ministry.

The Order of St Stephen

3. Although noting that it needs revitalisation, Conference confirms the Order of St Stephen as an ongoing part of the life of the Church.
4. (a) The Mission Resourcing Unit shall have responsibility for the administration and promotion of the Order of St Stephen as the Order is for all ages, not just youth.
(b) That the Mission Resourcing Unit consult the Manawatu Order of St Stephen Group about the changes in administration and give particular attention to revitalising the Order.

Youthtrek

5. (a) Conference acknowledges that Youthtrek has been a point of contention in the Church, notes that the Empower Your Youth Board and Conference have addressed these past concerns, and resolves that now is the time to move forward.
(b) Conference affirms that Youthtrek or a similar national event is organised by Empower Your Youth Board for English-speaking youth within the pakeha culture, but affirms that it is open to all Methodist youth who wish to attend.

Youth Policy Review

6. Conference requests the Mission Resourcing Unit to manage the review of the Empower Your Youth Board in consultation with EYY as soon as possible.

Membership Representatives

7. Membership of the Empower Your Youth Board for 1997 is: Gavin Clements, Audrey Dickinson, Gabrielle Fawcner, Mitch Hawn, John Hebenton (Convener), Malcolm Salter, Alan Staite, and the Youth Co-

ordinators - Matthew Roberts and Russell Fleet, together with such other members as the President shall appoint.

Note: Some Synods have still to nominate their representatives.

8. The Youth Co-ordinators Management Group is: John Eaddy, Gabrielle Fawcner, David Baird and Kathy Clifford.
9. The English-speaking Youth representatives to the Taiwi Youth Board are Russell Fleet, Beverley Aufai and one other nominated by EYY.
10. The EYY representatives on the Diploma in Youth Ministry Board are Robyn Brown and Matthew Roberts.

EDUCATIONAL MINISTRY

pp176-179

Decisions:

1. The report is received.
2. The members of the Educational Ministry Task Group are thanked for carrying out their task so effectively, and the Task Group is now disbanded. Margaret Hamilton and Winifred Murray in future will relate through staff meetings to the Mission Resourcing Unit.
3. The Central Complaints Committee is asked to appoint a part-time administrator beginning in the 1997/98 financial year, taking into account the discussion paper which was circulated to Synods and the Synods' comments.

TAUIWI YOUTH BOARD

pp171-175

Decisions:

1. The Report is received. **NB.** Conference received an amended version of the diagram on page 173.
2. Conference affirms its support of the following philosophy of Youth Ministry: *"Youth Ministry must be developed, resourced, and supported by Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa as an on-going ministry."*
3. The Taiwi Youth Board for 1997 is:
Fiji: Susau Strickland, Rejieli Langi, Uluilakeba Mocevakaca.
Tongan: Tevita Finau, 'Ofa Mone (Co-Convenor), John Manukia (Treasurer)
Samoan: Tavita Filemoni, Terry Afa and one other
English-speaking: Beverley Aufai, Russell Fleet and one other
4. That TYB representatives on Mission Resourcing Unit are: 'Ofa Mone, Russell Fleet and Tavita Filemoni.

5. The TYB representative on the Diploma in Youth Ministry Board is Tavita Filemoni.
 6. The Mission Resourcing Unit in consultation with TYB is asked to consider the positions of National Youth Co-ordinators over the next twelve months with the intention of better serving the ministry needs and resourcing of Tauivi Youth, and to bring recommendations for action to Conference 1997.
- NB Questions 45, 46, under the heading "**General**" Decision 1.

Churches Education Commission

pages 193-194

Decisions:

1. The Report is received.
2. The Methodist Church of New Zealand continues to support the educational ministry of the Churches Education Commission at this time.
3. Conference recognises that the work of CEC is part of the mission of our church as CEC relates to the children and young people of our nation. The matter of Connexional financial support for the Churches Education Commission is referred to the Budget Task Group.

QUESTION 52--What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Administration Division?

ADMINISTRATION DIVISION

pp300-319

Decisions:

1. The Report is received.
Standard Reimbursing Allowances
2. Conference approves the continuing use of the process which has been adopted since 1982 for the setting of the standard reimbursing allowances to be paid to Presbyters and Deacons, acknowledging that it is no longer possible to obtain Inland Revenue Department approval and noting that the allowances will be reviewed in July each year commencing from July 1997.
Employment Status of the Ministry
3. Conference:
 - (a) notes that the position of the employment status of the Ministry is still under consideration and that the position taken by the Board of Administration may also change in the light of recent Court decisions and the possibility of changes in the secular law, particularly the Employment Contracts Act. That may depend on what government is formed, and therefore,

- (b) does not accept that the fourth paragraph on page 316 in the report under 'Employment Status of Presbyters' necessarily reflects the current position of the Conference on the issue of the relationship the Church has with its Ministry.

Parity of Stipend

4. Conference affirms the continuing use of the existing formula to establish the Standard Stipend.
5. Conference notes the section of the Board of Administration report regarding future finances and that expenditure exceeding income will need attention, possibly including contribution in future from the Connexional Budget.

Connexional Banking Arrangement

6. Conference affirms the Connexional Banking Arrangement and requests any Church group maintaining a bank account outside the Connexional Banking Arrangement to take prompt steps to bring the account within the Methodist Church Connexional Banking Arrangement.

General

7. The Archives Committee for 1997 is:
Stan West, David White, Marcia Baker, Frank Paine, Olive Thompson, Esther Trim, Rae Wilson, Pat Greening, Rachel Tregurtha, John Cookson, Fred Baker, John Dawson, Stanley Barnes and corresponding member Verna Mossong.

NOTICE OF MOTION

'The Waikato-Bay of Plenty Synod asks the Methodist Church of New Zealand, Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa, to set in place a commission that could have the task of examination of the issues pertaining to "copyright" and its implications for the church - seeking ways and means of financing a national coverage for all manner of printed and other mediums, that would free the local Church's responsibility.

Because the implications of copyright for local parishes is complicated and expensive if undertaken by individual units, we would ask that the national Church begin to prepare a careful appraisal of the issues involved, examine the possibility of the legal implications, seek brokerage facilitates and explore the possibility of a policy that covers the national scene.'

- 8- Noting that the Board of Administration is already dealing with copyright issues, the content of the Notice of Motion is referred to the Board of Administration for appropriate attention with the object of the Connexional Office providing a channel on all matters of copyright.

Note: The Board of Administration may prepare and provide an information leaflet on the issue of copyright.

9. The Membership of the Board for 1997 is as printed in the Year Book on page 2.

QUESTION 53--What are the decisions on matters relating to the Investment Board?

INVESTMENT BOARD

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Decisions

1. The Report is received.
2. The Membership of the Board for 1997 is as printed in the Year Book on page 16.

QUESTION 54--What are the decisions on matters relating to the Methodist Trust Association?

METHODIST TRUST ASSOCIATION

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Decisions:

1. The Report is received.
2. The accounts are received.
3. Conference records its appreciation of Mr Brian Underwood's service on the Boards of the New Zealand Methodist Trust Association, the Investment Board and PACT 2086 Trust.
4. Conference recommend investment of Church funds with the Association to all Treasurers, Parishes and Church organisations.
5. The Membership of the Board for 1997 is as printed in the Year Book on page 19.

QUESTION 55--What-are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Connexional Trusts?

PACT 2086 TRUST

pp238-239 & pp267-271

Decision:

1. The Reports are received.
2. In view of the fact that Taha Maori affirms the Council of Conference Review Report to Conference 1995 and accordingly does not support a review of the decisions of the 1987 Conference relating to the

establishment of the PACT 2086 Trust and the PAC Distribution Group, Conference refers the Report of the 1996 Task Group to the PAC Distribution Group for consideration.

PAC Distribution

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Decision:

1. The Report is received.

Robert Gibson Trust Board

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1. The Report is received.
2. The Membership Board for 1997 is as printed in the Year Book on page 22.

Methodist Provident Society

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1. The Report is received.
2. Noting that the Rules provide a weighting on the Board in favour of the Board of Administration which is no longer appropriate, Conference approves alteration of the Rules to provide for the Board of Management to comprise 10 members, 5 to be appointed by the Board of Administration and 5 appointed at the Annual Meeting from the membership.
3. The Board for 1997 is: Alan Bettany, Cheryl Brown, Elizabeth Cant, Rona Collins, Warren Hudson, David Patrick, Donald Phillipps, Pat Teague, with two more persons to be appointed by the Board of Administration.
4. That the \$20,000 available for allocation be distributed as follows:
 - (a) \$1,000 to each District to be paid to one school in that District, selected by the District, to assist in a relief from illiteracy programme. (Total \$11,000)
 - (b) \$4,500 to the NZ Council of Christian Social Services as seeding finance for an Advocacy Programme for the eradication of poverty and illiteracy in New Zealand.
 - (c) \$4,500 to the Joint Methodist Presbyterian Public Questions Committee for research into the eradication of poverty with the expectation that the Committee's work will be published and promoted within the Church.

QUESTION 56--What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Connexional Budget?

CONNEXIONAL BUDGET

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Decision:

- 1 The Report is received.
- 2 The Membership of the Task Group is as printed in the Year Book on page 25.

REPORT OF THE GENERAL SECRETARY TO CONFERENCE 1996

- 1(a). I report that I have received all audited Annual Accounts with the exception of Grey Institute Trust and the Methodist Mission Aotearoa for the Financial Year ended since last Conference of the Boards and Funds under the Conference.

All other audited Accounts have been placed in the Conference Journal.

- (b) Audit Certificates have not been received from the following Parishes:

Auckland Central Parish	Tokoroa
Roskill	Ashurst-Bunthythorpe-Pohangina
Orakei	Wellington Central
East Coast Bays	Nelson
Auckland Manukau Tongan Fellowship	Christchurch East
Hamilton	Dunedin

QUESTION 57--Who is elected President of the Church for induction at next Conference?

Norman E Brookes, MA

QUESTION 58--Have adequate arrangements been made for the President's supply?

In consultation with the President-Elect adequate arrangements will be made.

QUESTION 59--Who is elected the President's Legal Adviser?

Mr Geoffrey H Peak, LLB

QUESTION 60--Who is elected Vice-President for induction at next Conference?

Mrs Susau Strickland

QUESTION 61--Who are elected as District Superintendents for the ensuing year?

As printed in the Year Book on page 7.

QUESTION 62--Who are elected as Secretaries of Synods for the ensuing year?

As printed in the Year Book on page 8.

QUESTION 63--Who are elected as Financial Secretaries of Synods for the ensuing year?

As printed in the Year Book on page 9.

QUESTION 64--Who are elected as Property Secretaries of Synods for the ensuing year?

As printed in the Year Book on page 10.

QUESTION 65--Who are appointed as members of the following Standing Committees and their Conveners?

(a) Committee of Privileges

To be appointed as required.

(b) Committee of Exigency

To be appointed as required.

(c) Pastoral Committee

The President, Ex-President, President-Elect, the Vice-President, Ex-Vice-President, the Vice-President-Elect, General Secretary, Superintendent of the Mission Resourcing Unit, Nga Kaiarahi

(d) President's Committee of Advice.

Ruth Bilverstone, Tavake Tupou, Jill van de Geer, Norman Brookes, Susau Strickland, Donald Phillipps and others chosen by the President.

(e) Council of Elders

Taha Maori: Bill Nathan, Bella Ngaha, Rua Rakena, Pari Waaka,

Tauiwi: Vonnie Keightley, Wendie Rosewell, Kerry Watkins.

- (f) Tauiwi Forum
The Tauiwi Forum is as printed in the Year Book on page 23.

QUESTION 66---When and where shall the next Conference be held?

Wellington
8 to 13 November 1997

QUESTION 67--When shall the Annual Meeting of Synods be held?

1 - 8 August 1997

QUESTION 68--

- (a) What is God saying to us now?
(b) What more can be done to promote the work of God?

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Pastoral Committee	- to be advised - 25 August 1997
Council of Conference	- 2 - 4 May 1997 - 15-17 August 1997 - 10-12 October 1997
Tauiwi Forum / Pakeha Meeting	- 18-19 March 1997
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